



October 2026

NEWSLETTER



2026 LCYC BRIDGE



Commodore – Dave Teets



Vice Commodore – Laura Henson



Immediate Past Commodore – Rich Verdillo



Secretary & Ship Store – Antonia DePascale



Treasurer – Jamie Mullins



Fleet Captain – Heath Mullins



Webmaster – Kenny DePascale



A-Dock Director – Ann Eichenmuller



B-Dock Director – Craig Cook



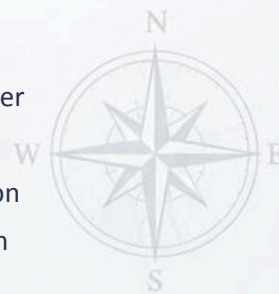
C-Dock Director – Kathie Thompson



D-Dock Director – Sharrie Harrison



E-Dock Director – Jason King



FROM THE COMMODORE

Dave Teets

Did you miss the Crab Feast? Over 125 of your closest friends attended! Everyone I talked with can't wait for the October 17th D-Dock Function, our Oyster outing. Please register on the website so we have a good "head-count." Cocktail hour starts at 4:00pm since daylight hours are shorter, so don't be late!

We were introduced to the nominated Bridge in September, and at the October 17th function we need to vote on the candidates and on the proposed Bylaw changes (emailed to everyone).

Plenty of fall boating season left. Boat safely and wear your life jacket. With fewer people on the water, be extra careful.



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*Same
Waters
Brighter
Days*

BRIDGE UPDATES

As we head into another busy month at LCYC, the Bridge would like to thank everyone who continues to volunteer, participate, and make the LCYC such a great place to be. We have plenty happening around the club, so be sure to check out the latest updates, upcoming events, and important reminders below. We look forward to seeing everyone around the docks!



VICE COMMODORE

Laura Henson

This week we are traveling around the bay area. Our first stop close to Olverson's was Reedville. The Reedville Market is now open for dinner. Reservations are recommended. We have gone twice now and enjoyed the atmosphere, food and drinks. They are on Facebook. The nice bonus...you can tie up to their dock for dinner. And a special bonus, you can stay overnight at no charge! There is no electricity or water, but it's a safe haven. Just show up and tie up. I encourage all to visit this restaurant by water or land..



PAST COMMODORE

Rich Verdillo

Hats off to Commodore Teets, for guiding the bridge, and club, through another great season.



SECRETARY

Antonia DePascale

As we cruise into October, there are a few important updates from the Secretary's desk. Our **2027 Membership Renewal Portal is officially OPEN!** Members can now submit their renewal information online, making it easier than ever to get a head start on next year's membership. Remember, renew and pay **on or before the D Dock Function on October 17** to receive **\$5 off your 2027 dues**.

I've also sent out emails regarding the **proposed LCYC By-Law amendments** that will be voted on at our October Annual Meeting. Please take a few minutes to review those updates before the meeting.

Keep an eye on your inbox, get those renewals in, and let's sail smoothly into another great year at Lodge Creek! ⚓



TREASURER

Jamie Mullins

🚢 Looking Ahead to 2027!

It's hard to believe it's already time to start thinking about **2027 LCYC renewals!** Another great year of dock functions, cruises, good food, laughter, and time on the water has reminded us what makes LCYC so special — the people!

We hope you'll join us for another year of fun, friendship, and making memories together. Keep an eye out for **2027 renewal information** coming soon, and let's make next season even better!

🚢 **D Dock Function Reminder:** We're looking forward to another great LCYC gathering! If you're bringing guests to the D Dock function, please be sure to **send in your guest fees before the event**. Guest fees can be given to **your Dock Director or sent directly to the Treasurer**. Getting these in ahead of time helps us keep everything organized and ready for a great night!

Thank you for being part of our LCYC family, **here's to finishing 2026 strong and looking forward to an amazing 2027!** 🚢🍂🍷



SHIP STORE

Antonia DePascale

🚢 FROM THE SHIP STORE 🛍️

Ahoy, LCYC crew! 🍂 Cooler weather is sailing in, which means it's time to trade those tank tops for something a little warmer!

Stop by the [Ship Store](#) and stock up on your LCYC gear for those crisp fall days at the marina. Whether you're cruising, or hanging around the docks make sure you're flying your **LCYC colors** in style!

🚢 Rep the club. Stay warm. Look nautical.

Because every good captain needs proper crew gear! 😊

ON THE WATER



FLEET CAPTAIN

Heath Mullins

📣🚢 AHOY, YE NAUTICAL LEGENDS! 🚢📣

ARRR! October has arrived, the air is cooler, the rum is still flowing, and this **D Dock pirate** is getting ready for our favorite kind of treasure hunt, one that ends with FOOD! 😄

D DOCK'S FUNCTION IS OCTOBER 17TH, and we're ready to welcome the whole LCYC crew aboard! Come hungry, come thirsty, and come prepared for a night of good food and questionable pirate behavior. 📣🍷

Fleet Captain's October Orders:

- 🚢 Keep yer lines tight.
- 🍷 Keep yer mug full.
- 🦀 Report to D Dock hungry.
- 💀 Mention winterizing at yer own risk.

D Dock is ready... ARE YE? 📣🚢



WEBMASTER UPDATE



FROM THE WEBMASTER

Kenny DePascale

With the advent of AI new tools have recently become available to us, and we've been able to harness them to help improve our website. Over the past several months, a lot of work has been happening behind the scenes on the LCYC website. Some of it is already visible, some of it is being tested, and quite a bit more is on the way.

*The goal is pretty simple: **modernize the LCYC website, make it easier for our volunteers to manage, and give us much more control over the features our members use.***

Today, several important website functions rely on free third-party WordPress plugins. They work, but the free versions often come with limitations. Features like better reporting, editing registrations, communications, payments, and other improvements can require paid upgrades or additional subscriptions.

*Instead of continuing to add more paid add-ons, I'm now designing and building a host of new plugins designed specifically around how our club operates. With that, I am excited to announce the new backend **LCYC Suite**.*

*We've already made major progress with **Membership Renewals, Membership Management, RSVP reporting, Function Check-In, attendance, guest fees, walk-ins, and Excel reporting.** We're also building our own **LCYC Functions and Function Registrations system** to eventually replace the current third-party Events Calendar and registration plugins.*

*The advantage is simple: **we control it.** If members or volunteers ask for a useful feature, we're no longer limited by what a free plugin allows. We can build it specifically for LCYC.*

We're also building security into the system as we go rather than trying to bolt it on later. That includes better permissions, server-side validation, audit trails, safer handling of member information, and tighter control over who can access administrative features.

*One of the changes I'm most excited about is Function Check-In. The goal is for our volunteers to be able to use an **iPad right at the function** to quickly look up members, check them in, handle guests and guest fees, add walk-ins, and produce accurate attendance reports afterward. That's a huge step forward from paper lists, manual reconciliation, and disconnected systems.*

*We're being careful with the transition. Our current Events Calendar and registration system will remain in place through the **October 17 function**. After that, we'll begin the final migration and testing process, with a goal of launching the new LCYC-native Functions and Registration system in **January 2027**.*

Future plans include improved club communications, analytics, Treasurer tools, financial reporting, and even tighter integration between functions, registrations, membership, and check-in. In this newsletter, you will see a few screenshots of the administrator backend and some of the plugins I've been working hard to create.

While a lot of this are new backend tools, you will see more user-facing changes come 2027 when we launch the new Function Registration platform.

We're not just giving the LCYC website a new coat of paint. We're rebuilding the infrastructure underneath it — and we're building it for us.

-Kenny

LODGE CREEK YACHT CLUB

LCYC Suite

Functions, registrations, membership, renewals, reporting, and attendance.



Each module is updated independently. TEC/RTEC remains available during the parallel-run migration.



LCYC RSVP Reports

Build the pre-event registration report directly from Roundup. The original form responses are preserved; conservative headcount interpretations are flagged for review.

Event: 2026-10-17 - 2026 D Dock Function - Oyster Roast View Report

PRE-EVENT RSVP REPORT

2026 D Dock Function - Oyster Roast

October 17, 2026 - 4:00 pm-8:00 pm - LCYC Clubhouse

[Download Excel \(.xlsx\)](#)

Adult Members 40	Kids 2	Non-member Guests 6	Maybes 7	Not Attending 3	Potential Attendance 55
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23 registration submissions - 23 counted toward totals - generated October 1, 2026 9:43 am. Potential Attendance excludes Not Attending.

LODGE CREEK YACHT CLUB

Membership Manager

Renewals & dues Refresh

Membership year: December 1-November 30. Renewals remain the source for dues and submitted details.

Households for 2027
15

Family memberships
13

Single memberships
2

Paid for 2027
1

Renewals to link
0

Directory

Renewal Inbox

Membership Cards

Bridge Officers

All households

History

Membership year
2027

Search names, email, docl

+ Add household

Export Roster Excel

Showing households with a membership record for 2027 only. Unpaid records are identified below.

Household	Dock	Slip	Dues status	Membership type	Children / eligibility	
Kenny DePascale Antonia DePascale ID 1 - kdepascale@gmail.com	D	14	Paid	Family	Giuliana Eligible through Nov 30, 2041 Giovanni Eligible through Nov 30, 2045	Open
David Teets Tiffany Gilchrist ID 2 - dave@ashcraftinsurance.com	C	24	Unpaid / unverified	Family	—	Open

LODGE CREEK YACHT CLUB

Function Check-In

Open iPad view

2026-10-17 - 2026 D Dock Function - Oyster Roast

Refresh

+ Add function

Settings

Annual report

2026 D Dock Function - Oyster Roast

2026-10-17 - Open: Adult guests \$10.00 / Kids \$10.00

Function settings

Sync registrations

Delete function

Detailed Function Report

Final Attendance Report

Paid next-year membership accepted for this function

Members
0

Kids
0

Guests
0

Total attendance
0

Fees due
\$0.00

Collected
\$0.00

Outstanding
\$0.00

Expected registration headcount: 40 - Walk-in parties: 0. Only usable mapped registration counts contribute to expected headcount.

Search household or attendee

All parties

+ Add walk-in

Ghari Messerley

Not yet arrived

Registration #1006

Registered Members: 2 - Kids: 0 - Guests: 0

Check in

DOCK DIRECTORS' CORNER

October has officially sailed into Lodge Creek! The summer crowds may be fading and the temperatures cooling down, but there's still plenty happening around the docks.

From fall boating and dockside gatherings to **D Dock's October 17th function**, there's no shortage of reasons to stick around a little longer. So grab a sweatshirt, check those dock lines, and enjoy one of the best times of year at LCYC!

Now, let's see what's happening around the docks...

A DOCK DIRECTOR

Ann Eichenmuller

We'd like to thank everyone who pitched in and made our August Southern BBQ a success. Thanks too to everyone who participated in our Yacht Rock Bingo game—we loved hearing all those voices still singing after the music stopped! A Dockers are also excited about working more closely with B Dock next year. We joined forces for the Christmas in July Dock Crawl and found that many hands really do make lighter work.

B DOCK DIRECTOR

Craig Cook

We have a new boater on B Dock. Her name is Annie and she is a 5 month old golden retriever puppy. She is very friendly and welcomes everyone she meets on the dock. Her hobbies are swimming, swimming and swimming in that order. In addition, we welcomed back Evening Star, owned by Rich and Sue, after an extended cruise to Tiffany's boat yard.

C DOCK DIRECTOR

Kathie Thompson

C Dock is ready to soak up the best of October, cooler days, crisp evenings, and beautiful fall views from the docks. Here's to enjoying every last bit of boating season with great friends and good times at LCYC!

D DOCK DIRECTOR

Sharrie Harrison

*Fall is finally here, and D Dock is ready for cooler weather, good times, and one of our favorite events of the year! We're so excited for our upcoming **D Dock function** on October 17th!*

E DOCK DIRECTOR

Jason King

A huge thank you to everyone who came out and supported E Dock's function!

2026 EVENT CALENDAR

EVENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE • Check lodgecreekyachtclub.com for updates

OCTOBER

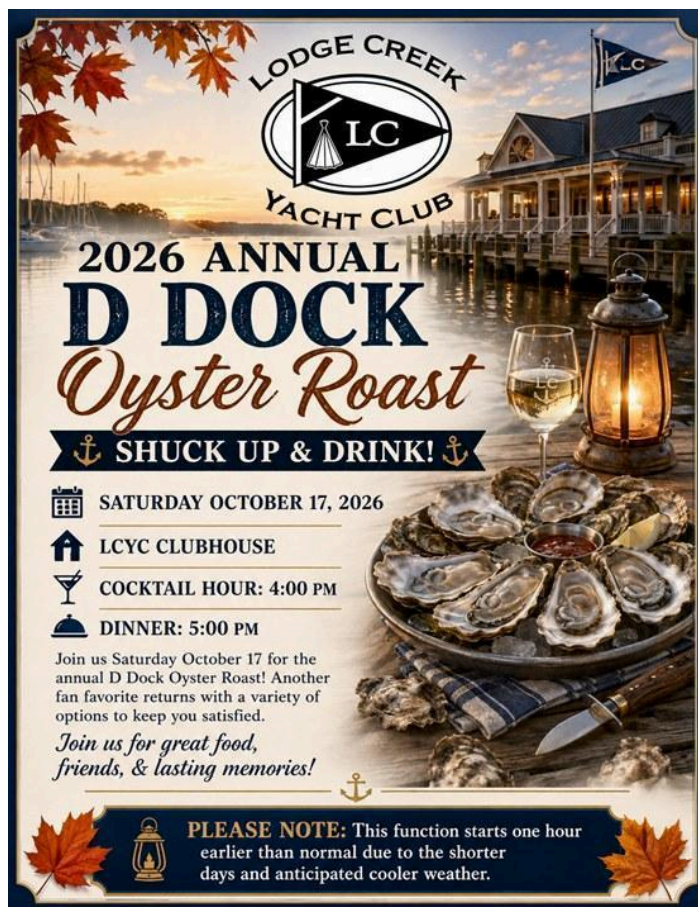
D Dock Oyster Roast

Saturday, October 17th | 4:00 pm
Olverson's Club House

COMING UP

2026 Change of Watch – TBD

Details to follow



ANCHOR GUEST FEES

Guest Type	Standard Events	Special Events (D & E Dock)
Adults (19+)	\$15.00	\$30.00
Teens (13–18)	\$5.00	\$10.00
Children (12 & under)	Free with paid Adult	Free with paid Adult

SAFETY & BOATING

FROM THE SAFETY OFFICER

October 2026 Reminder: Have You Had Your Vessel Safety Check Yet?

As we cruise into fall, there's still plenty of boating season left! Before your next trip on the water, make sure your vessel is safe, compliant, and ready to go with a **FREE Vessel Safety Check (VSC)**.

Why Get a VSC?

- Verify your vessel meets recommended safety standards
- Receive a VSC decal recognized by law enforcement agencies
- Identify safety concerns before heading out on the water
- Enjoy added peace of mind for you, your family, and your guests

Right Here at Olverson's Marina

LCYC is fortunate to have two Certified Vessel Safety Examiners available:

- **Dave Teets**
- **Jim Zeigler**

Haven't had your 2026 check yet?

It's not too late! Reach out to Dave or Jim to schedule your **FREE Vessel Safety Check** before you wrap up your boating season.

 **Enjoy the fall cruising season, stay safe, and we'll see you on the water!** 

FROM THE GALLEY

Member recipes & dock favorites

RECIPE 1: *Texas Sheet Cake*

SUBMITTED BY

Amy Cook

COOK TIME

350 F for 30 minutes

SPECIAL NOTES

This is one of my oldest 'go to' recipes. It is easy, fast, very portable, and made with ingredients I usually have on hand. It is on a handwritten note in my recipe file and I have no idea who gave it to me. If you don't have buttermilk, simply add one tablespoon of vinegar to ½ cup of milk. Try it with ice cream – eat it today and wear it tomorrow!

Update (9/26): This is Carolyn Tatum's favorite cake. She requests it for her birthday every year!

CAKE INGREDIENTS

- 2 Cups sugar
- 2 Cups flour
- 2 sticks butter
- 4 T cocoa
- 1 Cup Boiling Water
- ½ Cup buttermilk (substitute if needed is ½ cup milk with 1 Tablespoon vinegar)
- 1 tsp. Soda
- 1 tsp. Cinnamon
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. Vanilla
- 2 eggs (lightly beaten)

FLOUR INGREDIENTS

- 1 stick butter
- 4 T cocoa
- 6 T milk
- 1 box (16 oz.) powdered sugar – sifted to remove lumps
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 cut chopped nuts

DIRECTIONS

In a medium saucepan, melt butter, cocoa and milk and bring to a slow boil. Remove from heat and add sugar. Stir until sugar is incorporated and frosting is smooth. Add vanilla and chopped nuts. Stir well and pour evenly over the cake while frosting is still hot (it begins to harden immediately and you can frost the cake while it is still warm). Allow frosting to cool and set before cutting.

RECIPE 2: *Brunswick Stew Recipe*

SUBMITTED BY

Ann Eichenmuller

PREP TIME

10 minutes

COOK TIME

1 ½ -2 hours



INGREDIENTS

- 2-3 lbs pulled pork (can substitute pulled chicken)
- 4 tbsp butter
- 3 gloves garlic, minced
- 1 yellow onion, finely chopped
- 3 medium potatoes, cut into small pieces
- 2 15-oz cans fire roasted diced tomatoes (undrained)
- 4 cups chicken stock
- 1 tsp liquid smoke
- 1 ½ cups bbq sauce
- 2 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- ¼ tsp cayenne pepper
- 8 oz package frozen corn
- 8 oz package of frozen lima beans
- Salt & Pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS

In a large dutch oven or heavy pot, melt butter on medium-high heat. Then add garlic & onions and saute until soft (around 5 minutes). Mix in tomatoes, potatoes, chicken stock, BBQ sauce, Worcestershire, liquid smoke, cayenne, pork, lima beans, salt and peper. Bring to boil then lower heat to simmer, Cook for 1 ½ hours, stirring occasionally. Add corn and cook for another 10 minutes.

MEMBER PHOTO ALBUM

Snapshots from the docks, cruises & club functions



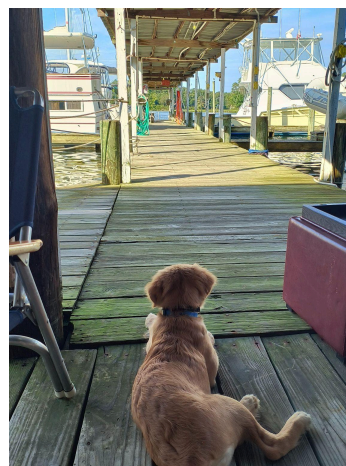
Good things happen when you mix these together



B Dock Breakfast with great company



Future Captain Giovanni



B Dock's favorite resident is 5 month old Golden Annie!



Ken & Laura Henson explore Reedville Market



B Dock Welcomes Back Evening Star!

MEMBER PHOTO ALBUM



Laura & Ken Henson's recent trip



Ready for our Pirate Beach Party!



LCYC Function fun!



Olverson's Pool is the place to be!



Ready to Race at E-Dock Function



The Future Commodores of the LCYC

PAST COMMODORES

2025 Rich Verdillo	1997 Byrd Chancey
2024 Bobby Andrade	1996 John Phipard
2023 Antonia DePascale	1995 Ellie Culbertson
2022 Bill Sullivan	1994 Bill Selden, V
2021 Bob Woodburn	1993 Ron Sowers
2020 Jay Novak	1992 Dick Roop
2019 Barbara Woodburn	1991 Charles "Skip" Campbell
2018 William Ward	1990 Sandy Campbell
2017 William Weber	1989 George Thompkins
2016 Ed Rest	1988 Susan Secoy
2015 Bill Sullivan	1987 Lee Bedsoe
2014 Steve Thompson	1986 Wayne Burgess
2013 George Utt	1985 Mason Cole
2012 Theresa Sullivan	1984 Bud Ziherl
2011 Bruce Williamson	1983 Wayne Hedges
2010 David Teets	1982 A.B. Skepstedt
2009 Tony Andrade	1981 James Harper
2008 Bob Ryan	1980 John Gupton
2007 Sarah Harman-Hopkins	1979 James Bricker
2006 Ed Rest	1978 Jimmy Morrison
2005 Jerry Hopkins	1977 Charles Winder
2004 J.T. Taylor	1976 Gene Kohler
2003 Ed Williams	1975 Melvin Duke
2002 David Deal	1974 Joe Giannotti
2001 Tom Redford	1973 Bob Costner
2000 Mike Steele	1972 Leo Huckstep
1999 Parker Carwile	1971 Leo Huckstep
1998 Ken Brooks	

INFORMATION TO REMEMBER

LCYC WEBSITE

www.lodgecreek yachtclub.com

MEMBER ROSTER / DOCK ASSIGNMENTS

For quick access to the Roster and dock assignments the link is:

<http://www.lodgecreek yachtclub.com/members/> (Password Protected)

Reach out to webmaster@lodgecreek yachtclub.com for access

BOATER SAFETY COURSE

Effective July 1, 2019 all Virginia boaters 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 horsepower. This law makes no distinction of age or experience.

As we continue the boating season, we must all renew our commitment for SAFE BOATING.

VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS

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 the Marina Office and office personnel will provide you with contact information 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

[Click Here](#) to go directly to the Membership Renewal Portal

- Annual Membership Fees are due on December 1st
- Annual Membership Fee - \$150
- Annual Membership Late Fee - \$20 if paid after January 31st.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Send photos or recipes to: secretary@lodgecreek yachtclub.com

Deadline: 1st of each month