



Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association



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Officers 1990

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(Capital))

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(Tantallon)

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(Fort Washington)

Paul Fleury
(Tantallon)

From the Commodore

Dave Goodman

We were not able to sponsor a "PRYCA FALL FLING" as I discussed in the last newsletter. We quickly learned it's hard to catch up. In that regard we intend to provide the proposed PRYCA event schedule to delegates at the 27 November Delegates meeting. I believe this will enhance coordination between member clubs and your association for the coming 1991 season. I hope this initiative will deconflict schedules and permit the PRYCA to truly function as an over arching boating association which represents all of you.

I know that many member clubs are installing new Bridge organizations for the 1991 season. It is essential that this new information be provided to your association. To that end, I am providing a form that you can use to communicate with us. Please update this information ASAP. Also, please submit your 1991 dues of \$45 with this update. Thanks!

I appointed George Edwards, National Potomac Yacht Club, Stu Matthews, Mt. Vernon Yacht Club, and Marsha Crossley, Capital Yacht Club, to the 1991 Nominating Committee. Of course, Past Commodore Jim Ifland, Aquia Harbour Yacht Club, is the chairman. The results of their deliberations are announced elsewhere in this publication. The 1991 PRYCA Board of Directors slate will be voted on at the 27 November Delegates meeting.

In keeping with the coming holiday season, refreshments will be provided at the 27 November Delegates meeting. See you at Capital Yacht Club in November!

From the Editor

Ned W. Rhodes

As I sit here writing this, the weather report is calling for lows in the 20s for tomorrow night. I don't know about you all, but I still have my boat in the water as we have our last cruise to Alexandria over Veterans Day weekend and I am worried about freezing. This season seemed to fly by and once I put the boat up for the winter, I guess I can think about raking leaves.

You will note that we will be holding elections at the Delegates meeting on November 27th. I hope that we have a big turn out since we can consider this the first holiday party of the year. I always enjoy meeting new people from other clubs. If you think about it, bring me a copy of your latest newsletter so that we can get familiar with your club. Who knows, we might even make you famous and publish an article from your newsletter in this newsletter! See you at the meeting.



Delegates Meeting

November 27 - Capital Yacht Club

The next Delegates meeting will be held on November 27 at the Capital Yacht Club (1000 Water Street SW, Washington, DC 20024). There will be a board meeting at 7PM and the Delegates meeting will start at 8PM. Holiday refreshments will be provided and there will be a cash bar.

The primary purpose of the meeting is to elect officers for the coming year. The slate of officers can be found in the minutes of the October Board Meeting. It is important that each club send a delegate to the meeting so that we can hold the elections and get things going for the coming year. See you there.

PRYCA Board Meeting
9/19/90
Mt. Vernon Yacht Club

Present

Comm. Dave Goodman
Secy. Andrea Storey
Treas. Harriet Douglas
MAL Mary Davis Miles
MAL Paul Fleury

Absent

VC Cliff Johnston
RC Ned Rhodes
MAL Betty Shaw

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM.

Officers Reports:

— The Secretary's minutes were approved as submitted and printed in the PRYCA September newsletter.

— Treasurer: Dispersal:

— \$210.00 to reimburse Dave the cost of registering PRYCA's Articles of Incorporation in D.C. We were notified that this had been overlooked for the two preceding years. Penalty and interest were also charged.

— \$124.02 for stationery.

— MAL, Paul Fleury: Tantallon is still in business. The clubhouse barge will be moved to a location near the seawall at the club until negotiations with WSSC work out a permanent arrangement.

— Commodore:

— Fairfax Yacht Club has invited a number of PRYCA board members to their meeting and will consider membership.

— The next board meeting will be 10/29 at District Yacht Club, 7:30PM.

The board meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.

PRYCA Delegates Meeting
9/19/90
Mt. Vernon Yacht Club

Board Present

Comm. Dave Goodman
Secy. Andrea Storey
Treas. Harriet Douglas
MAL Mary Davis Miles

MAL Paul Fleury

Board Absent

VC Cliff Johnston
RC Ned Rhodes
MAL Betty Shaw

Delegates Present

Ruth Koetter, AHYC
George Edwards, NPYC
Roscoe Drakeford, DYC
Dwight Edwards, MOC
Mark Viehoever, Alt-WYC
Richard Osborn, WYC
Paul Fleury, TYC
Stuart Matthews, MtVYC
Don Cruse, LYC
Richard M. Osborn, EPC

The meeting was called to order at 8:00PM with a roll call of member clubs. Eight clubs were represented and constituted a quorum (16 member clubs).

The Secretary read the minutes of the August and September board meetings.

The Treasurer reported that five clubs have not paid their 1990 dues. Three of these clubs maintain their dues were mailed (but not received). The Commodore and Treasurer will contact these three clubs to determine if canceled checks have been received; and membership standing will be corrected as indicated.

Committee Reports:

— Constitution/Bylaws: Marty Clune, Chair. A bylaws change to reduce the required number of delegates to conduct business from majority of registered delegates or alternates to thirty percent of same was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously following explanation and discussion.

— Safety and Education: Dave Goodman, Chair. Discussion concerned the co-sponsored (CBYCA/CG) Safety Training Class in the spring. The location could be targeted to the middle Potomac (between the Wilson and 301 bridges) or Alexandria waterfront. Easily accessible by car and waterfront location for CG demonstrations made the latter location attrac-

tive. Dave will investigate both locations and advise the Delegates.

— Legal and Legislative: Dave Goodman for Dorothy Strunk. Dave circulated model letters for use in writing Congressional representatives about concerns of pleasure boaters.

— National Boating Federation: Dave Goodman for Eve Finch. Eve has submitted her resignation as chair of this committee. She has held this position since its inception. Dave will fill this position until a new board assumes office and appoints a new chair.

— Publication and Communication: Dave Goodman for Ned Rhodes. Dave thanked Ned for the regularity of the newsletter and its success as a major means of communication for the organization. We discussed methods that individual clubs use to disseminate newsletter information to their members. Clubs were encouraged to send copies of their newsletters to Ned for excerpts to be included in the PRYCA vehicle.

New Business: A fall social event was proposed by the Fleet Captain. Discussion of location and available activities concluded that sites such as Old Town, Georgetown Waterfront, or the cove south of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge would draw more members or more clubs than locations much farther south would draw.

Member Clubs Reports:

— Tantallon, Paul Fleury: The club's plumbing/sewage system was scrutinized by WSSC which directed the club to disconnect their club house (located on a barge at the end of their dock), redesign the system to residence standards, install an in ground sewer system and metered incoming water, and replace all water lines to boats. The club is attempting to work out a compromise that satisfies WSSC requirements but does not bankrupt the club.

— Marinette Owners, Dwight Matthews: MOC is a fleet organization whose members are members of yacht clubs. Because of the method of organization and operations they only meet three times a year. Their participation

in boating activities, social or organizational, is usually through the other yacht clubs the individuals belong to.

— District, Roscoe Drakeford: The major concern of DYC and the other members of the Anacostia Boating Association (ABA made up of Eastern Powerboat Club, Washington Yacht Club, and Seafarers Yacht Club) is ultimatum from the U.S. Park Service to increase the rent (from 400% for DYC up to a high of 850%) paid by each club for the next five years. At the end of five years the four clubs would have to vacate the property. The change results from taxing all property used by the club, including public access property, instead of only the property occupied by the buildings.

The PRYCA agreed to assist via intervention and other support.

— National Potomac, George Edwards: NPYC is holding their Octoberfest on October 6 (\$5-6/person) with a white elephant auction. Proceeds finance their Oyster Roast on Saturday, November 10 at noon. Call George at 202-638-3753 if you want to attend.

— Aquia Harbour, Ruth Koetter: AHYC's Fall Ball will be held in September; October will feature a bus trip to the Annapolis Boat Show; and in November, an oyster roast.

— Mt. Vernon, Stuart Matthews: MtVYC is increasing their interaction with other clubs. This past season featured cruises to Norfolk, Tall Timbers, Aquia Harbour, and an "Overland Cruise" to Baltimore Harbor.

— Easter, Richard Osborn: They are seeking Historic Designation status for their club and clubhouse to avoid U.S. Park Service 800% increase in their rent and escape eviction in five years. Eastern was formed as a power boat club in 1910.

— Washington, Mark Viehoever: The third club on the Anacostia River, WYC is scheduled for an 850% rent increase. However, they intend to pay at the old rate for October and November and await Park Service response. There is a strategic plan for progression of pressure on the Park Service from the ABA. George Edwards suggested contacting Congressman Vento from MN who has

a sympathetic ear.

— Landmark, Don Cruse: A cruise to the Rappahannock was very unusual in that they were met by a river pilot boat that took them upriver about 30 miles to a winery and a dinner at a country restaurant. They have monthly socials.

Dave thanked all the delegates for attending and reporting on their club's activities. He promised to maintain communication at or above our current levels and get back to individual clubs on action items resulting from this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30PM.

PRYCA Board Meeting October 28, 1990 District Yacht Club

Present

Comm. Dave Goodman
Treas. Harriet Douglas
Secy. Andrea Storey
Rear Comm. Ned Rhodes

Absent

MAL Paul Fleury
MAL Betty Shaw
Vice Comm. Cliff Johnston

Others Present

Past Comm. Marty Clune

The meeting was opened at 7:30PM by the Commodore. Because we did not have a quorum, no official business was conducted. Reports from officers present were accepted and general information and discussion of issues was held.

The Treasurer's report (attached) was accepted as submitted. Dues have still not been received from Seafarers, National, and Metrosailors Yacht Clubs.

Minutes of the September Board and Delegates Meetings at Mt. Vernon Yacht Club were accepted as submitted and will be reproduced in part in the PRYCA Newsletter.

Dave has selected a nominating committee to develop a slate of Board Officers for 1991. The members of the

committee are:

Jim Ifland, Aquia Harbour, Chair
Stuart Matthews, Mt. Vernon
Marsha Crossley, Capital
George Edwards, Nat. Potomac

The following people have been nominated for 1991:

Commodore

David Goodman, Aquia Harbour

Vice Commodore

Clifford Johnston, Capital

Rear Commodore

Ned Rhodes, Occoquan

Secretary

Andrea Storey, District

Treasurer

Harriet Douglas, District

Member at Large

Betty Shaw, Ft. Washington

Member at Large

Paul Fleury, Tantallon

Member at Large

John Locke, Washington

This will be the official, timely notification to the Delegates before their November meeting.

Cliff will be contacted to calendar 1991 events of PRYCA and member clubs and mail to Board members before the January Board Meeting.

Dave will contact member clubs for rosters of 1991 officers and club events. These events will be included on the PRYCA calendar, updated as we are advised, and published monthly.

Following is a calendar of forthcoming meetings and events:

November 5

Newsletter publication

November 27

Board Meeting, Capital Yacht Club, 7:00PM

November 27

Delegates Meeting, Capital Yacht Club, 8:00PM (Holiday refreshments provided with cash bar)

December 19

Board Meeting via conference call, 7:30PM (Dave will mail agendas in advance)

Marty proposed developing a 1991 budget at our next Board meeting. The

Md. Announces Noise Regulations

Nov 1990, *Soundings*

It doesn't pay to be noisy on Maryland Waters under new regulations governing boat noise level limits.

Limits for vessels have been lowered from 82 decibels at 50 feet or more to 75 decibels on shore. The rules don't apply to commercial fisherman or to service people testing engines.

Violators are subject to fines of \$500 to \$1,000, plus up to 30 days in jail.

Most Asked Boating Questions

Boating, August 1990

What do boatmen *really* want to know? According to the Technical Advisers at Overton's (a leading mail-order company), these are two of the most often-asked questions on their toll-free hot line (800-334-6541).

Q: *What anchor is right for my boat?*

A: It depends on where you're boating, maximum depth and the kind of bottom. For rock or coral bottoms, the advisers recommend a CQR anchor; for sand or mud, use a Danforth.

Q: *How far can a VHF transmit?*

A: The general rule is one mile per watt. Handhelds usually range from one to six watts; a stationary goes up to 25 watts for a 25-30 mile range. Of course there are other variables, such as height of antenna.

More Static on FCC Fee

BOAT/US Reports

Yet another twist to the Federal Communications Commission fee schedule has some boat owners seeing red over this latest government "user-fee."

A BOAT/US member who sent in her VHF ship station license application and a check for \$35 was stunned to find out that because she forgot to sign her application, it was returned and she will have to resubmit it with another \$35.

According to the FCC, the intent of Congress was quite specific in that

the fees are intended to reimburse the government for time spent processing applications, even if the application was filled out incorrectly and must be returned.

In another development, some members are receiving rather misleading mailings from a private company that appear to be official letters from the FCC.

At least several BOAT/US members who recently applied for FCC radio licenses received official-looking letters from "Federal Licensing Inc." of Gettysburg, PA, that promise "Important FCC License Info Enclosed." The letters contain photocopies of the members' own license applications with the FCC.

The letters are no more than a sales pitch hoping boat owners will shell out \$45 for a copy of the FCC regulations. (These same regulations are available from the Government Printing Office for \$20.) Contrary to what the letter implies, recreational boat owners are not required to have a copy of the FCC regulations.

According to the FCC, license applications are public information and anyone may have access to them. The U.S. Postal Service took action against Federal Licensing Inc. last year for mail fraud and misrepresentation for a similar sales pitch to another group of FCC licensees. An attorney for the Postal Service has told BOAT/US she will look into this latest



A Jewel Unveiled

*Boating
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September
1990*

As the weather turns cold, I find that I begin to crave a bowl of chili. How does your recipe compare to this one? Find yourself a dutch oven and a stove (landlubber-type or marine, it doesn't matter.)

Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoons peanut oil
- 2 pounds lean beef, coarse chili grind
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 2 tablespoons Louisiana

Hotsauce

- 1 tablespoon paprika (preferably straight from Budapest)
- 1 tablespoon oregano (don't count unless it's Mexican)
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 2 medium cloves of garlic
- 1 (and only one) exotic Serrano chili, minus seeds and stem
- 1/2 cup chili powder
- 1 small can of green chilis
- 2 fresh tomatoes
- 1 large can of V-8 juice
- 2 cups or more of water

Heat oil in dutch oven, add meat and cook until evenly browned. Drain off fat and stir in ingredients. Bring to a boil, then simmer (uncovered) for a couple of hours, adding water to get preferred consistency. Taste and adjust spices. Remember — If you're cooking Texas-style chili: no beans. I repeat: no beans. No celery either.

Galley Notes

Jim de Boisblanc

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Two of our readers have shared recipes that deserve our attention.

Mrs. Joyce Orr (better known as "Pokey") of Diamond Head, Mississippi, shares her summer picnic dinner at anchor. This combination of healthy, light fare seems just right for our hot dog-days of summer

Summer Picnic Dinner at Anchor

- Amaretto Punch
- Minted Fruit
- Marinated Shrimp & Vegetables

Amaretto Punch Serves eight

- 2 qts. chilled orange juice
- 1 qt. orange sherbert
- 2 cups Amaretto
- 1 qt. chilled orange soda

Float orange slices and drink.



Minted Fruit Serves eight

1/2 cup sugar
1/4 cup orange juice
1/4 cup lemon juice from concentrate
1/4 cup water
1/8 tsp. peppermint extract
4 cups assorted sliced fresh fruits

In medium bowl, combine all ingredients except fruit; stir until sugar dissolves. Place fruit in 1-1/2 quart shallow baking dish; pour on juice mixture. Cover; refrigerate three to four hours or overnight to blend flavors. Serve chilled.

Marinated Shrimp and Vegetables Serves eight

1 cup fresh cut cauliflower
1 cup cherry tomatoes, pierced with fork
4 oz. small whole mushrooms (1 cup)
1 cup sliced zucchini
1/2 lb. (1 cup) cooked shrimp, shelled and deveined
3/4 cup lemon juice from concentrate
3/4 cup vegetable oil
1 tbs. salt
1/4 tsp. dried dill weed
5 drops hot pepper sauce

In 1-1/2 quart shallow baking dish, combine vegetables and shrimp. In small bowl, combine remaining ingredients; mix well. Pour lemon mixture over vegetables and shrimp. Cover; chill several hours or overnight, stirring occasionally. Served chilled.

Si Williams, one of our local yacht surveyors, had just finished a survey for one of our buyers and as the end of the workday was upon us, he suggested that we repair to a local watering hole for some refreshments. As we were both marveled at the golden color and tiny bubbles of the Abita Beer, the conversation turned to food. Si knows his way around the galley, both on board and at home, so I was eager to hear his story about Shrimp Patty Jean.

One day Si was smiling around on the *Patty Jean*, his 57-foot lugger yacht at Grand Isle. The shrimp were run-

ning good that day and Si began rummaging around the galley cupboard for ingredients and ideas. He came up with butter, onion, green bell pepper, three turnips and the rest is history. I have tried this simple recipe and it is a winner. I refer to it as mystery shrimp because if done properly, your guests will never guess the ingredients.

Shrimp Patty Jean Serves four

1 cup turnips, peeled and diced
3/4 cup finely chopped onion
1/2 cup finely chopped green bell pepper
3/4 stick butter or margarine
salt and pepper to taste
1 to 1-1/2 pounds medium size deveined shrimp, cut in half

In a large saute pan combine all ingredients except bell pepper, cover and cook over medium heat for 10 minutes. Add bell pepper, cover and cook an additional eight minutes, or until shrimp are pink and just cooked through. Remove most of the remaining liquid, mash the soft turnip pieces, cover and cook for two more minutes. Serve and let your guests enjoy while they try to solve the mystery of the ingredients.

Winterizing Checklist

This was published back in 1987 in the Occoquan Yacht Club Daymarker, but many of you told us that it was valuable information, so here it is again. This is not to mean that it's time to winterize your boats now but keep this list handy for future use, say December, after Santa's Cruise to Occoquan?

DID YOU:

- * Close all thru-hulls, save the one for the cockpit drains?
- * Double clamp all thru-hulls, especially the ones for the cockpit drains?
- * Double up on all docklines (nylon only), with chafe guards at the

chocks?

* Winterize your engine's water cooling system with mixture of water and antifreeze (usually 50/50)?

* "Fog" the carburetor with the engine running (gas engines only) using light lubricant to coat the internal surfaces to prevent rust? Cover the carburetor with a sandwich baggie to prevent damp air getting into the manifold?

* Outboards and I/O's - drain the water from your lower unit?

* Outboards - Make sure all gear housing drain holes are open and flush system with fresh water?

* Top off the fuel tank(s) to minimize condensation that could corrode the tank and get into the engine?

* Remove all flammables from down below — thinner, paints, cooking fuels, varnish, etc.?

* Leave a fully charged fire extinguisher in clear sight and take the rest home for recharging?

* Drain the potable freshwater system and flush with non-toxic antifreeze?

* Winterize the head and holding tank (after emptying, please)?

* Take all removable equipment - stereos VHF radios, tools, anchors, etc. — home for safekeeping and lock all hatches, outdrives, trailers, outboard motors, and propellers?

* Remove all CD's or tapes?

* Those people with diesel engines, if you are leaving fuel in the tanks did you remember to add inhibitor to prevent the growth of fungus in the fuel tank?

* Take all containers of foods,



POTOMAC RIVER YACHT CLUBS ASSOCIATION

OCT. 29, 1990

Beginning Report Balance: ----- \$ 1,924.31

Deposits:

10-4-90----- \$ 8.39
(Interest)

10-19-90 ----- 45.00
(Ft. Washington)
Yacht Club Dues)

TOTAL DEPOSITS: ----- 53.39

DEDUCTIONS:

9-21-90 ----- \$10.00
(Dave Goodman)
(bal. due on Incorporated dues C# 309)

9-21-90 ----- 24.02
(Letterheads C# 310)
(Marty Clune)

TOTAL DEDUCTIONS: ----- 134.02

ENDING BALANCE ----- \$1,843.68

NOTE: REPORT BALANCE CONTAINS \$450.00 FOR PRYCA HYDRILL FUND
CLUBS THAT HAVE NOT PAID 1990 DUES:

Metro Sailors
National Yacht Club
Seafares Yacht Club

Harriet Douglas
treasurer

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Upcoming Events

November 27- PRYCA Delegates Meeting
Capital Yacht Club - 8PM



Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association



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