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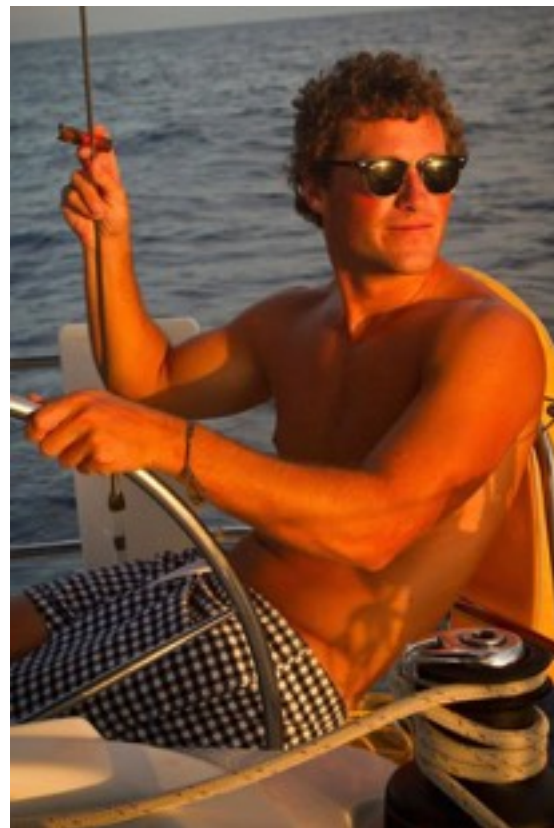


Commodore Wade's Remarks

As I wrap up my year as Outrigger's Commodore I feel like a year is ending so I should make some New Years resolutions-- like being more optimistic and keeping my glass always half full (of rum, vodka, or whiskey). Seriously though, this is a good point for me to look back at how I got to be a "Commodore", a word I probably couldn't have defined a few years ago. My first experience sailing was in college when 10 college buddies and I managed to convince a charter company in the BVI to give us a boat for a week. After that first taste of freedom in the wind, countless bars, and the relaxing lifestyle of cruising, I was hooked. Years later in 2011, I still had this passion for sailing and on a remarkably warm February day, I found myself buying my first sailboat. With little sailing experience at all I joined the Wednesday night series in an effort to learn more about sailing and to get better. I still remember my my first 3 or 4 races, where we were consulting the starting guide while trying to maneuver our boat and figure out why horns were going off and flags were waiving from the committee boat. I have come a long way; our Hunter 25 has been a great boat because it

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Commodore Wade Miller



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VICE COMMODORE DOUG'S REPORT

Vice Commodore Doug Riley

We're not done yet! The year is coming to a close, but we still have the Commodore's Cup on November 22, followed by the Oyster Roast and Annual meeting. Here are the winners of this year's events staged by OYC:

150 Bridge Race – Richard Maybery, Spin / Doug Riley, NSpin

Wed Night Series – Don Trask, Spin A / Don Corey, Spin B / Craig Galow NSpin A / John Guthrie NSpin B / Bob Davis, NSpin C

Top Gun – Robbie Lowrance

Leukemia Cup – Don Trask, Spin A / Vern Heiler, Spin B / Shari Marcus, NSpin A / Neil Liner, NSpin B

Wilmer Regatta (on behalf of the LNKC) – Kurt Beyer, Spin / Bob Klutz, NSpin

Commodore's Cup - ???

Unfortunately we did lose the Yacht Club Challenge at the Peninsula Cup to PYC but OYC has many fine sailors and they won in large part because many were sailing under the PYC burgee.

This is YOUR club. We appreciate your input and participation and ask that you please volunteer in 2015 to help out on racing or social committee.

Doug



REAR COMMODORE CHRIS' REPORT

Hello Sailors!! As another year draws to a close I would like to start off by saying thank you for your support and participation in the numerous social events throughout the year. It has been an honor serving as your Rear Commodore this past year. Since our last newsletter we have had several noteworthy events. Most notably the OYC Summer Sailstice event on June 21st. We had a great turnout with six boats joining us on Friday night for the Symphony. While the symphony turned out to be difficult to hear, the burgers and libations were fantastic. Following the symphony, four boats joined us for an night on the hook. Following breakfast the next morning we said goodbye to two member boats who had other engagements and the rest of us went north to another cove to

Rear commodore Chris Greenman



spend the day swimming and relaxing in the sun. We spent another night on the hook before heading home on Sunday. It was great fun and something I hope to see as an annual event moving forward. Looking forward, don't forget that November 22nd is the 2014 OYC Oyster Roast. This is one of the best events of the year and one that shouldn't be missed. The oysters are great, the apps and desserts are amazing, and the company can't be beat. In addition to the Oyster Roast we will be holding our annual membership meeting where, among other business, we will be electing our new Rear Commodore. I look forward to seeing you all there!!

Fair Winds, Chris





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was inexpensive, allowed lots of space for crew, and allowed us to also camp out which we did a lot. In fact, during a light work week I brought a printer and hot spot out and spent an entire “week vacation” on the lake sailing around and occasionally working. Who says you have to go to the coast for a vacation? Anyhow, I’m not a perfect sailor by any means, I have learned a lot thanks to the Hunter and my fellow sailors at Outrigger. I am currently shopping for a racing sailboat in an effort to take my game to the next level and get more competitive next year. My time with the Hunter just like my time as your Commodore has come to its conclusion, but I look forward to growing even further in the seasons to come. Thanks for allowing me to be your Commodore for 2014.

Wade



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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SAILING ON LAKE NORMAN



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