



FROM THE QUARTERDECK

OCTOBER 2024



AN AWESOME AUGUST... MOSTLY

First, a quick update on *Traveller II*. Our friends at Norton's, Anton and Kendall Webre have been amazing, working with the Jeanneau factory to source a new prop and get me back on the water. Unfortunately, there is quite a backlog at the prop factory, but they are using their leverage to expedite the process. I also want to note that the prop was not installed

or touched by Norton's; whatever caused it to fall off was not due to their work.

Enough about me! Last month, I spent too much time discussing my dilemma and didn't highlight all the awesome things that happened at FBYC during August. This is one of our busiest months, as we hosted nine sailing events, including the Jere Dennison Memorial Regatta, an Adult Sailing Instruction Day, Wee Dram, and of course, the Labor Day Weekend Stingray Regatta. Each event was a success, and I can't thank the countless volunteers enough for pulling everything together in such a short time.

The Jere Dennison Memorial Regatta was held on August 3rd, named after long-time club member and former Commodore Jere Dennison. This special event is a one-day regatta for skippers over the age of 60 who sail classic and one-design boats. This year, we had 20 participants. Phil Webb served as the event chair, Jere's son Clark was the race chair, and Susan Webb handled all of the social activities. If you missed it, check out the article in last month's *Log* by Phil Webb, which beautifully described the event.

Next, we had a fantastic Adult Sailing Instruction Day on August 17th, with 18 adult students learning about one-design sailing. I'm amazed at how this program has flourished under the leadership of Ron Jenkins and Joe Roos. Special thanks to Event Chair Ron Jenkins, Race

Chair Holly Sears, and Social Chair Robin Rutsky for making this event such a success.

The next major event was the Wee Dram, held from August 23rd to 25th. As a cruiser, this is my favorite event of the year and a signature Cruising Division event. As you know from last month's article, I was unable to take *Traveller II* (the Admiral was less than thrilled). Fortunately, Mason Chapman stepped up and invited a few of us, including the Wensell family, Mary Almany (Paul was otherwise occupied), and Anne Litt, on a day trip to Cape Charles aboard *River Rat*. Please don't read anything into the fact that the flag officers joined a sailing event via powerboat; we all love sailing. The event saw an amazing 31 boats and over 150 people who enjoyed Scotch and appetizers on the Cape Charles floating docks—without sinking the docks or losing any participants! A big thanks to Brad Miller for coordinating the sailing and Ian Patrick for organizing the social. As a side note, make sure to carefully read the Sailing Instructions (SIs). I failed to FULLY READ them and brought Scotch with a screw top—a BIG NO-NO!

Our final August event was the Annual Stingray Regatta, a three-day extravaganza held over Labor Day weekend. This year, we had 30 boats racing and an estimated 350+ people at the Saturday night luau. Unfortunately, Jennifer and I went to New Orleans to see our oldest child run his first event as a grad student at Tulane, so we missed what was by all reports an amazing weekend. I received 30+ messages from people telling me what a great job Glenn Doncaster, Len Guenther, Donna Alvis and Julie Ann Wash did in leading such a fantastic event. They were supported by numerous volunteers who helped in many areas including race committee, social and grounds. Thank you for all of your hard work.

Last month, I mentioned I would share more thoughts on potential action items from the membership survey. Look for the summary I've put together later in the *Log*, and please share your thoughts!

~ **Doug Bendura, Commodore**

SPECIAL NOTICES

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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/>



Would you like to feature an article or share a story in **The Log**? Please email **Julie Chapman** at chapman.julie3@gmail.com



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/>

SPECIAL NOTICES



NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE

As we work towards our goal of assembling a slate of nominees for the incoming 2025 Board, the Nominating Committee is pleased to report significant progress in identifying candidates for our trustee roles for the upcoming year. They are:

Flag Officers:

Commodore: Mary Almany
Vice Commodore: Mason Chapman
Rear Commodore: Mike Chesser
Secretary: Joanna Wensell
Treasurer: Veronica Hinckle

Board of Trustees:

Fleet Captain: Rick Peterson
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One Design Division Commander: Holly Sears
Cruising Division Commander: Stuart Gregory
Junior Division Commander: Jim Clary
Facilities Director: David Hinckle
Communications Director: Elizabeth Staas
Social Director: Susan Wright
Member-at-Large: Doug Bendura

We also extend our gratitude to these members for their willingness to serve and contribute to our club and its many programs.

Per our bylaws, we welcome all nominations for any positions leading up to the Annual Meeting, where the membership will vote to confirm these nominations.

We are also working with these candidates to identify candidates for open committee positions as well – please do not hesitate to reach out if you have an interest in joining the Board as there are many ways and opportunities to get engaged!

Regards,

Mark Wensell
Member-at-Large & Nominating Committee Chair



OCTOBER 2024 FBYC CALENDAR

Saturday Oct 5 – 6
One Design 43rd Chesapeake Bay ILCA Masters

October 11-13
The Oyster Stroll Cruise

Saturday Oct 12
One Design Fall Series 3

Sunday Oct 13
Offshore Fall Series 2

Saturday Oct 19 – 20
Juniors – MASSA Fall Invitational Keelboat Champs

Saturday Oct 19 – 20
Offshore Fall Open Regatta

Friday Oct 25
Cruising Closing Party

Saturday Oct 26
Offshore Closing Day Regatta & Oyster Roast

Sunday Oct 27
One Design ILCA Frostbite Regatta



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

SPECIAL NOTICES



**CALL FOR THE 2024
AWARD NOMINATIONS**

The Trophy Committee will receive nominations until October 11th for the following perpetual trophies to be awarded for this year's Annual Awards:

COMPETITION TROPHY

Presented in 1982 by former Commodore Beverley L. Crump, this is a perpetual award to recognize the skipper or skippers (who must be members of FBYC) of a yacht or yachts enrolled in the Club Register, who have most successfully represented FBYC in sailboat racing events conducted by other yacht clubs or associations during the past year. Such events may be either one-design or offshore and specifically shall include Chesapeake Bay events, and events with area, regional, national and international competition. This trophy is intended to recognize the unusual and outstanding efforts by FBYC members, the character of the event or events entered, the quality of the competition, the extent of the effort involved for the FBYC member and the participation of all Club members shall be considered as well as the member's performance of such event or events.

COMMODORES BOWL

The Commodores Bowl shall be awarded to the skipper, who is a member of Fishing Bay Yacht Club, for their outstanding achievements in the world of sailing which includes racing, endurance events and accomplishments in voyaging. Selection for this award should consider the quality of events, the rarity of the achievement, and performance in FBYC and non-FBYC events. The selection of the recipient of this trophy shall be determined by the Commodore. The Commodore may appoint a committee to determine the winner of the trophy.

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.

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 female 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.

WAYLAND W. RENNIE CRUISING AWARD

Presented in 1997 by the Cruising Division as a perpetual trophy to be awarded annually to the Fishing Bay Yacht Club member for support of the Cruising Division and for cruising the Chesapeake Bay with a sense of adventure in comradeship with fellow sailors.

ANNUAL RACE COMMITTEE TROPHY

Awarded to the Club member who has made the greatest contribution to race committee work and race management at FBYC.

BECCA BOAT TROPHY

Awarded to the FBYC junior female member who best exemplifies Becca Clary's devotion to FBYC.

Please contact the Trophy Chairman, **Jim Morrison**, with your nominations. via email to: jmorrison6@me.com

Your nomination should include the person's name and the reason the person is being nominated for a particular trophy.



SPECIAL NOTICES | SOCIAL



POSSIBLE SURVEY ACTION ITEMS

SOCIAL

More cross division social events

- Re-enforce that Stingray Social is a club wide Labor Day Weekend event
**bring more resources outside of Offshore to support*
- Schedule off season informal get togethers at local Restaurants/Breweries

FUN SAILING

More fun sailing events like Wee Dram

- Consider another destination type event with theme
**bring more resources outside of Cruising to support*
- Increase marketing for existing Cruising events

VOLUNTEERS

- Leverage info provided in survey to connect members to events of interest
- Encourage event chairs to proactively invite less active members

Please reach out to Doug Bendura with any thoughts at doug.bendura@gmail.com



**FBYC Closing Day
Oyster Roast
October 26, 2024**

Join us at FBYC on Saturday, October 26th, for the Closing Day Oyster Roast, featuring fresh local oysters and our popular Shared Dish Competition. Hot dogs, beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages will also be available. Come celebrate with fellow members and sailors, enjoying delicious food and sharing stories from the sailing season.

Registration & Tickets:

- Adults: \$7 per ticket - Children under 12: Free
- Tickets can be purchased via the Regatta Network storefront.

***Note for Racers: You must register separately for both the race and the oyster roast.**

Event Schedule:

- The oyster roast will begin between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m., shortly after the racing boats return.
- Oysters will be served while supplies last, and the event will conclude around 7:00 p.m.

Oysters & More: Enjoy local oysters available on tables outside the Clubhouse. Hot dogs, beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages will also be provided.

Shared Dish Competition: A highlight of the event is our friendly Shared Dish Competition, where members showcase their culinary talents. The categories are:

- Appetizers/Savories
- Chili/Crockpots (limited to 6 entries)
- Desserts

To participate, bring a dish that serves 6-8 people. Upon arrival, please check in your dish at the registration desk. Racers may hand their dishes to volunteers before the race for safekeeping. To help with coordination and to compete for the Top Dish in each category, please register your entry on the Oyster Roast Event Page.

Important Dates:

- Ticket sales close on Thursday, October 24. Be sure to reserve your tickets early to ensure we have enough food for everyone!
- Don't forget to register your crew, friends, and family for a great day of fun and food.

We look forward to seeing you there!

SAVE THE DATE



2024 Commodore's Ball, Annual Meeting & Awards

Saturday, November 9, 2024

5:45 pm - Registration and bar opens

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Annual Meeting - All are Welcome!

7:00 pm - **Bar Open and Dinner Begins**
Back by popular demand, we have several dining stations to choose from including vegetarian and gluten sensitive options.

Please notify Susan Wright if you have specific dietary needs.

7:45 pm - 8:15 pm - **Awards Presentation**

8:30 pm - Selection of passed desserts to commence immediately following the awards

8:30 pm – **Dancing begins to the music of 9-Piece Band "Tidewater Drive"**

9:30 pm – **Dining stations will close**

11:00 pm - **Ball ends**

Price per person:

\$65 for FBYC members
(price includes 1 drink ticket)

\$75 for adult non-members
(price includes 1 drink ticket)

\$35 for youths under 15 years old

Cash bar - drink tickets can be purchased in advance and also at the event.

Non-alcoholic beverages, tea and coffee are provided at no charge



All are welcome to attend our annual Commodore's Ball, Meeting and Awards Presentation.

We will be celebrating 85 years since our founding in 1939. Come view pictures from the past in our special FBYC85 photo installation!

Location:

The Country Club of Virginia
Westhampton Clubhouse
6031 St. Andrews Lane
Richmond, VA 23226

Registration Opens on October 1, 2024 with a link on our website - not Regatta Network.
Deadline - October 27, 2024.

We hope to see you there!

RACING



30TH ANNUAL STINGRAY POINT REGATTA IS IN THE BOOKS!

By Julie Ann Wash

Photos by Bob Waldrop and John Hubbard

Forty boats competed in the 30th Annual Stingray Point Regatta over Labor Day Weekend. A strong turnout in almost every fleet, including Cruising Fleets made for a weekend of great competition. Below are the overall winners, but be sure to go to the website to see all the results! <https://shorturl.at/7T8UM>

Brenton S. Halsey, Jr. Memorial Regatta Trophy

Winner: *Cheeky Monkey*, Paul and Julie Ann Wash

Dick Cole Memorial Trophy - Excellence in the Cruising Fleet

Winner: *Dauntless*, James Keen and Jody Keen

Class Winners:

PHRF A0/Sport Boat: *Sitella*, Ian Hill, HYC PHRF A1: Orion, Bob and Lisa Fleck, FBYC

PHRF A2: *Excitation*, Mayo Tabb, FBYC

PHRF B: *GOIN'*, Dennis Hannick, FBYC

PHRF C: *Cheeky Monkey*, Paul and Julie Ann Wash, FBYC

PHRF CC-Spin: *Dianthus*, David Tabor, FBYC

PHRF CC Non-Spin: *Dauntless*, James and Jody Keen, SMSA/SIYC



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RACING



We encourage you to visit <https://www.flickr.com/photos/fbyc/albums/> to see more photos!

CRUISING



WEE DRAM CRUISE RECAP

By John Koedel, III

Photos by John Koedel and Marc Konesco

The 11th Wee Dram was to Cape Charles, VA over the weekend of August 24th. 28 boats made the trip, not all sailboats. 100+ souls were on board. We took up C dock and some of B.

Saturday night, a dock party was held with food and the traditional scotch tasting. David Clark had the winning Scotch, Dalmore. David's prize was a bottle of Benriach 12 year. This scotch was a Speyside Single Malt. Exported to South Africa, purchased in Cape Town, South Africa. Transported by sail boat, *Hokulea*, to Saint Helena, Fernando, Grenada, then by plane to Virginia, then finally by boat to Cape Charles.

Oh yeah, the sailboat race. 5 boats were able to finish the course under sail, with the winner being *Schiehallion*, skippered by Brad Miller.

The Patricks, aboard *Running Tide*, did a fine job providing excellent food to accompany the contributions brought by the competitors.

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CRUISING



ADULT SAILING



FALL SAILING AT FBYC

By Joe Roos

The air is crisp, and the sky is clear—what better way to spend a fall day than sailing up the Piankatank River? With the leaves turning and the summer crowds gone, the peacefulness of the water is a reminder of why sailing is so special. As you sail back downstream, stop at the quiet Mathews County Beach at Godfrey Bay for a relaxing lunch, where the water gently laps against the shore.

It's been said, "Racing sailboats is pure joy, where every gust is an opportunity, and every tack is a challenge." Fall at FBYC offers fantastic opportunities to get involved in racing, whether as crew or at the helm of a one-design boat, learning to make the most of every gust.

These experiences—whether day sailing on the Piankatank or racing in Fishing Bay—stay with you through the cold months. And the best part? They're accessible to all FBYC members through the Adult Sailing Program.

FBYC Adult Sailing Program

The FBYC Adult Sailing Program is dedicated to making small boat sailing accessible to everyone, from beginners to experienced skippers. This fall, get involved in small boat sailing, explore race crew opportunities, or try your hand at the helm.

Program Highlights

- **Annual Club Boat Subscriptions:** Enjoy unlimited seasonal access to the Club's Flying Scots for private day sails, racing, and Club events. First-year members and boat donors receive complimentary subscriptions, while returning members can subscribe for just \$100 per season.
- **Flying Scot Quick Access:** We've made sailing even more convenient! Most weekends, a Flying Scot is moored at the Fishing Bay dock, ready for program

subscribers to reserve. This hassle-free option means no trailer, no time ashore—just pure sailing enjoyment. Scots are also available for trailer launch.

- **Crewing Opportunities:** There's no better way to gain experience in race situations than by crewing. The Adult Sail team can help you get started.

Get Involved

Ready to dive in? Whether you're interested in participating in or supporting the Adult Sailing Program, we'd love to hear from you. Contact Ron Jenkins, Holly Sears, or Joe Roos - adultsailing@fbyc.net. We're especially excited to welcome new racers eager to join our "Challenger" racing fleet. There are two races left in the One Design Fall Series:

Indian Summer Regatta & ILCA Fall Regatta (OD Fall #2), Saturday, September 28, 2024

Click here for more info: <https://shorturl.at/ZI3lv>

One Design Fall Series (OD Fall #3)

Saturday, October 12, 2024.

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FOR SALE: "Xenia" Cape Dory Typhoon; Year: 1979; LOA: 18'6"; Design: Carl Alberg; Hull Color: Awlgrip Forest Green; Outboard: 2012 Yamaha 6.5 HP; Total Refurbish 2012; Trailer custom made 2012. Extras: Mainsail, Jib & Spinnaker included, Pro Sport On-Board, Marine Battery Charger, Radio/Built-in Speakers, Anchor, Lines, New Cushions Inside & Out in 2012. Serious Inquiries Only. Contact: Clark Wallace 843-697-4846 or clarkiewallace@gmail.com

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