



# Fair Tides

MARCH 2018

## THE HAVEN YACHT CLUB



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*By: Mitch Hill*

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### **Web Site**

[www.thehavenyachtclub.com](http://www.thehavenyachtclub.com)

## **NEXT THYC MEETING**

TBD

This certainly has been a winter for the record books, at least in the North East region with several damaging Nor'Easters and Mother Nature appears to be hanging tough until the very end. Maybe that goofy groundhog up in PA knew more than we typically give him credit for but it certainly has played out to connect some reality to his prediction so let's hope that it is quickly nearing its end.

Our 2018 planning sessions have been underway with the focus of providing another fun-filled season with boating trips, events and parties so please read the articles that follow in order to help draft up your personal plans. It would be impossible for me to adequately express my personal thanks to those on our Board who have been working so hard behind the scenes to plan this year's events.

Unfortunately for myself, the past year as well as into the foreseeable future, has had me living out of a suitcase doing extensive work related travel so I and I need to express my personal heartfelt thanks to these folks. So without further ado, please read on and get ready to enjoy a fantastic 2018 either out on the water or at our land based events. I assure you that you will not be disappointed.

## **REAR COMMODORE'S COMMENTS**

*By: Janet Forman*

A "warm" welcome to the 2018 Boating season! I'm very excited to once again be asked to help in the party department of our club as well as being Fleet Captain.

While the nasty weather has been deterring us from pre-launch preparation, it has given me some time to start to plan some fun activities for our upcoming boating season.

First up is our May 19<sup>th</sup>. Shakedown Cruise to Kent Island as we are confirmed with the Kent Narrows Yacht Club at Mears Point Marina to once again join them for their opening day! Last year we joined their party, which included a live band, a delicious cook out and beverages. We had a great turn out and a great time so please mark your calendars for May 19<sup>th</sup>. Let's all attend and start 2018 off with a bang!

Next is our June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Opening Day at Haven Harbour Marina. This will be our White Party and also include our New Member Mixer. Save the date and shake out your best whites as we welcome new members and the beginning of our 2018 boating season!

Please see THYC 2018 Cruise & Event Schedule to see the planned and tentative dates for many other events that we will be adding to monthly. We have a lot planned for this year and I hope you can all attend these events. More info will be forthcoming as the season begins.

Can't wait to see you all on the docks!

## **SECRETARY'S SALUTATIONS**

*By: Beth Dunn*

The 2018 membership application is attached to this Fair Tides. Please make sure your emails are written clearly for me to update our email list. If you are still receiving the newsletter and would like to be deleted from our roster, please email me at [bethdunn417@gmail.com](mailto:bethdunn417@gmail.com)

As many of you know, I am also the Commodore of the Rock Hall Yacht Club. On May 26<sup>th</sup>, RHYC is having a Nautical Flea Market. For only \$25 per table space, you can sell all those unwanted items from your boat and garage. If you would like additional information about the event, please check out [www.therockhallyachtclub.org](http://www.therockhallyachtclub.org) for the application and all details.

Also, on April 21<sup>st</sup>, the Second Annual Taste of Rock Hall will be held at the Fire Hall. Tickets are \$20/person. During the week of April 21-28, restaurants in town will be providing discounted specials. Plus, there will be two new restaurants for you to try this summer- The Pearl on Main (in the old Kitchen location) and The Wheel House (in the Swan Point location).

If anyone is interested in Friday evening RC (radio controlled) one design sailboat racing, please contact Larry Vernamonti at (609) 472-9291 or [drflv@verizon.net](mailto:drflv@verizon.net) It would be a nice alternative to round the buoy racing on drifting conditions days. There is lots of room between Blue Dock and the Manor house and some room off Red for a small fleet. The boats need little wind and the races take little time.

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

*By: Janet Forman*

We are looking for interesting venues for future cruises. So please let me know where you have been that was a great experience or destinations you would like to try.

## **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 23	Cruise to Tolchester or Summer Solstice Party with RHYC (TBD)
July 7	Crab Feast
August 10	Pirate & Wenches Party
August 24	Week long cruise (TBD)
Sept 15	Silent Auction
Sept 29	Crock Pot Cookoff
Oct 20	Fall Dinner

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

*By: Sigy Capuano*

It is hard to believe that is officially be Spring. I think by now we are all ready for some sunshine, warm weather and to get back on the docks to visit with our boating friends and neighbors and settle into that comfortable boating routine.

As a reminder, THYC belongs to the CBYCA and YACHT CLUB OF AMERICA ASSOCIATION.

We are getting a late start this year on memberships, so PLEASE get your membership applications in ASAP. Please send a completed form and a check to the address listed on the application. It is important to get these processed as soon as possible, so we can prepare our 2018 directory. As a reminder, the membership renewal form can also be found on the bottom of our web site Home Page at [www.thehavenyachtclub.com](http://www.thehavenyachtclub.com). For your convenience a copy is also attached with the Fair Tides.

As you walk along the docks, please take a moment to talk to your boat neighbors & friends to let them know about the many great benefits of belonging to THYC. Just a few of these benefits are our great social scene, Friday night Happy Hour under the deck, great camaraderie and let's not forget about the THYC SUSAN SCOVILL SCHOLARSHIP FUND, our way to give back to the community.

This year we have the added bonus of welcoming HAVEN HARBOR SOUTH (the former Sailing Emporium). This is a great opportunity to expand our membership. We are in the process of coming up with a date to enjoy a cocktail party at that location.

If there are any questions or anything I can help you with, please email [capuanot@comcast.net](mailto:capuanot@comcast.net) or even better stop by for a visit at R26 (Horseplay). Looking forward to seeing you around the docks.

## EDUCATION AND SAFETY

*By: Klaus Burckhardt*

It's a welcome thought to anticipate getting back out on the water, and to begin planning pre-launch activities. HHM has formalized this process with their Commissioning Work Order mailing to winter storage customers. I noticed this time buried within their document a subtlety that escaped me before. HHM can arrange for a formal test/certification of fire extinguishers.

Since hand-held fire extinguisher(s) on board are a Coast Guard requirement, not to mention plain good sense, it's wise to pay some attention to these safety items. I've always relied on a simple annual glance at the pressure gauge. If green, move on. If red, replace. My boat was new in 1992, and guess what.... so are two of my three fire extinguishers! Although still "in the green", this goes WAY beyond the fire extinguisher manufacturer's recommendation for life span which is "five to twelve years".

Certainly if you notice the hose or nozzle is cracked, ripped, or blocked with debris, or the locking pin on the handle is missing or unsealed, or the handle is wobbly or broken, the extinguisher needs replacing. Also if it's ever been used. Extinguishers are only good for one release, whether partial or 'til empty. It's done and needs to be professionally recharged, or disposed of.

But disposal of an old extinguisher is not simple, since as with any pressure vessel, they are considered hazardous materials. Simplest option is to contact your Fire Department to see if they will accept. If not, there may be a Hazardous Waste Disposal Facility in your area. Other tips like depressurizing and then removing the head before disposing in normal waste streams are detailed on the web, but deserve all the cautions and disclaimers that apply to ANY advice found on the web!

Here's another tip that might actually save some money as well as assure safety. Kidde Corp. is one of the better known hand-held fire extinguisher manufacturers.

Kidde recently announced a RECALL of almost 40 million of their extinguishers that can date all the way back to the seventies! The recall only applies to those with plastic handles, and then only within certain Model and Serial number ranges. Go to [www.kidde.com](http://www.kidde.com) for more information and details how to proceed. Have your Kidde Model and Serial number and date codes available to check eligibility. Proof of purchase is not necessary. My three onboard Edelweiss were not part of the recall, but two ten year old units that I had in my house did meet criteria. I followed their website steps and two weeks later two new replacements arrived to my door. Free! Kidde requires you to return their OLD units by recycling the ship carton and applying the provided FedEx label. Again, Free!





# The Haven Yacht Club

2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL / APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP

## OUR MISSION

The Haven Yacht Club's mission is to create a welcoming environment for individuals and families interested in boating and gathering for friendship, camaraderie, community service and the furtherance of boating education, safety and enjoyment on the Chesapeake Bay. We provide an active and enjoyable family-oriented social environment which members and their families will support, and in which they can participate, with pride and enthusiasm.

## ACT NOW!

Please complete the enclosed application to renew your 2018 Membership in The Haven Yacht Club. It is important to print clearly as this Application is what feeds the Member Directory. Please note:

1. In the "Crew" field please include names and ages of children so we may better consider various new "age appropriate" activities for the children of our Members.
2. We need greater volunteer participation to keep our Club and various events running smoothly. Please consider lending a hand and indicate your preference for the type of committee(s) you prefer to be involved in and if you are interested in being considered for a future Officer or Governor position.



# The Haven Yacht Club

## 2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL / APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY – BOTH SIDES)

Captain: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew Members/Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street: \_\_\_\_\_ PO Box #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain's Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Captain's Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Capt. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Capt. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(CHECK HERE  TO ALLOW US TO USE YOUR EMAIL TO SEND YOU VARIOUS CLUB COMMUNICATIONS)

Yacht Name \_\_\_\_\_ Power \_\_\_ Sail \_\_\_ Electrical Power Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Length \_\_\_\_\_ Marina \_\_\_\_\_ Slip No. \_\_\_\_\_

### OPTIONAL:

Cap't. Business Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Cap't. Business Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Title or Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain's Business Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Captain's Business Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain's Business: Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Captain's Business: Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE HAVEN YACHT CLUB**  
**2018 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**  
(Continued)

THE HAVEN YACHT CLUB IS A VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION. OUR EVENTS CAN ONLY BE SUCCESSFUL WITH THE HELP OF OUR MEMBERS. PLEASE CHECK ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS OR EVENTS THAT YOU ARE WILLING TO ASSIST OR PARTICIPATE IN AND A CLUB MEMBER WILL CONTACT YOU TO GIVE YOU ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Activities Committee   | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety/Education Committee      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee          | <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing Sales Committee        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee             | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Committee           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cruising Activities Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing/Advertising Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Future Officer Candidate      | <input type="checkbox"/> Future Governor Candidate       |

I enclose my check or money order, payable to "The Haven Yacht Club" or "THYC":

RENEWING MEMBER DUES: \$ 100.00 \_\_\_\_\_

OR

NEW MEMBERS DUES (Including a Burgee) \$ 125.00 \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to my Dues, I wish to contribute to the Susan Scovill Memorial Scholarship Fund.  
Amount added: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM ASAP TO ENSURE THAT YOU WILL BE INCLUDED IN THIS SEASON'S MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY! FILL IN THE FORM AND MAIL IT ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO "THYC" TO:**

The Haven Yacht Club  
P.O. Box 603  
Rock Hall, MD 21661

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Check Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership Card sent: \_\_\_\_ Burgee Sent \_\_\_\_