

## **Dear VYC Members:**

Come join your VYC friends for a traditional Opening Cruise at Regatta Point Yachting Center May 4-7, 2023. A *Diamond Jubilee* weekend is planned starting with a social time and casual pot luck dinner on Thursday night as we begin the official boating season. See the registration form for more details.

Friday features Coast Guard inspections, Blessing of the Fleet ceremony with Flag Raising and the usual critical VYC Business Meeting. Most importantly, is the recognition of our Past Commodores whose efforts have made the VYC what it is today. Dinner is provided by Willabys. Again, the weekend itinerary and registration form provide more details.

Saturday starts with coffee and a light breakfast followed by an enjoyable presentation by Chip Kinsey detailing moving the former Presidential Yacht Sequoia from Deltaville to Maine. Chip is a Marine Surveyor and will also include marine survey comments with Q&A. The afternoon will bring out the competitive nature of Club members as the Kentucky Derby betting parlor opens for business. Bet big or small but bet often. Derby fashions will be on display. An award will be given for the best Derby hat or fascinator. Big money winners will be announced to the usual cheers and jeers after a Derby themed dinner provided by The Table.

Sunday morning, have a donut with coffee in the Clubhouse if you like before departure.

Thus begins the 75<sup>th</sup> cruising season for the Virginia Yacht Club. Both sea and land cruisers are welcome at all events. The registration cutoff is April 27 2023.

Be sure to make your slip reservation as soon as possible by calling directly to Regatta Point Yachting Center at 804-776-8400.

Please contact your cruise directors with questions:

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