

Members and Friends of Cedar Mar,

As incoming commodore let me begin with your elected bridge and board for 2023 (per By-Laws elections were held at the “September Meeting” which was the wine tasting this year):

Commodore	Bill Templeton
Vice Commodore	Paul Hernandez
Rear Commodore	Jim Leighton
Secretary	Tom Norman
Treasurer	Helen Rohrman
Board of Governors	Jim Berrien
	Gary Clark
	John Geiger
	Pat Templeton

Although not an elected position, Wendy Clark will be continuing as Quartermaster.

Installation of officers will be at the Commodore’s Dinner Friday, October 28, 2022 at the Clarion Hotel.

The object of this club shall be to encourage and support yachting and to promote the sciences of seamanship and navigation. The club will provide social activities for its members and guests.

This statement is Article II of the By-Laws of the Cedar Mar Yacht Club as revised and adopted at the September Meeting 2018. Historically the club has accomplished these goals by pursuing social activities, education opportunities and travel (cruising).

The pandemic, declining membership and escalating costs have challenged the club's calendar of events: We see a light at the end of this tunnel. The Commodore's Dinner will be Friday, October 28 at the Clarion Hotel. There will be some changes from what we have enjoyed in the past. Reduced membership (dues income) means we can no longer "subsidize" events to previous levels We have had to forego the DJ this year and to still offer what we feel is a quality event the cost per person must increase. Minimum numbers of attendees and prices have risen at venues everywhere as well as at the Clarion. I am sure you will find the tenor of the dinner will be reminiscent of past celebrations. Come see who will get the coveted (?) "Pickled Sailor" ... this year we will give away one 2023 membership to a lucky attendee.

We have been fortunate to "book" Kristy's in Waretown for the Holiday Breakfast Buffet December 4, ... and at the same price as last year at the Clarion. I'm personally looking forward to a replay of Paul Hernandez's emcee-ing and Mike Palmer's sound effects for the always fun gift exchange.

You can expect the usual array of events through 2023 Winter Seminar, Early Bird, Flag Raising, Summer (June) Picnic, Beachwood Fireworks, Margaritaville/Clambake, Wine Tasting and Last Hurrah. These events are not set in stone but can "morph" into what the membership is interested in ... best way for that to happen is to step up and become a part of any of the events that appeal to you.

Our Winter Educational Seminar has, perhaps, been hardest hit by the pandemic. In 2020 we got the event in just before the world shut down in March. This year there was a covid surge in February and only one of the presenters would be in person We had to cancel. 2023 should be different with easing of protocols etc. We are requesting Adrian Hall for February 18. We need you to help set up etc and most of all If you know someone (perhaps yourself) who could mesmerize us all with adventures and experiences we have a place for you!

Cedar Mar has a rich history of trips and cruises. Thirty three members on seven boats chartered in the BVI in January of 2012. June/July of 2015 saw six boats make it to Fairleigh Creek, Annapolis and fireworks in Rock Hall. July of 2016 seven boats cruised to Mystic, Newport RI and Martha's Vineyard. June/July of 2019 five boats met at Rock Hall, visited St. Michaels and enjoyed

fireworks at Harbor East in Baltimore's Inner Harbor. This year we (12 boats) celebrated Memorial Day at Farley/Golden Nugget Atlantic City and seven boats "did" Cape May (complete with golf carts) for Labor Day. For 2023 folks are already asking about Memorial day, Labor Day and there's talk of Martha's Vineyard/Block Island (with some great stops along the way) in July. This is only a sampling of Cedar Mar's travels.

I hope all of this whets your appetite ... and not just for food, although we do seem to provide a lot of that! We need our membership to get back close to pre-pandemic levels. That's the only way we can survive ... and better yet, flourish. Renewals will be coming out soon We currently have 66 dues paying members We need to increase our membership in order to rebuild our calendar and our offerings. Get your renewal in early and bring a friend to our events. Feel free to share this letter. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions get back to me at pbtemp6816@verizon.net or text me at 732 673 3560 I'm pretty good at getting back to people and at getting things to the Bridge & Board

In the next day or so I will be distributing a letter describing the Club's financial status Fixed costs and projected income for 2023. This will be a member-only communication and will be delivered to your e-mail.

Respectfully,

Bill Templeton