



## November / December 2005 Edition

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Only two sailors, in my experience, never ran aground.  
One never left port and the other was an atrocious liar.

-Don Bamford

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### Upcoming events

- Nov 19 – The Commodore's Cup Regatta and Oyster Roast  
Dec 3 – OYC Annual Membership Meeting and Holiday Dinner Party  
Dec 10 – (Hopefully) 150 Bridge Race make-up date
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## OYSTER ROAST

Time again for the annual Commodore's Cup Oyster Roast – November 19 at Mariner Villas Clubhouse starting at 6PM.

Oysters (roasted or raw), sausages, white bean stew, and cold beer.

**Please RSVP** to 704-947-0470 or [doug\\_riley@bellsouth.net](mailto:doug_riley@bellsouth.net) as soon as possible so we know how many of the little critters to buy

**\$10 per person, pay at the door**

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The time for the Annual Membership Meeting and Holiday Dinner Party is coming upon us December 3 at Mariner Villas Clubhouse starting at about 6...Once again, we will provide Christmas hams and ask that members volunteer to bring traditional side dishes. Salads, Green Bean Casseroles, Potato dishes, desserts, etc. are all appreciated. Please call 704-947-0470 or email [doug\\_riley@bellsouth.net](mailto:doug_riley@bellsouth.net) if you are interested in bringing anything or merely to RSVP so that we know how much meat to procure.

OYC will provide the hams, beer, wine, sodas & waters. We will send out another notice just before Thanksgiving.

**There will be no charge for this event**

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Membership Renewals for 2006 are due as of December 31, 2005...Those members not renewing by the end of the grace period (January 31, 2006) will owe an additional \$10 late fee to re-join. All who have paid will be eligible to win a drawing for a free 2006 membership at the Annual Meeting. Payments will be accepted up until the time of the drawing and you must be present to win.

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### **Report from the Commodore**

Your Outrigger Yacht Club reigned victorious in the Yacht Club Challenge held in conjunction with the recent Peninsula Cup Regatta. OYC Members showed up in force and race valiantly on her behalf, winning the Challenge in its first year. The OYC burgee is now proudly hanging on the Challenge Trophy in the bar area of PYC for all to see. Congratulations to those who sailed on behalf of OYC and to the Membership in general. Note was made at the event that many, many other sailors racing on behalf of other Clubs, including the entire Race Committee of PYC, are also OYC members. We are as proud of those sailors as we are of those who sailed for us. This helps to show that Outrigger Yacht Club is indeed the premier Keelboat Racing and Social Club on Lake Norman. Special thanks to Regatta Chairman Chip Richardson for an outstanding event, one that involved 43 registered boats making it the largest keelboat event on the Lake in 2005.

This is my last newsletter and report as Commodore of Outrigger Yacht Club. The past three years have been a great ride, first as your Rear Commodore, then Vice-Commodore, then Commodore. Although I will remain on the Board as Past Commodore for 2006 and will continue as Membership Committee Chairperson (if new Rear Commodore Matt Zaremski will have me), I pass the baton of leadership to the capable and enthusiastic hands of rising Commodore Steve Battel. I ask that the Membership and Board of Trustees provide him the same support that I have enjoyed.

I would very much like to thank the Membership for their enthusiasm and participation over this period. As, if not more, importantly, I would like to thank a very responsible, proactive, and progressive Board of Trustees for their involvement in running the Club over this time. This Board leaves the Club on solid footing as the next administration moves in.

I would especially like to publicly thank my mentor, Rick Rowan, for all he has done for the Outrigger Yacht Club in recent years. Rick is responsible for the re-vamping of the antiquated By-Laws of the organization, the establishment of policies outlining what is expected of the various committees and the re-establishment of our budgeting and auditing procedures. Rick has done more behind the scenes than most anyone can appreciate. As importantly, he has acted as a tether to keep me from flying off.

Respectfully,

Doug Riley  
Commodore

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**Report from the Vice-Commodore:**

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As the 2005 Racing Season comes almost to a close, I reflect back on the year and realize what an honor it has been to serve as the Vice Commodore of OYC. As Race Chairman, there have been some ups and downs but overall it's been a very positive experience that I've enjoyed completely - so much so that I'm looking forward to doing some Race Committee next year. However, before I wrap up this year, there are still two more races to run. First is the Commodores Cup on Nov.19, which will be followed by the annual Oyster Roast the same evening. In addition, the Commodores Cup Regatta has that ever-popular feature: NO ENTRY FEE! However, a completed and signed Entry form is still required to compete. The second race is the twice postponed 150 Bridge Race that is now scheduled for Dec 10. The third time will be the charm and it will be a great day of sailing. You can still register either by mail or on the water so come out and join us.

The Pursuing the Cure for Huntingtons Disease Regatta saw a less than hoped for participation of 16 boats. Taking home the pewter overall trophy was Chuck Lineberry on Pearl of Great Price. Chuck also won the Spin-A division. Sean Murphy on Gigi won the Spin-B division. Sam Bender on Raw Power won the Non-Spin division again this year and Dennis Rayfield on Summerlied won the Cruiser division. I also want to thank Commodore Doug Riley for stepping in and being the Race Committee for this event in my absence.

The Boat of the Year trophies will be awarded to the top performing Spinnaker and Non-Spin boats in the club at the Annual Membership Meeting and Holiday Party on Dec 3. Please plan to join us to discuss the future of OYC and congratulate the winners of the BOTY award. Then, LET'S PARTY!!

Steve Battel  
Vice Commodore

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## December 3, 2005 – The Annual Membership Meeting

The Outrigger Yacht Club Annual Membership Meeting and Holiday Party will be held at the Mariner Villas Clubhouse on Saturday evening, December 3, 2005. Please consider this to be the notice of meeting. In addition to the installation of Officers for 2006 and other business of the Club to attend to, your Board of Trustees will ask the Membership to vote to adopt the following amendment to the Charter and By-Laws:

December 3, 2005

To: Outrigger Yacht Club members

Subject: Report of the Board of Trustees regarding a revision to the Bylaws

On November 10, 2005 a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Peninsula Yacht Club. In attendance were Doug Riley, Barbara Scott, Sherry Corbett, Rick Rowan, Don Corey and Neil Liner. At that meeting Rick Rowan introduced a resolution that an amendment to the Bylaws be presented to the members.

The Board of Trustees adopted the resolution and thereby resolved that the proposed amendment be introduced to the members with the recommendation of the Board of Trustees that it be adopted. The Board of Trustees submits the following resolution:

WHEREAS the existing provision regarding reinstatement to membership of former members at Chapter X, Paragraph 7 which states that "They (the Board of Trustees) may, by unanimous vote of the members present, whenever they deem it to be in the best interest of the Club, not readmit to membership any former member of the Club." is overly restrictive, and this provision should not be more restrictive than the provision at Chapter X, Paragraph 12 which states that "The Board of Trustees may, by majority vote of the members present, reject any application for membership.", we the members, in order to further the objectives of the Club as stated in the Charter, resolve as follows:

RESOLVED That Chapter X, Paragraph 7 be amended to replace the existing text in its entirety with text to read "[The Board of Trustees may, by majority vote of the members present, whenever they deem it to be in the best interest of the Club, not readmit to membership any former member of the Club.](#)"

Respectfully submitted

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Doug Riley  
Commodore

The Board of Trustees will also ask the Membership to install the following slate of Officers and Board Members for 2006:

Steve Battel – Commodore / John Beeker – Vice-Commodore / Matt Zaremski – Rear Commodore / Barbara Scott – Secretary / Sherry Corbett – Treasurer / John Scharer – Board Member / Shari Marcus – Board Member / John Scott – Board Member

They will join Past Commodore Doug Riley, and Rising Board Members John Guthrie, Neil Liner and John Scott to lead the Club in 2006.

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The next regular meeting of the OYC Board of Trustees is scheduled for 6:30 PM on January 12, 2006 in the Commodore's Room at the Peninsula Yacht Club. All Members in good standing are invited and encouraged to attend and participate

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### **As per Outrigger Yacht Club Racing Policy...**

Each member entering a boat in any Club-sponsored event will have a Lake Norman Keelboat Council PHRF Rating certificate for that boat. We have provided a copy of the PHRF Rating Request Form on the website at [www.outriggeryachtclub.org](http://www.outriggeryachtclub.org). A rating is free. If you do not have a rating please go to the website, obtain a form, complete it and mail it to the address listed.

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## **The OYC Shop**

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