FROM THE QUARTERDECK

JANUARY 2011



Here we are at the beginning of January. I am looking forward to getting started on the New Year though I am still lamenting the fact that Santa did not stuff a new mainsail in my stocking this year. I was told that it was because it would not fit but I don't believe this. Anyone who has gotten a new sail knows that they come in amazingly small packages. It is only after you

unfold it the first time does it expand to an unmanageable size. I suspect sabotage; it is common knowledge that the lack of a new sail is the only roadblock to my total domination of the race course. Let's just say for the sake of argument that it was not all Santa's fault, could someone else with white hair and a beard have been involved in this travesty?

In spite of my misfortune I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas full of good tidings and joy with friends and family.

If you did not have the opportunity to visit the club over the holidays be sure to check out the photos on the web of a snow covered FBYC. The shots are quite picturesque and show the club in a view seldom seen. Thanks to Dixon for taking the pictures and also to Jon Deutsch for posting them on the web.

Much has been happening behind the scenes in preparation for the 2011 sailing season. Our sailing events committee has set the schedule for this year and the various division Lt Commanders and Race Chairs are busy lining up volunteers. You don't have to wait to be called to volunteer. Take a look at the schedule on the web site and let the appropriate division Commander know that you want to help. Its fun, easy, and all your friends are doing it!

Dixon is busying himself this winter getting the club boats in order so they will be ready in the spring. Mr Roberts is being repaired by Deltaville Boatyard and is looking great. Additionally he has begun erecting a hoist on the eastern end of the barn. This hoist will be available for use by all members to lift their boats to

facilitate either boat or trailer repairs. This should eliminate some of the confusion over using the hoist on the Jackson Creek side by our One Design sailors.

There are plans to repaint the first floor of the clubhouse this winter, yet another opportunity to volunteer. If you have talents in this area and are willing to help please contact Ted Bennett and he will be happy to put you to work.

Please be sure to check the web page often. There are still many details to be finalized but information will be going up soon about the Winter Program as well as the Bermuda High Party. I hope to see you there.

David Hinckle Commodore

Now Hear This!

Safety at Sea Seminar

The Virginia Assembly enacted a law establishing a boating safety compliance requirement that requires all operators of boats with motors of 10 hp or more to participate in a safety education course by July 16, 2016. All operators of boats shall meet this requirement, regardless of age.

Flotilla 66, the Mathews Power Squadron will present the required

Boat Virginia Class at the FBYC Clubhouse

March 12, 2011

Sign in: 8:30 • Class: 9:00

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David Hinckle Commodore



Alex Alvis
Vice Commodore



George Burke
Rear Commodore



Noel Clinard Secretary



Mason Chapman Treasurer



Cyane Crump Log Streamer

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Commodore David Hinckle.

REAR COMMODORE - GEORGE W. BURKE, III

SECRETARY – **Noel Clinard** presented the following Resolutions and upon Motion duly made and seconded, the Resolutions were approved by the Board.

RESOLUTION to open and inspect the contents of the Safe Deposit Box at First Market Bank.

RESOLUTION to renew the Honorary Memberships of Mr. & Mrs. Gary A. Jobson and Fishing Bay Yacht Club's Deltaville neighbors, Mr. & Mrs. Scott M. Godbout, Dr. & Mrs. James A.L. Mathers, Ms. Jane R. Miller, Ms. Briana Moseley, Ms. Tahia Moseley, Mr. William R. Moseley, Mr. & Mrs. Cary A. Ralston, Mr. & Mrs. Edward E. Ralston Jr., and Ms. Rebecca L. Ralston, and to provide them with membership cards.

RESOLUTION to vote into membership the 13 children who will have reached 10 years of age by January 1, 2011.

HOUSE – **Ted Bennett** reported that with the exception of some painting in the clubhouse, nothing else needs to be done at this time. Ted plans to ask for member volunteers for the painting project.

DOCKS – Matt Braun advised that he has reassigned the one slip that has become available and slips are 100% occupied. The 2011 Special Docks Committee has been formed and will begin where the committee left off in 2010. Matt has volunteered to chair the committee. David Hinckle will get in touch with the committee members and schedule the first meeting.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – PHRF and CBYRA have decided that safety categories for sanctioned races will be

up to NOR or SI's to select and have dropped some of the previous requirements for safety gear on boats. Mayo Tabb recommended that the requirements for the Long Distance Series not be changed; however, for Rosegill, Leukemia Cup, Staggered Start and Stingray, he recommended that the club open those races up to other type boats so as to improve participation.

LONG RANGE PLANNING - Lud Kimbrough reported that Frank Murphy and Carrie Russell volunteered to investigate what is needed in order for the club to plant oysters and then to be responsible for doing the work. Carrie recently contacted VIMS and obtained quite a bit of information. It was pointed out that the club would not harvest the oysters but we are required to plant seed oysters because of the restorative benefits of having them there. Lud said he has not yet started plans for a YMCA Sailing Camp for 2011 but he will need a coach and an assistant coach for that program. Lud will meet with the Community Advisory Board in the next month for one of the two meetings that are held each year. Lud reported that many of the projects in the Long Range Plan have been achieved and that an updating of the club's Long Range Plan is now needed. Gary Jobson will host a U.S. Sailing Yacht Club Summit on April 2 and 3, 2011 and many yacht clubs will be invited to attend. The panel discussions should be interesting and a representative from FBYC has been asked to speak. Ted Turner will also be the keynote speaker at the summit.

WEB MASTER – **Strother Scott** advised Board members where to find sections of the Sailing Events Book on the web site that can be used in preparing the 2011 book.

WINTER PROGRAM – The winter program for 2011 will be a racers/cruisers/club pride event with presentations from the sailors from the NYYC Challenge as well as from Jeremy and Nica Waters on their family cruise to the Bahamas last winter. Tentative dates are January 22 or 29 and a location has not been determined.

MARKETING – Jay Buhl is working on plans to market the Stingray Point Regatta. We now have a web site at http://stingraypointregatta.org/ and he has started building content for the site to post over the next two months. Key players have been confirmed for the Regatta Committee and a conceptual schedule of events is being costed. A list of advertising targets has been established. There is a need to finalize ads and Jay presented logo concepts to the Board. A new design for the logo on the auto decals was also discussed.

VICE COMMODORE - ALEXANDER ALVIS

OFFSHORE DIVISION – **David Clark** is editing the Offshore section of the Sailing Events Book. He and Rich McClain are working on event planning. Frank Murphy has lined up PRO's for all of the races for the upcoming season and will encourage PRO's to recruit trainees.

January 2011

ONE DESIGN DIVISION – **John Hubbard** is trying to determine ownership of a number of unidentified boats, mostly Lasers, in the small boat lot. Jack Pettigrew is engraving the perpetual trophies. John has started work on his section of the Sailing Events Book. Rob Whittemore has two openings for PRO's – Opening Day and Closing Day. He has also been trying to figure a way to incorporate trainees.

CRUISING DIVISION – **Joe Schott** reported that he has received confirmation that the Safety-at-Sea program will be held on March 12 at the club. He will put a notice in the January <u>Log</u>.

JUNIOR DIVISION – Damian Saponara and Luis "Dingo" Canuto, both of Argentina, will return to FBYC this summer to coach the Opti and Laser race teams respectively. Applications for the Opti Development Team and Assistant Coaches have been solicited and two applications have been received. Alison Lennarz will send a reminder asking for applications. FBYC will host the 2011 Virginia State Championship junior regatta on June 25-26 immediately following Junior Week. Alison posted a "savethe-date" announcement for Opti Kids and Junior Week in the November Log and has already received a number of inquiries.

FLEET LT. -Mr. Roberts is undergoing repairs and **Doug Anderson** expects the work to be completed by mid-December.

PROTEST – **Mike Chesser** will get in touch with Rick Klein about a May 7 protest training session. He plans to co-ordinate it with a race and social event scheduled for that date.

TROPHIES – Carrie Russell is trying to come up with ideas for some interesting trophies for 2011.

NEW BUSINESS – **David Hinckle** advised that another Jackson Creek channel survey was made in November. There is a community effort underway to get the Corps of Engineers to dredge Jackson Creek but this will be a lengthy process as the Corps places a low priority on areas that are used primarily for recreational purposes. Several Board members and Keith Ruse attended a meeting in November about the channel dredging.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

A Gobblin' Good Time Over Thanksgiving

Three FBYC junior sailors traveled with their families to New Orleans over Thanksgiving to compete in the 2010 USODA Midwinters Championship regatta. This is a significant regatta in that it's the last qualifier for the 2011 Team Trials to be held in San Francisco next May, and it's a qualifying event for three interenational teams that are selected to represent the U.S. in the spring. As a result, 230 Opti sailors descended on Southern Yacht Club in the hopes of earning one of these berths. And Southern Yacht Club did not disappoint, on the water or on shore. The first day featured breezy, sunny and warm conditions and the Race Committee was able to complete three races and get all the competitors back on shore with plenty of time to put away their boats and clean up for Thanksgiving dinner. Those who planned ahead and made dinner reservations at the yacht club were treated to quite a feast and an incomparable setting in the newly rebuilt Club. The building itself is representative of New Orleans' and their sailors' indomitable spirit and one couldn't help but feel an overwhelming sense of hope and pride around the city's rebirth.

Day Two was a different scenario entirely. A cold front had moved in overnight bringing 50 degree temperatures, sustaining 25 knot breezes out of the north and rolling 4-5 foots seas. Lake Pontchartrain is the second largest salt water lake in the US with an average depth of 12-14 feet which makes for a sea scape that can be very hazardous for sailors. The RC hoisted the AP flag while it watched storm cell after storm cell roll in from the northwest. Recognizing that the wind and sea scape would not mellow until the following day, the RC cancelled racing for the day in the early afternoon. The sailors returned the following day and completed five races in more settled conditions of 10-12 knot breezes for eight races in the series.

Congratulations to Kendall Swenson for being one of 20 sailors qualifying for the team going to the Lake Garda Optimist Meeting in Italy; to Hannah Steadman for finishing in the top half of the fleet; and to Luke Hayes for being quite competitive in the most challenging of conditions. All three sailors and their families came home with fond memories of Southern Yacht Club and the gracious hospitality received from the residents of New Orleans. Complete results can be found at usoda.org.



FBYC Brings Back Argentine Dynamic Duo, Dingo and Damian, to Coach Laser and Opti Teams

FBYC is fortunate to be able to bring back Luis "Dingo" Canuto and Damian Saponara, both of Argentina, to coach the Laser and Opti Race Teams.





Dingo, pictured above racing a Laser in last year's Buenos Aires Race Week, coached FBYC's Laser team in 2007 and 2008. Following his departure from Deltaville at the end of that summer, he coached the Sunfish and Laser classes for the Ecuador National Team. The following year, he place 2nd at the South American Laser Radial Championship, as he continued to coach and travel with the Ecuador National Team at regattas throughout South America. In the summer of 2009, Dingo coached at Olympia Yacht Club in Washington and won the 2009 Laser Radial District 6 Championship. In 2009, Dingo was also busy coaching Jonathan Martinetti of Ecuador, who became the Laser 4.7 World Champion and Ecuador's first world sailing champion. Martinetti also won the 2009 Sunfish North American Championship under Dingo's coaching. This year, Martinetti won bronze at the South American Games, the continent's multi-sports event, which also includes athletes from countries in Central America and the Caribbean. Dingo attributes Martinetti's successes to very hard work—but we know Martinetti's been very well coached.

For the latter part of 2010, Dingo has been sailing full time, seeking to represent Argentina in the Sunfish Class. He is training daily in a Laser Radial, participating in Argentina's most competitive regattas, and finishing at or near the top. When Dingo is not sailing, he is studying architecture at Universidad Nacional de Rosario.







Damian started sailing Optimists when he was six years old, and since that time, he has also sailed in the 420, 470 and 29er one-design dinghy classes. He has raced in numerous championships including South American and World Championships in Canada, Ecuador, Italy, Chile, Brazil, and the US. His coaching experience includes numerous positions in Argentina, with the Chilean and Ecuadorian National Optimist Teams, and at Lakewood Yacht Club in Houston, Texas.

Damian coached the FBYC Opti Race Team in 2008. Under Damian's instruction, every sailor on that team qualified for the 2009 Team Trials, and that fall at ACCs in Norfolk, Kendall Swenson qualified for the Nieuwpoortweek International Optimist Regatta in Belgium. In 2009, Damian placed 2nd at the International Sailing Week in Mar del Plata, Argentina and 19th in the 29er Worlds in Lake Garda, Italy. To see excellent footage of the competition in that regatta, see http://wn.com/29er_Sailing_Worlds_2009_Lake_Garda. Last year, Damian coached the Opti Race Team at Texas Corinthians Yacht Club. He is currently coaching the 29er team, which finished 6th in the Bahamas 2010 World Championship and 4th in the International Sailing Week in Mar del Plata. He will continue to work with the team until the 2011 World Championship in Mar del Plata, Argentina. In his limited spare time, Damian is studying naval architecture.

The club is soliciting applications for the ODT coach position. Applications are available from Alison Lennarz at **avlennarz@gmail.com**. The deadline for submission is February 15, 2010.

Membership News

ASSOCIATE JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Mr. Archer H. Ruffin III

RESIGNATION:

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph T. Buxton III

CRUZIN CORNER

Introducing a new club event in 2011 for silver-haired sailors...

What the Hell is a Geezer Regatta? Jere Dennison, Historian

As the boomer generation inexorably moves into its golden years, one cannot deny the competitive desires of many of our venerable FBYC members persevering into their sixth decade. Sure, there are plenty of regattas limited to classic yachts but none specifically for classy seniors. Of course the Lasers have their Masters regattas, but...get this... you



only have to be 35 to qualify as a "master." Haw-dee-haw. Now FBYC is sponsoring a regatta for truly genuine masters with all those cocky young lions excluded. It's about time those young-uns got their comeuppance!

My old friend Perry Guy (a veteran Penquin and Laser skipper) and I thought it would be fun to introduce a new racing event open only to club "seniors" and their age-challenged peers. While Geezer Regatta is the operative name at this time, some believe that the regatta would benefit from a name that would more respectfully honor the wisdom and skills of our club elders.

So read a description below of the Geezer Regatta and then submit your entry for a new name that better reflects the concept of this regatta. Winner, or winners, will not receive a trip to Disneyland but special recognition at the Geezer Regatta. And you don't have to be over 60, nor present, to win.

What: Regatta in Lasers, Flying Scots, and other one-design fleets with three or more yachts.

When: Saturday, August 27 – one day only

Where: FBYC

Why: For fun and Senior Club Champion bragging rights.

Who: All FBYC skippers over the age of 60. So the younger whippersnappers won't feel entirely left out, they will be permitted to crew, but not take the helm nor ridicule the skipper. Non-members may only serve as crew.

Trophies: A mix of serious competition trophies and surprise whimsical awards as well.

Under Consideration: Shoreside activities for non-sailors to eliminate boredom until the fleets return. How about a croquet tournament upon the club's expansive lawn, a mahjong tournament in the glory of the club's air-conditioned second floor facility, badminton, or other contests that may be suggested and organized by volunteers. All this is, as they say, yet-to-be-determined. (The most age-appropriate game, of course, would be shuffleboard, but, alas, the club has yet to invest in a shuffleboard court on the premises.)

The Party: The highlight of the event on Saturday evening will boast a magnificent meal after cocktails and music, live or otherwise. As usual at clubhouse events, any attire will be acceptable, but wouldn't it be wonderful to encourage those so inclined to flourish their finest

Bermudian togs to truly make this a memorable and civilized event in the spirit of yesteryear. (Hmm...perhaps also there should be a cannon to signal the lowering of the colors at sunset.)

Help name this regatta and encourage your friends (over the age of 60) to join us in fun and games on the water. Name entries and other ideas that you would like to submit for the regatta should be forwarded to Co-Event Chairs, Perry Guy at *pguy@verizon.net* or Jere Dennison at *jerepaula@verizon.net* by March 1.

Let us also know if you would like to help with the regatta and join the distinguished committee that will run this event. Otherwise, don't be surprised to receive a phone call to solicit your help. But whatever you do, save the date of August 27.

Remember... there is no mandatory retirement age in sailing.

Laser District 11 Championship & US Singlehanded Championship Area C Elimination

Fishing Bay Yacht Club will be hosting the 2011 District 11 Championship on May 14-15, 2011. Fleets for standard rigs and radials are expected. The top twenty boats in each fleet will receive up to 20 Grant Prix points in the International Laser Class Association North American Region Grand Prix Series.

The event will also serve as the US Sailing Singlehanded Championship Area C Elimination. The top men's sailor in the standard rig fleet and the top woman in the Radial fleet will win a berth to compete for the George D. O'Day trophy at the US Singlehanded Championship on the Columbia River Gorge on July 21-24.

About District 11

The 11th District of the International Laser Class Association North American Region covers Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and West Virginia. With 12 fleets around the Chesapeake Bay and Deep Creek Lake, hundreds of sailors race Lasers each year. 40+ laser regattas are held annually in the district in addition to dozens of other race days including weeknight racing and winter frostbite sailing. Each year District 11 sponsors a championship regatta for both Standard and Radial rig fleets to crown their champion and award 20 points in the ILCA-NA Grand Prix Series. http://laserdistrict11.org.

About the US Sailing Singlehanded Championship

The US Singlehanded Championship is a regatta run each year by US Sailing consisting of the best singlehanded sailors from around the country. 24 Men will compete in the standard rig while 24 women compete in the Radial rig. Sailors can win a berth by being the winner of one of several major Laser Regattas, by being the National Champion in the Sunfish, Finn and MC Scow Classes, or by winning one of the area qualifiers. To be selected for the Singlehanded Championship Sailors must be 16 years of age, a US Sailing Member and to qualify from Area C, must reside in sailing areas for CBYRA, BBYRA, MAYRA, NJYRA or DCYRA.

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FBYC TRADEWINDS

FOR SALE: 1982 Columbia 8.3 *Free Enterprise* owner seeks a member to buy 1/2 share in partnership in the boat. 27 ft. sloop on the W. Pier. Roomiest 27 ft. boat around cruise air. Asking \$5,000. Call **Eliot Norman** 804-721-7851.

FOR SALE: 1979 Catalina 25' Beautiful condition with new furling jib 2009, new standing rigging and lifelines 2008, 2006 9 HP Yamaha 4 stroke outboard. Fresh Bottom paint and engine service Spring 2010. Boat in freshwater until 2004. Pressurized water system, new cushions, lots of extra sails including spinnaker and associated hardware. \$8,000. Call **Diane Simon** (804) 920-0145 or **diane.m.simon@dom.com**.

FOR SALE: 19' Chaparral, 1986, fiberglass, 230 HP OMC gas engine, inboard/outboard, \$2000.00. Billy Moseley 434-983-3364.

FOR SALE: 1985 Hobie 18' and trailer. Average condition. Asking \$1,500 OBO. Contact **Jim Morrison** at 804-739-6062.

FOR SALE: CLASSIC 30'6" wooden sloop, built as a One design in 1945 (Yankee One)! Less than a handful survive today. \$15,000. Frank Hardy - 434-981-0798 or **fhardy@farmandestate.com**.

LOST: Full set of new Foul Weather Gear, Gill Brand, Red with Black Trim, left in Main Clubhouse Men's Room after Offshore Fall Series #2, October 3, and later seen on chair to right of fireplace. Noel Clinard 804 338 4066; nclinard@hunton.com

WANTED: 2000 to 2006 Suburban or Yukon XL. High miles okay. Call **Chris Lemons** 804 402 3405 or email at *chris_lemons@yahoo.com*.

BVI CHARTER: FBYC Member and USCG Captain Maria Powell is moving to the British Virgin Islands to work as a charter captain. Any interest in taking a chartered vacation, please contact her at **powellmb2@gmail.com**.

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US Sailing Race Officer Training

In response to requests from individuals and clubs in our part of the bay, there will be a US Sailing Race Management Seminar presented on Saturday, February 19, 2011 at Hampton YC, 4707 Victoria Blvd., Hampton, VA. This full day seminar, scheduled to run from 0800-1800 hrs., is designed for those with some race committee experience, but newcomers to race management are welcome as well. Subjects covered will include race committee responsibilities, sailing instructions, RC jobs and equipment, setting a course, starting systems, starting penalties and what happens before the start, during the race, finishing and scoring.

This course meets the certification or recertification seminar requirement for US Sailing Club Race Officer. The test for Club Race Officer certification will be given at the end of the seminar for those who are interested. Taking the test is OPTIONAL. The primary instructor for this training is John McCarthy, a US Sailing certified Regional Race Officer, Senior Judge and Instructor. John has taught many workshops, clinics and seminars, including the "Murphy Rules" clinics.

The registration fee for the seminar is \$50 for US Sailing members (\$60 for non-US Sailing members) and includes breakfast pastries, fruits, and beverages at check-in, lunch, drinks and snacks during breaks, and handout materials. For information and/or to register, please contact John or Lin McCarthy (757) 850-4225 or e-mail them at *mcbear@earthlink.net*.







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