



## FROM THE QUARTERDECK

FEBRUARY / MARCH 2014



By the time you are reading this, we will be well on our way to the beginning of the 2014 sailing season. For a small group of FBYC's membership, the season never ended; they simply picked up and moved south. Cruisers in this group include George Sadler, Bill and Lydia Strickland, and Glenn Doncaster. The racers include Glenn Doncaster (PHRF), Travis Weisleder (Melges 20), Noel Clinard, Blake and Lud Kimbrough (J70), Len Guenther (Laser Masters), and Rob Whittemore (Flying Scot) and probably a few others who flew under my radar! The racers were all over Florida. The cruisers, true to form, were everywhere from Virginia to the Caribbean. That's a lot of travel to fill your sails with wind.

What's the attraction? What makes it worth the time and effort? I am pretty sure the answers from members of these groups would vary, but there would be a couple of common themes. Warm weather, beautiful destinations, re-connecting with friends, and keeping skills sharp would all be mentioned. The last couple of years, I have had the pleasure of crewing with skippers participating in the Flying Scot Florida Circuit. The Florida sailing season is the mirror image of our Bay sailing season, starting in October in Miami and finishing in March in Tampa with various stops around the state in between. For Snowbirds, it is an opportunity to travel the state in cold months, sail against the best in the class (NA Champs, Rolex winners, Collegiate All Americans) and make some lasting friendships. It is the people who ultimately make the seemingly-endless commute up and down I-95 worth it. They are friendly, welcoming, and fun to be around.

The other major benefit of traveling not previously mentioned? Coming home! Visiting other clubs always makes me appreciate what great facilities and people we have here at Fishing Bay Yacht Club.

In the last Log, I mentioned the Membership Initiative and how as a club we need introspection on why we are here. The corollary of that should be, "Why do prospective members want to join?" Our best members, those who are most plugged into the life of FBYC, share one common trait. They are passionate about one or more programs the club offers. Put another way, they realize their ambitions for the sport of sailing through their membership in Fishing Bay. If the amount of initial buzz in the Membership Committee is any indication, the initiative will be a success. But for it to be truly successful, we need candidates to be thinking about where they want to plug in to the life of the club. It is our

responsibility to help with their integration into the life of the club. If you've helped welcome a new member to our ranks, you owe it to him or her to help find that place of passion.

This issue is chock full of the life of our club. From volunteers to anniversary parties, from Junior program information to a Gary Jobson seminar, we're gearing up to make this sailing season one to remember. What part will you play? ~ **John B Wake Jr.**

### 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED TIME OFFERS

In celebration of Fishing Bay Yacht Club's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary the Board of Trustees initiated a set of special membership opportunities, valid in 2014 only. We are taking these steps in fulfillment of our mission to promote and encourage sailing centered programs, activities and opportunities, and to recruit members less than 40 years of age. Reaching a younger demographic is our most challenging objective and the one most critical to our future.

The essence of this year-long membership recruitment campaign is a significant reduction in the initiation fee for a new or returning member. Our normal initiation fee is \$2,800; the following limited-time-offers make becoming a member in Fishing Bay Yacht Club in 2014 an opportunity one cannot afford to miss.

- Persons age 20 – 30, a \$300 initiation fee, with a "Forgiveness" credit for each year they remain in the Club, completed in 5 years.
- Persons age 31 – 40, a \$500 initiation fee, with a "Forgiveness" credit for each year they remain in the Club, completed in 5 years.
- Persons 41 and older – a \$1,000 initiation fee with pay off in one year.
- Crew member offer – upon sponsorship of the skipper, a crew member who has crewed for at least one year, may join with the initiation fee waived (pay no initiation fee).
- Boat partnership offer – boat partners, when both join at the same time, would pay only one (1) initiation fee, based on the age brackets described above (oldest partner).
- Re-applying former members offer – 25% of the initiation fee based on the age brackets described above with pay off in one year.

For membership information and an application see "How to Join FBYC" on our web site ([www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net)).

**FBYC BOARD HIGHLIGHTS - January 9, 2014 / MEMBERSHIP**

*Meeting was called to order at 6:01 by John Wake.*

**HOUSE CHAIR - Joe Roos:** The one major item on the winter punch list is the porch floor. There was some conversation about the usability of the current large TV set in the main clubhouse.

**DOCKS CHAIR – David Clark:** Work has begun on dredging the cut slips. Pricing for the dredging may vary from initial estimates. There are slips being vacated; members on the wait list are being contacted. Work on the dry hoist is being researched for the most cost-effective solution.

**SOCIAL CHAIR – Caroline Garrett:** Opening Day will have a similar format as last year with a 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary twist. Memorial Day, or the Open House Regatta, will be a different format from years past. There will be racing for One Design and PHRF in/around the Plankatank with, hopefully, a finish very near the Fishing Bay-side pier. It will be a “pig-picking” with one of Virginia’s best blue grass bands. Because July 4th falls on a Friday this year, this event may also have a band and bigger build up. Crew Training: Jon Deutsch is co-chair this year. The website has been updated for 2014 classes and the registration page will be up soon. Dates: April 1, 8, 22, 26 and May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**GROUND CHAIR – Ken Odell:** Winter clean up is finished.

**WINTER PROGRAMS – Eric & Carol Bokinsky:** Plans for the Bermuda High Party are under way.

**OPERATIONS MANAGER – Dixon Cole:** Dixon reported that everything on the project/winterizing list is done.

**VICE COMMODORE – MATTHEW J. BRAUN:** The Sailing Events book final deadline to go to press is February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**JUNIOR DIV. CDR – Mark Hayes:** Mark updated the Board with the following: 1) The Junior marketing page is up and all registrations begin February 1<sup>st</sup>. A full-page article on the Junior Program has been submitted to Spinsheet; 2) Race Teams/Coaches are ready to go for March, April and May – 16 to 18 kids.

**FLEET LIEUTENANT – Mike Chesser:** Mike reported that winter decommissioning for all boats is well underway.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Discussion about the Adult Sailing program included cost estimates and goals.

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.*

**JANUARY 2014 MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

**FINAL APPROVAL**

**Mr. & Mrs. C. Allen Mason, Jr. • Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Spencer**

**DEATHS**

**William Allen Perkins, Jr. • Rufus Malek Yonan**

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS YOU CAN USE**  
**Doug Anderson, Secretary/Membership Chair**

Friends don't let friends get blind-sided. If you have been reading this column for the past year you are aware that our need for new members is the underlying message of every article. Calling attention to the urgency of membership growth is not a case of “the sky is falling.” Chicken Little is not writing this column. No hyperbole or exaggeration is being used to get your attention. Hopefully, you trust these articles. In short, our Club is experiencing a true sea change, to use the nautical expression.

The past decade has witnessed a significant decline in membership and participation in sailing clubs all across the U.S. It's much larger than an FBYC problem. Young adults under the age of 40 are not getting involved in sailing or joining yachts clubs to the degree they did as recently as the 1990's. Most members are now over age 50 at many yacht clubs. The same can be said for FBYC.

If you read the three articles by Noel Clinard published in THE LOG this past fall, you got the unvarnished facts about the challenges facing us. Noel summarized the findings of the membership survey; he detailed the demographic trends of our membership; he called attention to the aging of our membership; and he put a spotlight on the proposals set forth in the Long Range Plan (LRP) calling for a change in our collective behavior as a sailing club. Eighty-plus Club members labored to develop the LRP, and all acknowledged that FBYC must make

a paradigm shift to grow our membership.

So, your doctor says you have to change your behavior or you are facing one or more chronic illnesses, waning health, and a declining quality of life. Let's not go there. Instead, let's collectively decide to adopt new behaviors. Let's come to terms with making a concerted effort to attract new members and to support the various initiatives now underway to attract younger adults. Doing nothing, but hoping things will improve, is not one of the habits of highly successful people.

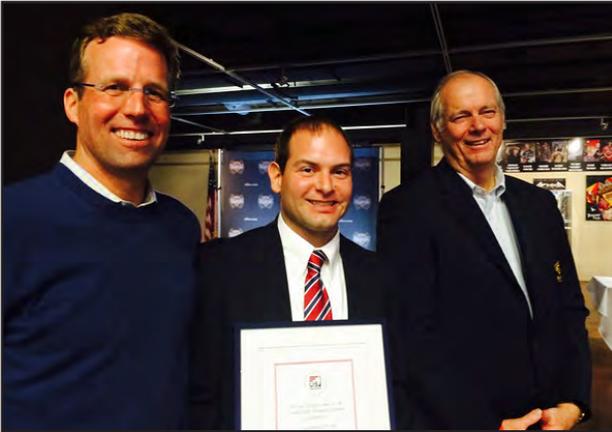
The 2014 year special membership opportunities, with greatly reduced initiation fees, are a major effort to attract new members. Will it work? Too early to tell. Is it “fair” to existing members who paid the standard fee? Yes. Why? Unless we enlarge our membership, all of us will see annual increases in our dues and fees just to sustain our current programs. Also, new members equate with greater participation.

The skills, talents, and intelligence of our membership are our primary assets, and FBYC has these assets in abundance. Let's put them to good use for the Club and for you. And speaking of you, put on your FBYC hat, the one with our Club burgee on it. We need your thinking and engagement. It's just us now, unless we grow our membership.

**How to Join FBYC!** Prospective Members are encouraged to see membership info on the Club website ([fbyc.net](http://fbyc.net)). On the top line above the Logo, see “How to Join FBYC.” FBYC welcomes applications for membership.

**VOLUNTEER**

**VOLUNTEERING. MAKING A DIFFERENCE ON THE NATIONAL SAILING SCENE.**



Fishing Bay Laser Sailor Jon Deutsch Awarded US Sailing's Prestigious One-Design Leadership Award

Acknowledging over 7 years of success at Fishing Bay in hosting the Chesapeake Laser Master's Championship, Jon Deutsch's fellow sailors nominated him for this prestigious award. The President of BoatUS, Margaret Podlich, a big fan of Jon's work around the Bay and the Chesapeake Laser Master's Championship, spearheaded the nomination. After last Fall's regatta, Margaret asked for an endorsement of the nomination from the club, which the board heartily provided, as per then-Commodore George Burke's endorsement letter, paraphrased below. Another Bay Laser Sailor, Ted Morgan, also provided a timeline of the many contributions Jon has made to Laser sailing on the Bay and nationally.

Please join me and all of the other sailors at Fishing Bay, and beyond, in congratulating Jon on this well-deserved recognition for his outstanding contribution to the world of sailing.

Fishing Bay volunteers have been recognized on the national stage before: This award follows the One Design Sailing One-Design Regatta Award recognition that FBYC earned for the hosting Flying Scot North American Championships in 2007, led by Noel Clinard and Ric Bauer, and the Optimist Nationals in 2010, led by Noel Clinard and Jay Buhl.

*"Jon Deutsch joined Fishing Bay Yacht Club with his family in the late 1990's and has been, from almost the first day, an incredible contributor to the the Yacht Club in general, the vitality of the Laser fleet in particular, and, through his volunteer work at the regional and national level with both Laser North America and US Sailing, with sailing as a whole.*

*In the beginning, Jon was a Laser sailor whose enthusiasm exceeded his effectiveness on the race course. Over the years,*

*he has made himself into an expert, both on the water and off. At the ripe old age of 32, Jon is in demand all over the Bay to run registration and scoring for events because of his ability to tackle daunting challenges with everyday aplomb. He has now run the Chesapeake Bay Laser Masters at FBYC for seven years. Thanks to Jon's efforts, the event never seems to disappoint, regardless of the weather. To attract 42 sailors last fall, in what we thought would be an "off" year, due to competing New England events, is a testament to the reputation he has built for the Master's regatta over the years.*

*In addition, Jon's documentation of events with his omnipresent GoPro and other cameras makes sailing more fun for all the participants. Every sailor looks forward to seeing the images uploaded to all the social media sites Jon connects with, as well as the Yacht Club site.*

*Jon epitomizes the vitality and competence that makes one-design sailing so fun for the participants – he brings energy, ability and focus to whatever he tackles and has the results to show for it."*

-paraphrased from FBYC's endorsement letter of Jon's nomination

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**VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**  
**Carol Bokinsky**



In 2013, Carol bravely took on the Chair position for the emerging Young Adult Members (YAM) Group at the club. She was extremely organized and distributed the information about the group's monthly events in a very timely and consistent manner! The highlights included Evening Bowling Excursion in Richmond, the Stove Point Sandbar Raft-up and Float, and the YAM Memorial Day (Friday) cookout, of which there is sure to be a 2<sup>nd</sup> annual!

She and her husband Eric had particular success getting new and different people out to events. You will often see Carol and Eric cruising their Hunter 22, *Domo Arigato*. They are avid cruisers and love to invite non-sailor friends aboard to share in their love for sailing. They enjoy the urban life too, living in downtown Richmond and doting on their 2 Maine Coons (large cats, basically the size of small gentle cougars) when they aren't at the river.

Carol and Eric are the Winter Programs Chair for 2014. Be sure to thank them when you see them around!

MEMBERSHIP / MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## MEMBERSHIP

### Mr. & Mrs. C. Allen Mason, Jr. (Allen and Melanie)

Allen and Melanie have been active crew members on Liverpool Jarge (HYC) and Wavelength (FBYC) for many years. They have been sailing at Fishing Bay since the early 90's. After their sons, Michael and John Thomas, were born, their days of crewing has slowed, but their involvement in the FBYC Junior Program has grown. They look forward to becoming even more involved in the Junior Program as well as other Club activities. Sponsors: Mr. Robert M. Whittet, III/Mr. and Mrs. Douglas S. Bendura

### Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Spencer (Andrew and Niki)

Andrew moved to the Richmond area from Nantucket to be with his then-girlfriend/now-wife, Niki, in 2011. He is a long time sailor and has sought to become more active in local sailing. Through a mutual acquaintance, Andrew was introduced to Rob Whittet, who invited him to crew on his boat, Wavelength. During his time crewing, Andrew met several FBYC members and got to know the Club and decided he wanted to become a member. He has 30+ years' experience both racing and cruising on Nantucket. Andrew has sailed everything from Lasers and Sunfish to International One-Designs and local one-design boats as well as PHRF and 12-Metres. He was also a former Assistant Coach of the Nantucket High School Sailing Team and served on the Nantucket Race Week Committee. Sponsors: Mrs. Matthew J. (A.L.) Braun and William T. Bennett.



## MEMORIAL DAY 2014 OPEN HOUSE REGATTA

During our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, it is only fitting to open our club to the entire sailing community for a fun, all-hands-on-deck party. This year we are planning a new event which invites all members and guests to come experience our warm hospitality. This event will feature a fun, handicap race around government marks near the Fishing Bay clubhouse, followed by a raft up and catered picnic-style social with live entertainment. Offshore, cruising, juniors and one-design sailors are encouraged to participate, and introduce someone new to our club and the wonderful access to the water we provide.

### Save the date: May 24, 2014

All boats and members are invited to race (see NOR in SEB)  
Adult Sailing Participants will be recognized at the awards ceremony

Catered meal and live entertainment

Fun and activities for all ages

Contact Matt Braun at [matt.braun@thalhimer.com](mailto:matt.braun@thalhimer.com); online registration and event details available at [FBYC.net](http://FBYC.net)



## SOCIAL CHAIR UPDATE

Upcoming 2014 events: To support the celebration of our 75th anniversary of the Club, we are excited to refine some of the Club's social events with some fresh ideas. A Social Event Modernization Committee was formed last summer to review our current social events and generate excitement around the events. A big thank you to those committee members and their out-of-the-box thinking: Jay Buhl, Clark Dennison, Parker Garrett, Patrick Gregory, David Hinckle, Jon Moody, Diane Simon, Steve Utley, and Julie Ann Wash.

Stay tuned for a great year of modernized events in 2014, especially Memorial Day weekend which is planned to be at the Yacht Club this year with a revised race format, a fun post-race raft-up, catered casual dinner, and Bluegrass band - all at a value price. I know I speak for a lot of people when I say that I look fondly back on wonderful memories of the Rosegill days. Thank you to the Scott family for years of providing such a special venue since 1985 -- 28 years!

## JUNIOR

## JUNIOR DIVISION FUN!

The Junior Division has an action packed season planned from March through November, from beginners to day sailors to racers! All events have one thing in common: **FUN! FUN! FUN!**



### 2014 Junior Division Events:

*Spring and Fall Opti Race Team:* This team is designed especially for the junior sailor who plays other sports in the Spring and Fall, but who still wants to sail. The team will train and attend regattas on weekends under the supervision of a professional coach on a per diem basis. Parents pay only for the days their sailor can participate. March through May and September through November.

*Private Sailing Lessons:* The Junior Division will offer private lessons taught by the Opti Development Team coach in club owned Optis, Lasers, and 420s. The lessons are tailored to meet the needs of young sailors and adults, from beginners to advanced. May through August.



program is designed to introduce young children to sailing in a safe and fun environment, and to engender a love of the water and sailing. Parent participation is required. Ages 5 to 8. June 7-8, and June 14-15.

*Junior Week:* Fun for the whole family! Classes include Beginning Opti, Advanced Beginner, Intermediate Opti I through IV, Opti Racing, Advanced Opti Racing, Laser Racing, 420 Racing and Group Sailing in Keelboats. Classes are

taught by our professional coaches, US Sailing Instructors, and experienced volunteers. Nightly entertainment includes an ice cream social, pool party with hotdogs and a professional youth rock band, a Sail-A-Thon to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and a catered cook-out. Ages 6 to 18. June 16-20.

*Opti Development Team:* Race team devoted to teaching novice sailors and beginning racers the fundamentals of racing. The team is coached by college level sailors who are often graduates of our junior program, who will concentrate on building confidence and taking young sailors to the next level of sailing in a safe and fun environment. The team practices or attends regattas Thursdays through Sundays, and no session is mandatory. Ages 7 to 15. June 20 through August 10.

*Opti and Laser Race Teams:* Advanced race teams for experienced racers coached by world class professional race coaches. The team will practice or attend regattas six full days a week and travel across the Chesapeake Bay concentrating on CBYRA Corum Cup high point regattas. The team will also attend large national and regional events outside the Chesapeake Bay area. Significant travel is required. The coaches will concentrate on individualized instruction centered on advanced racing techniques in preparation for top level competition. Ages 10 to 18. June 7 through August 10.

*Commonwealth of Virginia Junior Championship Regatta:* Again this year we will host the Commonwealth the Saturday and Sunday following Junior Week. This is a high points regatta for the CBYRA Corum Cup. Last year 95 sailors attended from as far away as New York. We will offer a Green Fleet seminar and on-the-water coaching for novice racers (and their parents!) making that first scary step into regatta racing. June 21- 22.

*Fun Sail:* Afternoon of family fun on the club's boats! Activities will include fun races, a scavenger hunt and harbor cruise, followed by pizza at the pool. Open to all ages, including adults! July 26 (With the option to add more dates!)

*Annual One-Design Regatta:* August 9-10.

*Laser Race Series:* Juniors are invited by the FBYC Laser One-Design Fleet to participate in their Laser regattas through the year in Radial or Full Rig: May 4, Laser Clinic; May 5, Spring Regatta; July 27, Summer Regatta; September 14, Fall Regatta; November 9, Frostbite Regatta.

Please visit our website at [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net) for detailed descriptions and registration information for all events. Parents are invited to join in the fun.

***Cut off that Xbox and iPad, put down that cell phone and go sailing!***

## JUNIOR

## MEET THE 2014 JUNIOR COACHES!

One of the hallmarks of FBYC's Junior Program is the outstanding quality of our professional coaches. Our race teams have grown through the years as a direct result of our coaches. Eight of the current team members joined FBYC so that they could sail with our race teams, and this year there are three members of other yacht clubs on the wait list in hopes of getting a spot! We are fortunate to again have great coaches for 2014. In addition to coaching the race teams, the summer coaches will instruct in classes open to all junior members during Opti Kids and Junior Week.

All of them love soccer, so the kids are looking forward to lively soccer games when the wind dies! Please say hello when you see them at the club—they all have fascinating life stories and all are extremely friendly.

## 2014 Coaches:



**Gabriel "Tank" Moran**  
*Head Coach and Laser Race Team Coach*

We are excited to have Gabriel back for a third year at FBYC! He turned down other coaching opportunities on the Bay and in

South America so that he could return to oversee our coaches and coach the Laser Team.

Gabriel comes to us from Guayaquil, Ecuador, where he began racing at the age of 9. Gabriel's competitive sailing has taken him around the world, including across South America, the U.S. and Canada, Australia, Europe and ocean races through the Pacific Ocean. Just a few highlights of his spectacular racing career include winning the National Championships in Optis and Lasers in Ecuador, and numerous top 10 finishes in Opti, Laser and Sunfish at South American and World Championships. He has been featured in Sailing World Magazine, and was selected to appear in an ISAF sailing video sponsored by Rolex and aired on the BBC, Fox Sports, ESPN, Asian Network, and Eurosport channels.

Gabriel coaches during our winter months at Salinas Yacht Club in Ecuador, and has coached youth in the Opti, Sunfish, and Laser classes. Many of his students have won national and international competitions, both as individuals and in team racing in South America. Gabriel is a certified International Sailing Federation Level 3 Coach; and is completing his thesis in International Business.

Check out this video of Gabriel's 2013-2014 Opti team from Salinas: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=felxpwkVMVs>



**Tomas Dietrich**  
*Opti Race Team Coach*

Tomas is a professional coach from Rosario, Argentina. He began sailing at age 7, and made the Argentine Opti Team by age 10, representing Argentina at the 2002 Opti North Americans in Bermuda. From there he has had a phenomenal career racing in everything from Optis to offshore ocean racers. Just a few of his racing highlights include a 2nd in division at the 2002 Opti North Americans, 4th in his division in the 2003 Opti South Americans, 11th overall in the 2005 Opti South Americans, Argentine National Champion in team racing in 2005, and a 38th overall in the 2006 Opti Worlds! He was the 2009 South American champion in Laser 4.7 and Laser Radials, and the 2012 South American and Argentine Laser Radial champion. He has also successfully campaigned 420s and Lightnings. Tomas was one of the expert sailors appearing in the Optisailors DVD on Boat Handling, which is a cult classic among serious Opti sailors! (The club's library has had a copy for years.)

Tomas' coaching career has taken him throughout Argentina and South America. He has served as a coach for the New Zealand Opti National Team and as a coach for the LISOT team in Newport, Rhode Island.



**Samuel Herrera**  
*Opti Race Team Coach*

Samuel comes to us from Ecuador, where he is also a professional coach at Salinas Yacht Club. He has taught and coached Optimist professionally since 2012, including many championship regattas.

Samuel began sailing as a child and racing Optimist at age 11, and has competed at the national and international level in Optis, Lasers, Sunfish, and Lightnings throughout South America, the United States and Europe. His list of accomplishments are extensive, but highlights include being a former Ecuadorian national champion in Optis and Lightnings, and he has recorded many top finishes in South America in Lasers and Sunfish.

In addition to coaching professionally, Samuel has a bachelor's degree in business, and is currently studying Neuron-Linguistic programming at Federico Santa Maria University in Ecuador. He is a high school tutor and coaches youth soccer in his free time. He is especially gifted at teaching and coaching young sailors.

**JUNIOR**



**Austin Powers**  
*Opti Development Team  
Coach*

We are extremely excited to welcome Austin back after a highly successful year in 2013 coaching the Opti Development Team! In addition to ODT, Austin taught in our Private Lessons program, Opti Kids and Junior Week in 2013.

Austin is truly one of our own. He started sailing with his dad at 3 months old, and started racing on the bay at age 6 when his family joined FBYC. Austin took Opti Kids that first summer and continued through the years to take all the courses offered during Junior Week. He joined the Opti Race Team at age 8, and raced on FBYC teams until graduating from High School. Austin placed in the top 5 in the CBYRA Corum Cup in Optis every year between the ages of 11 and 13. He then moved onto the Laser Race Team, again recording many top finishes and top Corum Cup season standings. Internationally, he recorded an 11th at the 2011 Canadian Nationals in Laser Radials. He volunteered for many years as a Counselor In Training during Junior Week, culminating in being the Lead Instructor for the Laser Racing Class in 2012, while still a junior. He was the recipient of many FBYC awards, including the Up and Coming Trophy, the Hutcheson Trophy, the Junior Competition Trophy, the Bedell Trophy, and the Dunn Trophy.

Austin's sailing success has followed him to the collegiate level, where in his freshman year he was a skipper for Christopher Newport University Sailing Team. His first season was highlighted by an A Division win in the prestigious Webb Regatta. He is majoring in Political Science and aspires to be a lawyer.



**David Tunnicliffe**  
*Spring/Fall Opti Race Team  
Coach*

Our Spring/Fall Opti Race Team will run week ends March through May, and September through November. In addition to the summer coaches, we are extremely fortunate to have David Tunnicliffe coaching the team this spring on a per diem basis on week ends. David is a highly accomplished sailor and coach who now works in commercial real estate in the Norfolk area. Just a few highlights of his coaching career include coaching the FBYC Laser Team to success in 2011; and as coach of Opti Team Prime, a large regional team made up of top sailors from the Southeast competing at United States Optimist Dinghy Association events.

## **FBYC AND THE LEUKEMIA CUP TO HOST GARY JOBSON IN RICHMOND**



The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society kicks off its 2014 Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta season with a Richmond appearance by world-class sailor and ESPN commentator, Gary Jobson. A refreshment station will be provided by co-host Fishing Bay Yacht Club, the organizing authority for Regatta racing activities scheduled this year for the weekend of July 11-13 in Deltaville.

Jobson will present his candid behind-the-scenes commentary on the spectacular America's Cup comeback by Team Oracle over Team New Zealand in the Cup races held last September on San Francisco Bay.

As National Chairman of the Leukemia Cup Regattas and himself a Leukemia survivor, Jobson will also offer some valuable fundraising tips for area sailors planning to participate in the upcoming 16th Annual Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta in Deltaville in July.

The program is free and open to the public. It will be held at St. Catherine's School, 6001 Grove Avenue, Richmond, on Sunday afternoon, March 16, 3-5 pm. Voluntary donations of any amount will be appreciated to help the LLS defray expenses of the event.

Space is limited and reservations are recommended by emailing Debbie Bridwell, Senior Campaign Manager, at [Debbie.Bridwell@lls.org](mailto:Debbie.Bridwell@lls.org) or telephone 804-673-5690.

The Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta attracts sailors from all over the Bay region and is proud to be acknowledged as one of the top fundraisers in the entire nation. Since its inception, the event has raised nearly \$2 million to support patients with blood cancers. Registrations for the Regatta are now being accepted online at [www.leukemicup.org/va](http://www.leukemicup.org/va) where more detailed information is available.

**RACING / YOUNG ADULT**

## **US SAILING KEELBOAT CERTIFICATION AT FBYC**

### **Embark On a Lifetime of Sailing Enjoyment**

This year Fishing Bay Yacht Club will offer superior sailing instruction that will make the dream a reality. Whether you sail abroad or just down at the Club, we all know someone who has said, "I want to learn how to sail". FBYC now has the program to help get anyone started. We are proud to have Premier Sailing and US Sailing as the national governing association for sailing providing experienced instructors and time tested techniques to offer the coveted US Sailing Keel Boat Certification course at FBYC. US Sailing accredits only the top schools in the country. US Sailing has been serving sailors since 1897, and has certified more than 44,000 members. The mission is to create a safe, fun and successful beginning to a lifetime of sailing for each participant. So help a friend embark on a lifetime of sailing enjoyment through the US SAILING KEEL BOAT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM at FBYC.

The US Sailing Keelboat Certification System offers:

- US Sailing instructional materials to help each participant gain competency and confidence while developing basic sailing skills.
- US Sailing Certification is proof of participants achievement and their passport to chartering boats locally or worldwide.
- US Sailing offers membership that offers many resources through the official national governing body of sailing and a community of thousands of fellow sailors.
- US Sailing Certification provides professional attention to your safety and learning

At the completion of the course, each graduating student will be recognized at our Open House Regatta May 24, 2014 (Memorial Day Weekend.)

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

<http://www.fbyc.net/Sailing/LearnToSail/>

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## **YOUNG MEMBERS**

This past month, the young members had a great turnout at Eliza Stickland's house. Mark your calendars, our next event will be the Bermuda High Party.



**Bermuda High Party at the Home  
of Paul and Julie Ann Wash**

**The end of winter is just around  
the corner...**

**Time to don your  
Bermuda shorts and sundresses  
and come party!**

**Saturday March 22, 6:00 p.m.**

**Julie Ann & Paul Wash  
4106 Park Avenue  
Richmond, VA 23221**

**\$15 members, \$20 non-members**

**Registration is available on the website.**

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**RUFUS MALEK YONAN**  
12/28/1955 – 1/21/2014

Rufus Malek Yonan, 58, passed away on January 21, 2014 from the effects of acute leukemia. He is survived by his daughters, Laura Ann and Sarah Beth; father, Rufus A Yonan; step-mother, Mary Bruce Yonan; brother, Yoel M Yonan; sisters, Lisa Y Montague (Hill IV) and Ann Y Northam; step-brother, J Douglas Wood; aunts, Rebecca V Yonan and Lois H Corker (James F); and four nieces and nephews. Rufus was graduated from Midlothian High School; he worked at Yonan Rug Company and for the last 26 years at Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc. He was a loyal and devoted son, brother and father. Rufus was a member of Fishing Bay Yacht Club in Deltaville, Virginia where he enjoyed sailing as a crew member for many years. His family will privately celebrate his life this summer in Deltaville. They ask that in lieu of flowers, donations be made in his name to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (llc.org) or the Massey Cancer Center at MCV (massey.vcu.edu) **REQUIESCAT IN PACE**

IN MEMORIAM

**WILLIAM ALLAN PERKINS, JR.**  
12/19/1925 – 1/10/2014



William Allan Perkins, Jr. died on January 10, 2014, in Matthews, Virginia. He was born in Charlottesville on December 19, 1925. He was the son of William Allan Perkins and Hazlehurst Bolten. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Ragland Perkins, and his children: Wendy Winkler and her husband, Keith Winkler; Channing Perkins and his wife, Carol; and Howell Perkins. His son, Allan, predeceased him and is survived by his widow, Emma. Mr. Perkins is also survived by his four grandchildren.

Mr. Perkins grew up in Charlottesville and graduated from Episcopal High School in Alexandria, Virginia. Following his graduation from Duke University, he was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. After serving in the Marines, he graduated from the University of Virginia Law School. While at UVA, he was a member of Zeta Psi fraternity.

He practiced law with McGuire Woods in Charlottesville where he was a partner until he retired in 1987, after suffering a stroke. He spent his retirement in Deltaville with his wife where they enjoyed sailing and living on the Chesapeake Bay.

While in Charlottesville, Mr. Perkins was active in many civic and legal organizations. He was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, where he served on the vestry. He was a past president of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, the Conference of Bar Executives, and the Charlottesville Albemarle Bar Association. He was a member of the Sons of American Revolution and a past board member of the Perry Foundation and of the Miller Foundation. He was a former member of Farmington Country Club, the Boars Head Sports Club, Redland Club, and Colonnade Club.

After moving to Deltaville, he was active in, and a past Commodore of, the Fishing Bay Yacht Club. He was a member of the Lions Club, the Romeos, the YMCA, and the Deltaville Maritime Museum. He was an active member of Christ Church Parish ( Episcopal ).

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Deltaville Maritime Museum, 287 Jackson Creek Road, Deltaville, VA 23043, Christ Church Parish ( Episcopal ), P.O. Box 476, Saluda, VA 23149 or a charity of your choice. Services will be this Wednesday, January 14, 2014, at Christ Church Parish in Saluda at 11:00 a.m.

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