



FROM THE QUARTERDECK

AUGUST 2024



COMMODORE'S ADDRESS

As my foul weather gear dries from the downpours during Saturday's Annual One Design, I find myself reflecting on the extraordinary efforts of the volunteers who made this event possible. Despite facing formidable weather conditions and logistical hurdles, the dedication and passion of these individuals

transformed what might have been a miserable Saturday into a standout event.

When the call went out for help in late May for leaders for AOD, Mark Wensell answered without hesitation, assuming the role of overall event leadership. From early June onward, he tirelessly orchestrated the coordination of the Sailing, Social, and Yard Management teams, setting the stage for a seamless experience for members and guests alike.

Mike Chesser immediately offered his support by coordinating all things on the water side. Supported by Race Committee volunteers led by PROs Rick Klein, Jim Raper, and Rachid Dalibalta, these Race Committees ensured that every race ran smoothly, adapting swiftly to the unpredictable winds and ensuring the best possible racing given the conditions.

Elizabeth Staas and Joanna Wensell orchestrated a memorable weekend, ensuring that sailors were well-fed and entertained despite the rain. From gourmet lunches courtesy of Cafe by the Bay to a lively dinner and performance by Second Wind (Cathy Clark's favorite), their meticulous planning created a warm, bright, welcoming atmosphere that persisted through the relentless downpours.

David Hinckle's leadership in Yard Management was equally pivotal. David, Brian Ankrom, Ben Boone, and

Allen Mason ensured boat launching and retrieval operations ran with precision. David's dedication was evident as he returned early Sunday, having left to attend a late evening family celebration in Richmond, ensuring that all boats were safely launched again on Sunday.

The resilience and quick thinking of our Junior coaches—Rachid Dalibalta, Tom Pellejero, Josh Bendura, and Guthrie Braun—were instrumental in ensuring the safety of our sailors. Rachid asked the coaches to stay on station as safety boats after Opti racing concluded. They were needed when sudden wind gusts caused multiple capsizes; their swift action alongside Mason Chapman and Brad Miller, with quick shoreside responses by Elizabeth Staas, Allen Mason, and Brian Ankrom enabled multiple racers to right their boats and return to shore safely.

All 89 boats and 150 sailors navigated through over six inches of rain on Saturday, only to be greeted by a windless Sunday. Yet, the perseverance and professionalism of our volunteers shone through, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended. The numerous smiles and heartfelt compliments received serve as a testament to the dedication and excellence that define our Club.

The success of the Annual One Design Regatta was not merely a testament to our Club's sailing heritage but also a celebration of the spirit of volunteerism and community, as Mason Chapman frequently states, "the secret sauce of FBYC is our volunteers". It is through the selfless efforts of individuals like Mark Wensell, Mike Chesser, Elizabeth Staas, Joanna Wensell, David Hinckle, and our Junior Program coaches that such events thrive, reminding us all of the power of teamwork and shared passion for our sport. Do not miss out on the fun volunteer opportunities for upcoming events. It is a blast!

~ **Doug Bendura, Commodore**

SOCIAL



INVITING FRIENDS TO JOIN FBYC JUST GOT EASIER

Our membership application is easier than ever to submit. Our Google Form is online and ready to receive new members. Just send the QR code or link to your friends to apply. It's a great time of year to invite other sailors to get involved with our Club!

For more information about how to join our Club and our application process, please visit: https://www.fbyc.net/club/membership/



Start Your FBYC Membership Application Process today!



BOARD MINUTES & COMMITTEE REPORTS

We invite you to view the Board Minutes and Committee Reports at the following website as an appendix to this Log:

https://www.fbyc.net/members-only/board-minutes/



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PHOTO SUBMISSIONS

Do you have a photo that you would like to share? We'd love to have your submissions to use in the Log newsletters or other media.

You can send individual photos (if you have a few) or a link to your album.

Please submit your photos to logstreamer@fbyc.net



Please sign up to help with one of our upcoming regattas or events. Our Club depends on its members to flourish and grow. Volunteering is also a great way to meet other members. Please visit this webpage to get a list of volunteering opportunities: https://www.fbyc.net/members-only/volunteering-fbyc/

PLEASE HELP KEEP THE REFRIGERATOR IN FANNIE'S HOUSE CLEAN

Here are the guidelines for food/drink storage:

- NO alcohol may be stored in the refrigerator
• All food and condiments must have a name AND date of expected use
• Food must not be dated past the Tuesday directly following the weekly Wednesday clean out day
• ALL food and condiments will be discarded on Wednesday by noon if:
- There is no name
- There is no use by date
- Use by date is expired
- Use by date exceeds seven day limit

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AUGUST 2024 FBYC CALENDAR

Saturday August 3
Jere Dennison Legacy Regatta

Friday Aug 9 – 11
Captain's Choice Cruise

Saturday August 10
One-Design Summer Seabreeze 1 and ILCA Summer 1

Saturday August 17
Adult Sail Training; Offshore – Distance 3 Moonlight Sail

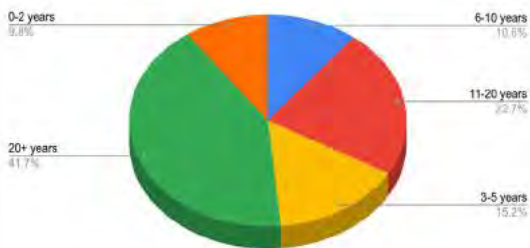
Sunday August 18
One-Design Summer Seabreeze 2 and ILCA Summer 2

Friday Aug 23 – 25
Cruising Wee Dram

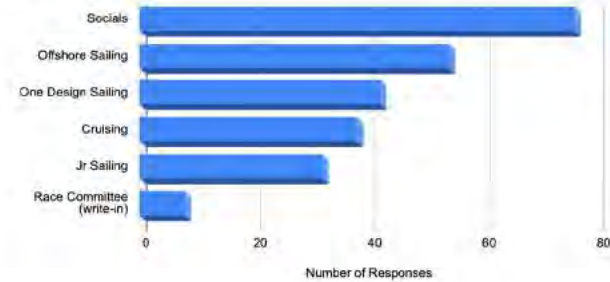
Friday Aug 30 – Sept 1
Offshore Stingray Point Regatta



How many years have you been a member?



How do you spend most of your time at the Club? (Check all that apply.)

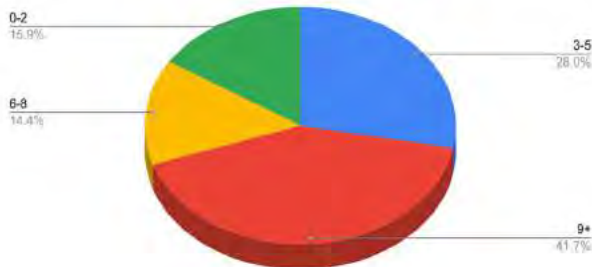


ARTS ON FISHING BAY

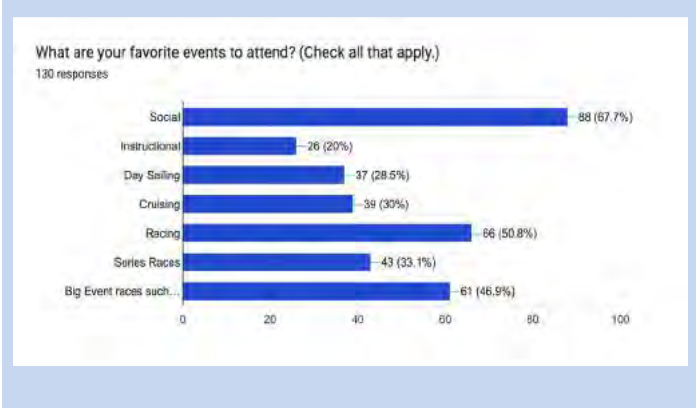
The second edition of this season's Arts on Fishing Bay exhibit is coming on August 1. Our featured artist is FBYC member Izumi Miller, whose collection of colored and pastel pencil drawings represents another new medium in this season's branching into textile, drawing, and collage art. Izumi's drawings combine maritime scenes with the people and pets that bring life to her subject.

Izumi's art can be viewed on the second floor of the main clubhouse from August through October.

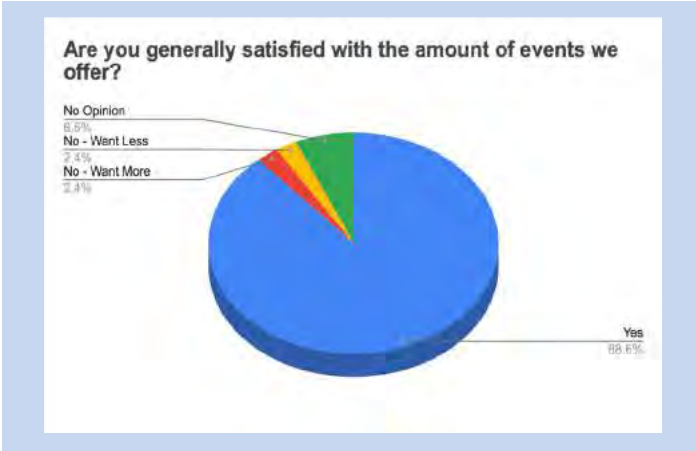
How many events do you usually attend per year?



MEMBERSHIP SURVEY | JULY 4TH RECAP



JULY 4TH CELEBRATIONS



This year, blue skies reigned for the Fourth of July Thursday regatta and cookout. The regatta was a hit, despite the hot temperatures. Lew Thatcher's Race Committee team put on a successful long distance race for one-design boats. Attendance of the regatta was up! 31 participants vs. last year's count of 20. The cookout went well with an attendance of about 160 (consistent with last year). Happy bellies were achieved with a picnic-inspired meal of burgers, dogs and tasty sides, all at a very low cost per ticket.

Thanks to the wonderful array of volunteers who helped at the cookout.

Starting with the Decorations crack team: Copeland Casati, Mary Galloway, and Brooke Ailsworth.

Registration: Robin Rutsky, Rex Booth, Kent Dougherty

Food Prep/ Servers (day before and day of): Debbie Ricci, Wade Thomas, Stella Jones, Copeland Casati, Mary Galloway, Donna Alvis, Laurie & Jack King, Debbie & Ken Johnson, Richard Rodgers, Susan Wright.

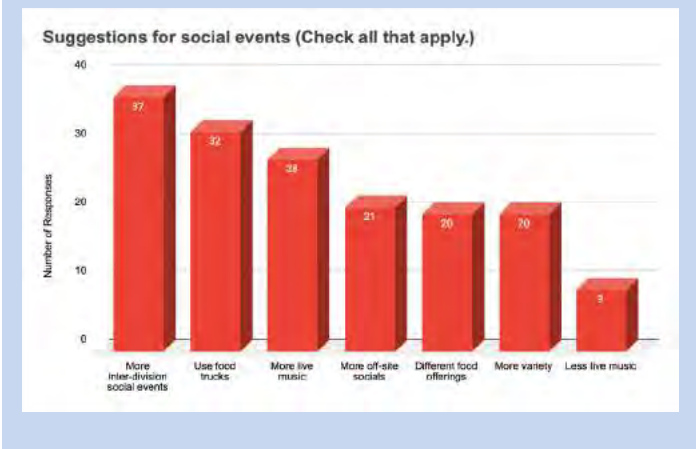
The "Helping in all directions" Guy: Brad Miller

Grillers: Craig Wright, Pete Wright, Gwen & Allen Davis, and Brad Miller

Clean Up: Kirsten and Stuart Gregory (always a gold star for clean up!)

Chaired by Susan Wright and Caroline Patrick.

The heat didn't keep people from coming together and sharing another lovely evening on Fishing Bay!



JERE DENNISON LEGACY REGATTA



JERE DENNISON LEGACY REGATTA
Saturday, August 3, 2024

This event is held to honor Jere Dennison who served in FBYC leadership roles for over 40 years. While his achievements with the Club are too numerous to mention, he was the Club's youngest Commodore, created the Club's comprehensive Austin Memorial Library, and was Club Historian for over 15 years. Jere was an avid one-design sailor who completely understood that sailing is a lifelong adventure - an ancient legacy to be passed on from generation to generation!

This regatta is a one-day event for Flying Scots, Classic Boats, and one design classes having three or more entries by skippers 60 years of age or older. All skippers will compete in the 60 years and older age group. Additionally, skippers 70 years of age or older can compete for the Vintage Skipper Award. This award is designated as a first-place overall finish award for the age 70 or older skipper in each boat class. Seventy years and older skippers must designate their Vintage Award eligibility on the event entry form prior to the start of the first race. Skippers or crew will not be required to be members of FBYC. The crew may be any age but may not take the tiller during races, except during an emergency, or the boat is subject to protest and may be disqualified.

The Classic Boat Division is open to any Classic boat design of 25' length or under at the waterline. The Portsmouth Yardstick DPN Handicap System (DPN2 rating) will be used to score finishes in the Classic Division and Portsmouth Fleet.

For more detailed information on this event including the link for registration, please visit the website:
<https://shorturl.at/4BDEV> **Hope to See You There!**

REMEMBERING JERE



Jere Dennison joined Fishing Bay Yacht Club as an Unattached Junior at the age of 12 in 1955. Over the years, he persuaded and encouraged many to join the Club. He served as the youngest Commodore in 1975 and continued to serve as the Club Historian until 2017.

In 2013, with the 75th anniversary of the Club on the horizon, he came up with the idea of putting together as much of the historical documents and facts as possible in a separate booklet for the Club. Using back issues of The Log, newspaper clippings, notes from members, etc., he determined just what should be included in the 75th Anniversary Book. For years he prepared various history articles for The Log that we all enjoyed. However, this new undertaking was not just another short piece for The Log. The 75th Anniversary Commemorative Issue is the story of Fishing Bay Yacht Club that might have been lost forever save for Jere's dedication in preserving the history of the Club's first 75 years. The gift of this written history of the Club is invaluable.

In 2016, he received the Matthew Fontaine Maury Bowl for his many Club contributions, while in the prior year he and his wife Paula were elected to Life Membership for their dedication to the Club. As a crowning achievement, Jere prepared and installed a permanent FBYC display at the Deltaville Maritime Museum honoring the Club's proud history in the community since 1939. In addition, he served on the Leukemia Cup Board as the Head of Media Relations for many years.

STINGRAY POINT REGATTA



30th ANNUAL STINGRAY POINT REGATTA & 2024 Southern Bay PHRF Championship

Friday, August 30 – Sunday, September 1, 2024

**Brent Halsey Jr. Memorial Trophy • Dick Cole Memorial Trophy
featuring a Luau Saturday night!**

Not racing? - Come out to the party!

Sign up here:

<https://www.fbyc.net/events/2024/240820-onedesign-stingray-point-regatta/>



Hawaiian Luau

at Stingray Point Regatta

Saturday, August 31, 2024

Put on your favorite hawaiian shirt
(grass skirts and coconuts optional)
and join us for an end of summer luau!

Live music by "Another Level" a 7-piece band
- from Motown and soulful R&B, to classic and modern rock

Enjoy traditional luau favorites including Hawaiian Pork,
Shoyu chicken, Pineapple rice, grilled veggies and more!

Tito's Tiki Bar opens at 6:00
Dinner at 6:30
Dancing 7:00-11:00

Buy your dinner tickets by August 22.

<https://www.fbyc.net/events/2024/240820-onedesign-stingray-point-regatta/>



NEW MEMBERS



**APPROVED FOR MEMBERSHIP
JULY 2024**



Bill & Jeanine Lecznar – Deltaville, VA - Bill & Jeanine are neighbors to members Rex Booth & Robin Rutsky and Joe & Wendy Roos. They have become well-acquainted with FBYC and its members. They have attended numerous FBYC events as guests over the years and have often remarked on the welcoming atmosphere at FBYC. Jeanine

has participated in the Women’s Clinic and enjoyed that event. Bill and Jeanine enjoy their time out on the water and love to share their experiences with guests on their boat, both with friends and their family who come to visit. Additionally, their grandchildren would enjoy the junior sailing programs. They are avid crabbers and their neighbors all benefit from it. They are energetic, enjoy working on projects and events, and are active volunteers and leaders in their community.

The Lecznars would be a genuine asset to the Fishing Bay Yacht Club, bring a high level of engagement, volunteer spirit, and enthusiasm for boating. *Sponsors: Joseph Roos & Rex Booth*

Daniel & Norris Latshaw – Deltaville, VA - Daniel & Norris are long-time summer residents of Deltaville and



are looking for additional family activities and community engagement. They have lived almost 10 years in London, returning each summer to Deltaville. FBYC members Kathryn Angus, Rives & Nancy Potts and Christin Walsh’s parents & grandparents’ generation have known the Latshaw family for years.

They have two young boys, ages 5 and 2 years. Since having children, Dan and Norris now visit the states for a longer period in the summer, spending several weeks in Deltaville. This has piqued their interest in joining the yacht club as they look to become more involved in the broader community and ensure their children enjoy all the junior program has to offer. Layfield is hoping to join the last few sessions of Sailing School this year in August.

While Dan and Norris pursued sports other than sailing in their youth, they are very much looking forward to getting back on the water as their children learn to sail and establish new friendships at the yacht club. *Sponsors: Christin Walsh & Kathryn Angus*



Zygmunt Kezyzewski (Ziggy) – Saluda, VA - Ziggy has been sailing since he was 15 in Poland where he started out lake sailing on a Laser, the Finn (perhaps his favorite boat ever), and the Omega which he described as a kind of lighter version of the Flying Scot. He was also a member of a college racing team in Gdynia Poland on the Baltic Sea,

racing aboard an I.O.R 1/4-ton class sailboat designed by Doug Peterson – a kind of racing version of the widely popular J24 here. In the early 1990s he was invited to the US by friends to race aboard a J/24 owned by the Zaleski Brothers, named Twins which he did for a couple years. In addition to his newly acquired M15 he also owns a cruising boat named *Wind Machine*, a Beneteau First 38 in Urbanna. Ziggy crewed with member John Hubbard in the 4th Spring series regatta.

He’s a great team player and brings a great deal of sailing experience in both large and small boats and shows all the signs of a passionate sailor. *Sponsors: Paul Almany & John Hubbard*

MEMBERSHIP | RACING



**Ebbe & Rose Anna Hassl
- Chesterfield, VA -**

Former Commodore Tracy Schwarzschild introduced his friends Ebbe & Rose Anna to FBYC and they have participated in several club cruising events ever since. Ebbe is an accomplished glider pilot as well as a sailor. He and Rose Anna have spent time on the water in several places

including the islands and, before moving to Richmond, in the upper Bay around Baltimore. Ebbe and Rose Anna have sailed with Tracy on a couple of cruises sponsored by the FBYC Cruising Division, and they purchased a Catalina 36 a little over a year ago. They would like to join the sailing camaraderie and participate in the club activities on a regular basis. Also, when the grandchildren get a little older, they might be able to join some of the learn to sail programs etc.

They are very special, fun people and would be great additions to our Club. *Sponsors: Tracy Schwarzschild & Doug & Alison Selden*



**David & Marie Lay -
Ashland, VA -**

David & Marie enjoy the peace and beauty of the campus and look forward to learning more about sailing. David has been crewing with Brad Miller on *Schiehallion* for several years. He currently works on the foredeck and spinnaker. Marie had

volunteered on race committees and enjoys watching all the competitive action from the races. David and Marie look forward to possibly owning their own boat someday. They will be great new members for FBYC.

Sponsors: Brad Miller & Gary Akens



**85TH ANNUAL ONE DESIGN
REGATTA RECAP
PHOTOS BY BOB WALDROP**

Organizing the Annual One Design Regatta (AOD) at Fishing Bay Yacht Club this year has been both a challenging and rewarding experience. Seeing our vibrant community come together for another spectacular event reaffirms the passion and dedication that our club has for One Design sailing!

Racing Highlights

The regatta, held over two days on July 20th and 21st, featured eight one-design classes and a Portsmouth fleet, competing in a wide range of challenging conditions: from dead calm with torrential rain to moderate wind, then gusty blasts and followed by lightning threats inenting a quick exit to the shore - and that was just the first day! The second day was very calm and sunny but featured little to no wind.

The competition was fierce, with sailors battling both the elements and each other. The on-the-water Race Committee (RC) teams did a phenomenal job, running two full adult circles and one Opti circle with full support coverage, ensuring almost 90 boats had the maximum possible starts. I am grateful for all the time that our PROs Jim Raper, Rick Klein and Rachid Dalibalta invested into recruiting their RC teams and running such a well run set of races.

Highlighting the enduring legacy of this regatta, this year's AOD was marked the 45th in participation by **Alain Vincey**, one of FBYC's most dedicated ILCA sailors. We look forward to seeing him out there next year, working towards his 50th!

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RACING

On-Shore Hospitality

On-shore hospitality was excellent, led by Joanna Wensell and Elizabeth Staas, who ensured the social aspects of the weekend were a success. It was also great to see some new faces jump in and be great contributors. We made a concerted effort this year to reach out and invite newer members to volunteer - they were heartily welcomed and became valued team members! Despite occasional stress as the event was challenged by the weather, the social team kept things fun, with rum drinks in the kitchen helping to forge new friendships.

The band *Second Wind* added a fantastic vibe to the event - nothing beats live music at FBYC. Although the weather didn't allow for an outdoor performance, their presence created a relaxed atmosphere that underscored the fun purpose of the event.

Junior Division Impact

The active participation of the Junior division significantly boosted M15 participation and we all benefited from having the full Junior coaching team and support fleet on-site. Their presence was especially welcome when the rougher weather hit, as several of our coaches immediately and expertly helped with righting knocked down sailboats and supported getting them back up and running for the next race on Day 1.

Looking Back and Ahead

All proceeds of the regatta went towards supporting the event and we were pleased to finish at break-even. Leftover supplies, think beer and kegs, will also help support other events such as the upcoming Jere Dennison and Stingray regattas.

We also see the formula of ensuring that AOD maximizes the number of starts and quality racing as key to the event's long-term success. It is truly an egalitarian regatta - welcoming many classes and keeping the focus on great racing fun for all.

Acknowledgements

Special thanks go to FBYC staff members Brian Ankrom and Ben Boone, whose critical contributions in preparing the facility, including handling last-minute curveballs, were invaluable. We also recognize the land-side efforts of board members, like David Hinckle and Allen Mason, stepping into key logistic and support roles whenever needed.

We had many **volunteers** across the club to support this event, both on the water, on the land and in the clubhouse - the lesson AOD always teaches me is that it is a team effort and together we are building a special legacy at FBYC.

Thanks to all who volunteered on AOD weekend and I hope to see all the competitors return next year.

Mark Wensell
AOD Regatta Chair



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ANNUAL ONE DESIGN CONTINUED

Photos by Bob Waldrop



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Photo by Kevin Drawbaugh



RESCUE REGATTA
PHOTOS BY BOB WALDROP

The 2nd Annual Rescue Regatta to support the Middlesex Volunteer Rescue Squad on July 13th was a huge success thanks to all of the volunteers and sponsors.

The Deltaville Maritime Museum was the perfect venue to welcome the skippers and supporters to kick off the weekend Friday night. Despite the rainy weather there was a big crowd to enjoy dinner provided by the Middlesex County Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary and live music from The Michael Clarke Band.

Saturday turned out to be a beautiful day for racing with a steady breeze and great course put together by the outstanding race committee helmed by Rick Klein. The results can be found here:

regattanetwork.com/event/27901#_newsroom+results

After sailing, Saturday night, the crowd returned to the Deltaville Maritime Museum for the auction, awards, barbecue and more music! Once again many thanks to the volunteers and sponsors and look forward to seeing you next year for the 3rd Annual Rescue Regatta!



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RESCUE REGATTA CONTINUED

Photos by Bob Waldrop



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CHASING FIREWORKS

The Cruising Division's annual fireworks cruise was in jeopardy when Urbanna canceled their 2024 event; Reedville was suggested as an alternative as its reputation for a grand event was well known. On July 5 thru 6, 8 boats and 18 FBYC members took over Cockrell's Creek and fully participated in a wonderful celebration of our country's 248th anniversary and Reedville's 150th anniversary. Some added a night in Little Bay before making the run north with local fireworks after a brief rain storm. Wind from the south going up and from the north coming home made for good downwind sailing.

There was a golf cart parade, tours of a Smith Point Rescue boat, a busy ice cream store on a very hot day and a fine Fireman's Parade; we did it all! We ended the day with happy hour on two boats, a group dinner at the Reedville Market and a fine fireworks display. Two birthdays were celebrated with special flowers and a surprise cake at dinner. Happy Birthdays to Kirsten and Nancy!

See you all next year! Don't miss this special trip; it's a great time for all.



FBYC ADULT SAILING PROGRAM: SUMMER AND FALL SAILING

The FBYC Adult Sailing program is dedicated to making small boat sailing accessible to everyone, from beginners to experienced skippers.

Upcoming Event: Adult Sail Training Day on August 17th

On August 17th, FBYC will host an Adult Sail Training Day, open to all skill levels and both members and non-members. Participants can sail their own boats or use a Club Scot provided by the program. Custom in-boat instruction is also available. This event offers a fantastic opportunity to enjoy a day on the water, sail the Piankatank River, enhance your sailing skills, or get a relaxed introduction to sailboat racing. The event will be tailored to the interests of the participants.

For more information and to sign up, visit the Aug 17th Adult Sail Training on the event page and choose "Regatta Network Event."

Program Highlights

- **Annual Club Boat Subscriptions:** Subscribers have unlimited seasonal access to the Club Scots for private day sails, racing, and club events. First-year members and boat donors receive complimentary subscriptions, while returning members can subscribe for \$100 per season.
- **Flying Scot Quick Access:** Over the past month, we've moored a Flying Scot at the Fishing Bay dock most weekends for program subscribers to reserve. A popular option..no trailer..no sweaty time ashore.. no fuss. We also have Scots available for trailer launch.
- **Stay Updated:** Keep up with Adult Sailing Lessons and Informal Sails by visiting the FBYC Adult Sailing Page.

Get Involved

If you're interested in participating or assisting with the Adult Sail Program, please contact us. We're especially eager to hear from new racers interested in our "Challenger" racing fleet.

JUNIORS



JUNIOR SAILING: MORE THAN JUST A SPORT

BY PARKER GARRETT

What a summer this has been for sailing! Junior sailing has been the recipient of this fantastic weather for sure, and some days where the weather brings some new sets of challenges, which is all part of the great experience of sailing — no one day is the same.

One thing that sticks out to me thus far has been watching the big tribe of friends that continues to form, where even newcomers quickly get folded right into the mix. They play sharks and minnows, go tubing, or foiling for hours after sailing practice. This may sound trivial, but the fact that these kids get off from a full day of sailing on the water only to get back in it again is not, in my opinion, trivial. It shows a deep love with friends and affection for the joy the water brings.

Just last week, the rain was coming down super hard after the Saturday of the AOD regatta at FBYC. Anybody who sailed that day will remember that day for years to come. Most got in and went and took a warm shower and a nap. It had been raining all day, and in the afternoon it picked up to a new level. This made for random ponds on Stove Point, some of which were quite large. Four kids from the Opti Race Team went exploring for those and found a grand one about a quarter of the way towards the end of stove point. From what I can understand through pictures and stories, they then ran and biked to our house, retrieving some skimboards, some boogie boards and some rope and proceeded back to the pond. Having never done this before, they devised a way to tow each other with their own strength through the pond for hours. Later and unexpectedly, some older and stronger Laser Race Team members walked by. They took up the “towing by human strength” to a whole new level.

To those Laser team members, they likely didn't see how big of a moment they were creating. But sitting from my vantage point, I can see how incredibly amazing it is to have wide ages voluntarily choosing to spend time together. It is vivid in this scenario, and this is just one of many times that generations have been connected through the joy of participating in life together.

As I write this article, I am rereading my highlights from a book I read a while ago by Dave Perry, where he wrote a great paragraph about sailing. I think it captures well what kids - and adults if we try - learn through this great sport of ours: “Have you ever tried to explain to a non-sailor what makes sailing so fascinating and challenging, and with distressing regularity be met with a somewhat confused “Oh”? My first reaction was to rush in with a heartfelt explanation of the mental and physical complexities of the sport, followed by regular demonstration of the many positions sailors assume throughout the race, but just as quickly I realized that most people had a little in their backgrounds for which to relate to what I was talking about. So I put it this way: take pro football – a pretty complex sport, right? But every game is played on the same size field in the same amount of time against the same number of players week after week.

Now I imagine just for a minute that every field was different in size; that in fact, the boundaries continually changed through during the game. Even more, the playing surface moved along under the feet of the players and varied in speed and direction throughout the game. In addition some areas of the field were soggy, icy, and other sandy with the regular 1 foot high ridges running all over. But then pretend there were no specialist teams, no offensive unit, no substitutes or coaches able to signal in what the next play should be.”

This sport, as Dave Perry articulated humorously, is hard to explain why we like it. And yet what a joy it is, and to be part of a club whose mission is helping kids (and adults) learn something way greater than just a sport - life lessons like how to adapt to unexpected issues, how to be at the whim of the wind and water, and how to have grit in the midst of misery, while forming friendships that they will carry with them for a lifetime. I'm in.



JUNIORS | HISTORY



FBYC JUNIOR COMMONWEALTH CUP BY STEVE UTLEY

FBYC's Annual Junior Regatta was held June 22nd and 23rd. This year was also the Commonwealth Cup - a distinction we rotate annually with HYC and NYCC. I am happy to report a resounding success! Hosting more than 130 junior sailors on the water for 2 days, we saw one of the largest Opti Red, White and Blue Fleets in memory with 59 Sailors. This showing is after a record Green Fleet last year which tells us we're on the right track in introducing and instilling the love of sailing and competing in the next generation. We also saw a strong and growing C420 fleet and we are attracting clubs as far away as Ontario.

Caroline Patrick, Mike Karn and Eleanor Patterson ran our three courses under stressful conditions and deserve many thanks! The robust winds over the weekend challenged many sailors and PROs. Allen Mason ran the grounds, launching and recovery logistics with his usual efficiency and effective directions. Behind the scenes, the Junior Regatta could not happen without the registration set up, check-in, on/off water tracking, and scoring done by Andrew Spencer and Conner Jenkins. Many thanks to the more than 40 additional volunteers that made the event a success!

85 YEARS- CONNECTING THE DOTS

Why Do We Call it Fannie's House? A Tale of Two Ladies:

Fannie Taylor was FBYC's first and longest serving Executive Secretary from 1969-1997. In her time, she created the scope of the job and became both parliamentarian and moral compass for FBYC's elected leaders (her phone calls to all past Commodores, commanding that their presence was "expected" at the funeral of Club Manager William "Bob" Roberts AND what to wear, are classic examples.).

She became the reliable keeper of corporate memory and policy as each successive generation of Flag Officers ascended over the years.

The property that Fannie's House now occupies was originally owned by Edith Hancock, whose land extended from Jackson Creek to Fishing Bay and was immediately west of the club. Along the Jackson Creek shoreline Edith had transplanted an actual chicken coop once owned by the Stull family (who lived immediately east of the club) and managed to transform it into a small overnight rental unit, absent the eggs and pellets. Enterprising and feisty, Edith sued FBYC in 1967 over her allegations of incursion on to her Crown Grant oyster rights by a newly extended FBYC dock and was victorious in the Virginia State Supreme Court of Appeals. According to Jere Dennison, Edith famously celebrated her victory by serving gimlets to her attorney as they watched the demolition of the offending dock! Fast forward to 1986 and the owners of Edith's land are now ready to sell a Jackson Creek parcel to FBYC, including the chicken coop. For a decade thereafter the former coop served as a club facility, aptly named... "the chicken coop".

Finally, the coop met its well earned demise when the club decided to build an auxiliary clubhouse on the Jackson Creek side, over the coop's footprint. The dedication of this building (see enclosed photo) coincided with Fannie Taylor's retirement and provided an excellent opportunity to recognize Fannie by naming the structure in her honor. Hence Edith's legacy gave way to Fannie's, but they both still loom large in our lore.

George Burke, Historian (with a lot of help from Jere)



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