

# QYC NEWSLETTER

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## RACE | WALK | CRUISE AND COOKOUT IN JUNE

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### COMMODORES COMMENTS

Ross Horton

It was wet. It was dismal. It was cold. The Memorial Day weekend was best used for its original purpose in remembering those who have paid the price for our freedom. But washout or not, Memorial Day is the unofficial start of summer with all that entails. The boating season is here and it is up to all of us to make the most of it we can.

This coming month is a busy one for the QYC with social and racing events to fit everyone's taste. To start off the month on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Club has a sizable contingent taking part in the Race for the Cure for Breast Cancer in Washington D.C. Sandy Huizenga has done a marvelous job of organizing our participation in that event. Also on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Club is hosting the Kids Kup Regatta. This sailboat race is sponsored by PYRC as a charity event. After the races, there will be a social gathering and meal at the Club with an AUCTION of neat nautical, and other, stuff. This shouldn't be missed.

The social calendar continues with the PRYCA Cobb Island Days on June 9<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup> at Cobb Island (Naturally). The annual Fathers Day Cookout

is on June 18<sup>th</sup> where all of us fathers can expect to be fed and feted (Or at least fed!).

With all this socializing I hope that there is some time for some simple sailing.

See you on the water...



### VICE COMMODORE'S VOICE Sandy Huizenga

I would like to thank everyone who donated to the "Race for a Cure". We have a team of 28 who will be representing QYC so look for our banner on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will be back to participate in the QYC events in the afternoon.



### SECRETARY'S SCRIBBLES Ed Wright

Boy, another month has come and gone already. When you take on a job like this, you initially think of all the fine things you intend to do and write about. Only, when it comes time to write about all these wonderful things, they seem to remain elusive. I'll have to bring the laptop out on "*The Wright's Stuff*" to write when my mind is clearer. Thanks to all of you for your words of encouragement and for your continued input to our newsletter. This month you will find a copy of our membership roster. Please take a minute to review your data, and let me know if any corrections or updates need to be made.



### SUMMER BUGS (A Little Help) By Doug Humston

As summer arrives, so too come the bugs. Spiders, flies, mosquitoes, and no-see-ums make boating less enjoyable especially during overnight stays. I have found that *BOUNCE* fabric softener and freshener 6"x12" sheets, when placed on the boat in places where the summer bugs enter or hide, reduces their visits and stays. A few of these thin, small, white, inexpensive paper products, when well placed onboard, keeps the boat smelling fresh and greatly reduces the great spider chase when I arrive onboard.

I place them inside near the boat hatch and window openings, and in items on-deck when the boat is not being used. When I come aboard, I pick them up and put them in my pocket and/or in my hat band, to keep the critters at bay while I'm on board and then put them back in their place when I get off. I find that I no longer need expensive commercial spider sprays, or bug sprays that smell badly, and I don't need *Skin So Soft* that smells good, but feels sticky on hot summer days.

I don't know why these simple sheets work, but they do, making being around the water more enjoyable.

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO REMEMBER



QYC Clubhouse: 703-784-2129  
Marina Office: 703-784-2359

QYC Web Site:  
[www.anglefire.com/va/qyc](http://www.anglefire.com/va/qyc)

### Boat/U.S. Accord #GA80093Y

Use this number when you renew your Boat/U.S. Membership for the QYC discount rate.



### TREASURER'S BOTTOM LINE Phil E. Rogers

In the last newsletter I mentioned that at the next meeting I would discuss the Executive Board's plan to invest a portion of the Building Fund monies into something other than the money market. The objective would be to possibly realize a little better rate of return than what we have been getting in the money market. Before we (the Executive Board) moved out on such a plan, we felt it was important to get views of the membership on this idea before we took any action. The decision was—do we maintain the status quo of leaving the money in the money market, or do we develop an investment plan to diversify the funds into something that has the potential of yielding a rate of return higher than what we are currently getting in the money market. In case you were not at the last meeting, the comments and the ensuing discussion from the membership was very positive in support of diversifying the Building Fund monies into areas other than the money market. Essentially the plan is to diversify the money into three areas—S&P 500 Index, a growth and income fund, and the money

market. The Executive Board will research, study, and determine the specific (two) funds to invest in and dollar allocations among the three areas.

I am sure Cliff Roy will cover the Memorial Day cruise to Mattawoman—which wasn't. That is the first time in many years that we didn't cruise to Mattawoman for Memorial Day. This gave us an opportunity to do something different. As you know I had volunteered to host that cruise and fix Frogmore stew, but because I was boat-less, and in the 11<sup>th</sup> hour we didn't know where we were going, Cliff graciously let me off the hook—my thanks to him. However, if there is enough interest, I would like to plan on having the Frogmore stew some Saturday evening at the Club soon. I will pick a date and try to let everyone know. In order to plan for the number of people that will be attending (i.e., cost and food) I will need confirmed reservations. We will follow the same drill of bringing a dish to share and charging \$5.00 to cover the cost of the food.

In case you don't know what Frogmore stew is, it's shrimp, kilbosa sausage, new red potatoes, ears of sweet corn, and seasoning steamed in a huge pot. The liquid is then drained off and everything is dumped on a picnic table covered with brown paper. Gosh, I am getting hungry just writing about it. Like I said, I'll pick a date and let everyone know.

I hope by the time you read this article the Sea Cabin will be back in her slip. Her work had been completed so now I am only waiting for a good day (weekend) to bring her back up river.

Don't forget the monthly meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you there.



**CRUISING NEWS**  
**Cliff and Sandy Roy**

The Memorial Day Cruise was a bit of a washout, since we ended up without slip reservations at Sweden Point. The weather was terrible; it was cold, windy, and rainy all weekend. We ended up having a Cruise to no-where, as like most of you, we cruised to no-where. We did have 24 members show up Saturday evening for a cook out and party which started at 1800 and lasted until about 2230 hours. I believe that fun was had by all in attendance. On Sunday morning, the Brunch

started at 1000. As usual, there was great food, Bloody Mary's and Momosas. Sandy and I would like to thank all who came out to support the Memorial Day weekend festivities. We currently have three boats signed up for the Cobb Island Days cruise, which is the 9<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> of June.

Our next major cruise will be to Coles Point Plantation for the 4th of July. If you haven't signed up you need to do so now. This cruise will be sponsored by our folks who keep their boats at Coles Point; the Clawsons, Reddens, and the Millers. They have a great weekend planed for us. There will be a boat decorating contest, Golf, Volksmarch, Horse shoes, swimming and don't forget Fire works. Please remember to bring a dish to pass for the evening meal and the brunch.

Thank You, Cliff & Sandy



**SOCIAL NEWS**  
**Sandy Huizenga**

Mother's Day was a great success and everyone had a lovely time with plenty of food and lovely carnations for the Mothers. A special Thank You to Chris & Joanne MacMurray for sponsoring the event and doing such a great job. Being new members, this was their first time to attend a QYC social function, so I think they were very brave to take on the task of hosting.



**QUANTICO YACHT CLUB**  
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<b>June</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Race for the Cure - Breast Cancer Benefit - Washington, DC
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	PYRC Kids Kup Regatta at QYC
	9 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Meeting
	9-11	Cobb Island Days - PRYCA
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Fathers Day Cookout at QYC
	20 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Executive Board Meeting
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Fireworks at Tim's Rivershore
<b>July</b>	1-5	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Cruise - Coles Point Plantation
	14 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Meeting
	14-16	PRYCA Summer Float-in at Fort Washington
	25 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Executive Board Meeting

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<b>August</b>	11 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Meeting
	12-13	QYC Cruise to Nowhere
	12 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Summer Party
	12-13	PRYCA Dog Days of Summer at Colonial Beach
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	QYC Executive Board Meeting
<b>Sept.</b>	2-4	QYC Labor Day Cruise
	8 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Meeting
	9 <sup>th</sup>	National Capitol Leukemia Cup Regatta
	22-24	PRYCA End of Summer Party
	26 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Executive Board Meeting
	30 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Crab Feast
<b>October</b>	7-9	QYC Columbus Day Cruise
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Dahlgren Under the Guns Regatta (DYC)
	13 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Meeting
	14-15	QYC Frostbite Regatta
	21 <sup>st</sup>	Fall Clean-up Day at the Clubhouse, begins at 0900
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Rain Date for Clean-up Day
<b>Nov.</b>	6 <sup>th</sup>	PRYCA Delegates Meeting & Elections
	10 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Meeting
	21 <sup>st</sup>	QYC Executive Board Meeting
<b>Dec.</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Parade of Lights - Washington Channel
	9 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Meeting & Christmas Party
	19 <sup>th</sup>	QYC Executive Board Meeting

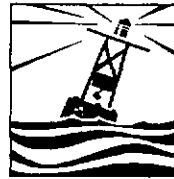


**PERSPECTIVE**  
**Submitted By Doug Humston**

...If a man declares that he is going to move alone into a wilderness cabin, have little contact with society, survive from the land, banish all modern luxuries and have little communication with the government, he would be labeled as crazy and a threat to society.

...But, if a man states that he chooses to journey singlehanded in an old sailboat to live on the water

and travel to wherever the wind takes him, he would be considered enlightened and a great sailor.



**PRYCA INFORMATION**  
**Rhonda Carson**

Just a short few lines as reminders of some upcoming PRYCA events and deadlines...

We have the much talked about "Cobb Island Days" kicking off the summer on June 9-11th. At last e-mail with Don Thayer, he stated they still had some open slips for this event...but they are going quick! Extra registration forms are still on the club bulletin board or you can contact me Rhonda Carson at (703) 791-5382.

Next on the calendar is the Float in held a Ft. Washington on July 14-17th. We need to get our registration in for this one by June 30th. We can hook up with members from other clubs and participate in the games if we don't have a strong enough showing from QYC boaters. The information and forms are also on the board at the club for interested members.

Last, but not least, all past commodores that I haven't given information on the International Order of the Blue Gavel need to see me so that I may twist your arm and bend your ears.

See you on the water!

