

# MATHEWS YACHT CLUB



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COMMODORE

*Col. Stephen E. Wilson*

**H**APPY NEW YEAR! I am honored to continue as your Commodore in 2012.

We lose three key Board members in 2012: VC John Caperton, Treasurer Mike Reed, and Director Dave Montgomery. Thank them for their service when you see them.

Tom Flounders is our new VC, and our three new Board members are RC Marilyn Cotter Tucker, Treasurer Davie Cottrell, and Director Joe Perdue. Mark, our Manager, and Troy, our Head Cook, complete the club's leadership, helping to make our club the best in the Chesapeake Bay area.

We continue to benefit from the great work of volunteers Jim Calleran, *Decklines*; Karen Palmer, Postal Manager; Bob Warren, CBYCA; Betty Wrenn Day, Mantel Manager; Pat Dickey, Registered Agent and Legal Advisor; and Dan Webster, Insurance Advisor.

We ended 2011 with another fabulous New Year's Eve Party. The tent over the deck allowed us to move the dance area and band outside, which expanded our ability to increase reservations. The Treasurer has dispatched the annual dues notices. Please pay your dues on time (see By-laws § 2.7.4.2 for details), and consider making a donation to the Scholarship Fund for deserving employees who are either in college or college-bound.

As we begin the 2012 season, I need to address some issues. The first is food safety. Help us to comply with the Virginia Department of Health's high standards. Whenever we have a buffet-style event,



Volunteers at their November 19 reception enjoy tasty food and beverages as they give "rapt" attention to the Commodore's words of gratitude for their valuable service the Club.



put out hors d'oeuvres, or stock a dessert table, **PLEASE** assure you've washed or sanitized your hands and use *only* the Club's serving utensils to transfer food to your plate—to include using the spoons provided to help yourself to nuts and trail mix on the bar. Unsanitary habits include using fingers to pick out a choice morsel, "double-dipping" into a dip, or using your fork to taste test an item. VDH regulations also require use of a clean plate for seconds! The second issue involves lunch; please pay your bill at the bar register before departing. Finally, please limit yourself to only one refill of juice during the Sunday Brunch.

I mentioned during the annual membership meeting that we would evaluate our meal costs in January to decide if we must increase meal prices. The Board, after reviewing an analysis of 2011 meal costs, reluctantly concluded the rising cost of goods and services requires an increase in meal prices to at least break even. The Thursday night dinner price will increase to \$13 per person and the Friday night buffet price to \$14 per person; both prices are exclusive of tax and gratuity. See the RC's article on changes to Saturday night dinners and MYC's 2012 operating hours.

Do you know folks who are good candidates for membership? Sponsor them if they want to join! Use your Club frequently and often. Our club opens on Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> (Super Bowl XLVI weekend), for lunch and the always popular evening buffet. Installation of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 5:00 p.m. (1700) with light hors d'oeuvres and open bar; uniform is MYC winter formal or coat and tie equivalent.

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MANTEL  
OF THE MONTH

**G**etting the new season started in just the right spirit, this month's lovely, and "loving" mantel is the creative work of Mairi Furness.

So, when you see Mairi around the club this month, be sure to give her a word of thanks for her creative efforts.



## DECKLINES

February  
2012



### ABOARD SHIP

*Famous Friday Buffets  
Resume  
Valentine's Ball  
Rockfish Tournament  
Results*



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**REAR COMMODORE**  
*Marilyn Cotter Tucker*

**H**appy New Year to all.... we thoroughly enjoyed the New Year's Eve bash put on by our crew and the band Strokin'; they will be back next year.

I wish to thank Vice Commodore, Tom Flounders, for the wonderful job he did last year as Rear Commodore; as the new RC, I hope to follow up on that success.

The Schedule of Events will be a little different this year. The cooking demonstrations and the Saturday Night Candlelight Dinners will be discontinued due to low participation. The Thursday night "Mom's Home Cooking" will begin the third Thursday in February, and continue through November. In the place of the Candlelight dinners, we plan to have a theme dinner on the first Saturday of each month beginning with the Flag Raising on the 5th of May and continuing through August. Saturday lunches will begin in June; and, an enhanced lunch-style menu will be offered on Saturday evenings.

We have a full schedule this month beginning with the first Friday buffet on February third. That will be followed by the Officer Installation, Valentines' Dinner Ball (music by William Sadler's band), and a Mardi Gras Buffet on Friday the 17th.

For the 2011 New Year's Eve dinner dance, we tried a new payment system. Waiting time was reduced since your checks were ready to be handed to Jo-Ann as you entered. As a reminder... checks and cash are preferable to using a charge card, as our club pays the bank for that privilege. Don't forget the tip jars by which we thank our hard working employees.

Please feel free to give me suggestions for theme nights or any activity you and your fellow shipmates would enjoy.

*R*



**VICE COMMODORE**  
*Tom Flounders*

**T**he Vice Commodore is responsible for the club's facilities and grounds. John Caperton had this responsibility in 2011 and did an excellent job; I will work to maintain the standard he has set.

A number of improvements were made last year, and this year we already have begun replacing the porch windows with Andersen windows to improve the efficiency and individual comfort significantly. We will keep you informed of other changes as they occur.

One of the important activities the Vice Commodore has is to plan and organize the Annual Club Work Day. This year it is scheduled for Saturday, April 14. Mark your calendar and plan to spend the morning raking, shoveling, painting or whatever best suits you. A complimentary lunch will be served after we complete our work, and as an added incentive, you will be invited to the annual Volunteers' Reception held in November. There is a sign-up sheet at the bar.

If you see something around the club that needs fixing, I invite you to bring it to my attention. We are continually looking for ways to make improvements. Thanks for your confidence by electing me as your Vice Commodore. I will work hard to fulfill my responsibilities.

*R*



**SECRETARY**  
*Godwin Jones*

**T**he Board of Directors approved four membership applications on December 20 and one application on January 17. The approved applicants have been placed on the Waiting List, a current copy of which is posted on the club bulletin board:

- Bass E. (Bobby) Beasley of Port Haywood; Sponsor: Ken Brown
- Joseph W. (Joe) Miller, III of Lake Worth, FL; Sponsor: Sonny Richardson
- David B. Marchant of Hartfield; Sponsor: Godwin Jones
- Mary H. Simpson of Hudgins; Sponsor: Will Story
- Michael L. Plenering of Williamsburg; Sponsor: Fred Savage

One new application was presented to the Board on January 17. The name of the applicant is posted on the bulletin board until our meeting on February 21 so that any member may comment.

- Henry W. Moncure, II of Gloucester; Sponsor: Steve Wilson

In 2011, we received 29 applications which is the highest in several years. In 2008, there were 19 applications, 27 in 2009 and 28 in 2010. This is great trend especially considering the economy. It is also a strong indication that we are doing things right and our members are enthusiastic about the club. We end the year with 52 members/applicants on the Waiting List.

As of the Board meeting on January 17, we have received resignations from five members:

- Ted Broderson
- Gray Collins (Wait List)
- Barbara Ellis
- Anne Millner
- Al Schick

As you send in your 2012 dues, please look over the membership information on the Remittance Slip carefully and make any corrections. This is the database that is used to print the member handbook each year. Remember to return the remittance slip with your check by the end of January.

Please keep the Secretary informed of any address, phone or e-mail address changes -

[mycsecretary@va.metrocast.net](mailto:mycsecretary@va.metrocast.net)

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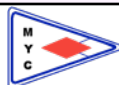
*The New Years Gala*



*Revelers enjoyed tasty beverages and scrumptious food; Strokin' provided the tunes on the cozy enclosed deck, and everyone boogied the night away.*



*And Mr. Monopoly (aka, Charles Hall) and his wife, Grace, were back again, too.*





## FLEET CAPTAIN

R. Wayne Turner

Even though the boating season is still several weeks away for most of us, now is the time to begin making plans for the up-coming cruises and other boating related activities.

Your cruise Director Dave Montgomery is busy planning the cruise season, look for information on the event calendar and future Decklines. If you have any cruise suggestions, please call Dave at 725-1709.

I am currently working on educational classes for the season. If there is a certain class you feel would be a benefit or if we had a class last season that you missed and would like for us to offer this season, give me a call 725-4693.

For those of you who rent slips at MYC, be looking for your slip rental bill for 2012.



The 2011 Annual Rockfish Tournament was held Sunday, November 27th and Saturday and Sunday, December 3rd and 4th with six boats participating.

The winning fish, 45 3/4 inches long, was caught on *Two Marys* by Captain Danny Webster and his crew of Buzz Buzby, Willie Hubbard, and John E. Brown Sr. The second place fish, 27 3/4 inches, was landed by J. W. Brown and the third place fish, 27 1/4 inches, belonged to Logan Byrns. Both of these fish were caught from *Wendy Daze*, with Jay Brown, Captain, with crew, Chris Byrns and Vince Lassiter. Several other fish were caught but none of them were weighed in.

The prize money, originally planned for the top six fish, was split between the three winning fish. As customary, the winning fish was prepared by the club manager, Mark Letchworth, and served at the Annual Meeting.

Other boats supporting our tournament were *Happy Hours*, with Captain John Caperton; *Halcyon II*, with Captain Ron Lambert; *Cemento*, with Captain Jay White; and *Schools Up*, with Captain Wayne Pulley.

Ten local merchants contributed door prizes: Moughon's Inc., Morningstar Marina, Southwind's Pizza, Stan String's Pizza, Phillip's Energy Inc., Ocean Products Research Inc., Chimney Corner Lawnmower Inc., Mathews Lawn and Garden, West Marine, and Lynne's Family Restaurant. Please patronize these businesses and thank them for their support of our club tournament.

 THE SALE LOFT

**FOR SALE** – 1989 Grady White 23 ft. Gulfstream with a 200 HP Johnson motor recently fitted with a new power head. New gas tanks in 2000. \$22,000.

Call Jack Parker at 804 725 4159 or [jabparker@verizon.net](mailto:jabparker@verizon.net).

**FOR SALE** – 1971 Ericson II 35' sloop, Bruce King design with a, 25 HP, atomic-4 gasoline engine, fin keel, 4' 11" draft, ; 8.8 Water Tender dingy; relatively new main and 150 genoa w/ Harken RF, plus a spinnaker and pole, bimini, full head and holding tank, alcohol stove, 30-gal fresh water tank, Horizon depth finder, wind direction and speed indicator, VHF radio and *much* more.

Contact: Robert Leitzel (804) 725-9302 or email [rleitzel@verizon.net](mailto:rleitzel@verizon.net)

**FOR SALE** – Converter/Charger Intel- Power 9200, new-in box not opened, cost \$300; 4-stage charging system, 70 amps, 1250 watts, reverse battery and low/high voltage protection. \$200.

Contact - Bruce Cargill 725-3389

**FOR SALE** – 7' 2" Seaworthy dinghy, excellent condition; \$200.00

Contact: Arthur Liles, 804 725-2870

**FOR SALE** – 1975 Columbia T-26 go anywhere on the Bay 26'sloop, powered with button start Honda 9.9hp 4 stroke engine. Depth finder, VHF radio, compass, full length keel, draft 2'1", ballast 1500lbs), sleeps 4 cabin head room 6"1". A perfect sailboat for starting sailors. \$5,700.

Contact: Terry Pletcher 804-725-2223

**FOR SALE** – 28 ft Pearson sailboat, recently refurbished: new cushions, new rigging, fuel tank, and sole. Rebuilt Yanmar 2GM 20 diesel engine; furling jib; \$22,000.

Call Jack Parker 804 725 4159 or [jabparker@verizon.net](mailto:jabparker@verizon.net)

**FOR SALE** – 1988 24' Albemarle and EZ Loader trailer; 5.7 Mercruiser I/O, Re-engined 2004. Raytheon VHF 4500Plus, Furuno Depth Finder LS 6000, dual batteries, Bimini top; \$6000.

Also, 20 lb. Danforth anchor \$20. New Echomaster Radar Reflector, \$10.

Call Reed Lawson at 725-3375.



## KNOW THE STAFF



Waitress, Andrea Diggs, age 18, is one of the youngest members of the Yacht Club staff and one of the most enthusiastic.

Andrea loves her job because she likes meeting

people, likes serving and likes making people happy.

Andrea is a senior at Mathews High School where she is following the nursing curriculum. This semester she will intern at Mathews Convalescent Center and will be a Certified Nursing Assistant by the end of the school year. She plans to go into the Riverside Nursing program when she graduates in June, and is saving her money to help with these expenses.

Andrea is the youngest of three children. Her sister, Wendy, is married with two children. Her brother, Randall, works at Busch Gardens.

Andrea wants Club members to know that she will help them in any way she can and she hopes everyone enjoys being around her.

– Martha Story



## NEWS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Submissions to *Decklines* and *The Sale Loft* are welcome, and should be sent by the 15th of the month to the *Decklines* Editor.

email:

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## MYC HOURS

## FOOD &amp; BEVERAGE SERVICE

Thursdays (starting 2/15)  
Fridays (starting 2/3)

Lunch 11:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Dinner 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm





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