



The Daymarker



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From the Commodore:



Two more great boating events left for this year and I'm excited about Hardy Souls as well as Parade of Lights! I believe both Bud Bishop and Steve Preda are working their double secret ideas for entering the Parade of Lights - best of luck! I hear we have 26 tickets sold for Bobby McKeys

which sounds like a blast! Great job Bud! That event will be followed by our COW which will be at a vineyard (Thank you Susan!) - how cool is that!

I want to say thank you to all those that have helped this year. We have had great support this year with people helping to set up and break down for events as well as to and help with coordinating our cruises. Spouses have helped behind the scenes more than anyone realizes and the people that have held offices have helped make our club function like a top-notch yacht club that others want to join. As I review the year, I look back at the comradery and fun of the competition of the cup (Can you say second place!!) to the peaceful raftups at Mattawoman. It amazes me how well fed we are (not admitting I gained too much weight this year - lol), the different beverages that show up (like Orange Crushes, Cosmo's, Bloody Mary's, and the list goes on...), and the folks we get to meet and hang out with (party on!). We are truly blessed and I just want to say thank you all for a wonderful year!

Our volunteer board has done an outstanding job this year dedicating their personal time to make our yacht club look like it runs itself! Truth be told, some folks have done some great things this year:

Our Historian, Russ has been scanning in old photos and tying names to people so that we can keep the history of the club alive in a digitized environment.

Our Digital Webmaster, Bill, has been modifying our web page at least monthly adding our latest cruise updates and creating fresh new home pages with nice pictures to keep it interesting in addition to keeping us up to date on FaceBook.

Our Daymarker Editors this year were Deena and Bud. Thank you both for keeping after us each month to get our articles in on time and making sure they make sense and look great with those photos you add. I know that takes some time each month, and it has always looked great!

Our PRYCA/CBYCA editor attends meetings for each of those clubs and helps pass information both ways so that we know what is going on and they get our input as needed. I believe the communication provided by Bruno this year has validated

why it's good to maintain our relationships with these clubs.

Dave Hart has kept us informed of money we've made, money we've spent and helped to ensure that OYC has operated within our budget this year. I realize that tracking each time somebody pays in or needs a reimbursement check can add up time wise, and to do that while keeping us within \$200 dollars to the positive this year - way to go Dave!

Our Secretary/Chaplain, Jeff, has helped us keep track of all that was said as well as to reach out to our club members and express our sympathies and good wishes when appropriate.

Where would our club be without Karen at our help helping with the Membership? Emails, phone calls, and visits to all our prospective members. I think we had several people join after the first of October so be looking for new folks to say hello to and welcome!

Al, our Rear Commodore, has done a great job this year with scheduling and coordinating the land events for OYC. The Rear Commodore's job takes a lot of effort to schedule the events, communicate with the OYC members what will be happening and when, making sure food and some water/sodas are available as well as setting up and breaking down each event. My hat is off to you sir for doing all of that while staying under budget.

Susan, our Vice Commodore has scheduled all the sea events and worked with cruise coordinators to have a successful boating year! OYC remains the yacht club on the river with the best cruises all season! Susan also led the charge this year to update the Event Coordinator's Handbook which is a link found on the OYC website. Please take a look at it when you have a minute. <http://www.occquanclub.com/oyc/oyc.nsf/CruiseHandbook?OpenPage>

I want to say thank you to everybody for pitching in and helping out! Thank you for attending the monthly board meetings! Thank you for donating your time! Thank you to the spouses that helped out! I also want to thank Jerry Tarasek for guiding me at the beginning of the year and as I had questions through the year. Last, but not least, thank you to my lovely wife Garnetta who helped me out a lot as I have held the various offices over the last four years. I look forward to seeing Susan as Commodore and a wonderful 2020 boating season. Thank you for the honor.

Cheers!

Wayne Beal, "Wayne's World"

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Special points of interest:

- ☉ NOV 1, Happy Hour, National Harbor
- ☉ NOV 1-3, Hardy Souls Cruise
- ☉ NOV 23, Change of Watch party!!!
- ☉ Pay dues and COW tickets at "Your Profile", OYC website (bottom left)



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From the Vice Commodore:



What a It has been quite a whirlwind year! I feel like boating season just started - and here we are with our

Hardy Souls cruise right around the corner!

I'm honored to be your Commodore for the 2019/2020 year. Honestly, I never considered being the commodore of a yacht club as part of my life plan, but I'm tremendously thrilled to undertake this responsibility. I treasure the deep friendships and lasting memories I've made as much as those I have from Bruno's and my time with the Air Force. I thank you all for that! But, before the official passing of the torch happens, I'd like to thank Wayne for his steady leadership, kindness, and friendship. Not a lot ruffles that man's feathers... a well-deserved break is ahead of him! Thank you to Al for planning and organizing our land events. I've always said it and will say it again - the job of the Rear Commodore is a tough one - one that really needs the support of the membership. While Al isn't fleeting up next year, I'm thrilled he and Jun will be with us in the club and joining OYC on our 2020 adventures.

I would also like to thank all of our amazing cruise coordina-

tors. We ARE the busiest yacht club on the Potomac and will continue to be so with our innovative and hard-working coordinators. While I didn't attend every cruise - the ones I got to were absolutely the best! We have a super group of folks in this club and cannot be the best we can be with your support and volunteerism.

I am tremendously excited about the upcoming board year. We have a solid team in Steve, Karen, Jerry, Dave, John, Debbie, Bud, Bill, and Bruno. Lots of great ideas are already being generated. I can't wait to get started! We will do our transition meeting on Wednesday, November 6.

Finally - a reminder for the Change of Watch Party. Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 23 from 6 to 10 pm. We have a fantastic party planned at Paradise Springs winery in Clifton, VA. If you did not receive your invitation, please let me know ASAP and I'll get one to you. Please RSVP at your earliest convenience to ensure we have the correct amount of food and drink for everyone.

Cheers and here's to a quick winter!

Susan

*Susan Millonig
OYC Vice Commodore
Millie Gael*

It's Five O'Clock Somewhere...



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IT'S TIME FOR A CELEBRATION

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
OCCOQUAN YACHT CLUB'S
35TH ANNIVERSARY
CHANGE OF WATCH PARTY

saturday, november 23 | 6pm
PARADISE SPRINGS WINERY
13219 YATES FORD RD | CLIFTON, VA



**RSVP for the COW!
Pay on-line at the OYC Website!**



From the Rear Commodore:



Fall is here, and the only negative is that winter will soon follow. The leaves are changing color and temperature is moderate, which makes for beautiful boating.

On October 20 we held our Membership meeting and Chili Cook off at Pat and Venessa Schondel's home. Thanks Pat and Venessa for being such great hosts and allowing the club to once again invade your beautiful home. I also want to thank my lovely bride for her help with shopping and set up, I couldn't have done it without her.

We had 34 OYC members attend and 9 delicious chili submissions. Thanks to all that entered their favorite chili recipe and brought a dish. The following were the big winners of the Chili Cook Off:

Tastiest:
John Draper
Allen Jorsey
Pat Croft

Hottest:
Bruno Millonig
Sue Davis
John Draper

Most Unique:
Harry Croft
John Draper
Jerry Tarasek



As you can see, John Draper had a clean sweep in all 3 categories. Congrats John, and congrats to all the winners. I do hear that John may be selling his receipt to the highest bidder.

As most of you know I won't returning to the board next year, it has been my honor to support the club this year and I am looking forward to continuing to be an active member and supporting the club when I can. I feel confident leaving the rear commodore position to the very capable hands of Karen Hart; this is not an easy job so please provide her support as she takes on the land events next year. Also, thanks to Wayne for inviting me to sit on the board this year.

Happy Boating,

Al Stewart
Nite Breeze

From the Secretary:



Jeff Hughey
Fear Knott II



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.

Virginia Beach Cruise:

Greetings,

The club added a new trip this year to the OYC Events Calendar, the Neptune Festival in VA Beach, and I'm happy to report it was a success!

It actually turned out to be a favorite trip of Dave and I this year as we got to experience the ocean and dolphin sightings from our very own boat. It was a big thrill and definitely a bucket list item for me.

As we boaters know the weather can be very unpredictable any time of year but especially in Sep-Oct so we weren't sure what to expect but as it turns out the weather cooperated and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

We began our trip on Sep 25th and stayed the first night at Dozier Regatta Marina in Deltaville. This turned out to be a gem of a stopover. It was quiet, beautiful, and the people there were so nice and accommodating we would definitely consider this a stopover point again. We were joined that evening by fellow OYC members Kay and George Baird who cruised from Herrington Harbor. We enjoyed the evening visiting with them and seeing their beautiful boat, Topaz.

The next day we cruised to Rudee Inlet Station Marina and were there from Thurs-Sun. While only two boats were able to make the trip, Dan and Deb Kent, Jun and Al Stewart, Tony Atabaki, and Debbie Tucceri joined us by land. They stayed just 5 blocks away in the Kent's beautiful beach house and Deb Kent's parents, Phil and Pat who live nearby, also joined us for the weekend.

They were so accommodating! Big thanks to Phil and Pat for taking the time to cook all of us a delicious ham dinner on Saturday night. We enjoyed spending time with them and the weekend was filled with camaraderie, the Neptune Festival, sand sculptures, the beach, deep sea fishing, Cabana Bar, dock life and all around great time.

We left VA Beach on Sun and stayed a couple nights at an OYC favorite, White Point Marina. OYC members Jerry and Manny Sandors met us there for a couple nights and we enjoyed ourselves there as well. This was a great trip and I'm still in awe that we really cruised in the ocean in Sep no less, and shockingly, the ocean seas were much calmer than the bay was both going and returning. Great trip!



OYC October Raft Up:

In fine fashion, OYC conducted an OCT raftup in Mat-tawoman Creek as a replacement event for a planned Solomon's Cruise. It was the most incredible fall weather we could have imagined (see the pictures). Not a ripple on the water, and just good fun and barbe-cue. Although we didn't see too many new faces, it re-mains my favorite time of year for boating (minus the impending winter it signals).

This year, we were joined by Brian and Ally Field, Ohana, Jerry Sandors, Escapade, Heidi and I, and...



...Chris and Allison
Rose, La De Dah.
What a weekend!!!
Bud and Heidi
Hi-Jinx



Chili Cookoff 2019

1st Place

Tastiest- John Draper

Hottest- Bruno Millonig

Most Original- Harry Croft



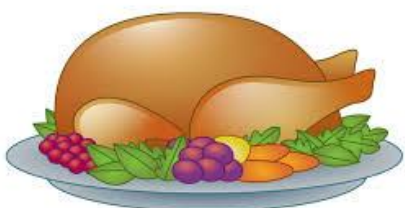
2nd Place

Tastiest- Al Jorsey

Hottest- Sue Davis

..and again...

Most Original- John Draper





3rd Place

Tastiest- Pat Croft
Most Original - Jerry Tarasek
..and again...
Hottest- John Draper



With many thanks to **Pat and Vanessa Schondel** for hosting our membership meeting.

Thank You!!! To our **OYC Past Commodore** and **PRYCA Commodore** for 2020...

Comedy Corner:



A haiku about being A BOATER

I am so tired

Where did all my money go

My back is hurting

Website/Facebook Update

By William Dornetto

Just a reminder. The website is ready to accept payments for the 2019 COW and memberships dues for next year. Now paying is easier and you do not have to wait for your check to clear any longer.

Just visit our website:
<http://www.occoquanyachtclub.com/>

log-in, go to your profile and enter your payment. Always boat safely!

William Dornetto
Nauti-Buoys



Historian:

It's been a busy boating season this year with great weather to assist. Many people have not been able to make the "official" events but have had impromptu raft-ups and adventures. If you'd like to share some photos I'll add them to the archive. Just be sure to let me know where the pics were taken and who is in them! And don't forget to include your pictures of the club events too; we have some really imaginative photographers out there! Beyond pictures, descriptions of your adventures are always welcome.

Russ - hisorian@occoquanyachtclub.org
Nauti-Buoys



From the Treasurer:



Thank you for allowing me to be your treasurer for this past year and I look forward to serving you in the upcoming year. At the General Membership meeting/ Chili Cookoff the 2020 budget was approved and accepted.

Balance 10/01/2019: \$8461.21

Receipts (dues, burgees): \$270, \$45, \$30, \$150
Expenses (Paypal, Fall Evt, COW dep): \$12.79, \$1088.37, \$1843.65

New balance (8/27/2019): \$6011.40

Dave Hart
Treasurer
Hart-2-Hart



From the PRYCA Rep:



It's never too early to start thinking COW!! Not only is ours on Nov 23 at the Paradise Springs Winery (We have the whole barn, Italian food...and WINE!) but the PRYCA's will be on Saturday, 25 January in its new location -- the Hilton Old Town (near the metro stop). Friday the 24th will be the traditional pub crawl

with the actual event that Saturday evening. Expect cheap rooms, cheap parking, and lots of fun. Mark your calendars now for these 2 great events!

*Bruno Millonig
Millie Gael*



From Membership:



*Karen Hart
Hart-2-Hart*

The time is approaching when you're thinking about winterizing your boats, but remember, boating season is never really over for OYC. We still have two upcoming 'at sea' events (Hardy Souls in Nov and Christmas Lighting in Dec) and by land we have the COW in Nov and monthly happy

hours during the colder months.

While we may not always be able to be on the sea, we can certainly get together and stay connected through our land events so don't let your membership expire! The membership year of this organization is from 1 Jan to 31 Dec so please remember to pay your 2020 dues by January 1st. Also, remember to review your profile and make updates if needed. We stay connected virtually so it's important that you keep your information up to date so we can reach you.

Please welcome four new members Neal and Cindy Fuerst and Stan and Toni Rogers, and returning members Chris and Alison Rose! Neal and Cindy berth their boat, Sunset Rendezvous, at Hampton's Landing. They joined on Oct 1st and we look forward to getting to know them at future events. Stan and Toni Rogers also berth their boat, Halcyon Sky, at Hampton's Landing. They attended the Oct General Membership meeting and joined OYC immediately after. Welcome to the best yacht club on the river Neal and Cindy and Stan and Toni! Returning members Chris and Alison were in the club for several years but took a year break due to an inoperable boat, but have since acquired another boat and berth it at Belmont Bay. Welcome back Chris and Alison! By

joining the club now these couples are entitled to any and all club events for the remainder of 2019 and all of 2020. That said, if you've met anyone at your docks this year or know of anyone that might be interested in joining our club, now is the perfect time to join. Since we are a virtual club the way to join is to log into occoquan-yachtclub.com and fill out the online application and pay your dues through the PayPal tab at the bottom of the application. One payment is received, normally within 24 hours, you are an official member of the club. Remember, owning a boat is not a requirement of our club. We currently have several members that don't own a boat but they still want to be a part of our club and that entitles them to enjoy land events and attend meetings. These members are our Associate members. If you have any questions about membership please don't hesitate to ask me or any board member.

Lastly, I think everyone knows I have really enjoyed being the OYC membership chair for the past two years. I had every intention of staying on the board in this position if appointed, but when the opportunity arose to try my hand at the Rear Commodore position I decided to give it a try. I really do see being on the board a privilege and besides that, it's fun! I wouldn't do it if it wasn't. As the Rear Commodore, I'll be responsible for OYC land events and happy hours and my brain is churning with ideas! I look forward to this next chapter and I welcome comments and suggestions. That's how we make a better club!

Thank you,

*Karen Hart
Membership Chair
Hart-2-Hart*

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Congrats to OYC member LT Brian Field on assuming command of USCGC Angela McShan, WPC 1135, 26 OCT 2019

Pictured here with the Commandant of the US Coast Guard



Our best wishes to members Brian and Ally Field as they begin a new adventure!

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 a discount.



November Birthdays and Anniversaries... ..

In alphabetical order (by last name):

Heidi Bishop on November 6
Elsy-Rose Brazil on November 29
Greg Cumbey on November 15
Peggy Deputy on November 22
Joe Derenda on November 4
Kathy Derenda on November 13
Brian Field on November 21
Keith Fleming on November 15
William Dornetto on November 20
Kee Jun on November 16
Dick Lynn on November 7
Eric Reuter on November 23
Christian Rose on November 18
Jerrold Sandors on November 22
Kendra Shock on November 4

Russell Ives & William Dornetto on Nov 5
Pat & Vanessa Schondel on November 5

