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Notes

The weather is better than it has ever been for a July. Are you out on the water? And guess what – if you are not "friends" on face book with Diane Burton and Peggy Saylor -- make it happen now. They are back on their Great Loop trip providing updates via Facebook. They are having the time of their life.



Also, the web site is updated

with pictures for the July events, so when you finish reading the newsletter, take a trip to the web site: www.wya-va.com.

Past Events

July was a busy month with 3 events; July 4th party, PRYCA Float In and the WYA Long Trip.

July 4th Party.

40 of our crew and guests assembled to say Happy Birthday America! We partied at Bayside Marina with good food, great drinks, and camaraderie with members, guests and friends. Thanks to Carey we appetizers to eat before we grilled our meat of choice and cooked the veggie kabobs provided by the club. Carey did cheat a bit with

2014 Bridge

Commodore - Bob Blunt Vice Commodore –Bill Bukevicz Rear Commodore - Shannon Ritter Secretary –Norma Blunt Treasurer – George Cajigal Immediate Past Commodore – Phil Bolin

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Mrs. Smith's pies, but the brownies were hers. All had a great time and a beautiful view of the fireworks from Bayside Marina. Thanks to Bob, Norma and Eddy and Kay for providing a super venue for the party.

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The gang hanging out.



We're up stairs enjoying some Comradery.



Sitting on the back porch watching the sun go down.



Fireworks !!!!

You can see more pictures on this event at our web site, <u>www.wya-va.com</u>.

PRYCA Float-In.

An amazing event that we all love. We placed 3rd in the competition for the CUP and feel good as we don't have to practice all the time. We just arrive and play hard, no matter what. Here are a few pictures of the event. See more – the full story -- at our web site, www.wya-va.com. THERE ARE MANY MORE PICTURES ON THE WEB SITE.

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The Pier Most of WYA Boats Docked



George, Bob and Norma



Anyone know a good dentist?



George and Polly discussing their ICW trip at a symposium.



Chris and MJ after their Rescue the Damsel in Distress by Life Buoy competition.



Bill and Jean after their Rescue the Damsel in Distress by Life Raft competition.



Bob and Jean in the battle to find the Treasure while one of the crew is blind folded.



Dan, Mary Ann and Elaine just relaxing.

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George is enjoying something!



A Breakfast Buffett we'd all come back to.

WYA Long Trip.

After the Float-In, seven boats headed out for an eight day boat trip on the Chesapeake. First stop was Spring Cove Marina at Solomon's Island on Sunday the 20th. Next was Monday night at Herrington Harbor South. Then we made it to Baltimore and stayed at Henderson's Wharf at Fells Point in Baltimore Maryland for two days. Next was Ego Alley in Annapolis Maryland, then Dennis Point on the Potomac for two days. All in all, a 5 star trip. While I've put a few pictures below go to our web site for all the pictures.



Prime Time moving to Herrington Harbor



The group in Baltimore walking to dinner.

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Dinner in Baltimore



Some of our boats at Ego Alley, Annapolis



Another Dinner Out



Now we're relaxing at Dennis Point on the Potomac



Bill cooking dinner Saturday night.



We're dancing by the bonfire.

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Amazing, as the weather two nights of our trip required light jackets. It is now Fall????

Upcoming Events

August is a month for get togethers as the time allows. There is a special PRYCA event at Aquia, described below. If you are registering please email me (philbolin@mvapolonia.com) or the Vice Bill Bukevicz (wbuke@aol.com) so we know who is going.

Dog Days of August.

August 8 - 10, 2014 Hosted by Aquía Harbour Yacht Club Sponsored by PRYCA

Schedule of Events

Friday:

12:00pm – 6:00pm Registration packets available for pickup at Marina store (@ Clubhouse after 6PM)

6:00pm AHYC Clubhouse (and Bar) Open for Appetizers & Happy Hour **Wine \$2.00, beer \$2.00**

Saturday:

8:30am – 10:00am Continental Breakfast and Bloody Mary Bar @ AHYC Clubhouse 9:00am – 5:00pm Transportation Provided from Marina to Golf Course *with advance reservation*

*\$15 for 18 holes with card per player. Call 540-659-4478 for Tee Times** ** Sign up for a ride from the marina to the course on your registration form**

9:30am – 11:00am Kayak Tour Around Island (Meet @ Kayak Launch/Fishing Pier)

9:30am – 11:00am Guided Walking Tour of Government Island

Government Island is an historic 18th and 19th century quarry site that provided Aquia sandstone for the construction of the White House and U.S. Capitol building. For more information, visit http://www.tourstaffordva.com/Government-Island.cfm

12:30pm – 2:00pm Splish Splash Poker Run @ Marina Docks

- ** SPECIAL EVENT CRAB & SHRIMP FEAST **
- ➤ 4:00pm 6:00pm @ Aquia Harbour Inn Parking Lot
- Tickets are \$35.00 per person; Free for children under 10.
- Menu: Crab, shrimp, BBQ, corn on the cob, baked beans, coleslaw with Lemonade and Water!
- ➤ Beverages: Wine \$2, beer \$2, water/sodas \$1.

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7:00pm – 8:00pm Evening Cruise Around Island (Meet @ Boat Ramp)

8:00pm - 10:00pm Appetizers, Bar and Pool Party with (*Awards Ceremony and 50/50 Drawing at 9:30*)

8:00pm – 11:30pm Live Music and Dancing Featuring ** *The Anthony James Band*

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) **Operations:**

➤ Vessels may arrive on Friday, August 8th after 10:00 AM to get slip assignments. When approaching the Marina, hail Aquia Harbour Marina on Channel 09 to obtain a working channel. You will be provided a slip assignment, and dockhands will meet you at your assigned slip to assist with docking.

Questions?

- Contact the AHYC Rear Commodore, Amy Hager @ rear.commodore@ahyc.org or 641-210-9567.
- For questions regarding the Marina, visit the Ship's Store, or call the Marina Dockmaster, Glen Sirbaugh @ 540-659-4232.

If you would like to attend see registration package attached to the email that sent you the newsletter.

Labor Day Trip to Tall Timbers 30 August- 1 September 2014

We are planning a trip to Tall Timbers for the Labor Day period. Who is in? I'm calling Rick at Tall Timbers (301-994-1508) and making my reservations. Please email me if you are going to do the same and call Rick and make your reservations. It is a good party as most of you know. Boat burning and fireworks. Let's go have a good time. \

Rest of September

For September our schedule is in a bit of limbo. Some want the Fellini land event while others want a boat trip to Cape Charles. Decision soon!

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 Peggy Saylor 8/5, Mary Ann Andrews 8/10, Don Radeke 8/12, Pat Ralston 8/13, Rhonda Breer 8/14, Mary Jane Smith 8/15, Sharon Radeke 8/17, Vicky Enos 8/25 and Maureen Bory 8/26. Lots of birthdays!!!



No Anniversaries!

The Many Uses of Rope Caulk Bedding



Forget those pricey marine compounds. Rope caulk, a non-hardening stranded putty that costs a few dollars at any hardware store, is ideal for bedding just about anything above the waterline.

Marine bedding compounds generally do an excellent job of sealing deck fittings. However, they can be expensive and messy and tend to cure in the tube when stored for a long time.

When a local was refitting his ketch, Silverheels, a professional yacht repairman told him he'd been using rope caulk bedding above the waterline for years and had never had any leaks. This guy bought some that day, was delighted at how user-friendly it is, and has used it ever since to bed and seal everything from stanchion bases to padeyes to portholes to my anchor windlass. After six years, nothing he's bedded with it has ever leaked a drop.

Rope caulk is a gray putty that comes in a stranded roll, making it easy to peel off a bit and lay a bead as thin or as wide as needed. You can also mush it together and roll or mold it by hand to suit the job. It doesn't run or stick to your fingers, and

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unless it's exposed to the weather and sunlight for a long time, it never hardens. Fittings bedded with rope caulk can be taken up years later and the caulk will still be fresh and malleable enough to scrape up with a putty knife and reuse. Its shelf life seems to be limitless. It's sold in most hardware stores, and a few dollars' worth can meet a typical boat's bedding needs for years. It's great stuff to have on board.

Signing Off for another month!