

# *Yacht Clubs of Maryland's Bay Breeze*



## *September 2020*

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### **YCM 2019-2020 Officers and Board Members**

**Commodore-Barry Scott (Otter Point YC)**

**Vice Commodore-Mike Gaff (Red Eye YC)**

**Rear Commodore-George Stromberg (Bodkin YC)**

**Legislative Affairs Officer-Scott Gundaker (Wellwood YC)**

**Treasurer- Faye Broseker (Riverside YC)**

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**Board Member-Kate Cramblett (Miles River YC)**

**Board Member-Ted Wooden (Middle River YC)**

**Board Member-Janet Yodris- (Key YC)**

**Board Member-Joe Broseker (Chesapeake Commodores Club)**

**Supply Officer-Joe Hellner (Belvedere)**

**Chaplain-Anna Davis (White Rocks)**

### **YCM Board Meeting**

***September 30th - Membership Mtg & Change of Watch - Red Eye  
Yacht Club***

***Enjoy Fall Boating on the Beautiful Chesapeake***

## YCM Committees

### Audit Committee

- Debbie Penczek (PC Golden Anchor YC) Chairperson
- Ron Peffer (PC Eastern YC)

### By-Law Committee

- Joe Hellner (PC Belvedere YC) Chairperson
- Cheryl Blakey (PC Wellwood YC)
- Phil Hock (PC Baltimore YC)

### Finance Committee

- Wayne Penczek (PC Golden Anchor YC, IPC YCM)
- Barry Scott (PC Otter Point YC, YCM Commodore)
- Faye Broseker (PC Riverside YC, YCM Treasurer)
- Ryan Peters (PC Crescent YC, PC YCM)
- Larry Korpanty (PC Maryland YC)

### Nominating Committee

- Wayne A Penczek (P/C Golden Anchor YC, IPC YCM)
- Janet Yodris (PC Key YC, PC YCM)
- Joe Broseker (PC 3C's)



## COMMODORE'S REPORT

**Barry Scott**

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Wow!! The time has gone by so fast and here I am coming up on my last couple of weeks as Commodore of Yacht Clubs of Maryland. It has been a great honor serving as Commodore for 2019-2020 and getting to know so many wonderful, dedicated people in this organization. Although my term ends on September 30<sup>th</sup>; my journey continues in October as Commodore of Baltimore Yacht Club.

I want to thank everyone who supported me for the last 3 years and all the great work everyone has provided to help our Sister Clubs continue the comradery throughout the Yacht Club Community. This comradery is the glue that holds us all together as a voice for legislative issues, constant communication from Club to Club and a visual presence around the Bay to make a difference in our quality of boating and a successful steward of Yacht Club Traditions and Protocol. Your support for our events is greatly appreciated. From the very well attended Fleet Captains meeting to our Commodores Day Out and the tremendous participation of our Annual YCM Golf Outing, along with our Yearly Christmas Day at the Races, has proven to continue to our instill our Mission Statement in "PROVIDING A MEANS FOR CLOSE FREQUENT INTERACTION AND MUTUAL SUPPORT AMOUNG MEMBER YACHT CLUBS" Every year YCM assembles this highly informative guide known as The Ships Log. Not only does it list all our Member Clubs, but it provides valuable information on current Officers, contact data, addresses and yearly club events as Opening Dates and Balls. The Ships Log is an invaluable tool for Protocol Matters, Club Traditions, a quick Uniform Guide and Proper Yacht Club Courtesies. The book also provides The Queen of the Chesapeake's biography and picture, along with all Club Princesses. Our monthly Newsletter, Bay Breeze, provides up to date happenings, Club Events, Club News, Officer comments and YCM updates.

In closing, I want to thank my Bridge. Without them my job would have been more difficult and challenging. Thank you, R/C-V/C Mike Gaff and Lady Stephanie, for your valuable knowledge, dedicated support and most of all, your special friendship through tough times. I want to thank P/C George Stromberg and CJ for stepping up to fill the position of Rear Commodore. Your timely support when needed is a show of true love of what YCM stands for and provides.

Thanks to my LAO Officer Scott Gundaker for keeping us up on legislative issues and critical Bay topics. Of course, a huge thanks to my Secretary "Dick the Diver" Dick Bruns and P/C, Treasurer, Sick & Welfare writer and overall go to person, Faye Broseker. Also, thank you Anna Davis for stepping up as Sick Welfare for 2020. And a special thanks to my mentor, Janet Yodris. Janet was there from the beginning and gave her undying support throughout my 3 year. Without her, this job would have been more difficult and challenging. The support that everyone provides is beyond words, from all the Board Members to Past Commodores.

**See you around the Bay!!!!**

**Barry Scott**

**Commodore YCM**

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## **Vice Commodore's Report**

**Mike Gaff**

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Just where did the Summer go? Here it is September already and Fall is just a couple of weeks away. If you haven't already started make plans, you may want to figure out whether you will stay water bound or become a land lubber for the Winter. I've heard through certain channels that most of the boat yards are started to fill up.

We have to talk a little bit about the "C" word. With Covid-19 still lingering around, many of our Sister Clubs are still discussing what they are going to do with their traditional Commodore's Ball. I've heard news that North Point Yacht Club is holding a Private Members Only event on October 3, Sue Haven Yacht Club is holding a semi-traditional Ball at the Richlin Ball Room on October 3 but following Covid-19 guidelines, Red Eye Yacht Club is holding a semi-traditional Ball at Lighthouse Gardens at Bowleys on October 10 but following Covid-19 guidelines, Baltimore Yacht Club is holding a Private Members Only event on October 17, Otter Point has postponed their Ball until March 27, and Miles River Yacht Club is holding a Private Members Only event on November 7. Maryland Yacht Club is still ironing out details and Crescent Yacht Club is holding out for February. I haven't heard anything else from the rest of the Clubs. Please reach out to me at [mikegaff@yahoo.com](mailto:mikegaff@yahoo.com) when you have a better idea for your Ball schedule so that we can put out a notice to the Clubs as well have the Webmaster update the website.

Our Change of Watch is Wednesday, September 30 at Red Eye Yacht Club. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. You have a choice of three options:

- 1) Flank Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, & Vegetable
- 2) Two Crab Cakes, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, & Vegetable
- 3) Flank Steak and Crab Cake Combo, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, & Vegetable

Dinner will cost \$20.00 per person. Red Eye Yacht Club is limited to a 45 seat capacity inside, but has seating to offer under cover on the deck. If you have not already done so, please RSVP with your meal choice to me at [mikegaff@yahoo.com](mailto:mikegaff@yahoo.com) or TEXT (443) 682-1541.

Dress for YCM Officers and Board Members at the Change of Watch will be Salt & Peppers. If possible, please bring your cover (cap) so that we can take your official picture that will go in the Roster Book and onto the website.

I look forward to seeing everyone and hope for a safe and healthy rest of the year.

**Mike Gaff**

**V/C Commodore YCM**

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## Rear Commodore's Report

George Stromberg

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Hello to all my Fellow Yacht Club Members out there. Well, summer is just about gone. Hope everyone had a good one. It's been one for the books for sure. My fellow Officers in all the Clubs should be very proud of their hard work this year in keeping their Membership happy and safe and the Clubs moving forward. Speaking of moving forward we at Yacht Clubs of Maryland need your help. We only have one main fundraiser and that is our Golf Outing.

**Please mark your calendars and help us by participating in is this event on October 12<sup>th</sup>,**

**2020 at Rocky Point Golf Course. Sign-in at 8: 30am; Shotgun Start at 9:am.**

The funds raised are used to help us support our Member Clubs. We publish an annual **Ship's Log**, the monthly **BAY BREEZE** and weekly notices and flyers all to provide a means of close interaction and mutual support to these Clubs. We host the Annual Fleet Captains Meeting in January 2021 (more info to follow) which has become a favorite for all Clubs and gives all the new Fleet Captains a great opportunity to meet their counterparts and exchange information on Club Events and set up the ever favorite Land Cruise visits. We also send a delegate to each Ball to present the new P/C with a set of silver buttons. Our group of all Past Commodores work with the Maryland DNR and Maryland Legislature to help all Clubs stay informed on all matters pertaining to the Chesapeake Bay. This is done by a group of very experienced P/Cs and your help in supporting us at the **Annual YCM Golf Outing**. We cannot do it without you! Please showcase your Club or business by sponsoring a golf hole and also golfing with us as well. Every dollar we raise goes back into helping our Yacht Club Community. See the flyer attached for details. Thanking you in advance for your support.

**A BOAT IN PORT IS SAFE BUT THAT IS NOT WHAT BOATS ARE BUILT FOR**

George Stromberg  
Rear Commodore YCM  
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# Legislative Affairs Officer's Report

## Scott Gundaker

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### BAY BRIDGE STUDY REVEALS FRONTRUNNER IN NEW BRIDGE LOCATION

September 7, 2020

A multi-year study on building a new Bay Bridge crossing in Maryland has taken another step forward. All but three proposed locations have been officially eliminated, and one of the three remaining options rises to the top: building an additional span alongside the existing Bay Bridge.

Funded by toll dollars, the Bay Crossing study was ordered by Governor Larry Hogan to solve the frequent major congestion at the Bay Bridge, Maryland's only Chesapeake Bay crossing. This is "Tier 1" of the study. It started in 2016 and is expected to be finished in 2021.

In the [Chesapeake Bay Crossing Alternatives Report](#) completed in July, a screening focused on "the level of demand for each corridor alternative" and whether each option would divert traffic away from the existing Bay Bridge.



Using traffic metrics, the report found a "clear pattern" that the most effective locations for diverting traffic away from the existing bridge are those closest to it. All three originate in Anne Arundel County on the western shore and in Queen Anne's or Talbot counties on the Eastern shore, each within a few miles of the existing bridge. The report notes that the option known as "Corridor 7," closest to the bridge, is the shortest overall distance that wouldn't cause major effects on the Eastern shore and the environment.

The report says, "Corridor 7 has demonstrated the greatest overall ability to meet the Purpose and Need," and that Corridor 7 has advantages over the other two crossings still under consideration, including better congestion relief and backup reduction at the existing bridge, best diversion route, and better compatibility with existing land-use patterns. However, all three Anne Arundel County corridors are recommended to be carried forward for further evaluation.

A series of open houses hosted by the Maryland Transportation Authority in fall 2019 reinforced the emphasis on reducing congestion, the report states. Members of the public ranked "reducing congestion" as a high priority for identifying possible crossings.

Indeed, drivers crossing the Bay Bridge from the Eastern shore to the western shore faced 10-mile backups on the afternoon of Labor Day this Monday.

Even so, not everyone wants to see a new bridge crossing. The Eastern Shore Land Conservancy tells Bay Bulletin it “opposes a new span in any location which exclusively considers automobile traffic.”

Communications Manager Darius Johnson says, “the recommendations proposed are 20th-century solutions to a 21st-century management issue.” He cites the recently implemented cashless tolling as an example of solutions that minimize impact on the Eastern Shore’s communities, landscape, and “climate vulnerabilities.”

The leader of Anne Arundel County also opposes a new crossing. County Executive Stuart Pittman said in a [statement last year](#), “Any of the three options will be severely disruptive to existing communities and sensitive environmental areas. All three options could destroy parks along the Chesapeake Bay, at a time when we are trying to expand public water access.”

-Meg Walburn Viviano

**Thank You**  
**Scott Gundaker**  
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## Protocol Matters

**Joe Hellner**

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During the fall season, yacht clubs often conduct a Fleet Review to celebrate the end of a successful boating season and to honor the Commodore and Bridge for leading the club during the previous year. All club boats are invited to participate and, after the boats are docked, a celebratory event is held. The type of event is up to the club, but usually includes food and beverages plus speeches and presentations focusing the past year and boating season. Recently, I received a question about the protocols for how a club should conduct a Fleet Review.

First off, the Commodore leaves and anchors his/her boat at a location where club boats can pass by and exchange honors. Under the direction of the Fleet Captain, club boats then leave the pier for a short run out on the local waterway before returning in order to conduct the Fleet Review.

The order is done by rank starting with the V/C. Fleet Review line up is similar to how visiting clubs line up their people at openings.

The overall order is Current Officers, Board Members, P/C's (last in time to the most recent, usually the IP/C). The IP/C is usually a voting Board Member so can line up with them or at the end of the P/C's. Members come after the P/C's.

Member line up is as the club chooses, but suggested line up is when the member joined - the newest club member would be last in line.

Guest yacht club boats may participate. They go after all the club boats and line up as they would for a club opening ceremony.

When multiple people are on a boat, the boat goes in the position of highest rank aboard. For example, if the R/C and Secretary are on the same boat, the boat goes in the R/C position.

Flags of all offices aboard should be flown in rank order. Home club flags to starboard. All other flags to port. Only yacht club, yachting association, or other boating organization related flags should be flown.

Princess and/or Queen and Commodore's guests go on the Commodore Boat and return salutes hand over heart. 1st Lady or 1st Gentleman stands with the Commodore and returns salutes (hand over heart if not in uniform). All in uniform wear hats when giving or returning the salutes. Persons not in uniform on review boats render hand over heart salutes. If crew available to do so, the National Ensign may be dipped in passing.

The number of passes by the Commodore Boat is as many as the club desires. Most clubs do at least 2 passes, but one is OK.

The Fleet Captain is in overall charge and directs boats on the radio as needed. F/C joins the passes in rank order behind the R/C. The F/C is always last to dock as the boat in charge of the Fleet Review.

All other boats dock once they have completed their last pass. The Commodore Boat docks after the last boat has passed. If there is congestion at the slips, the F/C will tell certain boats to wait until the way is clear.

**Thank You**  
**Protocol Matters**  
**Joe Hellner**



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Arrrrghh, Ahoy there Mateys!

It may now be Fall on the calendar, but boaters know all boating season is "Fall Season". Old Salty just got some news from a trusted source who ratted out a certain P/C from Red Eye YC. This experienced boater found out the hard way that parting from his boat can leave a captain with more than sweet sorrow.

On Tuesday, July 27, while cleaning his boat, this unfortunate fellow was kneeling along the gunwale when he decided to visit Davey Jones at the bottom of Sue Creek. No one would have been the wiser, as the basin was void of any other souls. However, he foolishly decided to come home and confess to his wife and the club princess, who being loyal Wharf Rats of the Order of King Neptune, did their duty and turned him in.

It seems that this industrious fellow, in his enthusiasm to keep his boat shipshape, forgot about boats floating on water and that, even when tied up, they tip and move (a lot). As all Crusty Shellbacks know, cleaning a boat means obeying the old sailor's law, "One Hand for the Man, One Hand for the Ship".

So, for Failing to Hold Fast to the Boat and Falling into Glory, a Skunk Flag is hereby awarded to Captain Splash (whose identity will be revealed officially when the award is presented at a suitable occasion before shipmates and friends)!

Send Salty your Skunk Flag nominee reports and news about the latest happenings around the clubs and on the water to [mi-ti-bear@comcast.net](mailto:mi-ti-bear@comcast.net)

Till next Port o' Call, always remember, "Those who don't make mistakes must not be doing anything."

**Arrrrghhh!**  
**Salty Sam the Sea Dog**



## Chaplain's Report

Anna Davis

### YCM Baybreeze Chaplain Report

#### Condolences To:

CBYCA Commodore Kyle Gray on the recent passing of his father. Expressions of Sympathy can be sent to 3208 Split Oak Ct. Abingdon, MD 21009.

*To those who have lost loved ones, but don't want it made known.*

#### Get Well Wishes To:

I am aware of several of our fellow yacht club members or their family members who are dealing with various health issues, but do not want it to be known by all.

Please Kyle and all the others in your thoughts and prayers especially during these difficult days.

#### Thought for the Month

"The best kind of people are the ones that come into your life and make you see the sun where you once saw clouds The people that believe in you so much, you start to believe in you too. The people that love you, simply for being you. The once in a lifetime kind of people."

[www.wisdomquotesandstories.com](http://www.wisdomquotesandstories.com): In a world that has literally Gone Crazy, let's be that kind of people Take the time to reach out to someone you know. Both of you will feel better because of it.

Anna M. Davis, YCM 2020 Chaplain

### YCM 2020 Lottery Raffle

Since the YCM Raffle has been postponed until the month of September, it is now time to return all sold and unsold tickets to me. Tickets and money must be received by me by August 31<sup>st</sup> to be considered for the September 1<sup>st</sup> drawing. Its best if you could copy the sold ticket stubs, keeping a copy for yourself and emailing me a copy. If any questions, my contact information is below.

How it works: Each ticket cost \$ 5.00. We will use the Maryland Lottery's Evening 3-digit number for the month of September to determine each day's winner. This means you have 30 chances to win on each \$5.00 ticket. We have 1000 tickets with numbers going from 000 through 999. Say your ticket number is 213 and on September 13th "213" is the evening number you will win \$50. The amount you win depends on the day your number may be drawn. Checks will be mailed out at the end of September.

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# YACHT CLUBS OF MARYLAND

## Webmaster

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**Website** <http://www.yachtclubsofmaryland.com>

Please visit YCM's website for current information and news about YCM and our member clubs around the bay. You can find upcoming events, balls, opening day schedules, and more. Please remember to submit your flyers to: **[ycmvicecommodore@gmail.com](mailto:ycmvicecommodore@gmail.com)**

We have a wonderful webpage and I try to keep it updated with information as soon as I receive it. The big thing right now is Commodores Balls. With the current health crisis I know a lot of Clubs are still trying to make a decision on what is going to happen and how to handle things will all the restrictions. Once your Club has made a decision, if you could please contact me so that I can update the website.

Additionally, any events or flyers that you would like posted for other Clubs to see, please email them to me at [familygaff@gmail.com](mailto:familygaff@gmail.com). I am trying to keep the Calendar and flyers up to date as much as possible.

If you have any pictures you would like to share from some of your cruises, raft-ups, or events please feel free to share and I will create an album to post them in.

Looking to the future, please take an opportunity to check out the Opening schedule. If your date looks wrong, please let me know and I will make the necessary adjustment.

If there are any suggestions you have about the webpage, maybe something you'd like to see, please feel free to contact me and I will do my best to accommodate you.

**Stephanie Gaff**

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# Classified Ads

Place your classified ads in the Baybreeze and reach all of our member clubs.

The cost is \$2.00 per month for personal ads, and \$3.00 per month for business- and business-related ads (4 lines or less) \$10.00 if you include pictures. We will soon have pricing for quarter page, half page and full-page ads.

Send you ads to: [ycmvicecommodore@gmail.com](mailto:ycmvicecommodore@gmail.com)

## Show some YCM pride!

Available now, **YCM Member Burgees and YCM Delegates Flags for only \$20.**

Please contact Joe Hellner at [mi-ti-bear@comcast.net](mailto:mi-ti-bear@comcast.net).

**YCM Burgee:** Can be flown by any member of a club that belongs to YCM. It is not to fly in place of the club burgee at the bow but may be flown on a portside hoist or attachment point or a separate rail mount flag post aft of the bow post.

**YCM Delegates Flag:** Can be flown by any Current Club Delegate to YCM. Flown as a club office on the Starboard side or on the port side under the club burgee for which the person is a delegate. As a current office, is flown above the P/C Flag and below any higher-ranking current club office.



### ***What Yacht Clubs of Maryland provides for its member Clubs;***

Below is a summary:

**1. Legislative and Regulatory Representation:** Because we are focused only on Maryland and rely on directly affected local volunteers, we are usually ahead of other organizations in knowing and acting on issues of concern to Maryland yacht clubs and their members. If you have been following our publications or getting

meeting reports from your representatives, you know that the 2015 legislation session held no significant problems for clubs and boaters. Other years have been a different story. Recent efforts have included, YCM submitting written testimony in opposition to the Boating Fees Bill (HB 1307) and the Luxury Tax Bill (HB 1345), contacted legislators, and had YCM reps attend the hearings on behalf of the clubs. At one of the hearings, with Cheryl Blakey and Joe Hellner (attending on behalf of YCM) noted committee members hitting points right off our written testimony. We worked collaboratively with CBYCA and kept them in the loop. We also investigated and then contacted officials and other organizations on the large gathering permit bill, which, once amended in response to feedback from the marine trades, YCM, and boating groups, had no effect on normal yacht club activities. Throughout the year, coordinated by our Legislative Director, volunteers looked into waterway and boating issues brought to us by our members. We also dug to find useful Maryland boating and waterway information so our members wouldn't have to. In 2015, YCM P/C Joe Hellner was appointed by the DNR Secretary to the Maryland Boat Act Advisory Committee as a representative from the yacht club community.

## **2. Support of Maryland yacht club interaction, communication, and promotion of activities of mutual interest.**

- a. Hold the **Annual Fleet Captains Meeting** to allow these (usually new ) officers to meet and discuss plans for the upcoming season, collect information about club activities, and collect and publish that information back to the Fleet Captains and member clubs. These folks form the foundation for our clubs futures and will be working with each other for the next four years. This is the venue that the Rear Commodore uses to introduce the Fleet Captains to the Ship's Log and passes out prior year information that will need to be updated.
- b. **Maintain the YCM web site**, which serves as the Maryland yacht club community bulletin board and is full of information and event news and links. By working with the webmaster, **all clubs are welcome to use** the website. The past three YCM Monthly Newsletters are always available by link from the website.
- c. **Publish a Monthly Newsletter** covering news of interest, protocol tips, and upcoming activities. By working with the Newsletter Editor, **this forum is open to all members**. The newsletter is emailed to member club representatives and commodores to pass on to members and a paper copy sent the club address. Those who would like to get the newsletter directly are welcome to contact the Editor.
- d. Meet Monthly with alternating Board and General Membership Meetings as a **"Local Community Association" to discuss and work on issues of interests to the members**. Each club designates a Representative and Alternate to attend the meetings and provide communication between their club, the YCM, and fellow member clubs around the Bay. These meetings are open to all and lively frank discussion is the norm.
- e. **Annual SHIP'S LOG**: Published each year at the start of boating season contains information provided by each member club intended to be useful to the average club member who wants to know more about other yacht clubs, what they have, and how to visit them. This publication also serves as the annual yearbook capturing people and events of our local yachting community. This is not an ad book as it is intended to and be an informational Service to the Member Clubs. Due to funding limits, printed copies given to each club are limited. The pdf file of SHIP's LOG is available to any member who would like to download the file for club or personal use.
- f. **Skunk Flag of the Bay Award**: Recognizes at least one, sometimes several, members of the yacht club community each year for getting out there and doing something with their boats or with their clubs, leading to outstanding humorous and amusing mishaps and adventures. The Awards are given by YCM's own Salty Sam the Sea Dog, who always notes that "Those who don't make mistakes must not be doing anything". Salty also serves as gossip columnist.
- g. Regular Email Notification: Each year the YCM Vice Commodore maintains an email distribution list to provide breaking news or information of immediate interest to the members. Examples include "All Hands"

notices, flyers from member clubs, Opening and Ball schedules and updates, Sick and Welfare Notices, and Funeral Information. Chances are your officers or club first “heard about it” from us.

h. Protocol Guidance: Each year, YCM receives and responds numerous questions about why and how we do things in the traditional ways followed by yacht clubs, especially the local practices that evolved in Maryland over many generations. YCM appoints a qualified volunteer called “Captain Protocol” to do the research, be the keeper of the knowledge, and find ways to help the member clubs. Often questions become the genesis for regular articles in the newsletter. Recently, “Captain Protocol” provided Pleasant YC with the details of conducting an Opening Day Ceremony as practiced by Maryland clubs around the Northern Chesapeake Bay and distributed a one page guide to placement of buttons, pins, and nameplates on yacht club uniforms.

**3. Organize and Lead the Annual Yacht Club Golf Tournament** to get together in a different type of activity that is popular among many club members in addition to their boating hobby. This event is darn hard to do so great credit goes to the Chairpersons and army of volunteers who create this special opportunity for the golfers and would be golfers in our clubs.

**4. Organize and Lead the Annual Christmas and Holiday Party** open to members and friends of all Maryland Clubs. This event is held at Laurel Park as a unique event, different from regular club activities, which celebrates Maryland's proud heritage of Thoroughbred Horse Racing while providing a centrally located venue where a large number of folks from all the clubs together can gather to celebrate the holiday season.

**5. General Support of Member Clubs:**

a. Our goal is be there when Clubs are stuck on something. One area that has been well received has been our pursuit and stocking of hard to find silver buttons for club Past Commodores, especially since local tailors and on line companies willing to carry these items are few. We were able to find the company that makes buttons, which provides us with wholesale bulk orders of all the types. We also keep a stock of silver hat braids and hat buttons.

b. **Harnessing the power of many:** YCM is the place to come if a member club has an idea or a problem that can be acted upon by finding and pulling together people of like mind and who have the passion and interest to pursue it.

***Not bad for only a \$60.00 annual membership fee and a group of volunteers trying to help their fellow Maryland yacht club friends***



## **YCM Meeting Schedule**

February 26th - Board Meeting - North Point Yacht Club

March 25th - Membership Mtg - Bush River Yacht Club

April 29th - Board Meeting - Sue Haven Yacht Club

May 27th - Membership Mtg – ON-LINE

June 24th - Board Meeting – ON-LINE

July 29th - Membership Mtg – ON-LINE

August 26th - Board Meeting – ON-LINE

***September 30th - Membership Mtg & Change of Watch - Red Eye Yacht Club***

October 28<sup>th</sup> – Board Mtg – ON-LINE

November 25th– Membership Mtg – ON-LINE

December – Holiday Party at Laurel Park



# YACHT CLUBS OF MARYLAND

**COLUMBUS DAY**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2020**

**RSVP NLT OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2020**

**\$90 Per Golfer**

**GREAT PRIZES**

Please join us for this great event! This year's outing is open to ALL golfers. Prizes will be given for top three teams overall. Also, up for grabs, the chance to have your club added to the coveted YCM Golf Outing Club Plaque, which can be proudly displayed at your Club! Come early and enjoy a breakfast sandwich and coffee. Range balls included. Beverages will be provided all day and lunch will be provided after the round.

*Shot Gun time: 9:00 am / Sign-in: 8:30 am*

Please contact **Barry Scott (443) 807-9870, [donedeal1952@gmail.com](mailto:donedeal1952@gmail.com), or Mike Gaff (443) 682-1785, [mikegaff@yahoo.com](mailto:mikegaff@yahoo.com)**. Please send names and a check payable to YCM TO Barry Scott, 3434 Tarpon Way, Apt 435, Abingdon, Maryland 21009 NLT October 1, 2020. If you do not have a full group, sign up anyway, we will match you up.

**ROCKY POINT  
GOLF COURSE**

IF YOU OR YOUR CLUB WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A HOLE, COST IS \$90. PLEASE CONTACT GEORGE STROMBERG (410) 746-8581. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO YCM AND MAIL TO: GEORGE STROMBERG, 8145 BODKIN AVENUE, PASADENA, MARYLAND 21122

9/10/2020