



## From the Commodore's Bridge



Spring has sprung, but once again we have not seen any indication of a money tree sprouting at CYC. The board is working though the March Madness with the budget and the fact that it is going to be a difficult year should not be a surprise to anyone. The list of needed repair and replacement projects continues to grow but the club's financial means have shrunk drastically in just the past year. Income from slips is our largest income item and it makes up close to 50% of our total income. In January of 2008 we had eight vacant slips. In January of 2009 we had eighteen vacant slips. In the past year we have lost ten slip holders and twelve members overall. The membership passed a 15% dues increase for 2009 and the increase was also applied to the remainder of the fee structure; but the losses mentioned above have off-set the intended gains.

Since 2007 we have had deficit budgets and have been making up the difference with carry-over balances in our operating account. In the past year we hit the perfect storm. There is no substantial carry-over balance in the operating account, losses in both membership and slip occupancy have spiked, and our operating costs and number of items in dire need of repair or replacement continue to increase.

So were do we start to fix it? We can start with something simple. We can start with something that is staring us in the face right now. I mean that literally. If you're sitting there reading this newsletter in the form of a paper copy that you received in the mail, that's an easy place to start. The CYC e-mail list now allows us to reach 87% of our membership with the click of a mouse. The club is spending over \$2,200 per year on printing and postage just for the

newsletter and that is greatly reduced compared to what it would be if not for the generosity of P/C John Kaufmann. We need to be smarter about using the business and communications tools available to us. I don't want to see any member unable to keep up with the news and events of the club, but it is time to make this transition.

The board is seeking the support of the membership to phase out the production and distribution of the paper newsletter. Beginning with the May 2009 newsletter, the club will discontinue producing and mailing paper copies of the newsletter to members on the e-mail list. For members not able to get on the e-mail distribution, the club will continue to print a small number of paper copies. This transition will expedite the delivery of the newsletter and save money for the club.

Something else to think about - Payments to the CYC Trust Fund: In addition to the bank loan that the club is making payments against for the Bean Road property purchase, the club is making loan payments to the CYC Trust for the balance of the property purchase and the bulk of the E-Dock replacement. These were appropriate and worthy expenditures. The associated payments back to the CYC Trust are just over \$1,000 per month. The 2008 Long Rang Plan pointed out that this is about \$13,000 per year in payments from ourselves to ourselves at a time when we are struggling to pay our bills and we should look for a way to give ourselves a break. The intent of these payments is good. Many times over the years the membership has turned to the trust fund to accomplish major items that would otherwise either be out of our reach or create unmanageable external debt burdens. Few would argue with the fact that we need to sustain the viability of the Trust Fund but at the same time who among us hasn't at some time had to adjust the amount they can put away for savings based on the reality of their monthly cash flow?

Being our own lender, we have the flexibility to help ourselves. This year the board intends to seek sup-

port from the membership to restructure our trust fund obligations by creating a payment structure that is tied to the health of the club. In times of budget surpluses we would make full payments to the CYC Trust and strive for more. In harder times – like when we have 18 vacant slips – we would be able to suspend trust fund payments to meet our other operating expenses. What should the threshold be? Seven slips? Eight slips?, Ten slips? We're still working through it all and ultimately the membership will decide.

There will be much more to come on the budget discussion. Bear in mind that we are a pretty lean organization to begin with. We don't have any extras in our budget that jump out as an easy cut. I hate to use the "A" word, but I've heard from more members lately who are advocating a special assessment. This was another item presented in the 2008 Long Range Plan and we need to keep it open for discussion. No item is too big or too small to escape scrutiny in this year's budget. At the same time, the cost of a budget item often times differs from its value. The current budget discussions are taking all of this into account and we will continue to work through it all in an open and constructive manner.

The quickest way to reach me with any comments, questions, or concerns is by e-mail at [patrick.shier@verizon.net](mailto:patrick.shier@verizon.net)  
Phone: 703-404-8476

*Sometimes you want to go where everybody knows your name.*

Commodore,  
Patrick Shier

**CYC Membership Meeting  
April 25, 2009 @ 10:00 a.m.  
Pot Luck 6 p.m.**

## Around the Grounds



**CYC Rentals.** Are you ready for some boating fun? 2009 should be another great year for members of CYC. Cottage 5 is booking up quickly (get your requirements in now to secure a spot for those family members that just won't fit on your boat). Event weekends are usually the first to be booked, so contact me now for space availability. Reservations for clubhouse rooms are also hot items as well but opportunities are still available. There are still some vacancies especially in the early and later parts of the season, so go ahead and book weekdays or weekends with family and friends at CYC now. Remember—a check for cottage 5 / room guarantees your reservation.

**A-Dock.** It looks like it will be a busy year for the V/C at CYC. Work on A-Dock approved last year will commence on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The first week the roofing over the last four slips on A-Dock will be removed. The next week as material arrives; the replacement roofing will start. If you have a boat on A-Dock, please work with Dave Fuchs to get it temporarily moved while your section of the roof is being redone. Work on A-Dock is projected to be completed by early May.

**Pool.** The pool needs new drain covers to comply with new law. Also we need some replacement boards to prevent splintering from ruining a nice day. The drains will be taken care of so the pool opening on May 23d weekend will not be delayed. We hope to get the boards replaced early this year and reuse the wood for other needy projects. While we are talking about the pool I wanted ask for members to consider taking CSM Classes for Pool Operators – College of Southern Maryland, WFS 5800 Swimming Pool/Spa Operations and Maintenance Course offered at three campuses (LaPlata, and Leonardtown) Tuition is \$45 and fees are \$50. Schedule follows: LaPlata: Monday & Wednesday 6:00 – 10:00 PM, April 6, 2009 to April 15, 2009; Leonardtown: Wednesday and Friday 6:00 – 10:00 PM, May 13, 2009 to May 15, 2009 and Leonardtown: Saturday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM May 16, 2009.

Members who successfully pass the course are asked to volunteer to fill in testing and opening the pool when stewards are not available.

**Contracts.** Our trash, cleaning and pest control contracts are up for renewal. We have renewed our trash service contract with **Bay Area Disposal** and achieved a savings of \$460 by scaling back to monthly pick-ups in the off season. Our regular weekly service will remain unchanged for April through November. We can always call add an additional pick-up as needed. As a reminder, they will not dispose of the following material: rocks, dirt, concrete, soil, sod, yard debris, tree stumps, paint, tires, motor oil, combustible / flammable material, any material excluded from the disposal site, hazardous or toxic material.

The cleaning service from **Tri County Cleaning** will begin in March with Spring Cleaning. Using a sharp pencil we were able to achieve a \$698 savings over last year. Having the cleaning service on contract does not change our standing rule and common courtesy for members to clean up after themselves. This is especially important in the kitchen and Bean room and when renting Cottage 5 or rooms in the clubhouse.

Another sure sign of spring at CYC is the ants. Our pest control provider, **Paramount**, provided a Termite Inspection service in Jan 09 and will be doing quarterly pest control visits. Ants are back; this is an ongoing issue in our clubhouse and the restroom buildings. I'm aware of it and will continue to work to control it as best we can.

**Grounds Clean Up.** You will notice some major brush and shrub removal has occurred and there is a big bon-fire pile in the field for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Shortly we will do stump grinding and replacement of trees and shrubs. Donations will be sought when the ground is prepared and ready.

**Spring Cleanup.** Our first work half-day is planned for Saturday, May 2nd at 8:30 a.m. so please let me know if you are able to help with a general spring clean-up or specific tasks, and we'll try to have everything organized to accomplish as much as possible (e.g., mulching, weed pulling, painting, planting,

window cleaning and general clean-up). Lunch will be provided to all helpers! If you know of anything else that needs to be done, please let me know, or add it to the list, and we'll try to tackle it. We appreciate all volunteers and will gratefully accept help for any job you may want to tackle. The Workday list will be posted in the clubhouse, along with the longer term maintenance list. Please sign up to tackle a job of your choice. The CYC Buildings and Grounds Committee will be helping with the organizing of the day's event and if you're interested, please let me know.

**"Opportunities"** for members to promote their favorite projects abound. A full list will be posted on the bulletin board so you are always able to take a look and see if there's something you're willing to do to help out. It takes all of us to do a little to help the club a lot.

**Donations Acknowledged.** Thanks also to Rear Commodore Mike Daras and Alice for donating the FAX / Copier for the club office. Also we received donations of a chain saw and new blinds for the rooms upstairs in the club house. These selfless gifts are a wonderful way to share our feeling of belonging and celebrate our collective ownership of CYC. Please stay alert for ways you too can share.

**Safety notice.** The last piling on east side of F Dock broke off in an early March storm. Please stay clear of the yellow tape at the end of the dock as there is no support there because Brigantine broke off the piling. I contacted Steve Peterson who did the piling work for us last year and he has us on his list for replacement. I think I can get the costs donated from the guy who's boat pulled the piling down. ☺

**Cottage 6.** Congratulations to Bob Licata who has been assigned to Cottage 6 effective April 1<sup>st</sup>

rpdeming@yahoo.com Cell 443-253-8827

Vice Commodore,  
Phil Deming

## CYC Events



As we begin the 2009, it is my hope that this event year will be a memorable one. As of this writing we have several volunteers. Kathy Houchen, after the elections meeting was our first volunteer, she will be hosting our October Event, Jean Hannah our secretary, will be hosting our December Event. Our newest members, Mark and Roseanne Newell will be hosting an event. As always we are in need of volunteers to come forward and indicate an event they would like to host. Our events schedule was distributed in the last newsletter, please look it over and if interested in any of the dates let me know. I am available at anytime, by phone (301) 872-9315 by email [safety1@md.metrocast.net](mailto:safety1@md.metrocast.net) and of course in person at the club, I will also post a signup sheet at the clubhouse prior to the events so you may sign up indicating your interest in the subject event. We always need bartenders, people willing to help with set up and cleanup.

Alice and I will Host this first event of the season which will be a **Potluck Night**, see Flyer Insert for details.

"May there always be work for your hands to do, may your purse always hold a coin or two. May the sun always shine on your windowpane, may a rainbow be certain to follow each rain. May the hand of a friend always be near you, may God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you."

- Irish Blessing

Mike Daras  
Rear Commodore

## Cruising Schedule



Have you checked your zincs? Flushed out the fresh water system? Inspected your belts and

hoses? When your wake-up routines are complete and you are ready to take the boat out, here are two cruises I am sure you will enjoy.

Our shakedown cruise is scheduled for the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of April to Coles Point Plantation. [www.colespoint.com](http://www.colespoint.com). The best way to make a reservation is to call the marina directly. 804.472.3955. Tell them you are with Corinthian Yacht Club so they will put the club's boats together. Please also let me know by email or by phone. [gmniebuhr@msn.com](mailto:gmniebuhr@msn.com) or 202.215.5150. The cell phone number is the best way to contact me, as it is the only one of my phones that has voice mail. Please leave a message if I don't answer. Mary and I plan to arrive on Friday April 17 and leave Sunday. The cost is \$1.25/ft. and \$10.00 for double 30 or 50 amp, \$5.00 for a single 30 amp electric outlet.

At last report the restaurant was quite good, but the best news is that on Sunday morning Mary's donut machine may make its first appearance of the year. The third cruise of the year is to Cobb Island for "Cobb Island Days" on the 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of June. This is sponsored by the Cobb Island Yacht Club and is the "summer kick off" for the PYRCA. This is a popular event so you must get your reservations in now. The events include a kayak adventure, a scavenger hunt, the Cobb Island Crab Cook-off, a best-dressed boat contest, Captains' hour and the Sun-down Pig Roast. I will send out a special email with more information and application for slips and the entry form for the Crab Cook-off.

This sounds like great fun. The best part is you can drive your car or your boat! You can also anchor out and dingy in. The application form also contains the information on the pig roast tickets. Each boat or party, if you are not in need of a slip and just want a pig roast ticket, should send in a separate application.

Wait, stop, I know what you are thinking, "What happened to the second cruise?" If Coles Point is the first, and Cobb Island is the third, how about the second cruise? Well, if you want a slip to Cobb Island Days you need to reserve today. That's why I want you to think about it now.

The second cruise is to Reedville, and it will be on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of May. I'll have the details in the next newsletter. In the mean time get your bottom clean! Please feel free to contact me if you have question, comments or suggestions. gmniebuhr@msn.com or 202 215 1550, 434 973 2886, 202 544 4217.

George Niebuhr  
Fleet Captain

## Membership



CYC welcomes new members Mark and Rose-canne Newell of Scotland, Md. whose application for joint membership was approved by the board. They will receive their burgee and pins at the April membership meeting.

A reminder to all that the club is actively seeking new members to replenish our roster. Encourage your boating friends to join us by offering to sponsor their membership application. Membership packets are available at the clubhouse.

Jean Hannah, Secretary  
JhanahOT@aol.com

## Treasurer's Report



### Cash Report as of 03/24/09

Cash Mgmt Acct. Bal. as of 02/24/09	<u>\$32,349.76</u>
Add Receipts 02/24/09– 03/24/09	\$4,303.87
Less Expenses 02/24/09– 03/24/09	<u>(\$19,124.25)</u>
Checking Acct Bal. as of 03/24/09	<u>\$17,529.38</u>
Heritage Fund Account	\$2,970.23

Note: In the Feb 09 cash report, the checking account balance was understated & Heritage fund balance overstated due to an erroneous duplicate deposit to the Heritage fund. This error has been corrected in the numbers above.

Members with account balance more than 45 days past due:

Rich McCaffrey

John Tolzman, Treasurer  
tolzmanjm@verizon.net

## Slip Assignments



Slip A-10 has been assigned to Geoff Baumann  
Slip F-3 has been assigned to Phil Deming

The following slips are available:

Covered Slips	Uncovered slips
A3 – 50ft x 18ft	D1 – 60ft
A5 - 50ft x 18ft	E2 – 30ft x 12ft
B3 – 40ft x 16ft	E3 – 40ft x 18ft
B5 – 40ft x 16ft	E4 – 40ft x 18ft
B13 – 40ft x 16ft	E5 – 40ft x 20ft
C1 – 40ft x 16FT	E6 – 40ft x 20ft
	F1 - 35ft x 25ft
D4 – 30ft	F4

Official Notice: A dock repairs are expected to begin the first week of April, starting on the outboard end of the dock and lasting about a month. Please be prepared to move your boat pending notification in advance by the measurer. We will try to work this by sections, weekend to weekend for your convenience, if you have any questions please feel free to call Dave Fuchs at 240-222-2359, otherwise A dockers stand by. . . .

All Applications for slips must be in writing or e-mailed: [davegf@verizon.net](mailto:davegf@verizon.net)

David Fuchs, 115 Jenkins Drive  
Indian Head, MD 20640 Hm. 301 743 5558

David Fuchs  
Measurer

Chart 12230 Chesapeake Bay Smith Point to Cove Point  
(New Edition) 64<sup>th</sup> Edition 1 Mar 09

Scale 1: 80,000; New edition (64 ed, 3/1/2009) due to numerous Notice to Mariner changes and hydrographic changes. This NOAA chart is now available in both the Print-on Demand and digital raster formats.

See <http://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/dole.htm> for details. The corresponding traditional paper chart will be available in two to eight weeks. This info from latest Local Notice to Mariners

**For Sale:** Four Winns Bow Rider Ski Boat - 175 Mer-cruiser Stern drive 18.5' , with trailer and boat cover, leather seats, radio. Needs Water Pump.  
\$3,000.00 or Best Offer - Contact Rich. McCaffrey Cell 240 832-5491

**For Sale:** 1975 Pequod 34', Twin 350, Gasoline, Fiberglass, 12' Beam Flybridge w/Bimini, GPS Chart Plotter, Two 30A shore power. Galley includes hot water heater, A/C, water holding tank, sink, full refrigerator, electric stove. Full head and shower. Dinette area, Sleeps 6. Cockpit area. VHF, compasses, fenders, other USCG required equipment. Nice cruising or day trip boat. \$20K or Best Offer Rich. McCaffrey Cell 240 832-5491

# Birthdays



Fran Krich	4/8
William Shaughnessy	4/12
Daria Lepisko	4/12
Donna Berger	4/14
Barbara B. Spain	4/14
Armand Scala	4/16
Margaret Tolzman	4/16
Eric DeSoto	4/17
Keith Logsdon	4/17
Donald E. Foster	4/22
Quin S. Elson	4/23
Mary Frances Brown	4/30
P/C Charles Cipriotti	5/1
Norman Eaglestone	5/1
P/C Charles "Chuck" J. O'Brien	5/6
Lou Sparacino	5/7

Nancy M. Schatz	5/8
Earl M. Waesche	5/10
Mary Niebuhr	5/13
Aline M. Long	5/14
Patsy A. Grant	5/27

# Prayers and Concerns

Prayers Sent out to: Baumann Family, Fran Krich

Darrell and I would like to thank all of our CYC friends for their caring and support during the past year. Your support helped us through a very difficult time and we are fortunate to have friends like you. It is certainly what helps make CYC a unique and special place. – Darrell & Dolores

On January 24th, due to complications from chemo therapy, Bob Grunwell passed away. He was an avid sailor and strong supporter of the Corinthian Yacht Club even after moving to Lynchburg, VA. He is survived by his wife, three children and five grandchildren.



Caisson at Ken Baumann's Funeral March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009

## *Schedule of Fees*

(January 1, 2009)

Fee Type	Annual Rate	Billed Quarterly
<b>Membership Dues</b>		
Active Member	\$760	\$190
Associate Member	\$370	\$93
Non-Resident Member	\$140	\$35
Life Member Service Fee	\$140	\$35
<b>Pool Fee</b>	\$61	\$15.25
<b>Initiation Fees</b>		
Active Membership	\$1,000.00	
Joint Membership	\$1,100.00	
Associate Membership	\$500.00	
<b>Basin Fees (Active Members)</b>		
<b>Covered Slips</b>		
50 feet	\$2,588	\$647
40 Feet	\$2,070	\$518
35 Feet	\$1,812	\$453
<b>Open Slips</b>		
60 Feet	\$2,236	\$559
40 Feet	\$1,492	\$373
35 Feet	\$1,304	\$326
30 Feet	\$1,118	\$280
<b>Dock Box Rental</b>	\$79.00	\$19.75
<b>Land Slips (On or Off Trailer)</b>		
16 Feet or Over	\$197.00	\$49.25
Under 16 Feet	\$132.00	\$33.00
<b>Annual Cottages</b>		
Cottage 2	\$7,538	\$1,885
Cottages 1, 3, 4, & 6	\$5,555	\$1,389
<b>Basin &amp; Camper Fees Daily Rates</b>		
<b>Members</b>		
Amp Charges	\$7.25	per day
	\$3.00	30 Amp Line
	\$5.00	50 Amp Line
<b>Associates, Guests and Non-Members</b>		
Amp Charges	\$1.25	per ft / per day
	\$3.00	30 Amp Line
	\$5.00	50 Amp Line
<b>Bean Room Rental</b>		\$150.00 per day
<b>Transient Cottage and Rooms</b>		
<b>Transient Cottage</b>		
Cottage 5	\$53.00	\$300.00
Supplemental Pet Fee	\$10.00 per day	\$10.00 per day
<b>Club House</b>		
Commodore's Room # 1	\$41.00	
Vice Commodore's Room #2	\$39.00	
Rear Commodore's Room #3	\$35.00	



# Corinthian Yacht Club

<b>Date</b>	<b>CYC Schedule of Events for 2009 - Rev. 04/2009</b>
April 18-19, 2009	-Shakedown Cruise to Coles Point - Reservations -call the marina directly. 804 472-3955. Tell them you are with Corinthian Yacht Club -Opening Day of Spring Rockfish
April 25, 2009	Membership Meeting & Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm – Bar opens at 5 PM
May 2, 2009	Spring Work Day (T)
May 16–17, 2009	Cruise to Reedville
May 23, 2009	Membership Meeting, Flag Raising, Pool Opening, Blessing of the Fleet, & Dinner Event
June 6, 2009	CYC Fishing Tournament (T) (Looking for Tournament Director)
June 28	Land/Sea Brunch Cruise (TBD)
June 19-20, 2009	Cruise - PRYCA Summer Kick-Off Party @ Cobb Island Yacht Club
June 27, 2009	Membership Meeting & Dinner Event
July 11-18, 2009	Cruise up the Potomac – Concluding at PRYCA Float-In at Port Kinsale July 17 & 18.
July 25, 2009	Membership Meeting & Dinner Event
July 26, 2009	Land/Sea Brunch Cruise (TBD)
August 8-9	Cruise – Dog Days of Summer at Colonial Beach
August 23	Land/Sea Brunch Cruise (TBD)
August 22, 2009	Membership Meeting & Dinner Event
September 10-13, 2009	Cruise to Tangier Island & Onancock
September 19, 2009	Membership Meeting & Dinner Event
September 20, 2009	Land/Sea Brunch Cruise (TBD)
October 17, 2009	Membership Meeting & Dinner Event
November 14, 2009	Membership Meeting & Oyster Roast Event
December 5, 2009	Annual Membership Meeting, & Brunch Event
January 23 or 30, 2010	Change of Watch

# POT LUCK DINNER

Hosted by: Alice and Mike Daras

April 25, 2009

Dinner: 6:00 PM - Bar Opens: 5:00 PM



**IT IS FREE - ALL THAT IS NEEDED IS THEM**

***Please indicate what type of dish you plan to bring and be sure that it is ready to serve as there will be no kitchen help available for preparation.***

April 25, 2009 - Pot Luck Party  
(Please respond by April 19, 2009)

Mail to: R/C Mike Daras  
15092 Chesapeake Bay Drive  
Scotland, Maryland 20687  
Safety1@md.metrocast.net

We will bring: Appetizer Salad Main Dish Side Dish Dessert