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## The ABCR April 2020 eBlast

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**Coronavirus impacts!** I realize we're all overwhelmed with the cornucopia of notes, emails, reminders, and cautions we've received from our doctors, banks, utility companies, brokers, etc. There is really nothing new that I want to add, other than to say we all know in the end **WE ARE GOING TO BEAT THIS DAMN THING!** I would like to single out Steve Permison and Gil Rose for their foresight in recommending we postpone the Change of Watch, well ahead of the curve of cancellations that followed. Two specific recent impacts to our club:

- First, we have changed our planned April 15<sup>th</sup> Dine and Learn to a Virtual Happy Hour. Once again demonstrating our club's ability to evolve with the times. See details below.
- If you want to check the impact of the virus on a specific marina in the local area, Alan Karpas has found a great website containing the most up-to-date information:

<https://www.waterwayguide.com/covid-19-reports>

**The New Bridge.** With zero fanfare, your new bridge has taken over. Amazingly it looks remarkably similar to last year's, with just a couple of exceptions: Grant Woodside is now our Squadron Education Officer (replacing Brian Reed and Alan Karpas), Red Fehrlé and Suzan Humphrey are our new Members At Large (replacing Patricia Peter), and Craig Floyd is now on the Rules Committee (replacing Harleigh Ewell). Congratulations to the new ExCom members, and thank you for your support to those who are taking a short sabbatical.

**Virtual Seminars.** Based on the results from the survey taken last January, we intend to "virtually" host two seminars over the next few weeks. The first is "How to Become a Captain" and the other "How to Charter a Boat". Please let Brian Reed know if you are interested in taking either or both of these seminars, and if there is enough interest we'll get them set up for late April or early May.

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**Its 5 O'clock Somewhere Virtual Happy Hour!** Grab your beverage of choice and your laptop, tablet, or smartphone--pull up a comfy chair and join ABC Rockville for its first Virtual Happy Hour. We will maintain social distance while getting together with fellow boaters and sailors for an evening of fun and festivities. This may sound hokey, but several of us have given it a try in other groupings and it really can be quite entertaining---and you don't have to worry about the drive home. Please invite your friends (just forward the link to them).

Wednesday, April 15, 2020. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. EDT

Join us online (video and audio) at: <https://zoom.us/j/417651216> Meeting ID: 417 651 216

Dial-in (audio only) at: 301 715 8592 Meeting ID: 417 651 216

**Other Upcoming Events (please see our Club's website for details):** <https://www.abcrockville.org/>

- May 13. Dine and learn. Currently planned for Vasili's Kitchen, keep your fingers crossed!!
- May 20. Blue Angels.
- June 20/21. Annual Father's Day raft up.

**This month's Trivia Question:** In what year and where was Power Boating an Olympic sport? Sorry Tokyo!!

**Safe Boating!!**

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