

CONGRATULATIONS

2003

**Mens & Womens
Officers and Boards**

Best of Luck
In the coming Year

Commodore

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday. I would like to thank everyone who supported the incoming officers and myself for 2003. We had a great turnout for the election this year. As a team we can fulfill the ever-increasing demands of the Club. There is a lot of work to do this year; with the membership (as in you) and the officers we can meet these demands while enjoying ourselves doing it.

Cindy and I are looking forward to serving and representing Ottawa River Yacht Club. With your help and support we can't miss.

If any members have any questions or concerns, concerning the Club, please don't hesitate to ask myself or any of the officers. If we don't have an answer for you right away, we will find one as soon as possible.

On the lighter side note: Cindy and I are looking forward to a great boating season. **BOATING + FRIENDS + FUN = ORYC.**

Thought of the month: "Do not go where the path may lead go instead where there is no path and leave a trail" *Emerson*



Mike Myers

Immediate Past Commodore

I hope all of you had a very nice Christmas and the New Year brings you everything you want.

I want to thank everyone for the great year that you gave to Carolyn and me. All the help we received and everyone that pitched in and worked so hard to make this a great Club. We want to thank all the ladies and men officer for doing a great job and hope that all of you will stay active.

Good luck to 2003 Commodore Mike Myers and lady Cindy, we will be there for anything you need help with. You have a good board to work with and we all look forward to another great year.

P/C Gary Ryan and Lady Carolyn

Vice Commodore

Congrats to all the men and ladies who won their elections and I'm sure that all those who were elected will find that this will be a great year.

Special note to Tony Wolf," Forgive him lord for he knows what he's done". In all honesty Tony, you will have a lot to do this year, with the various events. But, you will find that it's not as bad as what is running through your mind. You will find that we have a lot of good and caring members in this



Club who will always be there for you, as they were for Deb and me.

I hope everyone who came to the New Years Eve Party had a great time, I know Debi and I did.

In closing Debi and I would like to wish each and everyone a safe and Happy New Year, and hope to see you all at the Club.

Bill Jankowski

Rear Commodore



I'd like to congratulate the new incoming officers and board. I'd also, like to thank all of you for your support throughout the year and for your support in the election. The past year has been a good one and Kathy and I are looking forward to 2003.

Don't forget to come down to the Club on New Years Day and enjoy the fine friends, food and drink. Also, don't forget to stop down to the Club on Friday for the Ohio State VS Miami Game; kick off time is 8:00 PM on Friday the 3rd of January. Hope to see you at the Club.

Mike DeAngelo

Yardmaster

Debbie and I would like to congratulate Mike Meyers and his wife Cindy on being elected as O.R.Y.C's Commodore and First Lady for the upcoming year. I would also like to congratulate all the new officers and board, both men and women. I look forward to working with all of you. I'm sure the beginning of the New Year we'll all be busy planning for the up coming year. If you missed the deep fried turkeys that Mike Ersham cooked on Election Day, you missed some good food. (Thanks, Mike).

The extension on the patio will be going back up right after the first of the year. If you would like to get some hours in or just want to get out of the house, stop down and give us a hand. We sure need some extra help with this project. I would like to thank everyone in the yard, for such a nice job on cleaning up after you were done winterizing. It really shows that everyone took a little extra time for house cleaning. If you got a little time, take a walk through the yard (with a friend) and check on the boats. I'm sure everyone would appreciate this. Till next month: **"THINK SNOW"**

Terry Trimmer

Dock Master

First of all I would like to thank all of the members who supported our election. Also, I would like to thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to serve our Yacht Club in this capacity. This is an honor and privilege for myself. I am looking forward to an exciting year.

As you know dock dues are being sent out and are due by February 1, 2003. This means no later than January 31, 2003 12:00 midnight. If you do not receive an invoice for your dock and you know you should please contact me so I can make sure you get one and your payment can be made by the due date. Any dock dues not received by the due date will result in the dock being posted for bid with

all other dock bids. Dock bids will be posted on February 1, 2003 and will remain posted for the period of one week. Dock bids will then be awarded and remaining dock bids will be posted for a second bid. Please double-check your records to make sure that your dock stays your dock. If you do not intend to hold your dock for the upcoming season notify me in writing.

Any problem with your invoice or payment you need to contact the board. By-Laws that govern these procedures will be followed.

Scott Warnka

ILYA Commodores Ball

On December 6th and 7th, Lois and I attended the ILYA Commodores Ball as a representative of ORYC.

Friday night was fun night with various clubs including the AYC hosting hospitality rooms. Friday night was well attended by ORYC members. I can tell you we had a lot of fun. The highlight of the evening was Cindy Myers conducting Rum Shot 101. Everyone from ORYC did well except our glorious Fleet Captain, Gary Wilson. It seems he had a hard time knowing the difference between intake and exhaust, (suck and blow). Even though he failed Run Shot 101 he received an Atta-Boy for having the most crushed shot holders.

Saturday night was the Commodores Ball honoring ILYA Commodore Doug Hogan. It was an affair to remember. During his presentation he thanked many different people for their help this year. I felt proud of the fact that the first "thank you" from his mouth was thanking ORYC for their fundraisers at the beginning of his year as Commodore.

He then came up to me after the Ball and asked me to relate his heart felt thanks to ORYC and it's members, "Atta Boy ORYC".

Now on to the business end. I attended the Power business meeting on Saturday. The ILYA Power Boat Chairman is Brian Cousino from HVYC.

The ILYA Regatta will be held 7-29-03 thru 8-2-03. I would ask that you plan on going to ILYA this year. In addition to activities at Put-In-Bay, ILYA sponsors and conducts 15 different boating and on shore events i.e. inflatable raft races, docking contests, predicted log, volleyball and the West clubs (AYC) and the East clubs and the annual softball game. For the second year the Putt Putt golf contest and beer bust. You will need reservations forms, which Rich Vail or myself can get for you.

At the General Business Meeting one thing of possible interest to you came up in regards to the "X" Cruise this year. They are going to go through the Trent-Severson locks. Instead of using your own boat they will be renting 40ft houseboats that are capable of accommodating 2 or 3 couples. It will be scheduled for the last of June. So if you're interested get your group together, if you would like more info log on to the ILYA web site at www.I-LYA.com.

I'm looking forward to Florida. Enjoy the winter, see you in the spring.

Jim Bridge ILYA Alternate

P.S. Congratulations to our new officers and board members and congratulations on a job well done to the out going.

Passed President

THANK YOU! JIM KESSLER, MIKE MICKENS, 2002 MENS BOARD, LARRY EDGINGER, LOU HAFNER, LARRY DEBAGIO, SNAKE ROVNAN, MIKE FERRARI, TOM ZUNK, MIKE MYERS, MIKE EHRSAM, UNCLE MILTY JUERS, ALEX URBAN, FOR ALL THE HELP ON THE NEW FIREPLACE. IF I MISSED SOMEONE I'M SORRY BUT YOU STILL GET A BIG THANK YOU!!!

Cindy Zunk



Historian

What Is A Yacht Club In The Fifties?

A yacht club is a small body of boat owners entirely surrounded by dues paying members who sit in green rocking chairs wondering what it is all about, and urging that the steward be fired and replaced by one who will sell gin on the cuff.

Half of one per cent of the members of the average yacht clubs own yachts. These members chain their boats in front of the clubhouse and spend the entire summer going back and forth between their yachts and the club by rowboat or power dinghy. They seem never to tire of

doing this. At the end of each season, a pewter cup is given the yachtsman who has made the greatest number of non-stop trips between the float and his craft.

Once in a great while some yachtsman, after rowing to his yacht, unhitches the thing, hoists sail or cranks the engine, and starts away. Members of the Rocking Chair Fleet, startled by the spectacle of a yacht really underway, report the incident to the Board of Governors. Whereupon the other yacht owners hop into their white pants, grab their binoculars, dash to their own yachts and start in pursuit, determined to find out where the missing yachtsman is going. This is called a cruise.

A yacht club is one of the few institutions of modern civilization opened and closed by gunfire. Every yacht club has as one of its indispensable possessions, a small brass cannon. This is fired twice a day and serves among other things, to let the world know that the club is still solvent. One shot is fired at 8:00 o'clock every morning. This notifies the seven or eight men aboard boats that another day has rolled around. For visiting yachtsman it is the first call for bromo-seltzer and aromatic spirits. The second shot is fired at sunset. This notifies the entire membership that each member is a day older and that all drinking from that hour comes under the heading of regular evening business.

The active head of a yacht club is called a commodore. A commodore is a cross between a humidior and a matador. He has to be kept damp like a humidior and he has to throw bull like a matador.

2nd Annual Tropical Beach Party

**January 25th 2003 ORYC Patio
5:00 pm till -????**

**Be Sure To Wear Your
“Hawaiian Attire” Lei’s @ The Door**

Munchies Provided

All AYC/ILYA Members Invited

Mark Your Calendars

To be commodore you have to be a subscriber to four magazines, own a boat that will float of its own free will and carry your liquor gracefully.

Being commodore entitles you to wear a motorman's coat, white duck pants and a cap with monogram, wreath and flags on it. In most clubs a commodore's boat must draw at least seven feet of water, and the commodore must draw at least six feet of gin.

Yachtsman are sticklers for doing things in a way to puzzle people who have never ridden in anything but taxicabs. They even tell time by clocks that strike the wrong number of times. After a few years of practice with a ship's clock a person can tell time by fire alarm, church bell or orchestra chimes.

Yachtsmen also use flags or pennants for communication purposes. No yacht is complete without a chest of flags. Nobody knows exactly what any combination of flags means, but the skipper who hangs them up is sure to get answered. The code runs something like this: Eleven blue flags with white center hung above five red flags with yellow border: "I am coming aboard", the reverse means: I am already aboard and don't know it" add a black flag and "The owner is in no condition to know whether he is aboard or ashore". A red flag with three gold balls in it's center means: The owner is in hock and will sell ship, uniform, binoculars and statement for one years dues for \$45.00. All communications confidential.

Once again I would like to thank Mike and sandy Faylor for getting me a copy of the 1954 year book of which this article is taken from.

John H. Achinger

FLORIDA ORYC



90 YEAR OLD BIKER BABE

Gene Boger, member of the ladies Auxiliary takes to the road on a hog. Shows you your never to old to enjoy the open road.



**Palm Sunday Tornado
Does Anyone NoTheYear?**



GET YOUR PUPS LINED UP FOR MARCH 28TH?

THE KENNEL'S BEEN CLEANED OUT AND IT'S TIME FOR A NEW BATCH OF PUPPIES. THE KENNEL WILL ONCE AGAIN BE OPENED ON March 28TH TO GREET THESE LITTLE FELLOWS.

PLEASE JOIN US WITH A PUP OR TWO. PEDEGREES, MIXED BREEDS AS WELL AS MONGRALS ACCEPTED.

MORE INFORMATION IN THE UP-COMING
MUDHUMPS

CALL: (734) 850-2021

JOHN STRICK

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Hatteras



Hatteras

A Classic Glass Boat owned by
Terry and Debbie Trimmer.

January

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 New Years Day	2	3 OSU VS miami	4 Commodores Ball
5	6 Regular Meeting	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Mud Hump Deadline Board Meeting	16	17	18
19	20 Regular Meeting	21	22	23	24	25 Tropical Beach Party
26	27 Press Night	28	29 Board Meeting	30	31	

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