



# QYC Newsletter

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## Root Raising This Weekend!

### Upcoming Events

March 12, 2004	Installation of Officers

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### COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

#### Ed Wright

This month is our Club's annual Change of Watch, and this year we have many familiar faces on the Executive Board. In case you missed the elections, the proposed Slate of Officer's was approved by acclamation. Please plan on joining us on Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at the Club's at Quantico, for the official Change of Watch ceremony.

Spring is just around the corner, and our new Clubhouse project is making phenomenal progress. All that is left of the old facility is the fixed roof, and that will be moving to its new location next week, weather permitting. Several years ago, our Past Commodore, Sandy Huizenga, put together a presentation on the history of our club. One of the items we enjoyed seeing was a video presentation of the building of the Clubhouse roof. This month, we all have a chance to witness, first-hand, the next-generation history of our Club, as this roof is moved, and the new club facility is delivered. Please make plans to come down and lend a hand, or sit back and observe these key events. There will still be considerable work to be done after delivery of the facility, so please check with our Fleet Captain, and monitor the Club

website to see how you can help with these efforts.

With the coming of spring, we are all beginning to plan and think about boating once again. As our clubhouse project has been progressing on-schedule, most of you have noticed that little progress is being made on repair or refurbishment of the marina facility. Your Executive Board will continue to seek information from our hosts at MCCS, and will keep you informed as their efforts get underway. Even though the marina will not be ready for the commencement of our boating season, your Club will be. We plan to be back in our own facility soon, and are beginning to make plans for our 2004-2005 calendar of events. Let your Board members know if you have thoughts on what we should do for cruises or other events in the coming year. I hope to see you all at our next meeting.



**Vice Commodore**  
**Ann Sooby**

It's hard to believe that a whole year has gone by since I became Vice Commodore. Until the hurricane it was just an ordinary year; just sort of ho-hum, but comforting in its sameness. I, for one, was happy with the way things were going. I'm past the stage of wanting life to be exciting. I don't need fast cars (or boats, for that matter), late nights on the town or loud music. I enjoy my daily routine. I like having an idea what each day will bring. Unfortunately, Isabelle did happen and that changed everything.

Suddenly we were without a clubhouse. Much to my surprise, the membership was very supporting and easy to work with while we went through the task of deciding on our options, selecting one and then implementing the plan. The finished clubhouse is still out there in the future. But there is no doubt in my mind that the club will succeed with this project thanks to the hard work of several members.

We are now in bleak, cold February. It's very hard to concentrate on the warm weather and boating season ahead. There are still several unanswered questions about the repairs on the marina. There is still a lot of work to be done on the clubhouse. At this point in time I think we need to remind ourselves that summer will come. The snow will melt, the weather will turn warm and, no matter what happens with the marina, our boats are still there ready to be enjoyed. Let's start looking forward to a great new boating year!

Ann Sooby



**Fleet Captain's Project Status**

Our NEXT WORKING Party is  
**Saturday, March 13th.**

We will be lifting the roof off of the old supports on to its new location and support beam. We will need a lot of help to get this delicate job done right. **Bring SKILL Saws and SAWZALLs, and ELECTRICAL EXTENSION CORDS and Ladders and also ladders.**

Robert Lang, Fleet Captain

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(Note: You may go to

[http://www.quanticoyc.org/New\\_QYC.gif](http://www.quanticoyc.org/New_QYC.gif) to see the general plan).