



The Daymarker



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From the Commodore:



From hot as blazes to nice as can be... August has been a great month! We recently have been on a couple of ad hoc trips to

Mattawoman creek this month and I have to say it was what boating is all about. We enjoyed the short trip on the water, rafting up with friends, the awesome meals, and fun had by all.

I managed to get a few boat projects done and have more waiting.... Always seems to be the case doesn't it?!?! It was between projects and good conversation that I relaxed and just took a look around... I saw the beautiful landscape, the peaceful water, the shimmer of diamonds on the water when the sun is just right, and the other boats looking so nice at anchor. It's not a wonder that we all work so hard to be able to enjoy boating, the people, and the cool places we go.

OYC is such a great way to meet people. Please talk to people in the club and share your boating stories and ask other for ideas on projects. It amazes me how much people know and are willing to share and help out when need-

ed. We have some great members in this club with all kinds of experience; so much so that when I meet new folks, I love to chat up OYC and ask them if they would like to join.

Bud Bishop is now putting out the Daymarker for OYC in addition to holding the Quartermaster position. Thank you for helping out Bud!

The Swan Point Golf Cruise has been changed to Corinthians and Jerry Tarasek is coordinating that cruise. We are very excited about it and looking forward to another great adventure!

Cheers!

Wayne Beal

"Wayne's World"



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Special points of interest:

- © 13-15 SEP, Nats Game, Wash DC
- © 21 SEP, Fall Land Event, OHM
- © 27-29 SEP, Neptune Festival, VA Beach



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From the Vice Commodore:



I am always astounded how fast summer goes and long winter is. Here we are already at Labor Day Weekend! I hope you've all had some wonderful

experiences on the water this year. Words really can't express how very much I appreciate all of you who have stepped up and led and supported cruises, helped with set ups and take downs, worked on each other's boats, given moral support when boats were broken, and made room on your boats for those unfortunate folks whose boats were out of commission. This is what boating and belonging to a yacht club is all about. In your busy lives and all the demands upon your time, you've made running and being a part of this club rewarding and possible. With that said, thank you to Bud Bishop for stepping up as Daymarker Editor. A big ask and most appreciated.

September brings with it some of the most beautiful boating weather. The heat is starting to break a bit and soon the leaves will begin changing. Air conditioners are turning off and the bugs are beginning to finally disappear. Now is a great time to take advantage of the fun cruises left of the schedule. First up is the baseball cruise coordinated by Bruno - Washington Nationals vs. Atlanta Braves. Our team is on a tear - I can wait to watch them beat the "Bravos!" The Neptune Festival is the last long cruise, hosted by Dave and Karen Hart promises to be a fantastic trip.

I have made a change to the Solomon's Columbus Day cruise as there is no coordinator. We will have an OYC Raft-Up in Mattawoman Creek beginning Friday evening, October 11 to Monday, October 14. This is a "no host" event which means the rules of engagement apply for raft-ups. Please come prepared with food and drink as we typically have

potlucks - sharing happy hour snacks, communal breakfasts, and group dinners. You can join the raft-up at any time that weekend. We typically set extra anchors for the unpredictable fall weather so be prepared to do so if asked. If you're in the main raft-up, there are no provisions for special needs such as breaking the raft-up before Monday or reserving a spot on the end. Please feel free to drop anchor nearby if you have special considerations. Bud Bishop will be the raft-up Czar as Millie Gael will be in White Point getting her injectors and valves adjusted and cleaned. Crossing my fingers for a beautiful fall weekend!

November closes our boating season with the Hearty Souls Cruise to National Harbor. Bud Bishop will be sending out a table reservation email shortly to start selling seats for Bobby McKey's piano bar. I will include specifics for that cruise in the October Daymarker. See below for specific water event dates:

September 13 - 15 - Baseball Cruise - Yards Marina, Bruno is the coordinator

September 27-28 - Neptune Festival Cruise - Virginia Beach, Dave and Karen Hart coordinators

October 4 - 6 - Annapolis Power Boat Show

October 11-14 - OYC Raft-up, Mattawoman Creek

November 1-3 - Hardy Souls Cruise - National Harbor, Bud Bishop, coordinator

Cheers!
Susan Millonig
OYC Vice Commodore
Millie Gael



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From the Rear Commodore:



Wow, can't believe it's September already. Where did the summer go? I can say despite the hot weather this has been a much better boating year than 2018.

Jun and I had a great time on the raft ups and exploring the Potomac and Chesapeake Bay with some great friends.

This is a great club. But like any club, it's only as good as the members make it. Please consider volunteering to lead some cruises or host a happy hour or two.

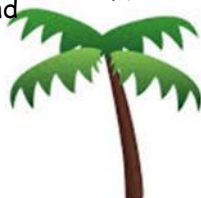
For me, I expect to have an extremely busy year at work in 2020 so I won't be sitting on the board next year. Please let Jerry Tarasek (jerryt21@cox.net) know if you are interested in joining board. Jun and I

From the Immediate Past Commodore:

Greetings all OYC members. It is that time of year when our club needs to consider nominations for next years board of directors. If anyone is interested in volunteering for any board position in 2020, please contact me at your next convenience, but no later than September 14th. The official slate will be prepared by the OYC nominating committee (Jerry Tarasek, John Draper, John Cornicelli) and provided to all members at least two weeks prior to the General Membership meeting and elections presently scheduled for October 20, 2019. The 2020 OYC executive board positions include: Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Treasurer and Secretary. OYC Board appointed positions include: Membership chairperson, Historian, Daymarker Editor, Webmaster, Quartermaster, and PRYCA/CBYCA Delegate. For those new to the club, typically the the Vice Commodore fleets up to Commodore and the Rear Commodore fleets up to Vice so those positions are not normally direct entry positions. However, in this coming year, both Vice/Rear Commodore positions are open.

Please consider volunteering, we need your help. If you're interested but would like to know a little more, or just chat, please call or email me at jerryt21@cox.net or 703-244-8329 (cell). May your anchor be tight, your cork be loose, your rum be spiced, and your compass be true. Cheers.

Jerry Tarasek
Dig Life



will continue to be active members, we love our time on the water with the club.

My last big event is the Fall Land event. For this year we will be having an OYC Oktoberfest party at the Occoquan Harbour Marina (OHM) pavilion beginning at 11:00 AM to 7. The date has changed from September 7th to September 21st. Please mark your calendar. OYC will provide a Oktoberfest Low Country Boil with a taste of the bay and a good selection of German Beer. If you can, please bring a dessert to share. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the event. If you have any questions please reach out.

It has been my honor to support the club as the rear commodore. Consider volunteering some time to the club.

Thanks
Al Stewart
Nite Breeze



ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Officers shall be elected at the October General Membership Meeting to take office on November 1 and serve for a period of one year or until relieved. The nominating committee may recommend more than one person per office. Any person qualified in accordance with the provisions of Article IV, paragraphs 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, and 1e of these Bylaws may be nominated for office by the nominating committee or by a petition signed by five Regular Members and may thereby stand for that office at the October General Membership Meeting. Such nominations or petitions must be presented to the Secretary not less than one month prior to the October General Membership Meeting to be valid. The slate of officers shall be provided to each family and individual membership not less than two weeks prior to the October General Membership Meeting. Any person holding an office may be nominated for another term.

August Happy Hour

Hosted by Jim Dooley

Six Past or Present Commodores attended:
Joe, Harry, Jim, Bud, Jerry, and Wayne



The Iconic Miss Ann

I recently had the pleasure to meet Tom Colligan who crewed and was the only known historian of the *Miss Ann*. The *Miss Ann* at one time was the pride of the Chesapeake Bay.

She's now in Colonial Beach where many of us have seen her moored but in somewhat poor condition. Attached are beautiful pictures of the *Miss Ann* when she was at her prime on the Chesapeake Bay with her home port at the Tides Inn Marina. Tom Colligan (*Miss Ann*'s only known historian and author) emailed me the attached article and pictures with permission to repost in our OYC Daymarker.

I thought many in OYC would appreciate, enjoy.



transferred to the Navy's Underwater Sound Testing Station on the Potomac River at what is now the Naval Research Lab.

The USS *Aquamarine* was employed to aid researchers that developed advanced sonar and gyrocompass technology. In addition to the 30cal. machine guns on the upper deck, she was flanked by gunships to ward off

possible infiltration of German U-Boats known to attempt passage up the Chesapeake Bay in search of war-tech research vessels.

Jerry Tarasek

Immediate Past Commodore

The Miss Ann

By Capt. Tom Colligan
For Steamboat Bill Magazine

The venerable motor yacht *Miss Ann*, pride of the Tides Inn at Irvington, Virginia, since 1955, was sold, and left Irvington on September 14, 2008. Her new Colonial Beach owners delivered her to a new homeport in Washington, D.C. on Sunday, October 4. She is to be integrated into the dinner cruise and charter service network from the Gangplank Marina there. Reunited, *Miss Ann* shares the same marina with the *Sequoia*, the 104-foot vessel with a rich history of presidential proportions. I have researched *Miss Ann*'s history for many years; my findings presented in the table below and in the following paragraphs.

TIMELINE of the Miss Ann

1924	John H. French of Grosse Pointe Shores, MI, works with naval architect D.B. Dobson of New Bedford, MA, to create a luxury twin-diesel yacht.	1945	During summer and fall returned as a presidential yacht tender to the USS <i>Potomac</i> . During the winter of 1945 and spring of 1946 was tender to Harry Truman's USS <i>Williamsburg</i> (formerly <i>Aras II</i> , Sara spelled backwards and gunboat PG-56), redesignated AGC-369, 10 November.
1926	Built as the yacht <i>Vasanta</i> by Pusey and Jones Corp., Wilmington, DE, (<i>Vasanta</i> is a musical melody in Carnatic and Hindustani classical music) then named <i>Clader</i> . Pictures show the nickname "Siele", pronounced Sea Lay, but never documented as such. "Siele" is an anagram of Mrs. French's first name, Elsie. Deathly afraid of water, Mrs. French never completed the maiden voyage. A rogue wave tipped the round-bottomed vessel as they entered Lake Erie and she was thrown across the main salon. It was then that she and her handmaiden took the train to Detroit. There, "Siele" sat at the Detroit Yacht Club, primarily used for Friday fan-tail card games and receptions.	1946	Decommissioned, 21 June; transferred to the Maritime Commission for disposal, 31 January. Specifications: Displacement 220 t.; Length 124'; Beam 20' 6"; Speed 12k; Complement 36; Armament two 30cal. gun mounts; Propulsion two Union diesel engines, two shafts. Given back to Robert H. Wolfe of Columbus and renamed <i>Seawolf</i> . Sold to retired Army Col. Grimm. Due to the cost of restoration and transport to the Philippines, his plans were abandoned.
		1952	Received \$15,000 from Ennolls A. Stephens of Irvington, Virginia, for the hull. The engines and gyrocompass were sent to San Diego for Col. Grimm's use to repower tugboats he owned in the Philippines. Dunn's Marine Railway in West Norfolk, Virginia, re-built the vessel. A new bowsprit added 3 ft. to her length.
		1955	Stephens named her <i>Miss Ann</i> to honor his wife, Ann Lee. Her maiden voyage from Norfolk, <i>Miss Ann</i> was ready for Suzy and son Bob Lee's 1955 wedding in Maryland, where her admiral father was commanding officer at the Patuxent River Naval Air Station. She outsized their quarters, said Suzy, and sat at the dock like the maid of honor. Champagne flowed, two crewmen overindulged, and Steve fired them that night. He hired Bob Lee's white-tied groomsmen as summer replacements. The <i>Miss Ann</i> arrives at the Tides Inn.
1940	Sold to Robert H. Wolfe of Columbus, OH, and named <i>Seawolf</i> .	1970	Sold to son Robert L. (Bob Lee) Stephens; then, sold to The Tides Inn, Inc.
1941	Acquired by the Navy 13 January for \$1.00; placed in service 14 January. Commissioned as USS <i>Aquamarine</i> (PYC-7), a coastal patrol yacht, commissioned 9 April (all US Navy coastal patrol yachts were named after gemstones). Tender to Franklin Roosevelt's Presidential Yacht USS <i>Potomac</i> (a.k.a. USCG Cutter <i>Electra</i>), 4 August, when	2001	The Tides Inn, including <i>Miss Ann</i> , sold to the Sedona Group, Sedona, Arizona. At the Tides Inn, <i>Miss Ann</i> was operational and available for private celebrations and scheduled dinner, brunch, and cocktail cruises. Saturday's "Whiskey Run" across the Rappahannock to Urbanna in Middlesex County recreated the "hooch" cruise popularized in the 1950s when Lancaster County was dry. Those Blue Laws ended in 1976 but the Whiskey Run continued.

The Iconic Miss Ann



NOW...

And
THEN...



From the Secretary:



We hope you are having a wonderful summer boating! Enjoy the weather!!!

Jeff Hughey
Fear Knott II



...and we are!



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.

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2004 Formula 40 PC "Dig Life"

LOA 42ft, Beam 12.8ft

Twin Yanmar Diesels (880hp) 1125hrs , Cruise 22-24kts, WOT 30kts.

Chart plotters, radar, FLIR

\$159,000.

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Comedy Corner:



Dinghy: Original Contract
Boat: Change Order

"... now I get it."

Website/Facebook Update

By William Dornetto

Our Facebook (Fb) page "OYC Members Only" is a great way to communicate. Communicating on FB keeps us connected to our community, it's timely and effective. Let's start using Fb to communicate when we are boating to generate interest in different places on the river or when we are rafting up with other members. Posting information about activities like when in Raft-ups is a great way to get together, relax on the water and enjoy shared food and adult beverages in-between club activities. If you do not have access to Facebook then please send me a message at, webmaster@occoquanyachtclub.com to get connected. Let's get connected and have fun boating. 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:



Balance 8/01/2019: \$9256.29
(last year at this time \$8090.84)
Receipts (dues, burgees): \$345.00
Expenses (Paypal, Coles Pt, COW dep): \$1035.41
New balance (8/27/2019): \$8565.88
(last year at this time, \$7844.04)

Dave Hart
Hart-2-Hart



Hello friends,

For those of you who missed the Bay Cruise this year, I'm sorry! But it was a wonderful time. The Float-in kicked things off in some brutal heat, but we soon headed out to the Bay. Like Extra Innings before, Millie Gael finds herself in a familiar place as we head out to the calm Bay.



We get to Solomon's and most had a relaxing time at the pool, but some of us were stuck in a sling. Thanks to Bad Ass Katie the mechanic (seen below), and a fresh set of batteries (thanks Johnny & Bud!), everyone was back on the water for the next leg.



We spent an extra day in Solomon's, so it was a longgg haul up to Sassafras River. To break up the time and get some gas...I mean "fuel", as well as walk the "needy one" (LuLu), we made a stop at Rock Hall. It was a very picturesque run to a well-protected Marsh. You can see this Osprey likes it so much, she is starting her own B&B.

Summer Bay Cruise



Eventually, we all arrive (with Dino!) to a beautiful (and cooler) couple of days on the Sassafras River, the Northern most leg of our journey.



Then we shove off to Baltimore, where Wayne's World (we just live in it...) treated us to a trip around Ft. McHenry & Baltimore's Inner Harbor (thankfully a week before the rains flooded the place!). After a couple of nights in Oxford, we headed to White Point for the pool, Mexican, and Barbeque stop before making final leg home.

Thankfully, this year there were no fires, although we did have one engine problem at the very, very end of the 475 mile journey. We all hope you're back on the water soon, Jerry Sandors.



Next year will be another "biggest ever", I expect 500+ miles & 2 full weeks to Bush Gardens ... start saving that vacation time (and those pennies) now so you can join us then!

Bruno



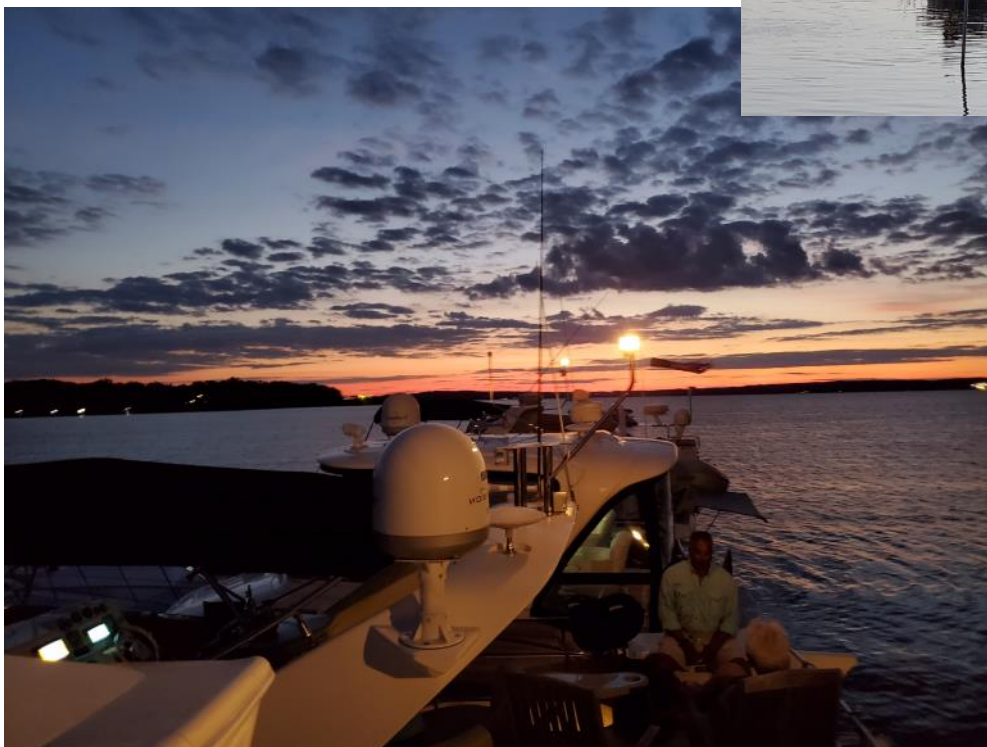
From the PRYCA Rep:



Nothing significant to report! Having a great summer! Looks like this boat is seeding the oyster beds...

See you on the water!

*Bruno Millonig
Millie Gael*



From Membership:



*Karen Hart
Hart-2-Hart*

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 onto 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.

*Karen Hart
Membership Chair
Hart-2-Hart*

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Daymarker Editor: I copy pictures from the Facebook albums, so please add as many as you can!

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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 Bud 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.



September Birthdaysand Anniversaries... ..

In alphabetical order (by last name):

John Brown on September 23
Barbara Bruhn on September 4
Doreen Gagne on September 25
Karen Hart on September 11
Ginny Preda on September 16
Jun Stewart on September 7

Bud & Heidi Bishop on September 4
Robert Brown & Vicki Moon on September 1
Doug & Sue Davis on September 5
John & Michelle DeDitius on September 2
Brian & Ally Field on September 28
Robert & Min Hill on September 19
Allen & Lynanne Jorsey on September 5
Mark & Cindy Lawton on September 14
Dick & Caroline Lynn on September 12

