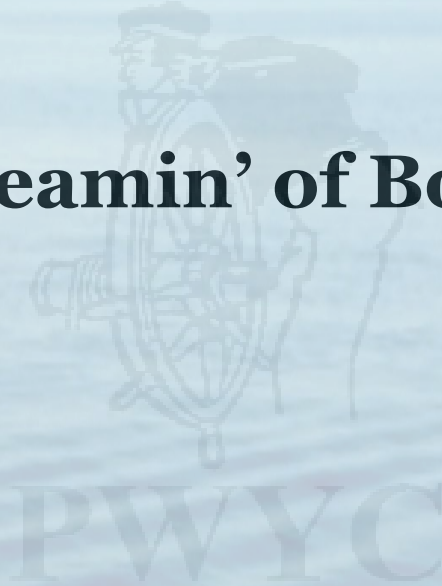


# *Lifeline*

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

## **Dreamin' of Boat'n**



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Countdown to Opening Day from January 20th: **90**

## FROM THE HELM



Mike Connolly  
Commodore  
commodore@pwyc.org



**If you haven't already, it's time to sign-up for, and get excited about, our annual Change of Watch Celebration (the "CoW")!**

This year, the CoW will be held on 29 February (so it'll be a "Leap CoW") at the Embassy Suites of Springfield from 7:00 to 11:30 pm. Please send your RSVP and menu selection to:

Denise Guess-Parsons  
411 Londonderry Drive  
Jefferson, Maryland 21755

The cost per person is \$100 for PWYC members in good standing and \$130 for non-members. As part of your RSVP, please include your entrée choice...look for the CoW flyer at the end of this Lifeline for a description of the three available entrées.

You get a lot more than just admission and an excellent dinner for the cost per person. Our Social Chair, Denise Guess-Parsons and the rest of the Social Committee, Pat Ocasio and Sherri Connolly have arranged for an open bar, dancing to the magical sounds of a local DJ, a photo booth, an after-party party where the libations will continue to flow past 11:30 pm, and most importantly, the type of camaraderie that money can't buy!

You don't have to spend the night, but if you do, please reserve your room at:

[https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/D/DCASVES-CWG-20200229/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/D/DCASVES-CWG-20200229/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

Group Code: CWG

Per the PWYC By-laws, we'll also conduct a short General Membership meeting that will start at approximately 9:00 pm.

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"Summer Daze" (D-9)

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Sheldon Lu and Beth Lu

**CBYCA DELEGATE**

Tim Abel

## FROM THE HELM

We'll also present the "Steamboat Willie" Award. This Award recognizes a captain who experienced an on-water event that he or she would rather forget; however, in the interest of good fun, this event should not have caused bodily harm or significant boat damage...in other words, the only damage was a possible bruised ego. Here are some examples of what previous winners did in order to win the award:

- *Swam the wrong way after falling off their boat*
- *Failed to put in the stopcock on their dinghy and had to drive it to shore before it sank*
- *Grounded their Searay*
- *Returned to PWM pulled by a Tow Boat and with crab pots tangled in both props*
- *Rescued from their jet ski after sucking up a ski rope and losing power*
- *Led a flotilla of Searays to the wrong destination*

Obviously, these types of events aren't something that the captain who accomplished them readily presents to the club for Steamboat Willie consideration. **WE NEED YOU TO NOMINATE ONE OR MORE FELLOW CAPTAINS!** If you would like to nominate one or more captain for this year's Steamboat Willie Award, please send me an email with a description of what occurred. A certain amount of embellishment is authorized. Keep in mind that neither you nor the winner need be present at the CoW.

Getting back to being a PWYC member in good standing, please remember to pay your membership dues as soon as you can! Paying early helps your club plan events for the year. You can find information on how to renew your membership in the flyer at the end of this Lifeline or by emailing Kris Blanchette at [membership@pwyc.org](mailto:membership@pwyc.org). If you've already paid your dues, make sure you remind others to do the same!

As we start the second month of the year, I'd like to share with you some of the guiding principles the PWYC Board of Director's is using to guide our planning for 2020:

MISSION (The mission is from the PWYC By-laws and doesn't change from year-to-year): To promote safe, enjoyable, and responsible boating activities; to represent its members' interests in matters affecting recreational boating on a local, regional, and national level; and to provide instruction, education, and training in the skills necessary for the enjoyment of recreational boating and to encourage social interaction amongst its members.

From this mission statement, the Board of Director's derived the following for 2020:

**VISION:** We are a social, boating organization that endures due to our close partnership with Prince William Marina, the camaraderie and active participation of all our members, and the unique nautical traditions and recreational opportunities of the Potomac River and the rest of the Chesapeake Bay.

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## FROM THE HELM

### VALUES:

- Welcoming environment for all PWYC members
- Importance of PWYC members volunteering to champion events so as to increase a sense of club ownership and encourage future
- PWYC Leaders Continual recruitment of new PWYC board members
- Respect for our nation, military, and veterans
- Visibility of the club at the marina and around the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay
- Regard for the unique, symbiotic relationship between PWYC and PWM Appreciation for PWYC traditions while simultaneously nurturing new ideas in order to promote club pride and ensure its continued existence
- Foster a safe and informed boating experience

If you'd like to learn more about how your Board of Director's plans to adhere to our mission statement as well as the 2020 vision and values, please ask me or any other member of the PWYC Board. We'd be happy to discuss how we intend to continue to make PWYC the outstanding organization that it is and 2020 the best year yet!

See you on the water,

Mike Connolly  
*Summer Daze, D-9*



Our wonderful marina on 7 December 2019

## ...AND FROM THE VICE



Rick McHarg  
 Vice Commodore  
 vicecommodore@pwyc.org

Welcome to the February 2020 edition of the Lifeline. Your Bridge has been hard at work finalizing the 2020 Calendar of events (attached) and our annual budget. You have already heard from the Commodore about the COW (Change Of Watch) Celebration. Please join us!

I have been busy finalizing a list of intrepid 2020 Dock Reps—as it is on my bucket list, and it is below:

|        |                      |                                 |              |  |
|--------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|--|
| A      | Vacant               |                                 |              | <a href="mailto:adockrep@pwyc.org">adockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| B      | Jeff Hoel            | “The Hoel Crew”                 | B-1          | <a href="mailto:bdockrep@pwyc.org">bdockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| C      | Tom Payne            | “Common Sense”                  | C-12         | <a href="mailto:cdockrep@pwyc.org">cdockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| D      | Kris Blanchette      | “Lucky Paws”                    | D-15         | <a href="mailto:ddockrep@pwyc.org">ddockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| E      | Harold Jenkinson     | “April Fools”                   | E-8          | <a href="mailto:edockrep@pwyc.org">edockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| F      | Scott Parsons        | “Finally Got it Right”          | F-6          | <a href="mailto:fdockrep@pwyc.org">fdockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| G      | Pat Ocasio           | “Seas the Moment”               | G-36         | <a href="mailto:gdockrep@pwyc.org">gdockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| H      | Laurie Ryan/Lou Ward | “Ryans Hope” / “Perfect Timing” | H-35/<br>H30 | <a href="mailto:hdockrep@pwyc.org">hdockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| I      | Sheldon Lu           | “Taiwan-On”                     | I Dock       | <a href="mailto:idockrep@pwyc.org">idockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| J      | Vacant               |                                 |              | <a href="mailto:jdockrep@pwyc.org">jdockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| K      | John Khoury          | “Judy Blue Eyes”                | K-20         | <a href="mailto:kdockrep@pwyc.org">kdockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| L      | Vacant               |                                 |              | <a href="mailto:ldockrep@pwyc.org">ldockrep@pwyc.org</a>   |
| Boatel | Joe Peruzzi          | “Out of the Blue”               |              | <a href="mailto:boatelrep@pwyc.org">boatelrep@pwyc.org</a> |

For future planning, I plan on hosting a short Dock Rep meeting on **Opening Day (April 18)** morning at 11:30. We still need A, J and L Dock Reps. If you are interested, e-mail me at [vicecommodore@pwyc.org](mailto:vicecommodore@pwyc.org). As you all know, we are a club of volunteers, and Dock Reps are your conduit to activities, social events and dock unity and camaraderie. I am their direct contact on the Bridge, so let me hear from you!

We are actively planning March and April activities. They include our annual PWM Employees Appreciation Dinner, a pot luck affair upstairs in the blue bathhouse on **March 7/5:30 pm** where we provide everything for the employees and their families. If you can cook or lend a hand, please contact Sherri Connolly, Pat Ocasio, or Denise Parsons, our Social Chairs.

A Boating Safety Course is available on **March 28** – Sign up with PWM. And USCG Safety checks will begin in April along with our **Opening Day on April 18**. It will be a fun-filled day of activities, starting with our Potomac Shoreline Cleanup and ending with a Captains Hour sponsored by your Bridge.

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**...AND FROM THE VICE**

Be sure to pay attention to the On Water Events directed by our Rear Commodore James Smith. He will be looking for volunteers with more experience to lead yacht club cruises.

Finally, The boating season kicks off with the Cherry Blossom cruise and Nats games, and both events involve photos and start **our fabulous annual Photo contest**. Start taking those snaps now! You will see the contest rules in a Lifeline coming soon!

See you at the PWM Slipholders Party on **Feb 2** and at the **COW on Feb 29!**...and on the Docks!

**Rick McHarg “EAGLE ONE” K-40**



James Smith

*Rear Commodore*

rearcommodore@pwyc.org

## UPCOMING BOATING SEASON

As we begin to turn our thoughts to the upcoming 2020 boating season, your Board has put together a schedule of what we feel will be fun, safe and exciting land and sea based club events. We will revisit some of our favorite stops from the previous boating seasons and we have added a couple of new items that we hope you all will have the opportunity to enjoy as well. Over the next few weeks I will be reaching out to a few of our previous SMEs, (That's airline talk for Subject Matter Experts) and using their wealth of knowledge to again assist us by taking the lead in some of the events. **Volunteerism** is the key to ensure that all events are carefully and fully planned and executed. I will also be asking for new volunteers to step up to the plate and assist or lead some of the cruises. We have a wealth of knowledge at the PWYC and with the Marina staff so no one will be single-handedly trying to organize an event. Our kick off event will be the Cherry Blossom Cruise scheduled for late March or early April, Bud dependent (the trees, not the beer). After that, at least one land based event and one water based event is planned every month until the season's end. Take a look at the **2020 PWYC Calendar** enclosed in this newsletter and contact me or any Board Member and let us know where you think that you can contribute.

### **GOOD INFO:**

Boaters are eligible to receive 17.5 cents back for every gallon of gas you buy for your boat all year long! For example if you buy 200 gallons of GAS you are eligible to receive \$35.00 back from the Department of Motor Vehicles. **Google: 'Virginia boat gas tax refund'** for more information. Enjoy your refund

## Ship's Manifest



Kris Blanchette

Membership Chair

membership@pwyc.org

Happy New Year!!

Best of luck to the 75 members that paid their PWYC Membership dues by December 31, 2019 and are eligible for the "**Annual Get Your Dues Back Drawing**", which will be held at the PWM Slip Holders Appreciation Party on February 2<sup>nd</sup>! We will also be on site at the party to accept new and renewing member payments – hope to see you there! Please note, if you previously had auto-renew set up through pay-pal, you will need to renew via pay-pal again this year to set that up as all past auto-renews were deleted after the 2018 season.

Please help me welcome new and renewing Prince William Yacht Club Members between December 2, 2019 and December 31, 2019. Any membership payments received after this date will be listed in the March Lifeline:

William and Shirley Embrey, Chief Six, Boatel  
 Pete and Michele Maravas, Lucky Dog  
 Tom and Julie Cornbrooks, Divine Intervention, D-8  
 Bob and Margaret Kirby, It's 5 O'Clock Somewhere, I-22  
 Laura Lee, Hat Trick II  
 Jay and Casey Dowling, Naught On Call, F-16  
 Jason and Kris Blanchette, Lucky Paws, D-15  
 Sheldon and Beth Lu, Taiwan-On  
 Mike and Sherri Connolly, Summer Daze, D-9  
 Rick and Kris McHarg, EAGLE ONE, K-40  
 Jack and Sherry Samar, Irish Hawk, E-6  
 J and Ginger Gaston, Patriot Dreams, H-43  
 Frank Beatty, Uptown Girl, H-42  
 Steve and Pam Marsters, Boatel  
 David and Sonia Astle, Crew Lounge, Trailer/Home  
 Steve Levenson and Una Murhpy, Murphy's Law, H-39  
 Durel Lewis, Sea Duke, F-13  
 Ralph and Pat Ocasio, Seas The Moment, G-36  
 Philip and Heidi Schoepflin, Liberty Call, Boatel  
 Doug and Jenna Burum, Another Sunday Morning, E-1  
 James and Quintina Smith, Express Yourself, H-41  
 Robert Schwartz, Alexandra, F-12  
 Jonna Wooten, Boatel  
 Robert and Paula Voith, Boredom Busters, Boatel  
 Lou Ward, Perfect Timing, H-30  
 Ed and Adriana Guedel, Yin & Yang, D -3  
 Gerald Hehe and Sarah Schnittger, Next Chapter II, K-10  
 Kevin and Laurie Ryan, Ryan's Hope, H-35  
 James and Nancy Jackson, Grand Escape, G-23  
 Thomas and Kathleen Griffin, Boatel  
 Frank Murray, Jr, Loose Change, C-14  
 Mark and Mary Lou Sikorski, Shellback Too, E-10  
 Fred and Kathleen Roggero, Boatel

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Scott and Denise Parsons, Finally Got It Right, F-6  
Mark Dungan and Sierra Guadalupe, Kokopelli, K-35  
Jason and Shannon Leydig, Nauti Pleasures, L-3  
Shawn and Stephanie Burget, Nordica, K-34  
John and Marcie McCauley, Pay It Forward, D -7  
Michael Pobat, What's Up Dock, Boatel  
Idris and Sabine Grant, Luna Sea, K-24  
Chris and Eve Borner, Kiwi Magic, H-17  
David and Jillian Szczepanek, Feefs, B-11  
Karl Walther and Peyton Oaks, Boatel  
Don and Eileen Thornburg, North Star, D -11  
Steve and Kim Harrison, Cool Runnings, K-13  
Dick and Nikki Thomas, Boatel  
Terry and Prudy Stefanik, Harvest Moon, K-6  
Phil and Vicki Kirby, No Vacancy, I-dock  
James and Tuula Ross, Sea Breeze N, C-11  
John and Anne Williamson, Boatel  
Dean and Debbie Cognetti, Cogs Cruiser, Boatel  
Peter Pasek and Carol Gray, After All!, K-8  
Fred and Nancy Hanscom, 401(K), C-19

If you haven't renewed your membership for the 2020 season and want to do so now, you have options!

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

Or

Send a \$100.00 check made payable to: PWYC to  
PWYC Membership Committee  
c/o Prince William Marina  
12849 Gordon Boulevard  
Woodbridge, VA 22192-3240

Thanks everyone, see you on the docks!



# Prince William Yacht Club

## 2020 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) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (Co-Captain) \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_

Dock \_\_\_\_\_

Slip Number \_\_\_\_\_

**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](mailto:membership@pwyc.org)**

## Think Safety



Bob Schwartz  
Safety Officer

### Too Ambitious?

Here is a list of the things that Safety would like to get done either before the 2020 boating season starts, early in the 2020 boating season, or during the 2020 boating season. Perhaps Safety is being too ambitious. Time will tell.

Some have already been placed on the calendar because there are more moving parts to consider, specifically scheduling instructors from the Coast Guard Auxiliary. We are trying to piggy back others with something already going on at the marina such as a Captains' Hour.

### Already On The Calendar

Two Vessel Safety Check dates, April 25 and May 9. These have already been put on the calendar. There will be a sign-up list a couple of weeks or so beforehand.

Two Boating Safety Courses March 28 and May 9. Many thanks to the Coast Guard Auxiliary. These have already put on the calendar. One Safety Course has already been conducted.

Another stakeholder meeting regarding safety on the Occoquan. Hopefully, we can get this done before the season starts. There should be no problem with the PWYC calendar. The meeting will probably be held during the week, not on a Saturday or Sunday.

### Trying To Piggy-Back

Fire extinguisher/flare demonstration/hands-on practice. The OWL Volunteer Fire Department has agreed to come to the marina on a mutually agreeable date and demonstrate how to use our fire extinguishers and flares. Each of us will have a hands-on opportunity to use both.

A Rules of The Road question and answer session. <https://www.uscgq.com/> has hundreds of questions and answers regarding the rules of the road. All of the questions were used on various Master-Tonnage/OUPV-Six Pack licensing exams given by the Coast Guard.

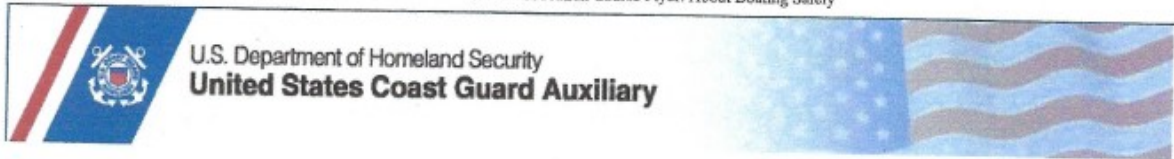
### On The Safety Wish List

Safety tried to get an AED/CPR/First Aid Course scheduled last year. There wasn't enough interest expressed by the PWYC members. The instructor Safety had scheduled required a minimum of ten people. Once there is an instructor scheduled, we will open it up to first PWYC members, then to the marina as a whole, then to whomever wants to commit. There will be a charge. The course, as of now, would combine an on-line portion that would be done at home and a hands-on portion that would be done at the marina. A certificate would be provided upon completion.

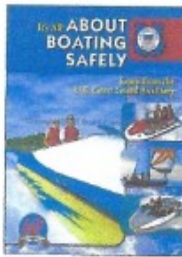
If you would like to suggest something that is not on the list, please email it to Bob Schwartz at [safety@pwyc.org](mailto:safety@pwyc.org).

# About Boating Safety Training

Public Education Course Flyer: About Boating Safety



## Public Education Course Flyer: About Boating Safety



If you are interested in an exciting, in-depth boating safety course, check out the in classroom (seminar) version of our popular online boating course.

This beginner boating class will give you the knowledge needed to obtain a boat license or safety certification in many states. Many boat insurance companies will offer discounts on boating insurance to boaters who successfully complete *About Boating Safety*.

**TOPICS INCLUDE:**

**Introduction to Boating** - Types of power boats; sailboats; outboards; paddle boats; houseboats; different uses of boats; various power boating engines; jet drives; family boating basics.

**Boating Law** - Boat registration; boating regulation; hull identification number; required boat safety equipment; operating safely and reporting accidents; protecting the marine environment; Federal boat law; state boating laws; personal watercraft requirements.

**Boat Safety Equipment** - Personal flotation devices ("life jackets"); fire extinguishers; sound-producing devices; visual-distress signals; dock lines and rope; first aid kit; anchors and anchor lines; other boating safety equipment. *About Boating Safety*

**Safe Boating** - Bow riding; alcohol and drug abuse; entering, loading, and trimming a boat; fueling portable and permanent tanks; steering with a tiller and a wheel; docking, undocking and mooring; knots; filing a float plan; checking equipment, fuel, weather and tides; using charts; choosing and using an anchor; safe PWC handling; general water safety.

**Navigation** - The U.S. Aids to Navigation system; types of buoys and beacons; navigation rules (sometimes referred to as right-of-way rules); avoiding collisions; sound signals; PWC "tunnel vision."

**Boating Problems** - Hypothermia; boating accidents and rescues; man overboard recovery; capsizing; running aground; river hazards; strainers; emergency radio calls; engine problems; equipment failures; carbon monoxide (CO); other boating and PWC problems.

**Trailer, Storing and Protecting Your Boat** - Types of trailers; trailer brakes, lights, hitches, tires, and bearings; loading, balancing, and towing a trailer; towing (and backing) a trailer; boat launching and retrieving; boat storage and theft protection; launching, retrieving and storing a PWC.

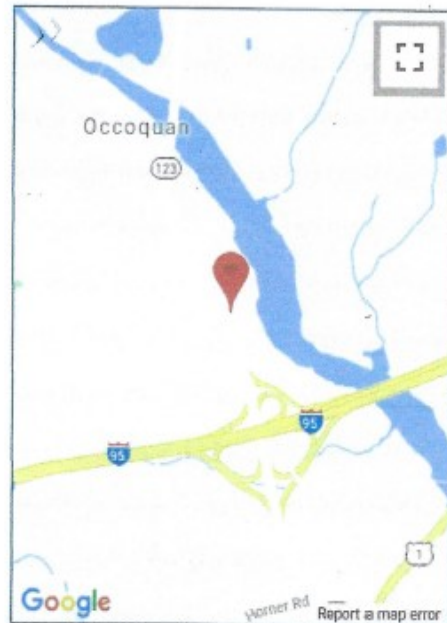
**Hunting and Fishing, Water-skiing and River Boating** - Carrying hunting gear and weapons in a boat; fishing from a boat; water-skiing safety guidelines and hand signals; water-skiing with a PWC; navigating rivers, and other boating tips.

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

**Course:** About Boating Safety  
**Start Date:** Sat, 28 Mar 2020  
**Hours:** 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
**Duration:** 8 Hours  
**Lessons:** 1  
**Location:** Prince William Marina  
 12849 Gordon Blvd  
 Blue Bath House By River  
 Woodbridge, VA 22192  
**Contact:** Teresa Allen  
 tallen@pwmarina.com  
 (703) 494-6611

**Course Cost:** \$35  
**Register By:** Wed, 25 Mar 2020

Posted: Fri, 04 Oct 2019



Marker location may be approximate; verify location before travel.

## **2020 Vessel Safety Checks**

The 2020 Vessel Safety Checks schedule will be on:

April 25, 2020

May 9, 2020

A sign-up sheets will be available 1 week before they are scheduled in the Blue bathhouse. If you have any questions, please contact our Safety Officer.

## Treasurer's Report

Sherry Samar  
*Treasurer*

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Balance as of 12/01/2019:                     | \$ 8241.67        |
| Receipts (dues, COW, interest)                | \$ 5669.35        |
| Expenses (COW, supplies, COW DJ, check order) | \$ -5179.46       |
| <br>  |                   |
| New balance as of 01/01/2020                  | <b>\$ 8731.56</b> |



**Prince William Yacht Club  
Change of Watch Gala**

February 29, 2020

Embassy Suites Springfield, VA

7:00-11:30 p.m.

Formal/Cocktail attire

**Dinner, Dancing, Open Bar, Photo Booth, and After the Party Party!**

Garden Salad with Mixed Field Greens, Grape Tomatoes, Sliced Cucumbers and Shaved Carrots, Served with Ranch and Balsamic Dressing Freshly Baked Rolls with Butter

Entrée 1 Sautéed Ravioli Stuffed with Wild Mushrooms, Tossed in a Truffle Cream Sauce, Served with Chef's Mixed Vegetable Medley

Entrée 2 Tuscan Chicken~Pan Seared Chicken Breast Stuffed with Artichoke and Basil Butter, topped with White Wine Cream Sauce, Served with Tuscan Herb Risotto and Roasted Asparagus

Entrée 3 Grilled Strip Steak topped with Merlot Shallot Demi Glace, Served with Garlic Mashed Potatoes  
**\*\*This Dish is Served Medium Rare\*\***

Key Lime Pie Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee and a Selection of Hot Teas

**If you would like to reserve a room please use the link below:**

[https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/D/DCASVES-CWG-20200229/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/D/DCASVES-CWG-20200229/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

Deadline to reserve a room is 1/29/20/Deadline to RSVP for the event 2/16/20

Group Code: CWG

Price Per Person:

Members in Good Standing: \$100

Non Member: \$130

Please RSVP dinner choice with your check to:

Denise Guess-Parsons  
4111 Londonderry Drive  
Jefferson, Maryland 21755



Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association



## ***PRYCA Pub Crawl***

Meet fellow Yacht Club Members and the PRYCA Board!

Change of Watch Pub Crawl, Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Join us for Happy Hour to begin your crawl up King Street, at 5:30 p.m.**

Old Dominion Boat Club (ODBC)

200 The Strand St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Lat: 38° 48' 10.4" N; Long: 77° 2' 21.8" W

(Enter North side of Club on Prince St., a block South of King St.)

Be sure to bring your photo ID and yacht club membership card; sign the ODBC guest book as you come in and use the Coat Room on the first floor. Don't have yacht club ID? Just say you're with the PRYCA Change of Watch group. Complimentary mixed drinks (whiskey, scotch and vodka) will be available for a limited time. Ask for "Gail Livingston bottles." Beer, wine and other call drinks available on a cash bar basis. Snacks and light fare will be served (**TIPPING** suggested). Call Joe Livingston (703) 505-8313, if questions.

Following ODBC, move on to your choice of Pub stops. Our favorites include Chadwick's (across from ODBC), Union Street Pub (on S Union St.), O'Connell's Irish Pub (on King St.), Murphy's Pub (on King near N Washington St.), O'Shaugnessy's (on King & S West St.), and CXIII Rex (cigar lounge at 113 King St., next to Landini Bro's) – there are so many options along King Street! Think about dinner reservations at a favorite restaurant with your group!

*The King Street Trolley travels between the King St. Metro Station and Union St. every 10-15 minutes with stops every couple of blocks – between 11:00a.m. and 10:30p.m.*







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2020 Change of Watch - Dinner Dance
Saturday, 25 January 2020

Hilton Alexandria Old Town
1767 King St, Alexandria, VA 22314

Hospitality Suite Open: 1645 – 1745
Photographer: 1745- 1845
Cocktails: 1800
Dinner: 1900

Change of Watch Ceremony: 2000
Dancing to follow with "Fringe Benefits" til 2300
Winter Uniform / Black Tie Optional or Business Suit

\$95.00 per person

Menu

Starter: Market Salad with Candied Nuts, Dried Cranberries and Goat Cheese
Dry Rub Grilled Ribeye Steak with Fried Sweet Potato Garnish, Maytag Blue Cheese Butter and Mashed Potatoes
Seared Herb de Provence Chicken Breast with Red Pepper Coulis, Roasted Rosemary Potatoes and Baby Carrots
Twin Portabella Mushroom Caps stuffed with quinoa, black beans, corn and balsamic drizzle, and wild rice
Dessert is Chef's selection
Iced Tea, Freshly Brewed Coffee and Tea
Cash Bar

A block of rooms for Friday, January 24 and Saturday, January 25, has been reserved at the rate of \$109 per night (+taxes).
Rates within the block are guaranteed until December 25, 2019. Rooms may sell out before this date, so please book early.
Guest Parking: \$12 per car per night, or \$24 per car per day.

Reservations by Phone: 703-837-0440
To receive discounted rates, reference PYRCA or Group Code: JPY
Reservations Online: https://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/D/DCAOTHF-JPY-20200124/index.jhtml?WT.mc\_id=POG

Take advantage of these great rates and make this a weekend to remember!!!

MEAL SELECTION

Grilled Ribeye Steak # \_\_\_\_\_
Seared Chicken Breast # \_\_\_\_\_
Portabella Mushroom Caps # \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Titles: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Yacht Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to PRYCA and mail to Dan O'Keefe, 13709 Northbourne Drive, Centreville, VA 20120

## STEAMBOAT WILLIE AWARD

...another reason to attend the Change of Watch if you need more than one

Each year at the Change of Watch gala, our club recognizes a Captain with the prestigious Steamboat Willie Award. The award is given to the Captain who experienced an on-water mishap that did cause any bodily harm or significant boat damage. Previous winners have:

- swam the wrong way after falling off their boat
- failed to put in the stopcock on their dinghy and had to drive it to shore before it sank
- grounded their Searay
- returned to PWM pulled by a Tow Boat and with crab pots tangled in both props
- been rescued on their jet ski after sucking up a ski rope and losing power
- led a flotilla of Searays to the wrong destination

In each situation, the only damage was a bruised ego.

If you would like to nominate a fellow Captain (or more) for this year's Steamboat Willie Award, please send Mike Connolly (*our fearless Commodore*) an email at [commodore@pwyc.org](mailto:commodore@pwyc.org) with a brief description of the situation. Neither you nor the winner need to be present at the Change of Watch on February 29th. If the winner is unable to attend the CoW, we'll make sure to properly present the award to that person at some point during the boating season.

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

## 2020 PWYC CALENDAR

Contact **Denise Guess-Parsons**, **Pat Ocasio**, or **Sherri Connolly** [social@pwyc.org](mailto:social@pwyc.org), to help

### FEBRUARY

- 2 Board Meeting (Sunday) @ 11:30 am
- 2 *Slip Holders Appreciation Party @ 1:00 pm (PWM event)*
- 14-16 *Richmond Boat Show (PWM event)*
- 29 Change of Watch (Embassy Suites Springfield); PWYC General Membership Meeting

### MARCH

- 7 Board Meeting @ 3:30 pm
- 7 PWM Employee Appreciation Dinner @ 5:30 pm
- 13-15 Dulles Boat Show (PWM Event)
- 28 *USCG Auxiliary Boating Safety Course (PWM event)*
- 28 Cherry Blossom Cruise (back up date April 4<sup>th</sup>)

### APRIL

- 4 Board Meeting @ 9:00 am
- 4 Cherry Blossom Cruise (back up date)

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11 Cook Out @ 5 pm

18 OPENING DAY! (Joint PWM event)  
 Potomac River Cleanup @ 10:00 am  
 Dock Rep Meeting @ 11:30 am  
 General Membership Meeting and Lunch @ 12:00 pm  
 Opening Ceremony @ 1:30 pm  
 Sock Burning @ 2:00 pm  
 Duck Drop @ 2:30 pm  
 Practical Boating Seminars @ 3:00 pm  
 Captain's Hour @ 6:00 pm

25 USCG Vessel Safety Checks

## MAY

2 Board Meeting @ TBD

2 Kentucky Derby Party @ 5:00 pm

9 *USCG Vessel Safety Checks*

16 *Blessing of the Fleet (ORMA event)*

16 Dock Crawl @ 5:00 pm

22 -25 Memorial Day Cruise to DC Wharf (HOME GAMES: Nationals versus Marlins)

## JUNE

12 Board Meeting @ TBD

12 Captain's Hour @ 7:30pm (Host: K Dock, after Patriot Cruise Volunteer Briefing)

13 *Patriot Cruise and Salute*

19-21 Father's Day Cruise to Colonial Beach (Joint PWM event)

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**JULY**

- 11 Board Meeting @ TBD
- 11 Captain's Hour @ 6:00 pm (Host: A-D Docks)
- 18 PRYCA Float In
- 17-24 Annual Bay Cruise
- 25 Pig Roast (Welcome home from the annual cruise)

**AUGUST**

- 1 Board Meeting @ 9:00 am
- 2 Founders Day, Cook Out
- 14-16 Three sisters raft up/DC Wharf/Yard's Marina (HOME GAME: Nationals versus Padres)
- 22 Captain's Hour (Host: E/F/G Docks)

**SEPTEMBER**

- 3 Board Meeting @ 6:00pm (Thursday at EP)
- 4-7 Labor Day Cruise (Joint PWM event) (Point Lookout or Cole's Point)
- 11 *Patriot Day Fireworks (Friday) (PWM event)*
- 12 Crab Feast @ 5:00 pm
- 18-20 Norfolk Boat Show (PWM event)
- 19 Captain's Hour (Host: H Dock)
- 25-27 Pirates Night on the Hook (Joint PWM event) AAAAARGH!!!

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**OCTOBER**

- 2           Gainesville-Haymarket Rotary Club Friday Night Golf
- 3           Board Meeting @ TBD
- 9-12       Commodore's Cruise
- 31          Halloween Party

**NOVEMBER**

- 7           CLOSING DAY  
            General Membership Meeting @ 4:00 pm  
            Closing Ceremony @ 5:00 pm (including flag retirement)  
            Chili Cook-off and Photo Contest @ 6:00 pm (Host: I/J/Boatel)

**DECEMBER**

- 5           Board Meeting @ 10:00 am/PWYC Board Brunch/2021 Calendar Build
- 5           *Christmas Boat Lighting (PWM event)*
- 12          *Wreaths Across America at Arlington National Cemetery*

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