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Notes.

***New Bridge.*** Yes, we have a new Bridge, duly voted on by the membership. Starting Dec 1, 2013 your new Bridge will be Bob Blunt as Commodore, Bill Bukevicz as Vice Commodore, Shannon Ritter as Rear Commodore, George Cajigal as Treasurer, Norma Blunt as Secretary, and Phil Bolin as the non-voting Immediate Past Commodore.

***PRYCA Bridge.*** For the Potomac River Yacht Club Association, the new slate of officers to be voted on soon are: Commodore Chevy Rice, Landmark Yacht Club

Vice Commodore Bob Blunt, Westmoreland Yachting Association and Colonial Yacht Club Rear Commodore Phil Rodgers, Aquia Yacht Club and Westmoreland Yachting Association ; Fleet Captain Pat Croft, Occoquan Yacht Club and Fairfax Yacht Club ; Treasurer Steve Preda, Quantico Yacht Club Secretary Debbie Ruttenberg, Port of Washington Yacht Club Immediate Past Commodore Mike Crouch, Occoquan Yacht Club And a host of MALs to address our various clubs.

**Note that two of the officers, Bob Blunt and Phil Rogers are members of our club.**

**2013 Bridge**

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

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You really should attend the WYA Change of Watch, Nov 9<sup>th</sup>. It is going to be a great party. Guests are welcome.

Entrée Selections: Chicken Marsala \$24.00; Seafood Platter or Prime Rib \$30.00. Price includes tax and gratuity.

And that price is the total price, except for the cash bar. Where can you get ***a party and dinner, with music and great friends for this price???*** You cannot. Call Carey at 703-615-2287 or email her at

[carybolin@mvapolinia.com](mailto:carybolin@mvapolinia.com) to commit yourselves and friends to the event.

**There are pictures of the last COW throughout the newsletter.** Payment at the event by cash or check.

We need you to call now to reserve a space!



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***The Last Boating Events.*** All over the country, fall is in full swing and recreational boaters and anglers are trying to squeeze in their last good day on the water. But when they do, boaters need to follow a safety playbook appropriate for this time of year. That's because boaters often let their guard down when safety becomes an even greater challenge. What makes fall boating safety so different? The BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water explains:

- The sun is in your face and the breeze may be warm, but below the keel the water temperature has dropped. A simple fall overboard at this time of year can be a big problem if you can't get back into the boat. What is your plan to [get back aboard](#), especially if you're boating solo? Wearing a life jacket can also buy you critical time to get back in the boat.  

- You need to let someone know where you're going and what time you'll be back. That's because there are significantly fewer boaters on the water at this time of year to bail you out if there's trouble. A float plan left with family or friends is simple to do, and don't forget to check back in upon your return.  

- With temperature fluctuations, fog takes only a short time to appear. If you're headed out on the open water, carrying a compass and chart should be a bare minimum.
- Check your communications gear, including your VHF radio and all of its wired connections. BoatUS offers this service for free at [BoatUS.com/MMSI](http://BoatUS.com/MMSI). Handheld VHF's should be fully charged before you go, and remember that cell phone batteries don't last as long when you're using fishing or charting apps.
- Layer up. It may be sunny when you head out, but a short rainsquall and  




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temperature drop with clouds in the afternoon can serve up a case of hypothermia pretty quick. Be prepared for big swings in the weather.

### BOATUS

As we get ready for the winter please remember that WYA is a cooperating member of BOATUS. If you are a BOATUS member, you can renew your membership for half price. GA85097Y is our cooperating number and you can use it to get ½ price off your membership. Use it. It is one of our benefits.

### Past Events

#### *Fellini at the Farm and the GMM.*

We had a great time at the GMM and Fellini at the Farm. Over 30 people showed up and we partied. Starting with the GMM where we voted in a new bridge.



After voting in the new bridge, we started the party and did we party. Check out the web site for more pictures and information, [www.wya-va.com](http://www.wya-va.com). We even started and sat by the bonfire as the evening passed and the rain ended.

Special kudos go to Katherine Smith and Bob Blunt. Katherine headed up the effort to ensure every glass, plate, and utensil was cleaned, without the help of a dish washer. Bob Blunt, among others was there to assist. They gave Carey and MJ, the party planners a chance to sit and enjoy. Thanks.





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Upcoming Events

Change of Watch – Nov 9th. We will have the Change of Watch at the Riverboat Restaurant in Colonial Beach on Saturday Nov 9th 2013. You really ought to come and enjoy with the rest of the membership.

6:30 p.m. Appetizers and Cash Bar Cocktails

7:30 p.m. Dinner

8:30 p.m. Change of Watch

9:00 p.m. Dancing

Location: The Riverboat "Tiki" Room, located at 301 Beach Terrace, Colonial Beach

Entrée Selections: Chicken Marsala \$24.00; Seafood Platter or Prime Rib \$30.00. Price includes tax and gratuity.

Payment due, by check or cash, on the night of the event.

Guests are welcome. We encourage you to bring people possibly interested in becoming WYA members.

Cocktail Attire

RSVP to Carey by November 1 at: careybolin@mva-polonia.com.

Responses **MUST** be received by November 1st. Yes that's tomorrow.

Please include the number of people attending and your entrée preference (if Prime Rib please indicate how you want it prepared).

For those who want to spend the night in Colonial Beach, right next door to the Riverboat is the River Edge Inn (previously the Day's Inn, at the end of Colonial Ave on the water}. The web site is www.riveredgeinncolonialbeach.com. On their web you have to go to





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the "About Us" page and click on their Flickr page to see pictures. The manager, Anita, has offered the a 10% discount off the normal rate-or a rate of \$76.50 plus tax for their newly renovated rooms. This rate includes a continental breakfast. They are not "holding" any rooms for us- so it is first-come first-served. There is a Rockfish Tournament in Colonial Beach the same weekend, so please act fast.

This is a wonderful opportunity to don your fine party apparel, welcome the new Bridge, celebrate the end of the 2013 season, and dance the night away! Please join your WYA friends!

***DC Lighted Boat Parade, Dec 7, 2013.*** There may be a party here so Phil and Carey have signed up to take Apollonia to DC on Dec 6 for the 7<sup>th</sup> lighted boat parade. We hope a few others may choose to go along. Registering before 11/15 gets you \$150 to help pay for fuel and you get free slips at Gangplank Marina.

***PRYCA Change of Watch, Jan 17-18, 2014.***

This is going to be a real party. Below are the details.

**Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association  
2014 Change of Watch - Dinner Dance  
Saturday, 18 January 2014**

at

**Crowne Plaza  
Old Town Alexandria  
901 N Fairfax Street  
703-683-6000**

**Hospitality Suite Open: 1700 – 1745 (and again after the dance)**

**Photographer: 1700 - 1845**

**Cocktails: 1800**

**Dinner: 1900**

**Change of Watch Ceremony: 2000**

**Dancing to follow with 25<sup>th</sup> Hour Band**

**Formal/Winter Uniform/Black Tie Optional or Business Suit**

**\$75.00 per person**

**Menu**

**Salad, Rolls & Butter**

**Top Sirloin Steak complimented w/Potatoes or Rice & Vegetables**

**Seared Salmon complimented w/Potatoes or Rice & Vegetables**



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Vegetarian Portobello Mushroom Tower complimented w/ layers of Portobello Mushroom, Grilled Eggplant and Squash on a Bed of Roasted Red Pepper Coulis

Dessert

Freshly Brewed Coffee and Tea

Cash Bar

Rooms

A block of rooms for Saturday, January 18th have been reserved at the per room rate of \$99.00 (plus taxes) until 18 December 2013.

Friday, Jan 17th has been offered at the same rate of \$99.00 (plus taxes) to make this a weekend to remember!!!

Reservations can be made online at

<http://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=cp&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=AXECP&PMID=99801505&GPC=AA0&blpu=true> or by calling Crowne Plaza directly at 703-683-6000

**The registration information for PRYCA is on the next page.
Please fill it out and send it in.**



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**PRYCA CHANGE OF WATCH DINNER RESERVATION  
JANUARY 18, 2014**

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**Please Reserve Saturday Evening for the Following Attendees:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Yacht Club:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meal Selection: Top Sirloin Steak#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Seared Salmon#** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Portobello Mushroom Tower#** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Titles:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meal Selection: Top Sirloin Steak#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Seared Salmon#** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Portobello Mushroom Tower#** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Portobello Mushroom Tower#** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Should each member desire to invite more guests than space provided above, please add their names and meal selection on this reservation page**

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yacht Club:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail Registration and Checks to: PRYCA, Steve Preda, 112 Stafford Stone Drive, Stafford, VA 22554**



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Birthdays

We want to wish the following members a very Happy Birthday in November:
Alex Bory 11/4, Elaine Braud 11/7, Gary Ralston 11/14, Brad Homar 11/20, Dick
Elmore 11/23, Bill Bukevicz 11/24 and Pat Dates 11/25.

Anniversaries

Happy Anniversary to Sue and Shannon Ritter 11/9

Signing Off. Ok, we'll sign off for the month. Take care and see you on the water.