A Message from the President -

It is a rainy Sunday morning as I sit at my desk writing. Spring has sort of sprung. For a brief moment this week it was 80 degrees and sunny. The wind even stopped blowing for a few hours. Hopefully a few of our Marlin Club Moms will get to go fishing for a little while on this Mother’s Day. Happy Mother’s Day Ladies!!!

Quite a few things have gone on at the club since the last Marlin Bill went out. The Pirate Party and the Season Opening Party have come and gone. DJ BK and DJ Donnie kept the parties rocking and of course the food and drink were phenomenal, as always. The Ladies and our staff continue to deliver the goods. Congrats to Anna and Jim Giles on becoming the first daughter/father pirate duo to win the best pirate attire prizes. We had an unprecedented number of Buccaneers and Wenches in our ship this year, and I am betting that Anna and Jim will have a tough time judging next year! I have already begun working on my costume…. It was good to see so many of our members back in town for the Season Opener. Even if it has been chilly, it is starting to feel like summer.

Capt. Mark’s Nautical Flea Market was a huge success, yet again. There were many good deals to be had. New tackle, old tackle, tools, parts, you name it. If you haven’t made the time to check it out so far, be sure to put it on your calendar next year. It is well worth it.

We are getting to the time of the year where I will not have as many international fishing reports to share, but this past month was still an incredible one. Capt. Jonny Duffie and the Billfisher crew put up consistently good numbers in the DR. Seemed like Whitey made a stronger showing this year than in years past, and the Blue Marlin stayed consistent throughout the season. Speaking of Blue Marlin, Capt. Ronnie Fields and the crew of the Big Oh are having a season for the record books in Cape Verde. The numbers are amazing. On the slow days I have seen reports of 2 to 5 Blue ones, on the good days they have been breaking into double digits. Oh yeah, throw in a grand slam for good measure too. Ronnie and that crew are dialed in wherever they go, but it has been awesome seeing the numbers posted online recently. They have taken it to a whole other level.

I talk about the reports I am seeing online. Almost everyone has a facebook account these days, but I know a few of you have not embraced the social media world. If for no other reason, it is worth logging on because you can check out pages like Marlin Billfish, Billfish Report.com, Cairns Marlin Fishing History, Grander Report, and many, many more. Billfish Report.com and Marlin Billfish have real time updates during many of the tournaments, that alone is worth having a facebook account. And of course there is an Ocean City Marlin Club page that has plenty of pics and info on it.
A Message from the President—(continued)

While I am talking about fishing reports, I finally have some OC reports to share. The crews of the Non Typical and the Wrangler were able to catch some blue sharks between the Poormans and the Baltimore during the recent weather window. The big news comes from the crew of the Restless Lady. Capt. Todd put his charter on the first Mako of the season. Congrats!!! And of course, we have our first club tourney of the season coming up. Not many people have been out chasing bluefish, but the conditions are right, and I am expecting a good turnout for the Memorial Day Bluefish Tournament. The tournament benefits the Catherine and Charles Kratz Foundation and Scholarship fund. Come on out and fish for a great cause, and get the season started right!!!

Two last important fishing reports for this month. I understand that Fisher Zimmerman caught his first rockfish and Ivy Clemente caught her first flounder this past weekend. Fishing is in these kids’ blood and I know many more reports will be coming. Good Job Ivy and Fish!!!!

On a sad note, the fishing community lost another friend recently with the passing of Jim Edmonds. Jim was a fixture in OC in the 80s and 90s. His boat, Midnight Hour, competed in all of the tournaments and was always in on the hot bite. Over the past few years I have run into Jim many times while he was taking his morning bike ride through the harbor. He always stopped to chat and just to see how things were going. Please keep the Edmonds family in your thoughts and prayers.

In closing this month I am going to take a quick minute to remind everyone to be careful on their boats and around the docks. I know that I take good practice for granted and make some risky decisions when hopping around boats or leaping to the dock. It doesn’t need to be a daredevil leap to land you in the hospital. Just this past week my close friend Blaine Champlin had a step pad slip out from under him while he was getting on the Judge one morning. The pad was new “ish”, far from worn out. Blaine landed on his backside and crushed a vertebrae. Fortunately, as Blaine told me, if you have to break your back, he did it the best way. He is mobile, albeit a bit uncomfortable, and the doctors are thinking that he will be back to his captain’s perch in just a few weeks. This hit home for me. Blaine is the little brother I never wanted, we have been around the world together on boats, and he is one of the finest captains I know. On top of that he is a loving father, entertaining husband, and a good friend. I am so thankful that his injury was not worse. So take a few extra seconds and pull the boat close. Check the tread on your shoes. Be careful out there. We can’t all be as lucky as Blaine was.

Til next time,

Franky Pettolina
Come & enjoy a spectacular array of fine jewelry & fashion accessories.

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ANNUAL JEWELRY SHOW

Thursday, August 8, 2013
11 a.m. – 4 p.m. $5 Admission fee

Includes: 1 complimentary glass of wine, beer, or soda

Proceeds to benefit the Bertha Holloway Scholarship Fund
& members’ children who attend Worcester County High Schools

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410.213.1613

Lunch will be prepared by the Auxiliary. Sandwiches & Chips may be purchased for $7.
 Extra drinks may be purchased at the bar.

Information: cathy@ocnewwave.com, cspicknall@gmail.com

The Ocean City Marlin Club Auxiliary made $150.00 for the Lower Shore Special Olympics May 4, 2013 during the 8th Annual Nautical Flea Market selling donuts, hot dogs, sodas, coffee, bottled water, & potato chips & $515.00 with the May 4th Season Opener Party “basket of cheer” for the Bertha Holloway Scholarship Fund. A big congratulations & job well done goes out to the Auxiliary!!!!

Membership Dues

Thank you to all who have paid their membership dues!!

Once paid, your membership cards are activated for the 2013 year & you may continue to use the cards in your possession. If you experience any problems with your cards or if you are a new member and have not yet received your cards, please e-mail: info@ocmarlinclub.com or call the Club: (410) 213-1613. If you have not paid your dues, please mail your check to the OCMC Office. Make checks payable to: OCMC. You can also call the Club to pay by credit card.

The Ocean City Marlin Club accepts Visa, MasterCard, & Discover.

Ocean City Marlin Club, 9659 Golf Course Road, Ocean City, MD 21842

Ocean City Marlin Club Hours of Operation:

Wednesday - Thursday
3:00 – 10:00 p.m.
Light fare Served 4:00 – 5:00
Full Menu Available 5:00 – 9:00

Friday - Saturday
3:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Light fare Served 4:00 – 5:00
Full Menu Available 5:00 – 10:00

Sunday
3:00 – 10:00 p.m.
Light fare Served 4:00 – 5:00
Full Menu Available 5:00 – 9:00
2013 OCMC Fishing Tournament Schedule

4th Annual Memorial Day Bluefish Tournament:
To benefit the Catherine & Charles Kratz Memorial Foundation and Scholarship Fund
Chairman: Franky Pettolina
Registration: May 24, 2013, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Captain’s Meeting: 8:00 p.m.
Fishing Days: (1 of 2) May 25 & 26
Weigh Ins: May 25 & 26, 3:30-6:00 p.m., Sunset Marina
Awards Banquet: May 26, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

34th Annual Small Boat Tournament:
Chairman: Bill Regan
Registration: June 21, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Captain’s Meeting: 8:00 p.m.
Fishing Days: (1 of 2) June 22 & 23
Weigh Ins: June 22 & 23, 3:00-6:30 p.m., Sunset Marina
Awards Banquet: June 23, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Awards Presentation: 7:00 p.m.

31st Annual Canyon Kick Off:
Chairmen: Bill Regan & Annette Cropper
Registration: July 3, 2013 6:30
Captain’s Meeting: 8:00 p.m.
Fishing Days: (2 of 3) July 5, 6, & 7
Weigh Ins: July 5, 6, & 7, 5:00-7:30 p.m., Sunset Marina
Awards Banquet: July 7, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Awards Presentation: 8:00 p.m.

9th Annual Kid’s Classic:
To benefit the Wish-a-Fish Foundation
Chairmen: Bill Regan, Annette Cropper, & Pat Svehla
Registration: July 19, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Captain’s Meeting: 7:30 p.m.
Fishing Days: (1 or 2 of 2) July 20 & 21
Weigh Ins: July 20 3:00-6:30 p.m., July 21 3:00-6:00 p.m., Sunset Marina
Sunday Carnival & Awards: July 21, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Awards Presentation: 7:00 p.m.
Every Angler receives an award!

5th Annual OCMC Ladies’ Tournament “Heels and Reels”:
To benefit the Bertha Holloway Scholarship Fund
Chairmen: Franky Pettolina & Amanda Shick
Registration: Thursday, August 1, 2013, 6:00 p.m.
Captain’s Meeting: 8:00 p.m.
Fishing Days: (1 of 2) August 2 & 3
Weigh-Ins: August 2 & 3, 5:00-7:30 p.m., Sunset Marina
Awards Banquet: August 3, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Awards Presentation: 8:00 p.m.

55th Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament:
Chairmen: Franky Pettolina, Al Rittmeyer, Bob Wimbrow, & Bill Fenwick
Registration: Thursday, August 29, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Captain’s Meeting: 8:00 p.m.
Fishing Days: (2 of 3) August 30, 31, & September 1
Weigh-Ins: August 30, 31, & September 1, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Sunset Marina
Awards Banquet: September 1, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Awards Presentation: 8:00 p.m.

35th Annual Challenge Cup:
Chairman: Jon C. Duffie
Registration: Thursday, September 12, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
Captain’s Meeting: 8:00 p.m.
Fishing Days: (2 of 2) September 13 & 14, No weigh-ins.
Italian Night: September 13, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Awards Banquet: September 14, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

1st Annual OCMC Rockfish Tournament:
Chairman: Colin Campbell
Dates: December 9-15, 2013
*More details to come.

Would you like a copy of the 2013 Ocean City Marlin Club Sport Fishing Guidebook?
Please call (410) 213-1613 or e-mail info@ocmarlinclub.com to have one or multiple copies mailed to your home and/or business TODAY!!
Copies are also available at the Club or at many of our fifty-eight (58) Corporate Sponsors’ locations.
(Refer to the last page for a listing of the 2013 OCMC Corporate Sponsors)

Invitation Only:

4th Annual White Marlin Party with DJ BK
Friday, October 18, 6:30-10:30 p.m.(ish)
This party celebrates all those boats and individuals who have released 5 or more white marlin during this fishing season & have reported them via catch report on-line: www.ocmarlinclub.com

2013 OC Marlin Club Seasonal Awards Saturday, October 19, 6:30-10 p.m.
4th Annual Memorial Day Bluefish Tournament
May 24—26, 2013

Registration: Friday, May 24 @ 6:30 p.m.
Captains Meeting: Friday, May 24 @ 8 p.m.
Fishing days: Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26
Fish: 1 out of 2
Awards Banquet/Party @ OCMC Clubhouse: Sunday, May 26 6:30—9:00 p.m.
Chairman: Franky Pettolina

Entry Fee(s):
A portion of the Entry Fee will be donated to the Catherine & Charles Kratz Memorial Foundation and Scholarship Fund: www.kratzmemorialfoundation.com

Boat Entry Fee* $200.00
*includes 4 tickets to the awards banquet/party

Shore Entry Fee* $50.00
*includes 1 ticket to the awards banquet/party

Heaviest Bluefish
- Level A—$50
- Level B—$100
- Level C—$200
- Level D—$250
Levels A, B, & C pay 50/30/20
Level D Winner Take All Heaviest Fish

Catherine and Charles Kratz Memorial Foundation and Scholarship Fund

Our Purpose:
The purpose of the Foundation and Scholarship Fundraising program is to provide support, encouragement and a better life for the noble men and women who upheld world peace and United States freedom. Phase IV is providing graves for the needy, homeless, hospitalized and disabled Veterans at their time of need. The Honor Museum, Freedom Wall and Historic Bell from the War of 1812 and thirty-three memorials, three flags flying and the twelve-foot “Statue of Liberty” is located at the beautiful 109-year-old famous Druid Ridge Cemetery, 7900 Park Heights Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland on Exit 20, one block off 695, (the Baltimore Beltway) (410) 486-5300.

For more information -
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34th Annual Small Boat Tournament
June 21—23, 2013
Open to Boats 34’ and Under

Registration: Friday, June 21 @ 6:30 p.m.
Captains Meeting: Friday, June 21 @ 8 p.m.
Fishing days: Fish 1 of 2: Saturday, June 22 and Sunday, June 23

- **Inshore Division**
  - Flounder
  - Sea Bass
  - Tog
  - Bluefish
  - Rockfish
  - Shark

- **Offshore Division**
  - Tuna
  - Dolphin
  - Shark
  - Billfish Release

**Fee Schedule**
- **Inshore Entry Fee:** $200 per boat (5 Banquet Tickets)
- **Offshore Entry Fee:** $200 per boat (5 Banquet Tickets)
- **Inshore & Offshore Entry Fee:** $400 per boat (10 Banquet Tickets)

**Added Entry Levels:**
- **Inshore Meatfish Division**
  - Level A—$100
  - Level B—$200
  - Level C—$300
  Levels A & B pay 50/30/20, Level C is Winner Take All

- **Offshore Meatfish Division**
  - Level A—$100
  - Level B—$200
  - Level C—$300
  Levels A & B pay 50/30/20, Level C is Winner Take All

- **Offshore Billfish Division**
  - $200 Winner Take All

**Weigh-ins**
Saturday, June 22 & Sunday, June 23 from 3:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m. @ Sunset Marina

**Awards Banquet/Eastern Shore Crab Feast @ OCMC Clubhouse:**
Sunday, June 23 6:30—9:00 p.m.

*We cannot guarantee entry to the banquet to those individuals who do not pay in advance.*
Chairman: Bill Regan

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Pirate’s of the Caribbean Pictures!!

Pictures taken by Chery Stivers @ the Ocean City Marlin Club
The Winners of the 2013 Annual Pirate’s of the Caribbean Costume Contest!!
Anna Giles & Jim Giles

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Grilled Blue Cheese & Pear Sandwich


INGREDIENTS:
4 slices raisin brioche
2 tablespoons salted butter, melted
4 ounces firm but mild blue cheese, crumbled
1 pear, slightly under-ripe, cored and thinly sliced
Chestnut honey for drizzling, optional

DIRECTIONS:
1. Heat a cast-iron pan or griddle over low heat. Brush one side of each bread slice with melted butter.

2. Spread half of the cheese evenly over the unbuttered side of two slices of the bread. Place a single layer of the pear slices over the cheese, then top with the remaining cheese. Place the remaining bread on top of each sandwich, buttered-side up.

3. With a spatula, place one of the sandwiches into the heated pan and weight it with a second heavy pan or a steak weight. (If your pan is large enough, cook both sandwiches; otherwise, cook them one at a time.) Cook until golden brown, about 3 to 4 minutes. Flip the sandwich, weight it with the pan or steak weight, and cook until golden brown, another 3 to 4 minutes.

4. Remove the sandwich to a cutting board and cut it in half or quarters. Serve immediately with a drizzle of chestnut honey, if desired, on the plate.

Yoga Poses for Your Workday

Centering Mountain Pose
On the bus, subway, at a red light if you are driving, even if you are going from your kitchen to your home office, take a moment to find your center.

Do This Pose:
Sit or stand tall. Feel lift through the center of your body, from the base of your hips through the crown of your head. Close your eyes and let go of the sights and sounds around you. Deepen your breath and watch the flow of your inhale and exhale. Feel the quiet centering and balance that comes into your mind as your inhales and exhales become resonant and even. Once you learn centering breath, you can use it any time during the day. You can stay calm, no matter what challenges lie ahead!

The OC Marlin Club Board of Directors would like to thank all of our Corporate Sponsors for all the support they have given the Club over the past year.

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