



# The Daymarker



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## From the Commodore:



Attention all yachtsman, power boaters, sail boaters, mariners, anglers, seafarers, scalawags, sea lawyers, sea dogs, crustaceans,urchins, salts, and deities of the sea: Cruising the Chesapeake Bay is not for sissies.

While the famous quote "you're gonna need a bigger boat" by Roy Scheider in the blockbuster thriller Jaws was in reference to the hunt for a great white shark on an undersized fishing vessel, it could also refer to cruising the Chesapeake Bay in 5-6ft rollers on a 40ft performance cruiser. For most Captains and intrepid spirits, these obstacles have never been sufficient reason to remain ashore. But for me, I think I'll wait until it's a little calmer before I make that Bay trip again, or I'll do it in a bigger boat.

Fortunately the Potomac River is a much friendly river to cruise. Even the lower Potomac is mostly protected from the heavy seas and waves sailors can experience on the Chesapeake Bay. Last weekend, OYC joined up with 58 boats at the PRYCA Float In at Coles Point Marina. We brought 10 boats and 2 joined by land and had a wonderful cruise and weekend with fellow boaters and Yacht Clubs along the Potomac River. Approximately 150 people attended the event. Most OYC boaters arrived Friday afternoon to enjoy happy hour with heavy hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. Our signature drink that day was a citrus sangria served by Karen and Dave on "Rock Me Gently."

We partied through the night and lis-

tened to music on the beach from our boats. Saturday was the Commodores Cup competition and we gave it a yeoman's effort. Our club finished 3rd but we had fun and we'll just try again next year. Congratulations to the Fairfax Yacht Club for winning the Cup again for the 3rd year in a row. With that, it will reside permanently in their club house and a new Cup will be procured for future years events. On a high note, John Cornicelli delivered an outstanding weather and meteorological presentation which was very informative and well attended. John is definitely a weather expert. That evening the party continued with a delicious surf and turf buffet dinner catered by Tim's River Shore restaurant. Awards, raffles and drawings followed, most were substantial, and despite the rain, which lead to the cancelation of all outdoor events, a fun time was had by all. The right mixture of humor and fun encapsulated everything that was great about this event. Sunday morning, the weather cleared and we departed home. The heavy rains from Saturday caused 4kt currents up river in the Occoquan making it impossible to dock our boats at OHM. A few of us overnighted at Belmont Bay marina and when the river currents subsided we safely docked in our permanent slips the next day. I'd like to give a shout out and special thanks to all yacht clubs and especially to PRYCA for making the Float In another enjoyable cruising event. Weather permitting, we hope to see you on the water and possibly on our next cruise. Don't forget to sign up, you'll have a blast.

Cheers!  
Jerry and Susan,  
"Dig Life"

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### Special points of interest:

- © 3-5 Aug: Dog Days, Aquia Creek
- © 18 Aug: Leukemia Cup Poker Run, Wash DC
- © 24-26 Aug: Tides Inn (rescheduled from June)
- © 31 Aug-3 Sep: Gilligan's (tentative)
- © September quicklook: 7-9 SEP, Nats Game, Wash DC



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## From the Vice Commodore:



July seemed to get away from me. Not sure if it was the well-timed rainy days or just too many things to do. I did learn something this past month which I would like to share.

Last month we worked with boat surveyors as we are looking to buy a used boat. From the mechanical surveyor we learned about oil samples. Our surveyor took an oil sample from each engine and the generator. He also took oil samples from each transmission and sent them in to be analyzed. From this we learned about the metal particles that were found. Both quantity and type of particles can show if you have a problem that may be just around the corner. This is in addition to the color of your oil and weather or not it has a burnt smell.

It's good to send out samples each year and then create a log that tracks this information so you can monitor any changes and predict any problems before they happen.

Your next question might be along the line of how much does that cost? How about \$12.50 per sample kit; which includes the label to mail it back.

Who does it for that price? Altorfer CAT is one place I found by googling this on the internet which can be found at <https://www.althorfer.com/perform-and-understand-an-oil-analysis/>. And yes, they do all types of engines, not just CATs.

How long does it take to get the results? Usually 24 hours after you send it in.

If you have the need, they also do coolant and diesel analysis as well.

That's all the technical talk I can stand for now, have a great day!

Wayne Beal  
OYC Vice Commodore  
Wayne's World



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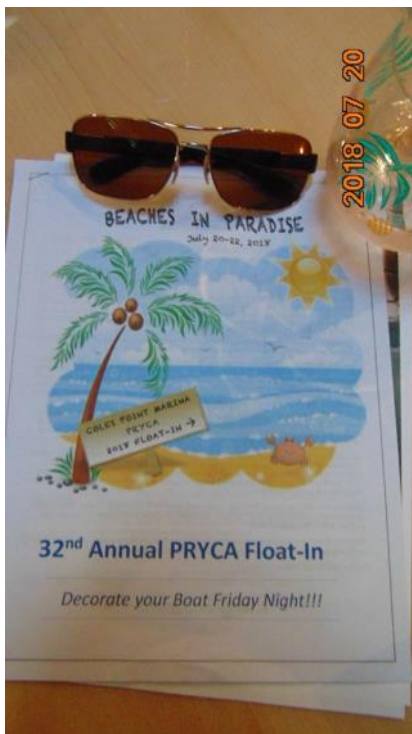
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## From the Rear Commodore:



As I write this month's article, I'm reminded of the time we spent in the Air Force. Why, you may ask? For all those years, Bruno woke up every morning and did a weather check. If the weather was lousy it affected the flying schedule and more specifically, his flying schedule. I find myself doing that very thing since we purchased Extra Innings a few years ago.

You can imagine it's been a rather depressing weather check each week as rain and wind have been forecast every nearly weekend since May. Even when not forecast, we still seem to get rained out. Don't get me wrong - any time spent on the boat is time well spent, but I'd rather have my docktails at a raft-up or at one of our favorite destinations on the Potomac. I am grateful we don't have the oppressive heat and fires the west is experiencing, or the devastating floods and storms that have surrounded our area. Sadly, this summer's boating season seems to be slipping through our fingers! Intrepid members of our club have ventured out to the bay, participated in the float in at Cole's Point (congratulations on a respectable 3rd place, OYC!), and traveled up to DC in not the best of conditions - delaying departures and canceling activities with safety in mind. We have gotten very good at flexing and packing our patience. With any luck summer will rally and we can enjoy the back half of our season in relative calm.

The club has some fun boating trips on the horizon. Vice Commodore Wayne has worked hard to put a full schedule together so be sure to check the event calendar. I for one, can't wait for the baseball cruise when my favorite Washington National, Jayson Werth, is added to the Ring of Honor. What great timing! Be sure to mark yes or maybe on the cruise sign ups to receive the most updated information on our trips and events.

Our next land event is the Oktoberfest in September, followed by the Chili Cook-off/Membership Meeting in October.

We will resume happy hours beginning the first Friday of October. Until then, please feel free to host docktails at your marina if you're in town and so inclined. Thank you to Debbie and Dan Kent for a hosting fun First Friday for our club in July at Belmont Bay. It was great to catch up with so many members on B Dock. As always, the food was fantastic, the drinks ever flowing, and the company delightful! Make sure to check our Facebook page for updates, photos, and boating information.

Until next time - safe travels!

Cheers!  
Susan Millonig  
Rear Commodore  
Extra Innings



# OYC Celebrates Forth of July 2018



# 2018 Float In



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## 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](http://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](mailto:joseph.livingston@verizon.net) or call 703-505-8313.



Hello all!

We are new members of OYC. After having spent the last 21 years in NJ, we decided enough was enough and moved to VA to be closer to our 2 daughters. We are the proud owners of a 40' Mainship Trawler (Ring Knocker 2.0) and have just returned from a 2 month trip to Montreal and back. Beautiful trip!!

Our boat is docked at Hampton's Landing Marina. We really enjoy getting together for raft ups and just hanging out! We are both retired (Guido from Abbott Labs, and Lora from the NJ school system). We have been married to each other since 1981, but have known each other since 1970! We bought our first boat 30 years ago and it seems we are not immune to the "2-foot-fever" syndrome! Ring Knocker 2.0 is our 5th boat! Guido knew he married the right woman when Lora told him "I never want to be without a boat!" We are planning another 2 month trip for next spring/summer, heading to Florida and the Bahamas!

Lora Manzo



2018 Float In Weather Class—by John Cornicelli

## Website/Facebook Update

By William Dornetto



Now that summer is here, we will be taking a lot of pictures and having fun. Start thinking about updating your profile picture on the website.

Updating your profile picture is easy. Login to the club website,

go to your profile, click on edit membership and upload a picture of the captain and first mate or your boat.

Please contact me directly if you have any difficulties navigating the OYC website or are having any issues with website access. Just email me at [webmaster@occoquanyachtclub.com](mailto:webmaster@occoquanyachtclub.com).

*William Dornetto*  
*Nauti-Buoys*



## From the Treasurer:



Balance 6/01/2018: \$8090.84  
Receipts (dues, QM): \$765.00  
Expenses (Paypal 5.68, BBQ 874.60, club burgee(big) \$131.52): \$1011.80  
New balance (5/31/2018): \$7844.04

*Johnny Deditius*  
*Liquid Liesure*





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## From the PRYCA Rep:



This year's baseball cruise is the biggest ever! We're up to a dozen boats and 25 Fans. Go NATS! If you haven't paid, please mail me a check right away. \$38 pp. Thanks!

This year's Parade of Lights is in full planning mode. I drafted the letter from the PRYCA board to send to both Alexandria and DC that (politely) suggested they should stop their urinary

olympics, remember the spirit of the season, and get their act together. Last year was beyond painful, and on both sides of the River. I'm angling for an invite to their joint planning meetings, so I'll keep you posted as things unfold.

Here's a few legislative updates for you:

As you've probably heard from me before, Corn is best grilled and eaten by humans, not distilled and then attracting water in our gas tanks. But last year I told you about Isobutanol, a safe alternative for our engines and Annapolis Yacht Basin was among the first in the country to offer it. Hope continues to mount thanks to the EPA's leadership (I can't believe I just said that...) and Congressman Buddy Carter (R-GA-01) ☐☐, who called attention to the value of bio-isobutanol during multiple House Energy and Commerce Committee hearings. Boaters could now have a much-needed additional choice at the pump. While this is indeed good news, additional regulatory barriers need to be overcome to be sure bio-isobutanol is widely available.

The Modern Fish Act passes in House, looks promising in the Senate... The Modern Fish Act updates the Nation's fisheries management to more accurately distinguish

between recreational and commercial fishing. This vote also provides priority to the recreational fishing sector that are included in the reauthorization of our Nation's marine fisheries law, the Magnuson-Stevens Act. The bill would change this Act, to treat recreational fishing differently than commercial fishing. Advocates say the need for different rules became more apparent in the last decade as more powerful engines, integrated technology and navigational equipment have increased access to offshore fishing.

Finally, the Trade Wars are beginning to affect boating, but maybe some good news for Azimut, Viking, Princess owners (read through and you'll see why). If it wasn't bad enough that Sea Ray shuttered its big facilities, now the aluminum and steel tariffs imposed by President Trump on Canada, Mexico, the European Union and China have caused retaliatory action. Canada has imposed a 10% tax on U.S. built boats, Mexico has implemented a 15% tariff, the European Union levied a 25 percent tariff on U.S. boats and China has imposed 25% duties on \$34 Billion worth of Chinese products, including marine engines, navigation equipment and other components. Boats and most marine equipment will definitely cost a good deal more for consumers. All this has caused some U.S. boat builders to consider whether to shift production from the U.S. to Europe. If they do, it will have serious consequences to the U.S. economy and the employment rate, as over 600,000 people are employed by the recreational boating industry.

See you on the water!

*Bruno Millionig  
Extra Innings*



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## From Membership:



Hello fellow OYC members!

I hope everyone is having a great summer and has been able to take advantage of club events. There's more to come so be sure to log on to the website and look at the events calendar. Sign up for any events you like and put maybe if you aren't sure. Don't forget

to save your changes before logging out. We want everyone to enjoy the club and what better way to do that than to be an active member.

I mentioned in last month's Day Marker about a way to introduce new members to the general membership. We want to spotlight our new and returning members by putting a paragraph in the Day Marker introducing you to the club. I'll be contacting some of you in the near future and see if we can't get that up and running.

I'm always ready to reach out to folks you think are interested in joining our club. Feel free to send them my way and I'll do what I can to answer their questions. I can be contacted at [membership@occoquanyachtclub.com](mailto:membership@occoquanyachtclub.com).

*Karen Hart  
Membership Chair  
Rock Me Gently*



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## 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, dont forget to provide them our membership accord, #GA 80979Y, entitling our members to BoatUS membership at half price.



## August Birthdays ..... ..and Anniversaries... ..

In alphabetical order (by last name):

Joyce Brown on August 28  
Ilana Cumbey on August 8  
Tom Fraim on August 2  
Robert Hill on August 28  
Russell Ives on August 9  
Gary Policastro on August 4  
Alison Rose on August 1  
Manny Sandors on August 4  
Richard Shock on August 8  
Curtis Stokes on August 16

Don & Anne Bennett on August 15  
Jeffery & Luciana Hughey on August 8  
Goodwyn & Janice Morgan on August 18  
Carl & Debbie Schaefer on August 27  
Randy & Susan Willetts on August 18

