

# FROM THE QUARTERDECK

# **JULY 2021**



# **SUMMER FUN**

What a fantastic time we have had and there is more to come! The month of June seemed like a whirlwind at FBYC with all the incredible events for offshore. one cruising design, and iuniors. While the weather cooperate for us on didn't Memorial Day Weekend, we

were able to have a lovely social event to reunite with so many friends and family. It was well attended and supported by so many members. Our membership is truly the best there is, bar none. Volunteers working side-by-side on the water, on the ramp, in the kitchen - everywhere. What makes it so special is the friendships that get even better and the new ones that get started. All sailors enjoy the best place to sail, our Club, by far.

I'd like to draw your attention to the recent cultivation of many young new sailors in the past few weeks through Opti Kids. The joy on their faces and that of the coaches and parents demonstrate that we are on the right track. Junior Week and the Commonwealth Cup just wrapped up volume of sailors was astounding! Our older Juniors stepped up to be coaches and coaches-in-training while being fully supported by so many parents our professional coaches. These events turned out so well because of everyone's love of sailing. Jr Under the leadership of our Commander, Jason Angus, it went off without a hitch and over 140 kids on the water from beginner pre-collegiate reaching (in some international sailing status. Did you know the planning for Junior Sailing starts 9 months in advance? It takes dedication and focus to ensure the skills while learn safe sailing simultaneously fun. At the conclusion of Jr lots of having Week we kicked off CBYRA Jr Sailing in high style with the Virginia Commonwealth Cup and had over 120 participants. These young sailors came from Hampton,

Annapolis, Norfolk, NorthEast MD, Lake Ontario Sailing Team (comprised of juniors across the US and International racers) and all parts over the globe. I heard so many compliments from the coaches and parents who told me they have sailed all over the world and FBYC was the VERY BEST PLACE TO SAIL! I assure you that they not only love the venue (most beautiful, of course) but more importantly they are blown away by the volunteer spirit and camaraderie of our membership that supports sailing. We had cruisers. offshore and one design FBYC members contributing all types of dedication and support to these young sailors through PRO, race committee, ramp traffic, parking, dolly fetching, safety boats, first aid, kitchen duty, popsicle delivery, trash pickup, chief huggers (most important) and all types of encouragement. Brian Ankrom and his team set up our campus to top notch perfection. Hats off to Craig Ciszewski for running a great Junior event. It is a yeoman's job. I heard from many adults on the race committee & spectator boats that they learned some new techniques watching the young racers. They were very impressed!

I look forward to seeing everyone over July 4th weekend for the Long Distance One Design Race, as well as the Sunflower Raft-up **Take II**. Joe Roos and his team are prepping to have the raft up with more favorable weather conditions. Join us for the Annual July 4th Cookout chaired by our very own Karen and Gary Akens.

Mid-July we will say "see you soon" to our cruising friends who head up to Boston. They will have a fantastic time and share phenomenal stories. Please bring back some lobstah!!

Don't forget to hop on FBYC.net and look at the Events page to see the fantastic photography (thank you Paul Almany, Chief Photo Guy) of all the awesome events we host.

See you at The Club and let's go sailing. ~ **Elizabeth Staas, Commodore** 

#### **MINUTES - June 2021**

# FISHING BAY YACHT CLUB - BOARD MEETING JUNE 10, 2021 - Via Zoom

#### **TREASURER** – K. Stuart Gregory:

- 1. Numerous payment and reimbursement requests have been handled.
- 2. Regarding the middle dock project:
  - Made 2nd payment to Meeco Sullivan
  - Discussions with the bank about timing of accessing the line of credit
  - Determined that the origination costs on the loan will be well less than anticipated.

Reminder: When I send your payment or reimbursement request to the bookkeeper, I will copy you on that email. If you have sent me an email with a payment request and have not been copied on the subsequent email to the bookkeeper within a reasonable time, it is possible that I have missed your initial request. Please contact me to make sure it is in process.

**HOUSE CHAIR** – **Kenneth Johnson**: The 2021 season continues, apace. Brian and crew are keeping up with the maintenance and cleaning.

**DOCKS CHAIR** – **David Hinckle**: All slips are rented. We currently have 10 members on the waiting list and several more on the standby list and 3 members on the standby list. We also have 6 members on the priority list waiting to move to different slips.

#### **SOCIAL CHAIR – Gary and Karen Akens:**

Memorial Day Open House Party - The weather didn't cooperate with the Race and Raft-up plans, but it didn't stop us from having a great Open House Party. We had approximately 170 attendees (230 meals were preordered/paid for). Live Music by Neal & Perkins was very well received by the audience. Dinner catered by Mission BBQ — portions were generous and we received many compliments on the food and the efficiency of service. The majority of dinner orders were placed by the deadline but we were able to accommodate about 2 dozen late orders and no one went away hungry. Having numbers early was very helpful, but we could have used more volunteers. Thank you to ALL who volunteered to help that evening.

**July 4th Plans -** We are proposing to host a simple picnic with hamburgers/hotdogs/bratwursts, potato salad, baked beans, watermelon, and desserts with a simple bar – beer/wine/rum punch. Will do pre-orders, with a July 1st hard deadline for ticket orders and payments.

**GROUNDS CHAIR – Steve H. Montgomery**: The Board approved Dominion Energy's Easement Adjustments. These

will be beneficial to the Club in the following three ways:

- Adds an easement from the road to the transformer in front of the middle pier. This will convert this existing feed from the secondary service to the primary service which raises its priority in the event repair is needed.
- 2. Adds an easement from the road towards the Club House to reach a new transformer on the Ralston's property. The easement is hard against the westward fence and extends down to the second electrical pole. That pole will remain as it supports the Atlantic Broadband service.
- 3. Removes an easement that extends across the Club House parking lot from the second electrical pole to the switch box in the boat parking lot. The equipment will be removed giving FBYC a new boat parking space!

Two other items of interest are:

- 1. We are discussing the installation of an underground conduit from the Club House to Fannie's House so we can feed an internet connection from one to the other to improve the Wi-Fi service.
- 2. Discussions with Dominion Energy to add one or two street lights in our area. They would replace our lights which are expensive to maintain

**LONG RANGE PLANNING** – **James L. Raper**: A "How to Grow Membership" meeting is scheduled for June 14th.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** – **Veronica Hinckle**: The May transaction detail and treasurers report are posted to the website.

#### **MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT CHAIR -**

**Katharine Yudkin**: Last month I volunteered and participated in the Adult Sailing Festival. Overall, it was a fantastic event. New member, Holly Sears helped out as an instructor and was an absolute delight to work with. Long-time member, Melanie Crittenden came to join in on the fun but ended up stepping into her instructor shoes and taught me a thing or two out on the water. This was my second time on a Flying Scot and I had a blast. I think everyone else did too!

As a testament to the enthusiasm, I saw that day, I sent a follow up email to prospective members Ashley and Chris Hinkle to thank them for coming to the event and to offer any guidance and or information about joining the Club etc. I wanted to share their response with the Board:

"Thank you so much for reaching out. It was such a pleasure to meet you and talk with you. Chris and I had a wonderful time at the adult sailing festival, and we learned a tremendous amount. The day was extremely well organized, and we were so impressed by how many people

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volunteered their time to make the day so successful and beneficial. The delicious lunch was a great surprise. We truly appreciate everything that the FBYC members did to provide us with such a wonderful experience.

We also had a great experience with the FBYC On-line Crew Training and the two On-the-Water days. We have learned so much from all these events, including confirming that we want to be sailing as often as possible and that FBYC is a perfect home for us. We cannot wait to get involved!"

They plan to submit their application and have taken me up on my offer to be one of their sponsors...

If we do this event again in the future, I think the social end of things could be advertised and organized a bit better. Ruthanna Jenkins made a wonderful meal to include pulled pork, marinated chicken skewers, homemade slaw and salad using fresh veggies from her garden, and about 3 dozen homemade cookies. The shame of it all was that most people left after we got the boats in since I don't think they realized the extent of what was available. We can absolutely do better with this next time.

Hats off to Ron, his team of volunteers, and of course Brian for putting on another very well received FBYC event!

**YAM CHAIR** – **Mary Catherine McAllister**: July Movie Night - July 10th. Come join the YAMs for our second movie night of the year. We plan to start our evening at 8:00.

**OFFSHORE DIV CDR.** – **Stuart E. Kegan**: Offshore Division, Stuart Kegan and Ed O'Connor Discussions on Racing issues including:

- 1. Difficulty enlisting enough volunteers to lead and participate on Race Committees.
- 2. Support efforts to train and enlist new volunteers for Race Committees and encourage RC members to try PRO duties
- 3. Ensuring Club's COVID-19 restrictions are understood to increase participation in racing events and socials.
- 4. Propose changing Individual event notices to emphasize after race activities as "Socials" as opposed to specific activities with certain exceptions. A "social" lends itself to be more fluid and inclusive to all who may not be able to attend at the proposed start of said post-race function, the goals are to avoid confusion in expectations of post-race function and allow flexibility to meet specific event requirements and timing and encourage participation.

# OFFSHORE DIV. RACE CHAIR - Edward O'Connor:

As of this evening, all subsequent OS races have PROs assigned. Jon Deutsch volunteered to PRO the St. Mary's Governor's Cup race and Stuart Kegan volunteered to replace Michael Schmidt for the CUT Channel race on June 12.

Once I was aware of Michael's resignation, I sent out several rounds on emails to current PROs, as well as to our "retired race officers", but, no one was available or, flat out, didn't want to. I bumped this up to the flag and Joe Roos and I started to pull this together. I usually copy Stuart Kegan and Craig Ciszewski on all emails regarding OS racing and once they were aware of this impending issue, Stuart contacted me and volunteered to PRO. This was a great effort by all of the above and it was much appreciated.

Working with Katie Yudkin, I have reached out to several members who might be interested either RC or crewing. To date, weather has been problematic in securing positions on *Mr. Robert's* and/or mark/chase boats for the Spring Series. Current plans are to start up again with the Fall Series and I have three members already who want to get out on *Mr. Roberts* to get a feel for race committee.

#### **ONE DESIGN DIV. CDR. – Richard T. Peterson:**

- 1. The second race in the spring series was held on the Saturday, the 15th with a 1-hour delay, due to very light wind. It steadily filled in and built to 8 -10 kts, resulting in a wonderful day of racing.
- 2. This was a combined Scot and Laser event with 7 Scots and 6 Lasers competing.
- 3. Joe and Gabe Nelson provided a tasty social of a variety of spicy chicken wings.
- 4. The 3rd race day in the Spring Series is this Sunday the 13th. Registration is highly encouraged thru the FBYC web site on Regatta Network.
- 5. We are still working thru getting all PROs up to speed on loading the scores to Regatta Network at the end of racing so they can be available at the social.
- 6. All O. D. races have PROs assigned.
- 7. Most O. D. events have a social chair assigned.

CRUISING DIV. CDR. – Scott A. Sirles: We just completed Dacre and Helen Walker's Eastern Shore Cruise on June 7th. Gavina, Joyful, Reveille, Tender Mercies, Venture, and Whisper participated. We look forward to Charlie and Stella Jones' July 4th cruise beginning July 1st. Although the Cruise to Boston officially starts July 11th, Reveille shoves off on June 19th, returning July 23rd. Scott and Louisa Sirles will crew for George and Lyons Burke on Reveille.

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## **CRUISING DIV. LT. CDR. – Christopher W. Lindbloom:**

**Boston Cruise:** On May 24th a Zoom meeting was held for all registered participants and other interested people for the Cruise to Boston. Topics discussed included safety (particularly for the overnight outside leg, Deltaville to Cape May, NJ), marinas, reservations, anchorages, and moorings. The current plan calls for 9 stops between Deltaville and the final port of Constitution Marina in Boston. Though plans may change, there will be 4 marinas, 2 anchorages, and 3 mooring fields.

While there is a good level of participation, we have found it nearly impossible to accommodate everyone's schedules for a six-week cruise. Some boats will be leaving early, and some boats not going as far as Boston. The return trip will be up to each individual boat's crew; the various stops will be different, and the route may take some through the C&D canal rather than on the outside. For weather support we will engage a weather routing service.

JUNIOR DIV. CDR. – Jason S. Angus: Junior Programs have kicked off and are starting June 12th with Opti Kids, and Race Teams. Opti Kids will have 24 sailors and families at the Club. Race Team Pro Coaches, Tom Dietrich and Francisco Penna have arrived. We are excited to again welcome back these world class coaches. Junior Week planning is finalized. We are expected 120+ kids for the week of June 21-25th.

#### **Junior Week highlights:**

- Sunday, June 20th Commodore Dinner Thanks to Commodore Staas
- Monday, June 21st Junior Week begins
- Tuesday, June 22nd Food Truck Night
- Wednesday, June 23rd Coast Guard visit for the kids
- Friday, June 25th Pictures, and fun regatta

Thank you to all the incredible volunteers who have signed up.

#### Junior Regatta – VIRGINA COMMONWEALTH CUP:

Junior Regatta is set to kick of the Junior CBYRA summer season. This year FBYC Junior Regatta will also be the Virginia Commonwealth Cup. Thank you, Craig Ciszewski, for running this year's regatta.

**JUNIOR FLEET:** All trailers and RIBs have been serviced and are ready for the road. This is a month in advance from prior year. Thank you, Mason Chapman and Brian Ankrom!

JUNIOR DIV. LT. CDR. – Mary Almany: FBYC Race Teams kicked off the season by competing in ILCA ACC event in Wrightsville Beach, NC at Carolina Yacht Club. Head coach Tommy Dietrich and Assistant Coach Francisco Renna have received their Visas and arrived

in Richmond June 6 and 7th. Practices begin June 12 & 13, along with our first weekend of Opti kids. The laser team departs for ILCA Nationals on June 17, 420s will be heading for New England immediately after junior week, and Optis are gearing up for USODA nationals later in the season. The racing calendar is complete with about 7 regattas on the schedule. The season will end on August 8. We are extremely fortunate to have these elite, world class coaches with us again. Brian Ankrom and his team have done a great job getting all of our trailers and boats ready for the season. As always, thanks for supporting junior sailing at the Club.

#### **ADULT SAILING PROGRAM -**

#### Mike S. Toms and Ronald Q. Jenkins:

Our Club Boat and Sailing School program are off and running at a manageable level. We are ironing out kinks in our Sign-Up Genius program (still do not have online payment system working and learning to use multiple administrators auto messaging functions) but is proving to be a valuable management tool. Users are usually able to sign up of lessons and boat reservations, without coaching.

#### Highlights:

1 - Club Boat and Adult Sailing Festival Day was a great success. A great group of new and prospective members attended. We have done a "lessons learned exercise" to make next year even better. The competing Offshore event was the major issue. We have a limited pool of talented doers, and many potential "festival" goers are regular crew on offshore boats.

In the future, we will recruit additional help to retrieve Club boats. This will free up event organizers to move sailors more effectively to the social and run the debrief portion of the event. Thanks to Jason Angus & Brian for allowing us to use a Junior RIB. Special thanks to the coaches: Joe Nelson, Tracy Swartzchild, Melanie Crittenden, Holly Sears, Thomas Heyward, Grill master/safety boat driver: Geoff Cahill, Social Chair: Ruthanna Jenkins, and all purpose backup for everything: Katie Yudkin.

# 2 - Logistics for Classes

We are refining Festival's Power Point based slide set with embedded video links for our US Sailing Style "Chalk Talk" to be used on the Screened porch or upstairs TV when these areas are available. We have made 11x14 laminates of the key slides for low tech use.

We have requested that we clear out our one "between the posts" section of the barn overhang near the Club Boat parking spots, to be used as a shaded training area, with Easel, dry erase board & laminated training aids.

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# 3 - Long Term Planning for Club Boats and Sailing School

#### Main Challenges:

- Boat and Trailer Maintenance
- Adequate staff of instructors
- Continuity of Directors (good handoff)
- Continued publicity & community outreach

The Adult Sailing web page is updated, and Sign-Up Genius links are being used. Many thanks to Paul Wash for suggesting this simple, easy to understand platform for Club Boat and Sailing School management. We have a few tweaks remaining, including embedded on-line credit card payment option. We are using last year's payment system for now.

We are getting a moderate number of requests and have sign-ups for our Sailing School. We are happy to report we have a new member, Holly Sears, who holds a US Sailing Level 1 instructor certification, signed on as an instructor.

#### MARKETING – Karen Soule:

## **FBYC Website and Wednesday E-Mail Blast:**

Any member is able to "Post News" at FBYC.net. Go to New s> Post News. If you want to include a photo in your news item it is most efficient to go to "images" first and download a photo so that it is available for your post.

Please note that the "Wednesday E-Mail Blast" which goes out to all members is derived from the website news posts. The Blast automatically sweeps up the new postings, usually just the latest post is seen, at approximately 8:45 AM each morning. Therefore, if your notice is critical or your event is imminent, like the upcoming weekend, you will want to post it Wednesday morning so that it appears at the top of the email blast.

Please respect the importance or time-sensitive nature of any news or information you post. If it is NOT time-critical and is just for information only purposes, please consider posting it after Wednesday AM.

Donna Mason also can send out time-sensitive or important information on an ad hoc basis at any time. Just send her an email with your message and she will be happy to send it out in a special email.

#### Website Carousel

The revolving photos at the top of the FBYC website constitute the "Carousel." The Carousel is usually populated with events and photos requiring registration. I create the Carousel photos from listed events - e.g.: Open House, Regattas, Junior Program Registration. I will continue to monitor the Events listing and include any event like the above in the Carousel.

**CBYRA DELEGATE** – **Thomas J. Roberts**: CBYRA had a webinar for all on June 3rd on "Current, The Moving Enemy". I posted a notice on the FBYC website for it. And have a link for a recap. Next Tuesday they have another free webinar for all sailors, "Light Air Racing". I posted another notice for this on our website. Both were free for all sailors and both were Q&A sessions with Dave Dellenbaugh.

#### **GENERAL MANAGER – Brian Ankrom:**

**Division** - Category: *Task* 

Admin – Staffing: Hire & train lifeguards

Docks - FB Flagpole: Repair flagpole mount

Fleet - Mr. Roberts: Resolve leaking shaft seals

Fleet – Whaler: Repair shifting/throttle issue

**Grounds** – Pool: Commission pool

**Grounds** - Water Station: Commission water station **House** – Clubhouse: Repair kitchen sink plumbing

**House** – Clubhouse: Repair porch screens

Juniors - Becca Boat: Repair shifting/throttle issue

**Juniors** - RIBs 1-3: Repaint boat ID's & registration numbers

**Juniors -** RIB 5: Replace safety chain& bunk carpet **Social** - Open House: Prepare facility for Open House & take down after event

**OLD BUSINESS**: Rear Commodore Mark Wensell gave a status report update of the Docks Phase 2: Recent Milestones Achieved:

- We have passed two of the four required agencies/ authorities to be fully permitted. We are on track to complete the permit process in the next few weeks.
- Stuart Gregory has arranged the financing and we are ready to use the loan facility when needed.

#### Next Steps:

- Complete the permit process
- Put together a communication plan together for the membership, as details of the project construction plan become finalized.

# APPROVED FOR MEMBERSHIP



C. Gareth & Heather Roberson Gaston - In 2019, the Gaston family moved from New York City to Charlottesville, VA where Gareth grew up. He had spent the prior twenty years sailing regularly in and around the city and misses it terribly. Gareth started racing J24's at the Manhattan Yacht Club. In

2009, he bought a J/105 and did weeknight races in New York Harbor and the larger weekend regattas in Long Island Sound and Raritan Bay. He has done several trips in the Caribbean (as crew) and did the Faedersailasen race in Norway. Also, passed the ASA courses up to Bareboat Chartering. Their neighbor in Charlottesville, Sophie Massie, an FBYC member, told them about the club and they are very excited about getting back on the water. Gareth recently sold his J/105 so he doesn't have a boat at the moment but hopes to crew with Sophie and her husband on their Flying Scott and is interested in meeting other members who need crew for racing. They are interested in both One-Design and Offshore racing. and are looking to purchase a family-friendly cruiser to enjoy the greater Chesapeake. Sponsors: Sophie Massie & Ron Jenkins



Major Arnold N. Manella USMC (Ret.) – Arn was a former member of FBYC. He resigned his membership 10 years ago to head up the Youth Sailing program at Winter Harbor YC, Winter Harbor, Maine. After a decade at the club, he increased program membership by 300 %,

increased their 420 fleet from 2 to 6, and their Bullseye fleet from 2-11. Established a Junior Racing Program that competed against the adults on Wednesday Races and either won, or finished in the top three and assisted hosting the 2017 Bullseye Nationals. Also, traveling on pilgrimages to France, Spain and Scotland. Arn retains his certification as a US Sailing Instructor Trainer and small boat level 2 coach. He is currently holding classes along the Eastern Coast (Atlanta YC, GA, Augusta Sailing Club, GA, Hobcaw YC, SC, Wet Pants SC, NY, The Waterfront Ctr, NY, Little Washington SS, Washington, NC, Lewes YC, DE, Harraseeket YC, Freeport, ME and Western Carolina SC). Arn is excited to be back in Virginia and sail the Chesapeake Bay and re-join FBYC. Sponsors: Noel Clinard & Mike Miller



Tim & Ashley Hamnett – Ashley has a lifelong love of sailing but has been away from the sport for 20 years. She wants to start sailing again and share her love for it with her husband and son. Ashley grew up sailing on the Chesapeake Bay on a friend's 40' Beneteau. While in college she

spent nine heavenly months working and sailing at Bitter End Yacht Club in the BVI. The next year she helped deliver a 59' Swan from Maine to Antigua. She has spent months sailing in Antigua and the Virgin Islands on boats as small as Sunfish, Lasers, Flying Scots and J24's, as well as big as an Oyster 70. They are particularly interested in the Junior Sailing Program, Adult Learn to Sail courses, Women's Clinics, Cruising programs, Regattas and small boat sailing. Ashley is eager for both Tim and their son, Hugo, to become active members of the club-from crewing to day sailing to our Junior Programs (Hugo has participated in FBYC Junior Programs before). Our Adult Sailing Program will be a huge plus for the family– from developing skills to day sailing Scots. Sponsors: Karen Soule & Julie Ann Wash



William (Bill) H. & Nancy Kitchens, II - Bill is a lifelong sailor active with one design racing (Thistle) and sailing instruction (Level 1 Small Boat Instructor, Reach STEM Educator Instructor Trainer).

He hopes to participate in one design and offshore sailing on the lower Bay. He has been sailing since elementary school when he attended summer camp at Camp Piankatank. His experience is primarily with small one design boats (Sunfish, Laser, Thistle, Flying Scot) and catamarans (Hobie 18, Nacra 15). Bill has been actively racing in the Thistle class since the 1980s and annually attends the Thistle Midwinter Championship Regattas on the east and west coasts. This year he will compete in the 75th Thistle National Championship Regatta. Becoming a member at FBYC will allow him to expand/improve his sailing skills and continue to promote the sport of sailing. The Kitchens are looking for a program which would be inviting and focuses on growth of the sport by developing a strong community. Sponsors: Andrew Spencer & Edward O'Connor





Tara Jean Lytle passed away surrounded with love 13 June 2021. She worked as a nurse, for 32 years, with Dr William T Tucker, Primary Care of West End, a family practice. She was a fierce advocate for each of her patients, working ceaselessly to ensure they got the care they needed. A member of

Saint Andrew's United Methodist Church, she co-chaired and organized their CARITAS mission for many years.

She loved competitive one-design sailing, her church, family, friends, pets, and anyone who might need her help. A member of Fishing Bay Yacht Club, she was a sailing instructor for their Opti Kids and Junior week program. A lifelong sailor from the age of 5 she assembled a threewoman team and raced Mobjack 470, "Therapy" up and down the Chesapeake. Through a chance encounter with Flying Scot 2301 at the FBYC dock she made a connection that led to meeting her future husband, James Lytle, after a fall series race at the Washington Sailing Marina on the 14th of September 1985. During 1986 she and James choreographed sailing both Mobjack 470 and Flying Scot 2301 in sufficient races to qualify and place both in the CBYRA high point competition for the vear. She married James on the 10th of October 1987 at Epworth (now Sleepy Hollow) United Methodist Church in Falls Church Virginia.

She loved helping friends and family, organizing and preparing feasts and celebrations for them. She never let anyone leave the table hungry with the words, "Here, eat some more". Fireworks, especially when viewed across the water, brought a beautiful smile to her face. She had

a passion for sailing and vacationing at the Outer Banks, Emerald Isle, and on the waters of the Chesapeake.

She was her aunt's, Barbara S Stein, DVM, one of the world's experts in feline veterinary medicine, lecture circuit traveling companion, to Finland, Israel, Japan, and Las Vegas. She planned many family vacations traveling throughout the USA. She also traveled with friends and family to many places including Ireland, Oberamergau, Israel, New York City, and Atlanta.

She enjoyed sewing and quilting with her mother and church family. She made the family matching blue aquarium themed fabric shorts for a trip to Disney World in Orlando that helped reunite a stray daughter with her family.

She is survived by her husband of 34 years James E Lytle; son, Morgan A Lytle; daughter, Joanna E Mojica (Sheldon); mother, Barbara "Bobbie" M Stein; mother-in-law, Shirley J Lytle; brother, Todd M Stein (Donna) and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and her pets. She is loved by all, including Cricket, the gray tabby that chose her as his human.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the SPCA of Richmond, 2519 Hermitage Road, Richmond, VA 23220.

A Celebration of her life will be held at Saint Andrew's United Methodist Church, 9801 Fort King Road, Henrico, VA, 23229, 17 July 2021, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM. The celebration will begin with a brief service followed by a potluck meal and music. The theme for the meal is dishes inspired by Tara's dishes and feasts shared with family, church, and friends.

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# NANUQ SAILS TO VICTORY IN ANNAPOLIS-NEWPORT BY ANDREW SPENCER

It's been said that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, so it stands to reason that Glenn Doncaster should be pretty flattered. Following this year's Annapolis—Newport Race, multiple skippers admitted to following Glenn, because his reputation in the race is such that people have come to learn that he knows what he's doing. And this year was no exception, as Glenn and his *Nanuq* crew—composed of Becca Doncaster, Paul Wash, Jerry Latell, Hans Kalkofen, Jim Cobb, Andrew Spencer, and Meriwether Roberts—took first in the ORC 4 class with a corrected time of 3 days, 17 hours, 26 minutes, 41 seconds and also placed second overall for ORC Corinthian.

To get to that point, though, we first had to sail about 475 nautical miles, which started with a trip south to the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay. The race out of the Bay, as far as we were concerned, was between *Nanuq* and *Integrity*, a Navy 44 crewed by midshipmen from the Naval Academy. We spent nearly twenty-four hours working into a stiff southerly breeze and, after trading positions multiple times throughout that first day, it came down to the last hour

of sailing inside the Bay. Prior to going off watch, Glenn had offered Paul Wash a bottle of rum of Paul's choice if we beat *Integrity* out of the Bay; we were, at the time, about a half-mile behind. Despite our best collective efforts, Paul missed out on his rum, but only by about fifty yards. *Integrity* just poked by and got out of the Bay first, but they wouldn't hold the lead for long.

Nanuq rounded the point and headed downwind towards Newport. Once we'd passed Chesapeake Light Tower—the sailing instructions required competitors to leave the tower to port—we continued on a northeastern angle, taking us up the coast and east of the rhumb line. Sliding eastward was a tactical decision based on intense review of conditions by our navigator, Paul Wash. After poring over countless data sets for weeks, he was convinced that getting further offshore was the key to victory. As we watched the majority of the fleet head inland, it was clear that Paul was either going to look like a tactical genius or, well, like less of a tactical genius. "We placed our bet and now we play our cards" became something of a mantra after the decision was



The southerly breeze held for the duration of the race, meaning Nanua was under a symmetrical spinnaker for three days, oftentimes doing better than eight knots heading north. One of the aforementioned boats that chose to follow Nanua was Kalevala II, which was racing in the ORC 5 class and sailed about a mile or so behind us for much of the race. They went so far

as to follow us when we jibed, only to follow us back minutes later after we'd decided that the jibe had been somewhat ill-timed.

The decision to go east paid off with better wind, and we were making great time towards Newport. On the final night of the race, we veered west, crossing the fleet to get into better pressure and set up our final approach to Newport. About twenty miles south of Block Island, we got into some thick fog, which held on right up to the finish line. On our way to the finish, it was decided that we'd avoid going inside Block Island, another tactical

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decision that proved beneficial. We stayed to the outside with better breeze and glided across the finish line more than twenty minutes in front of *Integrity*, the second-place finisher in our class.

While the results speak for themselves, the question remains as to what it is about Glenn's approach to this sort of race that makes him such an authority, not to mention so successful. Given my experience sailing with him, I think there are two primary things he does beyond being a truly skilled sailor that put him over the top. As any good sailor knows, it's the little things that get you in front when everybody else is a good sailor, too.

The first thing he does is focus heavily—and I mean heavily—on safety. We had a full-day of training on *Nanuq* so that we could all familiarize ourselves with the specific safety equipment on the boat, from how to clip in to jacklines to where the ditch bag and life raft were. We did





man overboard drills (thanks Meriwether, for volunteering!) and we reviewed fire extinguisher locations. In short, we were all able to focus on our own jobs when we were on watch and relax and sleep comfortably when we were off because we were all confident that everyone else knew the location and correct operation of any and all safety equipment and procedures. Because we felt safe, we were able to focus. And because we were able to focus, we were able to make Paul look like a tactical genius.

The other thing that Glenn does that is so important is to put together a crew that works well together and then get them prepared. That means bringing in people with specific skill sets and talents, but also people who try not to let their egos get in the way of doing a job. Case in point, as a sailmaker, Jerry Latell has forgotten more about sail trim than I'll ever know, but he has the patience of Job when it comes to giving instructions to

others without his extensive knowledge. He doesn't yell, he doesn't belittle. He just asks you to let the jib out a little bit...a little more...a little more...let's try that. And then you suddenly realize we're going a half-a-knot faster than we had been. No ego, just skill and patience.



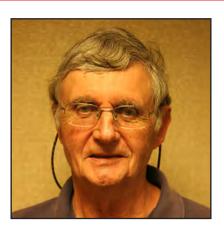
Beyond the lack of ego, the *Nanuq* crew works together throughout the season in a lot of different scenarios, and that on-the-water time together is invaluable when it comes time to race long-distance. We all sailed together in Down the Bay this year just the week prior to Annapolis–Newport, which Glenn

views as superb preparation for the race (as highlighted in this article from Sailing Scuttlebutt). What's more, many of us sail together on Nanuq during Club buoy races. So not only do we trust each other, we know how each other operates and we all work well together in racing situations. It might sound like a small thing, but when you just know what somebody else is going to do in a given situation because you've been in that situation so many times before with them, it's just one less thing to worry about. And again, it's those little things that separate first place from everyone else.

Of course, there is always the element of luck—or lack thereof—that can come into play. Sometimes you make the wrong decision, sometimes a halyard breaks, sometimes somebody else just sails better. Luck is an inherent component of sailboat racing. But as someone much smarter than I once said, "Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity." Given his record in long-distance races, I'd say Glenn Doncaster is living proof of the wisdom contained in that philosophy.



#### **RACING / ADULT SAILING**



# JERE DENNISON LEGACY REGATTA SATURDAY, AUG 7, 2021

This event is held to honor Jere Dennison who served in FBYC leadership roles for over 40 years. While his achievements with the Club are too numerous to mention, he was the Club's youngest Commodore, created the Club's comprehensive Austin Memorial Library, and was Club Historian for over 15 years. Jere was an avid one-design sailor who completely understood that sailing is a lifelong adventure - an ancient legacy to be passed on from generation to generation!

This regatta is a one-day event for Flying Scots, Classic Boats, and one design classes having three or more entries by skippers 60 years of age or older. All skippers will compete in the 60 years and older age group. Additionally, skippers 70 years of age or older can compete for the Vintage Skipper Award. This award is designated as a first place overall finish award for the age 70 or older skipper in each boat class. Seventy years and older skippers must designate their Vintage Award eligibility on the event entry form prior to the start of the first race.

Skippers or crew will not be required to be members of FBYC. The crew may be any age but may not take the tiller during races, except during an emergency, or the boat is subject to protest and may be disqualified.

The Classic Division is open to any Classic boat design of 25' length or under at the waterline. The Portsmouth Yardstick D-PN Handicap System will be used to score finishes in the Classic Division.

For more detailed information on this event including the link for registration, please visit the website:

https://www.fbyc.net/events/2021/210807-onedesign-jere-dennison-legacy-regatta/

# **ADULT SAILING**

As Jason Angus told Junior Week volunteers, it takes a Village to teach a child to sail.

Strike child, insert Adult—it still is the best and most rewarding approach to sharing and promoting our sport. FBYC is more than a Village—it is a family. FBYC members enrich your life.

The village is emerging in our Adult Sailing division. As we move forward, more sailors are stepping up to share their knowledge and mentor our new members, new racers, and our sailing school students.

We now have four Adult Sailing instructors, three of which hold Level 1 US Sailing Instructor's certification. One, Holly Sears, joined FBYC last month. The fourth has coached kids and adults for years. We have our eye on another new member who holds a US Sailing Instructor Training Certification.

Flying Scot Fleet 103 members are stepping up to sail with new members in club regattas, and to recommission boats that have set idle for a few years. We are thrilled to welcome new and younger sailors to our fleet. And then there are the race committees. Mike Dale recruited an all-star staff for OD Spring Series 1, handed the RC role to Rick Klein to take command of the mark boat. A classic example of doing what needs to be done to serve our racers.

As Mike noted in the awards ceremony, two of the three top finishers in the Spring Series 4 race were in Club Boats. One of them skippered by a new (as in joined last month) member, and a long-term fleet member crew.

So come join our Village (or Family). You will be richly rewarded. And remember to give back, and thank those who help you. No boat? No problem. We have four Club Boats you can use for \$100 per season. Try chartering a boat for 1 day anywhere else for that price. First year members cost \$0.

Want to learn to sail? No problem, your \$100 fee covers that as well. How do we do that?

Simple - it is the Village of volunteers.

#### **CRUISING / JUNIORS**

# **EASTERN SHORE CRUISE**

We gathered at the clubhouse for a briefing on Thursday. The weather was not looking good. Friday morning Gavina, Joyful, Reveille, Tender Mercies, Venture, and Whisper left for Onancock. We sailed across the Bay. had a quick get together in the park in Onancock before thunderstorms drove us back to our boats. We had a lovely dinner at Charlotte Hotel. The next day was sunny and a good breeze and we sailed to Chrisfield, minus Venture, as they had to get back to Deltaville. John and Mary Galloway hosted our group on Gavina. Sunday was beautiful, with a nice wind. Gavina headed to Mill Creek and Reveille headed across the Bay to FBYC. Whisper. Joyful and Tender Mercies sailed on to Solomons Island. We stayed at the Solomon's Island Yacht Club and had cocktails on their upper deck. On Monday, with the wind on our nose, Whisper and Joyful motored back to FBYC. Tender Mercies opted to stay a little longer in Solomons. Our group enjoyed some welcoming harbors, good food and companionship. It was nice getting back to normal.



The crews gather in Crisfield.



Whisper, part of the largest Sabre 426 fleet on the planet, was on the cruise, along with Reveille and Tender Mercies. We could enlarge the fleet if Nanug would join us.



**JUSTINAS PETKAUSKAS** 

Justinas is representing Lithuania in the 2021 **Optimist World Championship which is taking place** in Riva del Garda, Italy. He arrived a month earlier in order to train in Garda's excellent conditions and to participate in three other regattas before the World Championship. Justinas's coach is Laser Radial world champion and Olympic silver medalist Gintare Volungeviciute Scheidt. He also had the opportunity to train with sailing legend Robert Scheidt, 6 time Olympian with 6 Olympic medals, who is also attending the 2021 Tokyo Olympics. The competition in the World Championship will be fierce as the top five sailors from each participating country will be attending, and the wind is strong. When he returns, Justinas will bring his knowledge and expertise from this experience back to Fishing Bay Yacht Club and share it with his friends.



#### **JUNIORS / MISCELLANEOUS**



**OPTI KIDS** 

FBYC's annual Opti Kids was held on two weekends June 12-13 and June 19-20 with 24 young sailors between the ages of 5 and 7. Our Opti Kids program is an initial introduction of sailing focusing on building confidence to want to learn more. By the end of the second weekend, our Opti Kids were sailing around the marks by themselves. Opti Kids always ends like any good event with a new t-shirt and ice cream. Special thanks to James Clary for chairing this event along with special support from FBYC's college coaches, Mae Wallace Angus, Jordan Bendura, Jack Cabell, and Evie Wensell.



ILCA National Championship Norfolk, VA





CALLING ALL LADY SAILORS! WOMEN'S SAILING CLINIC JULY 31 - AUGUST 1

**WHO:** Back by popular demand - for FBYC female members and non-members alike!

**WHAT:** A two day sailing/ racing clinic for women of all degrees of experience and age, with a combination of classroom learning and on-the-water time. We focus on sailing, fun, and female camaraderie. Head to the event webpage for more information and daily schedule. The clinic will have two class offerings. Choose your preferred class when you register.

CLASS OFFERINGS AND INSTRUCTORS: Read more about the 2 class options and the instructors' experience on the event website.

- Sailing Basics (beginners) with a new exciting instructor, Holly Sears, a recent FBYC member!
- Advanced Racing class also with an inspiring new instructor, Ms. Charlie Arms, an Annapolis resident.

**WHAT TYPE OF BOAT**: Flying Scot sailboats will be used for the on-the-water portion. And other types of boats are

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

welcome. We encourage you to bring your own boat, but there will be club-owned boats available.

COST: No fee for club members - a great member benefit! \$160 fee for non-members. A great value for 2 days of instruction and fun!

**HOW TO REGISTER**: Advanced registration for clinic is required at Regatta Network - go to FBYC website for link. There are limited spots due to availability of boats. Save your spot today! Caroline Garrett Patrick is the Chair for this event.

Feel free to reach out: cgpatrick17@gmail.com or 703-201-0508 if you have guestions.

**ADDITIONAL FUN:** Fun socials after each day will include snacks and refreshments at the end of both days.



Our Dinghy Rack by the East Dock has become unmanageable as we are not sure who is where on the rack and what dinghy (or kayak) belongs to whom and we have requests for spaces outstanding. If you have a dinghy or kayak on the rack please place your name on the exposed end ASAP. An audit of who is there versus what our records are will take place after Junior Week. Kavaks and dinghies without names or other identifying information will be removed and the space recycled to those requesting them. Kayaks with dinghies with identifying information will be entered into an up-to-date database for billing and official assignment to the spot. Afterwards, we will retain a waiting list for new users as well as those wanting to move to more desirable spots. Ouestions to **Steve Montgomery** 757-561-7289 or monty1221@icloud.com.

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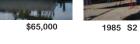
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#### **FBYC TRADEWINDS**

#### **ONLINE CLASSIFIEDS:**

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FOR SALE: Iridium Go Communications & Network. Complete install includes external antenna and three SIM cards for PredictWind (\$500). Contact Craig Wright, 4crwright@gmail.

**FOR SALE: Danforth anchor.** 35 pound, deep set, Hi-Tensile. 20 years old but only used once. \$100.00. Contact Gordon Nelson, 804-462-0095 or Grnsail@aol.com

FOR SALE: McLaughlin Opti in great condition for your Junior Sailor. Fantastic 2019 Opti with practice & race sails, black/gold spars, dolly, covers, and more. Race ready. USA # 22112. For all the details, email estaas@comcast.net or call 804-337-3694.

FOR SALE: J/70, Inconceivable. Ready to race and great for day sails. 2013 J-Boat - 23'. Triad Trailer in excellent condition. 2.3 HP Honda Outboard just serviced. New "over the boom" cover & Jib sock. Velocitek Prostart compass/speedo. \$32,500. Mike Karn 804-387-4673, mikekarn13@gmail.com.

FOR SALE: Honda 2.3 HP Long Shaft Outboard. 2014. Lightly used & maintained by Brown's Marine. Asking \$550. Call Richard Rodgers 804-435-5295, right down the street from the Club.

**SALE**: Thule Square Bar Roof Rail System. 3 bars total - one has slight damage, 2 different sets of feet for bars - one set locking. Rhino Style Kayak Carries - 2 sets to carry a total of 2 kavaks. tie-down included. straps S700 invested Over in system, asking S500.00. Call Richard Rodgers 804-435-5295.

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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), email: nancy.potts48@gmail.com.

FOR RENT: Jackson Creek Harbour Condo for Rent-1st Floor Flat ( All one level), 2 bedrooms-large King and Twins/2 baths; Open kitchen, living room and dining room; Screened-in porch with views of Jackson Creek. Pool and Dock slip included; \$1100/week May-September. Perfect for 2 adults and 2 kids. 5 people max. vickieblanchard@comcast.net

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