



FROM THE QUARTERDECK

JULY 2023



JUNIOR SAILING BUILDS COMMUNITY

The month of June is highlighted by the flurry of activity that is the beginning of our Junior programs for the summer and what an epic start it has been!

The core of Fishing Bay Yacht Club's success is that it provides a unique experience that can be shared with friends and family. **The Junior Sailing Program** has been a centerpiece of those experiences for so many families, some for generations. I think that everyone who loves to sail also has a passion for teaching others the sport and craft - our many junior programs are only made possible by the tremendous volunteer efforts that enthusiasm inspires.

Once again, with the kind and thoughtful leadership of Parker and Kim Garrett, our junior programs helped many new sailors and their families experience sailing at the best venue in the world to learn it. Our Opti Kids program was led by Jim and Ashley Clary and it was wonderful to see all of our first-time sailors have a great time and get hands-on instruction from our coaches, who are alumni from our Junior Race Teams and are now giving back. This program really brings families to the club, as it is often a parent (or grandparent!) in the water helping coach, while others in the family watch, cheer and encourage nearby. I got to see this enthusiasm first hand as a younger sibling watched his brother sail and proudly said he would be joining in next year!

Junior Week was packed to capacity again this year, with 155 kids and young adults participating. Volunteerism was on full display, with 80 total volunteers (including 35 coaches) dedicating a full week's time to prepare, teach, support, and manage - this event is an amazing FBYC community accomplishment. It was even more impressive this year as the weather was not as cooperative as we had hoped for, but great fun was had by all. Thank you to everyone who volunteered - you made a difference!

I also want to take a moment and thank our dedicated staff, Brian Ankrom and Ben Boone, for going above and beyond this year (and every year) to make these programs possible. Having so many members and guests on campus for 10 straight days takes a lot of preparation and hard work, but their efforts were key to our club delivering a memorable experience to all.

I owe a special "Thank You" to everyone who jumped in and helped with the Commodore's Dinner before Junior Week - with most of the Wensell family out sick, our FBYC family helped in every way to share our appreciation for our dedicated Junior Week volunteers. We could not have done it without you!

The success of Junior Week often translates to the Junior Regatta and this year was no exception! An amazing 35 sailors did their first racing in the Opti Green Fleet, which is a great indicator of future participation. Including this fleet, we had a total of 110 boats out racing across Opti, ILCA and 420s, with race teams attending from around the Bay. I would especially like to thank Steve Utley for his leadership of this event, Elizabeth Staas for leading a welcoming social and our PROs Caroline Patrick and Mike Karn for providing a weekend of great racing under challenging conditions! A great time was had by all thanks to you and your teams.

As our Junior programs drive member engagement in the club, it is also important to recognize how critical they are to building our membership. Every year, a high percentage of our total new members join with the intent of giving their family the experiences these key programs enable - once they do, they are so often members for life and expand their participation into our other divisions and many social activities.

Congratulations to all involved for an amazing start to the summer - I can't wait to see what FBYC does next!

~ Mark Wensell, Commodore

SPECIAL NOTICES / SOCIAL



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

You're invited

INVITING FRIENDS TO JOIN FBYC JUST GOT EASIER

We've updated our membership application and made it easier than ever to submit. Our new 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!



STORMY WEATHER LEADS TO FUN OPEN HOUSE SOCIAL

Despite the weather, the crowds showed up for cheers, dinner and dancing over Memorial Day Weekend. The weather did not work out for us for sailing but we still had fun!

New members, seasoned members and guests enjoyed a Happy Hour Showcase where members were on hand to discuss cruising, one design, junior week and more. A fried chicken dinner was served and a rocking DJ finished the night with dancing! Thank you to the volunteers and to everyone for coming out and making this event a success!



RACING

Photo from 2022 Jere Dennison Legacy Regatta Event.



**JERE DENNISON LEGACY REGATTA EVENT NOTICE
SATURDAY - AUGUST 5, 2023**



This event is held to honor Jere Dennison who served in FBYC leadership roles for over 40 years. While his achievements with the Club are too numerous to mention, he was the Club's youngest Commodore, created the Club's comprehensive Austin Memorial Library, and was Club Historian for over 15 years.

Jere was an avid one-design sailor who completely understood that sailing is a lifelong adventure - an ancient legacy to be passed on from generation to generation!

NOTICE The event information below, used in conjunction with the General One Design Notice of Race, comprises the complete **NOTICE OF RACE** for this Special Event.

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

The Classic Division is open to any Classic boat design of 25' length or under at the waterline. The Portsmouth Yardstick DPN Handicap System will be used to score finishes in the Classic Division - see <https://rb.gy/v074b> (DPN-2 rating).

If there is a Classic Boat Division (3 or more boats) and other one design boats not comprising a fleet (3 or more like boats), these non-fleet one design boats may compete against each other and be scored in a separate Portsmouth Fleet. If neither the Classic Boats nor the non-fleet one design boats have enough entries (3 or more boats) to have their own separate Portsmouth Fleet, they may compete together and be scored in a single Portsmouth Fleet. These scenarios along with Division / Fleet separate or combined starts will be addressed / designated by the Race Chair prior to the start of the first race.

A determination of a yacht's qualification as a Classic design and the assignment of ratings for yachts that may not have an official Portsmouth Handicap Rating will be made by the Regatta Organizational Committee. **Therefore advance registration for those entering to race in this division is strongly encouraged.**



RACING / AOD / CRUISING

ENTRIES Skippers must be at least 60 years of age on race day. Skippers wishing to compete for the Vintage Skipper Award must be at least 70 years of age on race day. Registrants can be viewed on Regatta Network.

REGISTRATION Advance registration by eligible boat skippers is expected on Regatta Network. Skippers competing for the Vintage Skipper Award will receive a designation ribbon at check-in to attach to the mainsail.

LATE REGISTRATION, CHECK IN 0900-1000 at the porch of the main clubhouse.

SKIPPER'S MEETING Will be held at 1030.

RACING The warning signal for the first start will be at 1200 followed by up to four races.

SOCIAL Refreshments and the traditional event cookout will be provided after the conclusion of racing.

AWARDS Place winners will be announced and the awards will be distributed to participants during the conclusion of the Event.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY Competitors participate in a regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Fishing Bay Yacht Club, the organizing authority, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



We hope to see you there!



84th Annual One Design
REGATTA • FBYC
JULY 22 & 23, 2023

AOD NOTICE

Join us for the 84th Annual One Design Regatta at Fishing Bay Yacht Club on July 22-23. We've got two days of racing and camaraderie planned for a new earlier weekend on July 22-23. Look for fleets of Flying Scot, ILCA 6, ILCA 7, Melges 15, Hampton One Design, San Juan 21, Optimist (Red, Blue, White and Green fleets) and Portsmouth Handicap class. The low fee covers registration while dinner, shirts and commemorative bottomless beer glasses are available for purchase. - Jon Deutsch



Be sure to register early to get yours while supplies last!
Scan the QR code.



JUNE 24TH CRUISING EVENT RECAP

Rain and lack of wind did not dissuade the Cruising Group from enjoying a fabulous time at Ditchley Cider Works in Kilmarnock on June 24th. In the interest of full disclosure, all but a few hardy souls came by car. We were given a tour of the totally restored, 1670 vintage Manor House followed by hors d'oeuvres featuring farm made sausage. Everyone was able to taste their cider and have a fabulous meal. The anchorage near DCW's dock is well protected and peaceful. For those of us who drove, all I can say is let's try again next year. – **Ron Ricci**

ADULT SAILING

Photo taken by Kara Koedel.
The Social chair was in the kitchen.



THE JUNE 21ST CLUB BOAT & ADULT SAILING FESTIVAL IS IN THE BOOKS

This event is designed to introduce more sailors to the joy of sailing a small boat in FBYC's amazing Piankatank area. We offered sailing instruction for all levels, in Club Boat and privately owned Flying Scots.

Yes Virginia—there really are beaches, dolphins, blue and green herons, ospreys, and more minutes off our Fishing Bay dock.

Fishing Bay, a popular anchorage, is a great place to check out boats from near and far. Anchored boats and government navigational marks are often our “training buoys” used to teach/learn boat handling skills. We simply tack on the lay line to the “pirate ships’ stern.



All told, some 21 Members and non-members participated as students, independent sailors, party crashers or event staff volunteers.

Special thanks to our volunteer staff: Coaches Joe Nelson, Holly Sears, Rick Peterson, and Gene Kendal; Safety Boat: Joe Nelson and Geoff Cahill; Social: Ruthanna Jenkins (pulled chicken Barbeque, coleslaw, and a fruit plate for the event social and supplies for “smores” on the beach). Ron Jenkins organized the event and lit/put out the beach bon fire. Joe Nelson holds the record for most marshmallows burned.

A second event of this type is scheduled for July 1.
Sign up at: <https://rb.gy/g6sfc>

You can purchase and annual Club Boat Subscription (\$100/year), free to first year members, reserve a Club Boat for Private use, or set up a private sailing lesson from our Collegiate sailing instructors at: <https://www.fbyc.net/sailing/adult-sailing/>

Lessons and events are open to both members and non-members. Club boat subscriptions are for members only.

2023 JUNIOR EVENTS ARE UNDERWAY!



ADULT SAILING



WOMEN'S SAILING CLINIC EVENT NOTICE
AUGUST 12TH AND 13TH, 2023

DESCRIPTION Back by popular demand for Fishing Bay ladies and non-members alike! A two day sailing/ racing clinic for women of all degrees of experience and age, with a combination of classroom learning and on-the-water time.

Club-owned Flying Scot sailboats will be primarily used for the on-the-water portion. If you have another boat you would like to use/bring, we welcome that, and please mention it in the comments when you sign up.

The Event Chair will coordinate your spot on a boat. The clinic will have two class offerings. **Choose your preferred class when you register. If you have your own boat, that is encouraged and let us know.**

- 1. Sailing Basics (beginners):** For the novice or someone with a bit of sailing knowledge but wants to review the foundations again. We cover basic sailing theory and gaining comfort with boat handling and various skills as a crew member; not racing focused. You can be a skipper or crew when on the water, depending on your comfort level. We encourage all ladies to have some time on the helm to get comfortable sailing! Instructor: TBD.
- 2. Racing Fundamentals class:** For those familiar with racing or wanting to learn to race. We cover

improving boat handling skills in racecourse settings, increasing "tiller time", racing strategy and tactics. You can be a skipper or crew, depending on your comfort level. Instructor: Holly Sears, has been leading and teaching small boat courses for 20 years. She has ASA keelboat certification, US Sailing Race Committee training, and US Sailing Level 1 Instructor certification. She is involved with adult sailing lessons throughout the summer and we look forward to the enthusiasm she will bring to the class!

EVENT CHAIR Caroline Patrick and Jess Deutsch are the co-Chairs for this event.

ENTRY FEE \$10 for club members – a great member perk! \$160 fee for non-members if using club-owned boat. \$100 for non-members if bringing a boat to use.

REGISTRATION Advance registration for clinic is required here. There are limited spots due to availability of boats. Save your spot today!

CHECK IN
9:00 - Student check-in
9:30-10:30 - Chalk talk.
10:30-11:00 - Head to boats already in water at dock.

ADULT SAILING

11:00-12:30 On the Water training.
12:30 Return to dock and have lunch (BYO).
1:30-4:00 Chalk talk and continued instruction on the water, return to dock, leave boats at dock, and de-brief.
4:00- Social

Sunday:

9:00 meet at the main clubhouse.
9:15 -10:30 Chalk talk
10:30-11:00 Head to boats already in water at dock.
11:00-4:00 On the water training (BYO Lunch on or off the water), Return to dock, leave boats at dock, de-brief.
4pm- Quick snack and refreshment as ladies depart.

SOCIAL Snacks and refreshments will be served at the end of both days



1ST ANNUAL RESCUE REGATTA
Friday, August 18 – Saturday, August 19, 2023

Join us for a fun filled weekend of sailboat racing, fund raising, dinners and music, all to support the **Middlesex County Volunteer Rescue Squad**. Be a part of the inaugural Rescue Regatta by raising a sail and some dollars for this very important cause.

The weekend starts with event registration, skippers meeting and a welcome party on Friday evening at Safe Harbor Marina Stingray Point.

Saturday features a staggered start pursuit race for all boats around a set of government marks, finishing in the afternoon. This pursuit race will be run with an emphasis on maximizing the fun. All racers are encouraged to bring family & friends out to participate in the racing and the fundraising. Saturday evening will feature a celebration with dinner and music at the Middlesex County Rescue Squad in Deltaville, VA.

Friday, August 18, 2023

1600 – 1800 Registration Check-in
1800 – 1830 Skippers' Meeting
1830 – 2100 Dinner & Music

Saturday August 19, 2023

0700 – 0900 Registration Check-in
1100 – Warning Signal for 1st Start
1830 – 2200 Dinner/Awards/Music

Click here for more information:

<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/26037>

FBYC TRADEWINDS

ONLINE CLASSIFIEDS:

www.fbyc.net/classifieds/ or go to Webtools then Classifieds to view or place an online classified ad.

FOR RENT: Spacious Stove Point cottage on Fishing Bay. 4 BR, 3 full baths, plus detached guest house with bedroom and full bath. Pool and new dock, magnificent sunsets! \$1800/wk, plus \$100 cleaning fee; \$6500/month. Contact Nancy Potts: 860-767-2991 (home), 860-395-6451 (cell), email: nancy.potts48@gmail.com

FOR RENT: Jackson Creek Harbour Condo for Rent 3 Bdrm Townhouse waterfront condo, 3BR w/ 2 Qns, and 2 Singles or Qn, 2 ½ baths, fully equipped, CATV, Wifi, Pool, Tennis Ct; \$1200/wk. Contact Noel Clinard 804-338-4066.

FOR RENT: Main House at Rosegill. 5 BR house on large farm at Urbanna with pool, dock, beach and great walks. High speed internet. Four night minimum rentals through VRBO at www.vrbo.com/833711 or call Strother Scott 804-405-5999

FOR RENT: Waterfront Property Overlooking the Chesapeake Bay and Piankatank River. Magnificent views! Located near Stingray Point on a private 1-acre lot with a sandy beach and a dock. 4 Bedrooms, 1 full bath. 2 bedrooms with King beds, 1 bedroom with 2 bunk beds. Guest house with 2-twin beds. Living room, laundry room and newly renovated, state of the art kitchen. Access to 2 kayaks, a Sunfish sailboat, life jackets and 3 crab traps. Deck with grill and picnic table. Clean linens provided, W/D, heat/air-conditioning, Wi-Fi, cable. \$2,300/week. \$300 deposit. \$125 cleaning fee. Please contact Greg Ullmann 410-207-7751 (cell) or gregullmann@yahoo.com

FOR RENT: Family Tides. Entire home across from J&W conveniently located just minutes from FBYC. Master BR first floor and open floor plan LR/DR. Dormitory-style BR upstairs, sleeps 4, plus second full bathroom. Wifi and Cable TV. Perfect for your family of 6! Plenty of parking for your boat and cars. Visit us at <https://www.airbnb.com/h/StayAtFamilyTides> or Contact Mark Crews: Mark@CodeShoppe.Net (540) 840-3404

FOR SALE: Byte Sailboat. New running rigging, blade bag and hiking strap. Dolly included. Garage kept in Hartfield VA. Asking \$600.00 OBO. Contact: Carrie Russell, 804-218-0414, carrierussell@aol.com

FOR SALE: Laser for Sale! Race Ready (newer hardware installed, BOTH Regular and Radial Rigs and Sails—some in great condition. Great practice and Race Sails available as well as corresponding sail bags, dolly, new cover and ready to race. Can be packaged with a Classic Sunfish as well for a sweet offer. Elizabeth Staas estaas@comcast.net

FOR SALE: Classic Sunfish for Sale - Beautiful classic sunfish for sale. Classic rainbow sale, aged but sales well. Trailable/and manual push dolly and new cover come with. Can be packaged with Laser Reg/Rad Rig as well for a Sweet Offer Elizabeth Staas estaas@comcast.net

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

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/>



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