



THE DAYMARKER

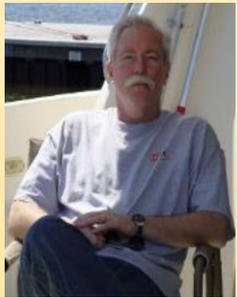
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From the Commodore:



Well, spring has arrived, the crocuses and daffodils are blooming, the cherry blossoms are soon to bloom, and our grass is starting to look green. My spring commissioning tasks keep growing but I'm spending less time at the boat so I guess they will just get done when I get around to it. All the important things are done - oil changes, impellers, zincs, etc but the fiberglass needs a good wash and wax, and the isinglass needs cleaned as well as the bimini waterproofed. Seems like each time I get a task finished two pop up. One of the joys of boating. Seriously though I do enjoy tinkering on the boat...not complaining.

The cruise schedule was briefed at the general membership meeting Saturday 27 March. I hope many of you had an opportunity to attend. Some changes from draft schedules already distributed include cancellation of the Cobb Island PRYCA Summer Kickoff, delay of the Food and Wine Festival until September 25/26, and delay of the PRYCA Float In until the end of July. I trust everyone will be vaccinated by then and herd immunity well on its way to critical mass. For those looking at extended cruises there are several to choose from including a mid-May northern bay cruise and a mid-July middle bay cruise. Be sure to log on to the website and indicate your interest (yes/maybe) to be assured of receiving all communications from the coordinators. Speaking of coordinators, there's always opportunity for members to take on a cruise coordinator role.

The Occoquan River Maritime Association (ORMA) has scheduled their blessing of the fleet event for 15 May. This is the 20th anniversary and lots of prizes are anticipated. The event begins at 10 and the primary reviewing stand will be on the fuel dock at Belmont Bay Marina.

Looking forward to knocking more dust of Anamchara and seeing you all out on the river.

Steve Preda
Commodore
Anamchara



Special Point of Interest:

- ★ *Happy Hour April 2 @ Electric Palm after 5:00*
- ★ *Flag Raising April 25 @ Belmont Bay Marina*



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From the Rear Commodore:



Happy Spring Everyone! It's April and that means it's time to raise our club flag. You might remember last year our goal was to raise our flag where the current commodore docks his or her boat. This year's commodore, Steve Preda, berths his boat at Quantico Marine Base and it's not really feasible for us to raise our flag on a military installation. Steve and the rest of the board decided to raise the flag at Belmont Bay Marina like we did last year with permission from dockmaster Jim Brooks. Jim has kindly given us the ok so mark your calendars for April 25 at noon. OYC will provide food so watch for an E-vite from me very soon as I will need a good head count. We'll meet at the pavilion where the flag poles are located. Please BYOB and a chair.

Next happy hour is April 2 at the Electric Palm, Prince William Marina at 5:00. Hope to see you all soon!

Karen Hart
Rear Commodore
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As of March 10, 2021, the OYC ledger has a balance of \$9,892.49.

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★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Dave Hart	April 4
Jay Henn	April 6
Debbie Schaefer	April 9
Sally Hoffmaster	April 10
Bud Bishop	April 17
Arleen Rhodes	April 29
Joe Yoswa	April 30

Jay and Bonnie Henn
April 6

Tom and Peggy Deputy
April 15

Joseph and Stacy Conti
April 20

Jim and Pam Poulos
April 25



Happy Anniversary

From the Daymarker Editors:

Please send items for the May Daymarker to us by Monday, April 26. Thanks, [Mike and Barbara Bruhn](#)

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Comedy Corner:



During the summer of 1999, on Lake Isabella (about an hour east of Bakersfield, California) some folks, new to boating, were having a problem with their brand new Bayliner. It wouldn't plane at all and it was very sluggish in almost every maneuver, no matter how much power was applied. After about an hour of trying to make it go, they putted over to a nearby marine, thinking someone there could tell them what was wrong.

A thorough topside check revealed everything was in perfect working condition. The engine ran fine, the outdrive went up and down, the prop was the correct size and pitch. So, one of the marina guys jumped in the water to have a look underneath.

He came up choking on water, he was laughing so hard.

Under the boat, still strapped securely in place, was the trailer.



Welcome to April's Knot's Landing! This month we have a knoticle video for you Martha Stewart types. There's no monkeying around with this one. Click below to bring out your knotty side.



BoatUS offers discounted membership dues for members of OYC. You can join or renew your BoatUS membership for \$15 per year (instead of \$24) plus 10% off Unlimited Towing packages. To join, visit www.BoatUS.com/Join and enter our BoatUS Cooperating Group Number: GA80979Y in the Promo Code field. Existing members can add our Group Number to their membership by emailing coopgroups@boat.us or by entering it in the BoatUS Coop Group# field when renewing on www.BoatUS.com/Renew.

You can also call BoatUS at 800-395-2628 to join or renew your membership.

Membership benefits include:

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| ★ Water & trailer towing service | ★ Boat graphics and lettering |
| ★ Marine insurance | ★ BoatUS Magazine |
| ★ Discounts on fuel, slips, repairs & more at over 1,200 boating businesses | ★ Boater representation with lawmakers |
| ★ Shopping rewards at West Marine | ★ Boat finance |
| | ★ Free MMSI number |



FIRST DAY of Spring



From Membership:



Please welcome our newest OYC Members, Bill Akers and Stacy Woods. They are berthed at Belmont Bay Marina and their boat , Morgan Jane III, is scheduled to be here in mid-April. If you

would like to know who all of our members are, please look at our club directory. Many members have posted pictures of themselves and/or their boat which is very helpful. If you haven't already uploaded a photo please do so, it really helps members place a boat and face with a name. You can upload your photo very easily by logging into our website at <http://www.occoquanyachtclub.com>, go to Your Profile, scroll down towards the bottom, browse, and upload a photo. It will now appear in the directory. Don't forget to save when done. If you know of anyone interested in joining OYC, please let me know and I will reach out to them directly. I hope to see you all on the water soon.

Debbie Tucceri
Membership Chair
Did It Our Way



Freedom Boat Club Opportunity

Freedom Boat Club at Belmont Bay and other locations is hiring dock staff and training captains for the upcoming season. If you are a USCG Captain and are interested in training new members, please contact Mike Clark. Also, if you have college-age kids looking for a fun job on the water this summer, they can contact Mike as well.

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