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Commodore's Column

Mal Singerman, *Tieve Owna*

I hope that you all had a great holiday season, and that you will all enjoy a New Year that is happy, healthy and filled with fun times on and off the water.

January marks the start of my term as Commodore. I would like to begin by acknowledging the great job done by Dave Ewing. I am sure that all the members of the club will join me in extending a vote of thanks to Dave for his good work as leader of our club, along with best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery from his recent accident.

Heartily thanks also to Fleet Captain, Dave Nance and Vice Commodore, Joe Powers for their work in planning and scheduling a full calendar of cruises and land events for the club, and to Frank Cingel, without whose efforts you would not be reading these words. (At one time, I made my living in Technology, but I now find myself baffled by most of what is going on, and, hence, very appreciative of all that Frank does for us on the web.) These three, Dave, Joe and Frank, ably assisted by Lois, Margie and Liz, do a lot of hard work to make our cruises and land events happen.

Both Sue and Glenn Whaley have also earned the gratitude of the club for their good work on behalf of all of us. Sue has acted as our able Treasurer, ably keeping track of the club's finances, collections, and disbursements. Her work, mostly behind the scenes is a vital support to the club's functions throughout the year. Glenn, as regular readers of Scuttlebutt will know, has served as the Club's roving reporter, and observer and recorder for the events that have highlighted our cruises and social events.

On a personal note, Anne Marie and I had an interesting trip down the ICW this fall, and our boat is now safely tied up at our dock in Fort Lauderdale. I submitted some notes on the first part of our trip, which were published in a previous issue of Scuttlebutt. When I get some spare time (not easy to come by now that I am retired), I plan to get out the log and the maps and submit a narrative of the latter part of our journey.

Anne Marie and I are sorry that we will not be able to attend the land events this winter season...well, not that sorry given the nice weather in Florida and the cold and damp in Annapolis...and we look forward to a great sailing season in the spring.

Vice Commodore's Report

Joe Powers, *Aquavit*

The winter solstice has arrived. The sun is now returning north and pointing the way to the sailing season. The annual cruising schedule has been posted and should provide some grist for discussions at the onshore gatherings in the next few months. Liz and Frank Cingel will host the first event on January 21. Additional information will be forthcoming shortly. Sue and Glenn Whaley will host the February dinner.

Those of us who are too impatient for the sun to make its way north are heading to warmer climes but Margie and I will be back to host the St. Patrick' Day party on March 17th. In the meantime we will be in Deerfield Beach, Florida and making "to-do" lists for the boat while sitting in the warm sun.

We hope everyone has a successful new year and that we have a great sailing season.

Fleet Captain's Report

Dave Nance, Ariel

The 2012 Cruise Schedule is posted so click on "Cruise Schedule" and check it out. Again this year I have planned short daily sails. I have also included the distances from the three major locations close to where most of our boats are concentrated to help in your planning. The summer and fall cruises are designed to be stress free but with enough of a challenge that you can try out that new toy that Santa brought, unless it was a deep draft Amel 54. Note that the summer and fall cruises start on a Sunday. This may help in the last minute preparations for those that have to travel hours to get to their boat.

Its only five month's remaining until we are back on the Chesapeake again so start planning now!

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