



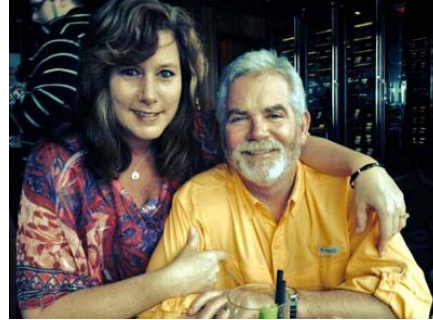
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**Commodore's Corner**

Dear WYA Members:

CAN YOU SAY HOT!!!! I am glad to hear that the boats from the WYA that were at the Summer Kick-Off survived the storms Saturday night. I was told that everyone that attended this event had a great weekend. Pictures are posted in the newsletter and on the web site ([www.wya-va.com](http://www.wya-va.com)) . Donna and I had a nice week in North Carolina (Nag's Head) for our vacation. We went offshore fishing on Wednesday and bagged around 350 pounds of yellowfin tuna. After cleaning, the net was 190 pounds of nice tuna steaks. I won't tell you how much the tuna cost per pound running a boat offshore but it was fun!



**2015 Bridge**

Commodore – Bill Bukevicz  
Vice Commodore –Shannon Ritter  
Rear Commodore –George Cajigal  
Secretary –Katherine Smith  
Treasurer – Anita Elmore  
Immediate Past Commodore – Bob Blunt  
PRYCA Delegate – Tom Carroll

July is here and the WYA has many events going on this month. For the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend, Bill Bowman invited WYA members to the Boathouse Marina. Information is in the newsletter. If you plan on going contact George at [rearcommodore@wya-va.com](mailto:rearcommodore@wya-va.com). Donna and I will be in Solomon's Island for the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend and won't make it to the Boathouse Marina. Have fun everyone!

July 17 to the 19 is the PRYCA Float-In at Point Lookout Marina. This is a fun event. The WYA has 16 boats registered for this event. As Commodore, I am happy that we have a great representation at this event and

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we are the second largest group next to the OYC. Remember, it is important that all of our boats have USCG inspection sticker prior to arriving at Pt. Lookout. If we have 100% vessel inspections, **our club will be awarded 6 points to our overall score**. This could mean 1<sup>st</sup> place or second. Phil Bolin and Gary Vineyard are the Fleet Captains for July. They will be organizing the members participating in the games. Information on the games is posted in the newsletter and let them know what you may want to participate in. Last year, Jean and I were 0.2 seconds from taking first place in the dinghy rescue. I am optimistic that the WYA will do very well this year!



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After the PRYCA Float-In, we have our club cruise from July 19 to July 26. Right now, we have 11 boats participating in the cruise and we are heading to 4 ports. Information on the cruise is posted in the newsletter. Yes, I will be bringing some tuna steaks for cooking out on the cruise. Can anyone say tuna fish tacos!

Heads up for August. Phil Rogers and I are the Fleet Captains for the month of August. Information has been released for the Dog Days of Summer Event which will be the weekend of August 14 to the 16. If you plan on attending this event you need to register your boat by July 28, 2015 and let Phil Rogers or I know that you are going. Donna and I will be attending this event for the first time. Also, I am planning a weekend cruise for us on August 29 (Saturday) for one night at the Corinthian Yacht Club. It is a short run for most of us. Let me know if you are interested and based on the interest, I will follow-up with more information.

If you have any suggestions, comments, or ideas for future events, Please do not hesitate to contact me at wbuke@aol.com.

Signing Off,

Bill Bukevicz, Commodore

Boat for Sale

Bruce and Patti Kasold are selling their 2003 19 foot Maxim 1900 SR with a 230hp engine. If you are interested, the boat with trailer is listed with Stepps Harbor View Marina, 277 Harbor View Circle, Colonial Beach, VA 22443, 804-224-9265. Bryan or Andrew can answer further questions about the boat and show it. They have handled all maintenance on the boat and the current price is \$8,500 with trailer. Condition is fine. The speedometer and depth gauges don't work well, but the GPS provides all of that.

Rescue on the Potomac

Coming back from Coles Point after the Memorial Day weekend trip, Ruth and Jean performed a rescue at sea. And when you here the story you'll agree with them that the events at the PRYCA Float-In helped them out. En route to Colonial Beach they noticed an overturned kayak and three people in the water. Ruth maneuvered the boat and Jean used skills practiced at Float In events to toss life rings to those in the water – she hit the mark every time. They got the three people on board – one elderly man did not speak English very well – as well as the kayak. They took the three people to Westmoreland State Park and got them ashore. Great going Ruth and Jean!

Past Events

Potomac River Festival – June 13-14

Colonial Beach had its annual festival. The “land” parade was fantastic. The boat parade was small but did include three boats from WYA. The Bolin's 1958 Cruis



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Along boat Paget, the Blunt's Norma Joan and the Cirbee's 1956 Trumphy were all in the parade. Bob and Norma's Norma Joan won first place in the Yacht Category. Congratulations to Bob and Norma. They joined the Wall of Fame for the effort! Check it all out at our web site, www.wya-va.com.



Cobb Island Summer Kick Off – 19-21 June 2015

THE GAMES BEGAN!

Cobb Island Yacht Club is renowned for throwing a fantastic party every year for Summer Kick Off....this year was no different!

Yes, it was hot, but we had a tremendous time. Attendees included: Bob and Norma, George and Polly, Ruth and Jean, Ralph and Kris, Steve and Paula, Phil and Patti, Phil and Carey, Dan and Elaine and Chris and Heather. We sorely missed many of the normal boating crowd. Friday night most of us enjoyed steak night at Scuttlebutts, with others opting for the seafood buffet at Captain John's. Saturday we enjoyed the town parade, margarita



**Scuttlebutts
Restaurant**



The gang gets it on

tasting with dancing at Scuttlebutts, a great seafood buffet at The Rivah, and, to round out the evening we were treated to an Illusions of the Stars where we witnessed Elvis, Marilyn, and many other old stars, and, then, to top off the evening, we were entertained by Joe Bronzi, a NYC comedian. He was fantastic and will have his own TV show next year. Don't miss it! We also attended a moment of silence for Christie Rauker at 2:01, who died last year and was the wife of Pat Schondel and a special



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person in PRYCA. Up later than usual on Sunday most of us went to a buffet breakfast to end the weekend. We didn't want to go home.

But Ralph took the rose that "Elvis" gave him the night before. Just a fantastic event. See more pictures at our web site, www.wya-va.com.



Upcoming Events

July 4th Independence Day Party

Really two events. Bill Bukevicz and Donna have invited those interested to boat to Solomon's for the fireworks and a Team Green World presentation in the town. Email Bill (wbuke@aol.com) if you are interested. Bill Bowman has invited those interested to come for a traditional 4th of July hamburger and hot dog fest on the 4th at the Boat House Marina in Colonial Beach. Email George Cajigal if interested (georgecajigal@earthlink.net).

PRYCA Float-In – 17-19 July

We have 16 boats signed up with these attendees -- Bill and Donna, Bob and Norma, Ruth and Jean, Chris and Mary Jane, Steve and Mary Ann, Phil and Carey, Gary and Nancy, Mike and Vicky, Dan and Elaine, Phil and Patti, George and Polly, Ralph and Kris, Les and Hope, Diane and Peggy, Steve and Andi and Steve and Paula with their son Hunter.

The event will be held at Point Lookout Marina and the theme is inspired by the hit TV show, The Love Boat. This year's Float-In promises something for everyone – three days of fun and frolic, including a Friday night barbecue, dance, and Costume Contest; boating seminars on Saturday (including Diane and Peggy talking about their Great Loop Cruise); the classic Competition for The Cup; Saturday night dinner at Pt. Lookout's new Sunset Cove Restaurant; the awards ceremony and dance; and finally, Sunday Brunch at Sunset Cove before saying good-bye.

A separate email list of WYA members attending has been developed and will be used to update those going to the event.

The PYRCA Bridge has decided the events for the CUP competition and they are described in an attachment to the email that sent this newsletter. We will have the "players" for the events posted very soon to those attending.

If you want to attend and are not on the list, please email Phil at philbolin@mva-polonia.com.



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AND FOR THOSE ATTENDING ... PLEASE HAVE YOUR BOAT INSPECTED BY THE USCG AUXILIARY BEFORE ARRIVING. NOT HAVING IT DONE COULD REALLY HURT OUR CHANCES OF WINNING THE CUP.

Long Trip after the Float-In. 19-26 July 2015.

We have our long trip planned and the itinerary is shown below. Note that the second weekend, the trip ends at White Point Marina in Kinsale, an excellent spot for those that couldn't make the entire trip can join us. See details below.

The rules are simple. We made a master plan. Each individual boat calls the marina and books a slip. Each boater does not have to go to all locations. Each boater is responsible for communication and payment to the marina.



The attendees for the event include: Bill and Donna, Steve and Mary Ann, Dan and Elaine, Gary and Nancy, Phil and Carey, Phil and Patti, Bob and Norma, George and Polly, Mike and Vicky, Ross and Kathy, Bob and Gail and Chris and Mary Jane.

The plan is as follows:

Sunday and Monday (19th and 20th) at Chesapeake Boat Basin, Kilmarnock VA ... one night dinner in town and one night cook-out. Marina has pool and courtesy car to access local activities and restaurants.

Tuesday and Wednesday (21st and 22nd) at the Oyster Farm at Kings Creek in Cape Charles, Virginia, on the eastern shore ... restaurants, golf, charter fishing, shops and pool available.

Thursday (23rd) at Onancock, VA, also on the eastern shore ... lovely small town nice restaurants, great shops, but no pool. Beautiful creek cruise up to the town. You'll be impressed.

Friday and Saturday (24th and 25th) at White Point Marina, Potomac River ... crab fest on Friday Night (crabs, corn on the cob, and other great things) and on Saturday night a joint cook out with the local area Yacht Club where we pay for Beer Can Chicken and join the local club at their club house. We show up with money for the chicken and bring our favorite drink. What could be easier? Pool and courtesy car and nearby restaurant. IF YOU WANT TO JOIN US FOR THIS WEEKEND EVENT AND HAVE NOT SIGNED UP FOR THE LONG TRIP or the part you can attend please EMAIL PHILBOLIN at philbolin@mvapollonia.com.

Chris and MJ will stay 3 days at Chesapeake Boat Basin and 2 days at Onancock, bypassing Cape Charles. Ross and Kathy will return to their slip at Port Kinsale while the rest of us are at White Point, but will join us for the evening meals at



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White Point. There are many possible options. And if there is bad weather (rough on the Bay), we'll work up a "Potomac Only Plan."

The planned trip allows 2 days at 3 locations (found to be a relaxing plus on past trips) and no travel day more than 50 nautical miles. Nice easy days and relaxing time with good friends. What more can you ask for?


Dog Days of August

August 14-15th is Dog Days at Aquia Harbour. Great weekend event! It is the Yacht Clubs 40th anniversary. Bill Bukevica and Phil Rogers are the float captains for this event. Attached to the email that sent this newsletter is the flyer for the Dog Days of August sign up. It is also copied below for information.



Peace, Love, and Boaties

Dog Days of August
Aquia Harbour Marina
August 14 -16, 2015
[COMPLETE ONLINE HERE](#)
(One Form per Boat)



Aquia Harbour Yacht Club is celebrating our 40th Anniversary with a 70s themed party at Dog Days of August! Come take part in games Saturday, dress in costume on Saturday night and enjoy plenty of food and friends all weekend long. [Registration for the event must be submitted online here.](#) Below are the costs and schedule of event.

BOAT INFORMATION / SLIP FEES: (no need to call the marina and reserve a slip, this form takes care of that)
SLIP FEES: \$1.50 x LENGTH per night

POWER FEES: (we have approx. twelve 50 AMP 120/240 V slips that are first-come, first-serve)
one- 30 AMP \$ 5.00 per day; two- 30 AMP \$10.00 per day; one- 50AMP \$10.00 per day

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| REGISTRATION FEES:
Number of People Ages 10+: \$60 per person
Number of Children Under 10: FREE | SPECIAL EVENT – BBQ, CRAB & SHRIMP FEAST:
Number of People Ages 10+: \$40 per person
Number of Children Under 10: FREE |
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50/50 TICKETS: 6 tickets for \$5 and 13 tickets for \$10
(drawing on Saturday Night and the winning ticket must be present to win)
[Go online here to register](#)


Please, mail check, made payable to AHYC, to: P. O. Box 905, Stafford, VA 22555
Questions?? Email: rear.commodore@ahyc.org

Cancellation: if you cancel your reservation by July 31, 2015 a full refund will be issued. After August 1, we can only issue a 25% refund of the registration and event fees. Slip fees will fully refundable if canceled by August 6.
Pool Party: This event is rain or shine and unfortunately we are unable to refund any registration fees due to inclement weather.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 28, 2015

Schedule at a Glance:

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| Friday: | 12:00pm – 8:00pm | Registration packets available for pickup at AHYC Clubhouse |
| | 6:00pm – Last Call | AHYC Clubhouse (and Bar) Open for Appetizers & Happy Hour |
| Saturday: | 8:30am – 10:00am | Continental Breakfast and Bloody Mary Bar at AHYC Clubhouse |
| | 9:00am – 5:00pm | Transportation Provided from Marina to Golf Course <i>with advance reservation</i>
(Call 540-659-4478 to Arrange Tee Times. \$16 per person for 18 holes plus cart) |
| | 9:30am – 11:00am | Kayak Scavenger Hunt (Meet at Kayak Launch/Fishing Pier) |
| | 9:30am – 11:00am | Guided Walking Tour of Government Island |
| | 12:30pm – 2:00pm | Bean Bag (Corn hole) Tournament at AH Marina Parking lot |
| | 4:00pm – 6:00pm | at Harbour Inn Parking Lot ** SPECIAL EVENT – BBQ, CRAB & SHRIMP FEAST ** |
| | 7:00pm – 8:00pm | Evening Cruise Around Island (Meet at Boat Ramp) |
| | 8:30pm – 10:00pm | Appetizers and Pool Party with Games |
| | 8:30pm – 11:30pm | Bar, DJ Music, Dancing, Karaoke |
| | 9:00pm | 70s Costume Contest, Awards Ceremony and 50/50 Drawing at Pool Party |
| Sunday: | 9:00am – 11:00am | Bon Voyage Brunch (Silent Auction Item Awarded at 10am) |
| | 10:00am – 12:00pm | Kayak Tour (Meet @ Kayak Launch/Fishing Pier) |





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Pictures for the Fleet Page – YOU NEED TO READ THIS!

OK ... as you know ... on the Fleet page of the web site we have pictures of our members that show the people and their boat or other favorite mode of transportation. I just reviewed the page and am missing some pictures. So, for the names listed below please send me (philbolin@mvapolonia.com) a picture of you and your significant other and a picture of your boat or other means of moving around. At the least would love a picture of the people. The list of missing persons on the Fleet page include:

Carol Abbott
Quincy Benbow and Bonita McClenny
Dale and Rhonda Breer
Steve and Andi Cirbee
Pat Dates
Jeff Fiehler and Margot Snyder-Gibson
Steve and Paula Giles
Chris and Heather Lovejoy
Ralph Mason and Kris Butera
Bob and Gail Mayer
Don and Sharon Radeke
Stan and Pam Raymond
Patti Woodside

As you notice I have the list and I'll check it regularly ... so give up that picture!!

WEB Page and Newsletter

Simple question. Who is interested in doing the newsletter and the website. Do them both or only one. Email me soonest --- philbolin@mvapolonia.com. Time is running out!

Quarter Master Items

Remember the WYA apparel store web site. Many cool items for sale. Put it in your favorites tool bar! Order now to get yours.

<http://wya.logosoftwear.com/>



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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to: 7/2 – Andi Cirbee, 7/6 – Jean Yeagley (Lovelace), 7/12 – Doris Gentry Buswell, 7/13 – George Cajigal, 7/16 Hope Jackson, 7/17 – Ross Jebson, 7/19 – Pat Dates, 7/21 – Ruth Lovelace and 7/22 – Quincy Benbow

Happy Anniversary to : 7/4 – Dick and Anita Elmore and 7/22 -- Phil and Carey Bolin



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**Boating Safety Overview (Copy authorized by BOATUS)**

*Lessons learned from a review of boating accident statistics.*

By Beth A. Leonard

Published: April 2015



Collisions are responsible for more fatalities and injuries while boating than any other type of accident.

Picture got your attention, didn't it? But when it comes to boating injuries, the truth is that accidents like the collision that caused the damage above are the exception. Boating is surprisingly safe compared to many other activities we engage in — and getting safer. As we reported in our October 2014 issue, fatalities have dropped to 4.7 per 100,000 registered recreational boats (*2013 USCG Recreational Boating Statistics*), more than 80 percent below the all-time high of 27.7 deaths per 100,000 registered boats in 1973. Collision and crew-overboard incidences account for most of the fatalities.

Injuries occur more frequently — somewhere around 100 per 100,000 registered boats. While collision is also the leading cause of injury, the majority of boating accidents leading to injury are more mundane than life-threatening: a sprained ankle from jumping off the boat to the dock, a broken rib from falling down the companionway, a back injury from being thrown from the seat by a wave. These smaller accidents can still wreck your day, your week, your month, and possibly your year. Proper boat-handling practices and a few minor modifications to your boat can go a long way toward reducing the chances of an injury.

So let's take a look at the available accident statistics to see how you can make sure that your time on the water is relaxing, fun ... and safe for you, your family, and your guests.





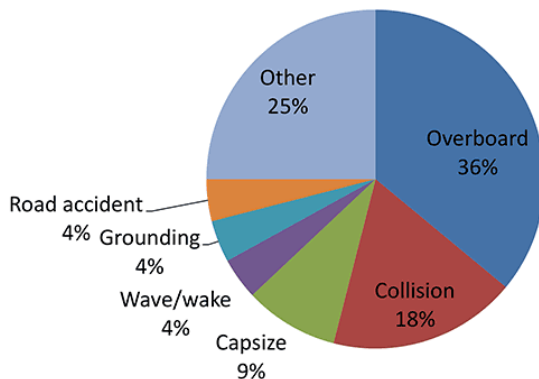
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### Overview Of Fatalities

We would all prefer that no one died while boating, but there isn't anything we do that doesn't have some degree of risk associated with it. So the question becomes: How risky is boating compared to other activities? Based on an analysis of the BoatUS Marine Insurance claim files between January 1, 2009, and December 31, 2013, an estimated five people died per 100,000 registered boats. According to the Coast Guard *2013 Recreational Boating Statistics*, 560 people died in recreational boating accidents in 2013, or 4.7 per 100,000 registered recreational vessels. In 2012, 14 people per 100,000 registered cars and 60 people per registered motorcycles died in accidents as reported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in *Traffic Safety Facts*. While it is difficult to directly compare any of these statistics, they all point in the same direction — boating does not seem that risky compared to other activities involving a vehicle.

**Chart 1: Boating Accidents Leading To Fatalities By Type 2009-2013**



Source: BoatUS Marine Insurance

But people do die aboard boats, most for one of two reasons: the boat hit something, or someone accidentally went overboard. As **Chart 1** shows, 36 percent of fatalities in the BoatUS claim files involved an accident where someone went overboard, and 18 percent resulted from a collision — usually with something solid like a pier or another boat. This data mirrors the findings in the Coast Guard's report where, in 2013, 40 percent of fatalities occurred after someone accidentally went overboard and 18 percent resulted from a collision. Since most capsizes occur because someone went overboard, and grounding can be considered hitting something, collision and crew-overboard accidents combined result in more than two-thirds of boating fatalities in the BoatUS data.

Bottom line: If you don't hit anything and you don't let anyone fall overboard, the chances of someone dying on your boat — small to begin with — will be cut by more than half.

### Signing off for another month!