



The Daymarker

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Commodore's Log, March (early, and it's still cold...) – Just when we thought it was safe to come out from under the snow of Winter Storm Jonas, we had to run Wednesday for storm cellars to get out of the path of freak February tornadoes. Our

thoughts and prayers reach out to the families in Waverly, VA, who suffered terrible damage as a result. I hope everyone in our OYC family survived without any damage to your homes and boats. Hopefully this is all a sign of warmer weather to come as we close out the winter of 2016.

I want to thank everyone who was able to attend the Planfest this year and join the fun and camaraderie in reviewing the list of events coming this season for OYC. We have many opportunities to get together throughout the year with land events and boating activities, and I look forward to any number of impromptu raft-ups. That time of the year is just around the corner when our marinas will re-pressurize their water systems and we can get down to the docks and begin re-opening our boats in earnest. I've seen several folks down on various docks throughout the winter, checking on their boats. Now we'll start moving stuff back onboard from the garage, restock food and beverages, clean and wax, perform maintenance of all sorts and ... wait for it ... start up those engines and clear out all the pink juice. Of course there is all kinds of pink juice to eliminate from the fresh water systems too!

In the meantime our board is planning for the annual Flag Raising including invites to VIPs and local dignitaries. We will also be inviting boat inspectors so you can get your annual inspection at this event at the beginning of the season. If you aren't able to attend, or it doesn't make sense to bring your boat, you might consider checking with your respective marina offices and see if they have scheduled a weekend for inspectors to be present. If not, you can personally schedule an inspector with the Coast Guard Auxiliary. The URL below provides contact information for those personnel available nearest you:


<http://www.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=V-DEPT&category=i-want-a-vsc>

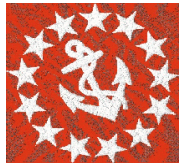
There are a number of good and important reasons to get an inspection, beginning with the biggest – SAFETY! This simple 45-minute inspection will give you peace of mind about the condition of your boat and your safety equipment before you get out on the water and perhaps experience an anomaly you aren't ready for. Further, this year, we are asking that all boats that want to participate in an OYC-backed raft-up kindly have their sticker displayed so the other boat owners in the group know everyone has done their part for safety. And, on that note, if we all show up at the Summer Float-In being thrown in July by the Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association (PRYCA) we will receive bonus points as a club for the competition for The Cup!

Now for a quick pause to include a few words about Rafting Courtesy from our Cruise Coordinator Handbook and Immediate Past Commodore Bud Bishop: *Captains should always seek permission to raft up against another boat. Captains should not join that boat until the host captain has waved them in—he/she will need to ensure bumpers are out and set at the right height and rig lines if they haven't already done so. In seeking permission, captains should understand that*

permission to join may not be given – and there really is no recourse when that occurs. If this happens at Georgetown or at the Occoquan town dock and you are refused permission to raft alongside, consider asking other boats up the line or simply anchor in a safe area and utilize a dinghy to move to the dock. As a matter of courtesy, I will almost always try to host someone needing to join – times when I won't is when I am getting ready to leave (and then I'll give them an ETA in case they want to stand off and take my place) or when I don't know the boat and I don't see their safety sticker (anything that happens will directly affect me and my boat if they are made fast alongside).

Finally, it is a good time now to start talking to your friends who boat and encourage them to join OYC. It is a great way to enjoy boating and be a part of a bigger group on the river. And safety in numbers counts a lot for newer and beginner boaters. I look forward to seeing you all at upcoming meetings and Happy Hours – and our next big event, the General Membership Meeting and Photo Contest on March 19!

Pat Schondel, *RhumbLine*




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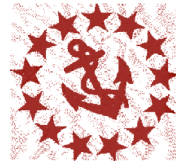


Thanks to everyone who attended the Planfest on Saturday, 20 February. We had about 50 people attend, which was a great turnout! The schedule has been updated a little from what was initially presented at the Planfest, and we might even have another change as we get into the season. The Tides Inn cruise might move back into the summer months to be able to take advantage of all the amenities that the Tides offers; so keep an eye out for that change. The updated event calendar is at the end, **Page 12**, of this month's *Daymarker*. Please note that this attached calendar does not have the POCs listed. You may find that information by logging into the *Members Only* section (lower left column) of the website and viewing OYC *Cruise Events* there.

Also be sure to log onto the [OYC website](#) and go to the *Cruise Signup* tab. You will be able to edit your personal profile, boat specifics and sign up for the cruises and events you are interested in participating in. (Please see the Webmaster's article for more specific directions.)

In closing I want to thank Cody and his staff at Cody's Restaurant for doing a great job! We will definitely have more events there!

Bob Hill, *Lady Min*

REAR COMMODORE

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On February 2nd Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow; and according to Groundhog fans everywhere, if he doesn't see his shadow, then it's a sign that spring will come early. After two major snowstorms and a very cold February, I have lost all faith in this, albeit dubious, tradition of weather forecasting. Nevertheless, Phil still has a couple more weeks to come through, prior to the more likely scenario of "six more weeks of winter." It's has been a really cold February thus far.

While most of us cannot wait for spring, we can start to plan our summer boating season, and the OYC Planfest was a great way to preview what OYC has in store for our 2016 summer cruises, boating and land events. Regardless if it's your first cruise or your 20th cruise, I believe the OYC can bring boating to a new level of enjoyment and fun. While we wait for the summer boating season to begin, we can still enjoy some conversation and a cocktails together at our land events and first Friday of the month happy hour events. Our last two OYC land events, the February 5th happy hour and Planfest were at Cody's Kitchen restaurant in Woodbridge, VA. We had approximately 36 members attend the happy hour and about 46 attend the Planfest, and everyone had a great time. Cody's hospitality was so good at the happy hour that we decided to hold the Planfest there as well. On the next page are several pictures from our OYC happy hour event at Cody's.

New Business: Our next OYC happy hour event will be on Friday, March 4th, starting at 5pm at Blu1681, located at Occoquan Harbour Marina. Additionally, we will meet at Madigan's in Occoquan VA on Thursday March 17th to enjoy some St Patrick's Day cheer. I'll send a reminder email, with additional details, as we get closer to those dates. Then we will host our bi-annual General Membership Meeting and Photo Contest on Saturday, March 19th, at a soon-to-be-determined location. The General Membership Meeting will be potluck and BYOB, so please plan to bring a dish to share and your favorite adult beverage. The Annual Photo Contest also takes place at this meeting. Award certificates and small gifts for your favorite 2015 boating photos go to the first, second, and third place winners in the following five categories: 1) General Boating, 2) People, 3) Pets, 4) Landscape - Wildlife and 5) Photoshopped Art. Photos should be no larger than 5"x7" and you may enter one photo in each category. All photos should have a boating theme. Please put your name and pertinent info on the back. All members in attendance will review and vote for their favorite first, second and third place photos

in each of the five categories. So find, print, and/or photoshop, your favorite boating pictures from 2015 and bring them to the general membership meeting to compete for the prestigious bragging rights of best photo in your category for the 2015 boating season.

If you're available, please plan to attend, I promise, you won't be disappointed; and I look forward to seeing you at our March events.

Jerry Tarasek, *Dig Life*
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Bud & Mark



Susan



Kendra & Richard



Susan, Steve, Jill & Randy

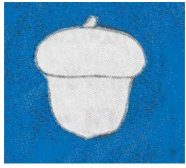


Carole, Kathy & Rich



Pat & Jim





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MARCH THROWBACK

I came across a poem written by Steve Wexler that was included in the March 1995 issue of *The Daymarker*. Steve was the Treasurer at that time and later led our group as the Commodore in 1997. As I read the poem, I chuckled to myself and realized that while the names may change, the excitement of the upcoming boating season remains timeless.

A Boater's Dream

*'Twas the month before boating,
and up and down the River,
the members of Occoquan Yacht Club
were freezing and all ashiver.*

*The boat keys were hung
by their front doors with care,
in hopes that a spring thaw
soon would be there.*

*Lonnie and Butch were out
searching for Crabs,
while VC Egmore made sure the
March 50/50 was up for grabs.*

*With no NFL and spring
training just a glimmer,
it seemed appropriate to put
the lights low, make them real dimmer.*

*When to my surprise, down at OHM
there seemed such a clatter,
Only to find Arleen and Mary Jo
Boy can they chatter,*

*And across the frozen water
there was Teresa, and Bill,
along with Rick and Bonnie,
they no longer were still.*

*And shortly from upriver
came charging with a scream
the vessels from Prince William
it wasn't just a dream.*

*And on the radio,
it came with a start,
the sounds of laughter and loud engines
you didn't need a chart.*

*And to my own ears,
it almost was chilling,
When I heard loud cheers
it certainly was thrilling,*

*On Shalimar, On Impulse
and even some Ducks,
With Sandy's Run and Dealmaker,
these certainly weren't trucks.*

*The temperature was rising,
the sky, blue with little hazing,
The members of OYC were
preparing for their Flag Raising.*

*And finally the Commodore
yelled with a chime,
"Happy Boating Season to All
and to All a Good Time".*

Michelle DeDitius, *Liquid Leisure*



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It's that time of year when we are all getting ready for the new boating season!! What can you do to ensure a safe boating experience? While accidents do happen, knowledge and preparation go a long way toward returning to the dock safely. Embrace these boating safety best practices to help you prevent boating accidents. If the worst does happen in spite of your best efforts - you will have at least increased your chances of survival.

1. **Always Wear a Life Jacket**

The U.S. Coast Guard requires that you carry an approved personal floatation device, or life jacket, for each person aboard your vessel. I recommend wearing a life jacket at all times while boating because you never know when an accident may occur. Statistics show nine of ten drowning victims may have survived a capsizing or fall overboard if they had been wearing a life jacket, so choose a life jacket you will wear.

2. Know Your Boat

Knowing your boat is the foundation of good seamanship, which is simply the skill of managing a boat and encompasses: navigation; safety; boat handling; line handling; anchoring; troubleshooting engine problems; and appropriate emergency response.

3. Take a Boating Safety Course

Eighty-five percent of boating fatalities involve operators who did not have formal boating education. A boating course will teach you the basics of seamanship mentioned above. The knowledge you will gain by taking a boating safety course will never be wasted.

4. Boat Sober

Using alcohol is even more dangerous on the water than on land because the marine environment accelerates impairment. In boating deaths attributed to alcohol use, over half capsized or fell overboard. Besides the safety risks, boating while intoxicated, or BUI, is illegal and heavy penalties are enforced by both state and federal agencies.

5. Know the Navigation Rules

Aids to navigation such as buoys and day boards help us navigate potentially dangerous waters. Learn to read nautical charts, and keep them on your vessel to become familiar with the area in which you boat. Taking a boating safety course is the next step, where you will learn to navigate using charts, GPS, RADAR, and a compass.

6. Get a Free Vessel Safety Check

The [U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary](#) and the [United States Power Squadron](#) will inspect your boat free of charge and provide valuable guidance to help you meet the federal minimum safety requirements.

7. Equip Your Boat with a VHF Marine Radio

The U.S. Coast Guard recommends using VHF marine radio Channel 16 as your primary distress signaling device. A VHF radio equipped with DSC will generate a position to the Coast Guard in the event of an emergency, which can quicken rescue. Cell phones are not reliable enough to stake your life on.

8. Use the Kill Switch Lanyard

If you are the operator of a boat, wear a kill switch lanyard while driving. If you fall overboard or lose your balance, the boat will shut off automatically, possibly saving your life or someone else's.

9. Keep an Anchor on Board

Anchors aren't just for mooring up in a secluded cove – they have real safety application in less than ideal scenarios while boating. Anchoring if your boat is adrift due to engine failure can be life saving.

10. File a Float Plan

No boater leaves the dock expecting problems, but if trouble comes your way, filing a float plan with a loved one or friend can hasten rescue, and in some cases mean the difference between life and death.

HAVE A GREAT 2016 BOATING SEASON – Hope I get a chance to see you!!!!

Michele Adams, *Our Therapy*



QUARTERMASTER Ilana Cumbey

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Winter Sale!

I need to make room for new items! Everything left from last season is still on clearance, and the pictures are in last month's newsletter. Just email me what you would like, and I'll save it for you. Or see me at the Quartermaster Store at the General Membership Meeting / Photo

Contest, 19 March. Still available...

Hats and visors \$6

T-shirts \$10 (7 available)

White and Navy with OHM logo (all Large)

Men's tanks \$10 (2 available)

Men's Polo \$13 (2 available)

Women's Polo \$13 (8 available),

2 XL

5 L

1 sleeveless L

Long Sleeve shirts \$10 (2 available-both M)

Women's Tank \$10 (3 available)

Pink - L, Blue & tie die - M



BRAND NEW ITEM!

Fleece-lined zip-up hooded sweatshirts (Navy and Grey- M, L, XL) – 6 available \$45 (with OHM embroidered logo)

Ilana Cumbey, *Lala's Para'Dice*



Flag Poles and Mounts

Contact PC Joe Livingston

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.

Looking for your request....
Cheers! Joe

PC Joe Livingston, Gail Lynn II
♣ ♣ ♣

attendance at all 2015 Delegates Meetings. As of the time of the meeting, OYC's roster of Club Officers had been updated; however, our Club dues for 2016 had not been received.

The CBYCA Director of State Legislature for Virginia reported three (3) bills that he is following with potential impact on recreational boating: 1) HB 151 Purse Nets: Prohibits fishing for menhaden in certain waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. 2) HB 161 Minimum Age for Operating: An individual must be at least 14 years of age and have successfully completed a boating safety education course in order to operate a motorboat of 10 horsepower or greater. 3) HB 285 Oyster Grounds: Dredging projects are allowed that improve, deepen navigation channels as approve by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission.

The Guest Speaker was Dave Skolnick, speaking on USCG virtual aids to Navigation (ATONS). New to the system of ATONS will be "synthetic" and "virtual" as depicted within the AIS system. Evaluation took place in NY and San Francisco in 2014. "Synthetic" are superimposed on existing ATONS and "virtual" will only display on charts, not physically on the water. Effort reduces maintenance cost by the USCG and improves response times. Takeaway: Keep the firmware on your systems updated.

PC Joe Livingston, Gail Lynn II
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PRYCA/CBYCA DELEGATE **PC Joe Livingston**

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Drove to Bush River Yacht Club in Abingdon, Maryland on Saturday, the 20th of February, to attend the CBYCA Board and Delegates Meeting. Would have been much closer to attend the Planfest and most likely more enjoyable considering the traffic experience and five-plus hours of driving.

Yacht club activity still remains at a very slow pace so far this Spring, as no boats were in the slips at the club. However, folks were talking and planning of being on the water, and members of the CBYCA Board had a number of member club balls and flag raisings to attend. OYC received a Certificate of Appreciation for perfect

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OK, memberships are coming in - yeah! Just a few folks left to renew who are probably waiting for that burst of warm air... it's coming. I promise!


We just had our big Planfest meeting, and most of our year looks like it is booked with fun! Please sign up now for the Early Bird Wine Festival / National Harbor Cruise in April and the Memorial Day Weekend cruise to Colonial Beach in May in addition to the many other wonderful events! Please see more info on the Early Bird and Memorial Day cruises on **Pages 10 and 11** at the end of this newsletter. Reservations are time-critical.

For new members and for old salts, education and safety are key to our organization. One of our members reminded me about Cruisers University and that they have classes in the spring and in the fall. Last year Jerry and I attended the fall classes at the Annapolis Boat Show, and we had fun and learned a lot! Take a look at the following link and see if you have an interest: <http://www.annapolisboatshows.com/cruisers-university/schedule/>

Wayne Beal, *Wayne's World*


maybe does not obligate you to the event. It only assures that you will get additional information from the coordinator. *No* opts you out of any further information regarding that event. You can always log back in and adjust your preferences if you change your mind. 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 email address.


PC Don Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*


HISTORIAN Les Bergmann

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You may have noticed some events have no pictures on the website. Please send me your pictures to be added to the photo galleries, and they will be kept in the club archives for all OYC members to enjoy. Anne is also always looking for fun pictures for the newsletter.

Les Bergmann, *Bergie*


WEBMASTER PC Don Bennett

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IT'S TIME TO GET ONLINE TO UPDATE YOUR PROFILE AND SIGN UP FOR LAND EVENTS AND CRUISES!!!

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 just update all of your personal and boat information; and use the *Cruise Sign-Up* option to select your cruises. To sign up, review your contact and boat information as you scroll down the page to the cruise sign-up portion. Simply select *yes*, *no*, or *maybe*. Selecting *yes* or

Cruising the Chesapeake Bay – 2016



Bay Dreamer at Thomas Point Lighthouse

Once again my First Mate and I are cruising the Bay for several weeks. We invite you to join us for all or any part of our cruise. Our current plan is to depart from the PRYCA Float-In at Point Lookout Marina on July 18th, turn to port at the junction of the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay and head north.

The itinerary, chronologically, includes Solomons Island, St. Michaels, Rock Hall, Chestertown, Baltimore, Georgetown, Chesapeake (C&D Canal) and Northeast, then reverse course to reach Annapolis, South Herrington, White Point and, at last, home! We usually stay a minimum of two nights at each place and, depending on the mood, we may anchor out a night or two (depends on access to dog-friendly beaches). In cases of inclement weather or rough seas, we simply stay in port.

The Chesapeake Bay is a national treasure that every OYC member should take advantage of at least once. The destinations are rich in history and the approach to them from the Bay is special, a visit that cannot be replicated by land travel.

OYCers can join us at the outset and head back to home port on their own or join us at any spot along the way. Interested? Drop me an email, hpcroft@verizon.net, and I'll send you a more detailed plan. After looking at the plan, if you are serious about cruising, let me know when you would join us. I make all the reservations and reserve the right to make changes depending on winds and mood! Space may be limited at some destinations, so the earlier you commit, the more likely you will be included on the manifest. Anchors Away!!

Harry Croft, Past Commodore and Chief Antagonist
Pat Croft, Past Commodore and Chief Protagonist
Bay Dreamer



Wintertime Tip!

It's a good practice to visit your winterized boat during the winter months, if nothing else but to make sure it is still floating. You may want to turn on a heater, play scrabble or cards, or just chill out. You may even want to spend the night.

So what happens when the inevitable occurs, nature calls, i.e., you have been on the boat long enough to need to use the head... the head that you carefully winterized. Not to worry, just keep a gallon or two of pink anti-freeze for flushing purposes. If you have a vacu-flush, just turn it on, leave the water pump off, add enough pink, and whoosh!! This way you can enjoy the boat throughout the winter, and you don't have to leave the boat when nature calls!

PC Harry Croft, *Bay Dreamer*



FOR SALE!

As a benefit to members, we will publish a listing of personally-owned, boating-related items (not just boats) for sale by OYC members only. 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
Brokered by Rich Dosti at Holly Acres 954-254-5329

CHAPARRAL SIGNATURE 330 FOR SALE!

Beach House

2012 Chaparral Signature 330 - \$167,990
Brokered for Jim and Pam by
James Ross at Seabreeze Yacht
703-490-5490 (work)
703-853-0235 (mobile)
james@seabreezeyacht.com

MAXUM 46-foot FLY BRIDGE (4600SCB) SALE PENDING!

"Glory II"

Bow and Stern Thrusters by Sidepower with remote
Two-owner boat purchased in 2007 by current owners –
Fresh Water
2 Staterooms
2 Heads (one w/ full bath, other w/shower)
Upgraded electronics, Satellite TV and LED TVs
Twin Cummins 450HP diesels with 450 hours
800lb Davit with 9ft Dinghy and 6HP 4cycle outboard
Contact vscuder1@verizon.net
Brokered by James Ross at Seabreeze Yacht



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What am I missing? Is there anything you'd like to see in our newsletter? Please let me know. I'd love to hear from you with ideas or, even better, an article for publication. Thanks!

Anne Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*





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Birthdays

Steve Preda 3/1
 Janice Morgan 3/1
 Kris Butera 3/4
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PLANFEST 2016



Commodore Pat proclaims, 'Boaters, start your engines!'



PC Harry gives a high-tech presentation on cruising the Bay



We're gobsmacked! What is that paper Harry is showing us?



John, our illustrious sailboat captain, explains

But wait....

2016 Early Bird Cruise to National Harbor Wine & Food Festival

Where: National Harbor

<http://www.nationalharbor.com/marina/>

When: Friday April 22-Monday April 24th

What: National Harbor Wine & Food Festival

<http://wineandfoodnh.com>

On April 23rd & 24th

- Over 150 Different INTERNATIONAL and LOCAL Wines, Beers, and Spirits in an ALL-YOU-CARE-TO-TASTE affair.
- A Souvenir Glass to take home.
- Great food to taste and to buy from some of DC's hottest restaurants and Food Trucks
- Wine Store On-Site. Taste something you like? You can buy it on-site by the glass or take home a bottle or a case.
- A special craft beer tasting BIER GARTEN experience will give guests something they don't get at other local wine festivals.
- The Whiskey & Bourbon Lounge offers a relaxing setting complete with hand rolled cigar demonstrations for guests.
- The Cooking Kitchen features hands-on cooking demonstrations and wine pairings.
- Local, regional and nationally recognized chefs converge to offer meet and greets, book signings and demonstrations throughout the event.
- Our VIP Guests Will Experience:
- Wine and Spirits Tasting are From Noon – 6:00pm. Food tastings are from Noon – 3pm and then a Sunset Champagne Closing Party from 5pm – 5:30pm for last call.
- A souvenir glass and lanyard
- Goodie Bags for the first 1000 each day.

How Much:

Marina Fees:

\$100 per day plus electric.

Electric - \$7/day for one 30 amp service or

\$15/day for two 30 amp or one 50 amp service.

Wine & Food Festival Fees:

2 Day - VIP Admission Ticket	\$99.00
2 Day - Reserve	\$59.00
Saturday VIP Admission Ticket	\$79.00
Sunday VIP Admission Ticket	\$69.00
Saturday Adult Admission Ticket	\$39.00
Sunday Adult Admission Ticket	\$39.00
Saturday VIP Designated Driver	\$59.00
Sunday VIP Designated Driver	\$59.00
Saturday Designated Driver Ticket	\$29.00
Sunday Designated Driver Ticket	\$29.00

How do I Sign Up:

- To get a slip for this trip, go to [OYC](#), login, and sign up for the trip. The deadline for this is Friday March 25th and slip availability will be on a first-come first-served basis. When you sign up, I then get an automated email from the website and will coordinate your information with the marina. You will be responsible for payment upon your arrival to the marina.
- To attend the Wine & Food Festival, get your tickets here:
<http://www.drinkeatrelax.com/tickets/national-harbor-wine-food-national-harbor-md-april-23rd-24th/national-harbor-wine-food-natio>
(Please note that tickets may sell out early)
- Your cruise coordinator is Wayne Beal
wbeal@totalcsi.com or (703) 400-7733.
If you have an interest in hosting docktails Saturday evening for this event or helping out with brunch on Sunday, please let me know.

2016 Memorial Day Weekend Cruise To Colonial Beach

Where: Colonial Beach
Colonial Beach Yacht Center Marina
<http://www.cbycmarina.com>

When: Memorial Day Weekend
Friday May 27th – Monday May 30th

What: Last year was a blast, and we had a large turn out with many people who all speak very highly of this event! In summary, this is a fun-filled holiday weekend involving happy hours, dinner at the Lighthouse restaurant, a trip to the Ingleside Winery, and is followed up with brunch.

Lighthouse Restaurant Thai-French Cuisine:
So I looked up Lighthouse Thai-French Cuisine on Yelp.... Looks awesome! Warning – do not look at this site if you are hungry... yes, I made that mistake – lol
<http://www.yelp.com/biz/lighthouse-thai-french-cuisine-colonial-beach>

I then looked up the Ingleside winery at <http://www.inglesidevineyards.com/> and now I'm thirsty... This looks like a top Virginia winery that has won multiple awards for their 2015 wines! We have coordinated a bus to take us from the marina to the winery so transportation has been arranged. Once at the winery, we will have wine tasting with cheese and crackers as well as a tour. It's also wonderful timing that we will be attending on acoustic Sunday with live music!

A detailed itinerary will be forthcoming once all the arrangements have been made.

Please get your slip as soon as possible, as other marinas may be planning an event at this marina on the same weekend!

How Much:

Marina Fees:
1.50/ft +\$5/day for electric with a \$50 minimum
48 hour cancelation charge of \$25

Dinner at the Lighthouse Restaurant:
Looking to see if we can arrange for separate checks.

Ingleside Winery:
Includes transportation, tasting, and cheese & crackers. Pricing is To Be Determined (TBD)

How Do I Sign Up:

Sign up for this on our web site
<http://www.occoquanyachtclub.org/>
For interested parties, dinner reservations and wine tour reservations will be coordinated by your cruise coordinator, Wayne Beal, wbeal@totalcsi.com or (703) 400-7733. If you have an interest in hosting docktails one evening for this event or helping out with brunch, please let me know.

To get a slip for this event, please directly contact:
Dock Master: Mark Hunter
Open Fri-Sun (winter hours) 10-4
Phone: (804) 224-7230
Cell: (704) 883-6194
Email: MarkGhunter2@gmail.com

Transportation Services

Walking/Biking

Walking or biking into town is easy and beautiful on a nice day. It is approx. 1.5 miles (or 20 minutes walking) to reach the downtown section and town Boardwalk. For services such as groceries or laundry we recommend either of the two local cab services, \$6.00 to go anywhere in town.

Golf Cart Rentals

Colonial Beach is known as "Golf Cart Town!" You may reserve one in advance by calling Dustin at (804) 761-1594 (There is a reasonable fee and they do run out of these; so call early).

Taxi

Anderson Cab
804-822-2052

Davis Cab OD Colonial Beach
804-224-7433
804-224-8294

2016 OYC Calendar

Month	Day	Time	Event	Location
January	8 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	Kilroy's
	16 (Sat)		PRYCA COW	Crowne Plaza, Alexandria
	30 (Sat)	1:00 PM	Pre-Planfest	Blu 1681
February	5 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	Cody's
	20 (Sat)	3:00 PM	Planfest	TBD
March	4 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	Blu1681
	17 (Thu)	5:00 PM	St. Patrick's Day	Madigan's
	19 (Sat)	2:00 PM	General Membership / Photo Contest	TBD
April	1 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	TBD
	15 (Fri) -17 (Sun)		Cherry Blossom	TBD
	16 (Sat)		Occoquan River Cleanup	TBD
	22 (Fri) -24 (Sun)		Wine Festival / Early Bird	National Harbor
May	6 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	Blu1681
	7 (Sat)	12:00 PM	Flag Raising	OHM
	21 (Sat)	10:00 AM	ORMA Blessing of the Fleet	Occoquan River
	27 (Fri) - 30 (Mon)		Memorial Day Weekend Cruise	Colonial Beach
June	3 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktail party BYOB	OHM E-dock
	4 (Sat)	2:00 PM	Hawaiian Party	OHM
	17 (Fri) - 19 (Sun)		Cobb Island/Summer Kick-off	Cobb Island
	26 (Sat)		Raft-Up for Tim's Not the 4th of July Fireworks	Mattawoman
July	1 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktail party BYOB	Belmont Bay Marina
	4 (Mon)		Raft-Up for 4th of July Fireworks	Potomac River
	9 (Sat)		Raft-Up Tim's II not the 4th of July Firewroks	Tim's II/Fairview
	9 (Sat)	2:00 PM	Float-In Practice	Dooley's
	15 (Fri) -17 (Sun)		Float-In / Cup	Pt Lookout Mar
	17 (Sun) - 8 (Mon)		Croft Cruise	Northern Bay
August	5 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktail party BYOB	OHM A-dock
	6 (Sat) - 7 (Sun)		Gilligan's Raft-Up	Gilligan's Pier
	12 (Fri) - 14 (Sun)		Old Town Alexandria	Alexandria City Marina
	19 (Fri) - 21 (Sun)		Aquia Harbour Dog Days	Aquia Harbour
September	2 (Fri) - 5 (Mon)		Cristfield's Cruise	Crisfield MD
	9 (Fri) - 11 (Sun)		Nationals Baseball Game	James Creek Marina
	(17) Sat)	3:00 PM	Shrimpfest	Belmont Bay
October	7 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	TBD
	7 (Fri) - 11 (Mon)		Tides Inn	Irvington VA
	22 (Sat)	3:00 PM	General Membership/Elections/Chili Cook-off	TBD
November	4 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktail party	National Harbor
	4 (Fri) - 6 (Sun)		Hardy Souls Cruise	National Harbor
	19 (Sat)		OYC COW	TBD
December	2 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktail party	TBD
	2 (Fri) - 4 (Sun)		Parade of Lights	TBD
January	27 (Fri) -29 (Sun)		2017 PRYCA Change of Watch	Crowne Plaza, Alexandria