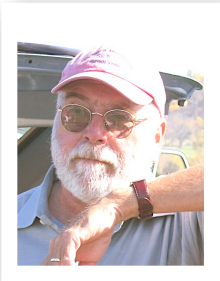




QUARTER DECK



To paraphrase an old expression about the hurricane season: September, remember, October, all over. The fall season is well underway, and we've had a September to remember with a great Stingray regatta (with wind), the Laser Masters regatta (with wind), and Wolf Trap (with WIND). All right, so One Design

Fall Series 2 (with NO wind) was memorable for the wrong reasons, it was still a beautiful fall day.

In October we will end the 2007 racing and cruising year with a bang. Indian Summer Regatta this year is adding a Low Country Boil to the calendar to fortify the racers after a bracing fall sail. October 20 and 21 is the annual Wilton Creek Cruise, featuring a cruising class dinner Saturday night October 20 (open to all and not to be missed – these folks flat know how to do a dinner, and they can sing, too). One Design Fall Series will end on Sunday, October 21, wrapping up with a dinner and presentation of One Design Fall Series Awards. Closing Day, featuring the annual pursuit race on October 27, will celebrate the closing of the club racing year with an Oyster Roast/Oktoberfest and presentation of the Long Distance Series and Offshore Fall Series trophies. What a finish.

On November 9, we gather to celebrate the whole incredible year. To get ready for that, we need to know from you who has been out there setting the standards in 2007. Is there a Piankatank-worthy moment we don't know about? A competition trophy yet to be wrapped up by one of our busy traveling contingent? Has the Club's most valuable crew done their best work yet? Is an unsung Race Committee star still laboring in obscurity? Who has made the cruising year most memorable? It's too soon to hang up the gloves. We've got sailing to do and milestones yet to be set. Nominate, explicate, communicate.

October is also high season for planning and budgeting for next year. In 2007, your Board has put in another stellar year of cost-conscious pursuit of excellence without sacrificing our commitments to responsible facilities management, early debt retirement, and holding the line on dues and fees. But this has only been possible because of a combination

of careful planning (under Mason Chapman's watchful eye), and disciplined, imaginative implementation by the Board, and the Committee and Event Chairs. We remain committed to honoring these priorities in the upcoming planning sessions. Please share any ideas you have about needs and priorities for the upcoming year with the Flag and Finance Chair, so we will have the benefit of your input in the upcoming planning season.

Most of us have a recollection of the membership process when we joined, but a less confident grasp of the current categories, process and opportunities. One of the needs we identified last year when we were looking at the survey results and the membership structure, was a readily accessible source of information about membership basics (in addition to calling Mary), so that every member would be in a position to answer basic questions about joining FBYC, when a prospective member asked questions. Steve Gillispie and Strother Scott have collaborated to meet this need by developing a "Membership FAQ" page on the Web site. Now, any time you need information about the basics, or anyone asks, you can either go yourself, or direct them to go, to the FBYC web site. Members who are logged in to the website are able to get additional information we do not make available to non-members. This resource is easy to find – there are links to "Membership" both at the top of the "Our Club" page, and in the text discussion of membership at the bottom of that page. Check it out.

Becoming a grandparent for the first time recently did not make me feel nearly as old as realizing, when I looked around at the Laser Masters regatta, that most of the competitors were a good bit younger than I am. I felt better when I also noticed that those who weren't younger than I am were out there giving the "youngsters" all they could handle, and passing on tips in the rigging area later. On any given race day, the age of the participants in our sailing events runs from 18 to 75+, and age is no indicia of who will take home the silver. There is no other sport I can think of, where youngsters, geezers, amateurs and pros can all participate as equals, or where there is greater opportunity for them to learn from each other. It's what makes sailing such a great sport and a great pastime, and what makes FBYC such a great place to pursue it.

Spread the word.

FBYC BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

September 13, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Secretary Steve Gillispie (awaiting arrival of Commodore Allan Heyward).

REAR COMMODORE – R. NOEL CLINARD.

TREASURER – Based on current figures, Chip Hall advised that the club should finish the fiscal year in good financial shape.

HOUSE – Wes Jones reported that after using the chairs the Board approved purchase of at the August Board meeting, 10 additional armchairs and 116 additional regular chairs were ordered, giving us a total of 130 new chairs. Members interested in purchasing the plastic chairs may contact Dixon Cole.

SOCIAL – Mike Calkins advised that the Awards Party, to be held following the Annual Meeting, will take place at the Jefferson Hotel on November 9.

GROUNDS – Mayo Tabb reported that Dixon will work on the ramp's breakwater problem and also replace the poles in

front of Fannie's House with a low fence as soon as his schedule allows.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – Lud Kimbrough reported that the 2-day John Smith Shallop Rendezvous was a huge success with between 2,000 and 2,500 people in attendance. The event was organized by Bob Kates. Bob and the Deltaville Maritime Museum are discussing the possibility of presenting an outdoor drama next year. Chip Hall advised that he received many positive responses when eight members of the Community Advisory Board recently met and reviewed this past summer's events. Lud Kimbrough reported on our community outreach plans at the CAB meeting.

WEBMASTER – Strother Scott is pleased with the level of activity of event chairs en-

tering the names of event volunteers and appreciates the Flag and Board support.

FINANCE – Mason Chapman, Finance Committee Chair, will hold the first Finance Committee meeting by the end of September.

VICE COMMODORE – RICHARD A. BAUER, JR.

OFFSHORE DIVISION – David Hinckle reported that the Stingray Point Regatta, with 38 boats participating, was very successful. This is the first year that the Offshore Division Commander has served as the Event Chair for the regatta.

ONE DESIGN DIVISION – Tom O'Connell advised that Jon Deutsch did an outstanding job of organizing the Laser Master's Regatta held at the club September 8-9. The 33 boats were able to get in nine races and club member James Jacob was the overall winner for the 6th time. Ric Bauer reported on the 68th Annual One Design Regatta, which had a better turnout than expected based on pre-registrations. The Mobjack National Championship was held in conjunction with the AOD.

CRUISING DIVISION – George Burke reported that the Cruising Division has three more cruises scheduled for the season - a 14-day Philadelphia Cruise from September 16-30, the Captain's Choice Cruise on October 13-14, and the Wilton Creek Cruise and Party on October 20-21. A host for the Captain's Choice Cruise is needed.

JUNIOR DIVISION – Eric Powers reported that the juniors have had a very successful season and he appreciates the many volunteers and coaches who made it possible. The traveling juniors have attended 18 events and plan to attend the ACC's in Norfolk the end of September. FBYC juniors have had impressive finishes in many of the events they have attended. The coaches have returned to Argentina and we are working to have them return for the 2008 season.

FLEET LT. – Mike Dale has been contacted by a club member who is interested in donating a 27 year old powerboat to the club. Following discussion about boat needs, the Board agreed that while the club appreciates the offer of the boat, we really do not need to undertake any more boats at this time. Lud Kimbrough recommended that the member be encouraged to donate the boat to the Deltaville Maritime Museum instead.

TROPHIES – Brooks Zerkel ran a notice in the September Log requesting nominations for perpetual trophies. The cut-off date for accepting nominations is October 10 and the Trophy Committee will meet after the October Board meeting to determine the recipients of this year's perpetual trophies.

CBYRA DELEGATE – Tom Roberts thanked the club for allowing the Mobjack Class to hold their National Championship at the club in conjunction with the Annual One De-

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TREASURER CHARLES E. HALL	
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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

FINAL APPROVAL:

- **Mr. & Mrs. D. Ross Hamilton, Jr.**, 1000 Sunset Drive, Greensboro, NC, 27408. Ross grew up sailing and racing at FBYC and his parents are still club members. He was awarded the Roberts Bowl in 1980, the L. Wood Bedell Trophy in 1982, and the Reid Dunn Trophy in 1986. Ross and Katherine have 10-year old twin sons, Will and Ross III. They spend time at the family's Deltaville vacation home and the boys have participated in OptiKids and the Junior Week program. Ross and Katherine own a 23 ft. powerboat. Sponsors: Jeanne Hamilton; Norwood H. Davis, III.
- **Mr. & Mrs. William H. Schwarzschild, III**, 17 Amphill Road, Richmond, VA, 23226. Tracy Schwarzschild began his membership at FBYC while a junior under his family's membership. His father was Commodore of FBYC in 1967 and his mother was a Life Member until her death in 2006. In January 1968, Tracy moved up into his own membership. His family resigned from the club in July 2004 after selling Rostrak, a Galaxy 32 that had been in his family for many years. Tracy and Melissa have decided they would like to re-join because their three children, Elizabeth (age 12), Tate (age 10) and Catherine (age 5), are now showing an interest in sailing. They do not own a boat at this time but are interested in buying a Flying Scot or Mobjack.
- **Mr. & Mrs. Charles C. Wardwell**, 3116 Edgewood Avenue, Richmond, VA, 23222. Charlie was a junior member under his family's membership, during which time his father served as Commodore of FBYC. After learning to sail while participating in the junior program, he later taught others to sail. He raced Lasers and crewed on Killshot, his father's boat. He also had several years of international competition in the Lightning fleet. Charlie was awarded the L. Wood Bedell Trophy in 1993, the Allen B. Fine Trophy in 1994, the Competition Trophy in 1994 (as part of a traveling juniors group) and 1995, the Junior Competition Trophy in 1996 and 1997 (with Chris Hamilton and Addison Thompson). During the past year, Charlie has crewed on Matt Braun's Front Runner in a number of events. Charlie and Aubrey have enjoyed visiting the club and have decided it is time to apply for membership. They own a Laser. Sponsors: Matthew J. Braun; David Hazlehurst; Thomas J. Roberts.

APPLIED FOR MEMBERSHIP: The Membership Committee recommended that these applicants be placed into circulation:

- **Mr. William T. Ritter, Jr.**, 9036 Rutland Road, Mechanicsville, VA, 23116. Will's junior and intermediate sailing experience was at Rappahannock River Yacht Club on his uncle's Yankee 38, which he now owns. Will has been participating in FBYC events for about six years and has recently been crewing on Allan Heyward's La Maga. He has enjoyed the atmosphere, people, social events and sailing regattas sponsored by FBYC and wishes to become an active member. Sponsors: Allan M. Heyward, Jr.; Dabney Overton, III.
- **Mr. & Mrs. William C. Widhelm**, 5 Westwick Road, Richmond, VA, 23238. Bill's family has had a home in Deltaville his entire life and he grew up sailing on the Rappahannock. Bill and Mary Kay have two children, Parker (10) and Burke (7), who are interested in learning to sail. The family owns an 18 ft. Prindle Catamaran and is interested in obtaining a one-design boat. Sponsors: Jonathan T. Moody, Gregory and Charmaine Mueller.

sign Regatta. He reported that John McCarthy has resigned as Secretary of CBYRA from the Southern Region. A CBYRA Awards Dinner will be held at the club during the winter but a date has not been set.

PARTICIPATION – David Hazlehurst, representing Strother Scott, asked that event chairs continue to enter volunteer data to the web site and that they re-read the memo he issued to the Board on February 6, 2007 pertaining to the Member Service Goal for 2007. The only way we have any chance of meeting our participation objectives for 2007 is if committee members both understand and are committed to these objectives. While some are committed, it seems that some either do not understand the objectives or are not committed to them.

OLD BUSINESS – Allan Heyward appointed a committee during the winter of 2006 to consider revising the current

Unattached Junior Membership category and to recommend changes to the Board. Jere Dennison was named Chairman of the committee with Steve Gillispie, Elizabeth Staas, Jon Deutsch and Nica Waters as committee members. Their assignment required definition and qualifications for this membership category and also applicable dues and future initiation fee considerations when unattached juniors become eligible for adult membership at age 22. Jere presented the recommendations in detail to the Board. Allan Heyward asked Board members to review the recommendations and send comments and suggestions to Jere and the committee so that a final version can be presented to the Board in October for a final vote.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



2007 Annual Meeting and Awards

The Jefferson Hotel

Friday, November 9th

101 West Franklin Street

5:30 – 6:00 Annual Meeting
6:00 – 7:00 Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres
7:00 – 9:30 Dinner and Awards
9:30- 12:00 Music and Dancing

Music provided by “*BS&M Unplugged*”

Adults \$50 (Includes 2 drink tickets)

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Reservation deadline Wednesday, October 24th due to limited seating.

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Mail checks (payable to FBYC) and reservations to Stephanie Becker, 3200 Kenmore Road, Richmond, VA 23225. Please include the number of Adult, Junior, and Social tickets requested, and your entrée selection.

___ Adults (\$50)

___ Beef Tenderloin

___ Crab Cakes

___ Junior (\$20)

Your input for PHRF Rules Meeting

Every fall there is a meeting of the PHRF Delegates where the PHRF rules can be amended. Each certificate is entitled to one vote with a majority required for changes. With 45 boats FBYC is number 4 or 5 in total size of the clubs which represent over 1600 boats. A key area of discussion is expected to be should the PHRF "Equipment and Accommodation Rules" be updated from the obsolete ORC based standards to the newer ISF standards dominated by European interest. The reasons for changes are two fold. First, the original ORC standards were more biased towards cruisers that were raced and they don't apply very well to modern boats designed as race boats. How often has anybody used a "lead line" as to measure depth or a "fitted bucket" as a toilet? Second, there is a growing conflict between the PHRF standards and One Design class regulations that do not lend themselves to uniform application across a number of boat designs. This is especially true of interior construction details, the critical safety issue of Lifelines and class weight restrictions. This entire subject is very political in nature and I suspect that changes will be slow over time.

The second issue is PHRF High Point splits. The CBYRA High Point competition is hotly contested in northern Bay in Regions I, II and III. We are in Region IV which is divided into Region IV South which is Hampton and Region IV North which is FBYC and the Rappahannock River boats. We have traditionally had two classes – PHRF Spin Overall and PHRF Non-Spin. Last year we tried three separate classes with A up to 113, B up to 166 and C 167 and above. In general we did not have enough boats for a C start and thus had a combined B/C start. With MORC no longer active a separate C class would provide a separate start for MORC stalwarts such as J-24, S-2 etc. without having to compete with 114 rated boats. When racing with time on distance scoring, windward/leeward courses and in conditions of changing current the faster boats have an advantage over slower boats. With the present B/C fleet ranging from 114 to over 200 it is very difficult for the over 200 boats to compete effectively with the 114 rated boats. If we change to three splits we would narrow the spread in each class and hopefully have more competitive racing.

If we have enough boats PHRF would provide a First, Second and third place trophy. Since FBYC has by far the largest fleet we tend to carry the vote for Region IV North. If we elect to have three separate fleets we probably would one have enough boats in any one class to qualify for a Trophy – we would be substituting three first place trophy's for the first, second and third place. For next year I would propose that we retain the current A/B split at 113 and the B/C split at 166 that we used this year plus a one headsail non-spinnaker class.

Please e-mail or call me at 804 690 3540 and give me your input as the vote is coming up in November 10.

Mayo Tabb
PHRF Delegate FBYC

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Fishing Bay Juniors Finish off Another Fine Season

It seems we just started spring practice but another season of Junior Sailing has come and gone. In a few weeks our junior racing team will sail in their last traveling events of the season and then most will stow their boats in the garage and turn their attention to soccer, tennis, hockey, lacrosse and other fall sports. This

year we saw our program expand with greater numbers of participants at all levels as well as new offerings including a new housing program in cooperation with Christchurch School. At last count, the FBYC traveling race teams collectively participated in no less than 18 competitive events including the largest one-design sail-

ing regatta in North American history, held in early August at the USODA New England Championship Regatta in Newport, Rhode Island. Both our Laser Radial and Optimist juniors attended many other competitive events and their results proved our sailors can compete successfully against very keen competition.

All of this required a high level of cooperation and coordination between junior sailors, parents and coaches. After all, it's this entire team working together that makes it all happen. Parents chipped in with vehicles, boats, housing and countless other contributions that rounded out the infrastructure required to mobilize sailors safely to and

from events. Their coordinated efforts insured our sailors had functioning boats, sunscreen, lots of water, lunches out on the water and a great time together. They watched over each other's children, drove countless miles and stole time away from other pursuits to make it all happen. All four coaches, including Daniel Gillispie, Annie MacKinnon, Diego Ravecca and Luis Canuto also deserve our appreciation for their hard work and dedication to providing our children with the best sailing instruction to be

found anywhere. There were also numerous other club members and staff who volunteered their time and support to help us staff regattas and keep the wheels on (literally) so our children could have a memorable summer. Many thanks to all of you.

We're already planning for next season and hope to build on this

year's success. It is our hope that others will join us to expand participation even further and to make FBYC the best place around for junior sailors to start their lifelong sailing careers. We have lots to do so I hope more of you will contact me to offer your volunteer support, but most importantly I hope you'll bring your children to sail with us next summer.

Eric Powers

FBYC 2007 Junior Division Commander



Juniors take one for the road at SSA at end of summer regatta

FBYC Juniors slipped in one last travel event before the end of the summer attending Severn Sailing Association's End of Summer Optimist Regatta in late



August. Thirty-three Optimist sailors attended the two-day regatta held on Saturday and Sunday, August 22nd/23rd. On Saturday, the east to south-east breeze filled in nicely and the sailors slogged it out through five races in choppy seas near the mouth of the Severn River. On Sunday, the wind dropped to almost nil but eventually filled in very light and shifty from the northwest enough to sneak in three more races before the breeze went again dead. In spite of the difficult conditions, FBYC sailors captured six of the ten top overall positions starting with Alex Jacob (2nd), Austin Powers (3rd), Madeleine Alderman (4th), Kendall Swenson (6th), Conrad Roos (7th), Graeme Alderman (9th), Erin Jacob (12th) and Eric Roos (22nd). In addition, FBYC sailors grabbed one or more of the top three positions in each of the Red, Blue and White Fleets. One of the race's finest highlights and a "certified mommy/daddy moment" was when Conrad Roos and Kendall Swenson glided across the finish line in 2nd and 3rd place respectively on the fourth race. With the summer racing season now a sweet memory, the team returns home to begin preparing for the USODA Optimist Atlantic Coast Championship, which will be held in Norfolk, VA in early October.

A dream come true

Way back in 1998 Dick Cole and I held two of the most demanding Board positions, Off-shore and

One Design Race Committee Chairs. The stated guidance we received was "find race committee chairs for each scheduled event", and unstated "the best of luck"! What we had going for us was the inspired approach whereby for the first time the club had decided to use One Design racers as Race Committee Chairs for Off-shore and vice versa, with the objective of keeping more boats on the race course. We started our search in November '97 and later agreed to fill only Race Committee Chair slots and ask Chairs to use four experienced, and no more than two newcomers, as crew to increase the participation base across the membership.

Unhappily, by this time, I had filled almost all the crew slots for both One Design and Junior Race Committees, a time consuming task at best. As a result of this folly I worked with Judy Buis, our Commodore for '99, to make the Race Committee Chair task more manageable for my successor. Unhappily our proposals fell on deaf ears, and it is not appropriate at this time to discuss why. Moving forward to 2007 we have a Volunteer program in place, clearly documented in the September 2007 Log, that will allow us to:

- vastly simplify the task of Race Committee Chairs,
- allow all members to specify their volunteer preferences,
- do this early in the season, and
- manage this effort using our web based system rather than employ a clerk for \$25M/year.

Perhaps most important, rather than having a common enemy, the Race Committee Chair, to abuse we will have an inanimate object, a computer. Clearly we have a lot of learning to do as we move to a web based system, and our participation goals have been set accordingly. For example our long range plan requires we meet a goal of 80% of the membership participating in volunteer programs in 2009. We were at 40% in 2006 which included a goodly number of members excused because of age, health and domicile, and our goal for '07 was 60%. Only time will tell whether we make it, but I have my doubts.

The bottom line, we have a wonderful system that will vastly simplify recruiting "volunteers", drop the and help us meet our long term objectives, and make the task of the Race Committee Chairs at least tolerable. Our major needs are insuring all members understand and buy into our system. Equally important, that all Board members both understand, and buy into our objectives. By, David Hazlehurst



FBYC FALL SPRUCE-UP

On Saturday, November 17 at 10:00 a.m., as many as we can muster will stir the dust on Fishing Bay by cleaning up the club grounds for the last time in this year. A dedicated group of volunteers has done a great job after Isabel and for the past fall and spring. The many compliments we get on the Club are due in part to this member effort so we want to keep this new tradition going. We'll have some coffee, lunchtime sandwiches and other beverages to keep us going. Plans are to rake leaves, pull some grass out of walks, and any other tasks we can find that make sense to tackle. We'll need some rakes and grubbing hoes, - so bring one along.

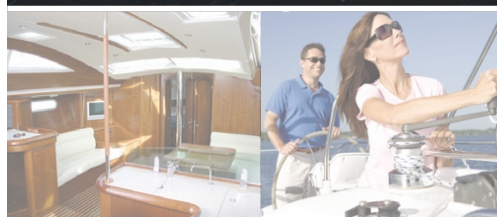
In the event of rain, we'll reschedule and I will let you know via e-mail. I hope you can find some time on the 17th to help out. If you can, please let me know by phone at (804) 285 0404 or cell at (804) 690 3540, or better yet via e-mail to mayot@comcast.

Mayo Tabb, Grounds Committee. .

Some History Miscellany

Jere Dennison

Recently I received a surprising call from Richard Chenery, a non-member but river neighbor with a cottage on Meachim Creek off the Rappahannock River. He said he had an old chart to donate to the club and would like to meet with me the following weekend. This I eagerly agreed to do. Upstairs in the clubhouse, he opened his briefcase and presented me with an absolutely pristine July, 1943 U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey chart of the Chesapeake Bay, Wolf Trap to Smith Point as long as I would pledge to frame and hang it in the clubhouse. Richard had acquired



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the chart, along with some others, from the widow of a retired Coast Guardsman living on the Eastern Shore.

Of course I was curious about this act of benevolence toward the yacht club. Evidently he is a history buff and had read our history postings on the website. Also, he attended one of our Leukemia Cup Regattas a few years ago as a spectator and was impressed with the historical artifacts that we display in our clubhouse. In appreciation, he wanted us to have this chart which depicted the bay area during the time that

the club was founded at Urbanna and later relocated to its present site on Fishing Bay. I suppose this demonstrates what good things can happen when the club reaches out to include members of the community at large through its various events and programs.

There are a few observations about this chart which make this chart special. Neither the Rappahannock River (Norris) Bridge nor Piankatank River Bridge are shown since they both post-date the chart. Instead the old ferry routes are designated at these locations. Ruins of the old Deltaville steamboat wharf stretching across Jackson Creek to the area of the first channel marker are shown. The wharf was destroyed in the Great Hurricane of 1933. Also, a substantially larger Grog Island is indicated at the mouth of Dyer Creek illustrating the relentless effect of erosion upon our shorelines. No doubt there are other changes that will become apparent after a more careful examination by our membership.

Later, as I was leaving my meeting with Richard Chenery, I was intercepted by Manager Dixon Cole who introduced me to a tall stranger who had just strolled over from our Jackson Creek piers. His name was Bill Noonan and a one-time junior member who left the club in 1952 after his father passed away. I immediately realized that his mother was Edna Noonan who taught me art at St. Christopher's School in the early 1960's.

Bill's family had joined the club about the time that we relocated from Urbanna, had built a Penguin, named Pogo, in their backyard, and had been active members until the father's death. Later in life, Bill moved away from the Richmond area and eventually ended up in the San Francisco area. He never lost his love of sailing, and, when he retired in 2001, he and his wife Cynthia purchased an Island Packet 380, named Crème Brule, and began sailing it from California through the Panama Canal and Caribbean and up the east coast in 3-month increments. Although his journey was nearing its end, one of his objectives was to visit FBYC for which he had so many fond youthful memories.

While berthed in Cape Charles earlier this summer, he happened to meet member Ted Bennett who also was cruising on his Island Packet 380, Pharos. Ted assured Bill that he was welcome to visit FBYC and accordingly Crème Brule became a guest at our pier. Next stop for the Noonans was to be Solomon Island from where the boat would be trucked back to San Diego and eventually sailed to a permanent berth in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Meanwhile, the

owners will return to their new home base on Bainbridge Island, Washington.

Before departing, they left behind a South Beach Yacht Club of San Francisco burgee and a DVD of their experiences transiting the Panama Canal. It is indeed gratifying to encounter former members such as Bill Noonan who retain their affections toward FBYC, even after half a century.

On the Sunday of the same weekend when all the above events occurred, Dave Porter, member and avid master Laser sailor, prodded my memory about a discussion we had had a year or so ago. He had told me then that his widowed mother-in-law, Betty Sue Sawyer, was a resident of a nursing home in Wilmington, Delaware and the object of romantic affections from another resident, a widower by the name of Will who claimed to have been a founding member of FBYC. Knowing the names of the founders, I knew he could not have been a founding member and could make no club connection whatever with the person that Dave described.

However, it now turns out that the Will in the nursing home was coincidentally the same Will Ransom who was the topic of two history articles in the Log last year. In those articles, I related to you the surprising circumstance of receiving a tattered FBYC burgee from Dave Ransom of Falls Church, Virginia with a note attached identifying the owner as his Father, who had died in a nursing home at age 91 and had been a loyal long time member of our yacht club. The burgee attached to a varnished pigstick was subsequently hung in the flag gallery on the second floor of the clubhouse. Nonetheless, there remained a mystery: no one at FBYC remembered Will Ransom. Research indicated that he had been an absentee member of some 40 years from 1949-1989. Except for some possible early visits during the construction of our first clubhouse on Fishing Bay, he and his family had moved from Richmond, never to return during those 40 years.

A subsequent story submitted to the Log by his son Dave explained that his family had flown the FBYC burgee on many charter boats around the world and retained their membership to obtain reciprocal privileges at the many yacht clubs they encountered in their extensive travels.

Of course this will sound trite, but it is indeed a small world, especially when the observation is applied to the sailing community.

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**Wilton Creek Cruise
"The Finale"**



Can you believe that we are approaching the end of another cruising season? Fall is upon us and we turn our thoughts to getting in as many cruising days as

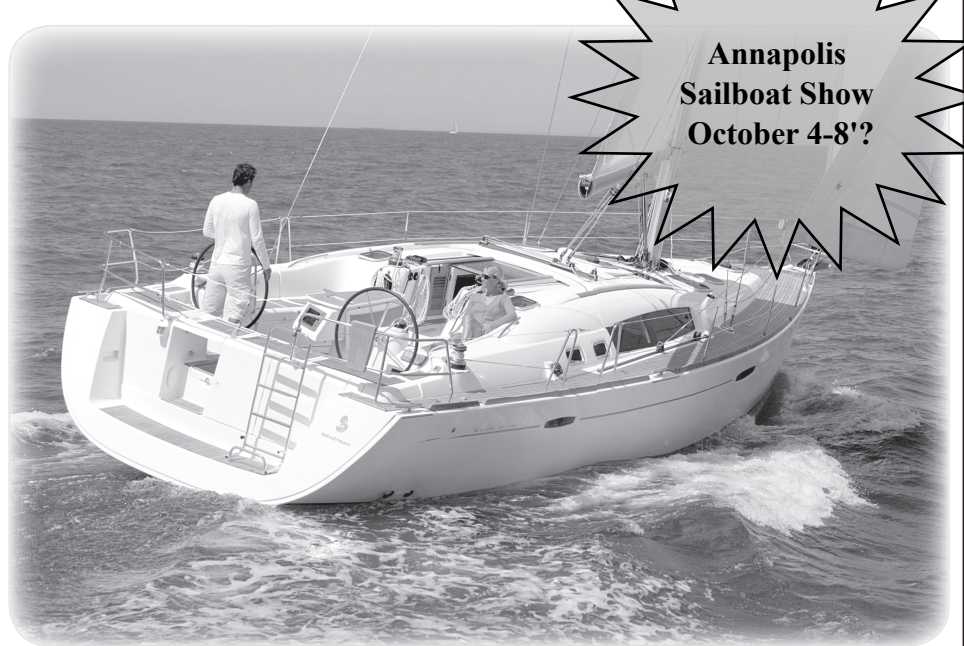
possible. Put Saturday, October 20, on your calendar and join us by boat or car, at the Coves on Wilton Creek Clubhouse for a delicious seafood dinner of shrimp, crab and oysters plus scrumptious she-crab soup, baked potato and 3-bean salad. What is the cost for this wonderful buffet? Just bring an hors d'oeuvre or dessert to share and the beverage of your choice. Cups and ice will be provided. Cocktails will begin at 5:30 followed "in due time", by dinner. Our fearless leader, George Burke, will then share some thoughts and awards as we enjoy desserts. Wilton Creek is unmarked but easy to pilot by staying the center until you reach the unmistakable anchorage between the Mariner's Point dock and the Villas' docks, both on the port side, approximately 1/4 - 1/3 mile inside the creek. Dinghy service will be provided for anyone who would like a short ride into Mariner's Point Dock for easy access to the clubhouse. Volunteers will be there to lead you to the fun. Dinghy "Captains" will monitor channel 68 and will answer to "Fishing Bay Cruising Group." Carolyn and Joe Schott cjschott@verizon.net are the event chairs with assistance from George

and Lyons Burke burkeg@paraccess.com. Unfortunately, space is limited to 46 people, so please register early at the FBYC website www.fbyc.net or by calling 804-776-6004.

Absolute deadline for registration is Wednesday, October 17th.

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FBYC Trophy Committee Seeks Nominations

Brooks Zerkel, Trophy Chair



Please contact Brooks Zerkel, with your nominations for the perpetual trophies listed below. Mail nominations to L. Brooks Zerkel, 4312 Wakefield Road, Richmond, VA 23235 or by E-mail – bzerkel@tncs.org

The Trophy Committee will receive nominations until October 10th for the following perpetual trophies to be awarded at the Annual Awards Party on November 9, 2007.

PIANKATANK TROPHY – recognizes the FBYC skipper who most exemplifies the principle that “all is not lost until the boat sinks.”

MATTHEW FONTAINE MAURY BOWL – recognizes a member of FBYC for an outstanding contribution to sailing at Fishing Bay Yacht Club.

COMPETITION TROPHY – recognizes a member of FBYC who is the skipper of an enrolled offshore or one-design boat and who most successfully represented FBYC in sailboat racing events conducted by other yacht clubs or associations during the past year. Nominations should consider the character (local, regional, national) of events entered and the quality of competition as well as the member’s performance.

ALLEN B. FINE TROPHY – recognizes the outstanding crewperson of an FBYC enrolled yacht. Any skipper who is a club member may nominate anyone who has crewed on a FBYC boat (offshore or one-design) during the regular club season.

THE HUBARD TROPHY – awarded to the outstanding woman sailor of FBYC in recognition of dedication, participation, and performance and sportsmanship while sailing.

SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY – recognizes the Offshore Division skipper who displays the best sportsmanship during the regular season.

ANNUAL RACE COMMITTEE TROPHY – awarded to the club member who has made the greatest contribution to race committee work and race management at FBYC.

October 13-14: CAPTAIN’S CHOICE CRUISE

As Captain John Smith learned when he made his famous circumnavigation in 1609, the Bay offers a

lot of choices for destinations on any given day. One choice is to simply follow the wind, but whether to follow it up or down is a decision best made by the mood of the crew, especially the female crew. Cruisers will meet at 9am for coffee and pastries at Fannie’s house on Saturday 10/13 and make the right decisions. By carefully testing their fingers to the wind, heeding the advanced forecasts, and consulting both their Ouija board and the I Ching, the event chairmen will provide several planned options to start the dialogue. Please register in advance at www.fbyc.net. Event chairmen are Lyons and George Burke. burkeg@paraccess.com. 804-359-1187 H. 516-8600 C.

Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Fishing Bay Yacht Club will be held on Friday, November 9, 2007, at the Jefferson Hotel, Richmond, VA, in conjunction with the Annual Awards Party. Even if you plan to attend the meeting, all boat owners who have a boat enrolled in the Club’s Yacht Register (only one partner for jointly-owned boats) should complete and mail or fax the Proxy to:

Fishing Bay Yacht Club
P.O. Box 29186 Fax (804) 741-2728
Richmond, VA 23242 One Proxy per Family

PROXY – 2007 FBYC ANNUAL MEETING

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints R. Noel Clinard or William C. Spencer to serve as my proxy agent, with full power of substitution, to vote on my behalf with respect to all matters submitted to a vote of the members at the Annual Meeting of the Fishing Bay Yacht Club called for Friday, November 9, 2007, at the Jefferson Hotel, Richmond, VA, and at any adjournments thereof, and to exercise such rights as the undersigned would possess if present at such meeting.

NAME OF YACHT: _____
DATE: _____
OWNER: _____

2007 Distance Series Race Results

PLACE	PHRF A	J105	PHRFB/C	NON-SPIN
1st	Blade Runner	Blade Runner	Nereid	Revielle
2nd	Wavelength	Correyvreckan	Shenanigan	Desperado
3rd	Battlewagon	Loose Cannon	Schiehallion	Dandelion

Upcoming Events for October & November 2007

DATE	DIVISION	EVENT
Sat, Oct 06	One-Design	Indian Summer Regatta
Sun, Oct 07 - 08	Juniors	USODA Atlantic Coast Champs at Norfolk Y and CC
Sat, Oct 13	One-Design	Deltaville Regatta (Fall Series 3)
Sat, Oct 13 - Sun, Oct 14	Cruising	Captains Choice Cruise
Sun, Oct 14	Offshore	Fall Series 3
Sat, Oct 20	Offshore	Fall Series 4
Sat, Oct 20 - Sun, Oct 21	Cruising	Wilton Creek Cruise and Party
Sun, Oct 21	One-Design	Chilly Chili Bowl (Fall Series 4)
Sun, Nov 04	Offshore	Autumn Races 1
Fri. Nov 09		Annual Meeting & Awards Party

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For Rent: Chesapeake Watch Townhouse. Two/three BR, 2 Bath, Kitchen. Decks off Kitchen and MBR. Three miles from club. \$1000/WEEK, No pets. Tom Ministri. tministri@cox.net.

For Sale: J24 US3208. Race ready. New running rigging. Two suits of sails. Includes new 2006 Triad trailer with torflex suspension, free backing brakes, and other premium upgrades. \$9900.00. Contact Brad Squires 757-229-6939, bsquires@squiresgourmet.com.

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For Charter: Lion's Whelp, Classic 83' Elridge McInnis motor yacht. Staterooms for 6 people. Captain, mate, and chef provided. July/Aug. in New Eng., Sept./Oct. in the Chesapeake, Apr./May in the Bahamas.

See www.lionswhelp.com for details. FBYC members get a 25% discount. Contact Jeff Thomas (804-288-2858).

For Rent: Waterfront townhouse condo w/3 BR in Jackson Creek Harbor, fully equipped, sleeps 8, \$800 per month plus utilities and \$75 cleaning fee, September to May. Contact: 804 788 8594 or nclinard@hunton.com

For Sale (2 boats): 18ft. Hobie Cat. Trailer included. \$2,650.00. **For Sale:** Byte Sailboat. Great shape! \$1,750.00. Call Arthur Wilton 776-7211 cell 804-815-9233.

For Sale: J24. Completely race ready. Full keel job including hard epoxy bottom, template keel and rudder job and top deck restored in 2002, dyform wire shrouds with calibrated turnbuckles with quick adjust wrench, Max J headstay, thru bar spreader, minimum length mast, Carl's custom tiller, 8:1 outhaul system, 8:1 cascade vang, new running rigging, stereo, new battery, sail comp with remote

countdown timer, new genoa, all other sail in average condition. Asking \$12,999 Contact Jason Angus at jangus@catalyst121.com or 804-363-2102.

For Sale: "Queen Mary," 36 ft. Alden Trawler, traditional all wood cabin, teak decks, berths and baths fore and aft, wonderful, comfortable, handsome yacht for cruising down the river in style. See at Urbanna Harbor, slip 34, or call Chip and Mary Buxton @ (804) 758-3287.

For Sale: Mobjack 334 with blue hull and white interior is in fair condition, rigged, and ready to go. Trailer is in fair condition. Sails original with boat. Extras are included. \$1,000. Contact Chris Tompkins. Home: (804) 288-1717.

For Sale: Good condition dual axle J-24 trailer for \$1500. Travels well and includes spare tire. Call Skip Hope 252-377-7012 or 252-482-1133 (night) or whopec@easternrad.com.

For Sale: 3.5 HP 2 stroke Nissan outboard for \$500. Recently serviced, low hours, good condition. Contact Skip Hope 252-377-7012 or 252-482-1133 (night) or whopec@easternrad.com.

For Sale: \$10k worth of J24 sails for only \$5k, plus receive a free boat! Sails and boat are in great condition. Contact Keith at 804-514-4397 or keith@deltavilleboatyard.com

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For Sale: Delta Anchor 45 lbs, excellent condition, 4 years old. \$175. Tony Sakowski doctorlasik@aol.com
Home: 804 387 3875 Cell: 804 285 3347 home

For Sale: 1996 Freedom 24 Bill Tripp design racer (est. phrf 170)/thin water cruiser (1'9"-6'). Ramp launch, Triad trailer, electric retractable keel, kick-up rudder. Carbon fiber mast and bowsprit, UK large roach main and self-tacking jib, roller furling, asymmetric spinnaker. 2005 Honda 9.9, electric start/trim. Deltaville, VA. Major refurbish '05. Bargain at \$37K. Contact Yachtworld for details or Norman Camp, 804-285-0931.

For Sale: New Quantum radial-cut Flying Scot spinnaker. Never Used. Red with Blue horizontal stripe. \$500. Jon Deutsch 804-305-1244 jon@jdeutsch.com

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Thank you!

Dear FBYC Friends,

I want to thank you for your very thoughtful gift to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation in honor of Allen. For someone who loved sailing as much as he, and someone who spent many hours sailing our beautiful Bay, it was a most appropriate remembrance. Allen and I treasured our time at the yacht club among so many friends who, like us, loved the sea. There'll always be a special place in my heart for all of you.

Gratefully,

Alta Bower

September 18th, 1007



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