

RANGE MARKS

Official Newsletter of the Dahlgren Yacht Club
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From the Commodore:

It will not be very long now before we all begin the annual rites of Spring to get our vessels ready for the upcoming boating season. For some this just means a little cleaning and paint, while for others it may mean major repairs. While the weather still seems quite chilly at the present time, the warmer days of Spring are just around the corner. Please ensure that the proper safety precautions are in place during the upcoming labors of love.

As reported at the Annual Meeting, DYC is not allowed to contract directly for the construction of the new boat house. The local Resident Office in Charge of Construction (ROICC) from Chesapeake Division is the only activity that can contract for the work. However, during the latest discussions with Public Works and the ROICC to finalize getting the construction of the new boathouse under contract, more red tape surfaced. Even though the skids have been greased for years, it appears that more grease will be necessary. We are trying to hit a moving target. Ron Cox is actively working the issue, and we plan to get a contract in place as soon as possible. However, construction may need to be delayed, possibly until next year, while the latest details are worked.

We had our annual meeting and election in January along with a fine buffet and speaker thanks to the Social committee. We have a new face on the Board of Governors even if he is an old-timer: Mr. Joe Futcher, Training and Seamanship Governor. And since our new fiscal year starts in just over a month, it is now time to renew your memberships. The applications are enclosed. See you at the upcoming Spring Thaw.

Tom Owen

Membership Applications Due March 15

New for 2001

DYC 2001 DECALS will be issued for all boats and registered trailers. Decals will be issued with processed applications. Position of displayed decals will be identified in the SOP and the next issue of Range Marks. Since construction of the new boathouse has been delayed, we will need to restore the old house to working condition at the April 7 work day. Please plan to help.

IMPORTANT DATES

March 17	Sail Trim Seminar 1330 @ JD's
March 17	Spring Thaw Social 1730 @ JD's
April 2	PHRF Skipper's Meeting 1700 @ JD's
April 7	Dock Work Day 0900 @ DYC
April 16	First PHRF Race and Dock Party @ DYC

The Sailing Beat by Josh Colwell

The dead of winter conjures up images of snowy days, sitting by a crackling fire, a good book in hand, and dozing off on the couch. Thoughts of being out on the water, or even in it, are typically farthest from the minds of most rational people this time of year. But these very thoughts were in the minds of members and guests, attending the NYC annual banquet held on Saturday, January 21 at JD's. Memories of the season past and anticipation of the one rapidly approaching were renewed as club members came together to usher in a new slate of officials, review the 2000 racing season, and honor area racers as the end of year awards were presented. 2000 was an excellent season with several races in very strong wind, other races in light wind, referred to as floaters, and several races cancelled or abandoned due to lightning. One race in early July was abandoned as a storm, packing 45+ kt winds, swept through trapping the fleet out on the water and forcing skippers to set anchor, heave to, and wait it out. Competition in the 2000 racing season proved to be very very close with each of the individual spring, summer, and fall race series coming down to the wire and determined by the last race. Likewise, the overall season standings came down to the wire and were determined by the very last race of the season. The Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) season high point standings are broken down for each of the individual racing fleets and then overall for the entire yacht club. As usual, the Radio Flyer & crew took first place overall, followed up by Night Moose, Ol'Blue, and Blue Heaven in fourth. For the individual fleets, Radio Flyer took first place in A fleet, with no other qualifying boats, and Night Moose taking first place in B fleet followed by Ol'Blue, Blue Heaven, and Frigate in fourth. All places in all fleets were hard fought with seconds separating the finishing places in almost all races. Overall a really close and hotly contested season! Several other awards were presented including the coveted and highly prestigious "Forster Award" which went to Night Moose in addition to the "Most Improved-PHRF", and Dahlgren Cup - Spinnaker Fleet awards. The Non-Spinnaker Dahlgren Cup award went to Wings of The Wind. The "Don Quitxote" award went to Frigate, and the least desirable award, the "T-Bone", went to Just Relaxin. Use your imagination! The awards ceremony was followed up by a beautiful slide show illustrating decades of sailing on the Chesapeake Bay and was presented by the founders of Chesapeake Bay Magazine.

The 2001 racing season is almost upon us and skippers and crew will be coming out of the woodwork as boats are prepared with the annual spring ritual seen at boatyards everywhere. This year will be an exciting year. In addition to the PHRF and Centerboard series, NYC will be hosting invitational events including a Daysail regatta in June, the St. Clements Island Pursuit race in September, and the "Under the Guns Regatta" in October. NYC is planning to run a novice sailing / racing series for those wanting to learn but not quite ready for prime time. The NYC is also hosting a series of presentations related to racing the first of which will be presented by Jim Cullen from North Sails' Annapolis loft who will be talking about Main and Genoa trim and North Sails 3DL sail technology which is "acknowledged by the sail making industry as the state of the art of sail making". The presentation is scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 1:30 pm at JD's Conference Center in Dahlgren. Anyone interested in participating in any of these events should contact the NYC at dyc@nswc.navy.mil or contact the Race Governor at (540) 653-6974. This coming year will be exciting so bring your boat out to race or just show up and crew. See you out on the water! Jibe Ho.

2001 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Please fill out the enclosed application completely and return it with your Membership Fee and other fees for wet and dry slips, storage racks and lockers. Requests for slips, racks and lockers are due by 15 MARCH 2001 so that the Dock Master can make assignments prior to 1 April. You will not be considered for slip/rack/locker assignment unless all fees are received with your application. This year NYC will issue decals to monitor unauthorized use of NYC facilities. The 2001 application provides space for your Boat Registration number and your Trailer Registration number. If you "trailer" your boat and use the ramp, please provide both numbers and you will receive two decals. If you do not "trailer" your boat, provide only your Boat Registration number and you will receive one decal. Members with more than one boat/trailer should provide all registration numbers, as space allows, or on a separate sheet. This is not an opportunity to get decals for your "friends and neighbors". The decals should be used only for the personal property of authorized NYC Members. Please contact the Membership Governor with questions.

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DAHLGREN YACHT CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICANT'S NAME:		NSWCDD CODE:
ADDRESS:		WORK TELEPHONE:
CITY:		HOME TELEPHONE:
STATE	ZIP CODE:	EMAIL ADDRESS:
MILITARY OR CIVILIAN:		IS THIS A RENEWAL? (Y/N):

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (Select one)

- REGULAR MEMBERSHIP (REG) (FEE = \$25.00)
(Active Duty Military from any location OR Civilian from NSWCDD or Tenant Command)
- ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (ASC) (FEE = \$25.00)
(Military or Civilian Retiree who was a regular member at time of retirement)
- UNAFFILIATED ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (UNA) (FEE = \$25.00)
(Other Retired Military)
- RACING ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (RAC) (FEE = \$25.00)
(Open to all interested persons. Ramp and Berthing privileges not included)

FEE → _____

(Check all that apply)

- WET BERTH (ANNUAL FEE = \$9.00 x OVERALL BOAT LENGTH in round feet)
- DRY BERTH (ANNUAL FEE = \$9.00 x OVERALL BOAT LENGTH in round feet)
- DAYSAIL RACK (ANNUAL FEE = \$30.00)
- LOCKER RENTAL (ANNUAL FEE = \$20.00)
- WINTER ELECTRICAL POWER HOOKUP (ANNUAL FEE = \$45.00 per line)
- \$30.00 LATE BERTH RENEWAL
(Add to all wet and dry renewals received after 15 March 2001)

FEE → _____

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ADDITIONAL DONATION → _____

(Please add all fees) **TOTAL** → _____

If applying for berthing, I certify that DYC is the primary berthing location for my yacht.
I hereby agree to abide by the DYC CONSTITUTION and STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Please return SIGNED application with check payable to "Dahlgren Yacht Club", to:
MEMBERSHIP, DAHLGREN YACHT CLUB, PO BOX 90, DAHLGREN, VA., 22448.

The following information is required prior to issuing Ramp and Berth Decals

BOAT TYPE (Motor/Sail):	MAKE	MODEL
BOAT NAME:	LENGTH:	BEAM:
HULL COLOR:	DRAFT (min):	YEAR BUILT:
REGISTRATION #	TRAILER LICENSE #	

Members are expected to volunteer time to DYC activities in accordance with the DYC Constitution.
I will volunteer to participate in the following DYC events;

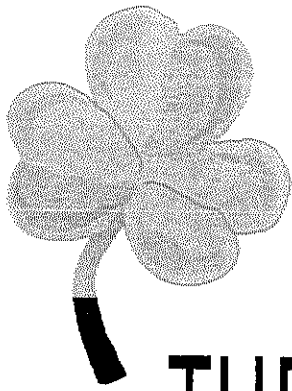
DOCK MAINTENANCE _____	POWER BOAT EVENTS _____	SOCIAL EVENT PLANNING _____
RACING EVENTS _____	I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE RACE RESULTS BY MAIL _____	
GENERAL HELP _____	I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THE NEWLETTER BY MAIL _____	

For DYC use only

RCVD: _____

AMOUNT: _____

DECALS: _____ / _____



Are You Ready for the Best Ever?



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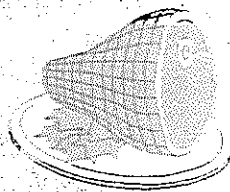
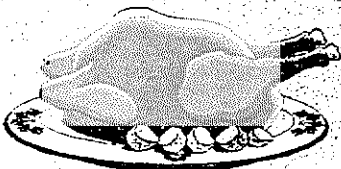
IT HAPPENS AT JDs ON SATURDAY
MARCH 17TH

WEAR THE GREEN
for the
LUCK O' THE IRISH

featuring
COMMODORE PHIL
BOLIN, PRYCA
music by DAVID COX

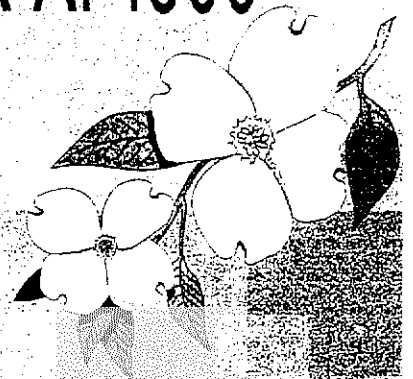
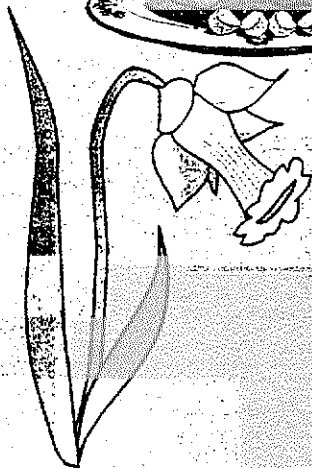
FRIED TURKEYS

HAMS



CASH BAR AT 1730
DINNER AT 1800

BRING A SIDE DISH,
HORS D'OEUVRE, OR
DESSERT



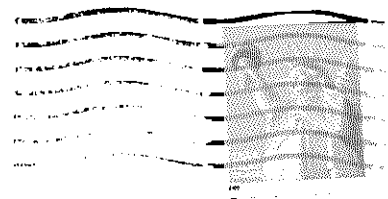
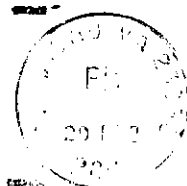
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APPLICATION

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Dahlgren VA 22448

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