



# Fair Tides

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## THE HAVEN YACHT CLUB



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## **NEXT THYC MEETING**

TBD

Ok, enough of the crazy weather already! This continues to be one for the record books. Hopefully, the bad stuff is behind us and we can all begin to focus on fun and fair weather times ahead. Our Board recently met down at Haven Harbour on a cold and miserable Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, to go over a list of agenda items including this year's fun-filled calendar of events. Be sure to read the Rear Commodore's report that follows to see what is in store for those of us that look forward to the Club's activities each year. This one continues to deliver what we as the members look for.

Another piece of exciting news centers around Haven Harbour's acquisition of the former Sailing Emporium across from Waterman's. This is now referred to as Haven Harbour South. We plan to spread the word of our Club to the slip holders of record at HHS and also hope to include those folks in some of our activities. As always is the case, we can use help with each and every activity that is in store for us this year. If you want to get involved and lend a hand, please by all means let one of us know, after all, this is "OUR" Club and is to be shared by all.

## **REAR COMMODORE'S COMMENTS**

*By: Janet Forman*

I am so excited for our first cruise of the season on May 19th! Although it is just a short jaunt to Kent Island at Mears Point Marina, it will be an excellent opportunity to "shake down" our vessels, for safe sailing the rest of the season. It's opening day at the Kent Narrows Yacht Club. Once again, they have invited us to partake in their festivities!

THYC is covering our entry, which includes a delicious lunch, beverages and dancing. There is still time to join us, come by car or by boat and please let me know that you will be joining us by May 10th. Make your slip assignments through Theresa Dehart at Snag a Slip at (301) 848 8354 asap.

I am also excitedly planning our first land event on June 2nd, THYC Opening Day, WHITE PARTY, new member mixer! Always a festive day, as we welcome the 2018 Boating season by wearing white and partying the afternoon away!

Hope to see you all at the shakedown cruise to Mears on May 19th, and the Opening day white party on June 2nd! Stay close to your computers ....there will be some pop up events during the summer, a raft out, wine and cheese, a fire by the pit.....stay tuned boaters.....it's almost time!

## **SECRETARY'S SALUTATIONS**

*By: Beth Dunn*

I'd like to reiterate to all that our membership directory and email list will not be shared with any other group. All directory information will continue to be password protected on our website-[www.thehavenyachtclub.com](http://www.thehavenyachtclub.com)

Please mark on your calendar, July 7<sup>th</sup>. for our Annual Crab Feast to be held at the Haven Harbour Marina. This is always a good time with great food, fun and activities for all ages!! Once again Chester River Seafood will be catering the event!

At the beginning of our new boating season, I'd like to remind all members that this is a Club that relies on membership participation for our events. All events need volunteers to help with set up, clean up, possibly purchasing of supplies, and anything else that the event chair may need. Thank you in advance for helping!!!

## **FLEET CAPTAIN'S FLOAT PLAN**

*By: Janet Forman*

In addition to our May 19<sup>th</sup>. Shake-down cruise to Kent Island, future cruises now include:

June 22 and 23 ...PARTY WEEKEND IN TOLCHESTER 2 nights, private beach, gym, pavilion, pool, the shanty bar, and the Channel restaurant. Live Bands the entire weekend!

NEW...July 20th and 22nd....RIVERWATCH MARINA....a lively, entertainment focused marina located at the junction of Middle River and Hopkins Creek!

WEEKLONG CRUISE August 18th to 26<sup>th</sup>- an exciting week on the Chesapeake. Our itinerary will include Annapolis, Baltimore, St. Michaels, and Herrington Harbor South! Please read the description provided by Theresa @ snag a slip.

BETH WILL BE SENDING US ALL DIRECTIONS ON BOOKING OUR SLIPS AS WELL AS A FULL CRUISE ITINERARY VERY SOON. Please feel free to book your cruise through Theresa at (301) 848-8353. There is no extra charge to do so and she will handle all Marinas.

## **THYC 2018 Cruise & Event Schedule**

May 19	Shakedown Cruise to Kent Island
June 2	Opening Day White Party and New Member Mixer at Haven Harbour
June 15	Friday night BYOB cocktail hour
June 22-23	Cruise to Tolchester or Summer Solstice Party with RHYC
July 7	Crab Feast
July 20-22	Riverwatch Marina
August 10	Pirate & Wenches Party
August 18-26	Week long cruise
Sept 15	Silent Auction

Sept 29 Crock Pot Cookoff  
Oct 20 Fall Dinner

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

*By: Sigy Capuano*

Our membership applications were sent out later than normal this season. It was a combination of not having a board meeting early and possibly, the thought that boating season may never get here. This felt like a much longer Winter this year- even with my escape to Florida!!

Many applications have been received and will be processed (and checks deposited) this week. If you have not sent your application back yet,

please complete the form attached to this newsletter and return at your earliest convenience. Even if no information has changed for the Directory, please complete the application. This makes my job easier if I can keep all applications together. Please print email address clearly.

Looking forward to catching up with everyone on the Docks!!

## **EDUCATION AND SAFETY**

*By: Klaus Burckhardt*

Sign up now for FREE Vessel Check!

This service is again offered to THYC members on **Opening Day, Saturday June 2** by the US Coast Guard Auxiliary from Chestertown. For many seasons, members Jerry and Linda Goldkrantz were key in scheduling this Program to coincide with THYC's Opening Day, but this year they not able to do so. Nevertheless, we are moving forward with Ron Alberico taking charge out of the Chestertown Chapter. Ron was involved in prior years and is eager to offer this service again.

There are two main reasons every boater should take advantage of this offer. First is you are certain to have BASIC safety items on board and

in order, and where you can find them when needed. This is true because the Auxiliary folks follow their check list and ask! If for some reason something like life jackets or a second fire extinguisher is missing, or perhaps a flare is out of date, you will know it and can then take steps to resolve.

There's no penalty and no embarrassment. And if everything is ship shape and all the boxes are checked, they will apply a CG Auxiliary sticker to your boat. This sticker is the second main reason to get the inspection. Because should the regular Coast Guard approach on the water with intent to board for an Official Vessel Check, they usually just wave you on once they spot the Auxiliary sticker. That avoids the hassle and the risk of fines possible from failing an Official Vessel Check.

I personally always jump at the chance to have the friendly Auxiliary step aboard. You should too! To schedule an USCG Auxiliary courtesy vessel safety check (VSC) on Saturday, June 2, 2018, send your request via e-mail **directly to me at [klausAburckhardt@gmail.com](mailto:klausAburckhardt@gmail.com)** before May 23, 2018. Your request to include the following information:

- Member's name
- Boat's name
- Slip number
- Cell phone # - how member can be reached at the marina
- Time of day for the VSC – advise if there is a need for the VSC to be performed before or after a certain time. Effort will be made to accommodate as feasible.

This year with HHM now including "South", THYC has been reaching out to slipholders there to encourage membership in our Club. Since THYC is helping organize the Vessel Check program, we want to likewise encourage HHM South (Emporium) slipholders to partake and to likewise contact us for this benefit. If practical, the Chestertown Chapter will work to perform Vessel Checks at HHM South as well.

