



March 2024

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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 PC Barry Scott Baltimore Yacht Club

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Board Member PC Janet Yodris Key Yacht Club

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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





YCM MEETING SCHEDULE

General Membership Meeting Wednesday, March 27, 2024 North Point YC

Board Meeting Wednesday, April 24, 2024 ZOOM

General Membership Meeting Wednesday, May 29, 2024 Bodkin YC

Board Meeting Wednesday, June 26, 2024 ZOOM

General Membership Meeting Saturday, July 27, 2024 Summer Cruise

Board Meeting Wednesday, August 28, 2024 ZOOM

2023-2024 YCM SPONSORED EVENTS

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,

March is here and the arrival of Spring, with strong winds, and a mishmash of snow and rain. Of course, the weather in Baltimore is unpredictable. So, as I am writing this, I watch a flag fly-by my window with 35 to 45 wind gusts, with two-to-three-foot white caps on a high Tide slapping the bottom of my boat on a lift at its highest position. What is not to worry about! And within several hours the winds settle down and the snow flurries start. As the adage says, "If you don't like weather in Baltimore, just wait a minute"!

One of the best attributes of our Yachting Community is that it enables us to help people in many ways that we could not as individuals. I want to thank Aimee Mitchell for spearheading the fundraising events at Red Eye Yacht Club for Kyle and Ashley Gubernat and their family. Their home had major fire and smoke damage. Kyle and Ashley were very thankful for all the donations from individual Yacht Clubs, Members, Family, and friends. Thank God everyone was safe and sound, Kyle with a sense of humor said that his Golf Bag was untouched.

Our YCM sponsored TiPS Alcohol Awareness Training Class was a success. Bush River Yacht Club treated us with coffee and donuts in the morning and after class with everyone certificated, there was a little OJT. I would like to thank Bush River Yacht Club Officers and members for allowing us to have this class, V/C Gosia Studnicki for being my point of contact and helping me make this happen and would like to thank Bodkin's Past First Lady Jean McCracken for taking time from her schedule and teaching this class.

V/C Kate Cramblett has been working diligently to get the Opening Schedule out to our members in a timely manner and would like to thank all the Yacht Clubs for their updated information. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Openings. Also very important is for R/C Steve Spicknall to have all the updated officer/club Information for the 2024 SHIPS LOG. Please send it in as soon as possible so that we can send this to our printer and hopefully have available for you at the first Openings. Our next General Membership Meeting is on March 27th. at 6:30 PM at North Point Yacht Club. We are also having dinner, the cost is \$18, We are also having Guest Speakers. We look forward to seeing you there.

I will leave you with one more bit of information. It's our 19th. Commodores Day Out Brunch on April 21st. from 1pm – 5pm at Baltimore Yacht Club. For reservations, please call our Treasurer and P/C Faye Broseker at 717-227-1348.

Thank You, Enjoy!
Rick Pope
Commodore
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Vice Commodore's Report

YCM's Commodore Day Out Brunch on Sunday, April 21st (see flyer attached) is the last ball of the season. If you have not responded, please do so as soon as possible as attendance is limited. And believe it or not, the following week, we start openings. The 2024 Opening Day Schedule (attached) has been posted on our Facebook page and website.

Our next General Membership meeting is Wednesday, March 27th at North Point Yacht Club, and we will have guest speakers from Maryland Department of Natural Resources (see flyer). Our May 29th GMM meeting will be held at Bodkin Yacht Club with Sam Weaver of Maryland Waterways Foundation as our guest speaker.

April 1st, I will be meeting with Lori Campbell (Rock Hall Marina) to coordinate our Summer Cruise July 26-28, 2024. Jerry & I attended our very first Summer Cruise last year and other than the "hurricane that blew through," we had a wonderful time. It is our biggest attendance event and the most fun.

Time just keeps rolling by and very soon we will begin looking to put together the 2024-2025 Bridge and Board. Have you ever thought about joining the YCM team? While we will be looking for some new line officers as well as Board members. Letters of Intent from potential candidates, including current officers are due by **May 31, 2024**, to IPC Ryan Peters (rpeters.iar@gmail.com). So, if you miss all the fun and excitement of serving your home club and feel the need to move on to something a little bigger, here's your opportunity. If you have any questions at all about any office, feel free to reach out to any of the officers.

Reminder, please forward your Opening Day Flyers and any other flyers for your club events to me at kate.cramblett@verizon.net so that I may post them in the Bay Breeze as well as our Facebook page.

Kate Cramblett
Vice Commodore
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Rear Commodore's Report

Greetings Yacht Club Family!!

I hope this article finds you happily in the throes of preparing for spring's arrival. My recent boating daydreams are quickly followed by the panic of "boy, do we ever have a lot to do before dropping the boat in" thoughts. I cannot wait to put this annual 30–45-day period of stress behind me...... BUT it's all worth it in the end.

This is the last call for Ship's Log ads and contact updates. Our goal is to have it to the printer by 4/1, which allows for distribution at Marley's Opening Weekend. Please get your updated club info to me ASAP. This is a great resource for sister club contacts that stay within the yachting community, for those worried about your info being scattered about randomly.

Lady Melissa and I are very much looking forward to seeing you all at openings soon!

Steve Spicknall Rear Commodore Yacht Clubs of Maryland (443) 398-5633

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Legislative Affairs Officer's Report

This month House Bill 239 was passed. The Bill can be read by going to Maryland House Bills, change the tab to Alphanumerical. The Bill is on page 12. There you can read the entire Bill and of course the new increase in fees for boaters. Your representative in Annapolis believes you need to pay more!

The Board of Public Works recently approved the Maryland Department of Natural Resources accepting the donation of Holly Beach Farm, a 293-acre waterfront property in Anne Arundel County, from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. Holly Beach Farm, which is just south of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge, is an important staging and wintering area for migratory waterfowl as well as a nesting site for herons and bald eagles.

The property was part of a 3,000-acre estate and summer home of industrialist magnate Sylvester Labrot, who built a mansion there in 1908. It remained in private ownership until 2001, when the Conservation Fund acquired the Holly Beach property and conveyed it to Chesapeake Bay Foundation to manage it for conservation and environmental education. The former owner, Leonie Gately, preserved the property and sold it for conservation purposes, despite more lucrative and regular requests from developers.

In October 2023, Chesapeake Bay Foundation issued a Request for Expressions of Interest seeking a new steward with a proven ability to manage conserved lands in a way that honors the intent of the original landowner and funding sources. Following that process, the Foundation announced that the Department of Natural Resources had been selected as the new owner of the 293-acre waterfront peninsula. In February, Gov. Moore and Sec. Kurtz had the opportunity to view the ecologically sensitive property and receive an overview of its potential for education, research, and enjoyment.

"Holly Beach Farm is a unique and sensitive natural resource of significant ecological value to the Chesapeake Bay," said Maryland Department of Natural Resources Secretary Josh Kurtz. "With more than 90 percent of the Bay's shoreline in private ownership, it's imperative that we offer new ways for people to enjoy the wonders of the Chesapeake. This acquisition provides new opportunities for Marylanders to enjoy the wildlife and environmental features that make this region of Maryland so special."

Public access is a critical element to the future of the property and the requirements of the acquisition. The department is planning to provide prescriptive and measured public access to Holly Beach Farm with a focus on unique water access opportunities as a featured component.

This month also marks the traditional kickoff of the fishing season (not officially, because there are always seasons open for great fishing in Maryland). The Maryland Fishing Report will soon begin offering weekly expert information about where anglers are catching different species, and they always encourage new anglers to try this beloved pastime in Maryland waters.

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





Protocol Matters

By Joe Hellner

As we launch into the 2024 Boating Season, below are some pointers and traditions that our members may find useful, especially those who are new to yacht clubs.

Commodores Pointer: Your most important duty is to be a bridge builder among the membership. A consensus resolution on a matter for the good of the club is always your objective, regardless of your personal position. As Chair you strive to ensure all discussion and issue resolution occurs in a respectful and professional manner. You strive to ensure all are heard and feel they have a chance to have their say. The Chair ensures people take turns but, in most clubs, free flow discussion and debate is tolerated.

Talking at Meetings: All people should address and speak to the Chair – this Robert's Rule helps keep the discussion from being or seeming personal. For the same reason, people should refer to the officer's title not the person's name. For example, "Commodore, I disagree with the Vice Commodores position" or "Commodore, I request the Treasurer, repeat the part of his report citing checks written" In most clubs, some direct conversation is tolerated for practical reasons, but the Chair should keep this under control.

Fleet Captain Insignia: Tradition has the Fleet Captain anchor on its side and the Sail Fleet Captain anchor vertical. For the Fleet Captain, on either jacket sleeve when the jacket sleeve is hanging down at the person's side, the top on the anchor points forward (i.e. flukes aft). Interestingly, when the arms are crossed or bent the anchor flukes are on the bottom as is proper for anchoring a vessel. For Sail Fleet Captains, bending the arm will place the anchor in its side, which is still OK. Displaying an anchor upside down is nautical bad luck and should be avoided.

Fleet Captain: "Fleet Captain" is the title for the fourth officer in the yacht club line, whether they are a sail boater or power boater, with responsibility for the whole club fleet (including the activities of the Sail Fleet Captain) and often the club pier(s) as well. The Fleet Captain is usually a voting member of the Board of Governors (or Directors), whereas Sail and Power Fleet Captains (depicted by a propeller) usually are not.

Till next time, see you around the Bay!



Yacht Clubs of Maryland Bay Breeze SICK& WELFARE



C J Stromberg

Crossing Over the Bar

Gordon Vipperman, 2007 Commodore of Middle River Yacht and the first Commodore of Veterans Yacht Club Association has crossed over the bar. No further information is available.

Sick & Welfare:

2000 CCC First Lady Dee Miles fell last week and fractured her pelvis. She was admitted to UM Upper Chesapeake Medical Center. Early Sunday morning she underwent emergency abdominal surgery. Per P/C John she is doing better. He is not sure how long she will be in the hospital. Get Well wishes can be sent to her home at 8820 Walther Blvd, Apt 3606, Parkville, MD 21234.

Janet Yodris, PC YCM 2012, and CCC's Secretary is having knee replacement surgery on April 1st, 2024. Get Well wishes can be sent to 8434 Cove Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21222

IPC Ryan Peters is having Rhinoplasty surgery on March 27th. Please send Get Well wishes to 124 Strassburg Circle, Shrewsbury, Pennsylvania 17361.

I am sure there are others in our yacht Club Community that are suffering. Please keep our yacht club community in your prayers.

Should you hear of any of our members who are ill or have departed, please share this information with me at cjstromberg1024@gmail.com.

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You are invited to attend this year's Commodores Day-Out Brunch honoring Commodore Rickey Pope and First Soft Crab Suenette. There will be a great brunch menu to start the day and then our ceremony to acknowledge and honor our Commodore Rickey Pope. Please come out and join us to honor our Commodore and First Lady at this special event.

Brunch Menu: Fresh Fruit, White and Wheat Toast with Butter and Jelly, Bacon, Au Gratin Potatoes, Pancakes with Syrup, Scrambled Eggs, Creamed Chipped Beef on Biscuits, Chicken Ala King, Sliced Flank Steak with Au Jus, Omelet Station with Onions, Mixed Peppers, Mushrooms, Tomatoes, Bacon and Cheese. Dessert: Apple Crisp.

Open Premium Bar Featuring Mimosa & Bloody Mary. Beverage Station, which includes Regular Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Hot Tea, Orange Juice, Iced Tea and Ice Water

Dress Code: Ranking Officer - Men - Black Uniform with long tie, Women - Black Uniform with cross tie.

Guests - Business Casual

For reservations, please call Faye Broseker at 717-227-1348 or email me directly at fbroseker@lcbsolutions.com. Looking forward to hearing from you. Cut-off date for reservations is April 14, 2024.

IT'S A FUNDRAISER

JOIN THE NEPTUNE YACHT CLUB AT OUR 1ST 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 MARYLAND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Hosted by:

North Point Yacht Club

1700 Wharf Road Sparrows Point, MD 21219

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2024 Dinner: 6:30PM Meeting: 7:00PM

GUEST SPEAKERS Donna Seymour

Boating Safety Coordinator
Maryland Natural Resources Police
Cpl. Armes & Ofc. Bentz

MENU

ROAST PORK
MASHED POTATOES
STRING BEANS
SALAD
DESSERT
\$18.00

Please RSVP no later than Monday, March 22, 2024 kate.cramblett@verizon.net or 410-802-4791

DATE	CEREMONY	24 YACHT CLUB	B OPENINGS 3/11/2024 LOCATION
1	APRIL		
27	12:00	Marley Boat Club	at Red Eye YC 2222 Poplar Rd, Baltimore
	MAY		
4	12:00	Galloway YC	At Middle River YC 200Nanticoke Rd Essex
4	15:00	North East River YC	North East River YC 80 Bayside Dr North East
5	14:00	Sue Haven YC	Sue Haven YC 542 Edgar Ave Essex
11	16:00	Kent Island YC	Kent Island YC 117 Yacht Club Dr Chester
12	14:00	Crescent YC	Crescent YC 1840 Cape May Rd Essex
18	11:00	Miles River YC	Miles River YC 24750 Yacht Club Rd St Michaels
18	N/A	Belvedere YC	MEMBERS ONLY
18	14:00	Middle River YC	Middle River YC 200 Nanticoke Rd Essex
19	12:00	Riverside YC	Riverside YC 730 Riverside Dr Essex
19	14:00	Neptune YC	2501 Boston St. Anchorage Marina Baltimore
25	10:00	Great Oak YC	Great Oak YC 22170 Great Oak Landing Rd Chestertow
25	13:00	Pleasant YC	Pleasant YC 1800 Wharf Rd Sparrows Point
25	16:00	Otter Point	Otter Point 600 Otter Point Rd Abingdon
26	14:00	Baltimore YC	Baltimore YC 800 Baltimore Yacht Club Rd Essex
	JUNE		
1	12:00	Maryland YC	Maryland YC 1500 Fairview Beach Rd Pasadena
2	12:00	Red Eye YC	Red Eye YC 2222 Poplar Rd Essex
8	N/A	Bowley's Point YC	MEMBERS ONLY
8	TBA	Classic YC	TBA
8	13:00	North Point YC	North Point YC 1700 Wharf Rd Sparrows Point
8	16:00	Bush River YC	Bush River YC 4001 E Baker Ave Abingdon
9	14:00	Eastern YC	Eastern YC 2330 Seneca Rd Essex
16	13:00	Bodkin YC	Bodkin YC 8091 Bellhaven Ave Pasadena
22	14:00	Queen's Pageant	Maryland YC 1500 Fairview Beach Rd Pasadena



MARLEY BOAT CLUB 60TH FLAG RAISING CEREMONY SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2024 TO BE HELD AT RED EYE YACHT CLUB 2222 POPLAR ROAD BALTIMORE, MD. 21221

** FREE DOCKAGE IS AVAILABLE ALL WEEKEND **

(CONTACT FOR SLIPS: FC DAVE COHEN

(410-218-5884 OR DCOHENREYC@GMAIL.COM)

REGISTRATION: 11:00AM
PROCESSION ALIGNMENT: 11:45AM
CEREMONIES: 12:00 PM
BUFFET AFTER THE CEREMONIES

PLAQUES FOR: MOST OFFICERS, MOST BOATS, AND FURTHEST DISTANCE

RAFFLE 1ST PRIZE \$300, 2ND PRIZE \$150, AND 3RD PRIZE \$50 TICKETS \$5 EACH

BASKET RAFFLE
BASKET RAFFLE TICKETS (\$1 PER TICKET OR 6 FOR \$5)
TO BE DRAWN AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONIES
ON SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2024.

CONTACT: V/C KELLIE TYSOR CELL: 410-218-3215

EMAIL: KCTYSOR@VERIZON.NET



MARLEY BOAT CLUB

OPENING DINNER FRIDAY APRIL 26, 2024

1/2 Rotisserie Chicken, 1 Crab Ball,
COUNTRY GREEN BEANS, CORN,
ROLLS, BUTTER AND DESSERT.

\$20.00 PER PERSON FROM 5:30-7:30 PM
Cash Bar available
Location: Red Eye Yacht Club
2222 Poplar Road
Baltimore, MD 21221

AFTER DINNER MUSIC BY DJ PAST KING MIKE
OPENING DAY RAFFLE

1ST PRIZE \$300 2ND \$150 AND 3RD \$50 \$5 PER TICKET
BASKET RAFFLE TICKETS (\$1 PER TICKET OR 6 FOR \$5)
TO BE DRAWN AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONIES
ON SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2024.

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QUESTIONS OR TICKET INFORMATION

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