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HOLIDAYS AT THEIR BEST

Teresa, Jillian and I spent Thanksgiving in Hilton Head and had quite a time wandering around some of the nicest marina complexes around. The first marina we walked around we met the dock master who had lived in Occoquan. He couldn't believe it when we told him the Occoquan River had almost 2,000 boats on it. It's amazing how many boats migrate from the northern waters and spend the winter in and around coastal Carolina. Unlike Florida, the coastal Carolinas still has some best-kept secrets that are a lot more hospitable than further south. We visited our ultimate retirement destination and hailing port of Dataw Island, about 20 miles north of Hilton Head and it was as we had remembered. Thanksgiving dinner was at the Dataw Island club and what a feast... similar to the typical OYC cruise!! We left Dataw knowing that we have to wait a couple more years to break ground on that final retirement house.



Remember Those in the Military

As we think of winterization of the boat, cold weather, and the coming holidays, lets not forget about what's in store for the winter with the club. Everyone has received invitations to the holiday party coming up on December 11th. Sue Thompson needs your RSVPs immediately. So if you haven't mailed them, please do so now. Like you have read several times, it will be quite an event. We also received some long awaited news about three weeks ago. The Corps of Engineers signed the final agreements in a ceremony in Occoquan to mark the beginning of the project that will dredge the Occoquan River to a depth of six feet at minimum low tide and widen the channel to between 60 to 100 feet along the entire river. Many of you will remember that it was OYC member Jim Ball who began the campaign for dredging the Occoquan. Jim was also the founding Chair for the Occoquan River Maritime Association, which carried the torch after Jim and Peggy moved to Williamsburg. Until the Holiday Party!!
Sea Duck Too Back to One Six





Vice Commodore

Sue Thompson

A YEAR IN REVIEW

As the New Year approaches I can't help but think back on some of our great activities this past year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the activity coordinators for their hard work in putting together short cruises, long cruises, and land events. Without volunteers like you we would just be a bunch of folks with boats not having nearly as much fun as we are having now. For those of you who, for what ever reason, couldn't make it to some of these activities let me give you a few highlights of the events Steve, Nick, and I attended. For those who don't know Steve or Nick, Steve is my husband and Nick is my dog. We go everywhere together. [Editor's Note: Steve and Sue go everywhere together. Nick tags along most everywhere. The Editor wants to make sure Nick knows exactly where he stands in the family.]

My first memory of the 2004 boating season was the Winters Blues Party at the Grants. Watching football, ping pong and billiard games along with food, drinks and good friends always makes a great event. March brought us the membership meeting and photo contest (Don't forget to get your photos ready for this year's event). We didn't go on the Early bird cruise because we were bringing home our new boat. Still, we had tons of fun. May brought the official start of the 2004 cruising season with the flag raising. It was made extra special by the ROTC group that raised our Stars and Stripes. Next we had the Blessing of the Fleet, which was our pleasure to host the chaplain performing the blessing. It was great fun to watch not only the fire boats but all 200+ boats pass in review. Who could forget the great hat contest and wine tasting that went along with the Memorial Day Cruise to Colonial Beach. Moving on to June and a great raft-up at Tim's II with Nick learning just how far he had to

swim to get to shore, and the dingy race at Hoffmaster's (maybe next year the first mates should command the dingy), and who could forget the rain during Cobb Island Days. July brought us fireworks and camaraderie with the White Point Yacht club. We then headed off for the PYRCA float in. All I have to say is we were this close to winning the Commodores cup so PYRCA you better watch out next year. Then we headed to North Carolina and a wonderful two week cruise. It was a small cruise with only 4 boats but we all agreed it was great and we would definitely do it again. August brought the Olverson cruise. Although we didn't go on that cruise, we heard there were many nominees for the Golden Snorkel Award. The threat of bad weather caused us to cancel our August raft-up but, Anna and Ralph; we are looking forward to doing it in

2005. Can anyone say Tiki Bar? That would have been the mantra for the August trip to Spring Cove. That brings us to September and a great Labor Day cruise with a taste of the new restaurant at Point Lookout. This was followed by the Shrimpfest; a fabulous land event made better by the band and beer provided by Hoffmaster's Marina. Are you worn out yet? Then we had October with a cruise to Gangplank with many folks taking advantage of either the annual Hechts sale or sightseeing. We also held the October membership meeting and chili, dessert, and drink contest. Boy does OYC know how to cook and make great drinks! Last but not least was the Hardy Souls cruise. This cruise is not for the timid. Even though at times the environment was a challenge we still had a great time.

Well as you can see it has been a great year with many memories. I guess I need the next few months to catch my breath. Wait! See the list below. OYC never stops having fun.

Coming Up:

Please see articles about the upcoming activities throughout the Daymarker.

- December 4** – Alexandria Parade of Lights – Joe Livingston – (540) 373-9203
- December 5** – Georgetown Parade of Lights – Allen Jorsey – (703) 971-7120
- December 11** – OYC Holiday Party/Change of Watch – Fort Belvoir Officer's Club – Board Event
- January 15** – Wintertime Blues Party – Rob and Marge Grant – (703) 250-9539
- January 22** – Planfest, Location TBD – Board Event
- January 29** – PYRCA Change of Watch – Joe Livingston – (540) 373-9203

Till next time, I'm Forever Dreamin'



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Rear Commodore

Alan Gorenstein

THINGS TO SEE AND PLACES TO GO

Our last cruise of the year is now a memory for 2004 and *Shalom* has been winterized. Hopefully, the blustery days of January and February will be kind to our boat and with the passage of a few months we will again be enjoying the beauty of the Potomac. In the interim, Anne and I look forward to the many activities we have planned for the next few months and the excitement of cruising in 2005.

Celebrating the holidays with family, a planned cruise to the Western Caribbean on the Norwegian Sun, an evening at an Inaugural Ball, a black-tie night at the PRYCA Change Of Watch with OYC friends are just a few of the events that will tide us over while the wind howls and the snow blows. Sadly we will miss the OYC Holiday Party this year.

Little did I realize when I retired, just three years ago, how much there was to do. The challenges of being a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) helping abused and neglected children and their families, working with the Habitat For Humanity organization and a variety of other volunteering activities truly make for stimulating days and nights even if *Shalom* is out of service.

But, I cannot forget to mention the fun we have also had participating in OYC cruises during 2004, the time we have spent exploring the waters on our own and the excitement of looking forward to planning events for 2005. In just a few weeks, we will begin the planning process for the new year with the anticipation of returning to many places we have enjoyed in the past as well as cruising to a few new points of interest.

As I think about 2005, I also think back to those many articles in the *Washington Post*, *Chesapeake Bay* magazine, Northern Neck and Colonial Beach visitors guides and a variety of other publications about interesting things to see and places to go by boat. Jazz festivals, museums to explore, barbeque and beach blasts, fireworks away from the crowds of Washington, country music under the stars are just a few of the events that I will hope to write about in future issues of *The Daymarker*. It is also my hope that we

can coordinate a few OYC cruises to places where these events are held.

But, if OYC does not plan a cruise to a place that may be of interest to you, my hope is that information about the event in *The Daymarker* may stimulate you to say to your boating friends, "How about this weekend we cruise on down to _____ for a weekend of jazz or country music or ..."

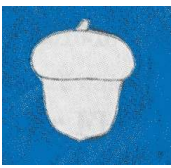
One idea that has already come to mind for 2005 is a cruise to St. Clement's Island with a weekend at the Colton's Point Marina. So you ask, what makes this a destination of interest? In addition to the forty foot memorial cross so visible from the River there is the Potomac River Museum and a host of activities in the State Park and at the marina. If you enjoy museums and would like to learn about the 350 years of history of Maryland or the adventurous colonists that sailed on *The Ark* and *The Dove* in 1633 to celebrate the first Roman Catholic Mass in the English speaking colonies, you may find a cruise to St. Clement's Island to be of interest. If you prefer to partake of a Jazz and Seafood Festival or wish to see the a one-act Tide of Tolerance outdoor drama of the first landing at St. Clement's Island maybe this destination might be a fun place to visit. And, when you are ready to cool off there is the pool, covered slips and a well stocked ship's store at Colton's Point Marina to enjoy.

During the next few months, I will provide more information about this destination and the many other spots on the Potomac that may be of interest to you. Yes, there are many things to see and places to go with our boats that are only a few hours away.

Although dates remain to be set for 2005 cruises it is not too early to begin thinking about cruising in 2005. Most importantly, please consider helping your club out by becoming a cruise coordinator. OYC, one of the largest yacht clubs on the Potomac, needs your help if cruises to the many new and exciting destinations are to be scheduled for 2005. So, please contact any one of the OYC officers and let us know if you are able and willing to be a coordinator of a cruise to St. Clements Island or one of the many other interesting destinations we will hope to visit in 2005.

Happy Holidays.





Treasurer

Harry Croft

WINTER LAMENTATIONS

The boating season is essentially over and hordes of summer mariners are buying gallons of that pink fluid, changing the oil, and battening down the hatches. I for one, refuse to give up! As I watched one boater getting ready for winter, I felt compelled to tell him that we didn't live in New England. This is Virginia! December, January, and February...that's our winter. It seldom gets below ten degrees and usually doesn't have the long hard freeze that the northern boaters have to endure. I did complete the usual maintenance items, but this year the "Bay Dreamer" is staying in the water, ready for that occasional nice day that we have during February and most assuredly in March. Last year I had to suffer the indignities that Hurricane Isabel visited upon my boat. I had to endure the long stay on land before splashing the boat back into action. Not this year.

So, I do have some advice for those intrepid souls who can hardly wait for warmer weather. Take reasonable precautions, such as making sure your neighbor in the slip next to yours has a bubbler (they are really expensive!). That's the thing that pulls up warmer water to keep the area around your boat, and usually several nearby boats, ice free. Drain your water system but don't pour that pink stuff in your tanks.

If you do, be prepared for stinky water next season. Don't buy your oil and filters at a marine store. Remember, marine really means pay-twice-as-much in Latin. Oil is oil and filters are filters. There are some things that require the marine label, but oil and filters aren't among them.

Protecting hatches and other openings is also important. When water freezes, it expands and causes unpleasant cracking and damage. Keep an approved, (this means fool-proof,) certified not-to-burn-your-boat-to-the-water-line heater on board. This will reduce dampness and keep everything above 32 degrees Fahrenheit...that's the objective.

Lastly, check your boat often. This keeps the boat grinch away. Grinch-work is most noticeable in the spring when something that functioned before winterization doesn't function anymore.

So, in the spirit of anticipating spring, my first mate and I often enjoy just sitting on the boat during the winter months to remind ourselves that cruising is only a few months away and that winterization is only an exercise in pessimism.



The Datemarkers

Birthdays

Bill Dalgetty, 12/3	Gordon Cawelti, 12/5
Tricia Mattke, 12/6	Gary Lee Gochenour, 12/13
Mike Robins, 12/13	Jim Bell, 12/14
Beverly Heinle, 12/16	Cindy Kelly, 12/17
Kristina Frantz, 12/17	Harry Croft, 12/21
Debbie Kent, 12/22	Joseph Swetnam, 12/25
Sue Thompson, 12/26	Jim Johnson, 12/27
Don Miller, 12/27	

Anniversaries

Bruce and Kathy Tulloch, 12/5
 Ned and Arleen Rhodes, 12/21
 Dave and Michele Wempa, 12/29

Welcome New Members

Gary and Carol Walsh of South Riding. (No boat.)
 Mark and Mary Ann Schall of Fairfax Station. They keep their 35' Cruisers *Night Stars* at Fairfax Yacht Club.

OYC NEEDS YOU!!

Hey There. Are you in the holiday mood to give a little of your time to help out the club? As we stated last month, your board is organizing the Planfest and needs volunteers to be cruise coordinators. If you have a favorite place and would like to share it with a few friends why not volunteer to lead a cruise. Please remember that this is an organization run by volunteers and the board cannot do it all. Remember a cruise can be a weekend or a week depending on what **you** want to do.

The first person (who has never been a cruise coordinator) to contact VC Sue Thompson and sign up as a new cruise coordinator will receive a \$20 gift certificate from the Quartermaster. Please contact her if you have questions about being a cruise coordinator. Thank you for your consideration and support. Happy Holidays!

On the Internet

Occoquan Yacht Club: www.OccoquanYachtClub.org *
 Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association:
www.PotomacRiverYachtClubs.org*
 Occoquan River Maritime Association: www.ormaweb.org*
 and Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association:
www.cbyca.org
 * Web space donated by Software Systems Group
 Ned Rhodes, President and CEO



Secretary

Vicki Hamp

CALLING ALL CHILDREN

...and those who like to have child-like fun!

I'd like to bring your attention to the following website *Northpole.com*. This is a fabulous site to share with your children during the Christmas Holiday. If you don't personally celebrate Christmas; I would recommend that you share this site with anyone you know that does and if you don't mind reading about Santa and his elves, you might find enjoyment on the site yourself.

As you navigate through *Northpole.com* you can e-mail Santa your wish list and Santa will reply in two days. You can send Holiday Post Cards to your friends with 20 animated pictures to choose from. You can read and color stories about Santa and his elves. Parents, you can make arrangements to have Santa send your child an electronic birthday card. You can Trim a Tree, Build a Snowman and even play with a Rubics Cube. You can sing along to Christmas Karaoke and test yourself on Santa's Naughty or Nice List. If you don't do so well, I suggest that you print

Santa's Good Deed Calendar. On this calendar, you can check off on each day of the year whether you've done things like go to bed on time, picked up your toys or ate all your dinner. You'll also have access to Ms. Claus' Cookbook where you'll find recipes like Peppermint Popcorn and (Ned I had to mention this one for you) Bacon Wrapped Wienies. The one thing on this site you absolutely don't want to miss is the link to Norad's Santa Tracker. Norad's Santa Tracker will begin tracking Santa across the World on November 25th. You'll be able to see Santa's exact location up to and including Christmas Eve!

If you missed Santa's arrival by boat in the Occoquan you might want to visit www.vre.org. The Virginia Railroad Express is sponsoring their 8th Annual Santa Train. On December 11th, Santa will ride the VRE on the Fredericksburg Line and the Manassas Line. Tickets are \$3.00 and go on sale November 29th at select ticket outlets. These tickets sell very fast. Santa and Mrs. Claus will make their way through the train cars, passing out candy canes and other small gifts (paper conductor hats for example) to the children. Santa usually accepts hugs and poses for pictures. All ticket sale profits will go to Operation Lifesaver. These tickets sell extremely fast, so don't delay if you are interested. The trains will return passengers to the same station they begin from.

Best wishes for a happy holiday!

PRYCA Change of Watch 2004

by Joe Livingston/PRYCA Delegate

The Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association (PRYCA) Change of Watch will be held at the Sheraton Crystal City on 29 January (Saturday), 2005. Make reservations now and get ready for your best boating season ever.

The cost is \$55 per person (late registration \$60), dress is Winter Uniform/Black-tie optional with Complimentary Parking. A reduced room rate of \$89 is available by calling the Sheraton.

Schedule of events:

- 1730--Cocktails' with hors d'oeuvres and cash bar
- 1900--Formal dinner w/entree choice of Steak, Fish, Chicken or Vegetarian. Salad, beverage and desert included.
- 2030--Change of Watch. Member club recognition and installation of 2005 PRYCA Bridge.
- 2130--Dancing and social



Please mail your reservation now to: Joe Livingston, 259 Bridgewater Cir., Fredericksburg, VA 22406. Question-540-373-9203 or joseph.livingston@verizon.net.

Reserve for PRYCA 2005 COW.

Attending_____

Name(s): _____ (Seating card)

Entree Choice (# of each): _____ Beef _____ Chicken _____ Fish _____ Vegetarian

Special Requests: _____

Check Enclosed (Payable to PRYCA): \$ _____

There Was No Bacon and it Was Cold

by Ned Rhodes

The last cruise of the season is always the Hardy Souls Cruise and this has been an OYC tradition for all the years I have been a member of the Club. Normally we go to Old Towne, but the damage done by that pesky Isabel has meant that we have had to pick a different location for



A Wet and Gloomy Arrival, If Not for the Wine.

the past two years. This year the participants voted on where to go and I decided that we would go back to Cobb Island like we did last year.



A Sunny But VERY Cold Day for a Walk.

Five boats made the trip down on Friday in what turned out to be the coldest weekend of the year. The participants this year included the Livingstons on *Gail Lynn*, the Jorseys on *Plane to Sea*, the Thompsons (plus Nick) on *Forever Dreamin'*, the Sorrentis (plus Corky) on *Sea Duck Too* and the Rhodes (plus Abby and the Ways) on *Impulse*. I don't know about the other boats, but the party started at noon on Friday on *Impulse* and carried right on through the night at Cobb Island with beef stew dinner on board.

Each morning the dog walkers met to walk around the island and to discuss and solve the problems of the day. The whole gang joined us for the First Annual walk around the island on Saturday afternoon and it was cold. Saturday night's cocktail party was aboard *Sea Duck Too* and was followed by a cold walk to Captain John's for seafood. Later that evening the crew aboard *Gail Lynn* treated us all to Bananas Foster created by Chef Jorsey, and boy was that good.



These Bananas are Best Served with Ice Cream – Not Cereal.

The Sunday morning dog walk was cold (do you get the idea?), but there was a promise of warmer weather for the ride home. The restaurant at Pirate's Den Marina arranged a fabulous breakfast for our group that included two kinds of eggs, sausage, pancakes and breakfast pizza. The only problem was that there was no bacon.

The afternoon warmed up to a balmy 60 degrees (and sunny) for a truly beautiful last ride home. We had another successful Hardy Souls Cruise and I hope we can go back to Old Towne next year.



When told that Santa would soon be here, they quickly fell asleep with visions of new boat toys under the tree.

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Billiards
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Drinking
Eating
and Drinking and Eating

Please join us!

*yeah, I woke up this
mornin' and had them
wintertime boat 'n
blues.....better get on
over so as I don't lose*

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Rob. Marg & Emily "Three G's"
7337 Wayfarer Drive Fairfax Station, VA 22039
rsvp by Jan. 10

call 703-250-9539 or preferred e-mail: robgrant@cox.net
(We will e-mail directions & potluck dish info. back to you)

To Golden Snorkel or Not To Golden Snorkel, that is the Question

by Belinda Nichols

WELL – it is time to confess. My Captain and I were in route to an AHYC fish fry. As we left port, the Captain announced, "We need fuel, but there is no bikini clad gas urchin, so to your docking stations and prepare for docking"! I, being a diligent and good First Mate knew that my station for this maneuver would be for'ard. So, as I had done a thousand or more times, I jumped over the bow with a line, and unexpectedly caught my flip-flop on a stanchion. I managed to grab and hang from the bow rail to keep from ending up between our vessel and the dock. The result, when I finally landed on the gas dock was some ligament damage to my right leg and finally surgery to correct it. I now firmly believe we need to be added to our Vice Commodore's Safety Tips "Thou shalt NOT attempt Olympic level gymnastics from the bow of thy vessel after age 40 nor in flip-flops." Currently, my leg is doing well and I would like to respectfully submit my application for the infamous and treasured Golden Snorkel Award.

We are two devoted participants in the OYC and want to contribute to the Daymarker for a laugh. Thanks to all for making our membership so welcome and eventful. Hugs & Laughs, Belinda & Fred on *Seaclusion II*.



The Editor, the Editor's Advisor on Worldly Matters (Sue), and Forever Dreamin's Second Mate (Nick) would like to wish everyone a happy holiday season. And if you tried to go shopping on November 26th, we offer you our sympathy.

General Membership Meeting

by Sue Thompson

The General Membership Meeting was held at the Fairfax Yacht Club on Saturday, October 26, 2004. Lots of members were on hand to vote on the board for 2005. The new board for 2005 is: Commodore – Rick Sorrenti, Vice Commodore – Sue Thompson, Rear Commodore – Alan Gorenstein, Secretary – Vicki Hamp, Treasurer – Harry Croft.



If you can't get anything to eat you might as well take a nap.

Our annual chili and dessert cook off was also held that day. Congratulations to all the winners. The chili winners are: 1st place – Jody Miller, 2nd place – Pat Croft, 3rd place – Kathy Hatton. Dessert winners are: 1st place – Jan Wilcox, 2nd place – Gail Livingston, 3rd place – Vicki Hamp. It was great food and perhaps if you ask them they will share their recipes.



It's like this folks ... you Vote First, then Eat.

Our first ever drink contest was held. The Orange Whip prize goes to 1st place – Joe Livingston, 2nd place – Mike Robins, 3rd place – Sarah Robins. Again, Congratulations to all.



Rick did some last-minute campaigning to try to cement his bid for a second year as Commodore.



And this was before the food arrived.



The Yeah's have it. Now what were we voting on??

You are Responsible for Your Wake

by Stan Grubaugh (as published in the PRYCA newsletter)

It appears many times that instead of safe and courteous boating practices, many of our fellow enthusiasts try harder to see just how much discomfort, damage, and harm they can do with their wake.

The same people who travel frequently and complain of sky turbulence and wake vortex in aircraft totally disregard the impact their on the water hi-jinks has on their fellow boaters.

No wake zones on the water accomplish two important tasks.

First and foremost, they provide a safe haven for boaters that are maneuvering into or out of a slip, marina, or mooring area. It minimizes the impact and damage caused when boats are tossed into each other, the docks, or personnel lose their footing while trying to secure the boat.

Secondly, they are environmentally friendly and reduce the impact and erosion of the shoreline, the quay walls, and the marina facilities that are caused by unnecessary lapping waves.

The boaters attitude is all too often that I am away from my home marina, so I don't have to observe another marina's no wake zone, or even know where it begins and ends. If the marina has live-aboards, that is their problem. I don't have to be courteous. I'm in my boat on the water. It

is their boat being beat against the dock, not mine. If some boats are rafted up together, than I really have an opportunity to show my total ignorance and immaturity to see if I can cause them some discomfort or damage or hurt someone.

When in the open channel, it is so much fun to see just how close you can get while at full speed and how much they will rock as they cross my wake, especially if they have guests on board or are having a leisurely cruise at a sensible speed.

Sometimes they give the appearance that their boat is just too big and expensive to show consideration and courtesy to other boaters.

Please remember to be courteous and extend the opportunity for a safe boating excursion to your fellow boaters and provide an environment around marinas and anchorages where those moored don't have to expect damage when they inspect their boat. Observe speed limits and no wake rules. If your engines are so large they idle faster than the no wake zone allows, learn to operate and maneuver by walking your engines one at a time, in and out of gear if necessary, or just operate on a single engine.

Let's all continue to have a safe and courteous boating season.

WHO IS HE AND WHAT IS HE DOING?



Could he be trying for the infamous Golden Snorkel Award? Or perhaps he has sleep apnea and hit the deck when the time came for an afternoon snooze?

And what do you think the caption should read? If you have a good caption, or want to hazard a guess on the identity of this person, drop the editor a line. He can be contacted at opsco@earthlink.net.

2004 Historic Harbors Boat Parade of Lights



SAVE THE DATE!

December 4 & 5

Mark your calendars & ship's log for a weekend of holiday festivities and fun on the Potomac River!

Saturday, December 4th

Festivities on the docks of the Alexandria City Marina
Boat Parade of Lights from the Alexandria Harbor to the Washington Channel
Awards Party & Celebration

Sunday, December 5th

Georgetown Parade & Festivities at the Washington Harbor

Join one, two, or all three parades! Complimentary slips available all weekend!

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Occoquan Yacht Club Calendar

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			1	2	3	4 Alexandria Parade of Lights
5 Georgetown Parade of Lights	6	7 Hanukkah Begins/Pearl Harbor Remembrance	8 Hanukkah	9	10	11 OYC Holiday Party/COW
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Winter Begins	22	23	24 US Holiday	25 Christmas Day
26 Kwanzaa Begins	27	28	29	30	31 US Holiday	
<i>January 2005</i>						
<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
						1 New Year's Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Winter Blues Party at the Grants
16	17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	18	19	20 (Eid) al Adha	21	22 OYC Plan-Fest at TBD
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 PRYCA Change of Watch
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Is It Time for Boating Activities to Move Indoors? *Inside . . .*

Fall Membership Meeting Report,

Who is an Official OYC Hardy Soul,

What did you do on the river in 04?,

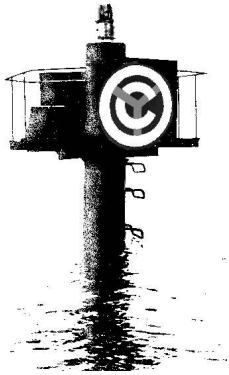
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