





LODGE CREEK YACHT CLUB THE OSPREY TIMES MARCH 2021 - APRIL 2021

<u>2021 BRIDGE</u>

Commodore - Bob Woodburn Vice Commodore - Bill Sullivan Immediate Past Commodore - Jay Novak Secretary - Theresa Sullivan Treasurer - Charles Williams Fleet Captain - James (Coach) Pulchine A-Dock Director - Kathy Dow B-Dock Director - Kathy Dow B-Dock Director - Ellen Weber C-Dock Director - Judy Filmeck D-Dock Director - Antonia DePascale E-Dock Director - Patrick Foster

INFO TO REMEMBER

LCYC Website link: http://www.lodgecreekyachtclub.com

West Marine/Boat US Membership - LCYC Discount No. GA83880Y

BOATERS SAFE BOATING COURSE - Effective July 1, 2019 all Virginia boater must have taken a Certified Boaters Safe Boating Course and have proof of this while boating in Virginia waters while operating any vessel powered by a motor of at least 10 hoursepower. This law makes no distinction of age or experience.

As we start the boating season, we must all renew our commitment for SAFE $\ensuremath{\mathsf{BOATING}}$.

<u>VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS</u> - The most cautious boaters can sometimes experience unexpected problems on the water. That's why the U.S. Coast Guard recommends that all recreational boaters, including personal watercraft and paddle sport users take advantage of the free Vessel Safety Check Program every year. We have certified Vessel Safety Check Examiners here at Olverson's Marina. **Please contact Dave Teets at 804-370-7061, he can also be found on C-Dock for getting this free examination.** Once you have completed this free 15-minute examination, you will be given a decal that can proudly be displayed on your vessel. Taking a few minutes to have your vessel checked, just may save you from problems this season!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Annual Membership Fees are due on December 31st

Annual Membership Fee - \$100

Annual Membership Late Fee - \$20 if paid after January 31st.

COMMODORE: BOB WOODBURN

Happy Spring! Hopefully the LCYC will be open for business as usual soon! Vaccinations are in full swing in Richmond and I hope you are able to get one if you so choose wherever you happen to be. Your Bridge recently met to review the budget and this year's calendar. Our financials are in order and a big thanks to Charles Williams for his continued work as our Treasurer and our calendar is shaping up nicely.

We continue to focus on membership to try and get everyone involved in the fun, so when you see someone on your dock who is not a member let them know what they are missing.

I hope you are all making plans for a full weekend of activities (COVID pending of course) April 30-May

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2, COW, Flag Raising and the Blessing of the Fleet. Dave Teets, C-Dock, will be doing the all-important Vessel Safety Checks this year so please get with him and set that up. Let's get this boating season going! Stay safe and I hope to see you all around the marina soon!

PS: Somebody flip the switch for the pool heater please!

Bob Woodburn Commodore



I will have to check the records, but I believe I have now served the longest single term in the history of the LCYC as the Commodore. However, this is only because we have not yet had our Change of Watch to make the transition official. Rest assured, Bob Woodburn is in control of 2021 and eager to get the year started. In the meantime, I would like to make one last plug for all of you to join us at this year's Change of Watch on May 1, 2021. A registration form was mailed to you, if you are going to register, please do so as soon as possible so we can get an accurate count. Hope to see you there, if not before.

Jay Novak Past Commodore



Hi everyone,

Please say a prayer for Commodore Bob Woodburn and his family for the recent passing of his brother Kenneth Woodburn.

Please welcome our new LCYC Members:

James and Marlene Zeigler - C-Dock Angela Davenport and Natasha "Tasha" Palmer - E-Dock

By now, you should have received your Membership Cards and the Registration Form for the Change of Watch in the mail. Some of you may have already registered and/or may not be able to go but I wanted everyone to have one.

UPDATE ON THE COW REGISTRATION FORM:

The options for the entrees will be:

#1 - Smoked Lemon Pepper Pork Loin & Shrimp Pomodoro (shrimp, seasoned with garlic, parmesan, fresh tomatoes, basil served on a bed of linguine), salad, rolls, and dessert.

#2 - Roast Beef served with au jus, baked potato, sauteed shrimp, garlic and butter, salad, rolls, and dessert.

Please state on the registration form which number you would prefer for all guests. For those of you who already registered, please email Dave Teets with your preference at: Dave@ashcraftinsurance.com.

The live band will be: Smitty Smith and Friends!

Please be sure to send checks to this address: **Charles Williams, Treasurer- 6316 Great Swan Lane, Chester, VA 23831** it's on the Registration form. Some people are still using the Treasurer's old mailing address.

I hope everyone will attend our 50th Change of Watch and make it memorable. Jay and his 2020 Bridge did a fantastic job in making the events "safe" for everyone during the COVID pandemic. It was a difficult year for Jay and his Bridge with all the restrictions (even the COW had to be rescheduled), they deserve a great going out! And we can then officially bring in Commodore Bob Woodburn and the 2021 Bridge with open arms and smiles, in what will be a fantastic year ahead.

The Roster was attached to the email with this newsletter. Please look it over and be sure all your information is correct. If anything is wrong or has changed, please let me know. If your name is not in the Roster it is because we have not received your renewal. Once we receive it, I will update the Roster accordingly.

Also attached in the email is the PowerPoint Presentation for the New Life Jacket Labeling Law provided by Dave Teets as requested by some members, and for those who could not attend the virtual seminar. Please be sure to look it over.

Remember to go to the end of the newsletter for the Calendar of Events.

Looking to seeing everyone soon! Stay safe and be well.

Theresa

FROM SAFETY OFFICER - DAVE TEETS

IMPORTANT!

A new engine cutoff switch law aims to prevent boat-strike injuries (credit: National Safe Boating Council)

New Boat Engine Cutoff Switch Law Goes Into Effect April 1.

Applies to boats less than 26 feet operating on plane or above displacement speed.

SPRINGFIELD, Va., March 15, 2021 – There are new engine cutoff device wear requirements for recreational boat operators as part of the January 1, 2021, passage of National Defense Authorization Act that included a U.S. Coast Guard Reauthorization. These devices, commonly referred to as engine cutoff switches (ECOS), are designed to prevent a boat-strike injury if an operator is accidentally ejected overboard while underway.

Engine cutoff devices can be located at the helm of the boat or on the tiller or body of an outboard engine and typically connect a boat's operator to the cutoff switch with a lanyard. Some ECOS devices eliminate the lanyard and rely on wireless proximity devices to shut down an engine if the operator goes overboard.

Effective April 1, 2021, the new law requires a vessel operator to use either a helm or outboard lanyard or wireless ECOS on certain vessels less than 26 feet when traveling on plane or above displacement speed. These vessels include (1) boats that have a functioning engine cutoff device installed at the helm or on an outboard engine or have wireless ECOS, or (2) boats manufactured beginning January 2020. The Coast Guard increased the number of boats required to have ECOS installed after this date in an effort to reduce boating accidents and fatalities.

Exceptions to the ECOS requirement include if the main helm of the vessel is in an enclosed cabin or the vessel is not operating on plane or at displacement speed. Low-speed activities such as fishing or docking do not require use of an ECOS. The vessel operator is also exempt if the boat's motor produces less than 115 lbs. of static thrust – or about the size of a 2-hp engine.

The new law applies to all federally navigable waterways. As this is a federal law, states do not have the ability to enforce the new ECOS regulation — though seven states (Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Louisiana, Nevada, New Jersey and Texas) currently have their own ECOS laws. BoatUS expects most states to amend their regulations to match federal law over the coming years. While boat operators who fail to follow the new requirement could face a \$100 civil penalty for the first offense, BoatUS expects the U.S. Coast Guard's initial focus will be education.

Boaters are encouraged to check the U.S. Coast Guard website for additional information https://uscgboating.org/recreational-boaters/Engine-Cut-Off-Switch-FAQ.php on this new use requirement and other safety regulations and recommendations.

"BoatUS supports responsible use of cutoff devices and wants to get the word out to boaters to be aware of this new requirement so they can prepare," said BoatUS Manager of Government Affairs David Kennedy. "We believe the new requirement allows recreational boaters to operate their vessels in a practical manner while increasing boating safety."

Kennedy suggests that boat operators double check to see that their engine cutoff switch is working and begin the season by getting into a good habit of wearing it.

Boater Education Certification Class

As most of you are aware, any boater operating a vessel 10hp. or more, is required to have completed a NASBLA Certified Class and must carry their Certification Card with them while operating the vessel. Due to COVID-19 teaching in-person classes has been prohibited until now. It is with great excitement that Olverson's Marina and Lodge Creek Yacht Club will be sponsoring the "Boat Virginia" class at Olverson's Marina, on **Saturday, May 22, 2021, beginning at 8:00 a.m**. This is an 8-hour class and once you have completed the class, you will be given your boater certification card! The class is **FREE** and it includes a nice lunch that will feature a tasty meal, courtesy of Olverson's Marina.

SPECIAL NOTE: You must pre-register for this class and you can do so by contacting the Marina Office and getting your name on the list!! Class size will be limited to 50 persons, so be sure to sign up soon, and on class day be sure to bring a comfortable lawn chair and your love of boating!!

Vessel Safety Checks

While obtaining a **FREE** Vessel Safety Check is now a requirement of State or Federal law, it is a good idea to have a Certified Vessel Safety Examiner meet with you and go through a checklist of safety items and make sure that you are aware of different safety features of your boat, and also review the State and Federal requirements that you must comply with while operating your boat.

At Olverson's Marina there are **THREE** Certified Vessel Safety Examiners. All three Examiners keep their boats on C-Dock, so to learn more about the program, and to schedule a 10-20 minute visit, please contact Dave Teets at Dave@ashcraftinsurance.com, Erik Amato at trawler@wildblue.net, or Jim Zeigler at jim@jzeigler.com. You may also contact the Marina Office and let them know that you are interested as well.

Safety while on the water is the most important thing to keep in mind and having a Vessel Safety Check will certainly help give you peace of mind!

Dave Teets LCYC Safety Officer

FROM LCYC MEMBER MARGIE DAVENPORT: POSSIBLE SCAM

I don't know how many people at Olverson's have documented boats, but I wanted to let people know about something I fell prey to.

Boats are documented through the U.S. Coast Guard at the National Vessel Documentation Center, address being:

U.S. Coast Guard ATT: Renewal Department P.O. Box 1119 Falling Waters WV 25419-1119 Telephone: (800) 799-8362

Well, there is a group that is called "**Maritime Documentation**." I got the mailing that my documentation fee was due and unthinkingly I sent in the fees....for more than one year. I don't know how they got my information but when I got it I assumed it was U.S. Coast Guard

As it turns out, that is **NOT** from the Coast Guard and it is a higher fee. The Coast Guard said they send out the mailing **BEFORE** they do and it has fooled a lot of people. I find myself paid into the future and besides the fact that it was a higher fee, I was not dealing directly with the Coast Guard Office.

In my opinion, it is somewhat of a scam. Yes, they do send the smaller fee to the National Vessel Documentation Center after they have taken their profit out, but this was not authorized by U.S. Coast Guard.

I thought I would pass this along for anyone who may make the same mistake.

Margie

<u>PAST COMMODORES</u>		
2020	Jay Novak	
2019	Barbara Woodburn	
2018	William Ward	
2017	William Weber	
2016	Ed Rest	
2015	Bill Sullivan	
2014	Steve Thompson	
2013	George Utt	
2012	Theresa Sullivan	
2011	Bruce Williamson	
2010	David Teets	
2009	Tony Andrade	
2008 2007	Bob Ryan Sarah Harman-Hopkins	
2007	Ed Rest	
2005	Jerry Hopkins	
2003	J.T. Taylor	
2004	Ed Williams	
2002	David Deal	
2001	Tom Redford	
2000	Mike Steele	
1999	Parker Carwile	
1998	Ken Brooks	
1997	Byrd Chancey	
1996	John Phipard	
1995	Ellie Culbertson	
1994	Bill Selden, V	
1993	Ron Sowers	
1992	Dick Roop	
1991	Charles "Skip" Campbell	
1990	Sandy Campbell	
1989 1988	George Thompkins Susan Secoy	
1987	Lee Bedsoe	
1986	Wayne Burgess	
1985	Mason Cole	
1984	Bud Ziherl	
1983	Wayne Hedges	
1982	A.B. Skepstedt	
1981	James Harper	
1980	John Gupton	
1979	James Bricker	
1978	Jimmy Morrison	
1977	Charles Winder	
1976	Gene Kohler	
1975	Melvin Duke	
1974	Joe Giannotti	
1973	Bob Costner	

MARCH/APRIL

Happy Belated MARCH Birthdays

3/3	Stephen Trice
3/4	Ann Simmons
3/5	Linda Corcorran
3/9	Beverly Hollins
3/16	Elizabeth Thacker
3/19	Robbie Benjamin
5/19	Chip Tatum
2/20	Joyce Hall
3/20	Alex Rappa
3/25	
3/26	Shawn Hill
3/29	Kenny DePascale
Happy	APRIL Birthdays
4/1	Mark Miller
4/5	Jodi Trice
4/8	Ainsley Kelly
	Bob Ryan
4/12	Joyce Eagles
4/13	Margie Davenport
	Barbara Cummings
4/14	Fred Olverson
4/20	Margie Brown
4/25	Danny Dukes
4/26	Ed Williams
4/27	Colt Novak
4/28	Tom Wrightson
4/30	Pamela Bennett
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LODGE CREEK YACHT CLUB 2021 EVENT CALENDAR

All Bridge Meetings are held once a month on the date of a LCYC Dock Event Election of Board Members October 16, 2021

[Dates and/or times may be subject to change.]

DATES

Friday, April 30th Saturday, May 1st Sunday, May 2nd May - TBD - Cruise May - TBD Sunday, May 22nd

Saturday, June 12th

June 26th - Cruise

Saturday, July 3rd July - TBD - Cruise July - TBD

Saturday, August 21st August - TBD - Cruise August - TBD - Cruise August - TBD

Saturday, September 18th

Saturday, October 16th

EVENTS

Commodore Reception, Clubhouse COW - Callao Moose Lodge Blessing of the Fleet - Luncheon Trip to Red Roof Tavern - Look for Notices/Emails. Happy Hour - Look for Notices/Emails. Boater Safety Class - Pavilion 8:00 a.m.

C-Dock Function

Beach Party

B-Dock Function St. Mary's Fireworks - Look for Notices/Emails. Yesterday's for Dinner - Look for Notices/Emails.

E-Dock Function

Wine Sundown at the Beach - Look for Notices/Emails. Day Trip to Shark Tooth Island - - Look for Notices/Emails. Happy Hour - - Look for Notices/Emails.

A-Dock Function

D-Dock Function

<u>GUEST FEES</u> Disclaimer: Names not on your Membership form will be considered guests.

> ADULTS 19+ \$15.00 PER PERSON TEENS 13-18 \$ 5.00 PER PERSON CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE WITH PAYING ADULT

Special event fees, such as D-dock and E-dock functions are as follows:

ADULTS 19+ \$30.00 PER PERSON TEENS 13-18 \$10.00 PER PERSON CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE WITH PAYING ADULT

REGISTRATION*/SOCIAL HOUR 5:00 TO 6:00; CLUB BUSINESS MEETING 5:30 TO 6:00 DINNER SERVED AT 6:00 OR SOON THEREAFTER

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