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Commodore's Comments

I would like to thank our WYA Cole's Point group for a great Memorial Day weekend. We also picked up four new members over the weekend and held a bridge meeting along with an audit of the books ... not bad for a non-stop party event. Our weekend once again was great. We started with some of the group having dinner at the Tavern while others enjoyed the restaurant at Cole's Point on Friday. Next was a cook out on Saturday hosted by Bill and Donna Bukevicz and Mike Rowzee. Donna's brother DJ'ed for us. Sunday started with a Bloody Mary contest. My bailing bucket was a big hit and a great breakfast thanks to Cary, George, Polly, Shannon and Sue. The weather was so nice we spent the entire weekend outside. I don't know who ordered the weather but thanks so much. Next we have a big weekend coming up at Colonial Beach with festival weekend so let's get ready to do it all again. After that we have summer kick off at Cobb Island and Westmoreland has the most boats going so far. Thanks to everyone that helped last weekend from emptying trash to getting ice, cooking, washing dishes etc. Our group works so well together and everyone pitches in and as mom said "many hands make light work". Thanks to all, Commodore Bob.



2014 Bridge

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Vice Commodore's Comments

It was a great Memorial weekend. I would like to thank all the members who attended this event. The dishes presented by the members were great and the food was so good it all went. I would like to give a shout out to the following people. Mike Rowzee with his buddy Stacey for an excellent job smoking the ribs and chicken; my wife Donna for being a great first mate and helping me with





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organizing this event; to Carey, Shannon, Sue , George and Polly for cooking up an excellent breakfast after the Bloody Mary Contest; Margot and Jeff for being judges of the Bloody Mary contest and signing up as new members; Kevin and Gloria for becoming new members; and a special thanks to Don Radeke for presenting the toast to the American flag. For those that are not familiar you can go to this URL to read the toast to the flag – it's amazing: <http://staging.americanflagfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/02/A-Toast-To-The-Flag.pdf>. Don and Sharon Radeke were the winners of the Bloody Mary contest. Remember the weekend is to thank all of our Armed Service personnel both past and present for their sacrifice and service in defending our Country and us. Till next time, Bill Bukevicz, Float Captain and VC.

New Members

Please welcome our newest members Jeff Fiehler and Margot Snyder-Gibson and Kevin and Gloria Dunckel. They joined during the Memorial Day festivities and we



welcome them to the club. Jeff and Margot live in Severna Park Md and Kevin and Gloria live in Clarksville MD and keep their boat at Cole's Point Marina. Welcome to the club. They can get information about activities from this newsletter and from our web site www.wya-va.com, as you all can.

From Our Pirate Clan – The October Float Captain

Well ... I'm sure the group planning the October Pirates special for our General Membership Meeting (GMM) is still working hard but I have heard nothing this month. I'm standing by for a special notice next month to keep us thinking of the October 18th GMM meeting. I think it will be special and someone will have to walk the plank, at least that's what I have been told. Put it on your calendar now.

Past Events

Flag Raising and Derby de Mayo Party, 3 May 2014 at 3:00 PM. Spring finally allowed us a reprieve and we had a beautiful day for the Flag Raising and Derby de Mayo Party. Mary Jane Smith was the Float Captain for setting up and decorating, with abundant help from her husband Chris, Carey Bolin and Katherine Smith. Amazing! Our Commodore started it off with the Flag Raising, introducing all the past commodores, raising the





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Flag and starting the boating schedule for the year. Gary Vineyard fired the cannon at the appointed time and all was well. Our Vice Commodore Bill Bukevicz Blessed the Fleet and wished us all well. With ~50 people in attendance we then headed toward the party side of Bayside Marina where we held the event. Abundant food and drink were available as we sailed through the afternoon, culminating with Mint Juleps, prepared by Patty as we partied some more and watched the running of the Kentucky Derby. Les and Hope won the 50/50 and Derby pool. Pictures below show we had a fantastic day. See all the pictures and descriptions at our web site, www.wya-va.com.



Memorial Day Party at Coles Point, 24-26 May 2014. Our Vice Commodore Bill Bukevicz said, "It was a great Memorial weekend and you can read the rest of his comments on the first page of this newsletter. Here are just two pictures. You need to go to our web site, when you finish reading the newsletter and see all the comments and pictures. www.wya-va.com.



Upcoming Events

Potomac River Festival June 6-8 at Colonial Beach.

This is a two part story.

First is the Potomac River Festival noon land parade next Saturday 7 June 2014 in Colonial Beach. Vicky Enos is the Float Captain. Here's the plan. The following people have responded so far to participate.

Gary & Nancy, Phil & Carey, Mike & Vicky, Bob & Norma, Bill Bowman and Janet Coleman.

Vicky has registered us for the parade and Bill Bowman will be pulling a boat on a trailer for the entry. We will not have the originally planned Friday night get together. To keep it simple Nancy, Janet, Norma (if available) and Vicky will meet at the boat on a trailer hauled by Bill Bowman where it is parked for the parade route at 10 AM Saturday morning and decorate it. To find the location call Carey at 703-615-2287 or go to the Colonial Beach High School where Carey will be



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assigning spots for the parade. Shannon will get the WYA Banner and the Big Burgee to Vicky prior to Saturday. Vicky will have a golf cart that we can decorate. Those that want to participate can meet at the High School parking lot at 11:30 and dress for the 50's Rock & Roll theme – we'll have poodle skirts for the ladies and they can ride in the boat being pulled by Bill Bowman for the parade. If those that participate want to ride in golf carts call Vicky and let her know so she can register the cart. To keep all advised anyone who wants to participate should call Vicky at (804) 224-9805. That's it.....Let's be part of the fun. Thanks!
Vicky



The second part of the story is the Sunday in water boat parade in front of the Town of Colonial Beach. This is after Saturday night fireworks from the beach for those in the area. Here is a message from the Rear ... Just a quick reminder about the upcoming Boat Parade. We now have a commitment of 6 boats with several other maybes. Some of the boats will be decorated and some will not, but everybody will have a good time and also represent our club. There will be a hot dog & cold beer after party at the Boat House marina immediately after the parade. If you are in the parade either tie up at your home slip and come by or tie up there for the afternoon. The party is open to all members at no cost to you. We will have hot dogs and cold beer as long as they last. See the registration form attached to the email that sent this, fill it out, drop it off, and let me know! Shannon Ritter, Rear Commodore



If you want to participate and don't want to use your boat call Shannon for help in finding a boat to join. Carey and I are looking for a couple of people.

For the members that have not been to the beach for the festival weekend, there is a lot going on. The fireworks display itself is worth the trip. It would be great to see boats from out of the area.

Email Shannon if you are going to decorate your boat and sign up or will help decorate and ride in a boat. Email him at: ssritter@verizon.net.



Cobb Island Summer Kick Off on Jun 21-22. The summer kick off has been the best event of the year for several years now. Mike and Vicky are the Float Captains. We already have 15+ boats committed to attend, which is over 1/3 of the total boats who participated in the past. Vicky is working with the Cobb





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Island Yacht Club to get us slips. **THE UPDATED REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION PACKETS DESCRIBING THE WEEKEND ARE ATTACHED TO THE EMAIL THAT SENT YOU THIS NEWSLETTER.** We should be getting slip assignments soon. We don't know if there is additional room but if you would like to attend send in your registration now and inform Vicky that you have sent it in. Email her at venos1@verizon.net.



July 4th Celebration. We don't have this nailed down yet, but we will have a party on the 4th. Save the day should you want to join us?



PRYCA FLOAT-IN 18-20 July 2014.

The PRYCA 2014 Float-In will **take place on the same dates but at a different place.**

Below is the message PRYCA Commodore Chevy Rice sent: The PRYCA Bridge is pleased to announce that the "Pirates of the Potomac" will land at **Point Lookout Marina.....** July 18th - 20th!!!! THIS IS A CHANGE! We are looking forward to a wonderful time had by all at this year's event! The staff of Point Lookout Marina and Spinnakers Restaurant are ready to welcome us all at their beautiful marina near the bay!!!!!! Port Kinsale Marina suddenly closed their restaurant and some cottages Tuesday morning, May 27th. We were informed Tuesday morning. We are all very surprised by the closure of the Moorings and wish nothing but the best for the family owners. Their marina is still open. In the best interest of our members, we could not ask you to attend a "Marina Party" and bring your own food.....therefore.....the "Easy Button" would have been to cancel this year's Float-In.....there's always next year.....



NO WAY!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We planned, we are ready and we are going to PARTY AS PIRATES ON THE POTOMAC!!!!!!!!!!!! I need our help. Kinsale contracted for \$65.00 per person for the weekend of great food and fun for three days..... Unbelievable price WOW but that's not happening now. Anyway ... we have now contracted with Point Lookout Marina. The price for the weekend is \$100.00 per person and \$50.00 for children 13 and under. Children under 4 are free. This does not include docking fees or members traveling by car lodging fees. Members that have already





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registered and sent in your fees....please remit a check in the amount of \$35.00 per person (adult) and \$18.00 per child to the PRYCA Treasurer. If you choose not to attend the new destination, please let our Treasurer know and he will send you a refund immediately. Members that are saying.....I WANT TO BE A PIRATE AND HAVE A GREAT TIME and have not registered ... please fill out the attached registration and send it and your check to the PRYCA Treasurer. All info is on the attached registration form. For our members that will be traveling by car....Great News! I have reserved a block of rooms at a couple of Hotel/Motels close by. I will have a discount code out by Monday (if not before). One hotel is PET FRIENDLY.

I can't end this message without thanking the PRYCA Board for their tireless efforts on this instant and drastic change and turning a big negative into a huge POSITIVE!!!!!! I encourage all members and guests of the Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association to attend this fantastic event and look forward to seeing everyone at POINT LOOKOUT MARINA!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! PIRATES ON THE POTOMAC!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



**Long Trip.**

We are on for the long trip 20 to 27 July 2014. Below we give you the “draft” plan for the fair and foul weather schedules. If you have comments or interest please let me know soonest. I now have semi-firm commitments from Phil and Carey, Bill and Donna, Gary and Nancy, Steve and Mary Ann, Dan and Elaine, Mike and Vicky and George and Polly. I'D LIKE TO GET FIRM COMMITMENTS FROM THE AFOREMENTIONED and any more that would like to attend. If you cannot attend the entire week and want to join at the beginning or end let me know. We always watch the weather and it may be we just do part of the FAIR weather trip as we did last year. We'll work it out.

Here is the target schedule:

**FAIR WEATHER:**

- Sun 20 July Travel ~32 NM to Spring Cove Marina Solomons
- Mon 21 July Travel ~35 NM to Herrington Harbor North
- Tue 22 July Travel ~40 NM to Baltimore (a Fells Point area marina)
- Wed 23 July Stay put in Baltimore
- Thu 24 July Travel ~25 NM to Annapolis (stay on EGO Alley – near restaurants and loads of fun but \$3.25/foot)
- Fri 25 July Travel ~45 NM to Solomons and we'll raft up in a creek ... Dinghy will be available
- Sat 26 July Travel ~35 NM to Corinthian YC in Smith's Creek (maybe here we will get some members who can't make the week trip to come join us)
- Sun 27 July Travel to your home port



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**FOUL WEATHER:**

- Sun 20 July Travel ~26 NM to Cobb Island (we'll pick a marina soon)
- Mon 21 July Travel ~35 NM to Aquia Harbour Marina
- Tue 22 July Travel ~20 NM to a marina in Belmont Bay
- Wed 23 July Travel ~18 NM to National Harbor in the DC area
- Thu 24 July Travel ~5 NM to Old Dominion Boat Club or YC on Anacostia River. Been there and it is inexpensive and they have YC facilities we can use.
- Fri 25 July Travel ~25 NM to Mattawoman Bay for a raft up
- Sat 26 July Travel ~36 miles to Colonial Beach ... lots of restaurants and inexpensive slips
- Sun 27 July Travel to your home port

Once we have a commitment we'll pick the marinas. Each boat will be responsible for reserving their slip after we put out the final details.

**Quarter Master Items**

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

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**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

We give Happy Birthday wishes to Les Jackson 6/8, Amy Homar 6/13, Clare Henschel 6/19, Ann Southard 6/22, Norma Blunt 6/28, and Phil Bolin 6/29.

We congratulate the following couples on their anniversaries this month: Kevin and Gloria Dunckle 6/3, Bruce and Patricia Kasold 6/6, Don and Sharon Radeke 6/9, Bill and Donna Bukevicz on 6/10, and Ralph Mason and Kris Butera 6/25.



Signing Off for another month! Enough on activities so no more this month.