

# CYCA LOG

## *CYCA FESTIVAL OF CLASSIC YACHTS AT BAY BRIDGE*



The Classic Yacht Club of America's Festival of Classic Yachts was once again held at Bay Bridge Marina in Stevensville, MD. As in the past, we had a great time, with stupendous weather and of course a remarkable sunset each night. 57 members and guests attended bringing 19 boats. 11 boats entered the Members Choice judging. Category I was a scratch with no boats on the ballot. P/C Mike & Susan Haines took Category II with their 1967 45' Chris Craft Constellation "Magnolia", Category III was a "no contest" and Glacier won by default, Really? Secretary Stephen & Bonnie Meloy succeeded in winning Category IV, the largest category in the competition with 7 vessels on the ballot, with "Billingsly" their 1978 42' Grand Banks trawler. Alt. Gov. Mark Wojcicki was the victor in Category V. The CYCA Spirit Award also went to Mark Wojcicki for his rescuing & restoring a salvage vessel; "Lazy Daze" a 1983 Hunter 34' sailboat which he salvage as a sinker from Florida and had it trucked all the way back to New Jersey and then back to the Chesapeake after completing restoration. Bella Nave' took Best in Fleet owned by P/C Dave & Clara Ochipinti! Congratulations to everyone! My thanks go out to F/C Holt & R/C Morrison for a wonderful time and another great rendezvous!

## COMMODORE'S SCUTTLEBUTT

Well, it's happened again. As my father used to say, "Another summer shot to hell!", Now the early mornings bring a chill, as the noon sun warms to a comfortable day and the sun sets earlier with each passing. We sleep with the windows open to hear cold dogs barking in the night as the hoot owl pierces the dark autumn air. All those things that we have neglected in order to spend our weekends on the water now await our overdue attention. I personally have had enough of spending every weekend living on a boat, eating only what we can BBQ, microwave or order out, drinking martini's and beer while talking to nice people as we wade chest deep in 90 degree water.

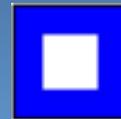
It's going to be a long cold winter isn't it?

Well, there is still time to get some fall cruising in. The Chesapeake Bay in autumn is a splendid sight especially as the leaves change from green to vibrant yellows, reds & oranges. It seems that I am always the last to winterize, sometimes as late as mid- December. I do so in hopes of getting to take those slow autumn boat rides. Time to slow down, enjoy the scenery, a nice glass of wine and the companionship of our First Mate and good friends.

*Commodore Christopher Morrison*

## 2013 EVENTS SCHEDULE

CYCA website



October 19, 2013  
Change of Watch  
Chester River Yacht Club  
Chestertown, Maryland

# Late Summer Rendezvous

September 21-23 Cambridge Yacht Club



Skipjack "Ida Mae" built in 1906 capsizes at the finish line

*My kind of town....  
Cambridge is.....*

## **Cambridge Yacht Club**

*Great town, friendly people!*

Cambridge Yacht Club opened their arms for the CYCA on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Linda the club manager and Commodore Dewey Reed did everything possible to make our weekend as good as it gets!

5 boats & 17 members attended our Late Summer Rendezvous. The weather Friday through Saturday early evening was beautiful with a Harvest Moon Friday night. Saturday we were treated to a boat show at the CYC benefiting The Richardson Maritime Museum. The Choptank Heritage Skipjack races were held on Saturday also. Our own Captain Ed Bahniuk was the skipper of the 56' Skipjack Dee of St. Mary's. Skipjack "Ida Mae" built in 1906 capsized at the finish line which provided lots of excitement for the rest of the afternoon as most watched the local watermen try to right her. Captain Ed Bahniuk joined us for Happy Hour on Saturday evening. Saturday night was a tad damp and most of did not stay up late. Throughout the weekend most enjoyed a walk into town which is two blocks from the CYC while others went bicycle riding to see the beautiful sights that abound throughout Cambridge. Downtown Cambridge has several new and noteworthy restaurants & shops that are well worth the trip anytime. Thanks to F/C Cheryl Holt for another great rendezvous!



## CLUB NEWS



BoatUS  
Group ID: GA 84908Y

Each CYCA member who registers with BoatUS as a member of our "group" has their member dues renewal automatically sent out at the coop discounted rate which is one-half the usual annual rate.



## New Members

Attention all hands:

Bring in a new member and receive a prize from our Ships' Store

# The Classic Yacht Club of America

Annual Meeting, Change of Watch Ceremony and Awards October 19<sup>th</sup> at The Chester River Yacht Club



This year's Annual Meeting and Change of Watch Ceremony will take place at Chester River Yacht Club. Out with the old and in with the new! Hopefully you should have all received your invitations by now. Please return the R.S.V.P. as early as possible and no later than the 12<sup>th</sup> of October. Winter uniform is requested. Please join us for an evening of fun, good friends and awards.

My apologies for the brevity of this long overdue newsletter. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> time writing most of this (it was a lot longer the first 2 times) and was lost the first two times due to a "Microsoft Word suddenly quit working" glitch! We need a pro for the job! Any takers???

## ships Store



*Past Commodore Ramia is billeted with running the Ships Store. He will be ordering lots of goodies throughout the summer including soft sided coolers embroidered with the clubs burgee. He also will be offering shirts, hats and towels also adorned with our beloved colors. If you have a special order, see Dan for all the details.*

