



2010 Board of Directors

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Marshall Denney

Ken Prep *Club General Manager*

Club Hours

Office: Tues-Fri, 9am-5pm

Dining Room & Bar Winter Hours:

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Closed

Wednesday, Thursday 5-10pm

Friday, 5-11pm

Saturday, 5-10pm

March Events

First Mates Meeting, Wednesday

March 10, 7pm

Board Meeting, Wednesday,

March 17, 6pm

From the Editor

If you know members who are not receiving the newsletter, send their email addresses to mdewall@cox.net. If they do not have email, have them pick up a copy in the club office. Articles for the April issue are due March 21.

Club and Board News

The Board approved new winter club hours. From March 3rd until the end of April, the dining room and bar will be closed on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. (See new hours in the left hand column.) Also approved was an aggressive plan for bringing in a large number of summer members who would be enticed by the Club pool and the Swim Team. The price for the summer membership, in effect from May 14 until Labor Day, is \$750 with a \$50 dining minimum. Board member Randall Hull has resigned, and the Board elected Marshall Denney to fill the vacant term.

Commodore Ben Brown announced newly-appointed committee chairs and gave committee reports. (See Committee News on page 3.)

Manager Ken Prep reported on his first month in office. (See Ken's report on page 2.)

Rear Commodore Dominic Velardi reported on a meeting with a Hampton Roads Academy representative that will result in more HRA students participating in the Junior Sailing Program and a new program that will allow HRA kids to use the pool and Yacht Pub for certain week-day hours. Related to Junior Sailing, the Board set aside funds to repair the existing fleet of small boats.

The New Dining Room Bar is In!

Thanks to Tommy Garner and crew, the new bar is in and looks great! Next to improve dining room décor is new floor tile around the bar. A new liquor cabinet and mirror have been added as shown below. Soon new bar stools will replace current ones. (See First Mates, page 3.)



From the Desk of the General Manager

After my first four weeks, I'd like to share my observations. Membership is down to 154. We need to take advantage of our Club's assets so the pool, as well as the Swim Team, will be extremely important this year. Tell all your friends we need them to join this summer. With membership down, I have suggested to the Board reducing hours, both seasonal and non seasonal, until we can get membership back to at least 200.

I've been focusing on cleaning and organizing your Club. I've hired a housekeeper part time who is whipping the Club into shape. The staff members and I are getting used to one another, and they are anxious for leadership. I'll be hiring a few new staff members to handle banquets and will train the current staff for the dining room. Chef Eric is enthusiastic and working with me to develop new menus and learn how to cost out our

menus. I have enjoyed meeting many of our members and look forward to meeting more. Should you have any suggestions, feel free to share them with me. In the coming months, we'll feature new social activities that will include Pasta Night, Seafood Night, Prime Time, Poker Boat Run, Grilling & Chilling, Wine Club, and many more events. Hope to see you at the Club soon.

Ken Prep

Beach Party Heats Up WYCC

Photos and Story by Lynn and Marshall Denney

Some intrepid WYCC members braved the cold and came out for our Friday night Beach Party dressed in their summer togs. A DJ was hired for the evening, and members danced to "oldies but goodies" beach music all evening. Everyone pretended it was really summer and that this cold, cold winter was but a distant memory. Although several members made "threats" to wear Speedos and thong bikinis, the beach wear was a bit more sedate but still colorful. Everyone said the evening was a hit!





WYCC Committee News



At the February Board meeting, Commodore Ben Brown announced his appointments of committee chairs as follows:

Boating—Marshall Denney
Finance—Johnny Cope
Flag Raising (part of Social)
Grounds—No chair
House (part of First Mates)
Junior Sailing—Allan DeWall
Membership—Jimmy Parish
New Members—No chair
Past Commodores—No chair
Pool—Gary Yarborough
Publicity—Marilyn DeWall
Social—Tom Van Dyke
Tennis—David Blalock
Youth—No chair

If you are interested in taking on a chairmanship or volunteering for a committee, please contact Ben via email at twexterminating@aol.com.

First Mates met last month and took on the project of replacing the Club's bar stools. The stools can be donated by individual members or by two



Any members who have unwanted, new, or expired flares, please bring them to the

Club. The Coast Guard Auxiliary needs these flares for a demonstration in April. Place the flares in a box in the corner opposite the fireplace in the dining room. Flares will be returned to those who want them back.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary meets on the lower deck of the Club on the third Wednesday of each month.

members for \$300 for each stool. This includes an engraved plaque on the stool back with members' names, their companies' names, or "In Memory of" dedications. To date, ten stools have been donated. The Club needs 16 for the bar, and another 12 to put in an additional bar area near the fireplace. If any members have contacts with bar stool wholesalers or with engravers, please let Chair Genis Brown know by emailing her at ghrsparky27@aol.com.

In April, First Mates will sponsor a purse party. Details will be available soon. The next First Mates meeting is Wednesday, March 10. All WYCC ladies are invited.

Chair Marshall Denney reported that during February, the **Boating Committee** performed a one-by-one operational check of individual boat slip electrical meters. A detailed report was submitted to appropriate Board and committee members for continued action. The report with recommendations is available to interested parties from Marshall Denney at 570-1424 or email: marshall.denney@gmail.com.

Hooray! The much awaited "Slip Widening" project is underway. Essentially, this work involves removing four existing slips on the waterside of our T-Pier and constructing three much wider slips in their place. This will allow us to accommodate larger boats, so now we can entice those "Big Boat Owners" into joining our club. Many thanks go to Rick Ficklin for initiating this effort last fall.

There is a published waiting list (lower deck bulletin board) for all boaters desiring waterside slips, shed slips, boat lifts and/or trailer parking spots. Please notify one of the boating committee members listed below for assignment. If what you are requesting is unavailable, we will put you on the list in the order received.

Marshall Denney - Cell: 570-1424
 Allan DeWall - Cell: 869-5353
 Phil Dowding - Home: 930-9536
 Norris Monk - Cell: 871-8160

Club Announcements

Ben Brown asks that members come up with three suggestions for improving the Club. Email to Ben at twexterminating@aol.com.

The Club's Ship Wheel is missing. If anyone knows where it is, please call the Club.

Chef Eric Goldman is planning cooking classes for members starting in April. More info to come.

While the rest of us were chillin' in 40 degree temperatures, Club members Lynn and Marshall Denney, Dave and Cookie Kunds, Jim and Jane Dyer, and Bruce and Norris Monk were enjoying the warm waters of Montego Bay.





WARWICK YACHT & COUNTRY CLUB

MARCH 2010



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Club Closed	2 Limited Menu	3 Nightly Specials	4 Family Dinner Cat Fish	5 Filet Night	6 Nightly Specials Club opens at 5
Note new club hours						
7 Club Closed	8 Club Closed	9 Dining Room & Bar Closed Boy Scout Troop 411 Meets 7-8pm Top- side	10 Nightly Specials First Mates Meeting, 7pm	11 Family Dinner Country Fried Steak	12 Prime Time	13 Nightly Specials Club opens at 5
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