



## Corsica River Yacht Club 2015 Newsletter

### Meet your new board

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*I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and happy new year. This newsletter recaps CRYC's 2015 season. As you will see we had a very active year. From improvements to our pavilion, planting of more trees, many sailing events, Friday night picnics and ending with the lively annual meeting with thoughts fried oysters. Your board members are organizing another great year of activities in 2016 for everyone to enjoy. Thank you all for your help in making 2015 a successful year enjoying the Corsica River at CRYC. Look forward to seeing all the club members this coming year.*



## Winter Meeting At Doc's



This was our first year at Doc's in Centreville and it proved very successful. Various CRYC members provided door prizes from local vendors that made nice gifts to liven up the event. We enjoyed this so much we are going back again.



## Club House Improvements

2015 saw some significant improvements in our clubhouse. Spring Cleanup saw hard working club members planting and mulching trees that will provide wonderful shade in

years to come. This has been a multi-year effort that will provide a wonderful shaded lawn and healthy native trees. We are have come a long way from a

temporary tent and a Porta-Potty. This is a view showing the sod and tree work and another similar photo showing the club

after our wonderful new sign was attached and the sod started to fill in.

We have also added concrete walkways on both sides of the club to make it easier to get into the storeroom and the bathrooms.



## Spring Regatta

The 2015 Spring Regatta for Comets and Lasers was sailed in quite nice weather. We had 5 Lasers, 6 Comets, and quite a few club members helping with RC duty out on the course.



## **Annual Regatta**

After an exciting day of sailing at the Annual Regatta what could be a better finale than a good old fashioned Eastern Shore chicken dinner? With music by Vic Vacuum and the Attachments providing the entertainment, 150 people enjoyed roast chicken, corn on the cob, potato salad and tomato salad with watermelon and cupcakes for dessert. It was a great time of food, fun and fellowship with friends new and old. The perfect end of a great day as the sun set over the beautiful Corsica River

## **4<sup>th</sup> of July**

On July 3 was our picnic and boat trip to see the fireworks at Rock hall. The barbeques started up around 6 and after we finished with dinner most everyone that wanted to go found a boat for the trip over to Graysend creek. We had 7 different boats make the trip. We all raffled up and enjoyed the beautiful firework display. This short boat ride is the best way to be with other club members and see fireworks on the water.

## **Junior Regatta**

Our junior regatta held in July was great event. We had 98 boats competed on the one day regatta. A big thank you to all the members that came out and helped put on this successful regatta. There were two courses going at the same time which takes some organization. We are fortunate to have members experienced in running large regattas. Again thank you all. On the land side we had registration in the morning and we served hot dogs and hamburgers for lunch after sailing. We had wind and mid 80's temps, just a great day.

## **Friday Picnics**

New this year were the 4 Friday night picnic's beginning July 31 thru Aug 21. This was set up to get members to come down to the club and enjoy meeting and being with other members. We plan on having these again this year. Some nights were better than others. Thoughts that did come out had nice time. Kids played on the beach, some fished off the dock, some sailed and others swam.

## **Junior Sailing**

Our instructors were kept quite busy with a lot of last-minute signups for classes. We had a late start because snow delays pushed our local schools into what is normally the start of sailing class. Despite that, plenty of young sailors found their way to Ship Point and some even got their parents to send them back for more time than they originally signed up for.



## **Osprey 1, CRYC 0**



## Pumpkin Patch

The Pumpkin patch this year was a change from years past. We kept the pumpkins in the river and added “serious” Red-White-Blue fleet racing as well. We had a great day for it and a good turnout. Green Fleet raced in front of the club and the R-W-B Optis raced in the wider part of the river with Buckshot serving as an excellent committee boat for them. The Green Fleet had a matching green committee boat with some inflatable assistance.



## Fall Racing

Fall is the best weather and the best wind and our Comet fleet makes good use of it. If you are a Comet sailor this is a great time to be out and if you are not you still can enjoy being on a committee boat or relaxing on the beach. CRYC is acquiring a club Comet, so

if you have any interest in sailing one it can be arranged.



## Annual Meeting Ship Point



The annual meeting help at Ship Point on October 18 was a cold and blustery day. We put plastic sides up and had a propane heater going inside made things very comfortable. We had Oysters fried and raw. They we fantastic. Members brought lots of great food to share. The meeting turned very lively and animated when the discussions turn to the Boards request of a bylaw change. The proposed wording to require to help

out twice a year was voted down. There will be new wording introduced at the semiannual meeting this spring.



## Fall Cleanup

Everything that goes in the water in the spring comes back out in the fall. All the boats



that came out of the shed in the spring go back in come fall. We have quite a fleet to manage between 420s, Optis, and various support boats. Sometimes we need a tractor to move things and sometimes we can do it by hand. We collectively maintain a fleet of over 20 boats down

at Ship Point. None of this would be possible without volunteers providing manpower, 4 wheel-drives, and the occasion diesel tractor.



## Welcome New Members

Gavin and Annie Hasseigren, Sandra and Wally Davis, Ronald and Ginny Friedhoff, Brian and Jennifer Fitzmauice, Lincoln Kane, Jeff and Isabel Bonfoey, James Boicourt and Andy Schlosser.



## Stargazing



We had a wonderful night for our annual stargazing at Ship Point, including an actual telescope this year. Ship Point is amazingly quiet and very dark with a new moon.



