

**From the Quarterdeck**  
**David Hazlehurst, Commodore**

In last months Log I told you August would be a busy month and it was. The weekend with the Mobjack Nationals, J-24 match racing and the first session of Dog Days was as good as it gets.

And the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual OD Regatta went well despite the intervention of Hurricane Charlie. We had 50 boats racing, all but 17 from FBYC, thereby restoring my confidence in club sailors being willing to get wet after my doubts were raised in Spring, 2003.

Clearly the skippers made the right decision to go out and do what they came for, race. While we were limited to 2 races on the Spinnaker course and 3 on the non-spinnaker course on the first day the Optimists got in 5 races. And after the racing everything went according to plan, except for the deluge.

Some observations. Despite the concerns for safety and getting boats back to shore in the event the hurricane came through faster than we



**York River Yacht Club Wins The Brent Halsey Jr. Memorial Trophy**  
**Chris Wayman, Greg Wagner, Mike Austin (Skipper) , Jill Wagner, and Carey Hardsesey of Movin On (Beneteau FC8 25.7) Accept Honors**  
**From Commodore Hazlehurst**

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expected, we neglected to raise the "Y" flag on both outside courses. It is my opinion that Juniors, and single handed sailors, should always be required to wear life jackets while away from shore. We could usefully look at our sailing instructions and hopefully decide to add this provision. Many other clubs do. In the J-24 match races a visiting sailor from North Carolina was hit on the head by an errant boom and knocked overboard, a near disaster with a happy ending.

Off the water Dog Days bring other concerns. We have a club rule that you can all read on page 86 of the

Sailing Events Book. We are getting regular complaints from members about some few members who are not respecting this rule. It is understandable that visitors do not know what our expectations are, as we found out during the Mobjack Nationals, even though the Notice of Race asked competitors to leave their animals at home, or put them in a kennel. Enough said.

One final observation. We are making progress towards using our new property; and your comments on our proposals, as requested in the Au-

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## Board Meeting Highlights

August 12, 2004

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Commodore David Hazlehurst.

**REAR COMMODORE – LUD KIMBROUGH**

**SECRETARY – John Wake** held a membership meeting August 9.

**TREASURER – Paul Howle** presented a Year-to-Date Income and Expenses comparison covering the same time period from the 2003 fiscal year.

**LOG – Steve Gillispie** advised that he

has received a lot of mail from members complaining about dogs on the property. More signs will be posted on club grounds. Dogs are permitted on club grounds only when on a leash being taken from a member's car to their boat.

**DOCKS – Tony Sakowski** asked why the pump-out station has not been repaired and was advised the problem is finding a plumber to do the work. Randy Alley and Alex Alvis reported that many slips on the middle and east docks are without electric power. Duke Marine has been called to make the repairs to the outlets.

**GROUNDS – Chip Hall** advised that there is a new entrance to the new land near the Junior shed. There have been ongoing delays in putting the power lines underground. The septic tanks have been undergoing some work and the pump-out schedule has been adjusted. Dock fenders have been installed on the Fishing Bay dock. Chip plans to have a Fall Clean Up Day but has not decided on a date. Chip has distributed the Short Term Plan for the new land to the members of the Community Advisory Board and has received no response. He plans to set up a September 12 meeting with the group to bring them up-to-date on events.

**OPERATIONS MANAGER – Lud Kimbrough** discussed a work order system that he is setting up for any job that will take more than 6-8 hours for Brandy to complete or that will necessitate hiring someone to do the job. The work order forms will be distributed to those Board members who normally request that Brandy perform maintenance jobs. The barn on the new property has been cleared out.

**WEB MASTER – Strother Scott** is encouraged by the number of online registrations.

**VICE COMMODORE – JAY BUHL**

**OFFSHORE DIVISION – Randy Alley** has been in contact with Steve Wrigley, a Certified Senior Judge for US Sailing, who lives in Chesterfield County. Wrigley would like to work with the club on some of our events. Jay Buhl asked about the registration pricing for the Stingray Point Regatta. There is a \$25 penalty for late registration.

### APPLIED FOR MEMBERSHIP:

**D'Antonio, Mr. & Mrs. Steven C. (Steve & Sandra)**, P.O. Box 111, Wake, VA, 23176. Steve is a life-long boater and sailor and his family is interested in sailing, cruising and boating. Steve and Sandra have two children, James (age 14) and Kate (age 9). Steve has an impressive sailing background, having sailed as a boy in Long Island Sound and then sailing in a 3-month, 1,800 nm passage about the Sea Education Association of Woods Hole 120-foot staysail schooner *Westward* as a college senior. He has worked in the boat building and marine repair business since 1988 and is a professional marine journalist and photographer. He is currently the Technical Editor of *PassageMaker* magazine, and contributing editor or regular contributor to *Cruising World*, *Ocean Navigator* and *Professional Boat Builder* magazines. Steve also lectures for various publications and organizations, including US Sailing's Safety at Sea seminar series at the US Naval Academy, US Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point and various other locations around the country. Sponsors: Robert E. Walker; Arthur E. Wilton, Jr.

**Hargrove, Mr. & Mrs. Frank D. Jr. (Frank & Elizabeth)**, 319 South James Street, Ashland, VA, 23005. Frank Jr. is the son of Oriana and Frank Hargrove and is a former Junior member of FBYC. He participated in what was likely the first Junior Week in the late 60's. Frank and Elizabeth spend time in Deltaville with their children, Oriana (age 15), Sarah (age 13) and Frank III (age 12). The children have been involved in the club's Junior Week activities and their interest in sailing is growing. The family would like to become more involved in FBYC activities. Sponsors: Frank D. Hargrove; Rick & Dale Alderman.

**Hargrove, Mr. & Mrs. Stewart R. (Stewart & Lynn)**, 16637 MLC Lane, Rockville, VA, 23146. Stewart is the son of Oriana and Frank Hargrove and a former Junior member of FBYC. Stewart and Lynn spend time in Deltaville with their children, Stewart (age 15), Mark (age 13) and Mollie (age

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2004 FBYC Officers	
	<b>Commodore</b> David Hazlehurst
	<b>Vice-Commodore</b> John M. Buhl
	<b>Rear-Commodore</b> Lud Kimbrough, III
	<b>Treasurer</b> Paul W. Howle, III
	<b>Secretary</b> John B. Wake, Jr.
	<b>Log Streamer</b> Steve Gillispie

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**IN MEMORIAM**  
**WADE H. ARLEDGE, JR.**  
**9/16/28 – 8/27/04**

Wade H. Arledge, Jr., 9180 Thyme Court, Ft. Myers, FL 33919, and Hartfield, VA, died on August 27, 2004. Prior to moving to Florida, he lived in Richmond. His wife, Arlene T. Arledge; two daughters, Cynthia Peach and husband Fred and Claudia Comber and husband Steve; one son, Wade Dean Arledge and wife Pam; four grandsons and four granddaughters; two stepchildren and two step-grandchildren survive him. Wade joined Fishing Bay Yacht Club in 1967 and was the owner of several Sunfish and a powerboat. Wade served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955. He received a bachelor's degree from RPI in 1951 and a master's in education from UVA in 1958. Wade was a teacher, band director and assistant principal with the Henrico County School System from 1956 to 1971. He owned ARWES Fundraising from 1971 to 1984 and Music Treasures Company from 1985 to 1991. He was a member of the Richmond Symphony from 1956 to 1971 and continued to play music during his retirement with the Richmond Philharmonic Orchestra and the Gulf Coast Symphony. The family will receive friends from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, September 2, at the West Chapel of Bennett Funeral Home, 11020 West Broad Street in Richmond, where funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, September 3. Interment will follow in Westhampton Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Salvation Army or the American Heart Association.

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**ONE DESIGN DIVISION** – The Annual One Design Regatta is still on schedule for this weekend. Jay stated that West Marine is a regatta sponsor. Sharon Bauer reported that three boats participated in the Women's 420 Regatta and she hopes to have more next year with each participant committed to recruiting one more boat.

**CRUISING DIVISION** – Tony Sakowski reported that the Kid's Kruz held last weekend was very well organized and very successful. The Captain's Choice Cruise that was scheduled for October 9-10 has been rescheduled to October 2-3 because of a conflict with the ACC's.

**JUNIOR DIVISION** – Noel Clinard advised that there is an article in Spin Sheet about the Virginia State Opti Regatta. There was good participation at the regatta with 45 racers. The Junior leaders have mainly been planning the ACC's. He has had a lot of members volunteer their help but needs many more. Participation at every national Opti regatta has been up this year and Noel expects 250-275 boats at the ACC's. Accommodations are the biggest problem and Elizabeth Staas is making good progress in that area. Kelly O'Toole reported that July 31 was

Melanie Clore's last day as Head Junior Coach. Rob, the Assistant Junior Coach, is scheduled to work through September 7. Kelly would like to employ him just for weekends from that date through the ACC's.

**FLEET LT.** – Brooks Zerkel advised that the windshield on *Mr. Roberts* has been repaired. Deck work and painting will be put off until the boat goes into dry dock for the winter. Dick Cole suggested that we should use club volunteers for some of the work on *Mr. Roberts* when possible.

**OLD BUSINESS** – Lud Kimbrough reported that the club now has access to wireless internet connection in the FBYC clubhouse.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Lud Kimbrough has been contacted by Jim Rogers on behalf of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation about holding an educational meeting at the club in September. Lud proposed that they be allowed to hold the meeting the last Saturday in September and the Board agreed on that date.

David Hazlehurst reported that some Charleston, SC friends of Waddy and Connie Garrett made a generous donation to the Junior Program in honor of Waddy and Connie.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

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12). The children have been involved in the club's Junior Week and Junior Program activities for many years. Lynn has actively volunteered her help during Junior Week. The family owns Optimists, a Capri and a powerboat. Sponsors: Kenneth J. Alcott; Dale Alderman.

**McCarthy, Mr. & Mrs. William J. (Bill & Laurie)**, 5308 Tuckahoe Avenue, Richmond, VA, 23226. Laurie is the daughter of Mary Anne and Walter Hooker and spent her childhood summers sailing at FBYC as a Junior member. She was also an instructor in the Junior Program. Laurie and Bill have two children, Mary (age 6) and Katie (age 3). Mary participated in OptiKids this year and the family will be even more involved in the Junior Program in the future. Sponsors: Mary Anne & Walter Hooker; Kenzie & Happy Hubbard.

**Radcliffe, Dr. & Mrs. Stephen S. (Stephen & Margaret)**, 573 Lee Dale Drive, Heathsville, VA, 22473. Stephen is the son of Rip and Doris Radcliffe and is a former Junior member. Stephen and Margaret have two children, John (age 12) and Jennifer (age 8) who will be involved in the club's Junior activities. The family owns a Tartan 33 and Stephen has sailed in the Leukemia Cup Regatta quite successfully the past three years (a 1<sup>st</sup> place and two 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes). He has been an active racer around Fishing Bay and in the Hampton area and has crewed with his father, Ray

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**IN MEMORIAM**  
**RICHMOND H. CURTISS**  
**10/2/32 – 8/24/04**

Richmond H. Curtiss, P.O. Box 738, Deltaville, VA 23043, and Edisto Island, SC, died on August 24, 2004. His wife, A. Duncan Montague Curtiss; a daughter, Margaret Carmine and husband Steven; two sons, Richmond Curtiss and Thomas Curtiss; two grandsons; four stepchildren and 11 step grandchildren survive him. Dick was a native of New Haven, CT. After graduating from Yale University, he served as a second lieutenant in the US Air Force. He became a member of Fishing Bay Yacht Club in 1999 when he married Duncan, who had been a member since 1971. Dick owned Yankee Clipper, a Bristol 24, and later Head First, a S2 27. Yankee Clipper was a casualty of Hurricane Isabel last fall. A memorial service will be held at Ware Church in Gloucester, VA, on Sunday, August 29, at 4:00 pm (Rt. 14, 1 mile east of light in downtown Gloucester). Memorial gifts may be made to Ware Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 616, Gloucester, VA 23061; The American Cancer Society; or Ware Academy, 7936 John Clayton Memorial Highway, Gloucester, VA 23061.

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**Notice of Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of Fishing Bay Yacht Club will be held on Saturday, October 23, 2004, at Fishing Bay Yacht Club in Deltaville, VA, in conjunction with the Annual Awards Party. Even if you plan to attend the meeting, all boat owners who have a boat enrolled in the Club's Yacht Register (only one partner for jointly-owned boats) should complete and mail or fax the Proxy to:

**Fishing Bay Yacht Club,  
P.O. Box 29186  
Fax (804) 741-2728  
Richmond, VA 23242  
One Proxy per Family**

**PROXY – 2004 FBYC ANNUAL MEETING**

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints R. Noel Clinard or William C. Spencer to serve as my proxy agent, with full power of substitution, to vote on my behalf with respect to all matters submitted to a vote of the members at the Annual Meeting of the Fishing Bay Yacht Club called for Saturday, October 23, 2004, at the main clubhouse in Deltaville, VA, and at any adjournments thereof, and to exercise such rights as the undersigned would possess if present at such meeting.

NAME OF YACHT: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_

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Toms and Charlie Clough. Sponsors: Edward H. Radcliffe; Raymond E. Toms.

**Russell, Mr. & Mrs. Ames (Ames & Carrie)**, 200 Tuckahoe Boulevard, Richmond, VA, 23226. Carrie is the daughter of Jim and Jean Reid and spent her childhood summers sailing at FBYC as a Junior member. Carrie and

Ames have two children, Sam (age 10) and Helen (age 6). Sam has participated in OptiKids and Junior Week for several years and Helen will be old enough to begin next year. The family owns an Optimist. Carrie is interested in getting back into small boat racing or crewing on a larger boat. Sponsors: James G. Reid, Jr.; Matthew T. Blackwood.

Mr. & Mrs. Brian P. Beveridge; Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Lytton; Dr. & Mrs. J. Samuel Mitchener, III.

**RESIGNATIONS:**

Mr. & Mrs. Maurice S. Guimont; Mr. Thomas Rex Ingram; Mr. & Mrs. William H. Schwarzschild, III; Mr. & Mrs. Charles B. Wright.

**FINAL APPROVAL:**



## FBYC Trophy Committee Seeks Nominations

Debbie Cycotte

The Trophy Committee will receive nominations until October 12th for the following perpetual trophies to be awarded at the Annual Awards Party on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

**PIANKATANK TROPHY**—recognizes the FBYC skipper who most exemplifies the principle that “all is not lost until the boat sinks.”

**MATTHEW FONTAINE MAURY BOWL**—recognizes a member of FBYC for an outstanding contribution to sailing at Fishing Bay Yacht Club.

**COMPETITION TROPHY**—recognizes a member of FBYC who

is the skipper of an enrolled offshore or one-design boat and who most successfully represented FBYC in sailboat racing events conducted by other yacht clubs or associations during the past year. Nominations should consider the character (local, regional, national) of events entered and the quality of competition as well as the member's performance.

**ALLEN B. FINE TROPHY**—recognizes the outstanding crewman of an FBYC enrolled yacht. Any skipper who is a club member may nominate anyone who has crewed on a FBYC boat (offshore or one-design) during the regular club season.

**THE HUBARD TROPHY**—awarded to the outstanding woman

sailor of FBYC in recognition of dedication, participation, and performance & sportsmanship while sailing.

**SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY**—recognizes the Offshore Division skipper who displays the best sportsmanship during the regular season.

**ANNUAL RACE COMMITTEE TROPHY**—awarded to the club member who has made the greatest contribution to race committee work and race management at FBYC.

Please contact the Trophy Chairman with your nominations. Debbie Cycotte—Trophy Chairman [dcycotte@yahoo.com](mailto:dcycotte@yahoo.com) 804-776-7098 home (nights) 888 Scoggins Creek Trail Harfield, VA 23071

Please contact Debbie Cycotte, Trophy Chairman, with your nominations: [dcycotte@yahoo.com](mailto:dcycotte@yahoo.com) or 804-776-7098 (nights)

### Annual Cruising Regatta George Burke

On July 31<sup>st</sup> the cruising division proved again that short handed racing, even with family members in the cockpit, even into a 25 knt weather leg, can be construed as great fun.

Eleven boats started and completed the 13.2 nm course. In first place was Schiehallion ( Brad Miller), in second Celebration ( Gordon Nelson), in third Ishky Baha ( John Koedel) and in fourth Snack Bar ( Rus Dixon). As was hoped, the promise of “compassionate competition” brought out several first time racers. Despite the wide range of experience among skippers, good winds and consistent seamanship produced a tighter than usual finish for all participants.

Knowing one’s PHRF rating proved to be a stumbling block for some entries. “Generic” PHRF ( Performance Handicap Racing Fleet ) ratings suitable for our cruising regatta can be estimated by comparing your boat to the valid ratings of similar boats listed on the PHRF of the Chesapeake, Inc. web site. However, entering CBYRA sanctioned events ( including most of FBYC’s other offshore races ) requires a valid yacht-specific PHRF rating from PHRF of the Chesapeake, Inc. issued in the owner’s name.

You can download a PHRF rating application from [www.phrfchesbay.com](http://www.phrfchesbay.com). Mayo Tabb, our FBYC representative to PHRF of the Chesapeake, Inc., is willing to review and help you correct your application before its formal submission.

*(From The Quarterdeck cont. from page 1)* gust Log, are still needed. I believe your Board will be constrained by the lack of funds for major expenditures, but we must soon decide to spend some monies if we are to get some near term return on our \$685M investment. We sorely need to provide adequate parking space for a growing number of trailered boats. We are having too many problems with boats damaged because of cramped parking. This is clearly unacceptable.



Back in the early 1970's, the IOR (International Offshore Rule) was quite the rage, and new racing designs flowed off drawing boards to maximize performance under specifications of the new rule. The problem was that a huge number of yachts built to the old CCA rule, which had predominated in the 1960's, were rendered competitively disadvantaged by the IOR. And an expensive measurement process was required to generate an IOR rating. Many skippers were turned off by this new system and the search was on for a low-cost alternative rating system that would allow them to compete fairly against a wide range of hull designs.

At FBYC, Fred Williams with his pre-IOR Morgan 35 devised a simplified rule based on a minimum of boat specifications that a skipper could use to calculate his own rating at no expense. In 1974, an offshore fleet formed at FBYC using this rule that was called "The Bounders." Although it proved popular among many cruising types because of its hassle-free approach to family racing, the more serious racers in their new and glorious IOR designs quickly dubbed this new fleet "The Boozers" in a somewhat condescending manner.

Meanwhile, according to history posted on the PHRF of the Chesapeake website, **in Southern California a group of yachtsmen developed a new approach to handicapping, and organized the Pacific Handicap Racing Fleet. The British were already using the Portsmouth Yardstick system of handicapping different classes of day sailors to facilitate their racing together. Portsmouth numbers were assigned on the basis of observed performance. Similarly, the Pacific Handicap Racing Fleet assigned handicaps to classes of cruising boats based on observations of actual performance, instead of operating on measurement or design information. They made supplemental use of the same measurements when performance data was not available, but not in a rating formula. The system was inexpensive, easy to administer, and produced ratings quickly.**

**In 1975, a Chesapeake sailor, Auzzie Jackson, visited Southern California and became interested in this new and popular handicapping system after picking up a policy book and reading it. He was so enthusiastic that he brought the system home to the Fishing Bay Yacht Club to be used in club racing. The first Chesapeake PHRF system under the patronage of Auzzie and Fred Williams soon spread throughout the Southern Bay and to clubs in the Northern Bay as well. Thereafter it became recognized by CBYRA for High Point competition.**

Throughout the late 1970's and into the 1980's, PHRF (now the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet) of the Chesapeake experienced rapid growth to over 1000 rated yachts. Until 1981, management of the fleet was headquartered in Richmond under the able supervision of Fred and Auzzie. After this date, administration shifted to Baltimore where the cumbersome system of manual record keeping was shifted to a computerized database. The rest is statistical history: the PHRF handicapping racing fleet, administrated by PHRF of the Chesapeake, continues today as the largest handicap racing fleet on the Chesapeake Bay.

To show its appreciation, PHRF of the Chesapeake presented a plaque to the Fishing Bay Yacht Club on the occasion of the commissioning of our new clubhouse in 2002. The plaque that hangs on the second floor of the clubhouse honors the memory of Fred Williams and the contribution of Fred and Auzzie to the introduction of PHRF on the Chesapeake and eventually to the entire East Coast. The plaque reads as follows:

**Frederick Lindsey Williams  
July 1927 – February 1999**

**Commodore of the Fishing Bay Yacht Club in 1968 is best known for his love of life, enthusiasm for sailing, and his vision of the needs of racing sailors.**

**In 1974, Fred created the "Bounders" fleet to provide an enriched experience for the Club's members who wanted to participate in offshore racing with an older boat. In order to expand the fleet, in the following year,**

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he and Auzzie Jackson brought the Pacific Handicap Racing Fleet database from California and the "Bounders" evolved into what is now the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet or PHRF. Fred served as 1<sup>st</sup> President of PHRF of the Chesapeake. His missionary work and personal assistance with other Chesapeake Bay clubs convinced our Bay sailors that PHRF was remarkably fair and simple. His tireless efforts helped to spread this locally controlled performance based system throughout the Chesapeake and eventually the U. S. East Coast. Today PHRF is the largest rating system used in all North American offshore club races.

Our Bay sailors hoist a "Bravo Zulu" to you, Fred.

And today, the IOR is but a faded memory.

Your Historian/Archivist wishes to thank the following individuals for items recently donated to be hung in our facilities:

Long-time member Charlie McDowell for burgees, courtesy flags, and commemorative flags used over the past 20 years as a co-owner aboard *Blow Up*, a Swan 44, and as owner aboard *Drummer*, a Morris 32. Countries visited during this period of time include Spain, Antiqua, France, Canada, and Bermuda. Notable passages include a Mediterranean circuit, an Atlantic crossing, the Marblehead to Halifax Race, and the Marion to Bermuda Yacht Race. Also gifted to FBYC are some 17 nautical books and publications for our library. Unfortunately Charlie is retiring from sailing and is relinquishing his membership to make a place on our roster for a more active sailing family. Charlie, come on back and visit us anytime.

Louise Brierre, widow of Roland Brierre, for the large mounted and framed NOAA chart of the Rappahannock River Entrance that now hangs in the ground-floor stairwell foyer of the main clubhouse.

**Last Cruise  
Of The Year  
Nov 6-7  
J. A. Stalnaker**



Nov. 6 -7 is the final cruise for the year going to Carter's Creek and Tides Inn. Cruisers sailing should **make their own slip reservations. The Inn dock is already booked (it's Oyster Festival weekend) so make your slips reservations NOW for the lodge docks.** A free ferry runs between the two sets of docks.

As it is Oyster Festival Weekend if you get to the Tides Friday or early Sat. morning you can catch the Miss Ann over to Urbanna which leaves approx. 10am returning mid afternoon that same day and avoid the hassle of finding anchorage space.

BYOB drinks on the Tides Lodge Dock at Sat. 11/6 around 5:30 followed by dinner ashore at the Trick Dog, the best restaurant on the Northern Neck, at 7:30pm. **Contact Jim Stalnaker** who is arranging the dinner reservations – [jstalnaker@wilsav.com](mailto:jstalnaker@wilsav.com) or call office 757 628 5527, home 757 481 6113. **We need a dinner head count by October 25 at the latest and note whether you or sailing or driving as Jim will be arranging transportation from the pier to the restaurant with the Tides van.**



**Noel Clinard Sets A New Standards For Event Chairman**

**Dog Days Series**

This year FBYC initiated a new series designed for juniors during the "Dog Days" of August in anticipation of the commencement of school right after Labor Day. This is a substitute for the Fall Series for those juniors who pursue other sports in the Fall.



Attendees were advise to "Expect SURPRISES." Clearly, they were not disappointed.

The event, held on August 22 and September 6, was open to any Junior Sailor with an Optimist, Byte, Laser, Laser Radial or one of the club's 420s.



If you missed this one, make a note to participate next year. This was a great opportunity to sharpen racing and sailing skills in a fun, "no-pressure" environment.



**HALSEY REGATTA**  
**Spirited Racing**  
**Dramatic Moments**  
**High Spirits**

**Strother Scott**

Mike Austin from York River Yacht Club sailing his Beneteau 25FC, *Movin O,n* won the Brent Halsey Jr. Memorial Trophy at the Stingray Point Regatta on Labor Day weekend. Mike had 3 firsts in PHRF-B, the largest class at the regatta.

The Sunday racing was very exciting as many variations were used for spinnaker takedowns, including several which occurred semi-voluntarily immediately upon launching the chutes, or following the jibe when the chute was completely wrapped around the headstay or just don't fly the chute—rewarding *Blade Runner* with a third. Other interesting sights included watching the Jacob-Swenson family aboard their Melges 24 surfing at 20+ knots followed immediately by the rudder losing laminar flow and a high speed wipe-out with spinnaker.

Drake Johnstone and his crew, Correll Moore and Brent's children—Brent, Philip, and Ali, were awarded the sportsmanship trophy for their attendance and perseverance on Sunday in the trying conditions. Twelve boats elected not to sail on Sunday.

Finally, Hampton Yacht Club won the Potts trophy by only a couple of points with their team of **PHRF-A Feather** - Philip Briggs **PHRF-B Independence** - Graham Field, and **MORC, Check Six** - John Scott.

The racing was very tight – there was a three-way tie for first in MORC, a three-way tie for second in the J-105 class, and a 2-way tie for second in the PHRF Non-spin class

Pictures of some of the winners appear to the right and on page 9. Most of the other winners can be seen online ([www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net)) thanks to Jon Deutsch.



Drake Johnstone, Correll Moore, and Brent Halsey, Jr's children—Brent, Philip, and Ali Win Sportsmanship Award



Phillip Briggs, Graham Field, and John Scott Accept The Potts Trophy



**Eastern Shore/  
Norfolk Cruise  
Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> to  
Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>  
Vic & Jane De-  
Nunzio**

**Sat., Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>** - Home to Onancock. 31 nm. Plan to raft up but some docks may be available from dockmaster. If you want a dock, please make your own arrangements. (Dockmaster: Isaac Annis; Telephone: 757-787-7911. 7 Days a Week 8 AM to 6 PM) American Pie will be anchored. Cocktails will be at the raft up at 1800. Dinner aboard.

**Sun., Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>** - At Onancock. Will try to do dinner ashore.

**Mon., Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>** - Onancock to Norfolk Yacht Club. 63 nm. Cocktails on dock. Plan for dinner on board or at the NYC. We will need to make reservations for docks. Their new docks are superb.

**Tue., Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>** - At Norfolk. We will be touring a large Navy Ship (trying for carrier or cruiser) either Tue. or Wed. Due to security, we need to submit names of cruisers taking the tour by Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>. IF YOU PLAN TO DO THE SHIP TOUR, LET ME (VDENUNZIO@EROLS.COM) KNOW ASAP (NO LATER THAN AUG. 10TH). IF YOU SIGN UP AND DON'T GO, IT'S OK; HOWEVER, IF YOU DON'T SIGN UP BY AUG. 10TH, YOU PROBABLY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DO NAVY SHIP CRUISE.

**Wed., Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>** - At Norfolk. Will plan another outing to a Norfolk attraction. Dinner plans TBD.

**Thurs., Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>** - NYC - Hampton



**FALL CRUISING  
Trips, Itineraries, Special Events**

YC. 10 nm. We will need to make reservations for docks. Cocktails on dock. Dinner aboard.

**Fri., Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>** - At Hampton YC. Plan to visit the Mariners' Museum.

**Sat., Sept., 25<sup>th</sup>** - Hampton YC to Sarah Creek. 27 nm. Will need to make dock reservations. Dinner will be at the very good Rivers Inn Restaurant.

**Sun., Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>** - Sarah Creek to Home. 32 nm.

**CRUISE - SEPTEMBER 11-12  
Carolyn Schott**

Alise Hilbert (Tim Blackwood's good friend) has invited FBYC Cruising Group to her home on Dwyer Creek (37°40'.81N, 76°21'.99 W) for our September Cruise. There are 2 docks (9ft. depth) for rafting or there is plenty of room for anchoring. "Big" and little kids may want to enjoy the pool. Please plan to join in for the festivities.

**Cocktail Hour: 5:30**

**Dinner Menu:**

- Hors d'oeuvres, Steaks, Baked Potatoes, Bread, and Wine are provided.
- Please bring to share: your choice of a side dish, a salad, or a dessert.
- Hot dogs will be provided for kids, if preferred.

**Cost:**

\$15 per person (\$2 for children if eating hot dogs)

### **Reservations:**

Send check with number of steaks and children's hot dogs and your choice of dish to share to:

Carolyn Schott

3224 Wood Dale Road

Chesler, Va. 23831

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friend's home, Alicia Hilbert, where we will have cocktails, followed by a catered dinner. We will sail home on Sunday. Details of the dinner and cocktail party are outlined in a related article within this LOG.

So put this date on your sailing calendar and let Carolyn and Joe Schott know that you will be going on the cruise. They may be reached at cjschott@verizon.net or (804) 748-4142.

### **ONE WEEK EASTERN SHORE-NORFOLK CRUISE**

**SEPT. 18-26, 2004**

This one week plus cruise will include Onancock, Norfolk, Hampton and Sarah Creek. Plans include tours of the Naval Base, Nauticus and all its attractions, as well as the Chrysler Museum, Aerospace Museum, and Mariner's Museum. This trip has the potential to be a lot of fun. Vic and Jane DeNunzio have finalized all the plans for this trip and published them to our website and within the Sept. LOG. See Vic's related article for all the details. Contact Vic at 804 794 1286 (home), email is vdenunzio@erols.com for further details and reservations as per his article.

### **CAPTAIN'S CHOICE**

**OCT. 1-3, 2004**

This cruise was originally scheduled for Oct. 8-10, but was changed in August to Oct. 1-3 because of a conflict with the Junior Program. We will start with cocktails and dinner at the club on Friday night at 7 PM, and then choose the cruising destination for the weekend. Plan to bring a hors d'oeuvre on Friday night. Cruise on Saturday, Oct. 9; returning Sunday, Oct. 10. E-mail Mike Pleninger at mlp@nhghotels.com;

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### **"FAIR WINDS AND FOLLING SEAS" CRUISE OCT. 15-17, 2004**

Cruise to either Onancock or the Corrotoman River (or other areas) depending on the wind and weather forecast. We will depart FBYC mid-day on Friday, Oct 15 and set sail for which ever destination is the best. Friday night will be a raft up with a pot luck supper, and Saturday will be dinner ashore. Contact Tony Sakowski at 804 285 3347 or doctorlasik@aol.com, or look for information in the LOG or at www.fbyc.net. We will contact those boats who register by the 13 Oct. with the final destinations no later than Thursday at 6 PM.

### **ANNUAL FBYC PARTY and STAGGERED START RACE OCT. 23, 2004**

This fun race will be held in conjunction with the club's racing yachts, and will highlight the Annual Party at the clubhouse. Look for more details of this event in the LOG or on the website, www.fbyc.net.

We will have a prize for the cruiser who can produce the best photo of another FBYC cruising boat, taken during the 2004 boating season. Please submit your entry (entries) to Tony Sakowski, 6 Tapoan Rd., Richmond, VA. 23226. The winner will be announced at the final dinner on Nov. 12. Get those cameras out and start taking some photos!

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### **September and October Cruising at FBYC Tony Sakowski**

The fall is a great time to join your friends on the Bay with the FBYC Cruising Division. We have had wonderful cruises so far this year, and look forward to more fun and adventure this fall. Come join us. Pick out a trip and call the cruise leader to join us.

### **STINGRAY POINT REGATA SEPT. 4-5, 2004**

Calling all cruisers to race against one another or in the PHRF non-spinnaker class. This is a great weekend at the club with racers and cruisers having a terrific time on the water and at the party afterwards.

Watch for details on the regatta in the LOG as well as on our website, www.fbyc.net. This event attracts a large number of boats from around the Chesapeake Bay. Come join us!

### **Cruise to Dymer Creek SEPT. 11-12, 2004**

This trip was originally scheduled for Onancock, but the town is having their annual festival on this weekend. Carolyn and Joe Schott have therefore changed the destination to Dymer Creek, where we will anchor at Tim Blackwell's



## Fishing Bay Yacht Club To Host One Of The Biggest Events In Its History

On October 9 and 10 somewhere between 250 and 300—possibly more—Opti sailors will converge on Fishing Bay to participate in the Atlantic Coast Championship regatta.

Escorting these aspiring sailors will be an army of parents, siblings, friends and coaches—an additional 250 or more attendees.

Additionally, Noel Clinard, FBYC's Chairman of this event, estimates there could be between 40 and 60 accompanying powerboats.

The "ACCs" is one of the two largest regional sailing competitions for juniors in the U.S. with 200 - 250 competitors attending from Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Alabama, Texas, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Kansas, Minnesota and even California.

Top finishers at the ACCs are eligible to participate in the Optimist Team Trials which selects sailors to attend the World, European, and North American championships being held next year in Switzerland, Poland and Trinidad & Tobago. The US Optimist Team trials will be held at Severn Sailing Association in Annapolis, Maryland, on April 20-24, 2005.

Held annually in the Fall, *any Optimist sailor* may participate in the ACCs but one may participate at Team Trials "by invitation only", based on performance at USODA's regional championships, such as the ACCs, the prior season. The Team Trials are the principal event from which invitations are extended to join The United States National Team and the United States Devel-

opment Team. The Team Trials results determines the selection of the best sailors to represent the United States in the IODA World, N. American, European and Asian championships.

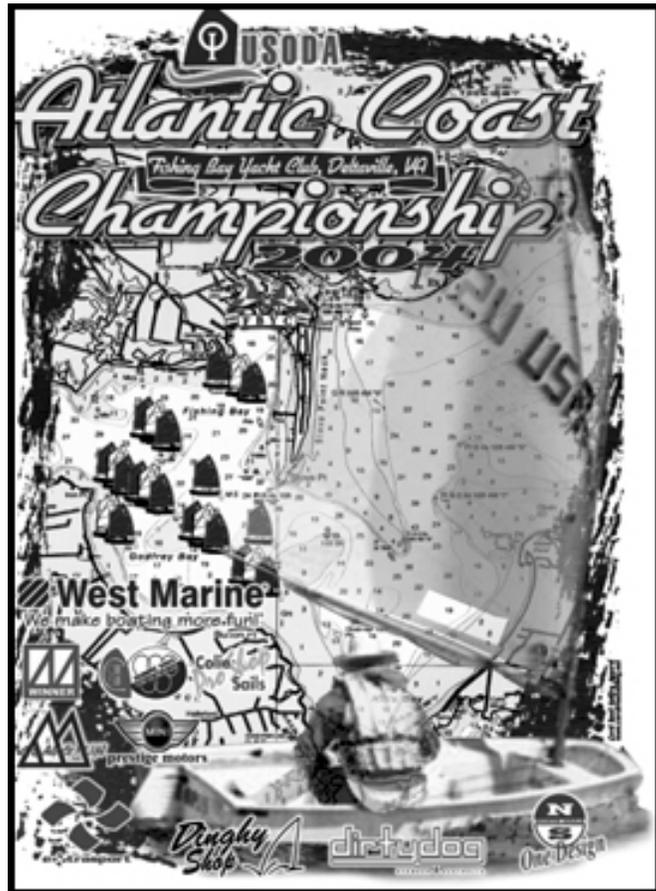
This will truly represent a new chapter in Fishing Bay history, not to speak of a never-to-be-seen again opportunity for FBYC's Opti sailors to test their skills on their own home ground.

The following article, submitted by Ruthanna Jenkins should help FBYC's Opti sailors and their parents to make a choice about their own participation

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### Tom Coleman Welcomes Green Fleet Sailors to the Atlantic Coast Optimist Championship Fishing Bay Yacht Club October 9 & 10 Ruthanna Jenkins

Attend the USODA Optimist Atlantic Coast Championship with Green Fleet guru Tom Coleman and you're sure to have a sailor begging for more regattas and more sailing. Tom will be at Fishing Bay courtesy of USODA platinum sponsor, Optimist builder McLaughlin Boat Works. Tom has been running Green Fleet events at USODA regattas and Junior Olympic events for over six years. Ruthanna Jenkins spoke with him at the New England Optimist Championship. Tom told her how excited he was to be coming to Fishing Bay to meet our junior sailors, and shared some of the questions parents most often ask.



#### **Parent: Does my daughter/son qualify to race Green Fleet?**

If they are age fifteen or under as of December 31, 2004 and are a member of USODA, they are well on their way. All Fishing Bay Yacht Club members who are Optimist sailors are members of USODA. According to Tom, sailors in Green Fleet come in all sizes, ages and abilities. "A Green Fleeter at the event should be able to handle their boat in up to 15 knots of wind. If they can sail around a triangle course, have good control of their boat, have a basic understanding of the racing rules and want to be there ... they will have an awesome time" reports Tom. "Even if their skills are a little short in one area or another, if they have a good attitude and are willing to learn, they will do well". Kids who took Beginner Sailing during Junior week should be ready for the Green Fleet.

#### **Parent: How do I know if my sailor should join the Green Fleet or the competitive fleet?**

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You may wish to discuss this with your sailor and maybe the sailor's coach, instructor, or the Junior Division Commander. The decision is ultimately up to the parents. Placing a young, unwilling, untrained sailor on the competitive course may be detrimental to their love of the sport.

The main emphasis on the red, blue and white, age level fleets (referred to as the competitive fleet) is on competition. Serious competition at a national level event IS fun for most of the sailors, but they've got to know the rules and should be very comfortable in handling an Opti in winds of fifteen knots or more (racing may continue in upwards of 25 knots). They also need to be prepared to stay out on the water all day. Most sailors at this level have been racing for over a year. They will be competing against some of the best sailors in the nation. Windward legs of a mile are not uncommon and the typical course is the Opti trapezoid. Judges will be on the water and some sailors may be knocked out of the race at the starts. Some teams will have hired high level coaches. This is the best and most exciting competitive sailing for kids under sixteen in the country. Scoring is done according to age groups, but the nine year olds start with and sail against the fifteen year olds (and sometimes beat them!).

Sure, the Green Fleeters are competing too, but having FUN is where we place the emphasis. Usually the Green Fleet completes more races than the competitive fleet. "We aren't so fussy about having a perfect line. We cruise the line to avoid general recalls (but do call back OCS sailors). In Green Fleet we never use the 'black flag' ... where sailors can be disqualified from a race at the start (that's a tough lesson and NO FUN!). Our courses are much shorter, so they get more starts, more mark roundings and more finishes (and chances to rest ... and have water battles!).

**Parent:** *I normally follow my child around in our jon boat to help out when he needs me. I should be there on the water for him, right?*

Yes and no. It's comforting for your young sailor to know you are out there is he/she needs you. It's nice for them to be able to visit you between races, but leave the coaching to Tom and a few of the other specially trained coaches that will be helping on the water. Your presence on or close to the course may compromise the opportunity for your sailor to grow and gain some independence. If you interfere with other competitors, even accidentally, you may disqualify your sailor. Join the other parents on the spectator boat and relax! When your child son or daughter approaches make sure your greeting is not "how did you do?" Make it "Wow, you did so well;" "You look like you're having so much FUN".

**Parent:** *So the sailors can be coached while racing?*

One of the biggest differences is that the bottom half of the fleet can be actively coached. Tom can be found zipping in and among the competitors urging them to sit properly and pull their sails in, to "get their heads out of the boat" and watch for wind shifts. "It's amazing what can be taught under these conditions" says Tom. I expect every sailor to learn new skills and get better during the regatta ... and they do".

Trying not to let his wake cause problems for the sailors, Tom often catches the first boats around the marks calling an occasional foul or merely pointing a finger to help keep the sailors on their toes and let them know that the rules WILL be enforced. He can also be found bringing up the rear, helping bail out a soggy Opti and cheer up a teary competitor. But most of the time, with an overall eye on the safety of every sailor, he is merely THERE. The kids quickly come to know they can count on him to keep things



**Tom Coleman**  
Instructing Opti Juniors

FUN, but that proper technique, focus, attitude and striving to do your best are expected.

**Parent:** *My sailor has been winning all the races in our club, but I don't think she's ready for the competitive fleet. Will she be challenged in Green Fleet?*

One of the interesting things about Green Fleet is the range of talent. Some of them are good enough to finish in the middle of the competitive fleet. Some may have won competitive fleet regattas. The great thing about that is they help bring up the level of the rest of the sailors. The other sailors can learn a lot from watching and trying to beat them. It's a sure thing that they will learn and advance in their skills too.

**Parent:** *What goals do you set for the sailors in Green Fleet?*

While no sailor is forced to participate, the timid ones are carefully led through steps to get them to join the group and into the FUN as soon as possible. Rarely is there a sailor who shies away for very long. For many of the sailors, this will be their very first regatta away from their club. We ensure that it's an experience they will want to repeat. Starting them off with not only the proper skills, but the proper attitude and expectations is extremely important" says Tom. "Our goal is that each sailor goes away with a thirst to do it again. We know that if we accomplish that and we had a safe regatta ... we've done a good job.

**Parent:** *What's this about free clin-*

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### ics each day?

A great feature of this Green Fleet event is the free clinics each day on rigging, go fast techniques, rules, sail trim and shaping, safety, starting, etc. led by trained coaches. Parents are welcome and say they learn as much, if not more than the kids! While the competitive fleet may be killing time on shore or bobbing around near the committee boat waiting for wind, the Green Fleet is entertained on shore with clinics, games and other activities.

The Green Fleet usually launches after the competitive fleet to avoid confusion. Safety and concerns that each and every sailor feels comfortable and welcome are the highest priorities for coaches for this group. Opportunities are not only encouraged but directed, to allow sailors to make new friends from the very start. That's one of the ingredients to making sure they have a good time and want to come back!

### Parent: *How deep do they go with the trophies?*

No trophies will be given. Each sailor in Green Fleet will receive a nice medallion for their efforts as competitor. The prizes these sailors take home will be the life lessons and friendships formed, hopefully treasured, long after tarnished trophies have been discarded or forgotten about.

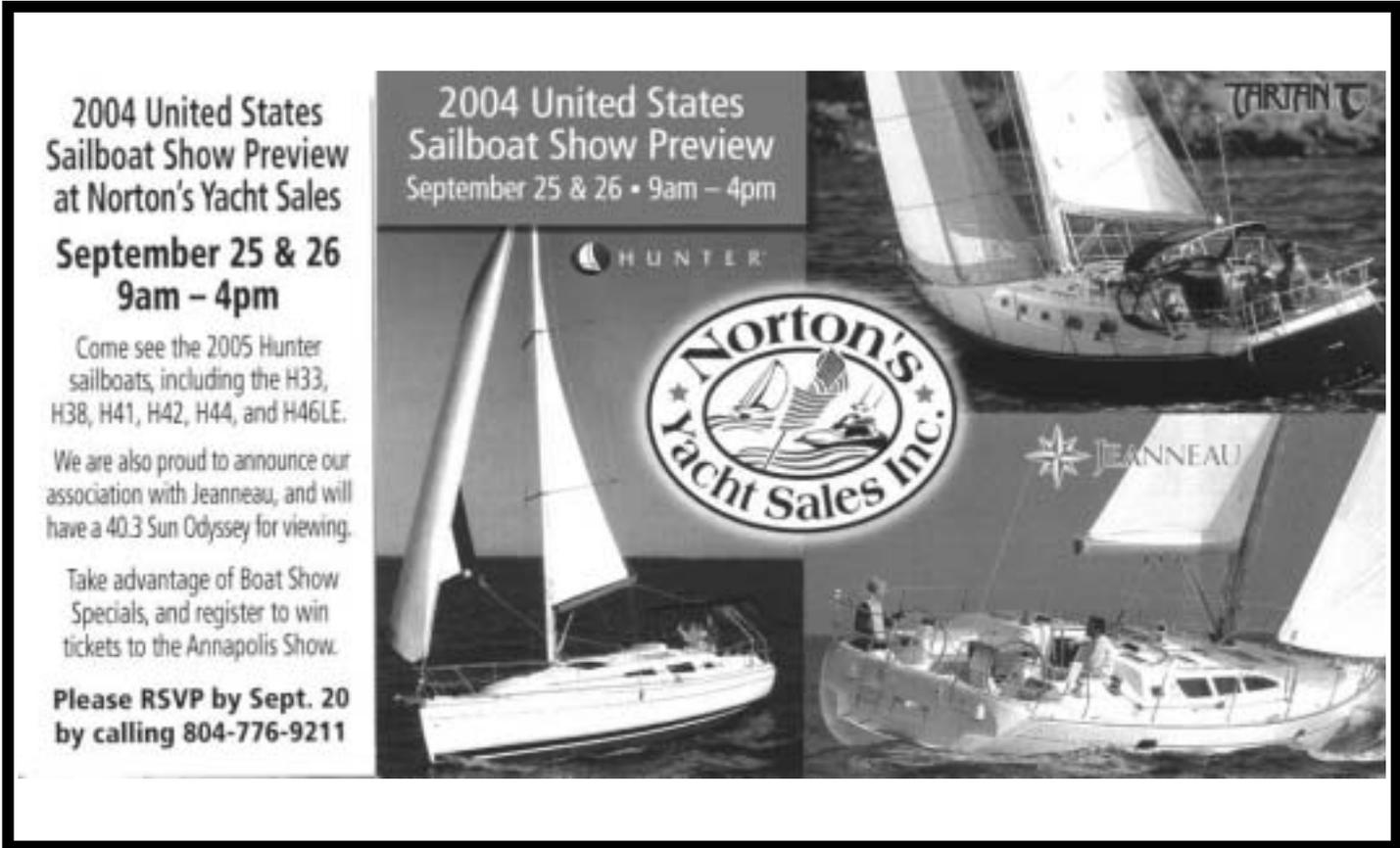


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