



# The Daymarker



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Wayne Beal  
Commodore

Boating season is in full swing now! We enjoyed a great trip to the food and wine festival and I want to say thank you to all who were able to attend and to Al and Deena for helping out with the event!

I am also grateful to those who made it to the ORMA event. While not specifically an OYC event, it is supported by all the clubs and some businesses on the river. Karen and Dave, thank you for helping to make this event a wonderful success!! Your time in helping with the planning and providing of food for our policemen and firefighters was very much appreciated! Here is a link to some pictures that were taken from the event:

<https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipMug9sCbKlX XhLbIIdnIPa1yFo3LYCUjfrf58trXRcH21gXrCMvmceY01Wx6ST7QQ?key=LUZqenNEa0dUOTIGcWdKV2Z0aUhPNHYxNVd1NWx3>

Joe Livingston and Prat Croft were principals in organizing the event and had this to say:

In the conduct of the Blessing, Prince William Marina provided the VIP boat and members from Occoquan Yacht Club provided and served on the Blessing and Spotter boats. A total of 145 vessels were blessed by the reverend Ron Vandebunte... he commented on the steady stream of vessels from 1000 to 1400. This year the community's marinas and businesses made donation in excess of \$1500.00 for the advertised drawing. As a result, twenty (29) prizes were awarded to registered boats that passed the Blessing boat. Prize values ranged from \$200.00 to \$25.00 with a special prize for best decorated receiving \$100.00.

Al and Jun did a fantastic job with the OYC spring land event. We had a great turn out and plenty of food! Thank you both and to those that were able to help setup and take down for the event. It was a busy day getting blessed and then relaxing at the land event!

Colonial beach was awesome! One of the more difficult events to coordinate and yet Steve and Ginny made it look easy as the events passed by seamlessly. Thank you both for all the hard work and to those that were able to attend!

As many of you know – I have not made it a secret – I would like to see OYC win the cup this year! As soon as I hear what the events are, I will be looking for folks to help out. One thing that we all can do is get our boats a Safety Inspection. Please make sure you get one and if you have any questions or problems, please let me know as soon as you can (commodore@occoquanyachtclub.com).

Ahhh... thinking of the vibration of my hull as it seamlessly cuts through the water. The gentle purr of the engines and the cool breeze as we head to our next destination where we will all undoubtedly have a great time! See you there.

## OCCOQUAN YACHT CLUB

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### Special points of interest around the Potomac:

- \* 6/7—OYC Happy Hour at OHM
- \* 6/7-9—PRYCA Summer Kick-Off, Cobb Island
- \* 6/14-16, - OYC DC Jazz Festival, DC Wharf
- \* 7/4-5, 4th of July at the DC Wharf
- \* 7/19-21, PRYCA Float In/ Commodore's Cup
- \* 7/21-8/4—Northern Bay Cruise

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## From the Vice Commodore:



*Susan Millonig  
Millie Gael*

The fleet's been blessed and our first land event is behind us - boating season is in full swing! Thank you to Al Stewart and his team of volunteers for a great summer kick-off. You can't go wrong with a good taco bar! It was fantastic to see so many members at the event as well as boaters taking advantage of BBHM's slips after the blessing. Great coordination!

After watching the Blessing of the Fleet from Millie Gael in BBHM, I'd like to suggest a few boating safety tips as we proceed through our season. First - please remember who has the right of way on the water. This is especially important with bass boats and kayakers in the mix. Second - when leaving your slip in the marina, remember to appropriately sound your horn and again, check the right of way. Third - when on the water you must sound your horn when overtaking another vessel. The Occoquan and the Potomac are beginning to look like the beltway these days both in heavy traffic and aggressive/negligent driving habits. Let's not experience unnecessary accidents for not understanding the "rules of the road..." - I mean river! As OYC members, we are about fun AND safety!

I am amending the cruise schedule which will be reflected on the website in the coming days. If you have signed up for any of these events, please take note. We do not have a coordinator for the following therefore, these cruises are canceled and will be taken off the schedule: PYRCA Cobb Island Summer Kick-off, Aquia Crab Fest and Tides Inn (Wayne Beal has a scheduling conflict - if you are interested in taking on this cruise - please let me know). I will leave the Labor Day cruise to Solomon's Island on the schedule until mid-summer. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Upcoming cruises: 6/14 - Washington DC Jazz Festival, John Cornicelli, coordinator

Have fun and be safe on the water!

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## From the Rear Commodore:

I was right, May was a busy month. We started out with the Wine and Food Fest cruise to National Harbor on May 3-5 and on May 18<sup>th</sup> we had the Blessing of the Fleet and the Summer Land Event at Belmont Bay Marina, and while Jun and I were enjoying an anniversary trip to Herrington South and St Michaels with "Did it Our Way", the rest of you look like you had a great time at Colonial Beach. Great way to start off boating season. For June there are several events that look like fun, reference the event schedule for more information.

I want to send out a Big Thanks to Dave Hart and Wayne Beal for the help setting up the Flag raising set up and to Bud Bishop and Wayne for coming early and helping set up for the Summer Land Event.

For the June Happy Hour Karen Hart will be hosting Happy Hour at Harbour Grill on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please note the change from the original schedule.

For July several of us will be at Capital Yacht Club for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks. If someone wants to setup a local Happy Hour on July 5<sup>th</sup> that would be great, or if you want please come to DC and join us at the dock at Capital Yacht Club at the Wharf at 5:00. If you decide to come to the Wharf please call me at 703-628-0374 and let me know you are coming so I can let you in.

We are also looking for volunteers for future happy Hours. Please let me know if you can host one. Thank You..

Also don't forget your Vessel Safety inspection:

"A Vessel Safety Check is an inspection of your boat performed with you and a volunteer member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. The primary goal of a safety inspection is to discuss with you required safety equipment and safety features specific to your boat. Results of the Safety Check are not reported to anyone. A boat either passes or fails. If your boat passes the Safety Check, a Decal is affixed, indicating all required equipment is aboard and functioning properly. This decal is also known as "The Seal of Safety" and your boat is recognized by law enforcement agencies as being equipped with the required safety items.



*Al Stewart  
Nite Breeze*

If your boat fails, a decal is not given and you will receive a list of the missing or damaged items which need to be attended to for your boat to meet Federal and State requirements. Upon acquiring or repairing these items you may contact the Auxiliarist who will re-inspect your boat. If everything is in order, a "Seal of Safety" decal will then be issued."

Also, don't forget this is the best buy in boating, get your BoatUS Tow membership

<https://www.boatus.com/products-and-services/membership/plans>

Unlimited Gold Towing Membership \$175 per year

Unlimited Saltwater Towing Membership, Plus:

Reimbursement up to \$3,000 for tows outside of Tow-BoatUS service area

BoatUS pays 100% for dock-to-dock tows for repairs

I was towed once without it, for what I paid I could have bought 3 years of this.

Happy Boating –

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## From the Secretary:



*Jeff Hughey  
Fear Knott II*

## From the Treasurer:



*Dave Hart  
Hart-2-Hart*

Balance as of 4/1/2019: 10,069.78

Receipts (dues, QM): \$ 1,295.00

Expenses (Misc.): \$ 425.90

New balance as of (4/10/2019): \$11,297.81

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I hope everyone is having a great summer on the water!

## From the PRYCA Rep:



*Bruno Millonig  
Millie Gael*

Did you know the tariffs affect more than just the price of imported goods from China? They also impact cruising between countries. Thankfully, the Government of Canada recently removed all retaliatory tariffs on U.S. recreational boats entering Canada, immediately ending a levy that hurt boat businesses on both sides of the border. Both countries heralded the news, calling the action a momentous step in the right direction for the North American marine industry, which has been particularly suppressed by tariffs on multiple fronts over the past year.

Here's another fun fact for you...outdoor recreation contributes 2.2 percent to U.S. GDP, with boating and fishing accounting for the largest part of the sector. The recreational boating industry alone generates \$170.3 billion in total U.S. economic activity each year, supporting more than 35,000 businesses and 691,000 American jobs. President Trump recently signed the Water Infrastructure Act, S. 3021 Into Law, but that won't matter much unless Congress funds it appropriately as part of the comprehensive infrastructure bill (\$2 trillion according to news reports). Tell Congress you want better dredging, access to ramps, and broadband access today at this link!

<https://n-b-f.us4.list-anage.com/track/>

[click?u=50580fdf7de16d87fab88bc29&id=2b616do8b1&e=aec5ae1475](https://n-b-f.us4.list-anage.com/track/click?u=50580fdf7de16d87fab88bc29&id=2b616do8b1&e=aec5ae1475)

See you on the water soon.

## Quartermaster:



*Bud Bishop*

*Hi-Jinx*

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

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## From the Membership Chair:



*Karen Hart*  
*Hart-2-Hart*

Hello Members! I am pleased to introduce new members Sue and Doug Davis. They've been boating for many years but recently moved their boat to Belmont Bay Marina and joined our club. Being in the slip next to Commodore Wayne, and me as membership chair next to Wayne, we didn't really give them a choice! Just kidding. We are always on the look out for new members and are happy to have them. They are on E Dock, have a beautiful 50' SeaRay named YOLO. Several members met them at last weekend's land event and many more will get a chance to meet them this weekend at Colonial Beach. Our membership currently stands at 116 members strong. If you would like to know who these 116 members are please look at our club directory. Many have posted pictures of themselves and/or their boat which is very helpful. If you haven't already uploaded a photo please do so as you can see how nice that looks in the directory. You can upload your photo very easily by logging into the website at [www.occoquanyachtclub.com](http://www.occoquanyachtclub.com), go to Your Profile, scroll down towards the bottom, browse and up-load a photo. It will appear in the directory.

NOTE: You can now print your own membership card. Log into Your profile, display the card and print it. If you have any questions on how to do any of this please con-tact me or another board member.

## From the Historian:



*Russ Ives*  
*Nauti-Buoys*

Still gathering pictures for our OYC digital library. I can't make every event so please forward your favorite pictures to:

historan@occoquanyachtclub.com

## From the Webmaster (OYC & Facebook):

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## Daymarker Editor:



*Deena F. Fleming*  
*MAHOGANY*

Thanks to Steve & Ginny Preda, we had a blast at the Colonial Beach Memorial Day Cruise!!

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.

# MAY OYC Events

**Blessing of the Fleet:** Sending a BIG thank you to the Belmont Bay Marina for supporting the OYC land event. The hospitality is greatly appreciated!!



# MAY OYC Events

## Colonial Beach Memorial Day Cruise:

What a great cruise the Memorial Day weekend turned out to be. Lots of sun, a few thunder storms – fortunately at night and not too many, Ingleside Winery, The Lighthouse Restaurant, Colonial Beach Brewing, and the usual fun on the lagoon dock. Fourteen crews made the trek south including: Keith & Deena on Mahogany; Bill & Russ on Nauti Bouys; Mark & Cindy on Serenity; John & Doreen on Mi Amor; Jerry & Susan on Dig Life; Jerry on Escapade; Dan & Deb on Wanderlust; Bud, Heidi, Wayne, & Garnetta on Hi-Jinx; Bruno & Susan on Millie Gael; Dave & Karen on Hart 2 Hart; Mike & Barbara on JackieB2; Steve, Ginny & Ann Anamchara; Doug & Sue on Yolo; and Jim & Judy on Jus Chill-N. Hats off to Yolo and Jus-Chill-N who braved those winds and waves on Saturday between the 301 Bridge and Colonial Beach.





# OYC ACTIVITIES

**PRYCA Float-In:** Please remember to get your boat inspected for the year. If you are planning to attend the PRYCA Float-in this year, July 19-24 at Coles Point. Please get your boat inspected prior to arrival as we are trying to win the cup this year!! "How do I do that?" You can sign up on the web site and make an appointment at <http://cgaux.org/vsc/> or perhaps you can call:



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**VESSEL SAFETY CHECK DECAL REQUIREMENTS**

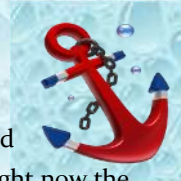
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2. Registration/Documentation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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7. Backfire Flame Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8. Sound Producing Devices/Bell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Navigation Lights	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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11. MARPOL Trash Placard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Marine Sanitation Devices	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Navigation Rules	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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c. Galley - Heating Systems	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

...examined this vessel and find it meets th

Tom Niles who inspected our boat this year. What do we need to pass – See the photo of the check lists. Please note that these guys are volunteers and are trying to help us do a good job by keeping us and our boats safe which is a big part of our OYC club!

## First Mate's Corner

Ladies, I made a cute floppy hat and several of you have shown interest in having one made for you. The hat is light weight and washable. It has 6 buttons at the crown and a slit in back for a ponytail. The crown is buttoned on so can be removed and the hat becomes a sun visor. I can try to accommodate your color preference but right now the only material I have is black/white polka dot, or navy/white polka dot. I can also buy more red and white similar to what is shown in the picture. Please contact me if you want one. I'm selling them for \$25 each. Thank you, Karen Hart, Call or text 703-509-0001, or email [kdhart99@comcast.net](mailto:kdhart99@comcast.net).



*Contributor: Secretary, Karen Hart*



Tom Deputy on June 12  
Judy Dooley on June 10  
Karla Justice on June 22  
Charley Justice on June 21  
Mark Lawton on June 27  
Guido Manzo on June 1  
Goodwyn Morgan on June 11  
Gigi Spearman on June 17  
Mary Jo Worcester on June 15



George Baird & Kay Baird on June 17  
Dave Hart & Karen Hart on June 25  
Kevin Jackson & Kelly Jackson on June 10  
Bruno Millonig & Susan Millonig on June 1  
Curtis Stokes & Gill Stokes on June 30  
Jerry Tarasek & Susan Tarasek on June 1  
Steve Worcester & Mary Jo Worcester on June 21