



Lifeline

Member Club Of: Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association (CBYCA)
&
Potomac River Yacht Club Association (PRYCA)

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PWYC

FROM THE HELM



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The weather is here and I wish I was beautiful, but otherwise it really does feel like things are getting back to normal. I trust everybody is finding the time to get out on their boats and enjoy the summer!

I hope everybody enjoyed this year's 4th of July celebration! One of our enduring club values is, "Respect for each other as Americans, as well as our nation, flag, military, veterans, and first responders." The 4th of July offers our club members the opportunity to support this value. Unfortunately, this year the DC Metropolitan Police Department, through the DC Harbor Patrol, made it more difficult for boaters to celebrate the 4th. Without much prior notification, at 11:59 pm on the 4th the DC Harbor Patrol began forcing boaters to pull-up anchor and move if they were between the 14th Street and Memorial Bridges. Thankfully, this did not become a huge safety issue, but it's not hard to imagine how this situation could have deteriorated rapidly. The Potomac River Yacht Club Association (PRYCA) requests that we send comments about this issue to bnm@uscg.mil. If you like, please cc me at commodore@pwyc.org. I've included the email I received from PRYCA at the end of my article.

Please thank D Dock representatives, Matt and Lisa Shaw for championing an outstanding A – D Dock Captains' Hour! Also, please thank Phil and Heidi Schoepflin for hosting the 17 July Small Vessel Raft-Up on the Mattawoman! Our club is relatively unique in the difference between the types and sizes of our boats and we appreciate Phil and Heidi for the work they did on pulling this Boatel event together!



We still need somebody to take over club Secretary responsibilities for the rest of the year, as Ralph Ocasio is starting the plan to move south to North Carolina. If you're interested, please grab me around the docks or send me an email (commodore@pwyc.org).

While I'm on the topic of volunteering to help with club events, please consider helping Doug and Jenna Burum with the upcoming Patriot Cruise and Salute (PCS). This year, the PCS is scheduled for Saturday, 9 October. The PCS is a PWYC "all hands" event...we need everybody from folks to host Patriots on their boats to folks who help coordinate movement and activities around the docks. In the coming weeks, we'll be making a big push for volunteers...please consider participating in this seminal event for the club!!!



Prince William Yacht Club Gathers at Cole's Point for this year's Father's Day Cruise.



Our marina on 27 June.

Here's the email I received from the Potomac River Yacht Club Association about the issues in the District on the 4th of July:

Club Commodores and Delegates,

If you, or anyone from your club, were part of the 300+ boats that were anchored between the 14th Street and Memorial Bridges on July 4th, and were told by the DC Harbor Patrol at 11:59pm that your boat must be moved, I am requesting your support to express your boating safety concerns with the USCG.

Please share this message with your club members and ask them to send comments to >>>> bnm@uscg.mil<<<<. Messages received at this address are parsed out to the appropriate departments and, more importantly, they are TRACKED until they are resolved.

I won't go into all of the details regarding how this "perfect storm" was created, but there were many ways this could have been prevented. The safety hazards caused were completely unnecessary and it was just pure luck that no one was seriously injured or killed. We would like to see an outpouring of concern from our fellow boaters to be sure this scenario does not play out again in future years on July 4th.

Thank you for your time to address this important issue.

Denise Radcliff

PRYCA Commodore.

Please be safe, remain healthy, continue to check on each other, and stay flexible.

See you on the water,
Mike Connolly
Summer Daze, D-9

...AND FROM THE VICE

Rick McHarg

Vice Commodore

vicecommodore@pwyc.org

Ahoy Prince William Boaters –

Approaching Midsummer as the hot weather beckons to get out on the water! Hope you all had a wonderful July 4th holiday. Fireworks were abundant as pandemic fears are slowly being left in the dust. I went flying with family (including toddlers) to Wisconsin for the long weekend and except for masks it all seemed we were back to normal.

So we were boating on a Northern Wisconsin lake in our “other” craft, a 20’ 15 year old pontoon! Much fun and great lake fireworks. But I know if you were here you had your choice of Tim’s “Not on the 4th” Display on the Potomac (Probably the last for the Rivershore), The Grand Master of them all on the Mall in DC, or the weekend after the 4th - a great show put on by the City of Alexandria at the Olde Town waterfront.

Topping off the recent celebrations, PWYC held the July CAPT Hour last weekend sponsored by Matt and Lisa Shaw of D dock and assisted by Jim & Dawn Brady of C Dock— it was a fabulous display of food and drink and well attended on the downstairs deck of the Blue Bathhouse – convenient to the pool, of course. Enjoyed meeting several newly minted boat owners. Well done to all the contributors...I especially loved the bacon-wrapped shrimp and cheeseburgers.

Looking ahead, we have a Raft-up in Mattawoman for all July 17 and the Founder’s Day celebration on July 31. Founder’s Day has a fabulous lunch followed by a Cornhole tournament with prizes and more games, all sponsored by your Social Committee. Please sign up so we know how much food to buy. August is next, and the marquis event is the “3 Sisters Raftup” in DC Aug 13-15. I am the Cruise Captain, Look for the Flyer later in this issue and on the docks and sign up at vicecommodore@pwyc.org . I expect we will have 20 boats or so. And you can come for only one night if you want. All I need now is good weather; last year was a washout.

I had a meeting of Dock Reps after the last Board meeting on 10 July. We discussed the concept of Christmas Boat Decorating (yes, I know it’s only July). Traditionally, docks compete for cash awards from Santa Claus (PWM) for the best decorated docks and individual boats. The Marina has staff decorate marina owned boats (and they have a separate competition for best). There are refreshments in the boatel, Santa arrives and visits, there are tractor pulled hayrides for the kids, “boats of generosity” for donated dry goods and gifts for the less fortunate. And it is all a Marina open house for the public, who can stroll the docks to see the boats. It is scheduled the first Saturday in Dec – Dec 4. So when your Dock Rep asks for help, please pitch in so PWYC has some contenders for the cash awards...The lowest I think is \$200 for each dock individual boat winner.

We have an amazing organization, a social club designed to further recreational boating by all members, safely and lawfully. As we have stated many times in this forum, PWYC runs on Volunteers who serve on the board and as Dock Reps. We (the Bridge) and you (the members) are very grateful for those who choose to volunteer and hope many more of you raise your hands. If you are interested in serving drop me a line (address above) and we'll find something for you. Right now we need a Secretary

Speaking of volunteering, please support Doug and Jenna Borum, co-directors of this year's Patriot Cruise and Salute (PCS) by signing up to Captain your boat, serve as an escort, set up the picnic, or help at the check-in table. See the Flyers posted on the docks and in this issue.

See you on the docks,

Rick McHarg

PWYC Vice Commodore

EAGLE ONE, K-40

...AND FROM THE REAR

James Khoury

Rear Commodore

rearcommodore@pwyc.org



With all the changes going on, we are in a near constant state of flux. So, the term “Semper Gumby” really has become the mantra for our club over the past several months.

Our cruise to Coles Point, with the exception of a few mechanical issues for our Commodore and one or two other members, was successful! The weekend went well, the accommodations were nice, and the folks at Coles Point Marina were helpful and attentive. Let’s not forget the Saturday Dinner at Tim’s... Overlooking a few bumps in the road due to staff inexperience (after Covid), turned out to be a great time had by all. Let’s not forget to thank our home base sponsor for that dinner engagement. PWM always comes through for us! Thank you.

On July 17th, the Club will be sponsoring a “Small Vessel Raft-Up” – which is open to all boats but geared towards the smaller boats to give them the experience of connecting with others on the water. If you haven’t tried rafting up yet... Don’t miss out – it’s a blast! This will be held in Mattawoman Creek, just a short run across the river from our marina.

Don’t forget the PRYCA’s Float In at Coles Point (July 30-Aug 1st). This is held by a sister organization, and will be the second cruise to Coles Point this season. Please contact them to reserve your spot. You may contact one of our own... PRYCA Float-In Coordinator: Beth Lu - Bethlu28@yahoo.com (Taiwan-On, I-23) 571-269-5224.

Let’s not forget the Three Sisters Raft-Up championed by our Vice... Scheduled for the weekend of August 13th-15th. Please contact Rick and let him know you plan to attend. The particulars will follow shortly. (rearcommodore@pwyc.org)

I received a call from our past Rear Commodore a few days ago. James’ son in Texas will be getting married over the Labor Day weekend. Congratulations to the Smith Family! Unfortunately, that leaves our Kent Island Cruise without a champion. Therefore, if we cannot find a volunteer to handle the event, that too will be cancelled for this season. We will give it until the first week in August to officially cancel the event.

As a result of a change in the schedule for the Patriot Cruise, the PWYC Commodore’s Columbus Day Cruise has been cancelled and the Patriot’s Cruise has been moved to that scheduled date (October 9th, 2021). With some good luck and the cooperation of Mother Nature, PWYC and PWM will treat our Patriots and their families, to a great day out on the Potomac, and a great time at the after-party!

The summer days are going by very quickly... Get out there and enjoy!
Respectfully submitted—Jim Khoury, Rear Commodore

Safety Bob



Bob Schwartz
Safety Officer
 safety@pwyc.org

2020 Boating Stats/Dogs On Board/New Life Jacket (PFD) Labeling

From the 2020 Executive Summary. The newest United States Coast Guard (USCG) Recreational Accident/Death Statistics just came out. Reviewing the data collected from increased boat sales, insurance policies taken out, insurance claims made, and calls for towing assistance permitted the USCG to hypothesize that boating activity rose significantly during the pandemic. Unfortunately, there is some question as to whether or not numerous states were able to provide accurate data owing to office closures during the pandemic cited difficulties.

The USCG did not perform any statistical adjustments to state figures. They will continue to analyze the pandemic variable associated with 2020 boating activity to normalize accident data.

Some areas to scrub, for example, when comparing 2019 to 2020:

- The number of accidents increased 26.3%, the number of deaths increased 25.1%, and the number of injuries increased 24.7%.
- The fatality rate was 6.5 deaths per 100,000 registered recreational vessels. This rate represents a 25% increase from the 2019 fatality rate of 5.2 deaths per 100,000 registered recreational vessels.

Many points, however, included in the 2020 Executive Summary appear to hold true.

- Where cause of death was known, approximately three quarters of fatal boating accident victims drowned. Of these drowning victims with reported PFD usage, some 85% were not wearing a PFD.
- Alcohol use is the leading known contributing factor in fatal boating accidents; where the primary cause was known.
- Where instruction was known, about three quarters of the deaths occurred on boats where the operator did not receive boating safety instruction. Around one in ten deaths occurred on vessels where the operator was known to have received a nationally-approved boating safety education certificate.
- Operator inattention, operator inexperience, improper lookout, excessive speed, and machinery failure ranked as the top five primary contributing factors in accidents.
- Where data was known, open motorboats accounted for about half the percentage of deaths. Kayaks and pontoon together accounted for about a quarter.
- Where data was known, the most common vessel types involved in reported accidents were open motorboats (about 46%), personal watercraft (about 22%) and cabin motor boats (less than 15%).
- Where length was known, eight out of every ten boaters who drowned were using vessels less than 21 feet in length.

Here is the link to the most recent report.

<https://uscgboating.org/library/accident-statistics/Recreational-Boating-Statistics-2020.pdf>

Dogs On Board & Life Jackets (PFDs). To repeat: Where the cause of death was known, approximately three quarters of fatal boating accident victims drowned. Of these drowning victims with reported life jacket usage, some 85% were not wearing a life jacket.

Generally speaking, in MD, VA, and DC waters, children under 13 and on a vessel underway, must wear a serviceable, properly fitted, appropriate, USCG-approved PFD, unless they are below deck or in an enclosed cabin. Remember, everyone is on their own out there. We must make sure that we know the rules for the waters in which we boat. Use Google.

With the above exception, after a view of vessels leaving our marina with dogs on board, we might be able to conclude that many/most boaters think more about saving the life of a pet dog that falls overboard than saving the life of a human who falls overboard. The same goes for many/most of the vessels seen in other marinas that have dogs along. Basically, more dogs on vessels appear to be wearing a serviceable, properly fitted, appropriate PFD than people 13 years and over.

New PFD Labels and Icons. We soon might be noticing that certain PFDs have a new style of label on the inside. Eventually, all new PFDs which are USCG-approved and available for purchase in the United States will have these new labels. Any PFD, however, with the old-style label that is still serviceable and in overall good shape, will continue to meet regulatory requirements as long as it's USCG-approved.

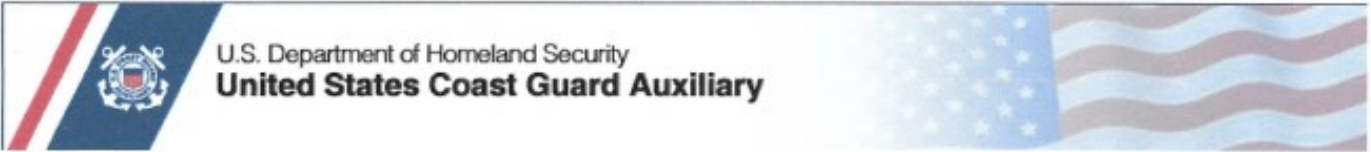
The new labels have fewer words and more easily understood icons than the old. This new labeling process is referred to as label harmonization. This is an effort to make the selection of the correct PFD for an on-water activity more universally understood and accepted than before. Hopefully, increased graphics and icons will equal fewer words.

Here are some features and goals of the new PFD labels.

- Performance summary graphic.
- Legal requirements specified.
- Reduce language barriers.
- Harmony with other countries especially Canada and Europe.
- Approval status clearly noted.
- Third party testing verification.
- Manufacturer contact information.
- Care and cleaning instructions.

Use this link for additional information.

<https://www.boatus.org/life-jackets/>



Public Education Course Flyer: Boat America



Boat America is a boating certificate class that offers an in-depth and interesting boating safety course, and provides the knowledge needed to obtain a boating certificate.

Some insurance companies will also offer discounts on boating insurance to boaters who successfully complete this course.

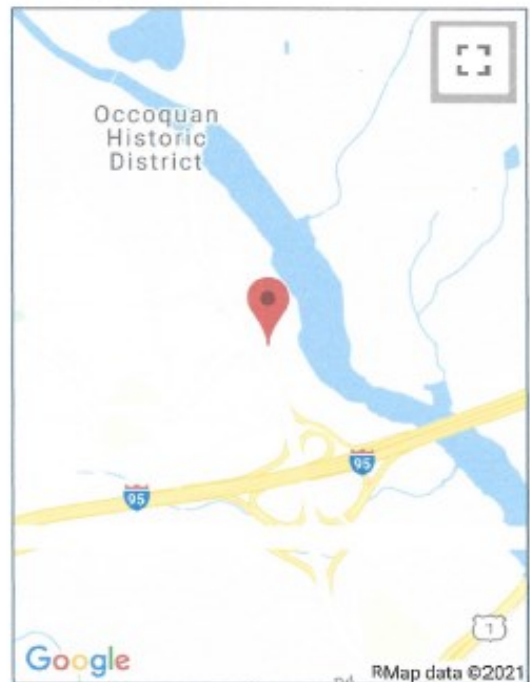
TOPICS INCLUDE

- **Introduction to Boating** – Types of power boats, boating vocabulary, sailboats, paddle boats, powering boats, and engine types.
- **Boating Law** – Boat registration, regulations, hull identification numbers, required safety equipment, Federal boating law, state boating law, and reporting accidents.
- **Safety Equipment** – Life jackets, fire extinguishers, sound-producing devices, visual distress signals, anchors, and other safety equipment.
- **Safe Operation and Navigation** – Buoys and beacons, aids to navigation, navigation rules, docking, and the dangers of alcohol on the water.
- **Boating Emergencies** – Hypothermia, boating accidents, man overboard, capsizing, emergency radio calls, carbon monoxide dangers, and weather.
- **Trailing** – Types of trailers, lights, hitches, towing a trailer.
- **Sports and Boating** – Water-skiing, hunting and hunting gear, PWC operation, and other boating tips.

**Presented by Flotilla 054-25-06
Occoquan - Fairfax, VA**

Course: Boat America
Start Date: Sat, 07 Aug 2021
Hours: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Duration: 8 Hours
Lessons: 1
Location: Prince William Marina
 12849 Gordon Blvd
 Blue Bath House By The River
 Woodbridge, VA 22192
Contact: Teresa Allen
 tallen@pwwmarina.com
 (703) 494-6611
Course Cost: \$35
Register By: Sun, 01 Aug 2021
Comments: street address is the show room.
 1/4 mile south , is Sea Ray Lane,
 follow to bottom of hill turn left.
 Class is in blue bldg next to pool.

Posted: Thu, 01 Jul 2021

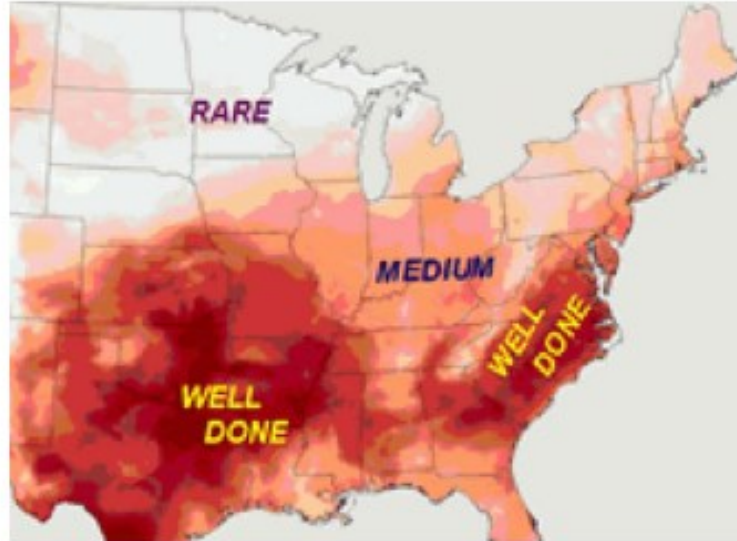


Marker location may be approximate; verify location before travel.

Ship's Manifest



Amy Marshall
Membership Chair
membership@pwyc.org



Weather Update: IT IS HOT

We're loving every minute of this scorcher of a summer!

There is still plenty of time to enjoy it with the PWYC!!!

If you know someone who would like to become a member or renew for the 2021 season, applications can be found attached, at the blue bathhouse or they can email membership at

pwycmembership@gmail.com

2021 Membership packets for renewing members are available for pickup in the blue bathhouse and are labeled with the captain's last name. Packets for new members will be placed on their boats

If you are unsure of how to renew, you can mail a check for \$100 payable to PWYC at:

PWYC Membership Committee

c/o Prince William Marina
12849 Gordon Boulevard
Woodbridge, VA 22192-3240

Or via PayPal or Credit Card
[PayPal or Credit Card at pwyc.org](https://www.pwyc.org)
(click on "Payments

Please help me welcome the following new and renewing members
who have paid their 2021 dues

Tim Abel	Thomas & Mary Craig
Kimberly Anchell	Victor & Cristen Crawford
Don & Michelle Anderson	Pam Cressey
Edward & Laura Angle	Scott & Sarah Cryder
Eric & Shawna Armstrong	Carl & Caroline Cunningham
Ray & Cynthia Armstrong	Steven & Gina D'Antuono
David & Sonia Astle	Frank & Erin DeGeorge
Frank Beatty & Deborah James	Rui & Ana Domingues
Randy & Teresa Becker	Sarah Dowd
Hunter Bell	Jay Dowling
Zach & Fadoua Benaich	William Duggan
Troy Black	Mark Dungan
Jason & Kris Blanchette	Nicholas & Melissa Durgin
Brent & Elaine Bogar	Jerry & Debbie Eatherly
Chris Borner	William Embry
Brad Boston	Rob & Sarah Evers
Lawrence Botts	Peter & Veronica Ewald
Eric & Linda Bradbury	Arthur Fernandes & Rebecca Miranda
Barry & Carrie Braden	Bob & Jen Fertig
James & Dawn Brady	Christopher Feucht
Corey Briscoe & Amber Dozier	David Fisher
Joshua & Emily Brown	John & Sara Fitzgerald
Cheryl Brown & Bart Scesney	Brian & Kathleen Fitzpatrick
Corey Brown	Greg & Sandy Fletcher
Steve & Kristin Bruck	J & Ginger Gaston
Shawn Burget	Pete & Claire Giambastiani
Doug & Jenna Burum	Bob & Donna Giesler
Ken & Debbie Campbell	Corey & Yvette Gilmore
Ryan & Ashley Carmen	Idris Grant
Bob & Vicky Carr	Thomas Griffin
Gregory & Deirdre Chevrier	Michael & Diane Grimm
Craig & Lisa Chuba	Al and Diana Gross
Roxana & Jorge Chumpitaz	Sean & Misty Hagerty
David "Keith" Clouser & Julie Finocchiaro	Michael Hahn & Michael Harmon
Dean & Debbie Cognetti	Fred Hanscom
Mike & Sherry Connelly	Martin & Natalie Harris
Kathy & Justin Cordelli	Steve & Kim Harrison
Thomas Cornbrooks	Fred Hauck & Michele Kennedy
Michael Cozad	Bruce & Catherine Haynes

Gerd & Sharon Henssen	Cameron & Bree Moore
Walt & Joy Heuer	Oscar Murguia & Elizabeth Alvarez Verd
Jaime & Shanese Hirmas	Frank Murray, Jr & Amy Marshall
Keith & Rebecca Hudson	Jonathan Murray
John & Heather Ingram	Jesse & Elizabeth Nangauta
Kristen & Robert Ittig	John Neher
James & Nancy Jackson	George Novak
Harold & Lisa Jenkinson	Ralph & Pat Ocasio
Steve & Krista Johnson	Christopher Ogden & Amanda Demotte
Rich & Christine Jones	Billy Oldridge
Skip and Kristyn Jones	David & Diana Ottignon
Pamela Juelharte	Ray & Gail Palmer
Jim & Judy Khoury	James & Lisa Pappas
Rose Marie Killeen	Scott & Denise Parsons
David & Katherine Kimmel	Peter Pasek & Carol Gray
Robert & Marge Kirby	Daniel & Simone Payne
Philip & Vicki Kirby	Pete & Stephanie Perhach
Werner Knapp	Michael & Debra Perrella
Michael & Barbara Kropp	Joseph Peruzzi
Joan & BC Lam	Keith Phelps & Maria Manno
Sean Lam	Chris & Susan Regan
Anna Le	Kent & Carolyn Renk
Mark Lancaster	Fred Roggero
Laura Lee	Charles & Kim Roland
Steve Levenson & Una Murphy	James & Tuula Ross
Durel Lewis	Kevin & Laurie Ryan
Jason & Shannon Leydig	Sina & Kimia Salimi
Jerry & Ranae Little	Christopher & Sabrina Salter
Doug Livesay & Holly Shenk	Jack & Sherry Samar
Gus Lopez	Stephen & Linda Scheid
William Loughlin	Greg & Debbie Schick
Sheldon Lu	John & Robin Schleifer
Pete & Michele Maravas	Philip & Heidi Schoepflin
Steve & Pam Marsters	Robert Schwartz
Nick & Erin Marvel	Walt & Jeanne Seiberling
Stefano Marzano & Evelyn Aleman	Pam Sessoms
Chris McCalla	Matt & Lisa Shaw
John & Marcie McCauley	Michael Shelkin
Brian McCormally	Mark & Mary Lou Sikorski
Rick & Kris McHarg	James Smith
Oscar "Mac" McNeil, Jr	Brian & Sara Snyder
Brian & Karen McNeice	Skylar Stegall
Brian Miller & Tonya Markowicz	Myles & Lisa Stover
Ted & Stephanie Miller	Mike & Teresa Strano

Cathy Stultz & Mike Connors
Philip (Phil) and Brandy Suchyta
David & Jillian Szczepanek
Jimmy Thomas
Ray Toczowski
James & Nicole Tringas
David Tyler
Kyle & Sarah Urda
Sherman and Ling Vandevender
Jim & Sabrina Vant
Rod & Carol Vasquez
Robert Voith
John & Jennifer Wagner
Karl Walther
Lou & Pat Ward
Michael Wasser
David & Kathy Weekman
Paul & Maryellen Wetmore
John Whiteford
Thomas & Sonja Whitehead
John & Anne Williamson
John-Michael Wilson
Kelly & Laura Yeh



Prince William Yacht Club

2021 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL



MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$100.00

Last Name (Captain) _____ Home Phone (Captain) _____

First Name (Captain) _____ Home Phone (Co-Captain) _____

Last Name (Co-Captain) _____ Work Phone (Captain) _____

First Name (Co-Captain) _____ Work Phone (Co-Captain) _____

Cell Phone (Captain) _____

Address _____ Cell Phone (Co-Captain) _____

City _____

State _____

Postal Code _____

E-mail Address (Captain)

Boat Name _____

E-mail Address (Co-Captain)

Dock _____ Slip Number _____

PWYC Burgee's are available for \$30 and payment can be submitted with your membership renewal. Burgee's will be delivered to your boat unless other arrangements are made.

**PAY ONLINE AT PWYC.ORG OR
Make Check Payable To: PWYC**

New/Renewal Membership: \$100.00

Return to:

**PWYC Membership Committee
c/o Prince William Marina
12849 Gordon Blvd
Woodbridge, VA 22192-3240**

E-mail: membership@pwyc.org

Treasurer’s Report



Sherry Samar
Treasurer

Treasurer’s Report

Opening Balance (checking and PayPal) on 06/01/2021:	\$ 24,608.13
Receipts (dues, interest)	\$ 1500.20
Expenses (Memorial Day Cruise)	\$-385.00
Final balance (checking and PayPal) on 07/01/2021:	\$ 25,723.33

I just want to remind everyone that we have \$150 budgeted for each Captain’s hour. You can submit your receipts to me electronically at treasurer@pwy.org or you can give them to me.

Call for Nominations – PWYC 2022 Bridge!

Adapt, improvise, and overcome. This year's boating season has been anything but typical and our Bridge has done a magnificent job living up to Semper Gumbi – Always Flexible! Through their resilience and commitment, our members have been able to safely enjoy our Father's Day Cruise, Captains' Hours, and look forward to Founder's Day and our annual Seafood Boil. The thread that ties all these spectacular activities together? – the volunteers who make 'em happen.

Our club is run by our Board of Directors. This consists of the five elected Flag Officers and the appointed Fleet Captains. Past Commodores are non-voting members of the Board. The Bridge is made up of the Board plus our Dock Reps and Club Delegates.

Each year, it's important to bring some fresh ideas and new energy to the PWYC Bridge, and that comes from our members. Being part of the Bridge is one of the most exciting and satisfying parts of boating with PWYC. You get to meet new people, learn how our club operates, and share the fun involved in running the best yacht club on the Potomac. Hey, I know of what I speak...Ginger and I have been involved in some capacity now for over 17 years (nod to Tim and Barb Abel who were here at our founding)!

So, it's time to begin planning next year's Bridge as 2021 heads for the home stretch. As Chair of the Election Committee, I'm responsible for providing a slate of candidates to the Board of Directors for the five Flag Officer positions. I encourage each of you to talk with current and past leaders of the club to see where your unique talents and interest can help pay it forward and contribute to next year's Bridge.

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Commodore ~ Vice Commodore ~ Rear Commodore ~ Secretary ~ Treasurer

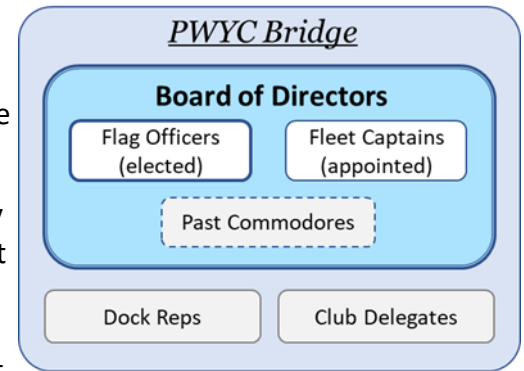
Members currently serving in these positions may volunteer to run for office again. The Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Rear Commodore, however, may not serve more than two consecutive years in a position. This means we need new candidates for Commodore and Vice Commodore. If more than one volunteer is nominated for any of the elected positions, the Election Committee will prepare ballots for election by the general membership.

Though not elected, we encourage and welcome volunteers for the following nominative Fleet Captain and Delegate positions. At the December Board meeting, when the new Bridge takes office, one person for each position will be appointed by the 2022 Commodore and confirmed by the Board:

Membership ~ Social ~ Safety ~ Lifeline Editor ~ Webmaster

Potomac River Yacht Club Association (PRYCA) Delegate

Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club Association (CBYCA) Delegate



Those currently serving in these positions may volunteer to stay on. If more than one volunteer is nominated for any of the non-elected positions, the Board will identify the best way to appoint the nominees, showing respect for their initiative and acknowledgment of their respective talents and wishes.

If jumping right into one of the elected or nominated positions seems daunting, why don't you volunteer to be a Dock Rep, event champion, or serve on a committee? This is YOUR club so grab the wheel with both hands and dive in – anyone can step up and make a difference.

Please submit your nominations or questions via email to ipc@pwyc.org NLT 30 Sep 21. The Election Committee will confirm all nominated individuals before submitting the official slate of nominees at the October Board meeting.

Thanks very much for making our great club great!

J. Gaston

IPC, PWYC Election Committee Chair

Patriot Dreams, H-43

2021 PRYCA FLOAT-IN



**~ Calling all PRYCA Member Clubs ~
Rally Your Teams to Compete for The Cup!**

Registration includes a weekend of nautical fun and games with PRYCA members and their guests at Coles Point Marina, 190 Plantation Dr, Hague, VA 20680.

MEALS **Friday Evening:** Heavy Hors d'oeuvres provided; adult beverages BYOB
Saturday: Lunch and Buffet Dinner

EVENTS **Friday Evening:** Mingle and get to know fellow boaters by sharing your club's favorite signature cocktail on the beach while watching the sunset and enjoying a bonfire.
Saturday Morning: Seminars and Demonstrations
Saturday Afternoon: Competition for The Cup!
Saturday Night: Awards Ceremony and festivities.
***Vessel Safety Inspections available Friday and Saturday

All participants in The Cup Competition must be paid registrants of the Float-In. (The Competition for The Cup includes the Seamanship Skills and Knot Tying exam, Scavenger Hunt, games, Vessel Safety Inspection participation, and any bonus point offers.) **A bonus point will be awarded to clubs submitting their paid registration form by June 17, 2021.**

FUEL: Coles Point Marina will offer a discount off posted fuel prices for Float In attendees the weekend of the event. Final price will be distributed to clubs approximately one week prior to the event.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Notice of all cancellations must be made to Vicky Carr at Treasurer@pryca.us. **No refunds will be made for cancellations received after July 16, 2021.** (2 weeks before event)

SNAG-A-SLIP / RECIPROCITY / SLIP ASSIGNMENTS: All slip reservations are made through PRYCA during the registration process. Coles Point Marina will NOT accept any Snag-a-Slip or reciprocity slip reservations during the event dates. This will enable PRYCA to maintain control of the event registrations. Slip assignments will be managed by PRYCA and based on vessel size, power requirements, and registration date until all available slips are booked.

COTTAGE RESERVATIONS: Cottages can be reserved through Coles Point Marina. Please mention the PRYCA 2021 Float In. (Separate event registration required.) As of 4/14/2021, Cottage #1 is the only available cottage left. Cottage #1 is a 5 bedroom rental.

RV HOOKUPS: RV hookups can be reserved through Coles Point Marina. Please mention the PRYCA 2021 Float In and they will give a \$10 off per night hook up fee. (Separate event registration required.)

Please save the dates and spread the word with everyone in your club!

MARDI GRAS ON THE POTOMAC

Where it's cool to wear a mask!

Please contact PRYCA Rear Commodore, Bill Bukevicz, with any questions: RearCommodore@pryca.us

REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE SENT ELECTRONICALLY TO PRYCA DELEGATES AND COMMODORES SOON!
REGISTRATION FORM WILL INCLUDE PRE ORDERS FOR FLOAT-IN SHIRTS



E/F/G Captain's Hour

When: August 28, 2021 @ 6PM

Where: Blue Bath House

Best Luau attire wins a prize!!!

Please bring a dish to share

For questions please email social@pwy.org



PWYC Three Sisters Raft-Up

When: August 13-15, 2021

Where: Potomac River North of Key Bridge in Calm waters

Come join our raft-up for 2 days of fun in the peaceful N Potomac R. *(You'll think you are in a National Park, but we'll be anchored in clean water just NW of Georgetown/Rosslyn.)*

Cruise CAPT – Rick McHarg

Please RSVP on the PWYC Website or send an email to vicecommandore@pwyc.org

****Please note:** Your boat must have an air draft of less than 18' to clear the 14th St. RR Bridge.



Patriot Cruise and Salute Bio:

Patriot Cruise and Salute is a non-profit charitable organization formed to organize free recreational boating events to benefit US Armed Forces, Gold Star Families, First Responders and Law Enforcement.

Founded by two retired military officers, Patriot Cruise and Salute provides recuperating veterans and their families a day of boating and camaraderie on the Potomac River, recognizing that healing veterans and their families at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and Fort Belvoir Community Hospital are often separated from their homes, extended families and their friends. Each year the community comes together to say “Thank You” to these heroes and their families by providing a much-needed mental respite.

In its 15th year, the original Patriot Cruise and Salute, typically held in early June, had to be postponed due to the unforeseeable circumstances surrounded by the pandemic. However, we are back this year and more excited than ever to honor our heroes this October! The day includes an afternoon of boating on the Potomac River, a cookout, music, activities for kids, and a coin ceremony. Each event promotes camaraderie and offers the community a chance to give back to these veterans for their service and sacrifice to our country.

Thank You so much :)

Jenna & Doug

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Doug and Jenna Burum

Patriot Cruise and Salute Inc.
703-477-3022 or 703-930-2095
pcspwm@gmail.com
www.patriotcruise.org

15th Annual Patriot Cruise & Salute

Saturday, October 9th, 2021

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Boats with Captain + Crew, Escorts, Ground
Crew, Social + Welcome Committee

SIGN UP TODAY!

Your support benefits
current service
members, veterans,
Gold Star Families
AND First Responders!

PCS Shirts + Gear
available for purchase!

Contact us at
PCSPWM@gmail.com
for more details or to
sign up!



G Dock Fun on the 4th of July in DCPicture of Boats at 4th of July Raft-Up

In Your Mouth – Kyle and Erica

Asymptomatic Carrier – Tom and Sonya

Land Escape – Matt and Lisa

At Ease – Mike and Teresa

Anger Management – Skyler and Becky

Off Ice – Nick and Heather

Kari Me Away – Chris and Kari

One photo is breakfast on At Ease at Three Sisters the next morning.

Two Photos are of Anger Management and Off Ice near the Wilson Bridge.

On the way to DC for the fireworks, Skyler Stegall and Becky Dunklee threw a life ring and pulled two children (a teenager and 10 yr old) out of the water at the Wilson Bridge. First picture shows two heads in the water between Anger Management and Off Ice (Nick and Heather). Second picture shows two children on swim platform of Anger Management and DC Police Patrol Boat coming alongside.







Important Note: Check the PWYC.org website for updates or changes to the calendar.

2021 PWYC CALENDAR

Contact Denise Guess-Parsons, Beth Lu, Carol Vasquez, Jenna Burum, or Sherri Connolly social@pwyc.org, to help with an event or captain a new one.

JULY

30-Aug 1 PRYCA Float-in at Coles Point

31 Pig Roast (Joint PWM Event)

AUGUST

7 Board Meeting 9am, Founders Day

13-15 Three Sisters Raft Up

28 Captain's Hour #4 @6pm (Host: E/F/G Docks), Poker Run (PWM event) ??

SEPTEMBER

3-6 Labor Day @ Kent Island

11 Board Meeting 10am; Seafood Boil 5pm, Patriot Day Fireworks (PWM event)

17-19 Norfolk Boat Show ??, Start of Pirate's Week

25-26 Pirates Night on the Hook (Joint PWM Event)

OCTOBER

2 Board Meeting 9am, Captain's Hour #5 @ 6pm(Host: H Dock)

9 Patriot Cruise and Salute

30 Halloween Party

NOVEMBER

6 CLOSING DAY General Membership Meeting 4pm, Closing Ceremony 5pm, Chili Cook-off and Photo Contest 6pm (Captain Hours #6) (Host: I/J/Boatel)

DECEMBER

4 Board Meeting 10am; Christmas Boat Lighting (PWM event)

18 Wreaths Across America at Arlington National Cemetery

2021 DOCK REPRESENTATIVES

A	Vacant			adockrep@pwyc.org
B	Vacant			bdockrep@pwyc.org
C	Matt & Lisa Shaw	“Land Escape 4”	D-13	cdockrep@pwyc.org
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E	Harold Jenkinson	“April Fools”	E-8	edockrep@pwyc.org
F	Vacant			fdockrep@pwyc.org
G	Mike Strano	“At Ease”	G-21	gdockrep@pwyc.org
H	Laurie Ryan/Lou Ward	“Ryans Hope” / “Perfect Timing”	H-35/H30	hdockrep@pwyc.org
I	Chris & Sabrina Salter	“Salty Breeze”	I-29	idockrep@pwyc.org
J	Vacant			jdockrep@pwyc.org
K	Jim Khoury	“Judy Blue Eyes”	K-20	kdockrep@pwyc.org
L	Arthur & Rebecca Fernandes	“The Getaway”	L-17	ldockrep@pwyc.org
Boatel	Joe Peruzzi	“Out of the Blue”		boatelrep@pwyc.org



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