

The Daymarker



"Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."

—from Strength to Love, 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King

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From the Commodore:



Wayne Beal Commodore

I hope everyone has enjoyed the holidays! It's always nice to see family and friends. I want to thank Al for throwing a great happy hour last month! It was nice to see everyone!

Garnetta and I are looking forward to seeing Michelle Johnson installed as Commodore of PRYCA in January. Way to go Michelle! Our OYC representative to support the Hospitality Suite is Anne Bennett.

Thank you for volunteering Anne! I'm sure Anne would appreciate any help. If you have not already volunteered to help out with the hospitality suite for the PRYCA COW and have an interest, please let Anne know (bennettanne@comcast.net). You do not need to attend the COW to help out with the suite.

Who remembers the line "Why don't you Call me sometime when you don't have any class?" That's what came to mind while I was reviewing the classes available at Cruisers University:

https://www.annapolisboatshows.com/cruisers-university/classes/.

Take a look and see if there is something that you might be interested in attending. While some classes relate to sail boats, many also apply to power boating. The classes are April 25-29 so there is time to book classes and perhaps a room. Both Jerry Tarasek and I have attended Cruisers University before and we both recommend it! I'm trying to stay warm and think the boating season is coming... well, at least the days are now getting longer now!

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Special points of interest:

- * 1/7—Curling & Cocktails, 7:30-9:30pm, DC Wharf
- * 1/26—PYRCA COW
- * 1/26—RESTAURANT WEEK 2019, 12:00 pm -11:00 pm. Explore the Waterfront District and MGM at National Harbor during Restaurant Week.

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From the Vice Commodore:



Susan Millonig Extra Innings

Greetings All!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. Bruno and I were blessed to be with dear friends and family in California this year. Not to mention... the great boat "window shopping" while hanging out in the marina at Dana Point! Come on Spring!

Congratulations to Michelle Johnson as she fleets up to PRYCA Commodore this month. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at her COW party. Cheers to Michelle!

Please continue to send cruise suggestions for our 2019 season. Thanks so much for the input so far. Already getting dates on the calendar. I'll have lots of great ideas for our plan-fest in March.

All the best for a safe, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

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From the Rear Commodore:

Hello OYC members, Welcome to 2019!!! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year. I am so looking forward to Spring!

On to business: thanks to everyone that attended the happy hour at the Harbour Grill. We had a great time catching up and enjoying some holiday cheer.

Be on the lookout in January for a survey from the Vice Commodore and myself about events for 2019. We very much want your input.

For January we are going to skip a happy hour, assume most will be trying to recoup from New Years. But be on the lookout for February Happy Hour.



Al Stewart Nite Breeze

The Poem of the Month-

"Call of the Siren"

Nestled in a cove lies a pub, called The Sailor's Den where, sailors n captains oft to gather in.

The rustic attire adorns bearded grins and weathered hands grip steins of gin. Jolly good cheers from ole mates within!

The barmaids eager for the tales to begin circle around to listen-in to the fascinating stories that fill The Sailor's Den!

The Captain of the Nite Breeze has quite a tale to tell! All eye's afront and all lips are sealed...

"I was caught unawares inside of the whirling winds as an eerie shrill filtered through me like a lightning bolt ringing louder n louder, I wanted to cover my ears!

My hands on the wheel trying to hold her steady blinded by the salty sprays stinging my face as the pounding waves gave a good beating!

We began to rise towards the sky...The Lord's Prayer I began to recite! Suddenly it felt like we were being slowly lowered. Then we were gently sat down onto a Misty calm.

Quickly, I turned to look back, I had to blink twice as I saw the incredible squall moving on!

I then caught the eye of a mystical site... Floating in the Mist was a Maiden of the Sea. I couldn't believe such a beautiful site!

Then I woke up while lying on the deck with my battered boat listing on a calmed Sea "All eyes were rounded n lips were open but at that moment nothing could be spoken!

~ May Hodge

From the Secretary:



Jeff Hughey Fear Knot II

From the Treasurer:



Dave Hart Rock Me Gently

Balance as of 11/21/2018: \$7,934.60

Receipts (dues, QM): \$220.00 Expenses (Misc.): \$876.72

New balance (12/12/2018): \$7,277.88

Hope everyone is having a great Christmas and happy holidays. The New Year is almost upon us so let's start thinking about a super boating season.

From the PRYCA Rep:



Bruno Millonig Extra Innings

Happy Holidays everyone!! This week I've copied a BoatUS press release about the USCG Authorization for 2018. Read up on cutout switch requirements and vessel documentation changes!

SPRINGFIELD, Va., December 4, 2018 – Each year Congress authorizes the budget and overall spending level for the U.S. Coast Guard, which can have a direct effect on recreational boaters. Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) applauds today's passage of The Frank Lobiondo Coast Guard Authorization of Act of 2018, which offers new safety and consumer-friendly benefits for boaters, anglers and sailors.

Included in the reauthorization is a provision requiring "manufacturers, distributors and dealers" to install engine cutoff switches on new boats "less than 26 feet overall in length and capable of developing 115 pounds or more of static thrust." The engine cutoff switch provision "includes, but is not limited to, inboard engines, outboard motors and sterndrive engines." Switches also need to meet American Boat and Yacht Council Standards.

For those who document their vessel with the U.S. Coast Guard National Vessel Documentation Center, the length of time the certificate will be valid increases from one to five years, easing a boater's paperwork burden.

"Cutoff switches save lives," said BoatUS Manager of Government Affairs David Kennedy. "And making recreational-vessel documentation renewal easier by now requiring it only once every five years is a consumer-friendly move. We thank the leadership of Sen. John Thune, Sen. Bill Nelson, Rep. Bill Shuster and Rep. Peter DeFazio for their efforts in securing this vital reauthorization."

Here's to an early spring!

Quartermaster:



Bud Bishop Hi-Jinx

Don't forget to visit the OYC Catalog page for monogrammed or embroidered apparel!

Looking for Flag Pole Mounts???

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.

From the Membership Chair:



Karen Hart Rock Me Gently

Hello Everyone and Happy New Year!

Now that the holidays are winding down I'm going to start focusing on the 2019 boating season, collecting membership dues, and drumming up new members. Dave and I always look forward to anything boat related but this year in particular as we got a new boat in October and can't wait to use her! She's a 480 SeaRay Sedan Bridge and her new name will be Hart-2-Hart. We look forward to making many new memories with this boat as much as we did our 36.

Please welcome new member Leo Haberman. Leo has been a friend to many of us for several years so I'm happy to now call him an OYC club member. Leo berths his boat at OHM on B Dock but at this moment his boat is on the hard deck at Pilot House for maintenance so he doesn't have a slip number yet. We hope to see Leo at many boating events in the future.

As your membership chair I want to remind you this would be a good time to log into the website and update your profile. You may not need too but it's better to check it out now in case any of your personal information has changed. You can pay your membership dues very easily through PayPal on the website. If you have already paid your membership dues, thank you very much. NOTE: You can now print your own membership card. After you log into Your profile and update it, (don't forget to hit save), simply display the card and print it! It's as simple as that.

One other bit of good news is our members will now be able to print the club directory if they so desire. My suggestion is to wait closer to summer as I'm going to actively pursue asking members to upload a picture of themselves or their boat. It's not required but it really does add interest and color to the directory so if you haven't already done so please add your picture.

If you have any questions on how to do any of this please contact me or another board member.

From the Historian:



Russ Ives Nauti-Buoys

From the Webmaster (OYC & Facebook):

Thank you for your patience and continued cooperation as we continue to improve the website for OYC. Please remember to update your profile picture and personal information on the website starting for the 2019 season.

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.

William Dornetto Nauti-Buoys

Daymarker Editor:



Deena F. Fleming MAHOGANY

Feliz Año Nuevo!

I welcome your inputs for the Daymarker. Feel free to submit articles relevant to boating education or provide information concerning the work, volunteerism, or activities of any OYC First Mate.

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 Deena F. Fleming at editor@occoquanyachtclub.com for information on submitting articles.

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First Mate's Corner

(submit any short note to highlight the work, volunteerism, or support of any OYC First Mate...recipes are welcomed too!)



Cruising Women - Master Class, https://www.annapolisboatshows.com/cruisers-university/

The Cruising Women program provides two unique days of education for, and by women. Pam Wall and Behan Gifford have each traveled tens of thousands of nautical miles in many areas of the world and garnered a wealth of information about the cruising life.

Are you prepared to cruise? Pam and Behan will help answer that and many other questions as they fill in the gaps of your knowledge with understanding, patience and enthusiasm. One half-day is spent aboard a docked boat to facilitate discussion of equipment, layout, and safety.

The topics include: An introduction to cruising: with a partner, alone, or with family; Typical tasks and experience for a day on passage, a day coastal cruising, and a day in port; Skill sets – learn what you still need to acquire; Equipment overview; Understanding the jargon; What works, what doesn't work; The Cruising Women program is part of the Master Series Package at Cruisers University. In addition to two fabulous days in this program you get to choose from a wide variety of elective classes.

This course is rated as a beginner / introductory (101) course

For Sale

3 gals of Shell Rotella SAE 30 motor oil that are new and unopened for \$22. A small outboard motor stand with wheels (up to 15hp) for \$30. I have a few 8" Big B Fenders for \$25 each.

Bob Hill, 703-402-1796





(alphabetical order—surname):

John Draper on January 5
Dan Everton on January 23
Deena Fleming on January 28
Lisa Graybill on January 5
James Hawkins on January 31
Jennifer Joseph on January 4
Daniel Kent on January 10
Lora Manzo on January 16
Pam Poulos on January 7
Ned Rhodes on January 22
Debra Solowan on January 13

Greg & Ilana Cumbey on January 18