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Bob Stephens – Commodore

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AHOY and greetings to my AHYC shipmates!

The 2011 boating season is now a pleasant memory. I really enjoyed the trips to Occoquan and the PRYCA Float In. The Halloween trip to Alexandria was fun but the weather was unkind again this year. Sandi Doucette recommended that the AHYC should have a Halloween Party at the Harbour Inn next year, sounds good to me! We will be closing out 2011 with our holiday shore activities, please plan on attending these activities:

Friday December 16th @ 6PM in the Harbour Inn, the AHYC Christmas Party! A full holiday dinner and desserts will be furnished to our members at no cost. There will be a *Cash Bar*. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will also be attending and presenting a gift to each child (0-12 yrs old) in attendance. Please RSVP to the eVite and let us know if you are bringing children. We will of course have the adults Pirate's Gift Exchange.

Sunday December 31st from 9PM until?? AM, in the AHYC Clubhouse, the AHYC New Years Eve Part! Members are asked to bring hors 'dourves to share.

We will be kicking off the 2012 season with our Super Bowl Party on Sunday February 5th from 7PM until?? AM, in the AHYC Clubhouse. There will be a Chili Cook-Off and a Wings Cook-Off with cash awards! Hot Dogs and fixings' will be furnished by the Clubhouse. Members are asked to bring snacks to share!

With regard to our projects to improve the AHYC Clubhouse, we have completed one project, the kitchen make-over for less than \$250. On behalf of the general membership I would like to thank Denny Raymond (the master builder) and Tom Klapak (the master advisor) for their talent, expertise, and for sacrificing a weekend in completing this project. Our next project is to provide bet-

ter heating and AC, we have gotten quotes and the total estimated cost for this project will be \$2500-\$3500. I have spoken to Chuck Halt to see if the AHPOA can co-fund this project. Let's keep our fingers crossed. I will keep the membership advised. Joanne Trumbo has provided a design to expand our current deck on the front of the Clubhouse; the plan will be submitted to the AHPOA for approval. We will discuss both of these projects at the next General Membership meeting in 2012.

Our Club Steward, Glen Sirbaugh has graciously volunteered to serve for one more year! However, we need some volunteers to serve as assistant stewards. Please contact either Glen or me to volunteer. We are in desperate need of a web master and it appears that we may have a volunteer, but that isn't quite finalized.

**AQUIA HARBOUR YACHT CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

November 1, 2011

Call to Order:

Commodore Bob Stephens called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. Other Bridge members present: Immediate Past Commodore Dodi Bunker, Vice Commodore Linda Whitson, Fleet Captain Lamont Trumbo and Secretary Bonnie Coile. There were 16 members also present.

Treasurer – Steve Martino:

Steve was not present; thus, no report was given.

Secretary – Bonnie Coile:

We received a check from the PRYCA \$100 for Dog Days. We also received a bill from the AHPOA in the amount of \$566.68, which represents electric and rent for the third quarter.

Fleet Captain – Lamont Trumbo:

Lamont announced one last cruise for the season, to Tim's II for dinner or brunch on Sunday, November 6th.

Rear Commodore – Mike Nerenberg:

Mike was not present; however, Commodore Bob Stephens reported on his behalf on the upcoming events:

Dec. 16th - Christmas Party @ Harbour Inn

Dec. 31st - New Year's Eve Party & Potluck Dinner

Jan. 28th - Change of Watch Celebration @ Country Club

Feb. 6th - Super Bowl Party & Chili Cook-Off

Vice Commodore – Linda Whitson:

Health & Welfare – Past Commodore Sue West had an accident in her home. Emily Nerenberg recently had surgery. Both are at home and healing, and flowers were sent to both on behalf of the Club. It was suggested that a notice go out to membership when accidents or surgeries occur, but only with permission of the member involved.

Clubhouse Operation – Glen Sirbaugh reported the Club's beginning balance for September was \$2,406.98. September sales were \$562.00 and expenses were \$501.25. October sales were \$583.00 and expenses were \$158.16, leaving an ending balance of \$2,892.56. Remember we always need volunteers to bartend!

Immediate Past Commodore – Dodi Bunker:

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Dodi had nothing to report.

Commodore – Bob Stephens:

We are making improvements to the Clubhouse kitchen -- installing a dishwasher and countertop, and removing the keg refrigerator which has died. A committee was formed for the project, to be done the weekend of November 12th.

As mentioned previously, we discovered that we cannot add a deck to the Clubhouse as planned. We are looking at options to extend the outside area around the ramp and entrance to the Clubhouse. Joanne Trumbo is working on the plans.

A request was recently made for the Cub Scouts to use the Clubhouse for its meetings. After looking into the matter and discussing it with a representative of BSA, we were informed that the BSA would not allow the Cub Scout Packs to hold meetings in a facility with a bar. However, after reviewing our Policy governing Clubhouse usage, it was determined that a member belonging to another civic or service related club could request occasional use of the Clubhouse. It was also mentioned that the POA allows such clubs to use the Harbour Inn for groups of 10 or more people.

IOBG - Curt Johnson:

Curt thanked everyone who helped out with Marina Fest -- Nine boats participated and provided rides to 11 special needs individuals.

Marina Committee - Curt Johnson:

The Marina Committee is meeting Monday, November 7th to discuss surveillance cameras for the marina, and also to review and revise the current slip lease to make it less cumbersome. The parking lot paving has been completed. All that is left to do is the striping.

PRYCA Delegate -- Sandie Doucette:

The PRYCA Change of Watch will be held on Saturday, January 21st at the Springfield Hilton. More information will be provided later.

CBYCA Delegate -- Sally Kenavan:

Sally was not present; thus, no report was given.

New Business:

The Mid-Potomac Power Squadron will be offering classes on marine electronics and engine maintenance. Classes are scheduled for Saturdays in January from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. For more information, contact Darrell Edgar at cathlab@gte.net.

50/50: Mike Portland won \$18.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: _Bonnie B. Coile, AHYC Secretary

To all AHYC Members;

After 5 years as Treasurer of the AHYC as you all know I have decided to let someone else have a turn and all the fun. It certainly was a great ride and honor to hold the position. I was able to do several great things during my stay in this position, oh ok, let me list a few (Flat Screen TV & DVD, FiOS, Barbeque, Siding of our club house, Deck extension, and my favorite, International Friday Nights)! Not a bad run. I figure I will take a year or two off so I can sit in a member chair and view the bridge from that side for a change. I figure then I will run for Commodore at that time.

While most of the five years was a lot of fun, I would be remiss if I did not share some of the negative moments of my tenure on the bridge. Being the Treasurer unlike most of the other positions on the bridge has a much greater level of responsibility than the other positions because you hold all the shells. The only other position in the club that is even more sensitive is that of the Club House Stewart because they not only have to handle cash, but they are also responsible for others handling it first. The last two year, there was an increase of negative comments from several members with respect to where is our money, and second guessing general information and Bridge decisions on how we spend the clubs money. These comments were not only disturbing, they were also demeaning and disrespectful to the Bridge. I would ask these individuals as well as all members, that if they have constructive comments to make in the future, to please go through the proper channels to voice your opinion/questions. Unconstructive comments or criticism will just not be tolerated any longer. These positions are not a paid position, rather they are a volunteer position so we do it out of respect to our club and members for the overall good of the club..

In closing, I want to thank each and every one of you for the privilege of allowing me the opportunity to serve as your Treasurer for the past 5 years. I look forward to coming back on the Bridge as Commodore in the next few years and serving you all again. While I am not serving from a Bridge position, I will act as a New Member Advocate looking to bring in new members and families of all ages and looking for ways to better our club for the future.

Have a great holiday season to you and your families. Please enjoy all and be safe.

Best Regards, Steve Martino (soon to be Past Treasurer)



Treasurer's
Report -

Steve Martino



| <u>Account Balances - As of 10/02/2011</u> | | |
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| Bank Accounts | | |
| | AHYC Checking | \$2,176.94 |
| Cash Accounts | | |
| | Emergency Fund | 1,000.00 |
| | Impress, H&W | 0.00 |
| | Impress, Shore | 0.00 |
| | Impress Fund | 25.00 |
| | Monthly International or Event Friday's | 500.00 |
| | Welfare Fund | 100.00 |
| TOTAL | Cash Accounts | \$1,625.00 |
| Asset Accounts | | |
| | Clubhouse Bldg Fund | 4,750.00 |
| TOTAL | Asset Accounts | 4,750.00 |
| OVERALL TOTAL | | \$8,551.94 |

Power Squadron News—Darryll Edgar

The Mid-Potomac Power Squadron is going to start a course on **Marine Electronics** that covers installation and maintenance of both boat electrical systems (AC and DC) .

This course will given at the Aquia Harbour Yacht. Starting Jan. 14, 2012 at 0900 till 1100 for 8 weeks.

If you wish to sign up please go to <http://www.midpotomacps.org> and to the Education section to sign up. Cost for the Marine Electrical Course is \$35 for members of the Mid-Potomac Squadron and \$45 for non-members. For more information contact Darrell Edgar at cathlab@gte.net.

Please remember Save Boating is NO Accident

Darrell

AHYC Calendar 2011

| Month | Date | Day | Event | Location | Host Organization |
|---------|----------|---------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Oct | 7—9 | FRI-SUN | Columbus Day Cruise—End of Summer Party | Colonial Beach Yacht Center | PYRCA |
| | 28-30 | FRI-SUN | Halloween at Olde Towne Alexandria | Alexandria City Docks | AHYC Fleet |
| Nov | | | | | |
| Dec | | TBD | Lighted Boat Parade | Colonial beach YC | PRYCA |
| | | TBD | Frost Bite Cruise/Parade of Lighted Boats | Alexandria Waterfront | PRYCA |
| | 16 | SAT | Christmas Party | AHYC Clubhouse | AHYC Shore |
| | 31 | SAT | New Year’s Eve Party/Pot Luck | AHYC Clubhouse | AHYC Shore/Bridge/AHYC Members |
| Monthly | 1st Tues | Jan-Dec | General Membership Meeting - 8:00 | AHYC Clubhouse | AHYC |
| | 2rd Tues | Jan-Dec | Gull Articles Due | Send to Mary Elsis | AHYC Bridge |
| | 3rd Tues | Jan-Dec | AHYC Bridge Meeting—7:30 | AHYC Clubhouse | AHYC Bridge |

**Club House Open Every Friday!!
 Always need members to volunteer to Bar Tend
 or
 Host International Night at Club House!!**

Event details and updates can now be found on our website!!

<http://ahyc.org/Calendar/06June.html>



*Honored to be chosen—
proud to serve*

Bartender

Exciting voluntary Hospitality Service position for local club—Good Times and Good Fun! The club is always looking for enthusiastic bartenders to tend bar at the clubhouse on Friday nights. In addition to pouring beverages and acting as the “host”, you can (if you want to go the extra “mile”) show off your culinary skills by hosting an “International Night” or make/bring something to share.

Gain the appreciation of your fellow club members!

For details and more information contact:

Glen Sirbaugh: gas.aquia@verizon.net

OR

Dwight Schmidt: schimtdj@verizon.net



| <i>Friday night bartenders needed!</i> | |
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| Date | Bartender |
| 12/02/2011 | Yvonne & George Beck |
| 12/09/2011 | Valeria Bennett |
| 12/16/2011 | Christmas Party |
| 12/23/2011 | Jody & Andrew Chritton |
| 12/30/2011 | Open |
| 01/06/2012 | Open |
| 01/13/2012 | Open |
| 01/20/2012 | Open |
| 01/27/2012 | Open |

Be the envy of your friends and sign up

Links and Websites

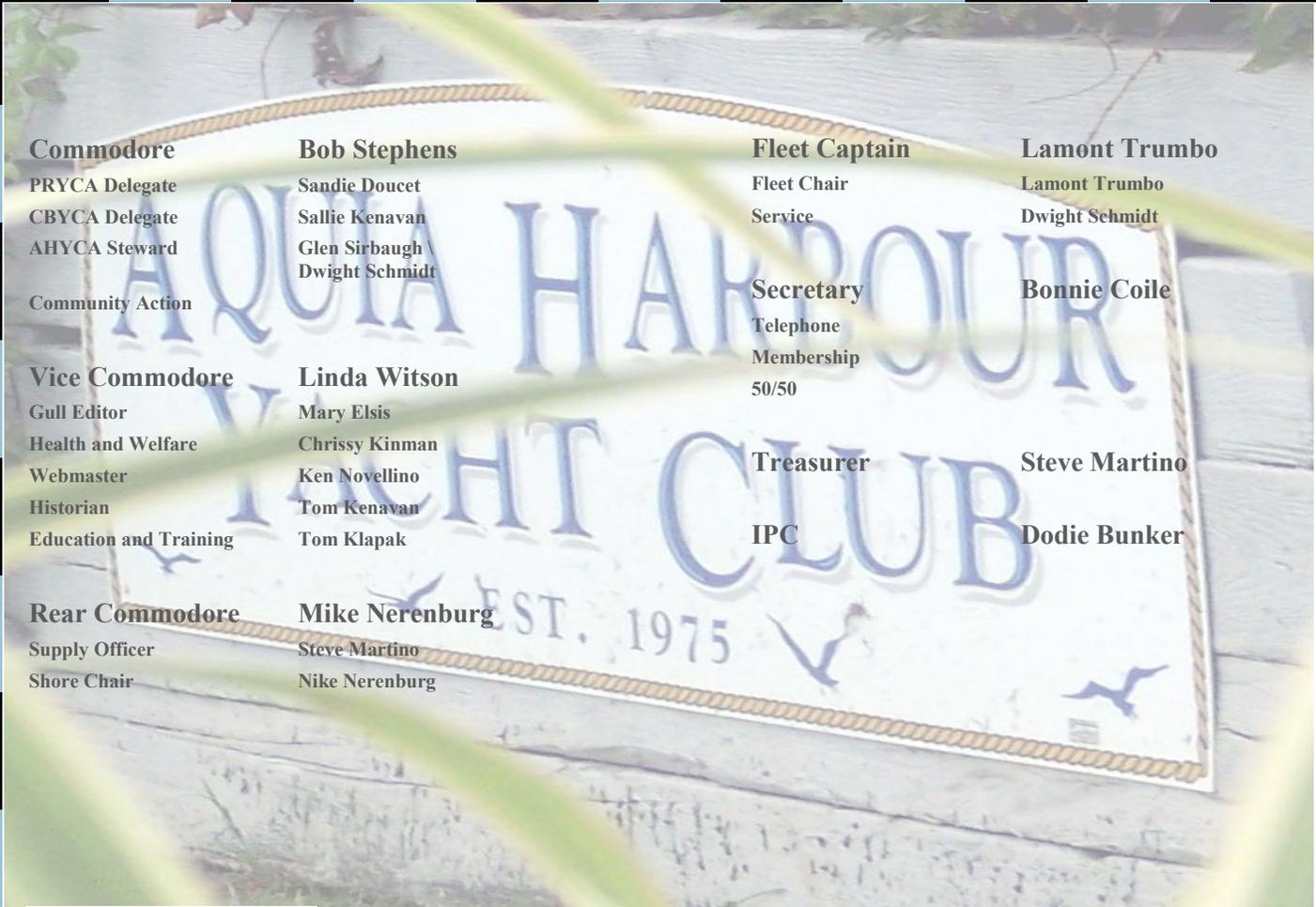
Below are links for information on what’s going on around the Potomac and bay.

Potomac River Yacht Club Association—<http://www.potmacriveryachtclubs.org>

Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club Association— <http://www.cbyca.org>

Tim’s Rivershore—<http://www.timsrivershore.com>

Chesapeake Bay Magazine—<http://www.chesapeakeboating.net>



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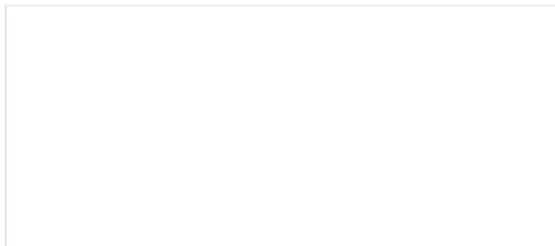
Dodie Bunker

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