

# FROM THE QUARTERDECK



Having a good start and getting to the shift first is key to winning. Protecting your lane and keeping good boat speed is another good piece of advice. We are coming into 2015 as a club with a great start and good speed. Now it is time to protect our lane and look for the first shift. Thanks to last year's leadership and an historic

membership initiative, David, Ted, and I have been handed the helm with our club in great financial shape, and with a large incoming class of eager new members looking to share our great tradition. Furthering our purpose now means sharing the benefits of membership to both new and old, with success measured in increased participation in each of our four divisions.

The board selection committee led by George Burke has recruited a very talented and motivated group, with a great mix of repeat and new leaders. Board members are hard at work creating the framework for a fabulous 2015 season. Our Sailing Division leaders and fleet captains have already finalized our 2015 Sailing Schedule with full slate of club and invitational events: check it out on www.fbyc.net . 2015 will see plenty of Offshore, Cruising, and One Design sailing every weekend from April to November, including one of our newest traditions-J70 Friday night series. Invitational events will include the Atlantic Coast Laser Championship, 2015 Junior Olympics, the Leukemia Cup Regatta, 76th Annual One Design Regatta, Stingray Point Regatta, J70 Chesapeake Championship, and the Laser Masters. The Junior Program is anticipating a bigger and better year with a healthy group of young sailors and broad array of events and regattas. The Cruising Division will try to top 1000 NM miles of cruising in the Chesapeake in 2015.

On the social side, we will see continuation of all our traditional parties and fun events. We start with the

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Bermuda High Party, move to Opening Day, and sail through the season with perennial favorites such as the Memorial Day Open House regatta, July 4th long distance race and party, and the closing day oyster roast, as well as some other traditions like Wednesday night dinners.

Recruiting for PROs and Social Chairs has gotten a good head start and will likely be completed with plenty of time to focus on increasing participation in access to all of our events. The 2015 Budget will be presented at our December board meeting for a year that is sure to see a continuation of our strong financial standing.

It appears we are starting 2015 in phase with the shifting opportunity; my plan is to take full advantage of our good fortune and continue the hard work of increasing the benefits of membership. In this coming year the Membership Initiative Committee will continue to work on all of the 2014 initiatives, including a formal Adult Sailing program, enhanced opening day ceremonies, a full slate of competitive and fun club events with a focus on eliminating barriers to entry and integrating new members; and continued effort to enhance our brand and message "come join the fun".

When someone calls to ask you to help out, just say yes. It is time to come join the fun at Fishing Bay Yacht Club! ~ Matt Braun

### YOUNG ADULT MEMBERSHIP

The YAM had a wonderful time at the Commodores Ball! Though we are not having a YAM event for December, we are planning exciting events for 2015. The January event will be on the 14th at 6 pm at Portrait House in Carytown. We're looking for lots of people to step up and join the planning; if you're interested in hosting a month, please let me know (ktbranch24-at-gmail.com)

#### **BOARD REPORT - November 2014**

#### Highlights from the November board meeting

**WEB MASTER – Strother Scott**: We are going to shut down the Website Classified after the Commodore's Ball and redirect all advertisers to the Log.

**WINTER PROGRAMS** – **Eric & Carol Bokinsky**: Looking to have a rules seminar set up.

**OFFSHORE DIV. LT. CDR.** – **Robert Fleck**: Reported that all results are being submitted in PHRF, so no calculations need to be done.

**CRUISING DIV. CDR** – **George Sadler**: Cruising reports the close of a great year. All division awards have been delivered.

#### JUNIOR DIV. CDR – Mark Hayes:

- **2015 Chesapeake Bay Junior Olympics and Bay Open** U.S. Sailing and the CBYRA Junior Division have awarded FBYC the 2015 Chesapeake Bay Junior Olympics and Bay Open. The regatta will take place immediately after Junior Week on June 27-28, and will take the place of the Commonwealth. Event Chairs have been selected, and planning is well underway, including securing volunteers and entertainment plans.
- **Marketing** We have reserved 2 spaces at the Deltaville Maritime Museum's 2015 Opening Festival and Waterman's Festival, to display an informational table and display an Opti and a Laser.

**FLEET LIEUTENANT** – **Mike Chesser**: John Wake complimented Mike and his committee for their selection of the new Parker and making an excellent decision in finding the right boat at the right price.

Commodore John Wake, Jr. thanked the 2014 board for all their hard work, time and dedication in making this special 75th Anniversary year so successful on all fronts.

#### FBYC ANNUAL MEETING - Highlights

**SECRETARY** – **Doug Anderson** In celebration of Fishing Bay Yacht Club's 75th anniversary the Board of Trustees approved a set of limited-time-offer special membership initiatives, valid in 2014 only. We took these steps to promote the sport of sailing, which is our mission, and to increase membership. This special membership initiative generated **87 new member units**.

2014 Membership Committee members: Mary Almany, Ted Bennett, Matt Braun, George Burke, Janet Moyers, John Wake, and Doug Anderson, Chair. **TREASURER** – **Rob Whittemore** In summary, this year was a solid year for the club from a financial standpoint. We anticipate finishing the year with more than \$100k of cash and no debt. In short, your club remains solvent. Our main challenges ahead: 1. Continued required investments in our aging docks on Jackson Creek. 2. The Club continued the necessary replacements of an aging fleet of support boats. 3. Finding additional ways to increase the revenue of the club to keep pace with the ever-growing costs of operating a club like ours, all while increasing the value of membership to all club members.

**REAR COMMODORE** – **Ted Bennett** – The Rear Commodore oversees the "land side" of the club. The following is an abbreviated report as presented by Ted at the Annual Meeting:

This year I can safely state that our physical facilities are in the best shape ever and our non-sailing activities were all well planned and executed.

We would be remiss if the efforts of Meg Rock were not recognized. Meg did much of the detail work in compiling the vast amount of information necessary to process 87 individual applications. A more normal year would be below 20 new members, so all involved did 4 years of membership production in one year.

The 75th Anniversary Commemorative book could only have been produced by Historian Jere Dennison. This book will reinforce our continuing heritage as one of the best sailing clubs in the country.

Dixon Cole, our Operations Manager, has the skills necessary to keep our physical plant in good order. If something can fail, it will, and Dixon has made countless repairs and maintenance that virtually eliminated the disruption caused by failures. A special note of appreciation came from Michelle Hayes for how well the Junior equipment was prepared for this year's extensive away sailing events.

**VICE COMMODORE** – **Matt Braun** – The Vice Commodore oversees the "water side" of the club's activities.

Despite the overall decline felt throughout the sailing world, the Club's 75th sailing season has very much to celebrate. Every division saw enthusiastic participation in events, and the bar is set high for next year.

Our Junior Program continues to represent our club as one of the premier programs in the country, widely recognized as one of the most effective and well-run

#### **MEETING HIGHLIGHTS / SPECIAL NOTICES**

programs on the east coast. This year, over 250 individual juniors participated in our Junior Program. Eighteen individual parents volunteered for leadership roles lasting throughout the year, and approximately 35 adults volunteered to teach during our educational programs. The Division recruited some world-class instructors with 5 professional coaches for the summer, and one professional coach for the spring and fall training.

COMMODORE - John Wake - In our seventy- fifth year, Fishing Bay Yacht Club has had one very long celebration. As Matt and Ted have reported, we have learned to sail, raced, cruised, socialized, volunteered and added new members. We have a very talented board that made good things happen. All this activity has translated into our club being on a financially sound footing. I am confident that next year's board and leadership will do even better!

For all our success there are still challenges ahead and work to be done. Our success with membership initiatives now will need to translate into membership integration and retention. This year is not the new normal for membership! We will need to continue to come up with compelling reasons and programs that our members want. With twenty five percent of our membership belonging to club less than a year it is imperative that we get everyone immersed in our club culture.

Rear Commodore Ted Bennett reported on the waterfront survey conducted this year. One of the major conclusions of this survey was the club's docks are in the last years of their useful life. There will be no easy, quick or inexpensive solutions to this problem. In order to move forward, it will require the talents of our best and brightest in areas of finance, engineering and construction.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE – George Burke –** George announced the following proposed Slate of Officers and members of the Board of Trustees for the year 2015:

Matthew J. Braun

COMMODORE VICE COMMODORE REAR COMMODORE SECRETARY TREASURER FLEET CAPTAIN OFFSHORE DIV. CDR. ONE DESIGN DIV. CDR. Jon Deutsch CRUISING DIV. CDR. JUNIOR DIV. CDR. FLEET LT. LOG STREAMER HOUSE CHAIRMAN

William T. Bennett David Lennarz Joseph W. Roos Robert P. Whittemore Alexander Alvis. III Robert J. Fleck Douglas J. Selden Mark E. Hayes Michael S. Chesser Nica Waters William H. Schwarzschild, III DOCKS CHAIRMAN SOCIAL CHAIRMAN **GROUNDS CHAIRMAN** MEMBER AT LARGE

David B. Clark Paul Wash Edward J. O'Connor John B. Wake, Jr.

A motion was made and approved to close the nominations and accept the Slate of Officers as presented. George then read the names of the Committee Chairs for 2015.

### **ANNUAL MEETING & COMMODORE'S BALL**



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**Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Atwill, II (Amelia and Charlie)**: Charlie grew up with sailing as a central part of his life and his family has been an active part of FBYC for many years in round-the-buoys, long-distance offshore events, and as cruising the Bay. Lately, Charlie has been active in crewing on one-design keel boats. The Atwills hope to engage their children - Charlie, III (2) and Pierce (10) – in the Junior Program and they look forward to sailing and socializing for years to come!

**Mr. and Mrs. Ronald P. McCoy (Ron and Nina)**: Last year the McCoys purchased a condo on Wilton Creek where they keep their sailboat, Grace, a Hunter 386. They quickly met their neighbors, Ed and Diane O'Connor and Ric and Sharon Bauer, who sang the praises of FBYC. The McCoys love cruising the Chesapeake Bay and they wish to join others who enjoy doing the same.

**Mr. and Mrs. David C. Long (Dave and Suzanne)**: The Longs are active sailors and have crewed on various boats sailing both in the Pacific and the Atlantic. They have been involved in sailing most of their lives and they would like their children, Charlotte (7) and Millie (3), to have that same opportunity. The Longs are purchasing a vacation house in the Deltaville area and are planning on sailing on the weekends. They are looking forward to getting involved in all the club activities.

**Ms. Debra Cycotte (Debbie)**: Debbie's whole life has been involved in sailing, going back to her childhood when she sailed with her father. An accomplished skipper, she has her name on one of the most coveted Flying Scot North American trophies, the Challenger Division Champion. Debbie is already actively involved in many club activities, whether it be the countless race committees she has served on, chairing or co-chairing various regattas, trophy selections or simply any task needed. Debbie is also the Historian for the Flying Scot Sailing Association.

**Mr. and Mrs. John Kalinowski (John and Vera)**: John and Vera come to FBYC from Jubilee Yacht Club in Beverly, MA. The Kalinowskis along with their daughter, Jacqueline (a freshman at ODU) moved from New Hampshire to Hardyville last year. John has been racing PHRF boats for the last 20 years and raced catamarans for the last ten. John is excited about FBYC's program focus on sailing, racing, and the development of current and future sailors.

**Mr. and Mrs. Erik Petter Blix (Petter and Anne)**: Anne is passionate about sailing and considers any day on the water a good day. She has been a crew member aboard Chilcoot since the spring of 2013 after completing the FBYC

crew training class and has also crewed aboard Incorrigible and Corryvreckan. Anne grew up sailing with her family on a 17' Interlake sailboat, primarily in the Midwest on Lake Erie and Kentucky Lake. Petter, on the other hand, grew up in Sigtuna, Sweden and sailed Optis that his father built. Their son, Ian (6), is has been a "pirate" aboard Incorrigible and he looks forward to driving more boats!

**Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marshall, III (Sam and Virginia)**: Former members, the Marshalls are looking forward to coming back to FBYC. They are active in offshore sailing and looking forward to returning to competitive racing. Sam crewed at RRYC before retirement; he campaigned J/29 for eight years with three trips to Key West Race Week and participated in other one-design and PHRF racing. He currently races an S2 7.9, Play it Again.

**Ms. Lauren B. Desimone (Lauren)**: Lauren grew up in Urbanna cruising on her family's boat. She joined the FBYC crew sailing class three years ago to learn how to race sailboats, and has been a crew member aboard Double Eagle for the past three years. Since then, her love for the FBYC sailing community has grown – from the formal regatta dinners and events to the snack socials after a day of racing and everything in between, Even after moving to Raleigh, NC, Lauren wants to reinforce her commitment to FBYC by becoming a member.

**Ms. Marie Jennings Schacht (Marie)**: Marie is a lover of the water, wind, and community. Growing up in Urbanna, she identified herself as a boating and sailing person. Marie attended Sailing Camp at Christchurch School for four summers and, in 2011, she attended the FBYC Training Program in Richmond. For the past two seasons, she has actively sailed aboard Double Eagle. Marie is looking forward to becoming an active member of the FBYC community so that she may invest time and support its success to ensure it has a long and bright future!

**Mr. and Mrs. Garland Gray, II (GG and Ann)**: GG and Ann, FBYC members in the late '90s, are active sailors, having done extensive sailing up and down the Bay. Their boat, a Jabberwock 42, is currently docked in Poquoson. They have owned various cruising boats since 1981 and sailed offshore to the Bahamas and Bermuda several times and chartered in the Caribbean on multiple occasions. They enjoy cruising as well as the camaraderie of a yacht club.

**Mr. Garland Gray, III (Garland)**: Garland spent 10 years junior sailing on Optis and 420s including in the Bay Opener 420 Atlantic Coast Championship and North American Championships. He cruised on a 42'catamaran including three offshore passages from the Bahamas to Hampton. Garland is looking forward to connecting with others who

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are interested in sailing and he wants to get back into competitive racing.

**Mr. and Mrs. Elmon T. Gray (Taylor and Lauren)**: Elmon has spent a large portion of his life on the water sailing and much of that time was spent racing. He was a member of the Christopher Newport University sailing team. Since graduating college from in 2010; however, the amount of time spent sailing has been reduced to the yearly alumni regatta and a handful of times he can go sailing with his parents in the summer. Elmon is hoping that his membership in FBYC will help him get more sailing time and, as a Richmond resident, feels that FBYC is an ideal yacht club for that purpose!

**Ms. Holly Fuller (Holly)**: As a child, Holly sailed with her parents aboard their Albin Ballad 30, affectionately named Holly Wolly. She completed the crew training class this year and has crewed in most regattas this summer aboard Double Eagle. She has greatly enjoyed sailing competitively with the crew. Holly grew up in Middlesex County on the Piankatank River and was lucky to be able to visit the club whenever possible. Joining and participating in FBYC is a big reason that she will, hopefully, be able to return to Deltaville for the rest of her life.

**Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Lapera (Jesus and Ana Cris)**: Jesus learned to sail as a child with his father and continued to sail all the way through college. After he and Ana Cris were married, they sailed with friends off and on for many years. They started sailing again seriously about five years ago when they bought their first boat and moved to the Northern Neck. Jesus has recently discovered the fun of racing and wants to continue to improve his skills. He has a personal interest in using what he has learned in his corporate life to teach sailing. Ana Cris is a beginner sailor who enjoys cruising. The Lapera's are looking forward to the camaraderie of club life.

**Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Nelson (Joe and Anne)**: Before moving to Hong Kong in 2003, Joe was a member of Urbanna Yacht Club and raced regularly – several times in some FBYC. Having spent the last eleven years racing in Hong Kong, Joe has come to value being a member of a club whose primary mission is promoting sailing and racing, and he looks forward to continuing that same experience at FBYC.

**Mr. and Mrs. Randolph T. Roper (Randy and Kristen)**: Randy believes that the Roper DNA has destined his family to sail and compete as exemplified by his grandfather, the late George C. Roper, who joined FBYC around 1950 and is now included in the list of standout skippers of his day. This passion for sailing was passed down to Randy's father, Randy, Sr., and also passed down to Randy, Jr. as a boy. Some of his most cherished youthful memories are of the days spent sailing with his father at FBYC and listening to his stories of the "golden years" at the club. Joining the club would continue the Roper tradition by getting the whole family sailing and racing and recreate the same "golden year" memories for his children to look back upon.

**Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Peterson, Jr. (Rick and Ginger)**: Rick has been an avid sailor since he was ten years old crewing for his father on his series of Lightings. He has enjoyed sailing in Michigan, California, Texas and now in Virginia. Rick is currently a half owner in a Flying Scott 5301 and is regular crew on Catitude and Play it Again. Rick has restored a vintage Flying Dutchman which he plans to day sail and race in special events. Rick and his wife, Ginger, plan to participate in the club's racing and cruising activities and look forward to being active volunteers.

**Mr. and Mrs. Stephen H. Montgomery (Steve and Margaret)**: The Montgomerys began sailing a Sunfish in 1980 as an activity they could do together and they have progressively moved up in boats as their family grew. Deltaville has been an important part of Margaret's family since 1953 when they built a seasonal cottage on Moore's Creek. Steve and Margaret are planning on retiring in a year and will be relocating to Deltaville. They are looking for opportunities to join area organizations and get involved with them as volunteers. They also wish to participate in sailing activities and enjoy their primary sport. Steve looks forward to crewing and becoming part of the race committee after completing the Crew Training Course.

**Mr. and Mrs. Greg Ullman (Greg and Kathy)**: Greg has five years sailing experience on both a C&C 25 and a Catalina 30 as an active sailor in the Baltimore area. During the past year, the Ullmans and their children – Katie (10) and Jack (8) – have spent their weekends sailing on a Hunter 326, but they consider themselves still fairly new to sailing. They look forward learning to sail with and participate in the active FBYC sailing community. They like that FBYC offers opportunities for their children to learn to sail through various programs. Greg and Kathy also look forward to participating in group cruises on the weekends.

**Mr. Harold E. Starke, Jr. (Hal)**: Hal has sailed for most of his life and has enjoyed cruising on his Tartan Sloop. He has been racing offshore and one design at FBYC for a number of years and has a number of FBYC friends and acquaintances. Hal was a member and former Commodore of Rappahannock River Yacht Club. He looks forward to participating in club events on a more frequent basis.

**Mr. Jacob McInnis (Jacob)**: Jacob has been sailing and crewing on a Flying Scot at FBYC for the past three years

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and would like to officially become a member of the club. Jacob has enjoyed meeting the club members while acting as assistant Coach for the ODT team, the junior program and the crew training program. He looks forward to being able to sail more by becoming a member.

**Mr. and Mrs. Christopher W. Kennedy (Chris and Mary Reeves)**: Chris learned to sail at Norfolk Yacht and Country Club, ultimately became a sailing instructor there and was on the sailing team while attending the University of Virginia. Mary Reeves also grew up sailing and her father, Frank Murphy, remains an active fixture in FBYC's Laser and Offshore fleets. Both Chris and Mary Reeves are career Navy – Chris is a pilot and Mary Reeves serves as a JAG – which has taken them away from the Chesapeake and local sailing circles for the past six years, but they are now relocating back to Virginia and are planning on making FBYC part of their life. The Kennedys have two children – Libby (3) and Weyman (2) – who are certain candidates for the FBYC Junior Sailing Program.

**Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Goodpasture (Philip and Paige)**: The Goodpastures love to sail. They love the Bay, and they love being on the water with people who like it too. Philip has been a recreational sailor for 35+ years and crewed at FBYC for about five years during the '80s and '90s. Paige has sailed recreationally for 30+ years in Virginia and Maine and crewed at FBYC in the early '90s for about three years. Their children, Eliza (18), John (14) and Rose (12), are also recreational sailors. Philip and Paige want their children to learn to sail well and experience the fun of group sailing,

racing and just learning about the Bay and open water

sailing.

**Mr. and Mrs. James Christopher McDowell (Chris and Caroline)**: Chris is originally from Rhode Island and has sailed/raced all of his life – cruising on Narragansett Bay, Buzzards Ba, Vineyard and Block Island Sounds as well as the Virgin Island and Grenadines. Chris also was a member of the Dartmouth College sailing team. In June of 2013, the McDowells and their three children (Wilson (12), Neely (11) and Charlotte Reade (7)) moved to Richmond. The children have spent previous summers going to Rhode Island to sail. The McDowells look forward to their children participating in the FBYC junior program.

**Mr. James O. Cobb (Jim)**: FBYC welcomes back Jim Cobb, a past Commodore of Fishing Bay Yacht Club,. With over thirty years of racing experience on one-design and offshore sailboats, Jimmy has been a key team member aboard Nanuq for the past few years. He feels that Fishing Bay is the most beautiful spot on the Chesapeake to cruise and race. He is looking forward to purchasing a boat and calling the club home again.



WELCOME NEW JUNIOR FAMILIES!

*Exciting news: 60 new juniors joined FBYC in 2014!* Most of these juniors have never attended any of our camps or learn to sail programs, and we are excited to welcome them aboard!

We are proud of our educational program. Opti Kids and Junior Week form the foundation of the Junior Division. All but 7 of the 46 racers on the 2014 Race Teams started sailing as campers during either Opti Kids or Junior Week. Both programs are the gateway for countless kids to not only learn to sail, but more importantly, to develop a lifelong love of sailing. As follow-up to Opti Kids and Junior Week, we offer Private Lessons and a Fun Sail, which are designed to keep kids on the water and learning. It is our goal to reach as many children as possible with the joy of sailing; whether it is racing, day sailing, cruising, or just knocking about in boats on the water, it is our hope that we foster a love of sailing which will enrich their lives. And never forget our motto: if kids have fun sailing with their friends, they will come back for more! Many of our sailors become close friends while in Opti Kids, and cement what can be a lifelong friendship as they graduate through the Junior Week classes and various race teams. until they finally leave our program for college.

Fun is important, yes, but safety is the foremost consideration. All participants-junior and adult-must at all times wear a PFD and water shoes. Sailors must pass a two-part swim test on the first day of class, consisting of swimming the length of our pool while wearing a PFD; and then swimming from the end of our pier to the beach while wearing a PFD and water shoes.

**Opti Kids (June 13,14 & 20, 21; ages 5 to 8)** Can kids this young really learn to sail? YES! Opti Kids is taught on two consecutive weekends in June, in either

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a morning or an afternoon session. A responsible adult is required to participate with the child. The classes are usually less than 16 sailors per class, and kids sail two to an Opti, the perfect beginner boat. They have a single small sail and are small and light. We provide the boats used in Opti Kids.

Our protected cove, with its sandy, gently sloping beach and shallow, clear water, is perfect for learning. The emphasis is hands-on learning, with practically no "classroom theory". AND NO YELLING! Instructional sessions are kept short due to the age of the sailors, with plenty of time for swimming and playing games and snacks ashore. Sailing is followed by ice cream and a family cookout. In fact, sometimes it seems FBYC kids learn to sail while holding an ice cream or frozen popsicle



in one hand!

As we all know from our days in school, the instructor makes the class. We are extremely fortunate to have Paul and Julie Ann Wash! They are long time members of FBYC and have assisted and taught in Opti Kids for years. They know how to gently

encouraged kids into trying something new or challenging those who need more. Paul and Julie Ann are not just instructors, they are parents with their own children and understand that if kids are not having FUN, then nothing is being accomplished. Learning is great-but the real goal is that they remember how much fun they had at camp.

#### Junior Week (June 22-26; ages 6 to 18)

Junior Week is a week-long day camp which is so much *more* than instruction. It is *the* sailing and social event of the summer, for both adults and kids! Last year we had 145 juniors and 40 adults participate for the entire week. Every night is filled with entertainment, including ice cream (of course), a pool party with hot dogs, professional teen rock band, a sail-a-thon, and FUN.

Classes include: Beginner I, II & III; Advanced Beginner; Intermediate I, II and III; Opti Racing; Advanced Opti Racing; Laser Racing; 420 Racing; and Group Sailing on keel boats. Instruction is from 9 am to 4 pm, with an hour for lunch, followed by entertainment after sailing. The classes are taught by a combination of professional, internationally known coaches retained by the Club, certified instructors, and very experienced volunteers. Junior Week could not exist without our parent volunteers as lead instructors. Most have taught for years and are lifelong sailors. Many learned to sail as kids at Junior Week. All love teaching, and have committed to the future of sailin (and our club) by instructing during Junior Week. After doing a fantastic job in 2014, Doug and Jennifer Bendura are returning again in 2015 to head up Junior Week. *You can bet they will make it fun!* 

#### Private Lessons (By Appointment, May-August; ages 6 to 99!)

The Private Lessons program has evolved into a cornerstone of our educational program for those who want to continue their development after Opti Kids and Junior Week, and for those who have conflicts during those events. The lessons are taught by the Opti Development Team Coaches in the Club's Optis, Lasers or 420s, and are customized to fit the needs of the individual student. We can also handle small groups of up to five students so that friends and siblings can sail together while retaining the one-on-one approach. The program will again be coordinated by Mary Almany.

#### Fun Sail

(July 11, with the option of adding dates; all ages) The Fun Sail is another chance for juniors to get out on the water with their friends and have fun. The sail will be led by experienced instructor Paul Almany, assisted by an Opti Development Team Coach. Juniors may sail their own boats or a Club Opti. The point is to get out on the water and have FUN in a supervised environment while learning. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to sail in the Club's Lasers and 420s. The day will end with pizza at the pool!

On-line registration for all Junior Events opens on February 1 at www.fbyc.net.

#### Next month: FBYC Race Teams.



#### **JUNIOR / RACING**





PHRF ADOPTS MAJOR CHANGES FOR 2015

At last month's PHRF Delegates Meeting major changes were adopted that will affect PHRF racing on the Bay. PLEASE SEE THE WEBSITE (www.fbyc.net) for a more complete writeup!

- PHRF voted to adopt a dual rating system for 2015, or 4 ratings if you count non-spin rating. We have had one rating that aimed mainly at Windward-Leeward (W-L) courses with a little consideration for triangle or distance races. Looking at the various VPP programs, the PHRF Technical Committee felt that the W-L and Random Circular (RC) data provided the basis for a movement to two ratings. The Non-Spinnaker rating is not to allow non-spinnaker and spinnaker boats to compete against each other but to compensate boats with penalty spinnakers when racing in a nonspinnaker class.
- PHRF will now have ratings for three Genoa sizes-140-155%, under 140%, and recognized One Design class sails.
- Both PHRF and CBYR give yacht clubs the option of scoring Time on Distance (ToD) or Time on Time (ToT). ToT tends to compress the finishes, especially in dying breezes and with a large rating spread. If a boat wins considerably under ToD, it is most likely going to do so on ToT with most of the changes being a swapping of places for the close finishers in places 2-5. From everything I have read I would recommend that FBYC switch to ToT for 2015.
- The USCG has announced that its life jacket standards and requirement will be revised Jan 1 2015 as a continuation of the Safety at Sea review that was started last year. PHRF will adopt whatever the USCG standards are and any phase in period.
- Effective for 2015, Dynema as a lifeline material is banned for classes 1, 2, and 3. In Class 4 the use of Dynema is on probation but still allowed, with





#### **2015 JUNIOR DATES**

February 1 March 7-May 31 May 16-August 30 May 23 June 13, 14 & 20, 21 June 13-August 15 June 22-26 June 26-August 15 June 27-28 July 11 August 8-9 September 5-November 29 On-line registration opens Spring Race Team Private Lessons Open House Regatta Opti Kids Laser & Opti RaceTeams Junior Week Opti Development Team Junior Olympics Fun Sail Annual One-Design Fall Race Team

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wire recommended for night races. The only safe and acceptable material is bare 1x19 304 or 316 stainless steel wire.

- PHRF voted to initiate a new PHRF Bay Wide Championship and budgeted trophies for awarding in 2015. The details are similar to CBYRA High Point except it will be open to any PHRF member based upon results without the requirement of being a CBYRA member.
- PHRF has made single headsails the default standard for the non-spinnaker class. This will not affect FBYC as we had already done that. I would recommend that we adopt the single headsail standard for the Leukemia Cup not the double we used last year.
- PHRF has a new Executive secretary, is revising its website, and is in the process of getting all the administrative issues behind us that resulted from the retirement of our long time Executive Secretary. The two year rating certificate will continue to be available and you are allowed one headsail change rating per year (not per certificate) after paying the appropriate fees.

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FINAL CRUISE OF THE 2014 SEASON Gordon and Jane Cutler

On the same October weekend that 40 master Laser sailors raced in Fishing Bay, the cruisers set out on their final weekend cruise of a memorable and remarkable season. Lydia and Bill Strickland on *Dragon Run*, Scott and Louisa Sirles on *Joyful*, Sarah Carneal and Roger Gaby on *Anneliese*, Gordon and Jane Cutler on *Tender Mercies*, and Chris Lindbloom and Nancy Powell on *Bolero*— their spanking new Jeanneau 469—headed north to the

Chesapeake Boat Basin for what had been predicted to be a weekend of gentle winds. Such was not the case, as Saturday provided westerly winds building to 15-20 knots and a brisk sail to the mouth of Indian Creek.

The Chesapeake Boat Basin rolled out the welcome mat with a discount on slip fees and a loan of their van for the ride to dinner at the Rappahannock Grill in Kilmarnock. Sidney and Mike Camp joined us for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the marina and also assisted with the drive into town for dinner.

Sunday brought cooler temperatures, a shift in wind to the NW, and steadily building strength with gusts of apparent wind over 30 knots. This made for a quick and exciting ride home, especially while crossing the Rappahannock.

This cruise was originally to be led by Waddy and Connie Garrett. Although the timing for this did not quite work out, Waddy's many friends are delighted that his lengthy recent treatments are now completed, and we have fervent hopes for their success.

Looking back on the 2014 season, with over 6 weeks of FBYC cruises including, as highlights, the Northern Bay Memorial Day Cruise to Baltimore Inner harbor, the Midbay FBYC-Ocean Cruising Club Rally, the Southern Bay History Cruise, and a superb on-the-water safety course, the cruisers are grateful to Captain George Sadler and Frances, and Co-Captain Doug Selden, for a truly superb season, with many great opportunities to share our love of sailing, and to enjoy old and new friendships, with our fellow FBYC cruisers.

#### A NOTE FROM THE CRUISING DIVISION.

We are starting to plan for the coming season and are collecting ideas and cruise leaders. A draft schedule has been drawn up, with the Welcome Cruisers party in early April and the final event sometime in late October. Several opportunities are being discussed, including a wine tour in Reedville, the ARC Delmarva for those wishing a short ocean experience, Part II of Suddenly Alone, July 4 fireworks and others. Contact Diane Simon or me, Doug Selden 434-466-8272 c or djeselden@gmail.com, with your suggestions or questions. We look forward to continuing the active cruising class and increase the number of cruising families at the club!

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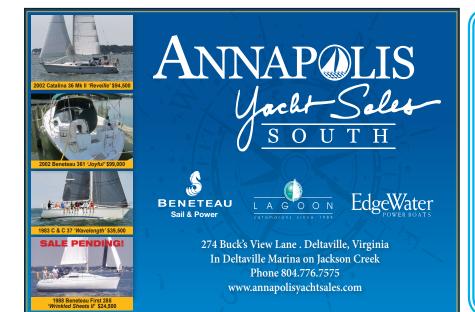
**FOR SALE** - 1990 Grady-White 22' "True Lies". Incredibly reliable, Yamaha 200 2-stroke. Cuddy cabin, curtains. Asking \$9,500. Contact Lud Kimbrough at Ikimbrough@ truenorthcustom.com

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**FOR SALE** - 1988 Hunter 26.5. Well maintained cruiser/ racer/daysailer that I have owned for 22 years. Fresh antifouling paint in June 2014. Electric start Tohatsu engine (new in 2011) with controls in cockpit. North mainsail and 155% genoa new in 2011. Full spinnaker gear. Pictures and details at: http://www.sailboatlistings. com/view/44899. Asking \$7000. Contact John Galloway at 804-824-2107 or galloway.johnp@gmail.com. **WANTED**: The Deltaville Maritime Museum is seeking boat and car donations. All proceeds benefit museum and park programs and future development.

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





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