



QYC Newsletter

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New Officers Take QYC Helm

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Ed Wright

Welcome to the start of another new boating season, and our new Club Officers. I'm happy to announce that Karen Crouch has volunteered to take on the duties of the Cruising Rear Commodore, and Cliff and Sandy Roy have volunteered to take on Social Rear Commodore. Cliff and Sandy will be looking for assistance in hosting some of our events this year, so please look at the calendar to see where you might be able to help. We still don't have a Fleet Captain. For those of you who don't know what this entails, the Fleet Captain is the individual responsible for maintenance of our facility. You don't have to do the maintenance yourself, as there are eager volunteers in our club that always show up to help when things need to be worked on. So if you're handy at organizing a working party, this job is for you!

Even without a Fleet Captain, our annual Spring Clean-up Day will go on. It is scheduled for Saturday, April 12th, the day after our next meeting. The marina will be in the midst of its renovation, your yard work or spring cleaning can wait until Sunday, so you should all be free to come join us in getting the club ready for another busy year.

If you haven't been down to check on the progress of the marina renovation, the contractor has been a little late getting started. As I write this, there has been little appearance of progress made. However, I have seen the electricians busy pulling old wires and installing new conduit, and I understand wood for the new docks has also arrived. By the time this newsletter reaches you, I would expect more visible progress will have been made.

Our new board is excited about the upcoming year, and is looking to add some variety to our calendar; a new cruise, different destinations for some cruises, and some new activities or challenges may be in the works as well. Please save the calendar of events and stick on your refrigerator, mark these events on your calendars, and plan on attending with your fellow club members and friends.

SECRETARY'S SCRIMSHAW



Mike Fallon

"Oh go row your own dam boat!"

Well here it is 11 PM and I'm just now getting the hang of this software. This letter may be a little rough and a little late getting out but I'll try to do better in the future. Thanks to everyone who thought enough of my editorial abilities to vote me into this position. I'll get you back!

I spent about an hour last weekend re-organizing the bulletin boards in the club house. There were a lot of really old pictures and stuff on them. If you want any of it back please see me at the next meeting. I'm thinking that the use of the bulletin boards lacks a little structure. So I've tried to organize things along the lines of a Commodore's Board (really important stuff) Social Activities Board (really really important stuff) and a Racing Information Board (really really really important stuff). Please help keep all this information current and organized. Thanks.

This is your newsletter! if it's not meeting your needs let me know. If it's not fun to read let me know. I'm interested in everyone's input and ideas. Any body got any good short stories or funny stories about being on the water? Seen anything stupid on the water? Let me know. Write it up and maybe it'll

find its way into your newsletter

VICE COMMODORE'S VOICE

Winter is officially over! Thankfully, all of the snow and ice are gone. But what's all of that brown stuff floating around in the Potomac?! Larry and I took a short trip to Belmont Bay recently and dodged logs the entire way. Fortunately it was fairly easy to miss the large ones. No harm was done by the smaller chunks that did occasionally bump the bow. It was disconcerting though to see logs carrying entire colonies of seagulls down the river. The logs are a hazard. If you go out, please watch carefully. Even with the logs it was good to be back on the water. The short trip brought happy memories of last years' travels and high hopes for those to come this summer. See you around the marina!

TREASURER'S BOTTOM LINE

Mike Crouch



At our first executive board meeting Ed Wright shared some goals he had for the upcoming year and asked for our thoughts. I had a couple one of which I'll need your help with and one I'll frame as a fiscal riddle. The topic is membership, i.e., increasing QYC membership. If we, as a group, set the goal of increasing our membership by 20% by the end of September, and 20% equates to twelve new regular members, what is our current regular membership? Too low. So I'd ask for your help as you're walking the docks (yeah right) or out in the community. Take a look at the newsletter and be sure you can pass on our website (URL) where a membership form can be down loaded. I'll have a stack of membership forms at our next meeting so come grab one for your hip pocket. As a last resort pass them my Email address/phone number and ask them to contact me. I'll take it from there. MAKIA is headed down to East Coast Marine for some preventative maintenance during the month of April. We have an extremely active season planned with the club, PRYCA and Silverton so we want to ensure, as much as possible, any hiccups are addressed before the season begins in earnest. See you all at the next meeting.

CRUISING REAR COMMODORE**Karen Crouch**

I didn't volunteer for this job but I'm warming to it and it's actually turning out to be fun. Nothing is set in stone yet but here's what I'm working on regarding upcoming cruises. Memorial Day; Gangplank or Fort Washington. 4th of July; Colonial Beach. Labor Day; Alexandria. Columbus Day; Cobb Island. I'd encourage you to plan for some of the PRYCA events too.

Dog Days of Summer is well worth the trip south. We have scheduled a raft up at Maddawoman for Tim's pre-4th of July fireworks. Plan now as this was fun last year. As far as sponsoring we only have two slots to fill. Mike & I will take the Memorial Day cruise – several "events" planned with a Mexican theme. The Sagers have offered to sponsor a cruise also. Please come talk to me at our regular meeting about your opportunity to showcase a good time.