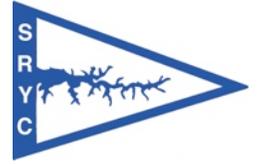


NAUTI NEWS

SASSAFRAS RIVER YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER



Dead Ahead...

November 10: SRYC Commodore's Ball – Lancaster Host

Followed by Happy Holidays (of your choice), then the Winter Doldrums which will be happily blown away by our Snowflake Luncheon (TBA)

Commodore



This article for the Nauti News brings me to a point of reflection. I have been writing articles for the Nauti News for the past four years, and this one will be my last as SRYC Commodore. This is bittersweet for me, as it has been quite humbling and an honor to have served on the SRYC Bridge. It is now time for Connie and I to enjoy the fruits of our four years of work.

This journey began much like it is coming to an end, with anxious emotions. I was enjoying a quiet Sunday morning on my boat after the Crab Feast at Haven Harbor. Commodore Daryle Smith, with his infamous towel wrapped around his neck, made me an offer to be the new incoming Fleet Captain. Connie and I, after a week of discussion, agreed to "help in whatever way we could." Four years later, we have found it's still a joy to help all who belong to, or have belonged to, the SRYC.

I have had the commitment and enthusiasm of several Boards of Governors to help guide me and our club to my next level of commitment to our members. I would like to thank the 2012 Board of Governors for their dedication and commitment and for making this year a phenomenal success. The Board came prepared to work for the continued growth of our Club and its members, which resulted in fundraisers and liability insurance policies in place for the the BOG as well as for the Club itself. The return of the Dingy Poker Run this year was something that this BOG was pleased to reinstate for our members' enjoyment. We were also afforded a wonderful cruise schedule, fun land events, and items through our Ship's Store. Keep up the great work and great things will come to pass for the SRYC.

This 2012 season could never have been anywhere near the success that it has been without the help, dedication, and commitment of many of our members. To those who volunteered and helped in so many ways this year, I would like to offer a

heart felt thanks. The SRYC is a club that all of our members should be proud of, and it is my hope and desire that, as we move forward into 2013, many more will step forward and commit to volunteering.

Finally, this journey in serving our members over these past years has been as much work and commitment for my First Lady Connie as it was for me. I never would have been able to accomplish anywhere near what I did without the support, commitment, and dedication from Connie. Thank you, Connie for all of your help; now you can have your kitchen table back.

Connie and I look forward to the upcoming Commodore's Ball in November as we get to share a great evening with our boating friends and celebrate our incoming Commodore Terry See and his First Lady Brenda. I encourage all members to attend this great evening and participate in this annual tradition.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve you, our members.

Commodore Glenn Davis

Members' Responsibilities

Recently, our club was at risk of losing all privileges at a favorite event facility, due to the actions of members' guests. As a member of SRYC, you are responsible for both your actions and the actions of your guests. SRYC is respected around the bay as a very responsible organization. It would be a tragedy to have our club's long standing reputation ruined by one of our members, let alone by a guest of a member.

Glenn

Vice Commodore



We had a good turnout at the Ship's Store at the Crab Feast. Everyone seemed to enjoy going through our merchandise to buy our "special clearance"

deals. We were able to reduce some of the old stock inventory as well as sell some of this year's items.

The Ship's Store is totally dependent on the membership to purchase items that they can proudly wear as they travel and cruise around the bay. I am happy to say that our members came through with flying colors again this year to make the Ship's Store a success. Brenda and I have really enjoyed the time we spent with all of you at our table at each event. In addition to thanking Brenda for all of her support this year, I have to send a special "Thanks" to Barb Skully for manning the tables whenever we needed a break.

It's hard to believe that the summer is coming to a close. It really flew by again this year – I assure you that has nothing whatsoever to do with age...

Thanks to all of you for your help and support this past year. Whenever we needed a hand, we always had plenty of volunteers to lend us one. This is a special group of people that we are proud to be associated with!

I hope to see all of you at the Commodore's Ball!

Terry

Rear Commodore



It's hard to believe the leaves are already changing, the days are getting shorter, and it is time to start thinking about tucking our

vessels away for another winter. This is Mother Nature's way of telling us things always continue to change. Writing this, I realize this is my last opportunity to address you as the Rear Commodore. I sincerely hope you

have enjoyed the land events presented this year. Helena and I certainly enjoyed bringing them to you.

We have one last 2012 event which is our Commodore's Ball. This will again be held at the beautiful Lancaster Host Resort in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Please remember to RSVP by October 20th. We again have a block of rooms at the resort. If you are interested in securing a room for the evening, please contact the resort at 717-299-5500. Please mention SRYC when making your reservation. Additional information is available on the activities page on the SRYC

website. This is a great event every year and we hope to see you there November 10th.

I would like to take this time to thank the membership for all your help and support this boating season. 2012 was a busy year personally and as Rear Commodore. None of this would've been possible without the support, love, and understanding of my first mate, Helena. Thank you for another great year!

Safe seas,

R/C Joe Lynch

Lost and Found

At the docktail party on the SRYC Chesapeake City cruise, someone left a very nice oval bowl - burgundy outside, white inside (Pier 1 Imports) that had crackers in it. The seagulls and/or crabs got the crackers, but the bowl has been rescued by John and Judy Gill, *Two J's V*, slip E-26, Sassafras Harbor Marina. If this is your bowl, call us on our cell: 215-205-4236 to make arrangements to pick up your bowl.

Fleet Captain



The cruising season for 2012 has come to a close.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Fleet Captain. It truly was a great fun and a great experience.

Since our last newsletter, we had the SRYC Crab Feast at Haven Harbour Marina at Rock Hall, MD with 18 boats cruising to the marina. This was the only cruise that Rick and I were not able to attend, but we heard there was great weather, wonderful food, and a good time was had by all.

Our next trip was to St. Michael's on Labor Day weekend with 7 boats. At one point we were at capacity, but numerous cancellations for a variety of reasons brought the number of

participating boats to seven. The cruise down and back was wonderful, and although it was a humid weekend, we managed to stay cool at the pool, in the shops, and at the restaurants. The marina folks were wonderful – I couldn't say enough kind words about Michael and Ann for getting us in on a holiday weekend. Michael has the best dockhands on the Bay!

For our season-end cruise to Chesapeake City, we again enjoyed beautiful cruising weather. On Saturday afternoon we packed the dock for our "Docktail Party" with participants from our 10 boats, visitors by car, as well as visitors from Wellwood Yacht Club. The docktail party ended in time, as the clouds started coming in and we had a full-fledged storm by evening, complete with a light show from knocked-out transformers. One of the docks lost power, but with creative use of power

from nearby slips, we weren't in the dark for long.

In total, we cruised to 6 different ports with 70 boats. We received wonderful welcomes at all of the marinas or yacht clubs, with invitations to return. SRYC really has a wonderful reputation on the Bay.

The Fleet Captain reins for 2013 will pass to Norm (& Linda) Miron at the Commodore's Ball. Rick and I wish them all the best for the 2013 season.

I would like to thank my husband, Rick, for all of the support he provided to me as Fleet Captain. I couldn't have done it without him. We look forward to seeing all of you at the Commodore's Ball in November and the Snowflake Luncheon in February.

*Happy boating,
Barbara Burlingame
Fleet Captain*

Secretary/Membership



We are nearing the close of another fun-filled year for the Sassafras River Yacht Club. We end the year with 73 members on the roster. I will be sending out renewal letters and forms via email before year end. Hope to see 100% renewals, let's keep the club active.

As always, if you know of anyone who is interested in the club, have them contact me or any officer or member.

As some of you may know by now, Bob and I have moved our boat from Sassafras Harbor Marina to Kent Narrows to sell the "Kentucky Lady." This was not an easy decision to make, and we will miss boating with the club. My plan is to continue as club Secretary for now.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Commodore's Ball in November.

Margaret Clements, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

October 9, 2012



Assets

Money Market Account	\$11,188
Checking Account	947
Cruise Escrow Acct.	1,451
Subtotal	\$13,586

Less

"Support Our Troops"	\$709
Escrow Checks Outstanding	209
Checks Outstanding	116
Credit Card Billings	333
Subtotal	\$1,367

Net Financial Position **\$12,219**

*Respectfully Submitted,
John P. Boyer, Treasurer*

Webmaster



The website is up to date, and all systems are go. All the pictures received to date have been uploaded to the site. This is my last article as Webmaster, as I have handed over the reins to Rick Burlingame, who will begin his duties after the Commodore's Ball.

It has been great fun being the Webmaster and serving on the BOG. Have a great winter, and I will see everyone at the docks come Spring!

Gus Barreiro

The Sassafras River Yacht Club web site address is: www.sasryc.org. It's a great site with lots of info; check it out! For questions about the web site or to submit an item, email to: webmaster@sasryc.org.

Yacht Club Reciprocity

As a card-carrying member of a yacht club, you are usually entitled to special courtesies from other yacht clubs around the country as well as on the Chesapeake Bay. These courtesies may range from simply being allowed to enter their facilities, to discounts on slip rentals.

SRYC Officers have CBYCA roster books which have information on member yacht clubs in the Chesapeake Bay area. Contact a SRYC officer for more information.

BoatU.S. Membership Discount

Club members can get BoatU.S. membership at half-price. Our Cooperating Group Number is GA81008Y; use this number on your BoatU.S. application or renewal.



Flotsam & Jetsam

SRYC members are welcome to place ads in the Nauti News for boating related items. Send your ad to Jim at: nautinews@sasryc.org.

Incoming 2013 SRYC Board of Governors

Commodore – Terry See

302-659-0884 / commodore@sasryc.org
Oversees the Club and presides at all meetings of the Club and the Board of Governors

Vice Commodore – Joe Lynch

610-255-0520 / vicecommodore@sasryc.org
Keeper of the Ship's Store (SRYC clothing, etc.), alternate delegate to the CBYCA (Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Assn.)

Rear Commodore – Barbara Burlingame

302-737-7111 / rearcommodore@sasryc.org
Schedules all land-based activities for the Club (e.g., Snowflake Luncheon, Chili Dinner, Opening Day, Crab Feast, and Commodore's Ball)

Fleet Captain – Norm Miron

717-442-0805 / fleetcaptain@sasryc.org
Plans trips and leads the Fleet on all organized cruises

Secretary – Margaret Clements

610-719-8696 / secretary@sasryc.org
Handles new and renewal membership dues and correspondence; maintains the Club roster

Treasurer – John Boyer

717-786-8343 / treasurer@sasryc.org
In charge of Club funds as directed by the Board of Governors

Webmaster – Rick Burlingame

302-737-7111 / webmaster@sasryc.org
Maintains the Club web site information

Editor – Jim Irons

302-376-8688 / nautinews@sasryc.org
Publishes the Club newsletter & Member Handbooks

Immediate Past Commodore – Glenn Davis

302-378-3775 / pastcommodore@sasryc.org
Provides previous years' experience to maintain consistency in Board of Governors' policies



Sassy Says....



The 2012 SRYC Crab Feast was a huge success! Hats off to our Rear Commodore and his lady for a great event. Hats off to all the volunteers who helped make this day so appetizing and fun too! And, hats off to Mother Nature for coming through with sunshine and warm weather yet another year for us!! Joe Lynch proved that running a three-legged potato sack race with his daughter was just the cure for that aching back – NOT!!! Oh so close to winning Joe!! Better luck next year!!

After the crab feast, some of our members continued having a good time on their boats at Haven Harbour with only one member ending up in the Chester River involuntarily. That water was kinda cold, huh Jamie???

The St. Michael's cruise on Labor Day was great fun for the participants. Janet and Glenn Forman could be found at the Farmers Market, the Maritime Museum, and the Crab & Steak House – wow they get around, huh??

At our Annual Meeting, Norm Miron stepped forward to take on the illustrious position of SRYC Fleet Captain for the coming year. Thanks Norm – we all look forward to seeing you sporting your official “good humor” togs!

The season end cruise to Chesapeake Inn was tons of fun and a great way to end our cruising season. Barbara deserves a great big “shout out” for all her hard work this year! Hercules Lynch, a new member of the canine persuasion, proved that he is a great “boat dog” to his mommy and daddy. The dock party was well attended and the food was mmm, mmm, good!! Imagine Sassy's surprise when she learned that Barb and Jim Skully had sold their beloved “Rsquitow” that very day!!! Barb and Jim won't be leaving the SRYC fold – we'll continue to see them. Let's all do our fair share to convince them to hurry and get a new vessel!! The evening proved lots of laughs at the Chesapeake Inn in spite of the thunderstorm that knocked out the TV reception. The UD Blue Hens football game was being watched and cheered on by a number of our members – right Ralph and Nicki?? Everyone got their “dance” on – specially Erin and Josh Foraker! You go guys!!

Soon it'll be time for the Commodore's Ball!! Miss Sassy can't wait! Her (or his) identity will be revealed, and the baton will be passed along to the next rumormonger!!! Many thanks for the snippets of info some of you sent to me; please continue to support the upcoming Sassy. We need you to be our eyes and ears to help provide a little comic relief to our members!!

See you at the Ball!!!!

Sassy

The Hounds of Hell

