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View from the Bridge

Jim Bergeron, Commodore

After a tremendously successful social and sailing year steered by Comm-adore Bob, I feel I have a pretty big job ahead of me. The board is meeting on the 19th to plan the schedule. I am hoping that some of our raft-ups this year can include some nautical competition, such as dinghy races, relays involving nautical trivia, boat handling competitions, and maybe on the three day weekends, a race to the next anchorage with the women on a couple of boats against the men on a couple of like boats. Other boats could mark the course and serve as race committee. Last year there was a very successful cruise down the bay. Maybe we can do something like this again or have a cruise around the Delmarva. We have a great many seasoned blue water sailors in the club. But some of us are only familiar with Bay sailing. I hope that we can learn from each other and have some fun doing it. If anyone has any ideas to make our program exciting let us know.

Last week I was at the boatyard during the recent warm weather. I hate this time of year because I long to get *QUEBECOIS* out and feel her heel over in a fresh breeze. Instead I am securing the cover and taking gear home to clean it up, and making lists of the spring projects. Oh well, at least its doing boaty stuff!

I would like to thank Vicki & Al for volunteering their new home for Game Night on the 26th. We are having a Chili competition so bring out your best recipes! See you then. Jim. ⚓

CCYC Chili Cook Off and Game Night Lohman Landing, Edgewater, MD January 26, 4:00 PM

Al and Vicky Lohman, Rhiannon

Once again the New Year is upon us! That must mean it's time for Game Night at Lohman Landing!

This year's game night will feature a special event in addition to our traditional games. We will have a Chili Cook Off!

Bring a MILD, MEDIUM or HOT chili to share. There will be a prize for the best chili in each category. If chili is not your thing, bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert. Please email Vicky and let her know what you intend to bring so we can have enough of everything. Also, it's BYOB.

Games, Games & More Games

How are your Foosball skills? Ever played Wii Bowling? If you have a favorite game, please bring it!!

Directions to Lohman Landing

3950 West Shore Drive, Edgewater, MD

Ph - 410.798.0208

- ⚓ Take Rte 2, Solomons Island Road to Rte 214, Central Ave
- ⚓ Turn onto Rte 214, Central Ave/Mayo Road (east)
- ⚓ Continue on Rte 214 for 2.5 miles
- ⚓ Turn right at West Shore Drive
- ⚓ Lohman Landing is at 3950

Membership renewal

Mike Davis, Secretary

Last month's newsletter included a Membership Renewal Form that included all the information I have on file about you and your boat. If you haven't already done so, please take the time to check over the information and correct anything that is wrong or missing. This will be the information we use to contact you and to list in the Member Directory.

CCYC dues are \$35 for each calendar year (January to December). The money is used to cover rental of the meeting places, speakers, the cost of publishing the newsletter, some of the expenses of CCYC parties and other business of running the club. Please see the Treasurer's Report below for the details.

After checking the information, staple your check to the bottom of the form and fold, staple/tape, stamp and mail it to our Treasurer, Diane Benyus. ☞

Food Glorious Food!

Marie Yates, *Prego*

This month's recipe comes from Kim Wolkins, *Eos*:

German Oatmeal Cookies

For best results, bake these thin, lacy cookies on flat (not warped) baking sheets lined with cooking parchment or you can use a buttered and floured sheet. Store cookies airtight for up to 4 days.

Makes about 45 cookies

- ☞ 1/2 cup (1/4 lb.) butter
- ☞ 1/2 cup sugar
- ☞ 2 tablespoons whipping cream
- ☞ 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- ☞ 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves **
- ☞ 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger **
- ☞ 1/4 teaspoon salt
- ☞ 2/3 cup quick-cooking rolled oats

** I substituted pumpkin pie spice for both of these ingredients

1. In a 1- to 2-quart pan over low heat, melt butter. Add sugar and cream and stir over high heat until the mixture is boiling. Remove from heat and stir in flour, cloves, ginger, salt, and oats.
2. Drop batter in 1/2 teaspoon portions onto cooking parchment-lined or buttered and floured 12- by 15-inch baking sheets, evenly spacing three or four portions on each sheet. (Make sure you leave plenty of room between the cookies, they spread out quite a bit.)
3. Bake one pan at a time in a 350° oven until the edges of cookies are golden brown, 4 to 6 minutes.
4. Let cookies cool on sheet until firm enough to remove, about 2 minutes; to test, lift a corner of a cookie with your fingers, or slide a spatula under a corner. If it's too soft to hold its shape, wait a few seconds longer; if it's firm, lift off with your fingers or a spatula. Set cookies on racks to cool.
5. Serve, or immediately package airtight (cookies soften quickly from moisture in the air) in rigid containers, putting waxed paper between layers.

(Ed note: These are good!!) ☞

Treasurer's Report

Diane Benyus, Treasurer

	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Membership (# boats)	53	47	39	40	35	29
Beginning Balance	860	864	740	349	223	392
Income						
Dues	1,890	1,590	1,350	1,400	1,190	1,015
Expenses						
Burgees Exp/(Inc)	(31)	135	103	(200)	128	
Hats/Visors Exp/(Inc)	(15)	95	(60)	33		
Italian Feast	375					
Spring Member Meeting			139	200	22	56
Brunch	273				(33)	10
Icebreaker	125	115		85	75	133
Crab Feast			395	46	(39)	
Oktoberfest	105	122	28	94	90	155
Army Navy Club	360	200				
Fall Member Meeting			93	(14)	66	51
Holiday Party	224	166	217	184	168	167
Newsletters/Stamps	338	272	143	349	226	420
Awards	200	469	148	113	171	122
Officer Flags	63	21	22	44	39	63
Misc	31			15	163	6
Ending Balance						
	701	860	864	740	349	223



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