

*Yacht Clubs of Maryland's  
Bay Breeze  
March 2020*



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**YCM March Membership Meeting Canceled  
YCM Commodores Day Out Canceled  
March Bay Breeze, the Corona Addition  
Be Safe and Healthy**

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- Joe Broseker (PC 3C's)



## COMMODORE'S REPORT

**Barry Scott**

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As I sit here writing this article, I hope everyone is safe and healthy. We have had to make some quick decisions in the last few days, and we will have to continue to adjust to this ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic on a daily basis.

What a great way to start the Spring boating season. Cooped up in the house, not able to socialize with our Yacht Club friends. Not able to visit our Clubs. This will give time to reflect and realize how fragile life really is and that individual circumstances can change at any moment. But we are a strong group and we will prevail!!! After all we are boaters!!

I know a lot of important events have been canceled and not sure when we will get the time to reschedule. As we prepare for the Opening Season every available weekend will be critical in making it all work. Please send any notices, flyers, etc. to V/C Mike Gaff for publication

Please stay in touch, be safe and healthy. Get those boats ready for self-quarantine at your dock. Let's make the best of what we are dealt.

Also, we put it out to all the membership, and you have voted to move R/C Mike Gaff to V/C and Board Member George Stromberg to R/C for the balance of the year. Congratulations to you both and I'm sure you will do your best to full fill the positions according to the Constitution and By-Laws for Yacht Clubs of Maryland.

Until then, I will leave you with this thought.

**"LIFES ROUGHEST STORMS PROVE THE STRENGHT OF OUR ANCHORS"**

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

**Barry Scott**

**Commodore YCM**

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## **Vice Commodore's Report**

**Mike Gaff**

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Well, this is my second attempt at an article for this month's Bay Breeze and by the time it gets to you it may be a little outdated again. Thank you for the vote of confidence to be Vice Commodore of Yacht Clubs of Maryland. I will work hard to help all member Clubs and I look forward to a great second half of the year.

In the matter of days, our lives changed forever. A global pandemic, the like of which none of us have ever seen in our lifetime. Updates are coming from our leaders daily, even some hourly. This crisis will forever change the way of life for many of us from here on out.

We are in unprecedented times. We have had to cancel meetings, events, parties and for many of us our clubhouse are closed for operations. Some of us are working clubs then there are some of us who have a paid staff they have to take into account. At this moment, I am not forwarding any event flyers or Opening flyers because are schedules are constantly changing. As you know, we've cancelled our Commodore's Day Out and we've had to cancel March's Membership Meeting. I'm hoping that everything can start to reopen around April 1st. That's a very optimistic outlook, but my fear is that it may be much later than that. Please keep me informed of any calendar changes that may be needed for Opening schedules and once we're back open, I'll begin to forward event emails again.

I hope everyone has been following the recommended safety steps to keep yourself and others safe. Like many, I am still working daily, but I have to keep in mind my exposure as to not bring anything home to my daughter and wife. I'm looking forward to the warmer weather. I'd like everyone to take this time to spend with your loved ones, hold them close, engage with them, and we'll see one another on the other side.

**Mike Gaff**

**V/C Commodore YCM**

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## **Rear Commodore's Report**

**George Stromberg**

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Hello to all from your newly elected YCM Rear Commodore. Thanks to everyone for your confidence in me. Having gone up the line at Bodkin Yacht Club and discovering that there is a whole new world out there called The Yacht Club Community I am thrilled to be a part of it. Giving back to a community that has received both PFL C.J. and myself with open arms and helping hands seemed the right thing to do and we are just happy to have the opportunity to do it. Having big shoes to fill along this journey up the line at YCM will surely keep me on my toes but it will be a rewarding challenge and I'm up for it.

Speaking of challenges what a turn of events we have had in the last weeks. Many Clubs having to postpone events to another date or cancel them all together due to COVID-19. Queen Dulayne's Charity Fund Raiser, QOTC Scholarship Fund Raiser, YCM Commodores Day Out, club land cruises and many more local club's events. This along with their regular duties has kept the Bridge Officers of every Yacht Club very busy. Especially so at Bodkin Yacht Club where they are continuing on without a Commodore in honor of departed Commodore Ray Haber. Hopefully we will be through this health crisis soon and things will begin to return to normal for all in our Yacht Club Community.

With today being the first day of Spring openings are just around the corner. Openings are my favorite times. The good fellowship experienced can lead to life long friends. Let's all get out there and attend as many as possible, either as an Officer, Past Officer or Club member. Show your support to the Clubs and the Class of 2020. Once again thanks for your confidence in me to be the Rear Commodore of YCM this year and I am looking forward to serving this association in the years to come.

Be Safe

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

**Scott Gundaker**

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### **Pipeline backers, opponents get their day in the Supreme Court**

*By Whitney Pipkin on February 24, 2020*

The U.S. Supreme Court Monday weighed whether a federal agency has the authority to grant or deny permission for a major pipeline to be built under the Appalachian Trail, hearing oral arguments from each side. The court's decision, expected by June, could decide the fate of the long-contested, \$8 billion Atlantic Coast Pipeline, which would wind across the southwest corner of the Chesapeake Bay watershed in Virginia.

Dominion Energy, the project's backer, petitioned the court to consider the case after the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in late 2018 revoked a permit from the U.S. Forest Service. The permit would have allowed construction to cross the Appalachian Trail and George Washington National Forest. It is one of seven federal permits related to the project that have been overturned by the courts, resulting in a construction stoppage since late 2018.

The legal conundrum to be decided by the court is whether the U.S. Forest Service has the authority to grant the pipeline a permit to tunnel under the Appalachian Trail. The trail crosses through national forests, as well as other public and private lands, but is managed by the National Park Service.

The case is not about which agency owns the trail but rather about which agency has jurisdiction over the federally owned land that the trail travels.

The Forest Service and Park Service have different charters when it comes to allowing major infrastructure projects, such as pipelines, across federally owned lands. The Park Service seeks to "preserve unimpaired" the lands it is charged with managing, while the Forest Service grants rights of way and other energy development opportunities on its land.

Arguing on behalf of the U.S. Forest Service, Andrew Yang, assistant to the U.S. Attorney General, aimed to distinguish between the trail that traverses the surface of the land and the land under which a project would be built.

"It's a difficult distinction to wrap one's head around," said Justice Elena Kagan. "You're saying the trail is distinct from the land that is the trail. No one makes this distinction in real life."

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg began with a similar line of questioning about the lawyers' efforts to draw distinctions between the agencies' authorities. But most of the judges seemed more concerned about the broader implications of a decision to uphold the Fourth Circuit's decision to revoke the Forest Service permit.

Eventually, Chief Justice John Roberts Jr. asked whether such a decision would essentially create "an impermeable barrier" for pipelines and projects like them trying to cross the Appalachian Trail to the East Coast.

The Mountain Valley Pipeline, another natural gas pipeline being built across southern Virginia (outside the Chesapeake watershed) by a different developer is about 90% complete — but also needs a permit to cross the Appalachian Trail. Construction was halted as a result of the Fourth Circuit’s decision. The Atlantic Coast Pipeline project has begun tree clearing in Virginia but has not yet begun construction in the state. In a preview for the SCOTUS blog, attorney Noah Sachs noted that siding with the pipeline’s opponents could prevent the agencies from granting a right-of-way for pipelines under any portion of the Appalachian Trail that runs through federal land.

“Because more than 80% of the trail is on federal land (the remainder is on state and private land), this case has major implications for where pipelines and other energy infrastructure can cross from the Midwest to population centers on the East Coast,” Sachs wrote.

Dominion pointed out in a statement released after oral arguments to the existence of more than 50 pipeline projects under the trail already as evidence that the work would not disturb public use of the trail.

“We’re avoiding any impacts to the trail by installing the pipeline more than 700 feet below the surface,” the statement said, adding feet to the 600-foot-below number that attorneys used during their arguments. Through horizontal drilling, the company said construction would only impact land more than a half-mile from each side of the trail. “People hiking by the crossing will not see, hear or even know the pipeline is there.”

Greg Buppert, a senior attorney with the Southern Environmental Law Center, said after the arguments that the depth at which the pipeline would cross under the trail is still “unresolved” and that the pipeline could end up being built much closer to the surface.

Either way, analysts and Dominion’s attorneys have said that, unless the Supreme Court allows the Forest Service to reissue the permit, the 605-mile-long natural gas pipeline is unlikely to go forward.

“If it cannot cross over 600 feet below the trail, then the whole enterprise is done,” Yang said during his argument. In a statement, Dominion officials said they were “hopeful” the Supreme Court would decide in the pipeline’s favor and that the company could resume construction as early as this summer. Environmental groups were less forthcoming with predictions after the Supreme Court’s complex legal discussion. “It’s so hard to read what the justices are thinking, and I make it a policy not to try to predict,” said David Sligh, conservation director of Wild Virginia, after observing the arguments. Still, he said in a statement, the pipeline “poses serious environmental and safety risks in its attempt to cut across Appalachia. Simply put, they could not have chosen a worse place” to construct it.

If the Supreme Court reverses the lower court’s decision, allowing the Forest Service to reissue a permit, the pipeline project would still face a handful of unresolved permitting issues, many of them put on hold while this case made its way through the courts. Lawsuits challenging the permit from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which center on whether demand for the project is justified, are still in court.

**Thank You**  
**Legislative Affairs Officer**  
**Scott Gundaker**

## **Protocol Matters**

**Joe Hellner**

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As we go through these unprecedented times, our clubs need our help and support more than ever. Let's hope things get back to normal soon. In anticipation of the approaching boating season, the topic this month is how to display flags and burgees.

As we launch into the 2020 boating season, remember flags are a nautical tradition, which adds colorful decoration while telling others about your boat and its crew.

If your boat has a mast with a yardarm, your club burgee is flown at the top of the mast just as it is flown from your yacht club mast. Most modern powerboats around our clubs these days don't have a mast with a yardarm, so the correct place for your yacht club burgee is at the bow.

If you fly other flags at the bow, your club burgee should be set as far forward as possible, separate from other burgees or flags. This placement helps people quickly identify the home club of the boat, which they will associate with the office flags flown on the starboard side. Sailboats should fly the club burgee at the top of the mast on a stick that is hoisted up with the burgee attached. If a sailboat cannot fly the club burgee this way, it should be flown at the top of a starboard hoist with the club office flags directly below in order of rank.

Burgees and flags from other clubs and organizations are flown on the port side. CCC Members should always have two flags. A P/C flag (related to the club burgee at the bow or on the mast) should be flown on the starboard side and the CCC member flag flown on the port side.

Never fly the National Ensign at the bow – this is a sure sign of a landlubber. The proper place for the National Ensign is aft of midships. Proper placement depends on the type of boat and what rigging is available to fly it. The most common proper placement is from a post affixed to the transom. Sailboats may also fly the Ensign from the leach of the aftmost sail or from the aftmost gaff (if so rigged). Power boats may fly the Ensign from a gaff as well.

To guide you in placing yachting flags in the proper vertical order, in addition to current offices first and rank order, there is a simple general rule found in many publications such as CHAPMANS, which says to go by most to least represented. For example, Past Commodore flags always go below office flags because Past Commodore is a personal flag, not an office that serves or represents a number of people. Flags or burgees representing organizations of clubs are flown highest with the largest region covered placed at the top (i.e. international, national, regional, statewide, local). Yachting organizations with individual members such as Blue Gavel come next, following the same order of international to local. After the organizations come clubs and finally individual flags.

Officer flags on the port side are flown immediately below the organization or club flag to which they belong, except where the office flag has a clear connection with the club or organization. YCM, CCC, and CBYCA are examples where the office flag is sufficient.

Till next time, see you around the Bay!

**Thank You**

**Protocol Matters**

**Joe Hellner**

## [Scuttlebutt and Spindrift](#)

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**Arrrrghh, Ahoy there Mateys!**

**No Report**

**Arrrrghhh!**

**Salty Sam the Sea Dog**

## [Sick & Welfare](#)

**Anna Davis**

**Sick and Welfare Report – March 2020:**

### **Get Well:**

Hello All,

Hope all are being safe during this trying time.

In addition to my recent S & W Emails, I have received the following updated info

2016 CCC P/C Joe Broseker - Per email from Joe "My first test results after radiation therapy were good. I thank all for their thoughts, prayers, and cards". P/C Joe is being treated for prostate cancer.

2016 CCC F/L Faye Broseker -Per email from P/C Joe " Also, past FL Faye had an epidural in her back a couple weeks ago and so far that has really helped her."

Both P/C Joe and F/L Faye are Past Commodores of Riverside Yacht Club. Thinking of you and Best Wishes can be sent to their home address: 11 Country Manor Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349.

2013 First Lady Darlene Terzigni, also P/C Ventnor YC – Per an email from CCC 1992P/C Chuck Vipperman

"Dan is still in rehab unknown for how long it will be. She is still using a walker. She is building her strength up slowly. Hopefully she will be getting out soon she is in Harbor Rehab in Naples, FL." Get well wishes can be sent to her at HarborChase of Naples, Attention Rehab Darlene Terzigni. Room152A, 7801 Airport-Pulling Rd N., Naples, FL 34109

Bob Parsons, Charlestown YC and CBYCA I spoke with Bob this weekend and because his surgery is not "elective", he is still scheduled for spinal surgery on March 19th at St Joseph Hospital. Please keep Bob and Jackie in your thoughts and prayers at this trying time. His Home address is 2950 Sunderland Ct., Abingdon, MD 21009. Pam Butler here. Just a sad note on my part.

Judy Downs is home after recovering from her head injury from a fall. She has been diagnosed from dementia to Alzheimer's disease which there is no cure. Visiting nurses and home health aides are assisting with Judy's care.

I want to thank you for your cards and prayers for Judy

Thank You Charlie"

Thinking of You wishes can be sent to their home address 103 Michael Lane, Bear, DE 19701.

P/C Pam Butler's niece had a massive heart attack early Monday morning. By the time they got her to the hospital they declared her brain dead. They put her on the respirator because she is a HERO, AN ORGAN DONOR. We have spent the last couple days at her bedside while waiting for some of her brothers and sisters to arrive from other States to say their goodbyes. The organization that takes the organs for donation will be picking her up tomorrow. This was suddenly and so unexpected, so the family is still in shock. She will miss her daughter's graduation from college in May--an honor grad. Some of the yacht club members who attended my birthday party met her. Send condolences to YCM P/C Pam Butler at [pamlbutler@verizon.net](mailto:pamlbutler@verizon.net)  
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During this trying time, please keep these folks in your thoughts and prayers as well as everyone who has been affected by COVID 19.

To continue to keep everyone informed on the health and welfare of our members, please contact me regarding sickness, surgery and or the passing of a member of the CCC or their spouse. [cccsw17@yahoo.com](mailto:cccsw17@yahoo.com) or 410-544-6950

**Thank you,  
Anna Davis  
Sick and Welfare**



### **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: [ycmvicecommadore@gmail.com](mailto:ycmvicecommadore@gmail.com)

## 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***



## **Officers and Confirmation Notice**

A Special Board Meeting was called on January 26th at 11:00AM to discuss the vacant position of Vice Commodore of Yacht Clubs of Maryland. After some discussion and deliberation, a proposal was made to move Rear Commodore Michael Gaff to the office Vice Commodore and move proposed Board Member George Stromberg to the position of Rear Commodore. This will leave only one Bridge position to fill for next year at the interview process, which is held at Bodkin Yacht Clubs Opening Day Weekend.

**APPROVED**

A motion was made by IPC Wayne Penczek to except the proposal and a second was placed by Treasurer Faye Broseker. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved. With Board approval this recommendation will go before the General Membership for a vote at the March 25th meeting. This meeting will be held at Bush River Yacht Club. Meeting time will be at 7:00PM.

Since our Membership Meeting was canceled and we needed to conduct this important business, an electronic vote was taken among the Bridge Officers, Board Members, and was sent to the Commodores of every Member Club. The Motion passed with a unanimous vote of Yes.

**Congrats Mike and George**

**Thank You  
Commodore  
Barry Scott**

### **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 - TBA

June 24th - Board Meeting - Middle River Yacht Club

July 29th - Membership Mtg - Eastern Yacht Club

August 26th - Board Meeting - Otter Point Yacht Club

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