

Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association



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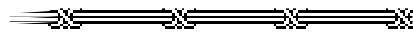
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(Tantallon)

From The Commodore

David L. Goodman

It seems like only yesterday PRYCA was busily getting organized for the Blessing of the Fleet in Washington Channel and now its almost Labor Day. What a fast summer! Even though summer is at its ebb, I would really like to see our organization do a boating/social event this fall season. Nothing really elaborate, but an event that will bring us together as truly the boating association of the Potomac River. This would also present us with the opportunity to invite potential new members and really start to know each other. I will have a proposal at the September Delegates meeting. Please discuss this idea with your club members and be prepared to finalize plans at the September meeting.



From the Editor

Ned W. Rhodes

One of my jobs as Rear Commodore of PRYCA is to take care of publishing this newsletter. This marks our third issue of what was going to be only a quarterly publication. We hope that you find the information of interest and that you pass items along to your membership. We are always interested in hearing about your club news. Send any items of interest to me for publication. Hope to see you at the Delegates meeting in September.



Delegates Meeting

September 19 - Mount Vernon Yacht Club

The next Delegates meeting will be held on September 19 at the Mount Vernon Yacht Club (4817 Tarpon Lane, Alexandria, VA). There will be a board meeting at 7PM and the Delegates meeting will start at 8PM. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Officers Reports
2. Committee Chairman Reports
3. Discussion of the ByLaw Change
4. Discussion about organizing a Fall PRYCA event.
5. Discussion about organizing a Spring safety program in conjunction with the Spring CBYCA safety program, but on the Potomac.
6. Discussion on how to recruit new clubs.

Your club input is needed for our future events and it is requested that each Club send their Delegate. We look forward to a successful meeting.

Proposed Bylaw Change

Dear Delegate:

The following proposed change to the PRYCA By-Laws has been unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

This written notice apprises you of the proposed change. It is therefore respectfully requested that you review the change and attend the Delegates meeting on September 19. Please bring this notice with you.

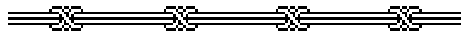
Change 1: Article VII, Section 4

Now reads: A quorum shall constitute a majority of registered Delegates or their alternates.

Proposed: A quorum shall constitute thirty percent of the registered Delegates or their Alternates.

Why: It has been impossible to obtain a majority quorum because of poor Delegate attendance, so it was decided to reduced the number of Delegates required to constitute a quorum.

Past Commodore Marty Clune
Chairman, By-Laws Committee



PRYCA Board Meeting
August 22, 1990
Tantallon Yacht Club

Present

Comm. Dave Goodman
Treas. Harriet Douglas
Secy. Andrea Storey
Vice Comm. Cliff Johnson
Rear Comm. Ned Rhodes
MAL Mary Davis Miles

Others Present

Past Comm. Marty Clune
Past Comm. Marsha Crossley

Absent

MAL Paul Fleury
MAL Betty Shaw

The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM by the Comm.

The Treasurer's report was presented and approved as follows:

Opening Balance	\$2563.16
Deposits	+39.45
Deductions	
Postage	-68.76
Rental (Tables Float In)	<u>-350.00</u>
Closing Balance	\$2183.85

A Delegates' Meeting is scheduled 9/19/90 at the Mt Vernon Yacht Club at 8:00 PM. The Board will meet at 7:00 PM. This mailing of the PRYCA Newsletter containing the minutes constitutes the 15-day notification required for a proposed bylawchange. A proposed bylaws change (also in the newsletter) was approved by the board for presentation to the Delegates on 9/19 for discussion and vote.

Social events such as a Fall Foliage cruise and holiday decorated-boat float in on 12/1 were discussed.

PRYCA will sponsor a 1-day CBYCA/CG Safety Training Class on the Potomac and in the Spring (about 1st week in March). There will be demonstrations on the proper use of life preservers, billy pumps, signal and smoke flares, charts/navigation, fire extinguishers.

Membership: Corinthian and Fairfax Yacht Clubs have expressed strong interest in joining PRYCA. Potomac River, Old Dominion, and Quantico are discussing it with their members. The board will send 1-2 members to meetings of any interested clubs. Arrangements are being made to attend meetings at Corinthian and Fairfax YCs.

MAL Mary Davis Miles advised the board that she will be leaving the Washington area for Florida in October, therefore a successor will be needed.

The board was very sorry to also receive a letter of resignation from Eve and Jim Finch, Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the National Boating Federation. They have represented PRYCA since it became a member of the NBF. We all will certainly miss

their dedication and hard work and wish them well in their business.

Legislative:

Recently a law was passed requiring NOAA in 1993 to begin printing all charts in metric measure to conform to international standards.

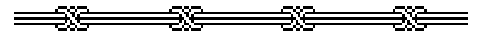
Beware of stiffer penalties for over-board discharge:

First Offense - \$25,000
Second Offense - \$50,000 + 6 months jail term

It is required to have a written statement posted that states the proper disposal of prohibited items.

Federal laws governing sewage discharge are becoming more strictly enforced.

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.



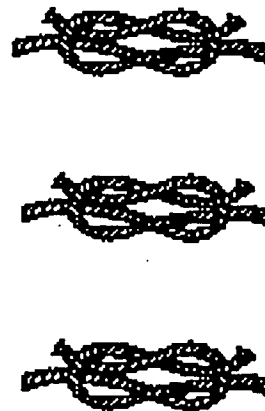
Status of Anacostia River
and the Park Service
Rent Increase

A notification of this spring to all the Anacostia River Clubs came as a very costly surprise. National Capital Parks informed the clubs that as of the renewal of their special use permits, their fees would include ALL land area used by the clubs EVEN THOUGH THIS LAND HAS ALWAYS BEEN OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. NCP had a commercial assessment made of the properties and through comparisons with other "representative similar properties" set the new fee structure. Those supposedly similar properties did not take into consideration the limitations imposed by the geographic limitations of the Anacostia River.

The fee increase in the case of District Yacht Club would mean a jump from approximately \$5,000 to \$25,000 per year. With only 23 slips, the cost to DYC is prohibitive. Similar increases have been imposed on the other clubs.

effort on the part of National Capital Parks to remove the clubs from the river and force them into commercial marinas within a five year period.

The clubs are fighting this through the Anacostia Boating Association which has been the representative organization of the Anacostia clubs for a number of years. Thus far, National Capital Parks is refusing to recongnize the ABA and is not being very receptive to alternative proposals.



It is illegal for any vessel to dump plastic trash anywhere in the ocean or navigable waters of the United States. Annex V of the MARPOL TREATY is an

International Law for a cleaner, safer marine environment. Violation of these requirements may result in civil penalty up to \$25,000, fine and imprisonment.



3 to 12 miles



12 to 25 miles

Outside 25 miles

U.S. Lakes, Rivers, Bays, Sounds and 3 miles from shore

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**Plastic & Garbage
Paper Metal
Rags Crockery
Glass Dunnage
Food**

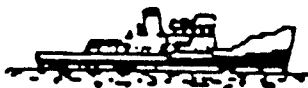
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**Plastic
Dunnage, lining & packing materials that float, also if not ground to less than one inch:**

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Rags Metal
Glass Food**

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ILLEGAL TO DUMP

Plastic



State and local regulations may further restrict the disposal of garbage.

This sticker is required on all vessels after August 1

Upcoming Events

September 19 - PRYCA Delegates Meeting
Mount Vernon YC - 8PM



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Address Correction Requested