

## From the Quarterdeck

**Successful Junior Week** - Junior Week 2002 could not have gone better. We had 126 children in the four classes, the instructors were enthusiastic and good, the instructor-student ratios were correct, and the weather was unbelievably pretty. The organization is a tribute to Jan Monnier and all her volunteers. This year on-shore was under separate management with Kelly O'Toole and her daughter in the kitchen, organizing bowling in Gloucester and games on the Richardson field. Paul Howle fielded a fleet of over 14 support craft all of which had gas, ran and floated, which is an improvement over our prior practice. A whole bunch of photographs of Junior Week Classes have been posted at the Junior Division web page [www.fbyc.net/Juniors](http://www.fbyc.net/Juniors)

**New E-mailing capabilities** - Mark Wensell has added a new e-mailing capability to our web site - anyone can now send an e-mail to one address and it will be distributed to everyone interested in the fleet. We have created several lists: [offshoreracing@fbyc.net](mailto:offshoreracing@fbyc.net) [juniorracing@fbyc.net](mailto:juniorracing@fbyc.net) [flyingscot-fleet103@fbyc.net](mailto:flyingscot-fleet103@fbyc.net) [mobjack-fleet1@fbyc.net](mailto:mobjack-fleet1@fbyc.net) and [j24fleet@fbyc.net](mailto:j24fleet@fbyc.net). An e-mail sent to a list address will first be sent to a moderator who will approve most e-mails but will reject spam and commercial messages. The e-mail will then go to everyone on the list. We have added the people who might be interested in the list. We will expand the number of lists to include any group that makes sense for FBYC. Members may subscribe themselves to the list or drop themselves off the list if they do not want to receive the e-mail. Please visit [www.fbyc.net/Club/Mail](http://www.fbyc.net/Club/Mail) and click on the links to subscribe to your favorite list. Please feel free to use these lists to inform people about what is happening and to improve turnout for our activities.

by Strother Scott, Commodore

Please let me know if you want a list for your favorite group.

**Smith Point Race and NC Cruise** - On the Saturday after Junior Week we held our first Smith Point Race in many years. It was scheduled as a joint event with the clubs on the Rappahannock and it started at Mosquito Point. Timed to take advantage of an expected almost full moon and forecast 10-15 knot winds, the 49-mile



**Boats rounding Buoy 57, Smith Point Race**

race did not disappoint anyone. The only ones who may have had a better time that evening were the 8 FBYC boats which left the docks on Saturday morning for the cruise to Edenton, NC led by Charlie and Stella Jones. I understand they were joined Sunday by a number of HYC boats for the 2-week trip.

**Leukemia Cup** - Please send in your reservations for the upcoming Leukemia Cup Weekend on July 12-13. There will be activities for all. The Friday night event will be held at the new building. Mr. Roberts will run the races on Saturday, and the Gala on Saturday evening will be under the tent at Stingray Harbor Marina. If you want to sail on one of the racing boats, send a e-mail offering yourself as crew to [offshoreracing@fbyc.net](mailto:offshoreracing@fbyc.net). It will go to every skipper, and there are

many skippers who don't race "because I couldn't get a crew together". Please take advantage of your club membership and deprive them of that excuse!

**Please support the Summer Junior Programs** - We had a team of at least 7 Juniors at the AYC Junior regatta on June 25. Congratulations to Mark Buchanan (6<sup>th</sup> in the green fleet) and Eliza Strickland (5<sup>th</sup> in the Bytes). The future of our Club rests with the Junior

Division and we have agreed they are our first priority. Our coaches Blake Kimbrough and Eric Bokinsky are available to teach our Juniors at the club and to travel with the Junior Racing Team. We all need to help encourage and support Junior participation in the events during the rest of the summer. A few regattas have been added that were not in the Sailing Events Book. So check out [www.fbyc.net/](http://www.fbyc.net/)

Events/2002/Junior or read the e-mails that the coaches have been directed to send to [juniorracing@fbyc.net](mailto:juniorracing@fbyc.net). Blake and Eric can be reached all summer on the Junior Cell Phone 337-3857 or at [fbyccoach@yahoo.com](mailto:fbyccoach@yahoo.com). You can also check the Junior Program Hotline at 787-8015 for a recorded message about activities. Juniors - race fast and have fun!

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**FBYC BOARD  
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS  
June 11, 2002**

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Commodore Strother Scott.

**REAR COMMODORE -  
DAVID HAZLEHURST**

**SECRETARY** – The next membership meeting will be held on July 8, 2002, at 6:30 p.m., at Elizabeth Staas' home.

Mary Spencer explained the current policy relating to actions taken by the club when a member dies. She then presented a recommended policy change to include sending a donation to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation in memory of a deceased member. The Board approved the policy change.

**HOUSE** – Lud Kimbrough and Virgil met with the cleaning crew to set up the cleaning schedule for the new clubhouse. A "keys and locks" policy and a plan for distributing the keys should be worked out by the next Board meeting.

**SOCIAL** – Mike Calkins thanked Janie French for chairing the Rosegill event this year. Approximately 260 people attended. The July 4<sup>th</sup> social event – hot dogs and hamburgers – will be chaired by Rich and Margaret Lundvall.

**GROUND**S – New Opti racks have been

completed on the west side of the Fishing Bay property. Club-owned Optis will remain on a rack near the Junior Shed. Strother Scott advised that the work on the Fishing Bay parking lot and driveway was long overdue and the Flag Officers decided that the work should be done at the same time as the landscaping around the new clubhouse.

**FINANCE** – Strother Scott reported that his previous estimate that the new building project would come in under budget was overly optimistic. The most recent forecasts indicate the total project costs will now be slightly higher than that shown in the financing plan. He explained the principal reasons are: more extensive landscaping and parking lot improvements, upgraded flooring (oak and ceramic tile vs. vinyl tile), and peripheral items such as gutters, the requirement to re-do electrical service to the dock and pool, and relocation of water lines. However, Strother and Mason Chapman both believe that the amount of money that will have to be borrowed will be well under the \$200,000 limit set by the Board in the financing plan.

**NEW BUILDING** – Judy Buis reported that there are still minor items to be taken care of but comments about the new clubhouse have been very positive. A sign will be put up advising that only adults age 21 and over are allowed upstairs.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING** – Strother Scott would like to appoint a new study commission to address the needs of the one-design fleets and come up with long range plans for a new Fishing Bay dock. A new dock has been the subject of various committees in past years.

**VICE COMMODORE –  
DICK COLE**

**FLEET CAPTAIN** – Debbie Cycotte reported that 12 people and four Mobjacks participated in Case Whittemore's Racing Skills Day.

**OFFSHORE DIVISION** – Judy Buis said she has had good response from volunteers to help with the Leukemia Cup Regatta events. The silent auction and reception on July 12 will be held at the club. All other events on July 13 will be held at Stingray Harbor Marina. Mike Karn also reported that the Stingray Point Regatta plans are coming along well and he has some sponsors on board.

**Membership**

**Final Approval**

**Mr. & Mrs. Richard C. Brown; Mr. & Mrs. Robert S. MacWright; Mr. & Mrs. James B. Morrison.**

**Circulation**

**Mr. & Mrs. Jason S. Angus**, 4627 Leonard Parkway, Richmond, VA, 23226. Jason began sailing on Indian Creek at an early age. He has sailed with FBYC members Clark Dennison, Charlie Clough and John Felvey (his uncle). Kathryn is the daughter of FBYC members Rich and Kay Clary. She is a former Junior Member and learned to sail in the club's Junior program. Jason and Kathryn are expecting their first child this fall. In the meantime, they have purchased a J-24 which Jason hopes to have on the race course this summer. Sponsors: Richard M. Clary, A. Clark Dennison.

**Mr. & Mrs. Timothy S. Feehan**, 1133 West Avenue, Richmond, VA, 23220. Tim has crewed aboard Paradox, La Maga and Oracle for about four years and has also served on race committee. Alison is interested in learning to sail. The Feehans are expecting their first child in December. They do not own a boat at the present time but have an interest in one design racing, possibly in a Laser. Sponsors: Allan M. Heyward, Jr., David Hazlehurst.

**Mr. & Mrs. Michael S. Reilly**, 358 Kingsberry Drive, Annapolis, MD, 21401. Michael and Catherine are both accomplished sailors, having been involved in boating activities all of their lives. Catherine is the daughter of FBYC Past Commodore James E. Rogers. She is a former Junior Member who learned to sail in the club's Junior program and was later on the sailing team at Washington College. Michael and Catherine have two children, Blair (age 2) and Sam (almost 1) who will eventually be involved in the club's Junior program. The Reillys own a Jarvis Newman powerboat and a Boston Whaler. Sponsors: James E. Rogers, A. Clark Dennison.

Secretary Elizabeth Staas will be holding the June membership meeting on Monday, July 8 at 6:30 p.m. at her home at 4300 Fitzhugh Avenue in Richmond. Anyone needing applications or further information to share with prospective members can contact Elizabeth at (804) 278-9848 or estaas@attbi.com or Mary Spencer at (804) 740-7913 or by email at spencer.mary@worldnet.att.net

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## Sailors and Leukemia Fighters Set for Big July Fundraising Event.....from Roy Meyer

Leukemia Cup Regatta Weekend is coming to Deltaville Friday and Saturday, July 12-13 and all area sailors and residents are invited to take part. The 4th Annual Southern Chesapeake Volvo Leukemia Cup Regatta, presented by SunTrust, opens with a Welcome Reception and exciting Silent Auction at Fishing Bay Yacht Club at 7:00pm, Friday, July 12. There will be refreshments and hors d'oeuvres and a wide range of auction selections to choose from. "We are promising everyone a grand time at our brand new clubhouse, and everyone is invited to join us," says Judy Buis, co-chair of this year's regatta planning committee.

Regatta Weekend continues on Saturday at FBYC with registration and breakfast at 8:00am and a skipper's meeting at 9:00am. The races begin at 11:00am and will feature competition among PHRF and MORC classes, multi-hulls, one-designs and the Leukemia Cup Cruising Fleet. In all, it is hoped that more than 100 boats will take part in the CBYRA-sanctioned competition. Registration fees are \$100.00 for fundraising boats and

\$50.00 for non-fundraising boats.

Regatta organizers are hoping that sailors heading north or south for the Screwpile Regatta the following weekend will want to add a stop in Deltaville to tune up for the competition in Solomons. For this reason, several skippers from the Hampton Roads area are expected to join the Leukemia Regatta fleet in Deltaville this year. Skippers registering for the regatta will receive complimentary slip space either at Fishing Bay YC or Stingray Harbor Marina.

Spectators who would like to watch the racing action from the water are invited to cruise aboard one of several VIP/Spectator boats which will be on hand for the competition. Tickets are just \$50.00 and include refreshments and a box lunch. The boats begin loading at the FBYC dock at 10:00am.

The land-based highlight of the day will be the Grand Gala and Awards Ceremony beginning at 5:00pm at Stingray Harbor Marina in Deltaville. "This has become a hugely popular event attracting hundreds of sailors,

supporters and participants the past two years," says Buis, "and we are hoping for an even bigger turn-out this year." There will be refreshments, an outstanding dinner and music and dancing. The event is open to the public. There is a \$20.00 fee for dinner tickets.

During the awards ceremony, the top racers and fundraisers will be honored with prizes and awards, with the leading fundraiser winning the coveted Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Trophy. During the past three years, the Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup regattas have raised nearly one-quarter-million dollars in the fight to find cures for leukemia. This year's fundraising goal is \$100,000.

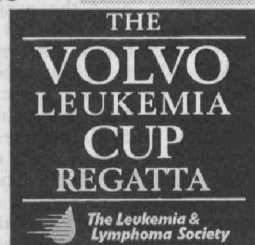
Local sponsors of the 2002 regatta are Fishing Bay Yacht Club, Stingray Harbor Marina, York River Yacht Club and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Virginia Chapter.

For more information or to register for any of the Weekend Regatta events, please contact Sandy Thurston at the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Virginia office at (800) 766-0797 or e-mail her at [thurstons@va.leukemia-lymphoma.org](mailto:thurstons@va.leukemia-lymphoma.org)  
Registration forms at [www.FBYC.net](http://www.FBYC.net)



## July is Leukemia Cup Regatta Month in Rivah Country...

*It's a Great Time to Fight Leukemia — and Have Fun Doing It!*



*Southern Chesapeake*

**7:00pm, Friday, July 12**  
**Welcome Reception & Silent Auction**  
**Fishing Bay Yacht Club, Deltaville**

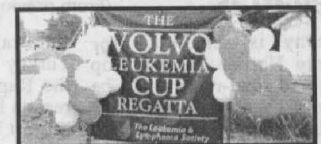
Refreshments, Ours D' Oeuvres,  
Wide Selection of Auction Items...  
No Admission Charge...

**4th Annual Southern Chesapeake Volvo Leukemia Cup Regatta**  
**Deltaville, Virginia — July 12-13, 2002**  
*Sponsored by Fishing Bay Yacht Club,  
York River Yacht Club & Stingray Harbor Marina*



*Presented By*

**SUNTRUST**



**Saturday, July 13 @ FBYC**  
**8:00am, Registration & Breakfast**  
**9:00am, Skipper's Meeting**  
**10:00am, VIP/Spectator Boats Load**  
**11:00am, Racing Begins**  
**5:00pm Grand Gala & Awards Ceremony**  
**Stingray Harbor Marina, Deltaville**  
*Refreshments, Dinner, Music, Dancing*

Art on Fishing Bay

**Anna Cobb**  
chosen for  
**2001/2002**  
**ICSA/Ronstan**  
**All-American**  
**Crew**  
**Sailing Team**



Shown here competing with fellow All-American Matt Allen at the 2002 ICSA North American Team Race Championship in Hawaii.

## The Offshore Forecast

Allan Heyward, Jr.  
Offshore Division Commander

An unusually fast Newport Bermuda Race failed to yield the desired result for DAWN TREADER, but, judging only by the final standings, Larry Cohen should find no cause to abandon his pursuit of the Lighthouse Trophy. Rives Potts (sailing under the CCA burgee) fared better in CARINA, however, winning first place in class (again), sixth place overall, and taking home the Maritime Museum Trophy for the boat over fifteen years old with the second best corrected time.



Rives Potts' Carina at start of 2002 Newport/Bermuda Race...photo courtesy of Dan Nerney

FBYC was represented in Hampton at Southern Bay Race Week/Gosling's Back Seal Cup by WAVELENGTH, FIREBRAND, SHENANIGAN, and WHITE LIGHTNING. Over the course of three full days of racing, the weather was terrific, the winds flukey, and the competition was brutal and unforgiving. FBYC was represented in the silver by WHITE LIGHTNING, which finished third for the regatta in PHRF C. Mike Karn/Lori Moyer and the INSATIABLE crew went up to Block Island Race Week looking for excitement, and finished third in their class out of nine boats.

The Smith Point Race June 22-23 drew six boats (five FBYC plus one from RSA) from the PHRF Spinnaker fleet, for a moonlit race to Smith Point Light and back. DESTINY (first in PHRF A, first overall) and CIEL (first in PHRF B, third overall) took home the silver. With winds that got to about fifteen knots and held up for most of the race and a clear night with bright moonlight, it is difficult to imagine a better way to spend a summer evening.

July will be a busy month for offshore division racers, with the Leukemia Cup, a feeder to Solomon's Island for the race week, and Screwpile, all in quick succession. If participation in those events is as wide as appears likely, everybody's ax ought to be pretty sharp for Stingray Point at the end of the summer.

### Smith Point Race, June 22nd PHRF Spin

- 1st—Destiny, W. Lipscomb
- 2nd—Loose Cannon, S. Scott
- 3rd—Ciel, B. Ackerly
- 4th—Voodoo Chile, L. Lissendon
- 5th—Trilogy, W. Rennie
- 6th—Shenanigan, M. Booth

### Club House Facilities

After operating out of the Fanny House for some 18 months we have now completed the move into our new clubhouse. As with any new operation it will take some time for us to learn how to most effectively use and maintain our new facilities. As and when you find any major needs call, or preferably e-mail either Lud Kimbrough, our House Chair or David Hazlehurst, our Rear Commodore and tell us what we have missed. There has to be something we have overlooked. But above everything else, please remember we need all our members to help us maintain our facilities. For example you might find the trash can you need to use is full in which case it becomes your turn to take the full bag to the dumpster, putting an empty bag in its place. Our cleaning crews and our Club Manager will do what they can to take care of major cleaning, but on an ongoing basis we need help from all our members. And happily we generally get it...

.....David Hazlehurst

## Fishing Bay Yacht Club's 8th ANNUAL STINGRAY POINT REGATTA

**Saturday August 31, 2002**  
**Sunday, September 1, 2002**

PHRF A/B/C/D Spinnaker ♦ MORC ♦ PHRF Non-spinnaker

One-design fleets for 5 or more boats

Check out our website: [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net) for all the details!



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FBYC History continues....

## Saga of the Southern Stars

Jere Dennison

The headline in the Sports Section of the June 22, 1956 edition of the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* proclaimed: ***Southern Star Arrives Flying Stars and Bars***. The first Richmonder to enter the famed Newport-Bermuda Race had completed a difficult and stormy passage in 75<sup>th</sup> place out of a record field of 89. Thus began a 14-year quest by Dr. James Mullen to earn his laurels in this prestigious biennial ocean race that began in 1906. Ultimately frustrated in his final attempt to capture the first-to-finish award, Jim Mullen's campaign involved a series of four yachts culminating with the behemoth 75-foot aluminum cutter, *Southern Star IV*, that the yachting establishment disqualified after the 1970 race by lowering eligibility limits for the 1972 race.

While he flew another club's burgee in his earlier races, Mullen joined FBYC during the 1960's and represented our club until his retirement from racing in the early 1970's. In 1975, *Southern Star IV* was donated to Johns Hopkins University's Applied Physics Laboratory and to his alma mater St. Christopher's School. To commemorate this donation, an article appeared in the Summer 1976 issue of *The St. Christopher's News* that profiled Mullen's life and sailing adventures. With the permission of St. Christopher's School, that article is reprinted below:

### **Jim Mullen: Adventurer** by Jerry Jones

In 1975, Jim Mullen (1935 Alumnus) gave St. Christopher's School a one-third interest in his 75' sloop, *Southern Star*. Since this was certainly one of the most unique gifts the School has received, I felt a short article in the *STC News* would be of interest. A scheduled half-hour interview with Jim turned into a fascinating 2 ½ hour discussion with a man I, at times, viewed as either Walter Mitty or Horatio Alger. I had a feeling our interview would be longer than I expected when I asked, "Tell me a little about the history of *Southern Star*," and Jim answered, "Which one?" It turned out that there had been four *Southern Stars* since 1956.

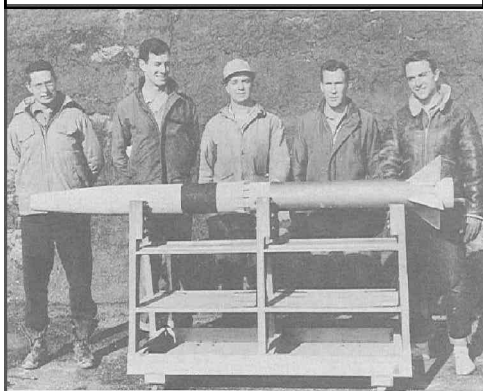
But I have jumped too far ahead. To un-

derstand Dr. James W. Mullen (he earned a PhD in chemistry from Princeton in 1942), you have to go back to his summers as a St. Christopher's student. His interest in boats started in 1928, when he learned to sail small boats in the Cape Cod area. The excitement of sailing, which he would enjoy later in life, was not enough for him as a teenager. Even though his sailing friends disapproved, he took up outboard hydroplaning. Noncommittal on whether he had Dr. Chamberlayne's (StC Headmaster at the time) approval, he traveled from New England to Texas to race his hydroplane.

In 1935, his senior year, he won his class at the National Interscholastic Championship in Wooster, Massachusetts. At Princeton, he was Collegiate champion in three classes, setting Collegiate records in the two fastest classes. Following graduation, he continued racing while working on his PhD. His proficiency at the sport was such that he set several world records and became the first man to break the 70-mph barrier, which at the time was considered a near suicidal speed. His hydroplaning career ended with victories in the 1940 and 1941 National Championships.

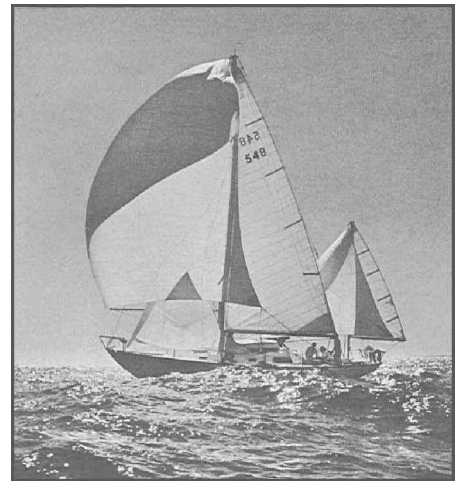
During World War II, Jim's knowledge of chemistry was put to use by the Rubber Reserve Corporation. Later his top-secret work was concentrated on the early development of the country's guided missile program. His association with the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory began at this time and continued long after the war. It was Jim's work in the guided missile program, which led to his founding Experiment Incorporated in 1945. The company's main efforts were directed toward fuel and propulsion problems related to guided missiles and space vehicles. In 1959, he sold his business to

### **Jim Mullen shown on far left at Experiment Inc.**



Texaco, Inc. His work with them continued until his retirement in 1969.

With the exception of a six-month trial with a cabin cruiser in 1954 – which he found extremely dull – Jim was not involved with boats from 1942 until 1955, when he bought the first of four *Southern Stars*, an Alden Ketch. After a year of familiarization and shakedown cruise, the Mullens enlisted Bob Carter (Alumnus 1936) to serve as navigator for the 1956 Newport to Bermuda race. Recalling with obvious pleasure his first entry in this prestigious race, Jim had high praise for Bob's navigation and little praise for the speed of his boat. Many sailors might have retired from the Bermuda race after a dismal finish. Jim, however, not only did not retire, but commissioned Bill Tripp, the skipper of the one of the boats that he did beat, to design a more competitive *Southern Star* for the 1958 Bermuda race.



***Southern Star II* (Block Island 40)**

Even though his future *Southern Stars* would be bigger, more sophisticated, and faster, the second boat, a Block Island 40', is probably Jim's favorite. With it he raced nearly every offshore race on the East Coast. With six crew members (Mrs. Mullen as cook and Bob Carter as navigator), *Southern Star* finished seventh in the 1958 Bermuda race (out of 111), won the Annapolis Fall Series by the highest margin ever, was third in the Southern Ocean Racing Circuit, and won its class and fourth in fleet in the Annapolis-to-Newport race. Following a twelfth place finish in the 1960 Bermuda race, Jim bypassed the event until 1966, when he entered his third *Southern Star*, a 52' sloop.

Built in Holland, this second boat designed by Tripp, enjoyed early success on the

European circuit, winning six out of six ocean races. Jim did admit that the competition in Europe was substantially less than that in the States. Buoyed by this early success, Jim entered the 1966 Bermuda race and met with near complete disaster. Of the ten winches on board, only two were working at the end of the race; the roller reefing broke down, as did one of the spreaders. Jim did not say what place he finished in that Bermuda race, and I did not ask.

Plans for the final *Southern Star* were started in 1967. Jim wanted to take one more crack at the Bermuda race and had

Tripp design a boat at the upper limit of eligibility for the Bermuda circuit. Nearly two years of design work resulted in a 75' all-aluminum sloop, which was probably the fastest cutter in the world. Built by Stephen's Marine in Stockton, California, the ship was completed in January, 1970. After a few short shakedown cruises, Jim and his

crew left San Francisco March 1 and arrived at the Chesapeake Bay May 1, only a month and a half before the 1970 Bermuda race. Preparations for the race were considerably more complicated than those for the 1956 race. The new *Southern Star* required a crew of twenty-three for a major race. No longer was Mrs. Mullen the sole

cook. Jim was kind enough to provide an assistant.

Blessed with rough seas and strong winds, conditions which were best for the huge ship, *Southern Star* covered the first 650 miles in three days. With Bermuda only 30 miles away (and *Southern Star* leading the entire fleet), an absolute flat calm hit; and the craft and its crew were dead in the water for over twelve hours. Recalling with obvious disappointment, Jim said they were less than a quarter mile from their main competition throughout the calm and when the wind finally came, it filled the opponent's sails first and blew



The enormous *Southern Star IV* underway

away their hope for a Bermuda Cup (finishing second in elapsed time). This race turned out to be Jim's last since the upper eligibility limits were lowered for the 1972

race and *Southern Star* failed to qualify.

For six months in 1972, the Mullens cruised *Southern Star* through the Azores, Europe, the Mediterranean, Canary Islands, and off West Africa before turning to the States via the Caribbean and Bahamas. Jim commented that the marinas in

Europe were for the most part awful – extremely dirty and polluted. In fact, he agreed with Jacques Cousteau that the Mediterranean is really a dead sea due to pollution.

Because of her size, the logistics of cruising with *Southern Star* were formidable. Jim chuckled in pointing out that rounding up a crew of a dozen for a day's sailing was just part of the problem. In fact, the dullness of his early cabin cruiser began to look very attractive. Having done nearly all he wanted with *Southern Star*, he gave her to the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory to be used in experiments it is conducting for the US Navy. The one stipulation of his gift was that St. Christopher's would have a one-third interest in *Southern Star* when she was sold.

I asked Jim if there were any plans for a fifth *Southern Star*; and he said there were not, since he had retired from anything strenuous, but he might get some type of long range ocean-going powerboat. Having thanked him for his time, I prepared to leave when I noticed a picture of a glider or sailplane on the wall. It turned out that Jim's retirement from anything strenuous was a question of semantics. In 1973, he got his gliding license and purchased one of six self-powered gliders in this country. He describes his newest sport as three-dimensional sailing and frequently takes two-to-three hour "thermal glides" over the Chesapeake Bay.

Walter Mitty, dream on.

### Did you know?

Jim Mullen in his first 1956 Bermuda Race competed in the same class as Carleton Mitchell's legendary *Finisterre* that was the overall winner in that race as well as in two future Bermuda Races, a record that still stands.

The high water mark for FBYC participation in the Newport-Bermuda Race was 1966 when four club members entered yachts. They were Alan McCullough's *Altair*, Jim Mullen's *Southern Star III*, Gene Sydnor's *Astra*, and George Wayne Anderson's *Allons*.

It is said that the only design concession that Jim Mullen made on his 75-foot *Southern Star IV* was to accept an engine room with less than stand-up headroom.

The number-one genoa on *Southern Star IV* was purported to weigh 800 pounds, and, with her centerboard down, the boat reportedly drew over 20 feet.

Junior Week collage



## The Junior Program

Janelle L. Monnier  
Junior Division Commander

From Tom Roberts:  
Fully half of the registered Mobjacks at Fishing Bay were loaned to the Junior Week Team Sailors. Thanks to the following for their generosity: Miles Booth #10, Steve and Katie Wirt #176, Chris Tompkins #334, Bill McCathern #392, Jerry Desvernine #433, Tom Roberts #451, Dr. Tom Roberts #501 sailing as 330, and Tara Lytle #510. In addition Ron Buchanan lent his Lightning several days, Stuart Burnett lent his JY-15 and Kelly O'Toole's sister lent us their Flying Scot and Jim Lytle lent us his Flying Scot. We were also assisted on the power boat side by

Terry Blackwood who instructed and provided a power boat, Jeff Branflick who motored coaches with his Whaler and Murray Wright who tended our needs with his new Chapparel. Many thanks to Terry Blackwood, Jerry Desvernine and Tara Lytle who assisted with instruction and coaching and Harry Ludeman, Will Wake, Russell Branch, and Tom Sakach who assisted as Counselors-in-Training. We had 32 Juniors between the ages of 11 and 15 sailing in 8-10 boats every day and put some good miles on these boats. We were blessed with perfect weather for maximizing the experience. Hopefully these young sailors will have more opportunities to sail and race this summer and beyond. They showed a lot of improvement and the confidence levels were way up as the week progressed.

Please note Jan's new email address: [janellemonnier@msn.com](mailto:janellemonnier@msn.com)

## One Design Racing

John M. Buhl, III  
One Design Division Commander

### Spring Series Overall Results

#### Front Runner

- 1st—M. Braun
- 2nd—Red Dog, B. Spencer
- 3rd—Sling Blade, J. Williams
- 4th—C. Rouzie
- 5th—NeverNeverLand, M. Karn
- 6th—Big Red, W. Thorton

#### Mobjack

- 1st—Lunatic Fringe, J. Desvernine
- 2nd—Eventide, C. Collins
- 3rd—Mobjacket, T. Roberts
- 4th—Eli Banana, C. Whittemore

#### Flying Scot

- 1st—Sea Gull, P. Webb
- 2nd—Hot Scot, R. Bauer
- 3rd—Sloop John B., J. Berry
- 4th—Viking, J. Buhl

#### Flying Scot (cont'd)

- 5th—Mehitabel, A. Heyward
- 6th—D. Shostak
- 7th—D. Cycotte
- 8th—J. Gillespie

#### Laser

- 1st—B. Squires
- 2nd—A. Vincey
- 3rd—W. Bryde
- 4th—B. Warren
- 5th—D. Porter
- 6th—F. Murphy



## JUNIOR CORNER ... with Coach Blake

Howdy Juniors!

Junior week was an amazing success! Everyone had a blast and only a few minor injuries were recorded. It's safe to say that this junior week was by far the best.

Racing news includes the AYC Junior regatta, on Tuesday the 25th of June. We took Eliza Strickland, Franny Kupersmith, Miles Kimbrough, Betsy Carwile, Alex O'Toole, Quentin Jenkins and Mark Buchanan. Accomplishes to note were as follows: 1) Mark, at his very first regatta, finished fourth out of the eighteen boat green fleet 2) Quentin had a successful learning experience in the red, white and blue fleet 3) Betsy finished mid-fleet in her first time in the red, white and blue fleet 4) Eliza made headlines as an accomplished byte sailor, and finally 5) Everyone had a blast!

This regatta was truly fun, and we encourage you all to get involved. Special thanks are in order for the Kupersmiths for allowing us to stay with them the night before, for Kelly O'Toole and Ruthanna Jenkins for being the traveling parents and for Paul Howell's help with our motor boats. Without all of our volunteers, this regatta would not have been able to happen.

Sail fast,  
Coach Blake

### 2001 CBYRA Awards

- One Design Division
- Byte
- 1st—Caroline Garrett
- Junior Division
- Byte
- 4th—Frances Kupersmith

### 2002 Great Lakes Laser Championship

- Masters Division
- 1st—Alain Vincey

### 2002 Lightning Dixie District Regatta

- 21 boats
- 5th—Ron Buchanan

## FBYC Cruising Log

Samuel M. Stoakley, Jr.  
Cruising Division Commander

Non-Spin Zone  
With John Koedel

### Cruise to Indian Creek Yacht Club

Despite intermittent rain storms, four boats sailed to Indian Creek during the weekend of June 14-16, Nugget, Bay Breeze, Oriental Express and Magic.

Golfing and swimming on Saturday were followed by a delightful pot luck supper hosted by Ron and Ruthanna Jenkins, who recently joined FBYC. Including guests and those who drove, there were seventeen of us who gathered in the screened enclosure by the docks.

Thanks to Gordon and Sheila Nelson for the planning and to the Jenkins for their warm hospitality.

Alta Bower

We've taken a break from the big boat and have been focusing on the little boat, Hot Tub, our Opti. One son in Opti Kids and the other in Junior Week.

Below is a short list of up coming events:

**July 13/14 – Leukemia Cup**

**August 23 – Moonlight Race**

I hope to see a lot of you out there. There are still a lot of boats staying at the docks. Come on out and have some fun.

Enjoy your boats,

John

For PHRF rating info contact:

Mayo Tabb(804) 285-0404 mayo.tabb@liebert.com

John Koedel (804) 288-1565 jgkoedel@yahoo.com

## Cruise with Kids.....July 20 & 21, 2002

Hey kids, bring your parents or grandparents and join us for the Cruise with Kids. While the average age of this cruise will be well below the season's average cruise age, "kids" of all ages are welcomed and encouraged to tag along. It's only a short cruse to Fishing Bay! Emphasis is on fun for kids.

Itinerary: Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>

9:00am	Cruiser's Breakfast at Fanny's house (Fruit Loops, Lucky Charms, etc.)
10:30am	Depart Jackson Creek and cruise to Fishing Bay
1:30pm	Parent / Grandparent cannonball contest (kids judge) Blindfolded dinghy race (one adult & one kid per boat).....Scavenger hunt.....Special Awards
6:00pm	Cookout (hotdogs / hamburgers, drinks & setups)

Make your **reservations before July 17<sup>th</sup>** by making a check out to FBYC and mailing to:

John & Kara Koedel  
7102 Glen Parkway  
Richmond, VA 23229

Adults (\$5 per) \_\_\_\_\_  
Kids (\$3 per) \_\_\_\_\_  
Total \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

It will be frowned upon if you attend this event by car.

# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruising Regatta – July 27

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such as microwave, roller furling, towing a dinghy, and many more. The more amenities the better the handicap.

Renowned Race Chairman Case Whittemore will start us according to our handicap times so that the first boat to finish is first, the second to finish is second, etc. This makes the race a lot of fun with no crowds at the starting line and no calculations after the race.

Favor for each racing boat and trophies for the first four boats

Bring an hors d'oeuvre to share & BYOB at 6:00 in the club house  
Dinner & music after - \$10 per adult, \$7 children under 8 yr

Case needs time to calculate your handicap and starting time, so  
**fill out the form on the following page**  
**and give or send it to Case no later than July 24.**

Skipper's meeting at 10:30am on 7/27.

**We need to know by July 24 how many dinners are needed**

Call, email, or write **Allen & Alta Bower** for **dinner reservations** at:  
(757) 428-0733 boweraa@aol.com  
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## **Board Meeting Highlights** **(cont'd from page 2)**

**ONE-DESIGN DIVISION** – During the four days of the One-Design Spring Series, a total of six Front Runners, eight Flying Scots, four Mobjacks and six Lasers participated. Trophies will be awarded at the club July 4<sup>th</sup>. The small boat parking lot is almost at capacity. Lori and Doug Moyer wrote a race tabulation plan for one-design races that is working great.

**CRUISING DIVISION** – Upcoming cruising events in July are the Cruise with Kids and the Cruise Regatta.

**JUNIOR DIVISION** – Registration stands at 20 for OptiKids and 121 for Junior Week. The Junior coaches, Blake Kimbrough and Eric Bokinsky, are now on the job. Based on the lack of participa-

tion by Junior sailors in the Spring Series, Melanie Crittenden thinks a registration site online would be a good idea so that if no Juniors sign up to race then the race committee would not have to show up.

**FLEET LT.** – *Mr. Roberts* and the Seacraft have both had problems with leaks. Race committees are now leaving the committee boat much cleaner.

**PROTEST** - Wayland Rennie advised there was one protest during the Rappahannock series and that protest was resolved.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS** – Wayland Rennie thinks the club should begin planning for crew training classes for next spring. He said the MORC-sponsored crew training classes in the past have been excellent and many racing boats now have crew who came through that program. Mike

Karn advised that there will be some sort of crew training program held before fall but that it probably will not include as many sessions as were held in the past. Tom Roberts suggested that some of the Team Racing students should be ready to crew after Junior Week.

Strother Scott advised that the Annual Meeting/Awards Party will be held at the Country Club of Virginia again this year rather than moving it to the clubhouse in Deltaville.

Debbie Cycotte said she would like for the Board to consider holding an occasional Board meeting at the new clubhouse. Some Board members thought it was a good idea.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Cruise Regatta Form



**Junior Week**



**Art on Fishing Bay**

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# July 2002

Sun	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	2	3	4 Long Distance Race	5 HYC Junior Regatta State Opti's	6 Summer Seabreeze	
7	8 Membership Meeting	9 Board Meeting	10	11	12 Volvo Leukemia Cup Silent Auction	13 Volvo Leukemia Cup
14	15	16 West River Junior Regatta	17	18	19 Soloman's Island Race	20 Summer Seabreeze Cruise with Kids
21 Cruise with Kids Screwpile	22	23 HYC Bay Open Jr. Olympics	24 HYC Bay Open Junior Mini Camp	25	26	27 Cruise Regatta
28	29	30 Gibson Island Junior Regatta	31	<p>"....a smooth sea never made a skillful mariner." — english proverb</p>		

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Special thanks to Strother Scott, Tom Roberts, and Jere Dennison for providing photos for the July issue.

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