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Commodore's Comments

The time has come," the Walrus said, "To talk of many things:....."

And so we close this chapter in the annals of the Ware River Yacht Club, and look forward to the new Board and new Commodore for 2012.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has served with me on the Board this year, in alphabetical order: *Tiffany Backer, Bill Fenstermacher, Chris Hutson, Ginger James, Jay McGlohn, Breck Montague, Steve Sadler, Kirby Smith, Nina Watkins, Peter Wilcox, and Jane Wilson*, and also *Cheryl Davis*, our Club Manager.

Their devotion to the well being of the club has carried us through a very good year, and it has been a pleasure to work with each and every one of them. And I would be remiss if I didn't point out that without the many member volunteers – from social hosting to boat repairing to adult sailing instruction – we wouldn't have survived a single day.

Now is the time to begin looking forward to 2012. **Kicking off the new year is the 2012 Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 14.** At that meeting, the current Board members will bring you up to date on their activities.

In addition, the Nomination Committee will present the following slate of new Board members for election: Clayton James, Catesby Jones, Ken Larson, John Singleton, and Robin Troutman.

We'll also be announcing the recipients of a number of WRYC awards, including **Booster of Year**,

Wesley C. Morck (Founders Cup), James V. Morgan Memorial Trophy, Sailor of the Year, and Junior Sailor of the Year. If you would like to make a nomination for any of these awards, please let me know by December 30.

So I invite you to join me on January 14 for dinner, libations, and the celebration of another year of the Ware River Yacht Club!

Thanks for all you do for WRYC, and I'll see you on the water!

Cleve Corlett
Your Commodore

**Ware River Yacht Club
Annual Meeting / Dinner**
Saturday, January 14th
Social 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6 p.m.
Annual Meeting immediately following dinner

Menu:
**Brunswick Stew
Ham Biscuits
Salad
Brownies**

*BYOB or purchase beer/wine at club
\$10 per person
Reservations by Wednesday, January 11th

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Hosts needed for future social events
Members are urged to host a social event during 2012. The sign up sheet will be available at the January meeting. A new idea is to have a Beer, Barbeque, and Bluegrass event and possibly a Chilli Cook-off. We are looking for anyone who might wish to host either of these.

Nina Watkins, Socials chair

Lunch on the Ware events outstanding

On October 26, twenty-three card and game playing members and their guests descended on the club for *Lunch on the Ware II*. The card players were most serious about their games and arrived ready to play with cards and scorecards in hand. Their only requirements were tables, chairs, and plenty of coffee...until they got hungry. Tom and Bonnie Bernard satisfied all with a scrumptious lunch that included New England Clam Chowder, Italian Vegetable Soup, Rosemary Chicken Salad Sandwiches, and Carrot Cake Cupcakes and Cookies. Not sure who had more fun, the cooks or the attendees, but all agreed that it was a great way to get together. Thanks to Tom and Bonnie, for volunteering as hosts!

Wind, rain, and a morning power outage did nothing to deter thirty-nine more members and guests from assembling at the club for *Lunch on the Ware III* on November 29. More games showed up this time, including Mahjong and Carcassonne, as well as card games including bridge, rook, and gin rummy. Rumor had it that the increased attendance was due to the premier performance of Eva Mullins as a cook. She and co-host Wanda Friend showed their talents in the kitchen by producing Cream of Broccoli Soup and Homemade Pimiento Cheese with Country Ham Sandwiches followed by Brownies. They were ably assisted by Sue Hewitt. Once again even the most serious game players stopped to eat lunch and went away raving about the food and the good time they'd had. Thank you, Eva and Wanda, for stepping forward to host this delightful event.

Having had three successful *Lunch on the Ware* events in 2011, it would be great to continue these events in 2012. Any team that would like to volunteer can just pick a date and plan their menu. The calendar is wide open. Please call Cheryl to check dates or for information on what is involved in hosting. . And if you missed the last three *Lunches on the Ware* make plans to attend the next one and join in the fun.



Left to right, gathered in the kitchen, Wanda Friend, Mary Peebles, Eva Mullins, Jane Smith and Sue Hewitt.

(Photos by Cheryl)



Christmas Social

About 100 members and guests filled the club with holiday spirit on December 10 for the club's Christmas Social. Between the full moon, the decorated Christmas tree, and the Christmas lights strung from the ceiling beams (thank you Jane Wilson and R.T. Davis), the club was truly lit up for this event. Members brought a bounty of tasty hors d'oeuvres and desserts to share, and it all looked and tasted great. Members had a great time visiting with friends and offering Christmas greetings to all. Our generous members also deposited over 10 large full bags of canned goods under our tree. These were later delivered to the Bread for Life Food Pantry at St. Therese Church.

Thanks to all who helped make this event happen: pre-social organizer, Nina Watkins; doorkeepers, Jane and Kirby Smith; bartenders, Roger and Rita Anderson; ticket sellers, Sarah and Zeke Finney; centerpiece creator extraordinaire, Wanda Friend; food flow manager, Ginger James; piano provider, Steve Sadler; and most valuable of all, the cleanup/close up crew of Jay and Sharon McGlohn, Bill and Ruth Fenstermacher, Clayton James, and Bob Davis.

Cheryl Davis

Calendar for January:

January 14 -- Annual Dinner

Planning Ahead:

Valentine's Sunday Brunch, February 12.
Mark your calendars now so you keep the date open.

Dues Notices

In January, dues notices will be sent to all members. If your mailing address has changed, please let us know so your notice does not go astray. Also, if you qualify for Ancient Mariner status and have not been billed for the correct dues amount in the past, please let us know so we can add you to that list. To qualify for Ancient Mariner status, you must be 70 years of age or older and have been a member of the club for 30 consecutive years.

Contact Cheryl Davis 693-4175 if you have questions.