

The Daymarker



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From the Commodore:



"We don't stop playing because we grow old, we grow old, because we stop playing." This quote attributed to George Bernard Shaw, has many corollaries. One can easily replace "playing" with "boating" and you have a yacht club phrase for the ageless. It's a wonderful life. As spring approaches, our minds drift, we day dream and think of the things winter has been keeping us from doing. The

Cherry Blossoms are beginning to peak and opening Day at Nationals Park is April 5th. Sounds like a wonderful opportunity to sail up river and enjoy the spring festivities. Please log onto our OYC website and sign up for any and all cruise and land events you feel you may be able to attend this year. This is no obligation but it is extremely helpful for our cruise coordinators to plan the event. I'd like to thank Al Stewart for volunteering to be OYC's first 2018 cruise coordinator for the early bird Cherry Blossom cruise. Please sign up on our website and contact Al if you're interested in joining.

Next order of business. OYC held a General Membership meeting, Plan Fest and Photo Contest on Saturday March 10, 2018. We'd like to give a special shout out to Pat and Harry Croft and the members of the Fairfax Yacht Club for allowing OYC to hold our meeting in their clubhouse. It's a wonderful place to meet overlooking the Occoquan River. I'd like to thank Wayne Beal for presenting the 2018 land and cruise schedule and Susan Millonig for hosting the photo contest. Additionally, the membership voted to amend the bylaws to add the Webmaster position and to raise the 2019 dues by up to \$60. This is the first raise of OYC dues in club history

and it will help to enhance the overall long term viability of the club. We're not only keeping up with inflation, we plan to use the money to better plan and enhance the quality of land events starting next year. There will be no additional charge for members attending the spring and fall land events in 2019. Typically, OYC charges \$15 per person for each event. Any additional receipts will be used to reduce the annual cost of the COW.

Finally, I'd like to thank Lisa Graybill (Historian) and Ilana Cumbey (Quartermaster) for volunteering their time on the board this year. Both are passing the baton to spend more time with family. I would especially like to thank Ilana, who has been our Quartermaster for 3 seasons and who brought jewelry and other specialty items to our stores and initiated the first credit card payment system for OYC swag. Ilana, I will see you on the docks but I think I will miss you most as being our Quartermaster over the years. It's not an easy job but you were fantastic at it. PC Bud Bishop, after being plied with large quantities of Sailor Jerry grog, volunteered and the Executive Board approved, Bud to assume the Historian position. We are still in need of a Quartermaster, so please let me know if you're interested.

As spring time approaches we would like to wish the entire OYC family a Happy Easter, happy Passover and no matter how you celebrate your holidays, be safe out there wherever you travel whether on land or the water. Cheers!

*Jerry and Susan,
"Dig Life"*



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Special points of interest:

- ☉ Cherry Blossom Cruise (6 - 8 April) and Happy Hour
- ☉ Occoquan River Clean Up (21 April)
- ☉ Wine Festival / Early Bird Cruise (27 - 29 April)



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From the Vice Commodore:



I want to thank all the folks that were able to attend the plan fest!

In April we will be cruising to see the Cherry Blossoms and, at the end of the month, to the Wine Fest! Go to our signups and join us!!!

To view the calendar, go to our web site and click on Event Schedule. To start signing up for events, get with your favorite boating partner and login. Once logged in, select My sign-ups for cruises in 2018. After you make your selections (yes, no, or maybe for each event), please click the Save button! This helps the cruise coordinators know who to contact. If you put yes or maybe, you will be on the email list to receive emails that relate to the event. Maybe does not lock you into anything. You will not get all the updates for the events where you select no.

Go to: <http://www.occoquan yachtclub.com>

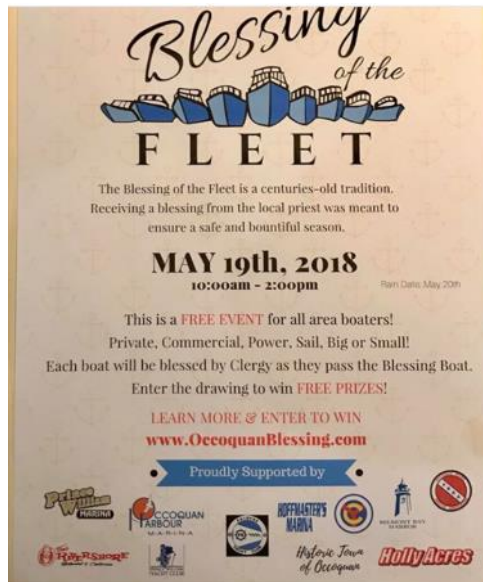
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2018 Plan Fest



On the calendar, if you see TBD (To Be Determined) for the cruise coordinator and have an interest in being the cruise coordinator for that event, please email me or call me so that I can get you on the list (wbeal@totalcsi.com / (703) 400-7733). If you want to host a cruise that is not on the calendar, please let me know.

I'm thinking/hoping only about a week left to wait!!!



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OYC Vice Commodore
Wayne's World

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From the Rear Commodore:



Dare I say it... is Spring finally making its way to Northern Virginia? The cherry blossoms think so! Cross your fingers.

I was happy to see so many club members and catch up on your wintertime activities at the General Membership meeting. What a treat to have our meeting on the Occoquan. Many thanks are in order - w

e just could not hold our events without the amazing volunteers of OYC! Thank you again to Harry and Pat Croft for hosting us. Fairfax Yacht Club is a fantastic space. I truly hope we can continue to hold future land events there. Thank you to our members for bringing a dish to share - as usual OYC knows how to party! Special thanks to Bud and Heidi Bishop for helping to set up and to Susan Tarasek for helping to register photos and tabulate votes. Finally, thank you to everyone who stayed to help clean up. I appreciate you all!

Below are the winners of the Photo Contest. We had a lot of pictures to vote on this year - highlighting the fun our club has on and off the water!

Winners:

Pets:

- 1st: Bruno Millonig - ChaCha on the Lines
- 2nd: Lisa Graybill - Karen and Kids
- 3rd: Ginny Preda - Drama Queen

Fanta-sea:

- 1st: Susan Millonig - Mattawoman at Dusk
- 2nd: Heidi Bishop - Phanta-mermaid
- 3rd: Dan Everton - Sunset at Morningstar

Places:

- 1st: Lisa Graybill - Speed Limit
- 2nd: Susan Millonig - OYC Takes the Pool
- 3rd: Jerry Sandor - National Harbor

People:

- 1st: Jerry Tarasek - OYC
- 2nd: Heidi Bishop - Tommy Boys
- 3rd: Susan Millonig - Deep Thoughts

Boats:

- 1st: Bruno Millonig - Parade of Lights
- 2nd: Ginny Preda - The Eagle Under the Bridge
- 3rd: Jun Stewart - Nite Breeze

Upcoming Land Events:

Happy Hour, Friday, April 6 - The Wharf, Al and Jun Stewart (Cherry Blossom Cruise)

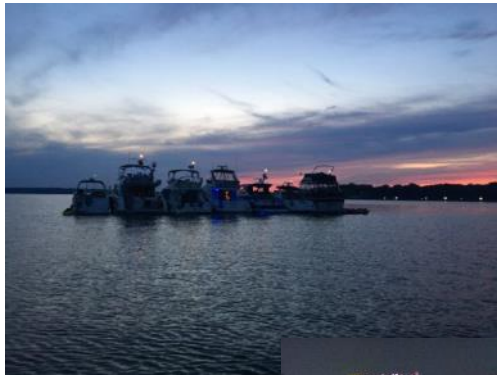
Flag Raising, Saturday, May 5 - Occoquan Harbor Marina, 12 pm (Cinco de Mayo theme - let's party like it's 1862!)

Cheers!

Susan Millonig

Rear Commodore

Extra Innings



1st Place Pics



Winning Photos!



Commodore Jerry getting ready to award Photo Winners with Rear Commodore Susan...



Some of the winners!



From Membership:

Hello Fellow Boaters,



As I sit down to write this the weather has been absolutely beautiful! It's hard to believe it's still February. Sure, winter isn't over but it sure is nice to see a couple days this week of 70+ degree weather.

As your membership chair I'm happy to report our club is doing well on collecting 2018 dues but we still have a few members I'm trying to contact.

or the Club Directory tab. You'll find the ability to pay by credit card on your profile and this might be a good time to update your profile.

If you have trouble logging onto the website or have forgotten your password I can easily help you so please let me know. Just send an email to membership@occoquanyachtclub.com.

If you know of anyone that might be interested in joining the OYC please feel free to direct them to me. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

*Karen Hart
Membership Chair
Rock Me Gently*

If you haven't paid your dues (\$75.00 for Family and \$55.00 for Individual) please send a check to Occoquan Yacht Club, PO Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125; or even better, pay by credit card using PayPal on the OYC website www.occoquanyachtclub.com. Log in with your username and password and go to the Your Profile



From the Historian:

1984 Flag-Raising



1986 Flag-Raising: first uniforms?



1989 Flag-Raising

1985 Flag-Raising



1988 Flag-Raising; long pants and jackets now



1987 Flag-Raising

From the Quartermaster:

What to buy...

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.**



"Lady Min" 2002 Sea Ray 480 Motor Yacht for Sale- clean and well maintained boat with engine hours of 650; New Dinghy included; Reduced price to \$229,000.00. Call Min at 703-887-5859 or hillms145@gmail.com



Looking for Flag Pole Mounts???

By PC Joe Livingston / 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. The mount is machined iodized aluminum. Ask Club members what they think of this flag pole or 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, contact me at joseph.livingston@verizon.net or call 703-505-8313



Website/Facebook Update

By William Dornetto

When posting club events on FB let's do the following: instead of posting the pictures and videos to time line, please create a photo or video album. Why? When posting just to the time line events or groups of photos posted by the historian or members are lost to the linear method of recording the event and not easily retrievable.



When creating an album, the clubs achieve of photos are easily accessible for members to add a picture, reminisce and capture club history. To group events by each year, I

suggest the following naming convention for the post "Year-Month-Event", i.e. "2018 February Happy Hour at...", and don't worry If you have difficulties-- I am always around to support your effort.

The website has been updated for the 2018 season so take look and sign up for some activities. Remember, starting for the 2018 season if you send me a picture(s) of you boating it may get selected for the home page of the club website.

Thank you for your patience and continued cooperation as we continue to improve the website for OYC. Please contact me directly if you have any difficulties navigating the OYC website or are having any issues with the website access just email me at webmaster@occoquanyachtclub.com.

Webmaster
Safe boating is happy boating!

William Dornetto



From the Treasurer:



Balance 1/31/2018: \$8,538.45
Receipts (dues, events, QM): \$460.00
Expenses (Paypal, Burgees, PRYCA Dues): \$97.55

New balance (2/28/2018): \$8900.90

OYC SOUTH Update:

Greetings from sunny Green Turtle Cay, Abacos Bahamas. We crossed over from Stuart Fl early Sat morning and 18 hours later anchored at Great Sale Cay for the night. Crossing the banks was fantastic as we watched the water turn a bright blue and the depths decrease from the thousands to about 18 feet. We have been poking around the northern Abacos for a few days before finding a marina to wait out some high winds. Should be back in the Chesapeake by late May before heading North to Nova Scotia this summer.

Bob and Vicki
Last Mistake

From the PRYCA Rep:

Hello friends!

The legislative front remains quiet again this month. The VA assembly adjourned without agreeing on any protections for the Menhaden, so the little fish's future, at least to some extent, remains at risk.

I still post stuff in the public OYC Facebook page (like shoaling in Neabsco Creek) so please check back often.

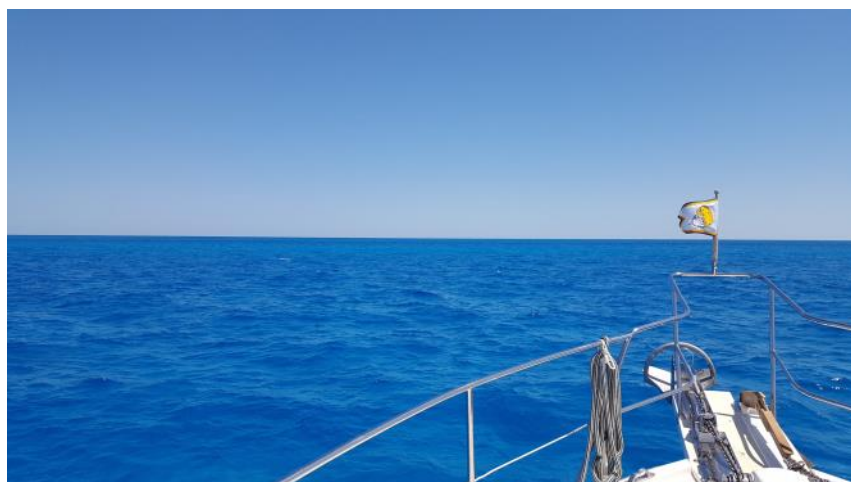


For our new & old returning members, welcome (back!). We have 2 FB pages, one is public and the other is a hidden, invitation only page. Please let me or Bill Dornetto know if you need help gaining, or finding access.

See you on the water any day now!

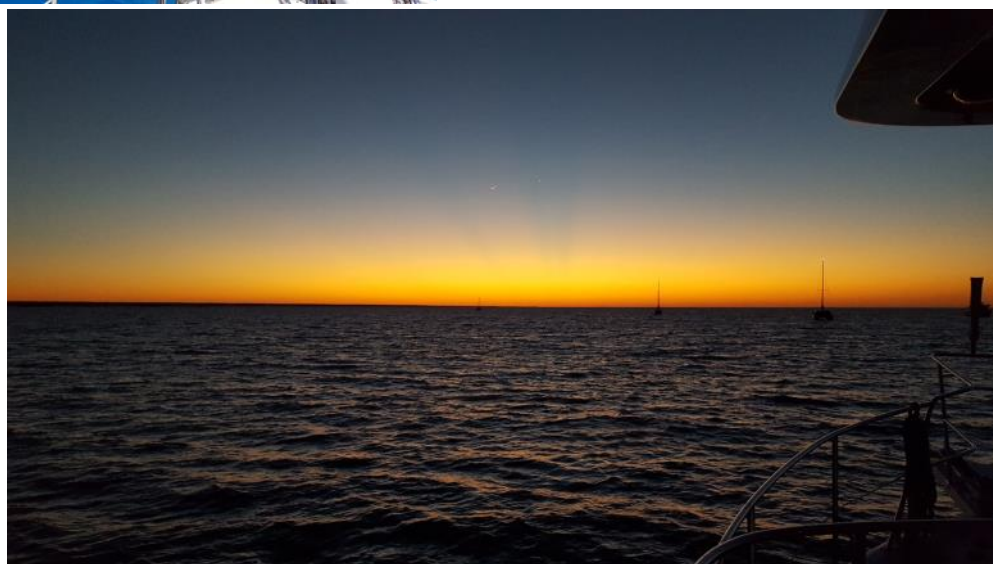
Bruno Millonig
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Crossing the Bahama banks. This is where the water starts to turn a vivid blue.

On anchor at Crab Cay. If you look closely you can see Mars and Venus starting to show in the night sky.



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The Daymarker is published to provide members with announcements of, and information about, Club activities. Deadline for articles is the 25th of every month preceding the publication date. Contact The Daymarker editor Heidi Bishop at editor@occoquanyachtclub.com for information on submitting articles.

Useful Info for our Members

If you are new to the club and didn't know this, I hope it helps out. Most all boaters will probably purchase membership in BoatUS. If you do, don't forget to provide them our membership accord, #GA 80979Y, entitling our members to BoatUS membership at half price.



April Birthdaysand Anniversaries... ..

In alphabetical order (by last name):

Bud Bishop on April 17
Robin Davis on April 30
Dave Hart on April 4
Min Hill on April 15
Sally Hoffmaster on April 10
Michelle Johnson on April 10
Bill Mansour on April 1
Lobanh Takla on April 1
Arleen Rhodes on April 29
Susan Willetts on April 21
Joe Yoswa on April 30

Joseph & Stacy Conti on April 20
Tom & Peggy Deputy on April 15
Paul & Sherry Mannino on April 21
Jim & Pam Poulos on April 25



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
and HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

