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Short Notes.

RSVP. One more request to let us know your attendance. It's easy folks!! Please, when you read about planned events that require an RSVP, reply to me as to whether you are in, out or still thinking about it.

2013 Bridge

Commodore – Phil Bolin
Vice Commodore – Chris Smith
Rear Commodore – Carey Bolin
Secretary – Mary Jane Smith
Treasurer – George Cajigal
Immediate Past Commodore – Diane Burton

New Bridge. At the upcoming General Membership Meeting we'll select a new Bridge. A three member committee chaired by IPC Diane Burton will provide a slate for us. If you are interested in being on the bridge, please email Diane at dlb854@yahoo.com.

The bylaws dictate the following as to the elections:

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

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committee may recommend more than one person per office. Any Regular Member 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 all Regular Members not less than two weeks prior to the October General Membership Meeting. Any person holding an office may be nominated for another term.

This year the GMM will be held Oct 19, 2013.

And, here's a message from Nina for an event this weekend.

From: Nina Young [<mailto:orcasconsulting@msn.com>]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 11:43 AM
To: philbolin@mvapolonia.com
Subject: Governor's Cup

Jennifer and I are planning to head to St. Mary's on Friday to watch the sail boats come in for the Governor's Cup. We would love the company of WYAers who don't mind spending the night on the hook. Our plan is to arrive on Friday afternoon and set up. We will be grilling on the boat and Saturday can part take in the delicacies from the various vendors. Please let us know if you are interested and please forward out to the WYA list. All are welcome. If folks can get back to



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me, we can coordinate arrivals and food stuffs!

Nina

This event is “respond if you are interested.” No RSVP by anyone required.

Here is a message from the Cobb Island Yacht Club

Their Fleet Captain John Stine has announced the following Cobb Island’s first annual raft up:

Shark Tooth Island Raft Up

Attention all fun seekers and trouble makers!!!!!! Yes this means you!!!! CIYC is inviting all our riff raff to raft up at Shark Tooth Island! Bring sunscreen lunch and drinks and come join us for a few hours of fun, and sun! Shark Tooth Island is a great place to sun, swim or just search for sharks teeth.

Where: Shark Tooth Island (Potomac River)

N 38 degrees 09.529 W 076 degrees 44.778



When: Saturday August 3rd! Meet around 11:00 am

How: Boat, Swim, Ski, Tie yourself to the back of a couple of

Rock Fish and come on over and Join the fun! NO RSVP required. Just go if you want.



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Past Events

July 4th Fireworks Party. We had a classic Independence Day celebration at Linda Weaver's house, including hamburgers, hot dogs, sides, wine and beer and luscious desserts. Check out the web site, www.wya-va.com for details and pictures.

You see us here singing the WYA song.



PRYCA Float-In, July 19-21.

We have never been fired up to compete for the PRYCA Cup in the past. We were very comfortable just attending and having a good time. This year the energy has changed. We decided to compete. Of the 7 teams we came in 3rd. Next year we aim for 1st!

Those attending included Phil and Carey, Ralph Mason and Kris Butera, Les and Hope Jackson, Dick and Anita Elmore, Phil and Patti Rogers, Bill and Donna Bukevicz, Gary and Nancy Vineyard, Steve and Mary Ann Andrews, Dan and Elaine Braud, Bob and Norma Blunt, Ruth Lovelace and Jean Yeagley, Diane Burton and Peggy Saylor, and Tom and Kathy Carroll.

We partied Friday night then competed in the events on Saturday, getting ready for the evening meal and the "Elvis" band set to entertain us.

Many pictures and more descriptions at the web site, www.wya-va.com. Go there to see it all.

At right you see Hope being entertained by the band leader, an Elvis impersonator. The band kept us excited all evening. Great fun! Nancy Vineyard and Kris Butera were also targets of the Elvis guy as he ran around the dance floor.

On Sunday morning Dick and Anita and Les and Hope invited us all to their boats for a renaming ceremony. Lots of champagne and rowdy behavior. Don't miss the full details on the web site.





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Our Long Trip.

After the PRYCA Float-In, eight WYA boats took off for a week's travel around the Chesapeake. This was a lively excursion that all of you should consider joining next year. Last year we had 2 boats; this year 7 boats for the entire trip. Next year who knows????? At right is the gang that participated in the cruise. This picture was taken at Corinthian Yacht Club near Point Lookout on the first night of the trip.



We stayed Sunday night at Corinthian, Monday night at Chesapeake Boat Basin in Kilmarnock, Tuesday thru Thursday at Crisfield, MD, and, finally, Friday and Saturday nights at Dennis Point Marina just off St. Mary's River. We wanted to stay two nights at Wicomico Yacht Club on the Wicomico River, just west of Salisbury, MD but the weather dictated otherwise. We made the right

decisions for best traveling and we all had a fantastic time. See the complete details and many pictures at the web site, www.wya-va.com. In the meantime, try figuring out this photo!

Upcoming Events

Dog Days of August on August 9-10 2013. This year at Aquia Harbour we'll have a good boating event because Aquia Harbour knows how to put on a party. There is a special Crab and Shrimp Feast and plenty of camaraderie. Details on signing up are included with this email. If you sign up, please email philbolin@mvapollonia.com to let me know you are going to be there. Only need a reply if you sign up and are going.

You NEED TO REGISTER immediately if you want to attend and it may pay to send an email first to ensure there is room. The email to request info is in the other attachment to the email that sent this newsletter. Each member who wants to go must send in their own registration form. Carey and I are going as well as Mike and Vicky. Who else???

Boat Trip to Cape Charles on the Maryland Eastern Shore. We are still working this trip and will provide more information if it comes to pass. September or October would provide milder weather.

Labor Day at Tall Timbers Marina. This is our traditional trip to Tall Timbers that includes a boat burning and fireworks. Each boater must reserve a spot with the marina. 301-994-1508 is the phone number and you can ask for



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Carol. Anita, our Float Captain, has reserved 10 spots for WYA members – call soon and tell them you are with WYA and want on the fuel dock. Let's fill it up. On Sunday night they burn a boat and have fantastic fireworks. Anita and I would appreciate your RSVP so we can plan some cocktail hour vittles on the pier.

Sept 21 Farm Fest at the Bolins -- Similar to last year's Fellini on the Farm, but better.

Oct 11-14 End of Summer Party at Belmont Bay, Occoquan Yacht Club. Some info at our web site. More info later.

Birthdays

We want to wish the following members a very Happy Birthday in August: Diane Burton on August 5, Mary Ann Andrews on August 10, Pat Ralston, August 13, Debbie Lindsey, August 14, Mary Jane Smith, August 15, Vicky Enos on August 25, and Maureen Bory on August 26.

Electricity Can Kill

ALEXANDRIA, Va., July 17, 2013 - Last year over Fourth of July weekend, Alexandra Anderson, 13, and her brother, Brayden Anderson, eight, were swimming near a homeowner's dock on the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri when they started to scream. By the time the siblings were pulled from the lake, they were unresponsive and a short while later were pronounced dead. Two hours later on Cherokee Lake in Tennessee, 10-year-old Noah Winstead, died in a similar manner, while Noah's friend, 11-year-old Nate Parker Lynam, passed away the following evening. These were not drowning victims. In all four of these cases, 120-volt AC (alternating current) leakage from nearby boats or docks electrocuted or incapacitated swimmers in freshwater. This little-known and often-unidentified killer is called [Electric Shock Drowning](#) or ESD.

"Every one of these deaths was preventable," said Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) Director of Technical Services Beth Leonard. "Any boater and every adult who swims in a freshwater lake needs to understand how ESD happens, how to stop it from happening, and what to do - and not to do - if they ever have to help a victim." To help them with this vital task, BoatUS has put together a new online Electric Shock Drowning Resource Center to educate and inform the public about ESD at BoatUS.com/seaworthy/ESD.asp, and offers helpful tips below.

"An effort to increase safety standards on marina docks has been underway for several years now, but few resources have been available for the general public," said Leonard. "ESD is a complicated subject, and what information has been available for boaters, private dock owners, and swimmers has, all too often, been inaccurate, incomplete, or misleading. Our Electric Shock Drowning Resource Center addresses this problem with a range of helpful articles and presentations, all of which have been vetted for technical accuracy. We'll continue to add to and



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update this material to ensure it remains a valuable source of information," she added.

So what should boat owners, private dock owners, and swimmers do to prevent ESD?

**Electric Shock Drowning: What You Need to Know From BoatUS**

**IN GENERAL:**

Tell others about ESD. Most people have never heard of it and are unaware of the danger.

To retrieve a person in the water, reach, throw, and row - but don't go.

Make sure your children understand the importance of not swimming anywhere there could be electricity. Don't let them roughhouse on docks. Tell them what to do if they feel a tingling or shock in the water (see below).

ESD victims are good candidates for successful Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). Learn to perform CPR and maintain your training.

**IN MARINAS:**

NEVER swim within 100 yards of any freshwater marina or boatyard.

Talk to marina owners or operators about the danger of ESD. Ask your marina operator to prohibit swimming at their facility and post signs.

Ask marina operators if they are aware of and follow the guidelines in National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 303 (fire protection standard for marinas and boatyards) and National Electric Code (NEC) 555.

**IF YOU HAVE A BOAT:**

Have your boat tested once a year to see if it is leaking electricity, or buy a clamp meter and test it yourself. If you find any problems, have your boat inspected by a qualified electrician trained to American Boat and Yacht Council (ABYC) standards.

Have a qualified ABYC electrician install an Equipment Leakage Circuit Interrupter (ELCI) on your boat (refer them to the ABYC E-11 Standard) or use a *Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI)* in the shore power cord. As an alternative, install an isolation transformer on the boat.

Test the GFCI/ELCI at least once a month or per the manufacturer's specifications.

Do NOT do your own 120-volt AC electrical work on a boat or hire an electrician who is not familiar with ABYC standards to do it. Many of the problems that lead to an electrical fault on the boat result from the differences between shore and boat electrical systems and standards.

DO NOT use common household extension cords for providing shore power to your boat. Use, and encourage other boaters to use, shore power cords built to UL standards, ideally with a GFCI built in.



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NEVER dive on your boat to work on underwater fittings when it is plugged in to shore power, even in saltwater.

IF YOU HAVE A PRIVATE DOCK:

NEVER swim within 100 yards of ANY dock using electrical power!

If you have not electrified your dock or put an AC system on your boat, weigh the risks carefully before doing so.

If you need electricity on your dock, hire a licensed electrician and make sure the wiring meets the requirements in NFPA 303 and NEC 555. If your dock is already wired, hire an electrician to check that it was done properly. Because docks are exposed to the elements, their electrical systems should be inspected at least once a year.

Exercise your GFCIs/ELCIs as recommended by the manufacturer.

If you normally run a power cord from your house or garage to charge your batteries, make sure the outlet has a GFCI and include a GFCI somewhere in the shore power cord.

NEVER swim off your dock without shutting down all shore power to the boat and the dock.

Even if you adhere to all of these rules, nearby docks can still present a shock hazard. Educate your neighbors and work together with them to make the waterfront safe.

IF YOU'RE IN THE WATER AND YOU FEEL TINGLING OR SHOCKS:

DO NOT follow your instinct to swim toward the dock!

SHOUT! When electricity is not involved, drowning victims cannot speak, let alone shout. Tell those around you exactly what you're feeling so they can help you while keeping themselves safe.

Try to stay upright and back out of the area the way you came, warn any other swimmers in the area of the danger, and then head for shore 100 yards or more from the dock.

Alert the dock or marina owner and tell them to shut the power off to the dock until they locate the problem and correct it.

Go to the hospital, explain what happened, and ask to be checked over to be sure there are no adverse health effects.

IF YOU HAVE TO RESCUE AN ESD VICTIM:



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Know how to distinguish drowning from ESD (drowning victims cannot speak and look as if they are trying to climb a ladder; screaming, shouting and tingling, numbness, or pain indicate ESD).

Fight the instinct to enter the water - many rescuers have died trying to help ESD victims.

Call for help. Use 911 or VHF Channel 16 as appropriate.

Turn off the shore power connection at the meter base and/or unplug shore power cords.

Get the victim out of the water. Remember to reach, throw, row - but don't go.

If the person is not breathing or you cannot get a pulse, perform CPR until the Fire Department, Coast Guard, or ambulance arrives.

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Yes, I need your picture and a picture of your boat or car to put on the Fleet Page of our web site if it's not already there. I'm missing a few. Check out the web page and if your picture is not there, send it in. Do it now please.

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