



## MAY 2011 NEWSLETTER

### Message from our Commodore - Bruce Williamson



Well, despite the wind, rain, cool temperatures, and hurricanes, the covered dish function on April 16th turned out very well. Those of you that did not make it to this function missed a good time with lots of good food. I can't blame you for staying home though, the weather was pretty rough. A hard core crowd of around sixty people toughed it out and made the best out of it. The high tide Saturday night came over the docks in some places by a few inches. That didn't dampen our spirits though, just our feet!

Sunday's weather was a lot better. We all started the day with a big breakfast in the clubhouse that included homemade Belgian waffles and sausage gravy biscuits, with all the fixings to go with them. Afterwards we had the Flag Raising Ceremony and the Blessing of the Fleet. Cathy Horne opened up the Ships Store and did a very good business. She has some new items and can order anything out of the catalog for you. She can also have them monogrammed if you like, so check out the Ships Store!

I want to thank my Bridge and everyone that was there, for their help getting everything ready, serving the food, cleaning up afterwards, and helping a rookie Commodore through his first function. I am very pleased with how it turned out.

Don't forget that we are having an Advanced Power Boat Handling Class on May 14<sup>th</sup>, so sign up soon. No matter how good you are at handling your boat, you can always learn something new. B-Dock is having their function on May 21st. I am looking forward to a big crowd for this one. I will try to do better with the weather this time.

We are still waiting on VDOT to put up the work signs on Melrose Road for the Adopt a Highway program. We all know that you can't rush the government to do anything. When the signs do go up we will set a date for clean up and post a sign-up sheet for a volunteers to help with the clean up.

We have a new and very different idea proposed for the 2012 Change of Watch. I sent out an e-mail survey with some info, and have included a copy in this newsletter for those of you that do not have computers. I would appreciate everyone's input so we can get a true feeling of how the membership feels about the idea, before moving forward with it.

Take care everyone and see you soon.

Bruce Williamson  
Commodore

## SECRETARY NOTES



Karla asked me to pass this along. The LCYC website has been updated with pictures from the COW.

I still have the Rosters with me. I apologize for not handing them out at the April function. It was so nasty out that day I didn't want them to get ruined and I missed a lot of you at breakfast. I will have them with me at B-Dock's function so please touch base with me. Thanks.

Please feel free to share your Dock news for the Roster, funny memories, great fish catching days, announcements, jokes for the month, articles you may find interesting that you would like to share, anything would be great!

Theresa

## MAY BIRTHDAYS



1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 Gayra Berger-Maynard	13	14
15 William Dodson	16	17	18	19	20	21 Steve Thompson
22	23 Roger Coleman	24	25 Vi Shivok	26 Charles Williams	27	28 Ron Hoile
29	30 Kevin Glenn	31				

## Minnow's Birthdays



1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	Jilian Vargas	13	14
15	16	17 Timothy Henson	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# DOCK NEWS/MESSAGES



## B-DOCK FUNCTION

DATE: MAY 21, 2011  
ATTIRE: PAJAMAS  
TIME: Social Hour 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. (Registration 5:30 p.m.)  
Meal served shortly after

Greetings, one and all,

B-Dock is busy planning our next function and it's shaping up to be fun.

**Please join us for the *B-Dock Bay Breakfast and Pajama Party*.**

For all those who have wandered down B-Dock during one of our famous Sunday brunches and seen our feasts, you know what's in store. For those who haven't, well, you'll just need to join us on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> to see for yourself. The menu will include some spectacular brunch fare, to include pancakes, fresh sausage, ham, casseroles, great biscuits - with gravy, if you like - fried apples, and other assorted goodies and sweets.

The B-Dock crew will be working hard to break last year's 50/50 raffle, the largest in Club history, and for a fun twist there will be contests for the **best pajamas or sleepwear** (nothing beyond PG-rated, please!) with a prize to the best couple. The kids will be judged separately with a prize for the best boy and for the best girl. So put your thinking cap on and come to win....

Let's have as much fun as we all did at last year's B Dock affair.

See ya'll there.

Paul Koenig, B Dock Director

## SHIPS STORE

Ahoy Shipmates!! Well....I didn't have any rain coats to sell at the April function... but I should have!!! It was a rainy, windy, cold day but the diehards showed up to party, the tables were filled with lots of good food and a good time was had by all. I was unable to open the Ships Store at the function on Saturday evening; however, I opened it on Sunday morning after the Flag Raising and the Blessing of the Fleet. It was a beautiful morning and I got a good feel for what it's like to work in retail. I was busy....I sold almost all of my new merchandise! So I have placed a 2<sup>nd</sup> order that will be ready within the next week for pick up and I will have lots of good stuff for you to choose from. **I have polo shirts, ladies tank tops, canvas tote bags, cool caps, hooded zip-up sweatshirts (they went like hot cakes!), T-shirts, and even a few little Doggie T-shirts. I have merchandise left over from last year to include stickers for your vehicles and koozies to keep your beer cold, as well as many other items that will be discounted for quick sale.** I will have a catalog with me if you want to take a look at what all is available to purchase and remember that you can have most items customized with your boat name. I plan to open the Ships Store for a couple hours during the day on Saturday May 21st. I will have items for sale on display up at the Club House from 12:00-2:00 and then again at the party from 5:00-6:00. So bring some cash and come make your purchases early! I look forward to seeing you at the River.

xoxoxo  
Cathy Horne

## THANK YOU

On behalf of Tony, myself and the girls, we would like to extend our appreciation for all of the prayers, well-wishers, phone calls, sympathy cards and heartfelt words of support and kindness from our family and friends at Olverson's and from the members of the Yacht Club, regarding the passing of Tony's Dad. Although he was not a man of many words, he was a wonderful human being who blessed our lives in so many different ways. He was most proud of his family and the time we could all spend at the marina. We will always cherish those memories and look forward to reminiscing with many of you who have been fortunate enough to have your own memories of Tony Sr. Our sincerest thanks, again, for all the outpouring love and support from everyone.

Amy Andrade

## NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome Rodney Williams as a new member of the LCYC, he is on D-Dock.

## GREETINGS LCYC MEMBERS

I wanted to let you know that the Bridge and I are working on some new ideas for the Club. I feel that if you don't move forward with some new ideas the same routine gets old and people lose interest. My goal, as your Commodore, this year is to run the Yacht Club with the member's best interest in mind. In order to do that, I may need your input from time to time. This is your Club and I want you to know that your opinion matters.

I have a new and very different idea for the 2012 Change of Watch. I want to run it by all of you and see if it is something you would like to attend this year. We would not be boaters if we did not love the boating lifestyle so I thought it would be nice to include some boating into the Change of Watch.

So here is the idea: What would you think of having the Change of Watch in Norfolk aboard the harbor cruise ship "SPIRIT OF NORFOLK ". We are still working on details and pricing, but this is a rough idea of the agenda for the weekend. People would start arriving on Friday afternoon at the hotel "still to be determined" but it will be close to the ship. There would be a reception in the Commodore's Suite on Friday evening and again on Saturday afternoon. At 5:30 p.m. on Saturday we will all walk or drive if you like to the ship, which is a block away from the hotel. We board the ship at 6:00 p.m. and have our social and Change of Watch on board ship. At 7:30 p.m. the ship will start boarding for the general public and at 8:00 p.m. the ship departs on a fun filled three hour tour of the Norfolk Harbor and Naval Ship Yard. There will be an all you can eat dinner buffet with a waiter staff that sings and performs. There will also be a DJ playing music and dancing on the dance floor. A cash bar is also available.

We are still negotiating with them on the price of the cruise, but it will not be any more than \$80.00 per person. Now I know this is more than we have paid in the past and times are tough. Before you jump ship, hear me out. We have paid \$45.00 per person before just for the Change of Watch. For \$35.00 extra or maybe less per person, we will be having a fun filled three hour party on the water!

Please take a look at the ship's website for more information at <http://spiritofnorfolk.com/Norfolk/home>. I thought this would be different and a lot of fun for everyone. I hope it may attract some of you that have not been to a Change of Watch. Please take a moment and drop me an e-mail at [blwilliamson1@verizon.net](mailto:blwilliamson1@verizon.net) , or catch me at the marina and let me know if this is an event you would or would not like to attend. I also look forward to hearing any comments you have. This survey will determine whether we go forward with this idea or keep the Change of Watch the same as it has been. In order for this survey to work we need your participation!

Thank you very much for you time.

Bruce Williamson  
Commodore

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

**PLEASE REMEMBER.... THE PROPER ATTIRE FOR THE B-DOCK FUNCTION ON MAY 21, 2011, IS TO WEAR PAJAMAS. HOPE EVERYONE WILL PARTICIPATE!!!!**

## **NOTICE TO ALL LCYC MEMBERS**

When registering for Dock Functions, the Bridge request that Members, their family, and guests do so by entering the club house through the front door. Hopefully this will allow everyone to register and receive their name tags in an orderly fashion. The registration of members, their family, and guests will commence at 5:30 p.m. on the day of the function. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **LCYC SPONSORS TWO BOATING CLASSES**

### **Advanced Power Boat Handling**

**Where:** Clubhouse, Olverson's Marina, Clubhouse  
**When:** Saturday, May 14, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Price:** \$45.00

### **Public Safe Boating Course - Virginia's "Boat Virginia" Class**

**Where:** Clubhouse, Olverson's Marina, Clubhouse  
**When:** Saturday, June 4, 2011  
**Time:** 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sign-up sheets will be posted in the clubhouse so that you can sign up at your leisure. These will probably be the only two classes offered by LCYC this season, so be sure to get involved!

## **ATTENTION EVERYONE**

Bill Weber has the equipment to test the output strength of your VHF radios. He has graciously offered to test anyone's radio and antenna for no charge. He keeps his boat on B Dock in Slip B-31 and his boat's name is Maybe Later. This is a great service to us all. For safety reasons, everyone should have a working VHF radio, so stop by and see Bill for a radio check- up! Thank you, Bill for offering to do this for us all.

Bruce Williamson, Commodore

## WEST MARINE/BOAT US MEMBERSHIP

If you are joining Boat US/West Marine use the Lodge Creek Yacht **Discount No. GAB3880Y** and your membership will be half price.

## LCYC WEBSITE

LCYC's website <http://lodgecreek.org> is up and running thanks to Karla Connelly. Past newsletters (up to 11 months), current newsletter, pictures of functions, LCYC schedules, cruises, and notices will be on the website. Please send pictures to Karla at [seawench@lodgecreek.org](mailto:seawench@lodgecreek.org).

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