



The Daymarker



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From the Commodore

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June was a very busy month, wow what a great time! I think this may have been the busiest June we have had, at least in recent memory. We had the Happy Hour on 2 June, thanks Rear Commodore Wayne Beal! The Luau on 3 June, again thanks Wayne and Garnetta! And a special thanks to Jeff and Luciana Hughey for the pig roast! On the 10th, Dave and Karen Hart coordinated the Tim's Rivershore Charity Poker Run. We had three boats and several crews and folks teamed up. We had a great time running up and down the river, enjoying food and beverage at several locations with Jerry winning the best poker hand of the day with three 3s, winning \$300! Mid-month we had two cruises, one to the PRYCA Summer Kick off at Cobb Island and the other to The Yards for the DC Jazz Festival. Min and I attended the DC Jazz Festival cruise and all had a great time! Thanks to Johnny DeDitius for setting it up and thanks to Jerry and Suz Tarasek for taking over when Johnny had to cancel. Thanks to Don and Anne Bennett for coordinating the Cobb Island cruise! Bud Bishop coordinated the Tim's Not the Fourth of July Fireworks raft-up and I understand that all had a great time. Thanks Bud!! And finally Jerry and Suz Tarasek coordinated The Tides Inn cruise. Another great time and thanks Jerry and Suz!!

July is a busy month as well. We have the Mt Vernon Fireworks raft-up on 1 July, coordinated by John and Susie Cornicelli. The Fourth of July fireworks raft-up in DC and the Tim's II Not the Fourth of July fireworks raft-up on 8 July. On the 9th, we have the OYC Pool Party at Jim and Judy Dooley's house on 9 July. This was going to



*Commodore
Bob Hill*

be a practice for the Float In but general consensus is that it would be better to just have a party so that's what we are doing. This is open to all OYC members. It is a BYOB/BYOF event and should be lots of fun! We then have the Float In at Point Lookout 14-16 July. Some will be continuing on with Bruno and Susan Millonig's lower bay cruise from 16-29 July.

A few details about the events we will have at the Float-In:

- Seamanship Exam. Two people from each participating team, a male and a female, will take the test which will cover basic navigation, seamanship, and general boating safety skills. Thanks to Michelle DeDituis and Jerry Tarasek for volunteering!

- Scavenger Hunt (45 min). All members of the attending team will join in the fun to collect items listed. Bring a handheld VHF or walkie-talkies. We'll pick a channel and have folks stationed at their boats to stage what they have to contribute. We'll have stickies for putting names on the items so they can be returned to their owners.

- Blind Dinghy - Race. The blindfolded one paddles, the seeing-eye person directs along the course. We are still looking for volunteers.

- Walk the Plank Passenger in the Pool - Rescue by Life Ring at the pool. Partner treads water while the other throws a ring at his head. Must come close enough that the partner doesn't have to move to reach for it.

- Life vest exchange – Two members will be in the pool and have to exchange life vest in the pool while treading water.

All events are timed for points. If you see an event you'd like to participate in, put together a team and see me for assignment!

Full details of the Float In area at the end of the Daymarker.

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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One of the ancillary benefits of cruising with the Occoquan Yacht Club, is not just the comfort of traveling in groups with close friends, but also meeting other boaters and new friends on our journeys. This was the case over the past weekend during the OYC Chesapeake Bay cruise #2 when we motored to the Tides Inn Marina in Irvington VA. We met Glen and Julie from Kent Island who recently purchased a brand new 50ft trawler from Holland, and had just sold their 45 footer which they sailed to the Tides Inn. It was ocean rated, had a one inch thick ballistic windshield, and could withstand the pounding of green water over their bow. We really enjoyed their company and hospitality and they were a great addition to our dockside social events. New members, well you never know? OYC had five boats that cruised to the Tides Inn Marina, they were; me and Suz "Dig Life," Bob and Min "Lady Min," Greg and Ilana "La La's Para Dice," Eric and Lisa "After Hours," and Wayne and Garnetta "Waynes World." By land, Mark and Vanessa Davis joined for a day and they were a welcomed addition to our Saturday. We had a staggered cruise schedule. The cruise started when "Dig Life" departed OHM Friday morning. The winds and the seas progressively got more sporting as we left the Potomac River and entered the Chesapeake Bay. It was 117 nmi from OHM to the Tides Inn. We finally arrived around 2pm after 5.5hrs of cruising and it felt good to walk on solid ground. We went straight to the swimming pool and ordered a Lancaster lemonade, the signature drink at Tides. It was a rough ride for more than half of our journey, with water broken up into spray crashing our windshield, and running the wipers most of the time. Fortunately I had brand new windshield



*Vice
Commodore
Jerry Tarasek*

wipers but have isinglass above the windshield. I didn't need the one inch ballistic windshield but wish I had it. Lady Min, La La's Para Dice and After Hours cruised to Coles Point Marina Friday night, where they overnighted and then cruised to the Tides Saturday morning hoping for smoother seas. The seas didn't lay down and the three of them also had a sporting cruise into the Bay and up the Rappahannock River to the Tides. They arrived safely, some a little white knuckled, and we provided welcome drinks and all went

straight to the swimming pool. It was very refreshing. Later that afternoon Bob, Greg and I played nine holes at the par 3 executive course and that evening we all had docktails and light fair on our boats. Waynes World arrived Sunday morning after an uneventful cruise and watching the fireworks at Tims River Shore Saturday night. Bob, Greg, Wayne, Eric and I also played a couple rounds of golf at the Golden Eagle 18 hole course. It was a beautiful golf course with small ponds and trees managing to devour a few of our golf balls, but we all had fun. Sunday night everyone had dinner at the resorts Chesapeake Restaurant, it was a treat and we discovered their excellent cuisine and BYO wine with a modest corking fee. Between Wayne and Greg, believe me, we drank some good wine that evening. The ladies rode bicycles into town and did some shopping, and there was never a dull moment. Some of us had massages at the spa but the time went by fast and LaLa's Para Dice departed home Tuesday morning. The rest of us departed the Tides Inn Marina Wednesday morning, under much calmer seas, and we all arrived home safe and sound, with fond memories of our cruise and our time together. Below

are some pictures of our cruise, enjoy! Jerry
and Suz, "Dig Life."

From the Rear Commodore

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Last Happy hour was at OHM on E dock and we had good attendance! Thank you all for showing up, bringing a dish, and a beverage along with a smile and a good time!

The next day we celebrated with the Hawaiian Luau and pig roast which was great fun as well! We had about 64 people in attendance for this free event which we normally had to charge for. I want to thank Bob and Min for making wonderful Mai Tai's and Jeff and Luciana Hughey for cooking that awesome pig! I know that Jerry and Suzie were there with the Hughey's providing great support with the pig as well. A big thank you all of the folks who help set up and cleanup as it was truly a group effort and Garnetta and I are very grateful for all the help that made this a memorable event! If I recall, we had prizes for the best dressed and I believe Ray Maestas nailed it for the guys (that was unanimous – lol) and while there were many lovely ladies that were dressed very well for the occasion, the award went to Min Hill. We also had a 50/50 and Bruno (who will probably tell you he never wins anything) walked out the door a winner that day. Congratulations to everyone and thank you for a great day!



*Rear
Commodore
Wayne Beal*

OYC has put together many cruises and I have to say that this boating year seems to be going along very well. Please continue to be safe and make sure you get your boat

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

Please login to our web site to sign up for events so that the cruise coordinators can reach you. The web site is:
<http://www.occoquanyachtclub.com>

Your ID is the captains first initial of his first name plus their last name and the password is lowercase oycpassword. Once logged in, please go to My sign-ups for cruises in 2017 and select away.

Our next happy hour will be at Belmont Bay Harbor Marina Friday July 7th around 5ish. Please bring a chair, dish, and a beverage. Feel free to call me to get in the gate (703) 400-7733 – see you there!

Tim's Not on the Fourth Raftup.

By Bud Bishop

Occoquan Yacht Club enjoyed a festive evening of fireworks at Tim's Rivershore Restaurant across from Mattawoman Creek this month (24 JUN). Attending were:

- Wayne and Garnetta Beal, Wayne's World
- Johnny and Michele Deditius, Liquid Leisure
- Steve and Ginny Preda, Anamchara
- Bud and Heidi Bishop, Hi Jinx 3
- Bruno and Susan Millonig, Extra Innings
- Jim and Pam Poulos, Pamela Jean

In the vicinity and participating by dingy and kayak were Dave and Michelle Johnson aboard Tiki Time III, John and Suzy Cornicelli aboard Persephone, 'Ship' Steve and Loraine Shipley, Aquia Yacht Club, and Brian Field, Bay Dreamin'.

Rain hampered the plan to gather on FRI night, but the skies cleared by 9 AM SAT and the first anchor was set at 10 AM SAT. Swimming and lunch followed, and some enjoyed a walk on the sandy beach near the raft. Fireworks began on time at 9:30 PM and were extremely well done, as always. With a front row seat, the OYC members celebrated the nation's independence with booms and crackles in a spectacular light show. A number of the crew then piled into Brian's Bay Dreamin' and headed to Tim's to celebrate with the crowd ashore. The next morning, Tim's shuttle offered rides to the restaurant for brunch but most enjoyed a smorgasbord of fancy fixin's on the flybridge of Hi-Jinx 3. Following brunch, the raft broke up and many headed to Mattawoman to continue the nice weekend. John Cornicelli dropped his anchor as well, and brought his dingy and crew over for an afternoon barbecue. In the early evening, the raft broke a second time and most headed home to prepare for the work week ahead. You just can't beat a weekend surrounded by great friends on a boat, on the water. Thanks OYC!



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(Water & Road)**

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Dog Days of August Cruise.

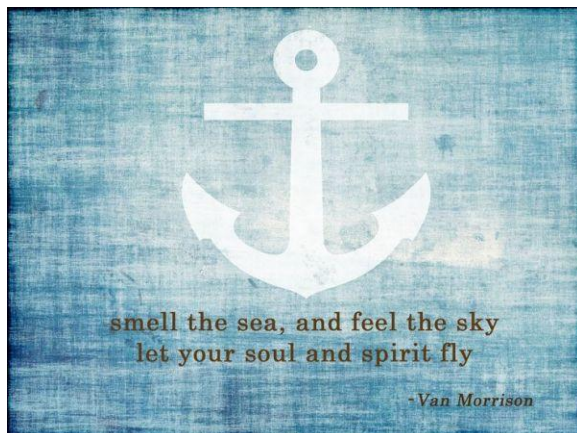
By Gail & Joe Livingston

Mark your calendars and plan to join the Crew of the Gail Lynn II for the "Caper on the Creek".

Past experience sez this will be a fun packed weekend sponsored by the Aquia Harbour Yacht Club. See enclosed flyer. Note: A complete schedule and a registration form will be posted on their website at www.ahyc.org. Please notify Gail & Joe once registered.

About the cruise, we will uphold the "tradition" of drinks upon arrival and will work in an OYC happy hour for the 1st Friday of the month. You will find that the events AHYC offer will be well worth the cost of the weekend. Kayak and evening cruises around the island are great, especially with your mate and a bottle of wine. You will get your fill-up while participating in the Crab-Shrimp-BBQ feast. The folks at Aquia Harbour know how to throw a good event. And one last comment. Navigating up the Aquia Creek does not put your vessel in harm's way, especially if you come & depart at or near high tide and follow the markers.

Will follow up with additional information as it become available. Look forward to great turnout from OYC.. The Gail Lynn II will go to Aquia on Thursday and as an addition activity, we will go to, as locals call it "Mexico" for a dinner treat.



BoatUS Alert: Crime Rings Stealing Boats,

Yamaha Outboards, Garmin Electronics

7 tips to slow down thieves

ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 21, 2017 – Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) said today crime rings responsible for stealing boats, Yamaha outboard engines, Garmin electronics, and other expensive navigation units along the East Coast's I-95 corridor have moved across the country. Largely striking boat dealerships and boat-storage facilities, the thieves are getting the attention of a new intelligence working group made up of local, state and federal law enforcement officials as well as certified marine investigators who urge recreational boaters to be vigilant.

One Virginia marina recently reported six 600-pound engines stolen, with dealerships in upstate New York and Texas hit in similar fashion, according to a June 2 [report](#) in *Soundings Trade Only Today*. Working-group member Daniel Rutherford, claims director for Maritime Program Group, a leading marina and boatyard specialty insurance program company said, "They are professional. They know what they are doing and get in and out quickly leaving very little damage."

What can boat owners and boating facilities do to prevent thefts? It's hard to stop a determined thief, but you can reduce your chances of being targeted. BoatUS offers seven tips:

1. **Take a look at your boat storage area.** Is it lit at night? Does it have motion-operated lighting or audible alarms? How difficult is it to gain entry? Is there one or multiple ways to enter? Does it have an effective, fully operating video-surveillance system? Does the storage facility have signage advising that license plates are being recorded and property is under 24-hour surveillance?

2. **Slow a thief down.** Are helm electronics locked behind a solid instrument cover? Use tamper-resistant fasteners for mounting electronics and outboard locking devices. Using a special nut with an engine-mounting bolt that requires a special key can help.
3. **Make stealing expensive electronics less appealing** by engraving and posting a warning (this goes for the outboard, too). Create and keep at home an engine and electronics inventory list that includes manufacturer and serial number, and take plenty of pictures – including the boat.
4. **Be wary of suspicious questions.** In most of the boat dealership theft cases, a suspect posed as a boat shopper on the day before the theft occurred. For boat owners, loose lips sink ships. Boaters should remain cautious to questions from strangers wanting to know more about access. Get to know your dockside neighbors so you can more readily recognize suspicious activity and people who don't belong.
5. **Consider adding a [boat tracking device](#)** that can sound an early alarm if something's amiss.
6. Yamaha outboard engine owners may want to **investigate [Yamaha Customer Outboard Protection](#)**, or Y-COP. Y-COP is available with the manufacturer's Command Link (CL) and Command Link Plus (CLP) systems.
7. **Help get the word out.** If you are a victim of theft, ask your local law enforcement to share the information on the National Crime Information Center (NCIC), a computerized database of documented criminal-justice information available to virtually every law-enforcement agency in the U.S. or add to state crime-tracking databases.

Fototime Picture Link

By Les Bergmann, Historian

I'm happy to announce that we have a new website where we can see pictures of OYC events. You can follow this link <http://www.fototime.com/inv/97261FD666E7239> to access it. Remember to bring your photos to the general membership meeting for the photo contest. We still

have 2016 directories available so if you have not received yours yet, please see me at the membership meeting.

PRYCA Information

By Bruno Millonig, PRYCA / CBYCA

Happy 4th of July everyone! Looks like it'll be a hot one this year, be sure to re-read Jim P's tips on sunscreen to keep safe from the sun!

Lots going on around the national boating world, I mean that is besides the PRYCA "Rock the River" float in! GO OYC!

E15 is now mandated to be called "Flex Fuel" in most parts of the country, this may roll back what was a growing momentum to put more of that hideous, vile, despicable, corn known as Ethanol in our cars and boats.

ICW dredging has the most funding it's seen in 5 years, with more than \$4M to VA. This could help get us closer to the 8' authorized depth, which is desperately needed right now as the ICW is down to as low as 3' in places! In FY 18, the administration is proposing almost \$5.5M for dredging in the Commonwealth.

Keep your rain gear handy...it's likely to be a "more active" hurricane season, it seems like they say that every year, but this year we have a 45% chance to be above normal, 35% chance of normal, and only 20% chance of less than normal.

Finally, boating safety, which is why our club is formed...is not going well nationally, with the fatality rate up 5.9% over last year, most from drowning. Of note, VA is 1 of only 2 states that doesn't have a mandatory child life vest law. Keep those life vests handy and make sure the kids wear them!

Keep checking our FB pages for more scoop, especially the members only page for pictures! Shoot me an email or text if you need help accessing them.

Membership News

By Mark Lawton, OYC Membership

Happy 241st Birthday USA!
Hope you all enjoy the celebrations, both on and off the water. According to the

Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association, the Fourth of July is the most popular day for grilling. No surprises there! Stock up on those All-American favorites, chicken, hamburgers and hot dogs. Approximately 150 million hot dogs and 700 million pounds of chicken are consumed on this day. Speaking of hot dogs, Joey Chestnut of San Jose, California holds the world record for eating 73 hot dogs (and buns) within 10 minutes to win the "Mustard Belt" at Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest at Coney Island. 73 hot dogs! Hurts just thinking about it!

Anyway, whatever it is that you do to celebrate this Fourth, have a great time and be safe! And, while you're celebrating, I encourage everyone to take advantage of every opportunity to invite people you know or that you meet at the marina (whether they own a boat or not) to join OYC. The membership form with complete information is on our new and improved website.

Thank you and safe boating!

What to buy...

By Ilana Cumby, Quartermaster

Summer is here and in full bloom. 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.**



Looking for Flag Poles and Mounts???

By Joe Livingston of the Gail Lynn II

The Swiveler Flag Pole Set design fits our Club's 12" burgee and the pole is made of solid machined 316 stainless steel, with rotating clips, and the mount is machined iodized aluminum. Ask Club members what they think of this flag pole and review at www.originalswiveler.com.

To order, send me an email indicating how many sets you want and give the exact diameter of your rail (please measure...do not guess). Use an adjustable wrench slid over the rail and then measure that opening in inches. Many rails are 1", 1-1/8" or 1-1/4".

A set costs \$70 payable by check or cash to Joe Livingston. Additional information, please contact me at joseph.livingston@verizon.net or call 703-505-8313.

A Celtic Festival

By Don & Anne Bennett, *Heart of the Sun*

The Cobb Island Yacht Club crew never disappoints. This year's Cobb Island PRYCA Summer Kick-Off theme was *A Celtic Festival*, and they nailed it! OYC boats *Knot Home* (Debbie and Dan Kent and Debbie's parents, Pat and Phil) and *Heart of the Sun* (Don and Anne Bennett) arrived Friday afternoon at Captain John's, while WYA boats *Patriot* (Vicky and Mike Enos), *Norma Joan* (Norma and Bob Blunt) and *Life is Good* (Steven Shipley and Lorraine Dawkins) docked at Pirates' Den... the plan being to join forces for the Highland Games and the weekend fun.



We all enjoyed a great dinner / strategy session at Captain John's restaurant Friday night; and after much deliberation, we named our clan the *McMuffintops*. An incoming storm prevented further merriment on the dock, but those traveling back to the island enjoyed a quick respite at Scuttlebutts where Bill Hocker and The Parrot Bay Trio along with two members of the Duke Brothers Band provided some great "ceoil agus craic".

Saturday morning came early as the Highland Games began. Fortified with true Irish coffee and pastries, the *McMuffintops* joined the *Longshank Clan* to compete in the caber toss / hammer throw (Lincoln Logs)



the putting...



and catching of the shot (sling shot water balloons),



the bailing of the yacht, and other fun games while enjoying the sounds of the Celtic band, *Dragonfyre*. The Celtic Society of Southern Maryland was also there to provide historic information and traditional kilt wrapping lessons. Cindy Roser, *The Welsh Teller*, and a Celtic Tree of Life painting class rounded out the early afternoon.

As if that weren't enough to pack into a day, Carla Jackson, President of the Celtic Society of Southern Maryland, led us through a Whiskey and Scotch tasting tour of the old country (proceeds benefitting the Wayside Food Bank). The day was capped off with a wonderful dinner and more "ceoil agus craic" provided by the 'Sir' Dr. Robert Band along with some awesome accompaniment. Sunday, after a great buffet breakfast, our clan members said "slán do anois" and departed for our home ports. Remember...



What happens on Cobb Island stays on Cobb Island!"

Pictures from the Luau





To all our July members
of the OYC



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

Harry Croft

CONGRADULATIONS !!!

And thank you all who participated in the challenge

Now it's time to see who will be our next BIG WINNER!

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Send your responses to the OYCeditor for your chance
at winning Great Prizes.

RULES: Be the first to him and send the answer to the **Daymarker** editor via email
(editor@occoquanyachtclub.org). The winner will be announced and posted in next month's
Daymarker. NOTE: OYC board members are NOW allowed to participate GOOD LUCK!



Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association



2017 PRYCA FLOAT-IN

Point Lookout Marina

July 14th – 16th



Calling all PRYCA Member Clubs: Rally your Captains to compete for The Cup!
Join us in July at Point Lookout Marina for the 2017 PRYCA Float-In!

Registration includes: A weekend of nautical fun and games with PRYCA members and their guests, July 14-16, 2017, at Point Lookout Marina, 16244 Millers Wharf Road, Ridge, MD 20680.

Meals: Friday Night Barbecue: chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, and sides.
Saturday Continental Breakfast
Saturday Lunch
Saturday Night Buffet Dinner at Sunset Cove Restaurant
Sunday Brunch at Sunset Cove Restaurant

Events: Friday Night Dance (DJ)
Saturday Seminars and Demonstrations
Saturday **Competition for The Cup!**
Saturday Night Awards Ceremony and Dance (Live Music)
Vessel Safety Inspections, available Friday and Saturday

Costs: **Slip Fees:** \$1.75 per foot; includes electric
Registration Fee: \$120 per adult, \$50 per child 5-10, age 4 & under free; includes the five meals listed above and all events.
Fuel: Pt. Lookout Marina offers \$.25 gal. discount off posted fuel prices, 7/14-16.

Shuttle service by golf cart for anyone who requests a ride up the hill.

Registration Process: Clubs should designate a Point of Contact for their group; **individual members of each group should fill out the *Individual Registration Form* and submit it to their POC, with their check for payment (payable to PRYCA.)** The POC should collect those forms and checks, and fill out the *Club Registration Form*. **The POC will then submit all forms and checks as the Club Registration Package to PRYCA Treasurer Steve Preda. ***

Steve will accept Club Registration Pkgs. at the Commodores' Dinner & Delegates Meeting, April 3, 2017, 7:00 p.m., at Mount Vernon Yacht Club, 4814 Tarpon Lane, Alexandria, VA 22554.

Thereafter, Club Registration Packages should be sent to:

PRYCA Treasurer, Steve Preda, 112 Stafford Stone Drive, Stafford, VA 22554

***Club POC's note** – Please make sure all individual registration forms are complete, with all spaces for boat information and contact information filled in, with personal checks to PRYCA included. For ease of refund if necessary, **ONLY PERSONAL CHECKS FOR INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT CLUB CHECKS.**

Cancellation Policy: Notice of all cancellations must be made to Steve Preda at Treasurer@pryca.us. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after July 8, 2017.

Slip Assignments: Slip assignments will be based on vessel size, power requirements, and registration date. Every effort will be made to keep club boats together, when size and power requirements allow.

Schedule of Events: A schedule of events and description of games for the Competition for The Cup will be sent to each Club POC in June; POCs should distribute to individuals in their group. The schedule and games will also be posted at www.pryca.us in June.

REGISTER NOW, AND GET READY TO ROCK THE RIVER!

Clubs that submit their group registration packages, including completed individual registration forms and checks, at the April 3rd Commodores' Night dinner will earn their first point in the competition for The Cup!!

Individual Registration Form

PRYCA 2017 FLOAT-IN

E-Mail address for captain of the vessel: * _____ Cell ph. # * _____

** It is important that we have this contact information for every vessel registered.*

Club Name: _____

Boat Name: _____

Beam: _____ Length: _____

Circle Power Cord Requirements: 1x30, 2x30, 1x50

Circle Arrival Day: Thurs (14th) Fri (15th) Sat (16th)

Circle Number of Nights: One, Two, Three

List All Registrants: Name:

Club Position, if any:

Captain _____

Please indicate A (adult 13+), Ch (child 5-10,) or T (toddler 4yrs or less,) next to each name.

Determine Slip Fee:

A. Length of boat x \$1.75 x number of nights = Total Vessel Cost _____

Determine Registration Fee:

1. Number of Adults x \$120.00 = _____

2. Number of Children (ages 5-10 yrs.) x \$50.00 = _____

Toddlers, age 4 & under, are free.

B. Total registration Fee: (1) + (2) = _____

Determine Total Costs: Slip Fee (A) plus Registration Fee (B) = \$ _____ Check # _____

Please make check payable to PRYCA.

Submit this completed form, along with your personal check to your Club Point of Contact.

If you are registering after June 30, you may send it directly to: Steve Preda, PRYCA Treasurer*

112 Stafford Stone Drive

Stafford, VA 22554

** If you send directly to Steve, be sure to notify your Club POC.*

Cancellations: Notice of all cancellations must be made to Steve Preda at Treasurer@pryca.us.

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31st Annual
PRYCA Float-In
at Point Lookout Marina
on the Potomac River
July 14 – 16, 2017

Rock the River !



Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association
www.pryca.us

2017 PRYCA FLOAT-IN SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Golf cart shuttle service available all weekend; taxi stand near marina office.

Friday, 14 July

1200 - 1800	Vessels arrive; participants may pick-up registration packets at the Registration Tent, on the grass behind the marina office, near the walkway to B Dock. Swimming at the Pool
1400 - 1800	Sunset Cove Waterfront Restaurant welcomes PRYCA with Rocking drink specials for all PRYCA members!
1500 - 1800	2017 Vessel Safety Examinations. Sign-up at the registration table in the Registration Tent, on the lawn behind the marina office, near the walkway to B Dock
1700 - 1830	Wine Tasting at Sunset Cove. Cost is \$6.00 per person. Wine tasting includes tasting of 10 different wines.
1830– 2200	Barbecue Dinner – hamburgers, hot dogs, grilled chicken and sides served in the Service Bldg. Rock YOUR River as you know best – Dress up in your best attire to compete in the costume contest. Dance to DJ music all evening. Cash Bar – No BYOB! Their ABC License will be in jeopardy!!!!

Saturday, 15 July

Seminar schedule subject to change

0800 – 1200	Vessels arrive and pick-up registration packages. Registration packages will be available at the Registration Tent.
0730 – 0930	Continental breakfast served at Sunset Cove restaurant.
0900 – 1100	2017 Vessel Safety Examinations. Sign-up at the registration table in the Registration Tent.
0900 – 0945	Seminars: A – Fire Extinguisher Demonstration (parking lot by Marina Office) B -- Lorraine Mitchell – Craft Workshop (at the Service Building) There is a \$20.00 cost for the materials.
1000 – 1045	Seminars: A – John Cornicelli – Weather Seminar (at the Service Building) B – Krista Giaccio - Boat Cooking Workshop (by the pool)
1100 – 1130	PRYCA Cup competition kick-off/information meeting for designated Captains of each club, (or combination of clubs,) participating in the competition. (Meet in the Service Bldg.)
1130 – 1230	Seamanship and Knot Tying Exam by Joe Livingston (In the Service Bldg.)
1230 - 1345	Lunch Break – Sandwiches and salad, chips, dessert and soft drinks served in the Service Bldg. Cash Bar Available. No BYOB! Their ABC License will be in jeopardy!!!!

	Saturday, 15 July, (continued)
1345 – 1445	Scavenger Hunt – Team captains report to the Service Bldg. for instructions and the list of items. (Captains only – teams gather at their chosen locations to await their Captain's instructions.)
1500 – 1730 Games begin at 1500	<i>Rock on and let the games begin!</i> <i>No pets or glass allowed in pool area.</i>
Games will be sequential; game times are estimated.	Please note – all participants for all games must be on hand from 1500 on; games will be held sequentially thereafter. Game times are estimated!
1500 – 1600 (approx.)	<i>Blind Dinghy Race</i> Start near the Registration Tent – spectators may line the grassy area between A and B docks.
1615 – 1645 (approx.)	<i>Life Ring Rescue</i> @ the pool
1645 – 1730 (approx.)	<i>Life Vest Exchange</i> @ the pool
1700 – 1930	Bountiful Buffet Dinner at Sunset Cove Waterfront Restaurant. Cash bar available.
1945 – 2000 In the Service Bldg.	Awards Ceremony in the Service Bldg. Welcome remarks from PRYCA Commodore Croft. Introduction of Commodores of attending clubs. Recognition of PRYCA Past Commodores. Presentation of The PRYCA Cup to the winning club!
2000 – 2300 In the Service Bldg.	Dancing to the music of <i>Tommy and the Bahamas!</i> 50/50 prize winner selection @ 2200. Cash bar – no BYOB! Their Liquor License will be in jeopardy! Door prizes awarded throughout the evening

Sunday, 16 July

0800 – 1100	Breakfast Buffet at Sunset Cove Waterfront Restaurant Cash bar – Mimosas and Bloody Mary's
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2017 PRYCA Cup Competition

Note: Clubs may join together to form teams to compete under the guidelines on p. 7.

The PRYCA Cup Competition will be based on five events plus club participation in the Vessel Safety Examination. A kick-off /information meeting for team captains will be held at 1100 Saturday in the Service Building. Captains will be asked to submit the names of two volunteers to assist with the games. Any team not providing game assistance will be penalized 1 point for each event. The winner of the PRYCA Cup will be announced during the Saturday evening festivities.

Seamanship and Knot Tying Exam

Participants will demonstrate knowledge of basic navigation, seamanship, general boating safety skills, and minimal marlinspike (knot-tying,) skills.

- > Two people from each participating club, a male and a female, will report to the Service Building to take the test.
- > The test will begin promptly at 11:30; one hour will be allowed to complete the test.
- > The written test will cover basic navigation, seamanship, and general boating safety skills, with questions drawn primarily from the USCG Aux. Boating Skills and Seamanship course.
- > After completing the written test, each participant will be required to demonstrate his/her ability to tie 5 specified knots.
- > Points go to the 5 clubs with the best combined scores. (In the event of a tie, the shortest combined elapsed time to complete the test will determine the winner of that place.)

Scavenger Hunt

All attending members of each club join together to have fun gathering items any PRYCA boater, might have on board or dig up in their surroundings.

- > This event is open to all members of each participating club, but each club must designate a captain for this event.
- > The list of items to be gathered will be handed out to the participating club captains in the Service Building at 1345. Time begins when the captains leave the Service Bldg. with the list and return to their teams to begin the hunt.
- > Forty-five minutes will be allowed to gather list items.
- > The team captain will present the collected items for judging. Teams may not add or change items after their captain has deemed their hunt completed by entering the judging area, (in the Service Bldg.) and calling for a judge.
- > Points go to the 5 teams with the most items found. (In the event of a tie, the shortest elapsed time to complete the hunt for items will determine the winner of that place.)

NOTE: The next 3 events will require participants to perform in the water, sometimes in deep water, making it necessary to at least be capable of treading water.

The first game will start near the Registration Tent. Spectators may line the bulkhead and grassy area between A and B docks.



Blind Dinghy Race

Objective: to demonstrate the importance of effective communication between Captain and crew.

- > Two people from each participating club, a male and a female, will register when the official calls for participants. One will be the Captain, the other will be the oarsman.
- > The participants, each wearing life vests, will be seated in the dinghy and the oarsman will then be blindfolded. At the whistle, the Capt. will begin giving directions, (**verbal commands only**), and the oarsman will begin rowing.
- > Upon reaching the location of the treasure chest, the Captain will retrieve the chest and put it in the dinghy. He/she will then direct the still blindfolded oarsman back to shore. The oarsman may not remove the blindfold until the dinghy is back to the start point. No peeking!
- > When the dinghy lands, the Captain will jump out and hand the chest to the official.
- > Time begins when the whistle blows, and ends when the Captain has handed off the treasure to the official.
- > Points will be awarded to the 5 teams with the best times.

Note: Spectators may cheer, but they must not call out any directions or do any coaching.

The next two games will take place at the pool. Participants must go directly there at the conclusion of the first game. Any team not in place when the official is ready to begin an event will be disqualified for that event.



Life Ring Rescue

Objective: To demonstrate the degree of difficulty in rescuing a victim stranded in the water by tossing a Life Ring and pulling them to safety.

- > Two people, a male and a female, from each team will register when the official calls for participants. **The female will be the rescuer; the male will be the victim.**
- > When the whistle is blown, the individual wearing a life vest, will walk into the deep end of the pool until he cannot touch bottom, where **he** must tread water until the life ring tossed by his rescuer reaches him. He may not swim toward the ring and may only reach arm's length for it.

- >The **female** rescuer will stand in the “safe zone” * until the whistle is blown, and may then move to the edge of the shallow end of the pool, pick up the life ring, and toss it to the **male** victim.
- >Once the ring is received, the victim must hold on to it with both hands, and may not use either hand to swim or tread water or paddle.
- >The rescuer must pull the victim all the way to the coping at the shallow end of the pool. The victim may not assist in any way, and may not stand until he has touched the coping edge of the pool. He must then climb out of the pool and move into the “safe zone,” * along with the rescuer.
- >Time begins when the official blows the whistle.
- >Time ends when both the victim and the rescuer are standing in the “safe zone.”
- > Points go to the 5 teams with the best times.

*Safe Zone: A designated area on the pool decking at the shallow end.

Life Vest Exchange



Objective: To demonstrate the degree of difficulty in safely donning and/or removing a life jacket while under duress in the water.

- > Two people from each participating club, one male and one female, will register when the official calls for participants.
- > Both team members wade into the deep end of the pool until they cannot touch bottom: each will be tossed a type 1 life vest.
- > Time begins when the official blows the whistle.
- > **Task 1:** Each team member will don the life vest and securely fasten all clips and straps. When *both* have completed Task 1, they signify by raising both hands in the air. After receiving acknowledgement from the official that Task 1 is completed, each team member may begin Task 2. (Note: unfastening of vests may not begin until signal from official is given.)
- > **Task 2:** Each team member will unfasten all clips and straps, remove their life vest and exchange vests with their partner. They each then repeat the process of donning the vest and securing all clips and straps. When Task 2 is complete, each individual raises both hands in the air.
- >Time ends when the official blows the whistle, upon noting that both individuals have successfully completed Task 2.
- > Points go to the 5 teams with the best times.

Vessel Safety Examination Participation

Objective: To encourage all boaters to have an annual Vessel Safety Examination early in the boating season.

- > This challenge is to determine which club has the highest percentage of its boats at the Float-In with a properly installed 2016 VSE decal*.
- > We anticipate that several Coast Guard Auxiliary and Power Squadron examiners will be present at the Float-In to perform VSE's, but it is up to the individual boat owner to get his/her boat inspected. We will check for decals as boats arrive and until 1500 on Saturday, at which time percentages will be calculated.

> Points go to the 5 clubs with the highest percentage of boats with properly installed 2017 VSE decals**.

*****Float-In committee will review and decide all exceptions to the term “properly installed decal.” Exceptions may include but are not limited to:***

- 1) Vessel owner is a current VSE examiner; vessel has met those stringent safety requirements.
- 2) Vessel owner is in the process of obtaining documentation; has written proof that the vessel has passed 2016 VSE, but decal cannot be issued until documentation is finalized.

Point Awards

There are 5 events with opportunities to earn points, and 1 participatory percentage challenge, (the VSE participation,) each equally weighted, for The Cup Award. Each scoring opportunity will have 5 place awards: **5 points for 1st place; 4 points for 2nd place; 3 points for 3rd place; 2 points for 4th place; and 1 point for 5th place.** No points will be awarded for 6th place or below.

In addition, two opportunities for Bonus Points are available:

1. One bonus point will be added to the score of any club which registered their group at the April 3, 2017, Commodores' Night Dinner, defined as at least 2 completed registrations, including all required information and payment of fees.
2. One bonus point will be added to the score of any club which has 100% of its participating boats arrive with the 2017 VSE decal properly in place**.

When each team's points from all 8 scoring opportunities are added together, the competition team with the highest total score will win The Cup. In the case of a tie for score in any event, points will be awarded to both clubs for the position in which they are tied, e.g., if two teams are tied for 1st, they will both be awarded 5 points, and the next place team will be awarded 3 points. If two teams are tied for 4th, they will both be awarded two points, and the next place will be vacant.

If more than 5 teams have 100% participation in the VSE challenge, all teams that have 100% participation will be awarded 5 points.

In the event of a tie for The Cup award using the above point plan, the fastest time in the Blind Dinghy Race will break the tie.

Club Coalitions

Clubs may join with other clubs to compete for The Cup under the following guidelines:

1. No more than (_) *** clubs may join together for Cup competition.
2. Any clubs joining together for Cup competition may not have a combined total of more than (_) *** boats.

******These numbers will be determined by the number of boats/clubs registered.***

If necessary, a lottery system may be employed to ensure fairness.

Nautical FLEA MARKET

at

POINT LOOKOUT

A swap meet will be held from Friday to Sunday for those of you who would like to clean out your excess nautical items. You may fill out one of the "Flea Market at Point Lookout" tags found below; extras can be found at the Registration Table. Place the items on a table in the area designated as "FLEA MARKET". Your fellow boaters will look you up and pay for the items. A cell phone number will help. Remember: One person's junk is another's treasure or.... Bounty!

A copy of this Flea Market flyer must be posted with your items.

ITEM: _____

PRICE: \$_____

NAME: _____

SLIP #_____

Cell Phone #_____

ITEM: _____

PRICE: \$_____

NAME: _____

SLIP #_____

Cell Phone #_____



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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)

Individual membership (Annual fee: \$55.00)

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:

Occoquan Yacht Club

P.O. Box 469

Occoquan, VA 22125

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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