

CHESTER RIVER YACHT & COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

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HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday

Clubhouse Closed Golf Shop Opens at 11am

Tuesday - Thursday

Kitchen & Bar 11am-8pm Golf Shop Opens at 8:30am

Friday

Kitchen & Bar 11am-8pm Golf Shop Opens at 8:30am

Saturday

Kitchen & Bar 11am-8pm Golf Shop Opens at 8:30am

Sunday

Kitchen & Bar 9am-5pm Golf Shop Opens at 8:30am

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2023 year is shoving off with a number of new improvements on the way!

Near the clubhouse, we are beginning two significant capital projects:

- 1. Completing the final phase of the patio/hardscape project, and
- 2. Creating a new cart staging area in front of the cart barn.

Both of these efforts will include management of rainwater runoff to channel the majority of water to designated drains and away from low collection points which cause safety issues. The new hardscape pavers will start at the parking lot, continue along the walkway to the new patio, and carry through near the bocce courts and around the tree along the courts. The cart barn project will collect water from three main gutters, resurface the area to meet the new pavers and remove the 3 old white pine trees in front of the cart area. Work is underway and should be completed before spring.

Away from the clubhouse, various winter projects are being implemented, including our continuing work on sand trap drainage and removing various dead trees around the course. The beginning of our exciting new tee project is also taking shape. The new tee locations can be seen where the sod has been removed on a number of holes, forward of the current ladies tees. We hope to have this work completed in time for the growing season this spring. Please talk to our Head Pro, Dan Philippon for more details.

Inside the club, besides our normal deep cleaning activities, we have upgraded the woodwork and doorways from Williamsburg Blue to Antique White.

This new, fresher look is part of our continuing effort to upgrade the interior appearance of our club. We have also begun reconditioning our Windsor chairs to like-new conditions. 10% have been completed as a test, and we will complete the whole set this year. Our Windsor chairs were custom designed for CRY&CC 32 years ago, and we are excited about this improvement project.

I wish to thank the membership for the support of our various activities around the club. We have a plethora of indoor and outdoor activities and events available, and I encourage you to take advantage of the fun and meet some new friends. Here's to a great 2023!

Cheers!

Mark Kamon, President

2023 BOARD

Mark Kamon, President Frank Ennis, Vice President Jim Landskroener, Treasurer Bill Cooper, Asst. Treasurer Jim Moseman, Commodore Tracye Landon, Secretary

Beth Andrews
Joe Baker
Whitney Drew
Creg Fleetwood
Erin Gillespie
Loretta Lodge
Dick Swanson
David White

2022 COMMITTEES

Facilities, Joe Baker
Finance, Jim Landskroener
Golf, Frank Ennis & Erin Gillespie
Greens, Mark Kamon
House, Carolyn Beachy
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Our year ended on a very positive note; our net profit closing out the year was just over \$115,000. I want to acknowledge all of the department managers for their careful stewardship during this past year of unforeseen inflation. Our early forecasts in March suggested that we might see an 11% increase in expenses over budget, but thanks to careful management, particularly in the House and Greens and Grounds, we managed to stay in a very healthy financial position by the end of the year.

In terms of our capital spending, we completed the 2022 capital budget with the installation of a much needed lift at the grounds maintenance shed and the purchase of a new truck for the superintendent. If our strong membership numbers continue, we will be in a good position to honor the commitments made in the 2023 capital budget. With the large number of pre-paid dues, we can hit the ground running with many of the projects that are to be initiated during the next several months.

On a personal note, I would like to recognize and thank a member of our committee who is about to relocate to another state, Bruce Anthony. Bruce was a long-time member of the Finance committee, a former Treasurer and Board member, whose guidance and expertise has been invaluable to the Club for many, many years. Both he and his wife Jean have been fundamental to the operation of CRY&CC for decades. The phrase, "standing on the shoulders of giants" comes to mind when I think of legacy that these two have left. Bruce and Jean, you will be greatly missed.

Jim Landskroener, Treasurer

JANUARY BOARD MEETING NOTES

At its January meeting, the Board of Directors approved the following actions:

- To present John Huntington with an honorary membership for life.
- To conditionally approve the eight memberships presented to the Board for approval as none of the applications were complete.
- To terminate the following memberships for delinquent accounts as outlined in Article VII of the Bylaws: Kelly Cuff, Anthony Franchi and Adam Kunda.
- To appoint Jim Moseman as the 2023 Commodore.
- To replace the AC units in the kitchen at a cost of \$19,500.
- To blacktop the area in front of the cart barn at a cost of \$26,262.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for February 21st.

The Chester River Yacht Club and Country Club News is published by the Chester River Yacht & Country Club Business Office. We welcome submissions but reserve the right to edit them for space. **The deadline for the March newsletter is February 23, 2023.** Please send submissions to collyer@crycc.org.

FROM THE MANAGER

It's February. We have now reached the official romantic month of the year. Book dinner or brunch with your sweetie at our Valentine's events. Don't forget to order roses to have waiting on your table. Delightful music will be provided at both events (see details in this newsletter).

If you enjoyed Ulysses S. Grant's visit last year, he returns this year to talk about the Siege of Vicksburg, 1863. Make your reservation soon as this was a popular event.

Trivia, Yoga, Pilates, and Game night continue to keep you busy inside.

I want to highlight our beer dinner on February 25th. We are fortunate to have Troegs Independent Brewing from Hershey, PA at the Club, which is one of my favorite breweries! We always feature their "Mad Elf" in December. Troegs will bring seven different beers for you to sample. Chef Mike will pair some delicious beer-friendly foods. Even if you aren't a regular beer drinker, come out and try these and learn about different beers while you taste them.

Mardi Gras is upon us on February 21st, with fun specials and beads. Just a signal that spring is not far off!

A first at CRYCC is the "Staged Reading of A Brief History of Man", a play by local writer Earl Lewin. We are excited to have Mr. Lewin present his new script at our club. Dinner is available from 4-6 pm for the show, and then the show begins at 6pm. You may sign up for dinner and show or just the show. This may be the beginnings of Broadway in Chestertown!

Remember the Club for your personal events, as well. We are happy to help you plan your event.

Pray for our troops who keep us safe. See you at the Club because "your friends are already here."

-Jerren Wetterau, Clubhouse Manager

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

PETER & KELLY COLON - SOCIAL
MAUREEN CUZZUPE - SOCIAL
NANCY DOWLING - SOCIAL
DOBBY & BOBBY LOU DUNLAP - SOCIAL
CHRISTOPHER LORENTZ & MELISSA JOHNSON - SOCIAL
JAMES & JOANNA MCDONALD - FULL FAMILY
BUD & ANNE STRONG - SOCIAL
MARK & JENNIFER WATTS - FULL FAMILY

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Missing the fun of warmer days on the water? Take a look at the internet coverage of **The Ocean Race**, now on its first legs of a 32,000 mile race from Alicante, Spain to Cabo Verde, Cape Town, Brazil, Newport RI, Denmark, The Hague, with a July finish in Genova. The U.S. IMOCA 60 entry is Eleventh Hour Racing of Newport RI.

Our next Yachting Committee meeting, open to all members, will be at 1730 (three bells) on Tuesday, February 14th. Rear Commodore Jeff Rodman will lead a nautical knot-tying seminar at 1630.



A new season begins! Mark your calendars:

- Saturday, March 11th All club members are welcome to the Commodore's Ball. Dinner and dancing to classic ballroom hold-your-partner music.
- Friday, May 12th Flag Raising with music, champagne, and strawberries.
- Weekly informal sailing and paddling this season will be on Thursday (vice Wednesday) afternoons with chase/safety boat support. We now have the opti rack for more kayak storage and easier access—come join us on the river.
- Sailing Instruction: Adults and kids—Three one-week sessions begin on June 26th. Flyers out shortly with application details.
- We host the Friday, June 16th start of the Rock Hall YC Down River Race.
- Jointly sponsored Chester River YCC and Corsica River YC-sponsored Log Canoe races are Saturday, July 8th and Sunday, July 9th.

A complete schedule can be found on the CRY&CC web site.

Please ensure that any trailers, boats, or kayaks you store on club property are registered with 2023 CRYCC stickers. Stickers are available from the club Pro Shop. We will attach 2023 stickers to boats that were registered last year and still on club property. As usual, winter storage fees will be charged for boats on club property. Also, please bear in mind that the club is not responsible for private property. Locks are highly recommended. Contact Dock Master, Greg Siefert with any questions.

Let me know if you would like to be included in our email notices of Yachting Committee meetings (all welcome!) or Fleet Captain weekly sailing plans.

Alpha Delta Two Eight (splice the mainbrace),

Jim Moseman, Commodore mosemanja@pobox.com

ULYSSES S. GRANT, THE SIEGE OF VICKSBURG, 1863 Tuesday, February 7th, 5:30 PM

WITH KENNETH J. SERFASS, GUNNERY SGT. USMC, RETIRED

KEN IS A PROFESSIONAL LIVING HISTORIAN PORTRAYING ULYSSES S. GRANT. IT IS WITH A PROFOUND HONOR THAT HE TELLS THE STORY OF ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST MILITARY LEADERS, AND IT IS NOT HARD TO BE AFFECTED BY HIS ENTHUSIASM FOR HIS SUBJECT AND BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE MET U.S.GRANT IN LIVING HISTORY.

CALL 410-778-3818, EXT. 2, FOR RESERVATIONS.LET US KNOW IF YOU WILL BE STAYING FOR DINNER.



AHOY! SAILORS OF ALL AGES

KIDS & ADULTS! SAILING LESSONS! SIGN-UP NOW!

This is always a very popular summer program at CRYCC and the small classes fill up quickly. We have experienced instructors for ALL levels. Beginner through advanced, ages 8adult.

 Week 1
 June 26 - June 30
 9am-12pm

 Week 2
 July 3 - July 7
 9am-12pm

 Week 3
 July 10 - July 14
 9am-12pm

Opti Group (ages 8-11) curriculum includes:

Learn concepts of wind direction and currents, knots and nautical terms, participate in land and water drills, and know Rules of The River. Practice rigging, setting sails on all tacks, launch and land "your" Opti.

Sunfish Group (ages 12-ADULT)

Curriculum is same as above but on a little larger Sunfish. The instructors will customize the lessons based on the skills and experience of each sailor.

For our more advanced sailors, there may be an opportunity to learn racing skills at the discretion of the instructors and a chance to sail a Laser sail boat.



We would like to invite adults to join the Sunfish group for any of the above weeks. Learning the basics is the same for all ages. Outings on the water may provide for different levels of learning.

Cost: \$225 per session. Contact Linda Robbins to request additional information/application forms: Lindarobb@aol.com or 617-835-1973

Valentine's Brunch

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

Romantic music will be playing in the Dining Room from 11 am until 2 pm.
Order roses to be waiting at your table for that special someone. Brunch is served 9 am until 4 pm. In addition to our regular brunch & lunch menu, we will be offering specials.

Roses Available For Your Table or as Take-out! Order by February 7th

Call 410-778-3818 ext 2 for Reservations or to place Take-out Order.

So Valentine's Dinner &

The Keli Vale Group will be playing from 6pm until 9 pm. The "Lover's Menu" will be offered, as well as roses waiting at your table (additional charge) for that special someone.

Four-course menu featuring Roasted Tomato Bisque, Caesar Salad, Tenderloin topped with Crab Imperial and Tiramisu

\$60/PERSON

410-778-3818 EXT 2 FOR RESERVATIONS

FROM THE PRO - DAN PHILIPPON, PGA

Indoor Golf Studio

The Indoor Teaching & Fitting Studio is now OPEN! Whether you are a beginner golfer or a Club Champion, I am set up in the ballroom ready to help you play better golf or to help you find clubs that will change your game. I just received the New Callaway PARADYM and Taylor Made STEALTH 2 demo irons and woods for you to try. Both companies are using more carbon in their woods and for good reason. Carbon is lighter and more flexible, which means increased energy transfer to the ball. When more energy is transferred, you create more ball speed and that leads to longer shots. This is a good thing!

I have our Flight Scope Launch Monitor, Video Analysis and Bodi-Trak Pressure Mat, and that's all we need to get you hitting the ball better, straighter, and farther!

Flight Scope delivers ball and club head data instantly while also showing ball flight via a stream on the impact screen. Below are just a few of the ball and club data points the unit shows:

Ball Data

Speed, launch angle, spin rates, height, distance

Club Head Data

Speed, attack angle, swing path, face position, loft at impact

Bodi-Trak records your pressure against the ground as you swing. Knowing how to correctly use your pressure to the ground is the foundation of creating a balanced and powerful golf swing!

When you combine these systems with video of your swing, the learning curve is shorter due to the instant feedback of how your swing action creates ball flight. I've already started and looking forward to seeing you in the studio soon. Email me at dphilippon1@yahoo.com or call the Golf Shop at 410-778-3818 x3 to make an appointment.

SAVE THESE SPRING GOLF DATES!

To register and to see a full description of the golf tournaments, go to www.crycc.org, click Club Info and then Golf Events

Opening Golf Dinner

Wednesday, April 5th
2022 Tournament Winner's Presentation
Masters Tournament Pool
Make your reservation by calling
410-778-3818 ext 2

Opening Day Scramble

Saturday, April 8th

Par 3 Tournament

Saturday, April 29th

Golf Appreciation Day Twilight

Friday, May 5th

Member-Member

Saturday & Sunday, May 20th & 21st

Summer Madness First Matches May Begin

Saturday & Sunday, May 27th & 28th

SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

The weather to start out the winter season has been fantastic. We have been able to get a good jump on the winter/spring projects.

We have cleared out the old, contaminated sand from the back bunkers on #4, #8, and the front 2 on #13. Installation of the capillary concrete and filling of sand will begin later in February or the start of March.

The distance tees construction has also begun. Tee locations have been identified, and removal of the sod has been completed. Next, we will start bringing in the sand mix base. Leveling and sodding will happen when sod becomes available early springtime.

We were able to use the sod from the distance tee locations to renovate the back of #6 tee. I should have taken a before and after picture, but it turned out great.

Lastly, Unlimited Tree has removed all needed trees on the golf course, clean up of the stump holes will start immediately.

Great start to a new season!

David Beik, Superintendent



You're Invited!

A Brief History of Man

A Play by Earl Lewin Dinner and Show Saturday, February 18, 2023

Dinner Menu

Caesar Salad | Chicken Piccata | Red Bliss Potatoes | Vegetable Medley | Cheesecake | Coffee, Tea, Lemonade \$25.00 per person

Cash Bar

Dinner reservations required.
Show begins 6:00pm
Reservations required for Show

Call 410-778-3818, ext 2, for reservations for dinner and/or the show.

18 HOLE LADIES

You are meant to play the ball as it lies, a fact that may help to touch on your own objective approach to life. -Grantland Rice

One of my favorite markers of Spring is when I see the application to join the 18-Hole Ladies Golf Association in my newsletter.

Come join us!

- · Thursday mornings from March 23rd until October 19th this year.
- Make new golfing friends.
- Learn rules, skills, formats, courtesy and more while having fun all among friends.
- Play in tournaments or opt out and still enjoy a round.
- Play every week or just when it suits you.
- If you also joining the Women's Peninsula Golf Association (WPGA) or the Delaware Women's Golf Association (DWGA) you can play in tournaments at different private courses on the Shore and in Delaware (including beaches) and/or play those courses with friends at reduced fees.
- Stay for lunch if you like.
- Mix with players of all levels.
- Most games are handicapped to level the playing field. Anyone can win.

To Register: Email Leah Northup (<u>lakajak3@gmail.com</u>) the following: name, home address, cellphone #, and email address.

<u>To Pay Dues:</u> Checks payable to the CRY&CC Ladies' 18-Hole Golf Association and mail to Amy Ennis, our treasurer before March 19th at 200 River Rd. Chestertown. \$40 if you are joining the I8-Holers only; \$60 if you are joining the I8 Holers and the Womens' Peninsula Golf Ass'n.

Questions? Ask me (410-991-1302) or our chair Leah Northup (410-708-7856)

To learn more, find us on the CRY&CC website. Questions? Call me at 410-991-1302.

Martha Rasin, Publicity Chair





9 HOLE LADIES

The Ladies 9 Hole Golfers are looking forward to the 2023 season with plenty of golf, friendly outings, fun tournaments and social activities. Many thanks to Donna Moloney and Alix Rodman who have taken on the organizational lead for our group this year! We hope all our current golfers will return this spring and we welcome interested new members.

For those of you who would be new to our group, we play Wednesday mornings from the end of March through the middle of October. We play a different game each week.

Join us and find out why Wednesday is our favorite day of the week!

Please note that Ladies 9 Hole Golfers are required to have a Full membership.

To register, please email the following information to Anne Hart at annemayhart@gmail.com:

- Name
- Spouse/Partner Name
- Address
- Email address
- Cell Phone
- Home Phone

And then mail your \$30 dues check, made payable to Chester River Ladies 9 Hole Golfers, to:

Shirley Gayner, Treasurer 305 Quail Run Drive Centreville, MD 21617

To be included in the handbook, registrations must be received by March 1st.

Hope to see you on the golf course! If you have any questions about our group, feel free to contact Donna Moloney at dmaymoloney@gmail.com or Alix Rodman at awcrodman@gmail.com



2022 Ugly Sweater Winners!



Sharon Somers Most Non-Ugly



Allen Ashbey Most Outrageous



Glenn Eiband Most Likely to Get Arrested if Seen in



Sharon Eiband Most Original



Philip Elwood and Lindsay Hamilton Best Matched Couple



Larry Ortmann Funniest



Rick Freebery Most Festive

Get your 2023 sweater ready!

FEBRUARY

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CLUBHOUSE HOURS Mon: Clubhouse Closed			MEETING SCHEDULES								

Tue - Thu: Kitchen & Bar 11am - 8pm Friday: Kitchen & Bar 11am - 8pm Saturday: Kitchen & Bar 11am - 8pm Sunday: Kitchen & Bar 9am - 5pm

CLUBHOUSE PHONE: 410-778-3818 ext. 2

Finance: 2/14 4pm House: 2/15 4pm

Membership: 2/16 4pm BOARD MEETING: 2/21 7pm

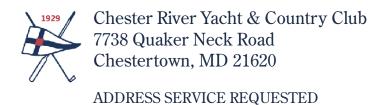
Social: TBA Golf: 2/15 3pm Yachting: 2/14 5:30pm

Pool: TBA

Grounds: 2/16 5pm Facilities: TBA

MARCH

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