



## December 2023

Please Distribute to Your Members

## YCM 2023-2024 Officers and Board Members

Commodore Rickey Pope Eastern Yacht Club

Vice Commodore Kate Cramblett Miles River Yacht Club

Rear Commodore Steve Spicknall Crescent Yacht Club

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Board Member Joe Broseker Chesapeake Commodores Club

Board Member PC Barry Scott Baltimore Yacht Club

Board Member PC George Stromberg Bodkin Yacht Club

Board Member PC Janet Yodris Key Yacht Club

Protocol Officer PC Joe Hellner Belvedere Yacht Club

Supply Officer PC Faye Broseker Riverside Yacht Club

## YCM 2023-2024 Committee Chairs

Audit Commodore Rick Pope

By-Law HPC Jerry Cramblett

Finance Commodore Rick Pope

Membership RC Steve Spicknall

Nominating IPC Ryan Peters

Ships Log RC Steve Spicknall

Supply Officer PC Faye Broseker

Webmaster IPC Ryan Peters



**Board Meeting** 

## Yacht Clubs of Maryland Bay Breeze



## YCM MEETING SCHEDULE

General Membership Meeting	Wednesday, January 31, 2024	ZOOM
Board Meeting	Wednesday, February 28, 2024	ZOOM
General Membership Meeting	Wednesday, March 27, 2024	North Point YC
Board Meeting	Wednesday, April 24, 2024	ZOOM
General Membership Meeting	Wednesday, May 29, 2024	TBD
Board Meeting	Wednesday, June 26, 2024	ZOOM
General Membership Meeting	Saturday, July 27, 2024	Summer Cruise

2023-2024 YCM SPONSORED EVENTS

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

ZOOM

YCM Commodore & Mates MEET & GREET

Fleet Captains Orientation & Luncheon

Commodores Day Out

YCM Summer Cruise

YCM Golf Outing

YCM Christmas Party





### **Commodore's Report**

Hello All,

Well, November has come and gone and hope everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving Holiday with Family and Friends.

I would imagine most boats are up on the Hard by now and winterized but some are still afloat. Please remember to check your bilges, heaters, and ice- Eaters. Murphy's Law says that "Anything that can happen, Will Happen! "The Parade of Lights was a spectacular view of all the Boats in Middle River. The Imagination and Light designs on the boats were great to see.

In case you were not at our YCM GMM at Maryland Yacht Club, it was an Honor for me to Swear In P/C Steve Spicknall as Rear Commodore and Sharon Winterling as our Secretary to complete our Bridge and H/P/C Jerry Cramblett has graciously accepted to be our By-Law Chairperson. Again, I would like to thank all the Officers, BOG's, Delegates, and members who attended the meeting and a big thanks to Commodore Sean, IPC Carl for allowing us to have our GMM there at Maryland Yacht Club and Past First Lady Tobi for being our guest speaker.

Just a reminder that our Yacht Clubs of Maryland Annual Christmas Party is being Held on Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup>. from 11:30 – 4:30 at Laurel Racetrack. There's still time. You can still attend and pay at the door \$75.00. We always have a great time, please join us. Also, soon R/C Steve will be sending out emails with more information about our Fleet Captains meeting/dinner to all the Commodores and Fleet Captains. This is a WIN, WIN for any Officer going up the line. We are trying to finalize our date, in April, for the Yacht Clubs of Maryland Commodore's Day Out.

I have sent emails out to our Commodore's to see if there was an interest in having a group TIPS Certified training class (Alcohol Awareness Training) for our members who serve or sell Alcohol. We have a Certified Trainer who is willing to have a class or multiple classes if necessary. The cost would be \$50.00 pp. for class, material, and certification. Please email me at <a href="mailto:ripope60@gmail.com">ripope60@gmail.com</a> if you have anyone who would like to attend.

To All my Family and Friends, I wish that December brings you Happiness, Health, Wealth, Love, and unexpected Miracles.

Thank You, God Bless

Rick Pope Commodore 443-955-8687 Rjpope60@gmail.com





## Vice Commodore's Report

The most important thing about Christmas to me is family --- getting everyone in one place for one day. I am truly fortunate to have a fantastic, loving family of 18 soon to be 19. Being with them rejuvenates and comforts me. Did you notice that when you joined a yacht club, your family got bigger? I know for sure mine did. **Yacht Clubs of Maryland** is an extended family that I get to spend time with having fun. Just like this weekend YCM has brought us all together for fun, good food and friendship. If you have not been to our Laurel Park Christmas Party—put it in your calendar for next year.

In February the extended family is having another fun event for a special member of our family — Our **FLEET CAPTAIN**. Being the new kid on the block can be overwhelming but "**We got your back**"— that is what families are for. At our *Annual Fleet Captains Luncheon on February 4th*, we will share information about the ins and outs of being a Fleet Captain and Fleetress and will let you know we are here for you whenever you need us.

As I mentioned in my last month's article, Yacht Clubs of Maryland is here 24/7/365 for our member clubs. There is no issue too small or too large that we are not willing to tackle to make things better for members of our yacht club family.

Well, I have rambled enough, time to sign off and wish all my family members a **VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS**, HAPPY HANNUKAH, HAPPY KWANZAA, FELIZ NAVIDA.

Kate Cramblett
Vice Commodore
410-802-4791
Kate.cramblett@verizon.net





## **Rear Commodore's Report**

I hope this article finds you well and full of holiday spirit. For Lady Melissa and I, this is an exciting time of year, as our girls are 11 and 8 years of age, making Christmas our time to enjoy the season through the eyes of a child...... AND also to potentially go broke over the pile of toys they have on their lists.

Attention all Commodores and Fleet Captains - PLEASE mark February 4th on your calendars. This is the date for the Annual Fleet Captain's Luncheon. 12pm start, with lunch being served at 12:30pm. This is THE DAY to have your Fleeties and Fleetresses exchange information while having a few laughs. Flyer to be distributed soon. We at YCM look forward to seeing you there!

From the Spicknall house to yours - Merry Christmas - Happy Hanukkah - Happy Kwanzaa - Happy New Year!!!

Steve Spicknall
Rear Commodore
(443) 398-5633
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## **Legislative Affairs Officer's Report**

Did you know the Department of Natural Resources scientists monitor Maryland's waters to determine the habitat health for fish, crabs, oysters, and other aquatic organisms. Results from the monitoring, algae blooms, and physical, biological, and chemical properties of the water. While many water samples are taken and analyzed later at a laboratory, modern instruments called water quality sondes allow for the immediate collection of some parameters.

A sonde is essentially a computer and a power supply that can be programed to measure the current status of waterways, tell us whether they are improving or degrading, and help to assess and guide resource management and restoration actions. Information is collected on nutrient (nitrogen and phosphorus) and sediment concentrations submerged, and have a wide variety of sensors attached to it to measure different parameters such as:

- Temperature/Conductivity
- pH sensor
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Turbidity –An optical sensor
- Chlorophyll

Sondes can be deployed from a research vessel or small boat to see how parameters change in the water column from top to bottom.

For DNR's continuous monitoring projects, sondes collect data every 15 minutes. They are deployed off of piers and pilings in shallow waters, buoys in deeper water, and on a pontoon-based vertical profiler that raises and lowers the instrument in the water column. Results can be sent via cell phone telemetry and displayed in real-time on the web.

Sondes can even be deployed on a small boat using a system called DATAFLOW. As the boat travels a waterway, a pump draws water across the sensors and readings are taken every four seconds. Those spatially intensive measurements are used to create maps of surface water quality.

Learn more about DNR's monitoring and explore the data at Eyes on the Bay: <a href="mailto:eyesonthebay.dnr.maryland.gov">eyesonthebay.dnr.maryland.gov</a>.





Also, there is news for the fishing folks. Prompted by slumping striped bass reproduction in Maryland waters, the state Department of Natural Resources is moving to limit fishing for the popular Bay rockfish during its spawning run next spring.

On Nov. 29, DNR proposed emergency regulations that would eliminate the state's two-week trophy fishing season in early May. That's when anglers have in past years been allowed to keep one fish a day measuring 35 inches or more.

The rule would likewise bar keeping any striped bass hooked on the Susquehanna Flats at the head of the Bay in the latter half of May. It would also extend from four to six weeks a springtime prohibition on targeting striped bass—even for catch and release—from April 1 through May 15.

DNR officials said they're seeking to improve striped bass reproduction by easing the fishing pressure.

"We're asking anglers to take a break, leave the fish alone, and hopefully we'll get a good result," said Mike Luisi, associate DNR director for tidal and coastal management and science.

Known regionally as rockfish, striped bass are one of the most sought-after sport and commercial fish in the Chesapeake Bay and along the mid-Atlantic coast. They spend much of their adult lives roaming the coastal Atlantic Ocean but migrate every spring into the Bay and its tributaries to spawn in freshwater. That typically occurs in April and May.

The Bay is the primary spawning and nursery ground for 70-90 percent of the entire coastwide population of striped bass. But Maryland's annual seine survey for juvenile fish in the Bay and tidal tributaries this year found the <u>second fewest</u> number of recently hatched striped bass since the survey began in 1957. It is the fifth straight year of belownormal juvenile counts in the state.

Maryland's move comes as the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, which regulates near-shore fishing along the entire East Coast, weighs <u>a menu of other curbs</u> on recreational and commercial fishing for striped bass that could be imposed next year.





DNR Secretary Josh Kurtz said Maryland's emergency regulations are intended to complement whatever the Atlantic States commission decides to do when it meets in January.

Recent research suggests striped bass spawning may be suffering from environmental factors, including warmer than usual winters and low river flows because of reduced precipitation. But DNR officials say they're proposing curbs on fishing-related mortality in hopes they will improve the odds for a rebound in spawning.

Dick Bruns Legislative Affairs Officer 410-382-4561 dickbruns@comcast.net





## **Protocol Matters** By Joe Hellner Introduction Protocol Pointers

Recently, I responded to a member question about who should represent their club at a Commodores Ball. Below are some useful pointers on introduction protocols.

Currently serving officers and Board Members (appointed and elected) always outrank persons with "Past" titles.

Elected officers rank higher than appointed officers. For example, the Chesapeake Commodores Club at openings introduces the elected officers in order of rank then the appointed officers in order of rank. Board Members (if introduced) follow the officers in precedence.

The IP/C is a voting Board Member per most club bylaws, but usually lines up as the last P/C introduced (The tradition of going from first to last). However, the IP/C may be introduced as a serving Board Member (in the appropriate place in line), if desired.

All that said, the order of introduction depends on the situation (i.e., highest rank first or highest rank last).

Highest honor is always the last introduced, so hosts are always introduced after visitors. Hosts at balls, openings, and other events start with the P/Cs and work up to the highest rank. The IP/C starts off as the lowest rank. At Balls, the IP/C is introduced first (after the M/C) to assume the watch for the last time to receive salutes and be honored for his or her term of service. This approach also allows the Commodore the highest honor of being introduced last, usually to cheers and a standing ovation by all present.

At openings, for practical reasons, the Commodore is introduced first (after the M/C) to receive visitors on behalf of the club. The lowest to highest rank order is then followed when it is time for the host club officials to be introduced.

At openings, the visitors are "in formation," so their ranking officer introduces them in highest to lowest order.

As an example of how the protocols apply, an appointed officer (e.g., Chaplain, Fleet Surgeon, Sail Fleet Captain, etc.), as a currently serving official, outranks a P/C from a protocol standpoint. Therefore, the F/S should represent.

A potential point of confusion is that if your bylaws designate the IP/C as a voting Board member then that person is also a serving official. However, officers (appointed or elected) outrank Board Members, so again the appointed officer should represent.

Till next time, see you around the Bay!



## Yacht Clubs of Maryland Annual Christmas Party

Saturday, December 16th

11:30 - 4:30 (1st race goes off at 12:25 p.m.) - TERRACE DINING

WHERE: Laurel Race Track, 3600 Ft. Meade Rd., Laurel, MD 20725

TICKETS: \$70.00 per Person\* [\*CASH Bar & Mutuel Tellers Nearby]

RSVP: By 12-8 to P/C Cheryl Blakey, 610-620-5513 or chlakey3@gmail.com

## Ticket Price Includes (Easy Access to our Dining & Party Area!!):

- Chicken Marsala, Pork Loin with Garlic & Balsamic Reduction, Caesar Salad, Margherita & Spinach Pesto Flatbreads, Chef's Selections of Sides and Vegetables, Oven fresh Rolls and Butter. Array of Specialty Italian Sweets, Mousse Cups, and Dessert Shooters (Buffet Style). Iced Tea, Coffee, Herbal Teas.
- Parking in General Lot is Included, or Valet Parking is an additional Fee, payable to Valet when you arrive
- Race Day Program, General Parking & Admission, 20 Minute Tour of the Paddock and Winner's Circle before our Race, Winner's Circle Photo for Designated Yacht Clubs of Maryland Race
- Santa will be there, and please plan to contribute a gift (no more than \$15) that is wrapped for the Polyanna gift exchange – Simply designate on the package if the gift is intended for a woman or a gentleman to receive, if appropriate

\*CHECKS should be made out to "Yacht Clubs of Maryland", and mailed to

Cheryl's Attention: P.O. Box 36, Kirkwood, PA 17536. PAYMENT needs to be Received in ADVANCE. Or \$75.00 Per Ticket at the Door If you would Like to possibly CARPOOL with another Couple – Please CALL Cheryl at 610-620-5513 to see how we may help Partner you with other Attendees to Ride Share...







## CAMPING IN THE USA

In Honor of Commodore Shelly Speicher Allocco & First Mate Rich

## SHARE YOUR ADVENTURE

The 5th through the 7th of January 2024 back at the Princess Royale, Ocean City, MD!



If your Club would like to perform a skit on Friday, contact AEO Greg Reed on 443 928-7859 or gregreed.cyc@gmail.com





Past First Ladies are welcome to wear their white gown @



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

# **BUSH RIVER YACHT CLUB**

Commodore's Ball

## **SAVE THE DATE**

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SATURDAY AT 5 PM -COCKTAIL HOUR FOLLOWED BY CEREMONY, DINNER & DANCING:
MUSIC BY VERTIGO RED

TICKETS ARE \$110.00 PER PERSON PRINCESS \$75.00

Maryland Golf & Country Club 1335 E MACPHAIL RD, BEL AIR, MD 21014 RSVP TO DAVE OLIVER

443-783-6140

# GALLOWAY YACHT CLUB CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR 44<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL COMMODORE'S BALL

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## CASINO ROYALE





Honoring

Commodore Curt Mauldin & First Lady Anna

Saturday, January 27, 2024

**Boumi Shriners Temple** 

5050 King Avenue Baltimore, MD 21237

Registration: 5-6 PM

Introductions: 6-7 PM

Dinner and Dancing: 7-11 PM Music By: DON'T STOP

Tickets: \$110 Princess Tickets: \$70.00

Please RSVP To: Secretary Bob Truax at 711truman@comcast.net

To Pay in Advance, Make Check To GYC and mail To: Treasurer Mike Ward 17 Woody Rd-Essex, Md. 21221

Venmo To: @Galloway-YC

Zelle To: Gallowayyc@gmail.com

Pay At The Door – Check or Cash











### Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association Commodore's Ball

Saturday, February 24, 2024 6:30 pm ~ 9:30 pm Baltimore Inner Harbor, Maryland



## Come Sail Away...

You are cordially invited to the CBYCA Commodore's Ball aboard the City Cruises "Majesty", sailing out of Baltimore Inner Harbor, Maryland, Saturday, February 24, 2024, boarding at 6:30 pm, and cruising from 7-9:30 pm. Boarding is at 561 Light St, Baltimore, Maryland.

The Majesty offers 2 interior dining decks and an incredible rooftop deck for photos and featuring the best views of Baltimore. The ship will only be for our event and will have a buffet dinner on the lower interior level, premium hor d'oeuvres, open bar before dinner, champagne toast, dessert as well as DJ entertainment and dancing.

Attendance will be limited to only 125 people (waiting list will be maintained), so please register early here: <a href="https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/b2da6a5e-3d3a-4e28-ad6c-ef1daf128412">https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/b2da6a5e-3d3a-4e28-ad6c-ef1daf128412</a> We have a discounted block of hotel rooms at the Royal Sonesta Harbor Court Baltimore, 550 Light Street, Baltimore, MD. The discount code is: "CBYCA" for that weekend, or use this direct link: <a href="https://book.passkey.com/event/50675588/owner/294/home">https://book.passkey.com/event/50675588/owner/294/home</a>

## \*\*\* Tickets: \$145 per person Princesses: \$70 per person \*\*\*













HOORAY FOR THE RED, WHITE, AND BLUE

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO
MARLEY BOAT CLUB'S COMMODORE'S BALL
HONORING COMMODORE OTIS LAYTON
AND FIRST LADY DR. CINDY

SATURDAY MARCH 2, 2024 5PM TO 11 PM
CRESCENT YACHT CLUB
1840 CAPE MAY ROAD
ESSEX. MD 21221
REGISTRATION 5 PM CEREMONY 6 PM
APPETIZERS, OPEN BAR, DINNER
AND DANCING TO "DON'T STOP"

COST: \$110 PP PRINCESS \$55

RSVP BY FEBRUARY 17, 2024 TO IPC DR. CINDY LAYTON 443-223-6475 OR CNLAYTON@VERIZON.NET



#### IT'S A FUNDRAISER

JOIN THE NEPTUNE YACHT CLUB AT OUR 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL.
SHRIMP OYSTER AND BULL ROAST.

TO BE HELD

SATURDAY, MARCH 23,2023

7:00 PM-11:00 PM

SUPERIOR CATERING HALL-IMPERIAL ROOM

1010 OLDHAM STREET-BALTIMORE, MD 21224

7:00 PM-11:00 PM

Tickets \$70

#### MENU

Steamed Shrimp
Raw Oysters on the Half- Shell
Top Round Beef on the Pit
Roasted Turkey Breast on the Pit
Sweet Italian Sausage on the Pit
Maryland Famous Crab Soup
Jumbo meatball marinara
variety of sides and much more!

Please contact the following for more info:

Cmdr.-Charles White 410-241-0490 Vice Cmdr. Capt. Speed-410-967-9886

	YACHT	CLUBS OF MA	RYLAND	2023/2024	BALL S	CHEC	ULE	DECEM	BER 15,	2023 UPDATE
	DATE	CLUB	LOCATION	TIME	BAND	COST	PRINCESS	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
	Friday, September 8	North Point Yacht Club	North Point Yacht Club 1700 Wharf Road Sparrows Point, MD 21219	REG: 6:00 PM CER: 7:00 PM	More Cow Bell	\$75.00	ТВА	RC Andrew West	410-365-0646	slicklawn@aol.com
	Saturday, October 7	Sue Haven Yacht Club	Sue Haven Yacht Club 542 Edgar Avenue Baltimore, MD 21221	REG: 5:00 PM CER: 6:00 PM	Code Red	\$105.00	\$55.00	PC Steve Reed	410-294-5543	reeduu38@gmail.com
	Saturday, October 14	Red Eye Yacht Club	Eastern Yacht Club 2330 Seneca Road Essex, MD 21221	REG: 6:00 PM CER: 7:00 PM	The Uncommitted	\$100.00	\$55.00	Emi Heiser	410-404-4066	dwheiser@verion.net
	Saturday, October 21	Baltimore Yacht Club	Boumi Shriners Temple 5050 King Avenue Rosedale, MD 21237	REG: 5:00 PM CER: 6:00 PM	Don't Stop	\$110.00	\$70.00	Barry Scott	443-807-9870	bycball2023@gmail.com
2	Saturday, November 4	North East River Yacht Club	North East River Yacht Club 80 Bayside Dr North East, MD 21901	6:00PM	ТВА	\$90	\$60	Dick Martin	410-920-3357	Richardmartin88@comcast.net
2	Saturday, November 11	Pleasant Yacht Club	M&M Catering 1010 Oldham Street Baltimore MD 21224	1PM-5PM		\$60		Herb Barnes	443-956-0586	
3	Saturday, November 18	Maryland Yacht Club	Maryland Yacht Club 1500 Fairview Beach Road Pasadena, MD 21122	REG: 10:45 BRUNCH 11:00 CER: 12:00PM		\$80.00	\$40.00	Carl Treff	410-627-3093	on-line registration @ www.mdyc.org/events
	Saturday, December 2	Eastern Yacht Club	Eastern Yacht Club 2330 Seneca Road Essex, MD 21221	REG: 6:00PM	Sound Storm	\$110	\$60	Sharon Winterling by Nov. 17th		sharonwinterling@gmail.com
	Saturday, December 2	Kent Island Yacht Club	Kent Island Yacht Club 117 Yacht Club Drive Chester, MD 21619	REG: 5:00PM CER: 6:00PM	Sharon and the Edge Band	\$90	\$60	KIYC Office	410-640-4101	kiyc@kiyc.org
	Friday, December 8 POSTPONED	Otter Point Yacht Club	Otter Point Yacht Club 600 Otter Point Road Abingdon, MD 21009	Reg: 6:00PM Dinner 7:00PM Cer: 8:15PM	TBA	\$100	\$50	Nathan Summers Pamela Morris	410-382-8961 443-752-9807	natosummers@gmail.com pamelamorris@icloud.com
	Friday - Sunday January 5-7	Chesapeake Commodores Club	Princess Royale 9100 Coastal Highway Ocean City, MD 21842	FRIDAY REG: 1:00 PM		VARIES	N/A	E/O Janet Yodris	410- 979-9699	ziajanet47@gmail.com
	Saturday, January 20	Bush River Yacht Club	MD Golf & Country Club 1335 E MacPhail Road Bel Air, MD 21015	Cocktail Hour 5:00PM	Vertigo Red	\$110	\$75	Dave Oliver	443-783-6140	
	Saturday, January 27	Galloway Yacht Club	Boumi Shriners Temple 5050 King Avenue Rosedale, MD 21237	REG:5:00 PM CER: 6:00 PM	Don't Stop	\$110.00	\$70.00	Bob Truax		711Truman@comcast.net
	Saturday, February 3	Middle River Yacht Club	Sparrows Point Country Club 919 Wise Avenue Dundalk, MD 21222	5:30 Reg 6:00 Dinner	Oracle	\$115	\$75	Mary Phillips	410-491-9054	philpmary@aol.com
2	Saturday, February 10	Bodkin Yacht Club	Turf Valley Resort 2700 Turf Valley Road Ellicott City, MD 21042	REG: 5:00 PM CER: 6:00 PM		\$105	55	Lesley Hunter		ТВА
2	Saturday, February 17	Crescent Yacht Club	MD Golf & Country Club 1335 E MacPhail Road Bel Air, MD 21015	REG: NOON CER: 1:00PM	DJ	\$100	\$50	Andy Socha		sochafamily882@msn.com
4	Saturday, February 17	Great Oak Yacht Club	Eden Resort 222 Eden Road Lancaster, PA 17601	6:00PM				April Osterstock	484-358-3858	Aoster43@gmail.com
	Saturday, February 24	СВУСА	Majesty Ship Baltimore Inner Harbor	Boarding 6:30PM Sailing 7-9:30PM	DJ	\$145	\$70			
	Saturday, March 2	Marley Boat Club	Crescent Yacht Club 1840 Cape May Road Baltimore MD 21221	REG: 5:00 PM CER: 6:00 PM	Don't Stop	\$110	\$55	Dr. Cindy Layton	443-223-6475	cnlayton@verizon.net
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	NOTE: Riversid	e Yacht Club will not	be holding a ball this	year.						