

The Dockline

THE TOP OF THE BAY CRUISING ASSOCIATION

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Commodore's Report

Jerry Cook 610-623-8955

December, 2002

I would like to thank everyone that voted for me to be you Commodore this year. I hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas party as much as we did. The toy collection was great. They will go to many children who are less fortunate than we are. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our collection.

Erni's decorations were a big hit. They added a nice flavor to the holiday. We will all enjoy them on our trees this year and remember this cruising season fondly. It was a job well done. I would like to thank the club for treating all of the members to the party.

We hop to see you in January. Judi and I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Beef and Beer

There will be a beef and beer held on January 11, 2003 for Mario Costa, father of Jen Toner. He has suffered from brain cancer for the last six years and recently underwent 3 emergency surgeries for it. We are having this to raise money for his medical bills. If you are interested you can contact Jen Toner at jenbri722@aol.com or go to www.tobca.org for more information. Thank you for your support.

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Upcoming Dates

January 26, 2003 ~ Meeting at North East VFW, MD 3:00 PM

February 7 to February 10, 2003 ~ Atlantic City Boat Show

March 8, 2003 ~ Commodore's Ball

June 6 to June 8, 2003 ~ Bush River Yacht Club Opening

June 27 to July 6, 2003 ~ Vacation Cruise



Vice Commodore's Report

Don Gortowski 856-848-1408

Our annual Christmas party turned out to be a great success. Our Commodore, Jerry Cook, invited some members of other yacht clubs. They were Past Commodore Dave Wolfgang and his wife Mary from Harbor North Yacht Club. It is a great idea to get together with other yacht clubs, share in our experiences and support each other.

We all had a great time with the crazy Pollyanna (Chinese gift exchange). I got lucky one in my choice selection of a wrapped gift. I got a hand-held Apelco GPS 11 hours. I was lucky enough to keep it through the exchange.

I would like to thank the giver of that gift. You can never have enough GPS. It was just what I needed, a backup for my backup, for my backup.

Our Commodore Jerry Cook did a great job at his first meeting. It was also nice to see all the officers in uniform at one time.

It will also nice to have Erni Heiser join us on the bridge as rear Commodore. She has always worked hard for club. Without her assistance we'd still be in the learning stage.

Vera and I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a happy new year.



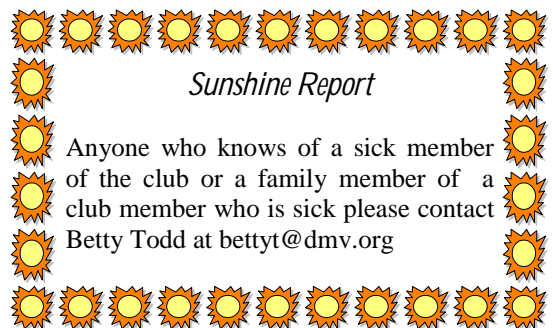
Rear Commodore's Report

Erni Heiser

There is no Rear Commodore's Report this month.

Recipe of the Month

I would be happy to begin publishing club member's recipes. Anyone who has a recipe they would like to share in the newsletter, please email it to me at jenbri722@aol.com.



Sunshine Report

Anyone who knows of a sick member of the club or a family member of a club member who is sick please contact Betty Todd at bettyt@dmv.org

Congratulations to our new members:

Jared and Evie Armington
34 Bonsall Ave.
Aldan, PA



Fleet Captain's Report

Brian Toner 610-328-0989 brian@tonersound.com

At the last meeting the club voted to have the Vacation cruise the week of July 4th. So mark it on your calendars. We're talking about having it center around the Top end of the bay. Please e mail me any suggestions that you may have about places that you would like to go this year on cruises.

As for the Atlantic City Boat Show Trip, Which is the first weekend in February, I have not been able to find a hotel that isn't extremely expensive (300-400 a night) for the weekend. I' will let everyone know via e mail if I come up with anything.

Birthday Corner

December

12/8 Luigi Toto
 12/9 Dave Kent
 12/10 Don Gortowski
 12/10 Charles Fitzgerald
 12/12 Gary Kunnas
 12/19 Judi Cook
 12/26 Joanne Burnley
 12/29 Yolanda Hales
 12/29 Connie Maher

Recipe of the Month: Santa's Snickers Brand Surprises

Ingredients:

2 sticks butter softened	1 cup creamy peanut butter
1 cup light brown sugar	1 cup sugar
2 eggs	1 tsp. Vanilla
3 1/2 cups all purpose flour (sifted)	1 tsp baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt	1 pkg. (13 oz.) SNICKERS brand Miniatures
1 pkg (11 oz.) DOVE brand Milk or Dark chocolate gifts	

1. Combine the butter, peanut butter and sugars using a mixer on a medium to low speed until light and fluffy.
2. Slowly add eggs and vanilla until thoroughly combined. Then mix in flour, baking soda and salt.
3. Cover and chill dough for 2-3 hours
4. Remove dough from refrigerator . Divide into 1 TBL. Pieces and flatten.
5. Place an unwrapped SNICKERS brand miniature in the center of each piece of dough
6. Form the dough into a ball around each SNICKERS.
7. Place on a greased cookie sheet and bake at 325 for 10-12 minutes.
8. Let cookies cool on a backing rack or wax paper. (Holiday Hint: Spruce up Santa's surprise by drizzling melted DOVE milk or Dark Chocolate Gifts over the top of each cookie!)

Taken from: a SNICKERS ad in the newspaper. I made these cookies and the are great!



Appointed Officers



 Congratulations go out to the following newly appointed officers.

Supply Officer ~ Judi Cook
 Fleet Chaplain ~ Mike Handzo
 Sunshine Committee ~ Betty Todd
 Membership Secretary ~ Erni Heiser
 Fleet Surgeon ~ Carol Jean Faulkner
 Newsletter ~ Jen Toner

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