

FROM THE QUARTERDECK

JULY 2015



TAKE ME TO THE RIVER

This song, www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ar2VHW1i2w, made famous by the Talking Heads in the late seventies, was written by Al Green and covered by as many as a dozen artists. My wife, A.L., and I often blast the song as we drive to the river, leaving the workweek behind. The song's infectious nature is much like the club we all love.

Our junior division is officially in full swing with what is looks like a record year for Junior Week and our summer race teams. Many thanks to Doug & Jennifer Bendura for leading the 41 full-time volunteers and 194 junior participants to a great kick off to the summer with this FBYC tradition. Also kudos to Mark & Michelle Hayes who are leading what is expected to be a great year in the laser & Opti Race team program. They have again recruited top notch professional coaches, led by retuning coach Tomas Dietrich, with Federico Norman and Tom Pellejero. They each bring a unique level of large fleet racing experience and expertise to our Opti and laser race teams. The Opti and Laser Development Teams are being led by our own Austin Powers, Claire Lennarz, and Eric Roos.

J70 Friday Night Series continues with much enthusiasm. The format has been well received and is focused on fun, low-stress sailing consisting of short races just outside of Jackson Creek with the last race finishing at the Jackson Creek docks. Most of the J70 fleet has participated and we have not turned anyone away who wants to crew. **Clark Dennison**, **Jon Deutsch**, and I can help anyone interested in finding out more.

The July 4 Long Distance Race NOR has been revised to include boats with waterlines up to 24' and the cookout afterwards is open to all club members, with special family rates posted on the website. Thanks to **Ed** and **Diane O'Conner** for putting together what is sure to be another great cookout after the sailing. Everyone is invited, so sign up on www.FBYC.net.

The Leukemia Cup will host races on 3 courses on July 11, 12 with **Lud Kimbrough**, **John Wake** and **David Hinkle** taking on PRO duties. The newest course will focus on One Design Sailing. Flying Scots, Typhoons and other One Design Dinghies are welcome. Thanks to the many FBYC volunteers helping this great fundraiser.

I would also like to recognize **Jim Raper** who has stepped up as PRO for most of our One Design Spring Series events. Jim has done an incredible job in some very challenging conditions.

So much effort has gone into keeping our facility running at its best. Thanks to **Ed O'Conner**, **Tracy Schwarzschild**, and **David Clark** for keeping grounds, house, and docks in great shape. As reported in the June Board Minutes the Club will be moving forward with a deposit and subscription agreement that would reserve a domestic water connection for our facility, provided a public/private partnership facilitated by Middlesex County and a private water provider are able to sign up the needed number of subscribers from the Deltaville community. **David Lennarz** will be run point on this important issue and has been in close contact with Middlesex County Leaders and Stove Point Association to fully understand our options and opportunities.

"Take Me to the River", the song, started out as a quick "we need new material" and has grown over the years to represent a wide variety of genres and artists. It's still catchy, grin-inducing, and very much alive. Sounds a lot like our club. See you down there. **A Matt Braun**

BOARD REPORT - June 2015

FISHING BAY YACHT CLUB - BOARD MEETING

Selected highlights from June board meeting

HOUSE CHAIR – The water heaters have been installed and are functional. The doors in the clubhouse need to be repainted. Screening needs to be redone at Fannie's House.

DOCKS CHAIR – There is currently only one vacant slip. Transient docking is filled up.

SOCIAL CHAIR – Plans for the 4th of July party are progressing

GROUNDS CHAIR -

- Barn: Caulking/painting is in process.
- **Grounds**: Flower beds between the clubhouse and pool, and at the pool by the beach, are being planted and mulched. Azaleas between the barn and road are being replaced. Approximately 5 tons of additional mulch will be ordered to cover new plantings. Approximately 5 tons of white sand will be ordered to fill in erosion by the main launch ramp as well as fill in the Junior ramp boundary between the grassy area and the water. Dixon is evaluating the feasibility of running power to the top eave of the pool pavilion as a site for a Wi-Fi camera overlooking the Junior area
- **Future Projects**: The barn roof is buckling in several locations whether from water damage or wind. Needs to be evaluated. The roof paint itself is completely discolored and/or disintegrating.

WEB MASTER -

- **Sign In Issues** Some people try to sign into the website and as soon as they go to the next page they are kicked out. This is issue is being resolved by having users delete their cookies. Blog Category have added a J70 Category to the News Pages.
- **FBYC App** There are around 90 devices using the IOS app. Eugene may be interested in creating an app for Android if there is member interest.

There is a bigger issue with the website that concerns three areas: Data integrity, Two authentication systems Unencrypted passwords. The risk is that it highly likely that parts of the website will be broken for up to a week or more when these changes are rolled out. It is suggested that these changes would have to be done after the sailing season but before the new events and the yearbook process start. Once this is all done, there will be a clear path to a gradual conversion of the website to Django or otherwise - and an escape from Zope. The Committee will continue to work on this.

MARKETING – The following signs have been delivered to Dixon: 2 new and larger directional signs, for the Ruark turn and across from the Exxon station. "Sailor Crossing" signs. "Trailer" directional signs, located at each of the three entrances on the FB side

FLEET CAPTAIN – There are plenty of floating marks, flags, etc. for upcoming events.

ONE DESIGN DIV. CDR – One Design parking is full. One Design race committees still need some PROs, but these slots are being filled as event approaches.

JUNIOR DIV. CDR -

- Opti Kids and Junior Week Total participation for the two programs is currently 194 juniors, an increase of 9% over 2014; 41 adults have volunteered for the entire week.
- **Summer Race Teams** At this time there are 46 juniors participating on our four summer race teams.
- New Apex RIB We have accepted delivery of the new RIB, and we are extremely happy with its performance.
- Other Programs Registration remains open for Private Lessons, Fun Sail and August OptiWeek.
- **USODA Events** Four of our Opti Race Team members, Benton Amthor, Boyd Bragg, Ian Street and Nathan Smith, were invited to participate in the USODA Team Trials held in April in Miami. Ian Street accepted an invitation to represent the United States at an international regatta in Belgium in August; and Nathan Smith accepted an invitation to represent the United States at the British Nationals in July.

FLEET LIEUTENANT – All vessels are in good order. The bottom of the Parker has been painted.

TROPHIES – Offshore awards are ready to go for presentation. The refurbished Crump Perpetual Trophy has been received. Discussion on the Patrick Gibson Perpetual Trophy – To be determined at next meeting whether to refurbish, repair or retire.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Water: The Middlesex County Water Authority is rolling out a plan to provide municipal water to the residents of the Village of Deltaville. The plan/implementation is going to be rolled out in phases with the intent of making the residents of Stove Point and the Club to be part of Phase I of this plan, subject to user subscription levels and other county-related decisions. The Water Authority is asking that

BOARD REPORT / SPECIAL NOTICES

those who wish to participate in this service sign a Subscription Agreement (which has been reviewed by our counsel) along with a 10% deposit (currently estimated to be \$1,250 to \$1,500 for FBYC) which will be refunded if the project does not proceed. In addition to the deposit, there is the eventual hook-up fees (total cost to possibly run around \$15,000) as well as monthly minimum water fees of \$100 to \$400, subject to FBYC's usage during peak months. Public meetings are being held June 15, 20 and 27, 2015. Benefits of the service include: Access/use of a good, reliable, long-term water source; close access to fire hydrants/protection; increased property values; and possible decreased insurance rates.

A motion was made to authorize that up to a \$1,500 deposit be made once an assessment is made by our water experts (Wes Jones, David Soule, and Dixon Cole) to determine the number and size of lines. Once that is known, the deposit and Subscription Agreement will be sent to the County. That internal assessment will also help us calculate a better assessment of our monthly fees and initial hook-up fees. The deposit and Subscription Agreement must be submitted to the County by August 31st to take advance of the 50% savings offered by committing to the project early. The motion was seconded and approved.

2. Commodore Matt Braun announced that Cam Cosby has offered to donate his J24 to the club. Greg Watt has inspected the boat and declared it a fine vessel. The boat will be placed in the use of the Junior Program immediately.



SMALL BOAT PARKING INFO

More order and more boats are being brought to the one design parking area. Flying Scots now have numbered spaces to enable us to better manage our space. Coming to the barn and fence rows soon. If you have questions or are interested in parking a boat in the one design area, please reach out to Jon Deutsch jon-fbyc@jdeutsch.com

IN MEMORIAM



QUENT ALCORN 8.28.1993 – 6.15.2015

The University of Virginia and St. Christopher's School are mourning the death of Quentin "Quent" Alcorn. Alcorn died in Richmond. Alcorn, a rising fourth-year student, majored in chemical engineering and served as president of Theta Chi fraternity. Our thoughts and prayers are with Quent's parents, Peter and Marcia Alcorn, other family members, and his friends. His father has noted how much Quent loved UVa and his involvement there. Alcorn graduated from St. Christopher's School in Richmond in 2012. Quent and his brother, Christian, were also active participants in the Fishing Bay Yacht Club Junior Program – above is a photo of Quent from the FBYC program.

A Memorial Service was held for Quent Thursday, June 18, at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The family is asking that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to St. Christopher's School Foundation in memory of Quent.

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MEMBERSHIP



Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Jenkins (Steve and Kate): In 1989, the Jenkins purchased a boat, got married and bought a house – in that order! For over 25 years, they have dreamed of seeing the world from a sailboat and they have been lucky enough to catch hold of that crazy dream. They both started their "mid-life gap years" this summer in preparation for their travels and left their full-time jobs. The Jenkins also bought a condo in Deltaville which will serve as "homeport" during their travels. Steve and Kate are eager to become part of the FBYC sailing community. Sponsors: George W. Burke, III and Douglas L. Anderson



Drs. Samuel W. Galstan and Sharone Ward (Sam and Sharone): The Galstan-Ward family has a cottage in Deltaville and they are looking forward to becoming part of FBYC. Their son, Berkley, has been sailing for Saint Christopher's with coach and FBYC member, Mike Karn since last Fall. Berkley is very interested in honing his skills and participating in the various programs that the club has to offer.

Sponsors: Willard Strickland and Michael Karn

MEMBERSHIP VOUCHER SHARE THE JOY

FBYC members, use you membership voucher to share the passion for sailing and strong friendships to be found at FBYC with a fellow sailor. From young families, to retired couples, to singles, FBYC membership delivers an exciting range of activities and opportunities around sailing and fellowship.

Now is a great time to invite a friend to join FBYC. Initiation fees, normally \$2800, range from \$600 to \$1500 during 2015. To make it even more attractive, apply the \$500 membership voucher against the 2015 initiation fee and offer to sponsor them as a new member. See "How to Join Fishing Bay Yacht Club" www.fbyc.net

LEUKEMIA CUP

Fabulous racing on three courses, dining, dancing, fellowship, and making miracles happen.

The 17th Annual Leukemia Cup Regatta is just 5 weeks away Friday Night, July 10-Sunday, July 12- featuring two days of racing, dining, a live auction and other activities at The Deltaville Maritime Museum. FBYC will be providing race management on three courses and dozens of FBYC boats will be taking part in the racing. With classes for PHRF, Non-Spinnaker, Cruising, Classic and One-Design boats there's racing for everyone.

The Leukemia Cup Regatta is designed to raise funds for research to cure blood related cancers like leukemia and lymphoma. It has raised over \$50 million dollars since it began. In 2014 over 10,000 sailors around the country took part in raising funds and sailing for this important cause. Incredibly (we are not, after all, San Francisco or Newport), our Leukemia Cup event has raised over \$1.5 Million, and consistently performed among the top events in the country for fundraising!

JUNIOR



FBYC RACE TEAM MEMBERS SHINE AT UNITED STATES TEAM TRIALS!

Incredibly, **four** FBYC Opti Race Team Members have qualified to compete on teams representing the United States in international competitions this year!

Because of their top finishes at United States Optimist Dinghy Association events in 2014, they first received invitations to the Team Trials, which were held in April in Miami. Based on their excellent performances at that qualifying event, all four earned spots on teams representing the United States!

Nathan Smith will represent the United States at the British Opti Nationals in late July in Great Britain. Ian Street was chosen to represent the United States in the Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta in Flanders, Belgium, in early August. And both Boyd Bragg and Benton Amthor earned invitations to international teams representing the United States, but decided to stay home this summer to concentrate on the CBYRA High Points and transitioning into Lasers. All four FBYC sailors also will train on the United States Developmental Team, which consists of the top Opti sailors in the United States. The team practices at different clubs located across the country through the year.

Although Nathan and Ian will miss some CBYRA events due to their international regattas, all four are racing with our *Opti Race Team* this summer. All four placed high in the CBYRA points in 2014, with Benton and Boyd finishing first and second.

We are proud of them!



OPTI KIDS AND RACE TEAMS KICK OFF SUMMER!

Summer is here! OPTIKIDS: June13-14 and June 20-21 Julie Ann and Paul Wash, along with coaches Claire Lennarz and Austin Powers, welcomed 44 juniors and their parents to Opti Kids and their first FBYC junior sailing experience! By the end of the first day the new sailors were steering the Club's Optis around marks under sail and learning "tillertowards-trouble". It was hot, so it was a perfect weekend to practice capsize drills. Everyone-but especially the kidshad a ball!

Opti and Laser coaches Tommy Dietrich, Federico Norman, and Tom Pellejero arrived from Argentina and started putting the racers through their paces. We will have 46 race team members once all the kids are out of school and all the teams are running!

Junior Week started on June 22, followed by the **Junior Olympics** on June 27-28. We are expected 150 juniors (and catered dinners for 375!) for Junior Week, and 130 racers for the Junior Olympics! The Opti and Laser Race Teams will then hit the road for an extended road trip to the Northern Bay, while the Development Teams begin practice. **Private Lessons** will kick-off, followed by Fun Sail and **August OptiWeek**.

Its going to be a record summer-for **FUN!** Come sail with us!



CRUISING

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The cruising division continues to be active almost every weekend, with a delightful mix of short cruises and longer ones both completed and planned. Join us this summer! More details of past cruises and upcoming ones can be found on www.fbyc.net.



ARTS IN THE MIDDLE

Twenty-three people on ten boats turned out in support of Urbanna's "Arts in the Middle" cruise on May 29-31. With foot-tapping music in Hewick Plantation's reception tent, vended food and drinks, a lovely historic location, pleasant weather and company, the event was enjoyed by all.





WESTOVER PLANTATION CRUISE

June 4-9. From Deltaville to Hampton, then up the James for some wonderful hospitality and back to Hampton and home again. The four boats who joined us all had a wonderful time!



NORTHERN NECK WINERY CRUISE

There is an old Italian saying: "Wine drunk with friends does more good than a barrel-full of saints." So it was with the Northern Neck Winery Cruise on June 12-14th to the Chesapeake Boat Basin (CBB) and Good Luck Cellars Winery. After a Friday night kick-off dinner at FBYC, eight boats and twenty-two wine tasters embarked Saturday morning, returning to the docks for a cookout with summer vegetables, London broil and yes... more wine. They enjoyed the relaxation and comraderie a day on the water and among friends does bring. Thanks to all for bringing your boats, food, transportation, but most of all yourselves, for this fun cruise!

CELEBRATIONS



ANNAPOLIS NEWPORT RACE

Nanuq, Glenn Doncaster's Sabre 42.5, was the 2nd boat accross the finish line of the Annapolis to Newport Race. Leaving Annapolis Thursday morning, Nanuq sailed the course in 3 days 8 hours and finished 2nd by ELEVEN seconds on corrected time in PHRF2 and 2nd in PHRF. They were beat only by another familiar boat *Pursuit*.

Carina - skippered by FBYC Member and New York Yacht Club Commodore Rives Potts finished first in IRC1 & IRC Overall.

MEMORIAL DAY OPEN HOUSE

It was a beautiful weekend and the club was abuzz Friday-Monday with members and guests enjoying the great weather on the water. Friday evening started with the Young Adult Member group having a cookout with several dozen in attendance.

Saturday the conditions were perfect for a 8.5nm course in the Piankatank River. The pursuit race pitted boats of all types ranging from 13-47' against each other.

As the racers finished they joined the raft up in Fishing Bay already in progress. It would grow to 29 boats forming a perfect circle making for a great party with folks swimming or boat hopping across or around the circle. Credit to Waddy Garrett and his vision and gentle (literally) nudging to get the raft up together. Check out this amazing video put together by Ned Rennolds: https://vimeo.com/129847881

By late afternoon the raft-up disbanded and everyone returned shoreside for some entertainment and dinner. Over 300 meals served (and many more drinks)!

This is the second annual Memorial Day open house – mark your calendars for next year!









RACING - SBRW











ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's this Race Committee stuff all about anyway? Find out August 15th.

My boating partner, Matson Roberts, and I joined FBYC during last year's membership drive. Both of us were introduced to the notion of large pieces of plastic, propelled only by wind, navigating a course at the speed that a little girl rides her tricycle, by Brooks Zerkel.

Brooks is a US Sailing certified Regional Race Officer and has impressed on Matson and me the relative worth of a common set of rules. These rules are followed by each participant and are administered by this group of people, the Race Committee, to whom each racer owes gratitude for their service that allows a fair and proper race to be conducted.

Each club racing event is staffed with a capable Principal Race Officer and supporting race committee. This year, there are forty events where a race committee is required, both for Offshore and One Design regattas.

These Race Committees (RC) consist of generally a

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CAPTAIN'S CHOICE CRUISE July 18-19

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AUGUST 1-2 FBYC Kid's 'Kruise' Aug. 1.

This year our primary destination (wind dependent) will be Little Bay, a relatively short cruise just above the Rappahannock River. There we will raft up during the day, and dinghy into the beach for various games.

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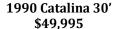
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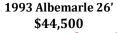


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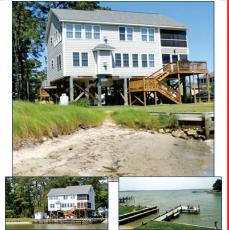


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