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From the Commodore September 2015

Another great month of boating for OYC—and the great summer weather we are experiencing is icing on the cake!

I would like to thank Bob Hill for hosting another fun-filled Happy Hour at Osprey's at the beginning of August! And I'd like to welcome all our new members! We are looking forward to seeing you all on the water and at our land events.

As usual, our club members have been rafting up in various places. Gilligan's and the crabs there turned out to be a nice way to spend a weekend. Impromptu raftups at Mattawoman and trips to Tim's have seemed like a common theme, and some of the boaters took to the eastern shore of Maryland to see Shad Landing, Onancock, and Crisfield!!! For all of you boaters out there who haven't ventured too far from Occoquan, consider places you'd like to go next year and start planning your time off. The discoveries are endless, and I'm now certain that the Chesapeake is one of the best boating regions in the world.

Coming up, we have the End of Summer event at Belmont Bay in mid-September...we are planning to combine the Shrimpfest event with the End of Summer. We'll need some help coordinating the boat arrivals, helping folks dock their boats, distributing welcome packets, and conducting setup/takedown of some chairs and things. Keep an eye out for opportunities to lend a hand and meet some more of your fellow yacht-club members in an active, game-filled, environment.

In October, we'll have our big General Membership meeting; we will present a budget for 2016 for your vote and will get that out for your review in late September. We will have a chili cook-off at the event, so start searching out your recipes and dig out those crock-pots. Prizes will be awarded!

In November, we'll have our annual Change of Watch dinner party with dancing, food and drink, and, of course, awards for the past year will be handed out. I am currently accepting nominations for Golden Snorkel and Bent Prop, and am assessing who the lucky recipient will be for the Commodore's Cup.

Finally, for those who want to hang onto boating as long as possible, join us for the Hardy Souls Cruise in November up at National Harbor and the Parade of Lights in Washington DC in December. In the meantime, hoist the sails and pump the fuel through those cylinders...see you on the water!!!

Bud and Heidi
Hi-Jinx²



VICE COMMODORE

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Vice Commodore's Log - September

OYC 2015 EVENTS

September

04 Happy Hour – Blu1861 at OHM, 5:00 pm

04 Corinthian Cruise (9/4-7)

04 Tall Timbers burning of the boat (9/4-7)

18 End of Summer (18-20)

19 Shrimpfest

TBD Nationals Baseball Game (late September)

October

02 Happy Hour

24 General Membership Meeting & Chili Cook-Off

November

06 Happy Hour

06 Hardy Souls Cruise (10/6-8, Veteran's Day)

14 OYC Change of Watch

December

04 Happy Hour

05 Parade of Lights or Santa Cruise to Occoquan



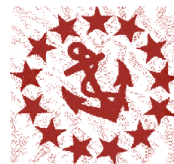
G'day mates! **EOS** is the ripper **End of Summer** party OYC is hosting for PRYCA that we fondly call 'Send Summer Down Under!' We'll hold the event at Belmont Bay Harbor Marina 18-20 September, and it will

include our annual Shrimpfest on Saturday! We've moved the event from Columbus Day weekend to September in order to (hopefully) have better weather and better participation. But don't hesitate to do your best anti-rain dance! Slips will be available at Belmont Bay Marina. More information will be broadcast soon or **Check out the Schedule of Events and Registration Form at the end of this newsletter!!!**

- Play in the tournament at The Osprey's Golf Club at Belmont Bay
- Walk through Occoquan Bay National Wildlife Refuge
- See and shop and dine The Historic Town of Occoquan
- Participate in nautical activities and events

- Learn to paint while enjoying your favorite wine
- Compete in the 'Send Summer Down Under' Mini-Olympics
- Dance to the music of summer and the beach
- Eat awesome dishes off the Barbie
- **And VOLUNTEER.** It's half the fun!

Cya there!
Pat Schondel, *RhumbLine*



REAR COMMODORE

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The August Happy Hour at The Osprey's on the 7th was truly a great time. We had 30 members and took over the deck on a beautiful August evening. Thanks to all who made it a huge success; and we look forward the next Happy Hour on September 4th at Blu 1681, which is at

the Occoquan Harbour Marina.

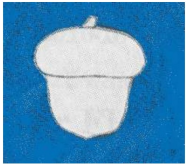
The annual Shrimpfest is scheduled to coincide with the OYC End of Summer event at Belmont Bay on 19 September. Please plan on attending! Hope all can make it! It will be a great time!!

Looking a little longer term, we have our General Membership Meeting and Chili Cook-off planned for 24 October and the OYC COW (Change of Watch) planned for 14 November. Both of these events are important for members to attending.

It's not too early to start thinking about winterization. Will you do it yourself or have someone else do it? Will you head south for the winter and avoid winterization? You will still want to change the oil and other fluids though, so don't forget to do that at least once per season. If you are going to have a company do it, planning ahead and giving the company a heads up that you want them to do it (whichever company) and get on their schedule early so you can get the date you want.

Safe boating and looking forward to seeing you on the water or at one of our land events!

Bob Hill, *Lady Min*



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The 2016 Budget was presented at the August Board Meeting and will be finalized this month. It is not too late to provide suggestions or ideas you would like the Board to consider for the 2016 boating season.

If you have feedback regarding an event that went well or could be improved, let us know. Please feel free to contact me at treasurer@occoquanyachtclub.org.

Michelle DeDitius, *Liquid Leisure*



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YOU'RE IN COMMAND

We all have realized that nothing beats boating as a way to relax, have fun, enjoy the water, and bring friends and family together. That's why it's so tragic when a recreational boating outing ends with an accident. Unfortunately, there have been a number of reports in our local news of just that type of occurrence.

On average, two boaters are killed every day on America's waterways. That's more than 700 per year and does not include the thousands of others who are injured. Waterways are second only to highways as the scene of accidental deaths.

Too often these accidents happen when otherwise responsible, conscientious people make the serious mistake of assuming that their experience or equipment is enough to keep them and their passengers safe.

That's why the U.S. Coast Guard reminds us that as a boat owner or operator, we are responsible for our safety, the safety of our passengers, and the safety of other boaters.

Recommendations include:

- Always wear your life jacket. Accidents can happen without warning, and there is rarely time to reach stowed life jackets. I know that I see very few boaters doing this. Including us!!! When *Bergie* recently threw a blade and quickly slowed down it brought this realization home, and we still did not put on our life jackets. What were we thinking??? One of our next purchases will be the inflatable life jackets. Maybe if they are not as cumbersome we will do the right thing.
- Never boat under the influence. The sun, wind, noise, vibrations, and motion can intensify the effect of alcohol, drugs, and even some prescription medications. These stressors can even intensify the adverse side effects of medications for blood pressure and other conditions.
- Take a boating safety course or retake a course. The U.S. Coast Guard recommends that all boat owners, operators and passengers take a boating safety course. You never know when it may be your responsibility to be in command of a situation on the water. When we have guests on board we need to take the time to go over some basic safety procedures and location of life jackets and fire extinguishers.
- Get a vessel safety check. It's free, it takes approximately 20 - 30 minutes, it's a good way to learn about potential problems and it is required for any OYC raft-ups.
- Monitor carbon monoxide. Prolonged exposure to low concentrations or very short exposure to high concentrations can kill. Sources on your boat may include engines, gas generators, cooking ranges, space and water heaters. CO can accumulate on back decks, swim platforms, or in the water around generator exhausts. Early symptoms of CO poisoning include irritated eyes, headache, nausea, weakness, and dizziness.

We all want to enjoy our time on the water, and we want everyone to come home safely from each and every journey. **YOU'RE IN COMMAND. BOAT RESPONSIBLY!!!**

Kathy Bergmann, *Bergie*

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Hi everyone. Hope you are having a fun and safe summer on the water. Now that it so hot, don't forget to get your OYC Koozies to keep your drinks nice and cool.

If you need any embroidery done you must let me know ASAP. The person, who does our embroidery is moving out of town at the end of the month. We are looking for someone else, so if anyone knows someone who can do embroidery please let me know. Thanks.

Have a great September. See you at EOS!

Monica Fineberg, *The Weekender*

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Flag Poles and Mounts

Members,

The poles are designed to fly a 12" club burgee and are made of solid machined 316 stainless steel with rotating clips and a machined anodized aluminum mount that holds the unit to the rail of your vessel.

The Swiveler flag pole and mount I currently have available is the one-inch size (3 remaining). I will take orders for other sizes; and depending on number of requests, I will send in one more orders this season. Price remains \$65 per set for the 19" 316 Stainless pole and the anodized aluminum mount milled to specific diameter.

To order for your vessel, send me an email and indicate how many sets you wish to purchase, indicating the exact diameter of your rail (measure...do not guess). I find it easiest to use an adjustable wrench slid over the rail and then measure the opening of the wrench. Many rails are 1", 1-1/8", or 1-1/4" in diameter, and size does matter for a good fit. As said, the cost of each set is \$65.00 payable to Joe Livingston. Please contact me at joseph.livingston@verizon.net or by cell at [703-505-8313](tel:703-505-8313).

Looking for your request....

Cheers! Joe

Joe Livingston, *Gail Lynn II*
Past Commodore

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MEMBERSHIP John Cornicelli

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Greetings, Shipmates!

Welcome to our new members who joined in June: Tom and June Fraim, aboard their Ranger Tug, GYPSY, and Fred McLaren, aboard the Tiara CALYPSO'S ISLAND. And then we have

David and Belinda Luber, with the most fun name for a boat this month, LUBER-UP! We can't wait for the story behind that one.

We had a little navigation and piloting discussion with our youngest crewmember, daughter Valerie (age 9), while she was at the helm on Sunday morning. And OH YES! she can handle a 50' schooner. Never an accidental gybe....

We wanted to sail from Mattawoman Bay to Clifton Point. She asked, "Why are you asking me to steer toward that point?" The answer was, "To make allowance for the current and the tide."

Now you can use all sorts of electronic navigational gadgetry to determine what your heading should be to stay on course. But we recommend this, when you have visible background references (land, waypoint, harbor entrance, buoy,....star):

1. Skipper, choose your course based on the wind forecast. Have crew adjust sails and balance accordingly.
2. Have your helmsman adjust the ship's heading according to YOUR forecast for tide and current strength and direction.
3. Since tide and current vary, to stay on course, ask helmsman to micro-adjust your heading so that your next visible waypoint (Quantico) seems motionless with respect to a shroud, stay, antenna, etc. on the ship. Don't worry that the bow is pointing differently. Helmsman Valerie chose the port foresail shroud, and sailed us to Quantico with no tacking necessary.
4. For you motorboat people, this is still important. Unless you have vast engines, this adjusting for current and tide will save you gallons of precious fuel, and avoid those embarrassing tracks that look like spirals. "Aim upstream of your destination"

This is the reverse of the method to assess collision probability, and works when you have visible references. And boy does it work well at night with a reference star.

Easy links we use on Persephone;

Tide forecast:

<http://tides.mobilegeographics.com/locations/2529.html>

Weather: <http://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=38.5911&lon=-77.2531&unit=0&lg=english&FcstType=graphical>

Cheers!

John Cornicelli, *Persephone*

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Les Bergmann, *Bergie*

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BOATING APPS

The Coast Guard has recently released a free boating app worthy of adding to your collection. The application is focused on boating safety and includes such features as state boating information, safety equipment checklist,

vessel safety check request, navigation rules, float plans and more. It also features an emergency assistance button that will call the closest Coast Guard command center if your location services are activated. The app is called "United States Coast Guard" and is available for both IOS and Android. Check it out at www.uscg.mil/mobile.

I have been meaning to put a list of applications on the web site but in the meantime here are some of my favorites. The only "expensive" one is the Navionics App for iPad at \$45, but this app will serve as an alternate or backup chart plotter. So for me, it's worth the money.

- BoatUS (\$0)
- Active Captain (\$0)
- Navionics (\$10 / \$45)

- Spyglass AR Compass (\$4)
- Theodolite (\$4)
- Tide Graph (\$1)
- Hurricane (\$0)
- Wind Alert (\$0)

Links to these apps and more can be found at:

<http://www.usps.org/eddept/misc/apps.htm>

And as always, for any new members or in case you need a refresher... Please log onto www.occoquanyachtclub.org and enter your username and password in the lower left. (Please contact me if you've forgotten it.) Once logged in, the "Members Only" section will appear at the bottom of the left column and you will see the "Your Profile" and "Cruise Sign-Up" options. Use the Profile option to update your personal and boat information, and use the "Cruise Sign-Up" option to select your cruises. Don't forget to select "Submit" at the bottom of the page. If you have any suggestions, questions or issues accessing the site, please send me an email at the above address.

Thanks and safe boating.
Don Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*

CREW'S NEWS 2015

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER AT AQUIA

- by PC Joe Livingston

The cruise, hosted by the Aquia Harbor Yacht Club, was held from Friday to Sunday, on the weekend of 14 -16 August. This cruise was supported by the PRYCA, it was AHYC's 40th Anniversary, and the activities were all that we have come to expect from the Aquia members. Aquia's Rear Commodore Amy Hager revved her engines with a great weekend program...by the way, she was a race car driver in her "past life". Six Potomac River yacht clubs were represented over the weekend.



The Crew of the *Gail Lynn II* arrived early on Thursday afternoon to extend the weekend and were on hand to welcome arriving OYC boats on Friday. Aquia members took us out to "Mexico" at the Poncho Villa that evening for salty drinks, a great meal and better company.

Due to work getting in the way and tidal concerns, seven of OYC boats and crews (approximately 15 2-legged and 8 four-legged) arrived.



Wayne's World threading the needle

Following a nice welcoming happy hour, Commodore Bud and First Lady Heidi hosted an evening dock gathering...reported to be more dogs than folks. The weekend progressed with dock gatherings, a golf outing (attended by Harry, Bud, Bruno, and Wayne), pool activities, sightseeing cruises and kayaking.



Gail, Ginny, Susan, Heidi & Garnetta

Some highlights were the OYC ladies' (Heidi, Susan, Garnetta, Ginny and Gail) first place finish in the Kayak Scavenger Contest and a Crab, Shrimp & BBQ Feast with all the fixings, where the Brown's, Stanley's, and the Willet's arrived by car to join our group for the afternoon and a Saturday evening pool party and dance. Awards were presented, including the best "parent" in the "pet

rock contest"...you can ask about that at the next OYC Happy Hour.

A farewell Sunday morning brunch was offered at the AHYC's Clubhouse and boat departed. Scuttle-butt has it some OYC boats were to raft-up at Mattawoman Creek to complete the weekend cruise.

Cheers! Joe
Joe & Geil Livingston, *Gail Lynn II*

CRUISING THE BAY

- by PC Harry Croft

This year Pat and I had planned to cruise the Chesapeake Bay for four weeks. We managed to get in a little more than two weeks of great fun on the water before an unexpected, but thankfully, brief, illness took us out of play.

I was really happy to have six intrepid captains and crews accompany **Bay Dreamer** across The Bay! Bud and Heidi Bishop on **Hi-Jinx**, John and Michelle DeDetius on **Liquid Leisure**, Dan and Debbie Kent on **Oasis**, Steve and Ginny Preda on **Anamchara**, Jerry and Susan Terasek on **Dig Life**, and Randy and Susan Willetts on **Takin' It Easy** joined Pat and me for this adventure, which began with the PRYCA Float-In at Point Lookout, July 17-19. After the Sunday Brunch and farewells to the other OYC boaters who had attended the Float-In, our flotilla of seven boats set out to cross the Chesapeake. I am pleased to report that, although our Commodore briefly followed the wrong boat and almost wound up in Norfolk, we lost no one and there were no catastrophic boat issues!

Leaving Point Lookout, we headed toward the southern end of Tangier Island where the Bay is at its widest and land is often out of sight. This provided a bit of consternation for our Bay rookies; but as we approached the Eastern Shore and land once again appeared on the horizon, all breathed a sigh of relief and proclaimed renewed faith in their GPS.

Our first destination was **Onancock**, an historic, sleepy little town on the Eastern Shore, the part of Virginia that is often forgotten. Once a bustling colonial seaport, Onancock continues to take pride in its small waterfront. The town wharf and boating facilities were rebuilt after Hurricane Sandy. The new marina building offers free laundry and very clean showers and restrooms. There is also a great ramp for doggie swimming, as Jerry Tarasek and I found out. I should mention that we had quite a canine contingent: Biscuit, Walter (a BIG black lab!), Emma, Izzy, Callie, and the beagle sisters, Cara and Brie.



The sign ("liar's bench") says it all!!

Just a short walk across the parking lot, the restaurant Mallards at the Wharf has the best mussels on the Bay, and that's not just my opinion. Many in our group enjoyed them so much on Sunday night that they ordered them again on Monday night! On the second night there, some in our group also discovered Bizottos for another fine dining experience. And Janet's Café, just a few blocks from the wharf, is a real treat for breakfast or lunch, with small town atmosphere, great hospitality and service; and yes, the food is good too. Fortunately or unfortunately, depending upon one's point of view, we visited Onancock on days when very few of the specialty shops were open, thereby saving loads of cash! Window shopping is always the economical option!

The added bonus at Onancock was having Jill and Steve Stanley join us by car and stay with us on *Bay Dreamer*.

Next up: the best kept secret on the Bay, **Shad Landing** along the Pocomoke River. I have bragged about this place for years, and I hope that the others in our flotilla are now equally impressed. Getting there can be a bit tricky, dancing your way through the crab pot minefields of Pocomoke Sound and then dutifully following the well-placed markers for the narrow channel that takes you almost ashore before sending you through The Cut and into the deep water of the Pocomoke River. The river winds its way through serpentine twists and turns, at times so sinuous that as our parade of boats made its way upriver, the first boat could be seen heading one direction while the second boat had not yet made the turn so was going the exact opposite direction, and the third, two turns behind, was pointing the same direction as the first. This made for some interesting pictures! The river is narrow but deep, and its banks are lined with Bald Cypress trees, which are deciduous evergreens (how's that for a contradictory term?), known for their signature "knees" at root level, and their tannic acid, which gives the water a distinctive root-beer color.

Seventeen miles upriver, the bridge at Pocomoke City is one of the few bascule bridges still operating anywhere; and since it is almost at water level, it had to be raised for our passage. A taller, fixed bridge now carries Highway 13 traffic high overhead, but the local cars crossing into town still have to stop and wait when

boaters hail the bridge tender, as we did, to allow our parade of boats to pass through the raised sections of the bascule bridge.



Hi-Jinx, Takin' It Easy, and Dig Life passing through the raised bascule bridge at Pocomoke City

It is almost thirty miles from the mouth of the river to Shad Landing, which does not sell diesel fuel, so our diesel guzzling boats had to plan ahead for refueling, while the two gas boats were able to fill up at Shad. Shad doesn't have all the features of most marinas such as repairs and diesel fuel, but most marinas don't have the peace and tranquility of Shad Landing or double scoop ice cream cones for \$1.59!

Did someone mention golf? The Nassawango golf course is about 2.5 miles downriver from Shad Landing. Our desire to play golf there presented a bit of a transportation dilemma, since we didn't have a car and the tiny dock at Nassawango was too small for even the smallest of our boats. The picture below tells the story of how we solved the problem – three guys in one dinghy, towing another dinghy with the golf clubs, and four guys in the last dinghy! Green fees were only \$25 with a cart, and virtually no one on the course except us... which turned out to be a good thing, or people would have been hurt by errant tee shots!



*It's a Golfers' Convoy!
The clubs are riding in the middle dinghy*

One day, we loaded everyone onto *Bay Dreamer* and motored five miles upriver to the Port of Snow Hill for lunch. Snow Hill is a beautiful little town with not much going on, but the shops were open and there was a nice little Farmers Market. From there, it is only seven miles by road to Chincoteague Bay, but our bike riders opted to forgo the trip due to the extreme high heat that day.

They carted back fresh fruit, sweet corn and homemade pies from the Farmers Market instead.

Shad Landing is a Maryland state park marina, and aside from the camp store which sells hot dogs and ice cream, there are no restaurants. We cooked our own pot-luck dinners, which turned out to be the best meals we had anywhere! Susan Tarasek put on a great wine tasting event for us, right on the dock.



Susan's Wine Tasting

We stayed at Shad for three nights, but it is such a serene setting, we could have stayed longer. I consider Shad Landing on the Pocomoke River the best cruise destination on the Bay.



Nightly Briefing Session

Our next stop was Crisfield, Somers Cove Marina. If you haven't been there, the entrance can elude you. The channel is literally between buildings. This a large state-run facility with a nice pool and bikes for transient use.

We had a great Happy Hour on the dock, then a less than pleasant experience at a nameless crab restaurant, and finally a delightful night cap on the dock. This group was always able to keep a positive vibe!

After our one-night stay at Crisfield, *Hi-Jinx*, *Liquid Leisure*, and *Dig Life* had to make their way back across the Bay and up the Potomac, ending their vacation,

while *Bay Dreamer*, *Oasis*, *Anamchara*, and *Takin' It Easy* moved on to the Wicomico River and Salisbury.



Entering Crisfield, with Oasis in the lead

None of us had ever travelled up the **Wicomico River** before, so it was a new adventure for all of us. The adventure included encounters with two cable-ferry crossings, which our alert captains handled with ease. The Wicomico is a beautiful river with amazing homes all along the twenty-two miles to Salisbury. One large, elegant residence even had its own observatory. A major dredging operation is currently underway on the river, so there were many *No Wake* zones.

Upon our arrival at the Town of Salisbury Marina, we were greeted by Dock Master Sean Kille, who had already been texting us with navigation tips as we made our way up the river. I seldom mention marina staff, but Sean earned our vote for Worlds' Best Dock Master, no contest. He is a real ambassador for Salisbury with his great service ethic and personal hospitality. He apologized that the marina didn't have ice and went to the store to buy multiple bags of ice for all of us. He even loaned his own vehicle to the Kents and Predas for a quick trip to Ocean City. Dock Master is his weekend job. During the week he's a county sheriff at the courthouse. On his lunch hour from the courthouse, he came back to see if we needed anything and helped take *Oasis* to get fuel!

Salisbury doesn't have much in the way of entertainment but there is a good restaurant, Brew River, within walking distance and the marina facilities are clean. The river is fun to travel and offers many scenic views that are worth the trip. We laid up an extra day due to small craft advisories and then moved on to **Solomons Island** for a brief stay.

Solomons is familiar to most *Daymarker* readers, so there is no need to elaborate, except to say that the pool at Spring Cove Marina was most enjoyable, and their shuttle service to and from a great dinner at The

Lighthouse Restaurant was most appreciated. From Solomons we headed for St. Michaels, where this cruise took an unexpected course correction.



Plan for the Unexpected

We had excellent slips at the **Town Dock Marina in St. Michaels**, all together in a row backing up to Foxy's Harbor Grill, with just two short blocks to walk to the shops. Unfortunately, I didn't get to take much advantage of all that. Instead, I went to bed without dinner that first night; and the next day, Pat borrowed the marina truck to take me to the ER in Easton, about 15 miles away, where, to our surprise, I had to be admitted to the hospital for the next three days.

What happens when the Captain is down, as in, *incapacitated*? I can categorically tell you that eating four-day leftover clams is not a smart thing. So there I am in the hospital in Easton and my first and only mate is left at the dock with the boat. Where can you turn for help? If you are travelling with good OYC friends, as we were, you'll have all the help you need. Predas and Kents helped until they had to leave. They had a timeline to keep to go back to work, but they kept in touch. The Willetts' were able to stay and provided much appreciated support.

The marina gave Pat the use their truck for two days. Then she rented a car to visit me and if needed, to drive me back home, leaving the boat in St. Michaels (which would have been an expensive option). Fortunately, my hospital stay lasted only three days and I was able to return to the boat. But even though I was out of the hospital, I was not well; so we had to curtail the planned four-week cruise, ending it at the two and a half week mark, and return home with an overnight rest stop at White Point Marina. Randy and Susan graciously altered their itinerary in order to accompany us all the way back to homeport.

Even though our cruise ended abruptly, we had such a good time right up until I got sick that even the misery of the hospital stay couldn't wipe out the memories of another fantastic time with good friends on the Chesapeake Bay!



Captains All!!!

Pat & Harry Croft, *Bay Dreamer*

FOR SALE!

As a benefit to members, we will publish a listing of boating-related items for sale by OYC members only. We'll also publish member's info if you're searching for something boating related. Please send a BRIEF description of the item(s), your asking price, etc., and contact information to me at editor@occoquanyachtclub.org.

REGAL 350 SPORT COUPE FOR SALE!

"Jolly Mon"

2012 Regal 350 Sport Coupe

Purchased new from dealer in 2014

Dual Volvo Penta 300s

Radar & Upgraded Garmin Navigation

1 Forward Berth & 1 Mid Berth

1 Head w/ Shower

Convertible Hardtop

Wintered in Boatel

Contact: richwellison2@gmail.com or 540-842-2131

REGAL 4260 FOR SALE!

"Pure Enjoyment"

2004 Regal 4260 Commodore

2 Staterooms / 2 Heads

New canvas in 2012

New cockpit carpeting in 2013

New house battery in 2013

Bottom paint spring 2014

Props refurbished & tuned spring 2014

All TV's upgraded to digital in 2012

\$185,000 OBO

Contact: pamannino@comcast.net or 703-282-5276

CHAPARRAL SIGNATURE 330 FOR SALE!

"Beach House"

2012 Chaparral Signature 330

Brokered for Jim and Pam by

Hoffmaster's Marina and can be seen at

<http://www.hoffmasters.com/usedboats.html> or

<http://www.boattrader.com/> - search for Chaparral, within zip code 22191 and 10 mile radius.

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Anne Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*

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BIRTHDAYS

Angie Scuderi 9/4

Brian Shrift 9/7

Karen Hart 9/11

William Akers 9/11

Scott Miller 9/15

Ginny Preda 9/16

Tom Lensis 9/16

David Luber 9/16

Ralph Mason 9/17

Lloyd Thomas 9/19

Teri Miller 9/19

Rich Ellison 9/20

Bob Stegon 9/22

John Brown 9/23

Scott McLellan 9/23

Mike Crouch 9/27

John Adams 9/29

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Michelle DeDitius 9/1

Robert Brown & Vicki Moon 9/1

Joseph & Diane Ward 9/3

Bud & Heidi Bishop 9/4

Allen & Lynanne Jorsey 9/5

Robert & Betsey Nalevanko 9/11

Dick & Caroline Lynn 9/12

Mark & Cindy Lawton 9/14

Bob & Nancy Stegon 9/20

CRUISE NEWS 2015

Have you logged in & updated your cruise preferences?
www.occoquanyachtclub.org

Corinthian Yacht Club Labor Day September 4-7.

We are grateful to once again be hosted by the wonderful folks at Corinthian Yacht Club, who open their lovely marina, clubhouse, grounds and waterside pool to us. Well-behaved dogs on leash are welcome. Bring your bikes and kayaks, enjoy neighboring restaurants and the countryside, which includes Slack Winery where we'll do a little wine tasting...an adventure in itself! Very relaxing cruise!!! Check out CYC at <http://www.cycchesapeake.com/index.htm> and please contact Bud ASAP if you have questions or want to go.

commodore@occoquanyachtclub.org
Bud and Heidi Bishop
Hi-Jinx²

Tall Timbers Marina Labor Day September 4-7.

Though not an official OYC function, many of us have ventured to Tall Timbers to enjoy a fun weekend on their somewhat rustic docks and enjoy the fabulous waterfront fireworks and the burning of the boat. The folks there are great, and there's a restaurant on the grounds. If you only do it once, it's a great party and a fun weekend to spend with friends. Information can be found at <http://www.talltimbersmarinasomd.com>.

END of SUMMER hosted by OYC at Belmont Bay Marina September 18-20



REGISTER AND VOLUNTEER NOW!!!

We will be throwing a ripper of a weekend-long party, inviting all the clubs in PRYCA. Mark the dates on your calendar. You'll be hearing lots more about this event. We'll be asking for you to volunteer some of your time and talents, but getting involved is half the fun and a great way to make new friends on the water!

Shrimpfest Saturday, September 19th
will be incorporated into the End of Summer event
at Belmont Bay Harbor Marina.

Get your marina reservation & event registration in early!

**INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORM AT THE
END OF THIS NEWSLETTER (next page)!!!**

Cya there!
Pat Schondel, *RhumbLine*

Hardy Souls Cruise to National Harbor

November 6-8. This is a perfect end of season cruise before winterizing your boat. There will be dockside happy hours, relaxation, numerous restaurants to explore, shopping opportunities, a bridge walk, and many other activities to choose from. You might even want to take a few days off work and hang around for Veteran's Day that Wednesday.

OYC Change of Watch – November 14

Great food, great music, happy dancing, and the best of friends...all dressed up in fancy duds. Stay tuned for details!

Parade of Lights

December 5. Brrr! If a December cruise is within you, then plan early on how you would like to decorate your boat with lights. Few strings on many outlets will save you from blowing fuses when passing the reviewing stand at Old Town, Alexandria. Prizes are awarded for participating and include cash awards, free slips, and a grab bag of goodies. There is plenty of eggnog for all, but warm coats are a must (and mandatory PFDs - see Maryland river regulations for the period DEC - MAR).



End of Summer – Send Summer Down Under

September 18 - 20, 2015

Hosted by Occoquan Yacht Club
for PRYCA

Schedule of Events

Friday:

12:00pm Vessels may begin to arrive
4:00pm – 6:00pm Registration packets available for pickup at Marina Office (@ venue after 6PM)
6:00pm Venue open for Happy Hour and Pizza Dinner (beer and wine for purchase)

Saturday:

8:30am – 10:00am Continental Breakfast, Bloody Mary Bar, and Mimosa Makings @ Venue
10:00am – 4:00pm Activities
- Nature Walk / Guided Tour in Wildlife Preserve
Within walking distance of marina
- Painting Lessons Wine Tasting (with advance reservation, BYOW, and \$50)
- Shopping or Lunch in downtown Occoquan (transportation available)
Sign up for pickup/return times during registration
11:00am Golf at Osprey's at Belmont Bay (with advance reservation and \$50)
Within walking distance of marina
5:00pm Awesome Aussie ShrimpFest (beer and wine for purchase)
6:00pm Music and Dancing (our Aussie friends call it A Rip Snorter!)

Sunday:

8:00am – 9:30am Continental Breakfast, Bloody Mary Bar, and Mimosa Makings @ Venue
10:00am – 2:00pm Activities
- Send Summer Down Under Mini-Olympic Games
All Day Vessels Depart

Operations:

- Ø Vessels may arrive on Friday, September 18th after 12:00 PM to get slip assignments. When approaching the Marina, hail Belmont Bay Harbor Marina on Channel 16 to obtain a working channel. You will be provided a slip assignment, and dockhands will meet you at your assigned slip to assist with docking.
- 🍏 Slip Fees are paid directly to the Harbor Master: \$2.00 per foot. \$5/day/plug for power.

Questions?

- Ø Contact the OYC Rear Commodore, Pat Schondel @ vicecommodore@occoquanyachtclub.org
- Ø For questions regarding the Marina, visit the Marina Office, or contact the Marina Harbor Master, Jim Brooks @ bbharbor@comcast.net or 703-490-5088

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 8, 2015



End of Summer – Send Summer Down Under

September 18 – 20, 2015
Belmont Bay Harbor Marina

Registration Form

(one per boat)

CAPTAIN'S NAME: _____ YACHT CLUB: _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____
MAILING ADDRESS: _____
NAMES OF OTHERS IN PARTY: _____
ARRIVAL DATE/TIME: _____ DEPARTURE DATE/TIME: _____

BOAT INFORMATION / SLIP FEES (pay directly to Harbor Master):

BOAT NAME: _____
BEAM: _____ LENGTH: _____ POWER (circle one): 30AMP-\$5.00/Day/Plug. 50AMP - \$10.00/Day
SLIP FEES: \$2.00 x _____ + _____ = subtotal \$ _____ x _____ = **SUBTOTAL: \$** _____
(Length) (Power Cost) (# of Nights)

REGISTRATION FEES:

Number of People Ages 10+: _____ x \$65 = \$ _____ **SUBTOTAL: \$** _____
Number of Children Under 10: _____ x FREE = ** FREE **
Includes Friday and Saturday dinner and Saturday entertainment
Includes Saturday and Sunday Continental Breakfast

EVENTS REGISTRATION:

Free Activities (circle and indicate choice): **FREE**

Nature Walk / Guided Tour in Wildlife Preserve – Saturday
Transportation on Request – please indicate your day/time preference: _____
Occoquan Shopping or Lunch (at participant's personal expense) – Saturday
Transportation Available – please indicate your day/time preference: _____
Send Summer Down Under Mini-Olympic Games – Sunday _____

Special Activities:

Painting Lessons and Wine Tasting (Bring Your Own Wine): No. of People x \$50 = \$ _____
Golf at Osprey at Belmont Bay (within walking distance): No. of People x \$50 = \$ _____
SUBTOTAL: \$ _____

TOTAL COST: \$ _____

Email registration form and mail check, made payable to Occoquan Yacht Club, to:

P. O. Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125

Email: vicecommodore@occoquanyachtclub.org

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 8, 2015



Occoquan Yacht Club 2015 New Membership Application and Membership Renewal

Date _____

Home phone _____

Captain _____

Captain's Mobile _____

First Mate _____

First Mate's Mobile _____

Address _____

Captain's Email _____

City, State, Zip _____

First Mate's Email _____

Captain's Birthday (mo/day) _____ First Mate's Birthday (mo/day) _____ Wedding Anniv (mo/day) _____

BOAT DATA : Name _____ Builder _____

Length/Beam/Draft/Height _____ Power Req'd (circle): 1-30 2-30/1-50 1-50

Fuel Type (circle): Gas Diesel Where Berthed? _____ Slip# _____

New Membership:

___ Family--\$75 (includes burgee)

___ Individual--\$55 (includes burgee)

___ Associate--\$30 (add \$25 for burgee)

Membership Renewal:

___ Family--\$75

___ Individual--\$55

___ Associate--\$30

Members can purchase additional burgees -- add \$25 to above prices per additional burgee.
Fees paid after 1 OCT will cover both current and following year.

Total Enclosed: _____

I am interested in the following volunteer opportunities (check all that apply):

___ Contribute articles to the OYC newsletter, *The Daymarker*
___ Contribute pictures from club events for *The Daymarker*
___ Contribute pictures and short articles to the OYC Website
___ Assist with Website programming
___ Other: _____

___ Assist event coordinators
___ Serve as a PRYCA or CBYCA delegate
___ Serve as a fleet captain
___ Serve as a safety officer or board officer
___ Coordinate an event

Please make check payable to **Occoquan Yacht Club**. Mail your check and this form to: **Occoquan Yacht Club, P.O. Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125**. Please allow 2 weeks for processing application and return of membership packet.

Occoquan Yacht Club Officers for 2015

Commodore Bud Bishop
703-801-3075

Vice Commodore Pat Schondel
281-216-9358

Rear Commodore Bob Hill
703-402-1796

Secretary Kathy Bergmann
571-334-4138

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757-348-9009

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Don Bennett 540-220-1709

Membership John Cornicelli
202-834-0117

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401-419-6679

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703-505-8313

PRYCA Delegate / Daymarker Editor
Anne Bennett 540-842-6118

Webmaster Don Bennett
540-220-1709



OYC is a member club of the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association and the Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association. We maintain a membership accord, #GA 80979Y, with the Boat Owners Association of the United States (BoatUS), entitling our members to BoatUS membership at half price. OYC supports the Occoquan River Maritime Association (ORMA).

Visit our website at: www.OccoquanYachtClub.org