

QYC NEWSLETTER

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POST SEASON EVENTS KEEP CLUB ON A FULL SCHEDULE

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COMMODORES COMMENTS

Sandy Huizenga

It has been a great summer boating season for QYC members and, although the cruising is over, the Holiday Parties are just beginning! So mark your calendars for fun and relaxation at Quantico Yacht Club. The Yacht Club had a fall face-lift and I must say it is looking good! All who use the club appreciate the hard work by the membership. We have two volunteers to clean the clubhouse on a regular basis, but keep in mind that everyone must help by not leaving the area untidy. We're hoping this plan is successful. If the membership continues to complain, then we've got to go to plan "B".

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARINES!! Join the membership at the November meeting to toast and celebrate in the cutting of the traditional birthday cake ceremony. It is always interesting to see who is the youngest and oldest (or should I say experienced) Marine for this celebration.

Tony Cruz, our Marina Manager has been busy measuring everyone's boats (probably not the time to brag about any few extra feet).

QYC Web Site:

<http://www.angelfire.com/va/qyc>

We have received a response from MCCS to our letter regarding a seat on the Advisory Board. You can read it from the bulletin board. A hint, no one has to worry about representing QYC.

We are proud to announce that QYC now has personalized labeled brew, thanks to our successful Cruise to Alexandria.



VICE COMMODORE'S VOICE

Cliff Roy

I would like to thank the Crouch's and Larry Huizenga for assisting me with the Committee Boat duties during the Frost Bite Regatta. A special thanks also goes to Doug Humston for scrubbing the outside of the QYC clubhouse so the painting of the club could be completed at the fall cleanup.

It sure is depressing not having my boat in the water. It has been out now for about two weeks, and will be out for a couple of more weeks to finish bottom-painting and a few minor repairs.

Thanks to everyone who showed up for the fall-clean.



SECRETARY'S SCRIBBLES

Ed Wright

It's that time of year again. The last club cruise is completed, the racing has ended, and many boats are leaving the marina for their winter berths. Dottie and I will be sailing *The Wright's Stuff* back to her home at Point Patience Marina in Solomon's soon, and we're looking forward to a quiet trip down the Potomac looking at the turning leaves. Hopefully, the mild weather we've been having will continue for our trip.

Many of you have probably experienced some delays entering the Base lately. I attended a briefing last week given by the Base Provost Marshall Office, where they explained some of the things they've been doing to relieve congestion coming in and out of the Base. They are studying the traffic patterns, and making adjustments as they can to alleviate the backups where they can. One problem they noted is that many drivers are not prepared when they

approach the guards. They ask that you have your identification in hand and your window down before you approach. While it may only take 30 seconds to do this after you stop, that 30 seconds gets compounded by each car that does it, and before you know it, cars are backed up through the light. The Marines at the gates have been working very long shifts, with very few breaks. They're hoping to augment their forces with some reservists soon. While the guards have been instructed to be courteous at all times, sometimes they do get a little testy after being on-post for hours and dealing with many unhappy motorists. Please keep in mind that they are trying their best to not cause too much inconvenience to motorists, while at the same time performing their primary duty of maintaining security at the Base. We all need to do our part to help them out as well by leaving a little earlier for the next club meeting, having our ID ready as we approach, and lastly, don't forget to thank the Marine who's standing out there in the cold.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO REMEMBER



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

Boat/U.S. Accord #GA80093Y

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

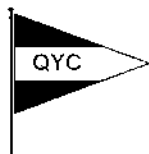


TREASURER'S BOTTOM LINE

Cathy Williams

I believe the girls and I have finally convinced Ray that it's too cold to take the jet-ski out. We have had some nice sails but no one seems excited about having the spray of water and wind in their face from the jet-ski. The beginning of the end of the season. It's always hard to say goodbye to warm afternoons on the water even though it's only temporary. Lucky for Ray, he won't be bored this winter because I have a whole list of "fun" things that need to be done around the house.

Thanks to everyone who has renewed their membership with QYC. We still have members who have not responded. If for some reason you will not be renewing this year, please contact me so I don't continue to send you reminders. I can be reached at 540-788-1124, email - Beck3@juno.com, or you can drop me a line. It would be great to have everyone back again this year. Lots of fun things on the way for QYC!



QUANTICO YACHT CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November

- 5th PRYCA Delegates Meeting & Elections
9th QYC Meeting
20th QYC Executive Board Meeting

December

- 1st PRYCA Parade of Lights at Washington Channel
8th QYC Meeting and Annual Christmas Party
18th QYC Executive Board Meeting
31st New Years Eve

January

- 11th QYC Meeting - Nomination of Officers
22nd QYC Executive Board Meeting
* 27th Superbowl Party & Chili Cookoff at QYC
* *Moved to February???*

February

- 8th QYC Meeting - Election of 2002 Officers
19th QYC Executive Board Meeting

March

- 8th QYC Meeting - Change of Watch



RACING REAR COMMODORE Ray Boisvert

The annual Frostbite Regatta was held on Saturday and Sunday, the 13th and 14th of October. Eleven (11) boats participated in two races on Saturday and one race on

Sunday morning. The weather was perfect for sailing and there was close racing in both the spinnaker and non-spinnaker fleets. Three boats from the Quantico marina made the starting line on Saturday morning. My boat, "STACY LYNN". Dave Colvin's "DUE SOUTH", and Chuck Gabrielson's "SONITA" battled some of the best river sailors from Mt. Vernon and Washington, DC. It was an absolutely beautiful weekend for holding a regatta and the folks on the Committee Boat were seen removing their clothing to better get the last of the tanning rays of the season. Cliff and Sandy Roy's "AMERID III" handled the Committee Boat duties with expert efficiency and I thank them and the other QYC members on board for their help in conducting a very successful regatta. As always, the cookout and social on Saturday afternoon was perfect. Special thanks go to Ed Wright for taking on the chore as head burger and dog flipper. More thanks go to all the members who brought the side dishes of chili, pies, salads, etc. The food was outstanding and everyone had positive comments during and after the regatta. Thank-you Quantico Yacht Club for all the support!

Final Standings:

Spinnaker Fleet

- 1st - TENACIOUS, Capri 26, Fleck - DICF (6.5 pts)
2nd - STACY LYNN, Pearson 30, Boisvert - QYC (8 pts)
3rd - AYDOD, Evelyn 26, Williams - DICF (10 pts)
4th - PANACEA, Hunter 25, Akers - DICF (12 pts)
5th - DUE SOUTH, Alberg 30, Colvin - QYC (12.75 pts)
6th - COUP DE VENT, S2 7.9, Eager - DICF (13pts)

Non-Spinnaker Fleet

- 1st - WINDWATCH, Catalina 25, Bordon - MVYC (3.5)
2nd - SNOW GOOSE, San Juan 23, Barker - PYRC (4.75)
3rd - DOPPLE GANGER, Spaceship 23, Hall (11 pts)
4th - BAHALA NA, S2 7.9, Baker - MVYC (11 pts)
5th - SONITA, Catalina 27, Gabrielson - QYC (16 pts)

Special note on the final race held Sunday morning. After committing a serious foul against my boat on the starting line (blame was placed upon tactician for the day Mike Fallon, "RELENTLESS"), Dave Colvin's "DUE SOUTH" performed their penalty turns and continued on thinking their chances of a good finish were dashed. But not so fast. My boat was having one of our best races of the season and the winds were variable and spotty along the river. We out sailed some of the most competitive boats on the river. With my new spinnaker flying perfectly,

we took line honors being the first boat to finish and I should have scored a first place on this glorious day. But the wind gods deal the cards in this game and strong south winds filled from the back of the fleet which in turn filled "DUE SOUTH's" spinnaker. Racing under full spinnaker (minus the part that was torn) "DUE SOUTH" was heading due south on a straight-line course to the finish at maximum hull speed. After adjusting the finishing times based upon handicaps assigned to each boat, "DUE SOUTH" took first place for Sunday's race. Great job Dave and crew! There is always next year...

CRUISING NEWS

Don and Sharon Radeke



Frost and pumpkins! This does not look like cruising weather! Although we can have some beautiful fall days and there are a few good boating days remaining, the official QYC cruising season has run the course. This past month we had a great cruise to Old Town Alexandria! It was another dash, or bash, to the brewery and all had a great time thanks to the organizing efforts of Sam and Bill Gooding. We look forward to the delivery of the QYC Labeled Special Brew. The QYC brunch was again flooded with extraordinary dishes and we also thank all who participated! Thanks also to Kerri Rogers for doing the Old Town Marina coordination.

We have once again had a fun filled QYC Cruising season thanks to the many people who made the cruises and those who sponsored. Again our thanks to the membership for the support throughout the year. And again our thanks to Phil and Patti Rogers for sponsoring the Memorial Day Cruise, Joe and Rhonda Carson and Ray Boisvert for the July 4th Cruise, Ellen and J. Nix for the Cruise to No-Where, Cathy and John Boynton for Labor Day, and Sam and Bill Gooding for Columbus Day! After all that, some of us need a rest!

If you have some ideas for some "Land Cruises" during the off-season, please let us hear from you. Too many winter naps will just make you fat and lazy so let's keep kroooooooooosin!



SOCIAL NEWS

Cathy Boynton

A special thanks to everyone, who over the summer has pitched in at the meetings and during the cruises to help with the activities. Our time at Capital YC and Alexandria was super with 'The Goodings' leading us through a true beer-tasting delight in old town. Look for our special beer to appear soon.

The Christmas party (Dec 8th) will be sponsored by the Saggars, who I know will get us into the Christmas spirit with style. Don't forget to come out and help decorate the club the weekend before (Saturday, Dec 1st).

This is a special time of the year made more special because of the events of the fall. Take time for your friends and families, reach out for others and enjoy every minute.

"This generation of Americans has a rendezvous with destiny." Franklin D. Roosevelt

Christmas Decorating Party

On Saturday, December 1st we will meet to decorate the Yacht Club at 2:00 PM. This is a fun social time. The club stores the decorations from year to year and its always interesting to see what we have. Most years it is tacky beautiful! The men put up the outside lights around the deck. Everyone helps decorate the tree and club. This year we will set up some plywood for a dance floor. Mark this date on your calendar. It's a great way to begin the season!

QYC Christmas Party

Our annual Christmas Party will be held Saturday, December 8th at 7:30 PM. We will have a short meeting before the festivities. The cost is \$5.00 per person for a steak dinner. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Dancing to our favorite oldies but goodies will follow. Bring your favorite tapes or CD's. Please sign up at the November meeting or call the Saggars at 703-670-2705. This is a great holiday event for all.

New Years Eve Party

Many of us have enjoyed a New Years Eve Party at the Yacht Club. This is not a scheduled club event. It's just fun to be with yacht club friends at this special time. Does anyone wish to sponsor this event? The Yacht Club will already be decorated and it only requires a couple to organize the event. We usually bring a dish and cook the meat. A \$10-\$15 per person charge will cover the \$25 building rental, the meat, soda, beer, wine and champagne toast. Our last New Years Eve Party had about 10-15 couples. Many of us would like to have a party but travel over the holiday and don't get home till almost New Years Eve. If you would like to celebrate New Years at the Yacht Club and have the time, please volunteer. The Saggars (703-670-2705) will be happy to help you get it organized.



PRYCA & QYC - SOUTH INFORMATION Rhonda Carson

On December 8, 2001 Alexandria's historic harbor and the Washington waterfront will light up with the Annual Festival of Lights & Parade of Boats, with this year's event promising to be even bigger and better than last year! Once again, the Presidential Yacht Sequoia will lead the parade, which will begin in Old Town Alexandria. Complimentary slips (limited) will be available throughout the weekend at the Alexandria City Dock. Festivities are scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m. with a welcome reception for captains and crews hosted by the Old Dominion Boat Club. After parading the Alexandria waterfront, the flotilla will proceed to the Washington Channel for more festivities. Immediately following, join your fellow boaters aboard the Motor Yacht "Celebrity" docked at the Capital Yacht Club for more fun and awards. Complimentary slips will be available at the Capital Yacht Club and the Gangplank Marina for slip reservations. If you are interested in participating in either one or both parades, please fax back the enclosed registration form, or contact Lorraine Lloyd at 703.838.4200 x209 or llloyd@funsided.com for further information. Should you need a slip in

Alexandria, please indicate that on the registration form. For slip reservations for D.C. please contact the Capital Yacht Club at 202-488-8110 or the Gangplank Marina at 202-554-5000 directly. More details will be forwarded to you next month. Start your decorating plans now. The Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association and Washington Waterfront Association have been busy collecting great prizes that will be awarded in all categories. And as always, thanks to the Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association member clubs for their continual assistance.

