



## **Welcome to Galloway Yacht Club**

Enclosed is your New Member packet, including a Membership Roster, the Galloway Yacht Club Constitution and By-laws, and our latest Cruise and Events Schedule. True to the spirit of our founding members, we hope you will join us for a year of fun and fellowship. We all look forward to your participation.

Below are the minimum expectations of all Galloway members. In addition to these expectations, we encourage all members to participate in the many activities of our club and other clubs as well. Fellowship, safe and environmentally friendly boating, and the promotion of courtesy afloat and ashore will honor the “Objective and Purpose” of Galloway Yacht Club and assure lots of fun for all.

## **GALLOWAY YACHT CLUB MEMBER EXPECTATIONS**

### ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL COMMODORE’S BALL

Galloway’s Annual Commodore’s Ball is held on the last Saturday of January. Its purpose is to honor the recently elected Commodore and his/her Bridge. Your attendance at the Ball is required as part of your membership commitment. (If unable to attend, you are obligated for the cost of your ticket) It will also provide you the opportunity to meet officers and members of other yacht clubs. The dress is “black tie preferred”, evening wear for ladies. Officers shall wear full winter uniform. The evening of celebration will include a reception / cocktail hour, Program of Introductions and Dignitary Remarks, dinner and dancing.

### ATTENDANCE & PARTICIPATION IN OPENING DAY

Opening Day Ceremonies are held on the first Saturday in May. This event serves as the official start of Galloway Yacht Club’s boating season. Once again, your attendance is required and your participation is expected. The dress is “summer casual”. Members are encouraged to wear Galloway attire and/or green. Officers will wear the Uniform of the Day. The day’s events include the Program of Introductions of visiting clubs’ Officers and Princesses, Opening Ceremony, lunch, and fellowship with other members and guests. This event, along with its Program Book is our largest fundraiser. The Program Book contains ads sold to area businesses and interested individuals. All members are expected to sell ads.

### ATTENDANCE AT MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month, 7:30 PM in the second floor meeting room of Middle River Yacht Club, 200 Nanticoke Road. As an active member of Galloway Yacht Club, your attendance is expected. That is your opportunity to stay informed of upcoming events and cruises throughout the year for area clubs. Attendance of at least four monthly meetings per year is required to retain status as a member in good standing.

### ATTENDANCE AT CHANGE OF WATCH

Galloway Yacht Club’s annual Change of Watch Ceremony is held during the monthly meeting in October. At this ceremony, the newly elected Flag Officers will be sworn in and become the Bridge for the upcoming year. While not required, each member is strongly encouraged to attend this ceremony.