



FROM THE QUARTERDECK

DECEMBER 2015 / JANUARY 2016



TRY A NEW ACTIVITY AT FBYC THIS YEAR

As my year as Commodore begins, some background on my involvement at FBYC might be appropriate because it reflects how the many aspects of sailing can be meaningful for an entire lifetime.

During the 1960s I raced Penguins and Jolly Boats and cruised on my parents' wooden Alden cutter. Many adults at FBYC taught me skills necessary in becoming a good skipper; for example, Past Commodore Jean Ray examined me for a Scouting Sailing merit badge and presented a copy of *Chapmans Book of Seamanship* for passing the test. Our current Junior program takes this spirit of helping the next generation of sailors to extraordinary levels.

Nearly 40 years passed while my wife, Myra, and I were away from FBYC, raising a family and earning a living, with limited sailing opportunities. The love of sailing and good memories here brought me back when I retired. At first my goal was just to enjoy sailing *Pharos* with other like-minded cruisers, but slowly the other activities – grandchildren doing Junior Sailing; part ownership in a Flying Scot; crewing on PHRF (Non-Spin); serving on the Board; working on race committee – became part of our enjoyment here.

I am still a cruiser at heart, but now respect and know how all aspects of sailing are very important to the continued viability of our club.

This leads to my central theme this year: Encouragement for every member to try some new activities in the coming year.

This year we had several special events which were open to **everyone** in the club. Of particular note was our very successful Offshore Closing Day and Oyster Roast on Saturday, November 7. Virtually every event at FBYC is open, regardless of whether you can (or want) to sail in a particular event. All that is needed is to go to (fbyc.net), elect the "Social only" option, then register and pay the related social fee if there is one noted. If you are not familiar with this process, give me a call at (804) 516-1144 and I will be happy to give an overview of our website.

2015 is now history, and the planning for 2016 is already underway. Before we move on, I would like to comment on the Commodore's Ball and Annual Meeting. Our Social Chairs, Paul and Julie Ann Wash, ended their year with an event that was perfect in all aspects! When one entered the ballroom at The Commonwealth Club, the extensive decorations left no doubt that this was for sailors: There were large pictures of sailing action, nautical flags, colorful sails, nautical centerpieces and even golden Christmas ornaments made from oyster shells. These decorations were the backdrop for an excellent meal, lively music, and succinct award presentations.

We look forward to many more outstanding events in the coming year and, most importantly, seeing you at our wonderful club! ~ **William T. Bennett**



BOARD REPORT - November 2015

SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS FROM NOVEMBER
BOARD MEETING

November 12, 2015

HOUSE CHAIR –

- 1. New Tables and Chairs:** At the beginning of the season, we determined that it might be prudent, but not critical, to purchase six additional 6' tables that we would store upstairs at all times to avoid tearing up the trim when moving tables upstairs or downstairs. We should give some thought to the relative cost of purchasing the additional tables. We should consider the purchase of an additional 20-25 chairs that will stay with the 30 chairs that are already upstairs.
- 2. Bathroom Stalls:** The east bathhouse needs repair. Option A is to take out the old panels, sandblast them, paint and reinstall. Option B is to replace the existing panels with plastic partitions.
- 3. Freezer:** The existing freezer in the kitchen is on its last legs, but has gotten us through the season. The insulation on the lid is totally exposed and we should consider replacing the freezer before next season. A new freezer should cost less than \$1,000. (20 cu. ft. chest at Home Depot is \$675)
- 4. Motion Detectors:** The bathroom lights in Fannie's House and in Main Bathroom in Clubhouse stay on constantly if they aren't manually turned off. Particularly in the active season, this attracts bugs and causes additional costs in electricity use and bulb replacement. This is an item that should be handled when feasible. (Estimate \$250).
- 5. Garbage Cans:** More lidded 30 gal. garbage cans. Two to four for Main Clubhouse. (Estimate \$250)

DOCKS CHAIR – Water to the docks and pump out station has been turned off and will remain off until spring.

SOCIAL CHAIR – The Closing Day Oyster Roast was well-attended despite the weather.

GROUNDS CHAIR – General Summary:

- The last campus lawn mowing completed in early November
- Fall cleanup date is scheduled for Saturday, November 21st. To date, we have 15 member volunteers who have signed up or contacted me

Pool: The pool is closed for the season, with water lines purged and the cover installed.

Electrical: The Wi-Fi camera overlooking the Junior area has been installed.

Barn: The barn roof is buckling at the roof line in two places – either from water damage or wind. During the

last weather event, water leaked through the roof and saturated the One Design storage room floor on the west side of the building. In addition, the facility's roof and exterior walls need serious attention.

Grounds: Lighting has been installed for our new club sign. A landscape design is being considered.

Miscellaneous: Before EOY, our goals are to:

- Remove the old FBYC stand and sign from the location opposite Fannie's house, and seed and mulch the exposed ground
- Get Flag approval to donate the old sign to the Deltaville Maritime Museum's FBYC display
- Remove the old holly tree and existing stump/vines from the area near the dry sail lot/adjacent to road

MEMBER AT LARGE – There is one vacant Board position for 2016: **Adult Sailing Program Director.** Matt will serve in this position until a permanent director can be found.

WEB MASTER – The website will be undergoing some drastic internal changes to make it more modernized and user-friendly. Timing will be an important factor in this transition. The general user should experience no problems in using the website during this time.

FLEET CAPTAIN – Batteries have been inspected. Flags have been reconciled. Marks are accounted for and in good shape.

ONE DESIGN DIV. CDR – Eight boats participated in the final Laser Series – the scores will be compiled. Annual Flying Scot Award was contested this year; will review wording for future clarity.

CRUISING DIV. CDR – The Cruising Division Highlights: 16 events, five new cruise leaders, 80 boats and 200 members participated in total. The wine tours and Urbanna art tour were very popular this year. Cruiser participation in the Closing Day Oyster Roast was small; they may go back to hosting their own year-end dinner.

JUNIOR DIV. CDR – Mark Hayes:

Fall Race Teams: Since the October Board Report, the Fall Opti Race Team has sailed in three regattas, with excellent participation and results. Three of our sailors have accepted invitations to represent the United States in International competitions next year in the Netherlands and in Italy. Benton Amthor won the ACCs in October in Annapolis, with Guthrie Braun coming in 25th out of 201 boats. FBYC competed in and won an invitational regatta at the South Carolina Yacht Club. This regatta has gained excellent media attention, with articles in *Sail 1 Design*

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and *Scuttlebutt*. An article will also appear in the national *OptiNews* magazine about this regatta and the ACCs. Unless our team decides to attend the 2015 Midwinters in New Orleans, this completes the fall race schedule.

Planning for 2016: Planning for 2016 continues to be a priority, with training and transitioning the new Junior Division officers and volunteers.

Miscellaneous:

- Fawcett Boat Supplies has informed us that they have received our order, consisting of two new RIB covers and one new tow bar. Member Paul Almany will pick the order up in Annapolis for us.
- The new Commander and Lieutenant Commander are finalizing the 2016 schedule along with the Board's Scheduling Committee; and finalizing the detailed Junior Operating Budget and 2016 pricing.

CBYRA DELEGATE – 2016 CBYRA dues have been paid, and Tom Roberts will be attending the CBYRA annual meeting. Members are encouraged to contact him with any input that they have.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commodore Matt Braun shared that the local marina owners have made a presentation to the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors regarding their stance/position on the county boat tax. Matt has no follow-up on this meeting as of yet, but as details become available, he will share them.

Rear Commodore David Lennarz provided the Board with an update from the Middlesex Water Authority (MWA): As of October 14, 2015, 528 had committed to the program. This number is well-short of what was needed to go forward. The MWA is continuing to promote the program and they hope to come up with a revised, workable model. They have advised that they will have a "go or no-go" decision by mid-January.

NEW BUSINESS:

Two items as reported by Commodore Braun:

- PHRF: Splits to be voted on mid-December.
- The Middlesex County Dredge Fund. A request is going to be initiated to the Fund for dredging between #7 and #9 (east/west orientation).



NEW OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

During the 2015 FBYC Annual meeting, a quorum of our membership elected a new slate of Officers and Board Members to serve in 2015. Please welcome these members who have committed to serving our Club in the up coming year; and mark their names, because in their vigilance they need and welcome your input, your ideas for how we can improve, and your gratitude. They are as follows:

OFFICERS

- Commodore - William T. Bennett
- Vice Commodore - David Lennarz
- Rear Commodore - Robert P. Whittemore
- Treasurer - Stephan Quiriconi
- Secretary - Joseph W. Roos

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- Fleet Captain - William T. Schwarzschild, III
- Offshore Division Commander - Robert J. Fleck
- One Design Division Commander - Jon Deutsch
- Cruising Division Commander - Douglas J. Selden
- Junior Division Commander - Douglas S. Bendura
- Fleet Lieutenant - George W. Pongonis, III
- Log Streamer - Amy McGlynn
- House Chair - Caroline B. Garrett
- Docks Chair - David B. Clark
- Social Chair - Paul Wash
- Grounds Chair - Edward J. O'Connor
- Member at Large - Matthew J. Braun

COMMITTEES

- Offshore Division Lieutenant Commander - James L. Raper
- Offshore Division Race Chairman - Rebecca L. Wash
- One Design Division - Lieutenant Commander - Joe Nelson
- One Design Division Race Chairman - Borna Kazerooni
- Cruising Division Lieutenant Commander - John P. Galloway
- Junior Division Lieutenant Commander - A.L. Braun
- Protest Chairman - C. Mayo Tabb Jr
- Trophy Chairman - Geoffrey D. Cahill

SPECIAL NOTICES / MEMORIAM

- Regatta Committee Chairmen - Robert J. Fleck & Jon Deutsch & Paul Wash
- CBYRA Delegate - Thomas J. Roberts
- Adult Sailing Director - Matthew J. Braun [Acting]
- Long Range Planning - David S. Hinckle
- Webmaster - R. Strother Scott
- Finance Chairman - Mason T. Chapman
- Winter Program Chairmen - Greg & Kathy Ullman
- Marketing Chairman - John M. Buhl, III
- Historian - Joseph L. Dennison, Jr.
- Young Adult Member Chairman - John W. Collier, III

IN MEMORIAM



FANNIE B. THORNHILL
8.30.1922 – 2.23.2015

Fannie B. Thornhill, of Lynchburg, died on February 23, 2015 at Westminster Canterbury in Lynchburg. She was the daughter of Dr. Estes C. Kidd and Frances Wood Kidd. She was preceded in death by her husband, J. Steven Thornhill, and her daughter, Kim Thornhill Spencer. She is survived by her son, Steven L. Thornhill; her three grandchildren, Carrie Spencer Mitchell, Chris Spencer Haver, and Anne Spencer Carroll; and five great-grandchildren, Caroline Mitchell, John Mitchell, III, Sara Haver, Jason Haver, and Jesse Carroll. She and her husband, Steve, joined Fishing Bay Yacht Club in 1969 and were owners of a Morgan 30, *Innisfree*. In 1973, they built a home on Wilton Creek Road where they lived for 30 years. Fishing Bay Yacht Club elected Steve and Fannie to Life Membership in 1997. In late 2003, they left the Deltaville area to return to Lynchburg.

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IN MEMORIAM



MARIE (BRENDA) WOODSON ASCH
8.12.1960 - 12.6.2015

Marie(Brenda) Woodson Asch, 55, died peacefully Sunday, December 6, 2015, surrounded by her loving family and friends, after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born August 12, 1960, the third daughter of Gladys Lee Woodson and the late Howard Woodson in Arlington, VA. She attended James Madison University, receiving her bachelor's degree in information systems. After a short stint working in Information Systems at the Supreme Court of Virginia, she began her career at Crestar Bank and soon thereafter was transferred to the Richmond area. Driven by her love of fitness, Brenda opened and owned a fitness apparel shop and an additional fitness business, and became a personal trainer and group exercise instructor. Brenda was proudest of her current occupation loving wife and Mom. She is survived by her loving husband, Tommy, whom she adored; two sons, Ryan and Tyler; as well as her beloved cat, Louie. A memorial service was held on December 9 in Richmond. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Virginia Repertory Theatre or Challenged Athletes of West Virginia at Snowshoe Mountain Resort, 10 Snowshoe Dr., Snowshoe, W.Va. 26209.

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JUNIORS FINISH STRONG & GETTING READY FOR 2016!

FBYC Juniors finished out the fall sailing season with some of their most impressive results of the year competing in four major regattas ranging from as far north as Newport, RI to as far south as to Hilton Head ,SC.



FBYC Fall Opti Race Team at the ACC: Reese Bragg, Madeline Amthor, Guthrie Braun, Benton Amthor, Nathan Smith, Coach Bob Lippincott, Reed McAllister, Logan Hayes, John Vail and Josh Bendura

USODA South East Championship – Camp Sea Gull, NC

September 19th & 20th, our Fall Opti Race Team dominated at the 2015 USODA Southeast Championship! The regatta was held at Camp Sea Gull, on the Neuse River, in North Carolina. There were 86 boats on the water, and all of our kids had outstanding finishes, including 2nd, 4th, and 5th! That is three in the top five! Benton Amthor was 2nd overall, Nathan Smith was 4th overall, and Guthrie Braun was 5th overall. In addition, Reed McAllister was 1st in the White Fleet. We had a total of 10 kids who made the trip, and six scored in the top 23, qualifying them for the 2016 USODA Team Trials! Even our youngest and least experienced sailors did outstanding!

USODA Atlantic Coast Championship – Annapolis, MD

FBYC's own Benton Amthor WON the 2015 United States Optimist Dinghy Association Atlantic Coast Championship! The regatta was sailed October 24th & 25th at Annapolis Yacht Club. 201 boats competed in the Championship Fleet, not including the Green Fleet. The regatta was billed as the largest regatta ever hosted in Annapolis.

After a highly competitive and hard fought battle through the last race, Benton edged out the current United States National Champion for first place. Benton won 1st Overall and 1st in the Red Fleet. Teammate Reed McAllister was 8th in the White Fleet.

USODA Spring Team Qualifier – Newport, RI

The United States Optimist Dinghy Association Spring Team Qualifier was sailed October 10th-12th, in Newport, Rhode Island. There were 245 of the best Opti sailors from across the United States racing; all hoping to earn a spot on one of the USODA spring teams.

Our kids sailed fantastic; although we did have one scare. We had four members make the trip: Benton Amthor, who finished 22nd; Boyd Bragg, who finished 23rd; Nathan Smith, who finished 71st; and Guthrie Braun. Guthrie had finished as high as 4th in one race, but had to withdraw from the regatta due to a mild concussion he sustained when hit by his boom in the windy conditions. Our coach, Bobby Lippincott, was quickly on the scene with the



FBYC RIB to assist; but Guthrie got to watch the remainder of the racing with the adults on shore. We know he will be back winning races soon

Zim sailing sponsored the South Carolina Yacht Club Invitational Optimist Team Race event providing customized Optis that included our club burgees and sailors names!

South Carolina Yacht Club Invitational – Hilton Head, SC.

The Fall Opti Race Team won the inaugural South Carolina Yacht Club Invitational Optimist Team Race Regatta! The regatta was sailed November 7th-8th, in Calibogue Sound, near the entrance to Windmill Harbor, at Hilton Head, South Carolina. Our team was made up of Benton Amthor, Nathan Smith, Guthrie Braun and Reed McAllister; and was coached by our Spring/Fall Opti Coach, Bob Lippincott.

FBYC received the invitation to sail in the regatta last spring, along with Opti teams from the Chicago Yacht Club, the Edgewater Yacht Club, the Florida Yacht Club, and the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Ontario. The host

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club, South Carolina Yacht Club, also competed. The regatta consisted of a round-robin and final series. Our team won all but one race throughout the entire regatta!

Getting Ready for 2016

The Junior Division leadership team is gearing up for a great 2016. Mark your calendars now for some great Junior Activities! Registration opens February 1, 2016 for all activities and spaces will fill up fast!



Opti Kids: Half-days on June 11th, 12th and June 18th, 19th (two consecutive weekends). Perfect for our youngest beginning sailors, this program is taught in waist-deep water off our beach, and is designed to start our children sailing in a fun, carefree, and secure environment with hands on learning. No yelling and nothing but fun! A parent or guardian is required to assist in the class and get in the water. Ages 5 to 8 welcome.



Junior Week: June 20th through June 24th. Junior Week is our longest running event, and is still the centerpiece of our summer program. Sailors may choose from Beginner Opti, Advanced Beginner Opti, Intermediate Opti, Opti Racing, Advanced Opti Racing, Advanced Laser Racing, 420, Group sailing in keel boats, or assist as a Counselor in Training.

Private Lessons: May through August. We will again offer private lessons for individuals or groups of up to five sailors. Lessons are tailored to meet the needs of the individual or group, from a five-year-old taking his or her first tentative steps in sailing off our beach, to a pre-teen looking to build the confidence to sail alone on Fishing Bay, to an 18-year-old honing his or her racing skills and even adult beginners, and everyone in-between! The lessons will be taught in the Club's Optis, Lasers or 420s by the Opti Development Team coaches.

Fun Sail: July 9th. Join us for an afternoon of family fun in the Club's Optis! Activities will include fun races, a scavenger hunt and harbor cruise, followed by pizza at the club! The activities will be geared for ages 6 to 12. Be ready to have fun and enjoy sailing and good friends in a supervised, stress-free environment

Opti & Laser Development Teams: June 24th through August 14th. Originally conceived as stepping stone to the Race Teams, our development teams have grown into a force of their own! The sailors meet for practices or regattas Thursdays through Sundays; and in consideration of working parents and tired sailors, no session or regatta is mandatory. For most of the summer the team attends regattas close to home in the Southern Bay, where overnight stays are not required

Opti and Laser Race Teams: June 14th through August 14th. Fishing Bay Yacht Club's Junior Race Teams have grown into regional and nationally renowned organizations, attracting the best international coaches. These teams have the opportunity to sail six days a week and travel across the United States to outstanding regattas creating a lifetime of memories for sailors and parents alike.

FBYC Junior Regatta – June 25th & June 26th. Join us the weekend immediately following Junior Week for FBYC Junior Regatta. This is a great opportunity for sailors who have just completed Junior Week to leverage their skills on the race course in a fun environment.

Spring & Fall Racing Teams – Once again we plan to have professional coaches available on a per diem basis for junior sailors that are interested in spring and fall racing. Practices will be scheduled based on coach and participant availability. Spring Racing will run March 3rd – May 29th and Fall Racing September 3rd – November 26th.

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FALL OPTI RACE TEAM SHINES BRIGHT AT SOUTHEAST CHAMPIONSHIP AND SPRING TEAM QUALIFIER!!

Until three years ago, Camp Sea Gull had never hosted a major junior regatta, when the Camp won the bid to host the 2012 Southeast Championship. That regatta was run so well, and was so successful, that this year's event drew kids from across the Southeast, including Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida; and as far north as New York.

The racing was awesome! On Saturday the wind was steady from the northeast in the upper teens, with heavy chop on the Neuse River, with unlimited fetch. Sunday the winds laid down to under 10 knots. The USODA sends its own professional Principle Race Officer to its regattas, and local clubs and organizations provide the manpower. For this reason, sailors can depend on USODA events to be well run and safe. In addition to the racing, the shore facilities and organization was outstanding at Camp Sea Gull. Several of the families stayed in the cottages at the Camp, and ate on-site in the cafeteria; while others rented cottages nearby. The camp runs various programs through the fall, and utilized its professional staff to run the regatta. We had the run of the beautiful grounds, with a sandy beach for launching and a ramp for the coach RIBS. Our parents and the kids agreed that it was the best regatta they had ever attended!

Of the 10 kids we had racing at the Southeast Championship, six finished in the top quarter, which qualified them for the 2016 USODA Team Trials. The Team Trials is a single regatta held each year early in the spring to set the international teams representing the United States around the world that summer. A separate regatta, the Spring Qualifier, is held in the fall to set the teams for the early spring regattas. Only the top quarter of the finishers at the various USODA events are invited to the Team Trials, and based on their performance at Team Trials, are then invited to join the international teams. Benton, Nathan, and Guthrie had qualified at earlier regattas; and at the Southeast Championship, John Vail, Reed McAllister and William Cornell also qualified. Altogether, FBYC has qualified 10 members to race at the 2016 Team Trials! In 2015 we had five kids compete at Team Trials, and four received invitations to represent the United States in international regattas, with two accepting and competing overseas.

Over the next few weeks invitations will be extended by the USODA for the spring international regattas based on this past weekend's results, and our sailors will likely receive invitations based on their strong finishes. Then in the spring, 10 of our kids are invited to compete at the Team Trials-to be held in San Francisco! Look for updates in future Logs.

Final Results SE Championships-86 Optis sailing

Overall 2nd Benton Amthor (2nd in Red Fleet); 4th Nathan Smith (3rd in Red Fleet); 5th: Guthrie Braun (2nd in Blue Fleet); 20th: John Vail; 22nd: Reed McAllister (1st in White Fleet); 23rd: William Cornell; 28th: Josh Bendura; 55th: Madeline Amthor; 63rd: Ava Cornell. Chase Brewer, who raced on our Opti Development Team in 2015, sailed in his first USODA Regatta, and loved it!

Final Results Spring Team Qualifier-245 Optis sailing

Overall 22nd: Benton Amthor; 23rd: Boyd Bragg; 71st: Nathan Smith



The following is a list of all of the 2015 recipients of the club's perpetual trophies.

HENRY E. HUTCHESON, JR. MEMORIAL TROPHY – awarded to the Optimist skipper with the highest standing in Sanctioned Regattas and intra-club races. **Benton Amthor**

JUNIOR COMPETITION TROPHY – awarded to the Junior skipper (or skippers) who has most successfully represented FBYC in sailboat racing events conducted by other yacht clubs or associations during the Regular Racing Season. **Benton Amthor**

L. WOOD BEDELL TROPHY – awarded to the FBYC sailor under the age of 14 who is the highest finisher in FBYC races during the Regular Racing Season. **Guthrie Braun**

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YOUNG SALT TROPHY – awarded to the Junior FBYC Optimist sailor having the highest overall standing in club Junior regattas. **Guthrie Braun**

ROBERTS BOWL – awarded to the Junior sailor who has shown the most interest in sailing as evidenced by enthusiasm, improvement in sailing techniques, awareness of the rules of water safety and cooperation with the members of the Junior program. **Luke Hayes**

REID A. DUNN TROPHY – awarded to the member of the Junior Program between the ages of 14 and 18 who has demonstrated outstanding sailing abilities by placing highest in FBYC races during the Regular Racing Season. **Garrett Levy**

CAROLINE COLLINS TROPHY – awarded to the young lady having the highest standing in the FBYC Junior Regattas. **Reese Bragg**

UP AND COMING TROPHY – awarded to an Optimist sailor under 15 years of age who has shown great promise on and around the racecourse. Walter Angus & **Chase Brewer**

BECCA BOAT TROPHY – awarded to the FBYC junior who most exemplifies Becca's devotion to FBYC (Rebecca Clary Harris, a former FBYC junior) – **Swayne Sparkman**

PATRICK A GIBSON MEMORIAL TROPHY – awarded to the one design class showing the highest level of participation in club Sanctioned races during the sailing season based on the number of boats enrolled in the class and the total number of starters in club Sanctioned races. J/70 Fleet - **Blake Kimbrough**

BLANTON BOWL – awarded to the Laser skipper with the highest standing in Sanctioned Regattas and intra-club races. **Jonathan M. Deutsch**

WAYLAND W. RENNIE CRUISING AWARD – awarded to a FBYC member in recognition of outstanding contributions to the Cruising Division. **William & Lydia Strickland**

COMPETITION TROPHY – awarded to the skipper of a FBYC enrolled yacht who has most successfully represented FBYC in sailboat racing events conducted by other yacht clubs during the past year. **Gannon Troutman**

OFFSHORE DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY – awarded to the FBYC skipper of the outstanding Offshore Division enrolled yacht as determined by an objective standard applied over the Regular Racing Season. **Mad Hatter - Robert J. & Lisa Fleck**

ALLEN B. FINE TROPHY – awarded to the outstanding crewman of a FBYC yacht. **John Wake**

SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY – awarded to the Offshore Division skipper who displays the best sportsmanship in the Regular Racing Season. **Glenn Doncaster**

CLINARD CUP – FBYC's newest award is the Clinard Cup. This award was donated by former Commodore Noel Clinard, FBYC's first J/70 Owner and the founder and first Fleet Captain of J/70 Fleet 5. It is awarded to an FBYC J70 yacht for both participation and performance in FBYC events and J/70 Class travel events. **E.L.E. Matt Braun Family and its Loyal Crew**

THE HUBARD TROPHY – awarded to the outstanding woman sailor of FBYC. **Lisa Fleck**

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

Fishing Bay Challenge Bowl (Commodore designates each year) – awarded to the FBYC member/skipper who receives the best overall score for the season in the Opti Development Team – **Walter Angus**

COMMODORES' BOWL – awarded on an alternating year basis to the outstanding Offshore or One Design skipper in FBYC sponsored sailing events for the year based on performance and participation. **Mad Hatter - Robert J. and Lisa Fleck**

PIANKATANK TROPHY – awarded to the skipper of a FBYC enrolled yacht whose actions during the sailing season best exemplify the principle that "all is not lost until the boat sinks." **Robert Fleck & Glenn Doncaster**

MATTHEW FONTAINE MAURY BOWL – awarded for outstanding contributions to FBYC. **Mark & Michelle Hayes**

BAKER BOWL – awarded to the Flying Scot skipper with the highest standing in Sanctioned Regattas and intra-club races. **John Wake**

NOTT MEMORIAL TROPHY – awarded to the skipper of the Flying Scot finishing the greatest number of Sanctioned and Non-Sanctioned FBYC sponsored Flying Scot events during the calendar year. **John C. Beery**

PERFORMANCE TROPHY – awarded to the FBYC enrolled yacht finishing the greatest number of club-sponsored PHRF races. Schiehallion - **Brad Miller**

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WINDWARD START TROPHY – awarded to the FBYC enrolled PHRF-B yacht with the best score in the Offshore Fall Series. **Mad Hatter - Bob & Lisa Fleck**

BARBER TROPHY – awarded to the PHRF-C skipper who beat the most competitors during the Regular Racing Season. **Cheeky Monkey - Julie Ann and Paul Wash**

2015 PERPETUAL TROPHIES

(Awarded at Event)

JOHN R. HAWKSWORTH MEMORIAL TROPHY – awarded to the skipper of the one design class in the club's Annual One Design Regatta with a minimum average number of five starters per race and with the lowest score as calculated by the formula detailed in the Sailing Instructions for the event. **Guthrie Braun**

BRENTON S. HALSEY, JR. MEMORIAL TROPHY – awarded to the winner of the Stingray Point Regatta. **Nostalgia - Blake Kimbrough**

CHESAPEAKE LASER MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY – awarded to the winner of a series of races in Lasers sailed by persons 35 years of age or older. **Mike Heckey**

POTTS SOUTHERN BAY CHALLENGE CUP – awarded to the team of boats having the lowest total points during the Stingray Point Regatta. **Hampton Yacht Club**

HICKS TROPHY – awarded to the winner of the FBYC's One Design Long Distance Race (that race was cancelled this year so it was award to the winner of the One Design boat in the Open House Regatta). **Mark Stephens**

CRUISERS: Although we are planning for the upcoming season, one piece of old business must be addressed. At the end of the 2014 sailing season the decision was made to hold an end of season event dinner/oyster roast, rather than continue with a separate cruising dinner. The one event would be at the club continuing use of our great facility and to have an all club function with all members participating in the event. There were cruisers who were disappointed with that decision, and as a result, the cruising division will have a dinner at the end of the 2016 sailing season similar to those held in the past.

As indicated, planning is underway for the next sailing season. In the last several years dates for events began with the previous year's dates and adjusted from there depending on who volunteered and when the event fit into the chair's schedule. Currently there are two events

proposed for 2016. Tony and Kate Sakowski are working on a two-week cruise for the summer. The goal would be to visit towns and creeks that are usually overlooked or those that have not been visited recently. The second cruise is Charlie and Stella Jones leading the club back to the July 4th celebration at St. Mary's College in Maryland. One finds a great anchorage in the St. Mary's River, a visit to the college with dinner in the school dining hall and outdoor concert. A trip to St. Mary's will take about four days. This does not mean that there cannot be a weekend July 4th cruise to Urbanna to see the fireworks! Last year's cruise was very well attended.

What is needed? First, if you are interested in leading a cruise please let John Galloway, galloway.johnp@gmail.com, or me, djeselden@gmail.com, know your thoughts. Questions about how to organize a cruise are answered in the description of the Cruising Division in the Yearbook. Please call or email with any additional questions. Second, let us know if there are any destinations that you would like to visit but don't feel comfortable leading a cruise at this time. Please remember the club is a volunteer organization and we go where and when members wish. Specific details of a cruise can be added on the website later and in listed in the best information available to meet the deadline set for the Yearbook.

Concerning cruises: Each year the cruising division tries to get a balance between longer distance events with longer legs and shorter versions that better accommodate boats under 35 feet, working parents, and families. Last year there were approximately seven shorter cruises that started with a meal or drinks on Friday evening and ended at the club on Sunday. Encourage members you know to participate in these cruises.

Email addresses: Many of us have changed our addresses recently and club information has not always caught up with those changes. Go to the club website and log on. Click on your name to see your personal information, including email address. You may change your address at this time. Please check with the executive secretary if you continue to miss emails or wish to change your club lists to which you belong.

Summary: Let John Galloway, Cruising Lt. Commander or Doug Selden, Cruising Division Commander, know if you would like to chair a cruise, have great destinations in mind or questions. Thank you for your participation and we look forward to seeing you on the water!

Perfect Jackson Creek Location, Biking & Walking Distance to Fishing Bay Yacht Club
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