



The Daymarker



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From the Commodore

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July was another busy month. We had the Mt Vernon fireworks on July 1st, which were hit by bad weather and our folks made the right decisions! We had the first Friday Happy hour at Belmont Bay, which was a great event and great turnout. The next weekend we had the Float In at Point Lookout Marina.



*Commodore
Bob Hill*

I am glad to report that we had a great turnout for the Float In, but I am sorry to report we did not win. There is always next year! We had a great crew in hand, Jerry and Susan Tarasek on Dig Life, Wayne and Garnetta Beal on Wayne's World, Johnny and Michelle DeDitiis on Liquid Leisure, Bruno and Susan Millonig on Extra Innings, Pat and Vanessa Schondel on Rhumblin, Dan and Debbie Kent on Knot Home, and of course Min and myself on Lady Min. We also had Ginny Preda participating with us, even though Steve could not due to his responsibilities with PRYCA. Other OYC members present though not participating with OYC were Harry and Pat Croft, Don and Anne Bennett, Randy and Susan Willet. And finally we had Mark and Vanessa Davis arrive by car for the Saturday festivities. We had happy hours and cocktail hours...and drinks on the docks, on Lady Min, on Extra Innings, on Knot Home, well heck, on just about anywhere we could! I think all enjoyed our welcome drink of Mai Tai's and thankful I made enough for Saturday Happy Hour too! LOL The team did a great job and we gave it our best, but we came up short, though not for a lack of effort! And if you attended the Float In you should have received an email from Steve Preda advising you of a refund. Since the pool was not open, you will be refunded \$.50/per ft per night. If you did not get it let me know and I will forward to you.

Immediately following the Float In was the 2 week cruise to the southern Chesapeake Bay lead by Bruno and Susan Millonig. Please see Bruno's article for details on that awesome event!

August brings us the Dog Days of Summer at Aqua Harbor lead by Joe Livingston. It is still not too late to go!

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at: commodore@occoquanyachtclub.org

Cheers and Safe Boating

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From the Vice Commodore

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The Occoquan Yacht Club summer cruise events calendar so far has been nothing less than awesome. Over the past month we cruised to the Tides Inn Marina on the Rappahannock River and enjoyed five nights at this luxury resort. It was absolutely one of my favorite marinas. The following week OYC cruised to the PRYCA Float In where we competed for the Commodores Cup with over a dozen other yacht clubs on the Potomac River. It was a blast and fun was had by all.

PRYCA and Pt Look Out Marina once again knocked it out of the park. OYC would like to give a shout out and prolonged blast to our close friends and neighbors at the Fairfax Yacht Club for winning the Commodores Cup for two years in row. They were well prepared and deserved the win. Following the Float In, OYC sailed off with ten boats on our 3rd Chesapeake Bay Cruise, with our furthest southern destination of Portsmouth VA. This cruise, nicknamed the "Bruno Cruise" was absolutely spectacular. We spent 17 days on our boats cruising the Chesapeake Bay, Rappahannock, York, James and Elizabeth Rivers. To jog your memories, this cruise traditionally has been called the "Harry Croft" cruise, and although "Bay Dreamer" was not able to join, Pat and Harry were able to meet us by land at Smithfield Station marina for dinner and docktails. It was great seeing you guys at Smithfield. I'm reasonably certain that Bruno, our southern Bay cruise coordinator will provide a more detailed article for all to read.

This brings us into August. As of this writing, OYC is enjoying the hospitality of the PRYCA Dog Days of Summer cruise at Aquia Harbor. Joe and Gail Livingston are the cruise coordinators for Aquia and we look forward



*Vice
Commodore
Jerry Tarasek*

to hearing of their adventures next month. We have a Gilligan's Raft Up planned for Saturday August 26th, and I will send a follow up email with more details about this raft up. The last two years I recall OYC having around 20 boats at this raft up. So mark your calendar, it's an enjoyable friendly cruise, the water is warm, the beer is cold and the food is always delicious. To conclude, we are still planning an OYC end of summer cruise to Crisfield MD over Labor Day

Weekend. Please check your emails and let me know if you plan to attend. Somers Cove Marina will host the 70th Annual National Hard Crab Derby and Festival from September 1st-4th and OYC plans to attend. It's not too late to sign up and join, so please see your email for additional details. OYC cancelled this cruise the past two seasons due to foul weather and we are all hoping that this will be our year to attend. We're looking forward to it. All OYC boats will rendezvous near Pt Lookout and we will cross the Bay together through the Kedges Straights north of Smith Island to Crisfield MD. This is an absolutely beautiful cruise on the Chesapeake Bay, of which "Dig Life" had the pleasure of participating two years ago on the Croft cruise, and we've been yearning to return. Finally, as some may recall, last month I wrote about our first Tides Inn cruise but did not include any pictures. Later in this Daymarker you will see some pictures of that first Tides Inn cruise, enjoy! Be safe and God Bless.



Dinner at the Chesapeake Restaurant, Tides Inn, from left to right; Eric, Lisa, Ilana, Greg, Susan, jerry, Min, Bob, Garnetta, Wayne.



Cocktails on "Lady Min" with our new friends Glen and Julie.



Our lovely First Mates, from left to right, Susan, Garnetta, Min, Lisa, Ilana.



Docktails at the Tides Inn Marina



The 18th Hole at the Golden Eagle, OYC Rear Commodore Wayne Beal, Commodore Bob Hill and Vice Commodore Jerry Tarasek



The Captains just hanging out on Wayne's World.

From the Rear Commodore

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July was a great month for boating! I recall a very nice happy hour on B dock at Belmont bay in the beginning of the month. Thank you to all those who could attend! The competition for the Commodores' Cup was fun and I just want to thank Bob for leading our team in the competition! That was followed by a two-week cruise that Bruno put together covering the south part of the Bay. It was a great trip Bruno with a variety of wonderful ports, food, and fun! We look forward to seeing everyone on the water this month!



*Rear
Commodore
Wayne Beal*

Membership News

By Mark Lawton, OYC Membership

It is hard to believe that we are just about half way through the boating season already! Where does the time go? Fortunately the weather has been reasonably good and the opportunities to get out on the water have been plentiful. And, with half of the season still ahead of us, there is both plenty of boating left AND plenty of opportunities to extend membership in the area's finest yacht club to those around your docks/marinas who are not yet members.

Keeping the club strong is important for a whole host of reasons. Our current roster is holding steady at 78 memberships, which is great, but can be better! Please help me and help your club remain strong and vibrant. Encourage friends and acquaintances at your marina to have a look at OYC by visiting our new and improved website or by dropping me a line at membership@occoquanyachtclub.com. Remember: recruiting is a year-round All Hands Evolution!

Have fun on the water and stay safe!



PRYCA Information

By Bruno Millonig, PRYCA / CBYCA

Great news for boaters! The national funding for three boating related grant programs are up. \$14.7 million through the Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) program, \$15.4 million in funds through the Clean Vessel Act program, and \$1.7 million in Maritime Heritage Grants. Yorktown, VA recently got nearly \$800K for boating infrastructure improvements. You can read more about it at:

<http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/>

In seesaw battle to keep corn out of our tanks, E15 gains a little momentum. The Environmental Protection Agency announced in its proposed 2018 Renewable Volume Obligations (RVO) as part of the Renewable Fuel Standard program...setting the volume of conventional biofuels at the maximum allowed under law, 15 billion gallons. This threatens to further restrict access to E10 and ethanol-free gas for boaters.

Although not as interesting as Mark's hot dog trivia over the 4th, here are some boating fun facts: We have 11,867,049 recreational boats in the United States with 95% of them being under 26 feet and towable. Every year, 87.3 million boaters take to the water in the U.S. and the annual economic impact is \$ 121.5 billion including direct, indirect, and induced spending. There are 650,014 jobs in the industry, with 34,833 businesses.

Thanks to all who took part in a wildly successful Bay Cruise! Please, Please, PLEASE, take a moment to go to Active Captain and post some reviews that recognize the amazing service we received all up and down the Bay. Susan and I were thrilled to take part in such a long trip with great friends and most thankful for their generosity. A few boo boos and a couple of single engine opportunities were the only snafus, and thankfully they were all easily fixable (although easy is not cheap!). Smithfield Station has probably the best breakfast buffet I've ever had, I can't wait to go back! Next trip south I also hope to get at least to the beginning of the dismal swamp! A few photos are posted on the FB members only site, enjoy!

What to buy...

By Ilana Cumby, Quartermaster

If you're wanting a few new items, please get your orders in as soon as you can. I have Polo's, Jackets, Sweatshirts and more with your name, boat name or logos on them for you. Head out in style. I have many pieces of jewelry left that you can choose from also.

Fleece-lined Hoodies (email me to order)
3 colors: White/Grey, Grey/Black, Navy/Black
Available in M, L, XL, XXL \$45 with either
OYC Flag Monogram or your Boat Logo



Last, for the little girl in your life, how about one of these beautiful handmade necklaces, **only \$28**.



To all our August members of
the OYC



2017 OYC EVENT SCHEDULE (Updated 4/12/17)

Month	Day	Time	Event	Location	Coordinator
January	27, 28 (Sat)		PRYCA COW, and Friday Pub Crawl	Crowne Plaza	Steve Preda
	29 (Sun)	3:00 PM	Pre-Planfest	Schondel's	Wayne / Jerry
February	3 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	Madigan's	Wayne Beal
March	3 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	Electric Palm	Wayne Beal
	11 (Sat)	3:00 PM	General Membership/Photo/Planfest	Mt Vernon YC	Wayne / Jerry
	17 (Fri)	5:00 PM	St. Patrick's Day	Madigan's	Wayne Beal
April	7 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktails BYOB	The Yards Marina	Pat Shondel
	7(Fri) - 9(Sun)		Cherry Blossom Fest Cruise/ Early Bird	The Yards Marina	
	TBD		Occoquan River Clean Up	Occoquan Reg Pk	John Cornicelli
	28(Fri) - 30(Sun)	29th	Wine & Food Festival / Early Bird	National Harbor	Wayne Beal
May	5 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktails BYOB	OHM E dock	Wayne Beal
	6 (Sat)	12:00 PM	OYC Flag Raising Ceremony	OHM	Wayne Beal
	20 (Sat)*	10:00 AM	ORMA Blessing of the Fleet	Occoquan River	Jerry Tarasek
	26(Fri) - 29(Mon)		Memorial Day Weekend Cruise	Colonial Beach	Wayne & Mark
	26(Fri) - 29(Mon)		Chesapeake Bay Cruise 1- Solomons I	Spring Cove	Johnny D.
June	2 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	Electric Palm	Wayne Beal
	3 (Sat)	2:00 PM	Hawaiian Luau and Pig Roast	OHM Pavilion	Wayne Beal
	10(Sat)*	8:00 AM	Potomac River Poker Run (\$200 ante)	5 Locations	Dave Hart
	16(Fri) - 18(Sun)		Cobb Island/PRYCA Summer Kick-off	Cobb Island	Don Bennett
	16(Fri) - 18(Sun)		DC Jazz Festival, The Yards Park	The Yards Marina	Johnny D.
	23(Fri)-28(Wed)		Chesapeake Bay Cruise 2 - Tides Inn	Irrington VA	Jerry Tarasek
	24 (Sat)		Raft-Up for 4th July Fireworks, Tims I	Possum Point	Bud Bishop
July	1 (Sat)		Raft-Up for 4th July Fireworks	Mt Vernon	John Cornicelli
	4 (Tue) - 5		Raft-Up for 4th of July Fireworks - DC	DC area	Canceled
	7 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour BYOB Docktails B-Dock	Belmont Bay	Wayne Beal
	8 (Sat)*		Raft-Up Tim's II not the 4th of July Fireworks	Tim's II/Fairview	Canceled
	9 (Sun)	3:00 PM	OYC Pool Party, BYOB Float-In Practice	Dooley's Home	Canceled
	14(Fri)-16(Sun)		PRYCA Float-In, Commodores Cup	Pt Lookout	Bob Hill
	July 16-29		Chesapeake Bay Cruise 3 - South Bay	South Bay	Bruno Millionig
August	4 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktail party BYOB	OHM A Doc/Aquia?	Wayne Beal
	4(Fri)-6(Sun)		Dog Days of Summer	Aquia Harbour	Joe Livingston
	11(Fri)-13(Sun)		Old Town Alexandria Weekend Cruise	Alex City Dock	Bob Hill
	26 (Sat)		Gilligan's Raft Up	Gilligans Pier	TBD
September	1(Fri) - 4(Mon)		Bay Cruise 4, Labor Day MD Crab Fest	Crisfield MD	Jerry Tarasek
	8(Fri) - 10(Sun)		Nationals Baseball Game vs Phillies	The Yards Marina	Bruno M.
	16 (Sat)	3:00 PM	Shrimpfest	Belmont Bay Mar	Wayne Beal
October	6 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktails BYOB	Gangplank Mar	TBD
	6 (Fri)-9(Mon)		Columbus Day Weekend Cruise	Gangplank Mar	
	21 (Sat)	3:00 PM	General Membership/Elections/Chili Cook-off	Shondel's	Wayne Beal
November	3 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour - Docktail party	National Harbor	Eric & Lisa
	3(Fri) - 5(Sun)		Hardy Souls Cruise	National Harbor	
	18 (Sat)	6:30 PM	OYC Change of Watch (COW)	Ft Belvoir	Jerry Tarasek
December	1 (Fri)	5:00 PM	Happy Hour	TBD	Wayne Beal
	2 (Sat)		Parade of Lights	DC to Old Town	TBD
Jan 2018	26, 27(Sat)		PRYCA COW and Friday Pub Crawl	Crowne Plaza	TBD
	New or change				

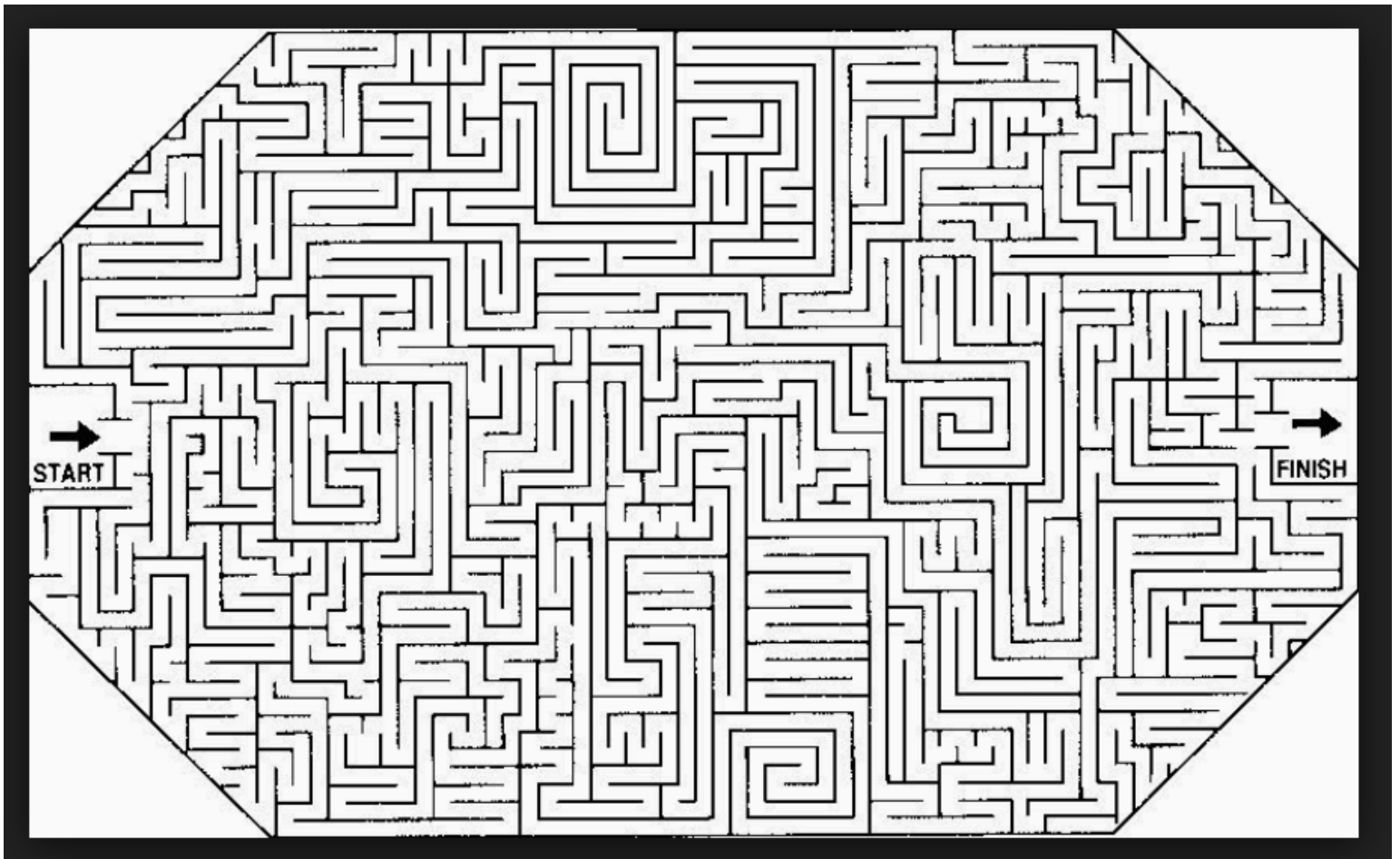
**Winner of the June Contest for the \$10 Starbucks Card,
Pirate sign, tote bag and cozies was**

Harry Croft

**Winner of the July Contest for the Pirate sign, and
cozies was... yet again**

Harry Croft

**Here is August's Challenge, get it done before Mr.
Croft beats you to it AGAIN LOL.**



**Complete the maze however you can. Take a
picture and email back to oyceditor@gmail.com
be the first to win a prize.**



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Occoquan Yacht Club 2017

New/Renewal Family Membership (Annual fee: \$75.00)
Includes Burgee.

New/Renewal Individual Membership (Annual fee: \$55.00)
Includes Burgee.

New/Renewal Associate Membership (Annual fee: \$30.00)
Add an additional \$25 for Burgee.

Members can purchase additional burgees -- add \$25 to the above prices per additional burgee.

Fees paid after 1 October will cover both current and following year.

Membership level

Family membership (Annual fee: \$75.00)

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Associate membership (Annual fee: \$30.00)

Additional Burgees (Each: \$25.00)

Please make checks payable to Occoquan Yacht Club. Mail your check and this form to:

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Please allow 2 weeks for processing application and return of membership packet.

Individual member contact information

Date

Captain Name

Captain Mobile

First Mate Name

First Mate Mobile

Street address

Street address line 2

City

State

Zip code

Captain Email Address

First Mate Email Address

Captain Birthday (MM/DD)

First Mate Birthday

Wedding Anniv.

Boat Information

Name of Boat

Builder

Length/Beam/Draft/Height

Power Required (ie, 1-30amp, 2-30/150amp,
1-50 amp)

Fuel Type (ie, Gas, Diesel)

Where Berthed (ie, OHM, FFX, etc)

Slip Number

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

	Yes	No	Maybe
<i>Contribute articles to the OYC newsletter, The Daymarker</i>			
<i>Contribute pictures from club events for The Daymarker</i>			
<i>Contribute pictures and short articles to the OYC Website and The Daymarker</i>			
<i>Assist with Website programming</i>			
<i>Assist event coordinators</i>			
<i>Serve as a PRYCA or CBYCA delegate</i>			
<i>Serve as a fleet captain</i>			
<i>Serve as a safety officer or board officer</i>			
<i>Coordinate an event</i>			

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