

## FROM THE QUARTERDECK

## **NOVEMBER 2022**



# WHERE DID THE YEAR GO?

It's hard to believe that October is gone and the year is almost over. Both our cruising and racing sailors enjoyed some beautiful October weather and worked to get the most out of arguably the best

season of the year on the Chesapeake.

This past month, between the Fall Series, the Fall Invitational and Closing Day Regatta, offshore racers packed in four racing days across three weekends, and they are not finished yet. They will be taking their racing into November and December with the final two days of the Winter Series.

The cruisers wrapped up the season with their Closing Dinner and the next morning promptly took off on a cruise to Carters Creek. On the one design side, a fleet of Flying Scots and Melges 15s enjoyed a truly spectacular afternoon of fall racing in the Piankatank as they wrapped up their Fall Series. I am sure the ILCAs are looking forward to their annual Frostbite Regatta on October 30th. Unfortunately, the 41st Chesapeake ILCA Masters fell victim to the remnants of Hurricane Ian but it is rescheduled for early November. This event always brings in ILCA sailors from around the bay and beyond to enjoy great races and camaraderie at FBYC.

We should all recognize the efforts of Brian, Ben, Eric and numerous members who worked to storm proof the Club facilities, boats and equipment prior to Hurricane lan's arrival. They did a fantastic job. All the prep was done in a timely fashion and lan came and went without damage to our facilities.

The year has certainly flown by quickly. In only a few weeks, we will be enjoying an evening with friends and celebrating achievements at the Commodore's Ball and Annual Awards. Looking back, there has been a lot going on around FBYC and it has been an exciting year.

Culminating several years of work by numerous volunteers, it was at Opening Day that we dedicated the new middle dock, marking completion of a beautiful upgrade to the FBYC Jackson Creek waterfront. Who hasn't come into Jackson Creek and enjoyed being greeted by the lush green grass on the FBYC hillside and the new dock filled with boats? – what a sight!

The FBYC sailing activity really flourished this year, with new boat classes, high participation and growing events. This was the inaugural year for the Cruising Class in offshore racing. This class is intended for "true" cruising sailboats that are not designed as modern racers or sport boats. Most importantly, it opened up fun competition for a broader range of boat owners. The class got off to a good start and we certainly look forward to seeing it continue to grow in coming years.

This past year saw the birth of the Melges 15 fleet at FBYC with somewhere around 13 or 14 boats currently at the Club. (New boats keep arriving so it is difficult for me to keep count!) The boats have proven to broadly appeal to families, adults, and junior sailors with competitive fleets racing at AOD and the Spring Series. A Melges 15 fleet with seasoned skippers also competed in the Jere Dennison L Regatta, which by the way had a record number of attendees for terrific racing and a fantastic party.

The Junior Program again racked up a very successful year. Between Opti Kids, Junior Week, development teams, sailing lessons and race teams, the juniors enjoyed countless days on the water. These programs introduced the joys of sailing to numerous new sailors and provided

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the resources and coaching for young sailors to sharpen their skills to the highest levels.

The Adult Sailing Program continued to grow in popularity. The instruction was strong with popular programs in sailing and small boat handling. The two day Women's Sailing Clinic saw a record number of attendees in 2022. A key part of the Adult Sailing Program is the availability of club boats which facilitate sailing lessons and enable members without one design boats to participate in regattas and events.

The Cruising Division has also seen strong member engagement with more sailors signing up for cruises and more boats filling marinas. This year, the Wee Dram Cruise/Race/Rally saw continued increase in participation and was probably the only event outside the Junior Program that filled up early!

All of these activities are managed and run by our members with fantastic support from Donna, Brian and our staff. Over the past year, the Board has taken a close look at how we manage programs and events with a goal of continually improving and encouraging broader participation in program and event management. To this end, the Board recently amended the FBYC Bylaws to better focus efforts on sailing events, facilities and operation, members and participation, and financial stewardship. The primary changes introduce a team structure around these four primary functions. The goals were to consolidate efforts to deliver effective support and provide opportunities for more members to get involved in the Club operations. The bylaws are posted on the FBYC website for your reading enjoyment.

It has been an exciting year at FBYC! I wish to thank everyone who has participated and gotten engaged to ensure FBYC remains a special place on the Bay. Looking back at my time on the Flag, the biggest thrill has been all the new friends I have made. It has been a pleasure to work with you on the Board, in committees and at sailing events and different Club activities. You all have diligently worked to make FBYC a great place to sail, relax and just enjoy the water.

It has been an honor to serve as your Commodore.

See you on the water and around the Club.

~ Joe Roos, Commodore

## FISHING BAY YACHT CLUB – BOARD MEETING October 13, 2022

#### TREASURER & FINANCE -

#### K. Stuart Gregory & Veronica Hinkle:

- Reminder to submit any reimbursement requests ASAP. Please don't let anything roll over into the next fiscal year which starts on November 30
- The budgeting process for 2023 is well underway the preliminary budget was distributed on Wednesday evening.
- Thanks to all who have been careful with their budgets over 2022 and helped FBYC to stay on sound footing financially

Rear Commodore Doug Bendura gave an update on the promenade from Fannies to the West Dock, work is underway on replacement. We now have water through the county, the water pressure is much better, and we are anticipating an \$18,000 yearly savings, which is Great News.

#### **FLEET CAPTAIN – Mayo Tabb**:

The West Dock electrical system installed in the mid-1990s has reached the end of its life because of weather and must be replaced. Over the past two years, the electrical system has been reviewed and analyzed several times and a budget established for next year. The project will be undertaken over the winter months. It is requested that the Board approve \$9,000 for the purchase of Power Pedestals and other long lead items.

The basic concept of the upgrade is to match the concept of the floating docks and have the system meet the latest NEC Code and ABYC guidelines. The wooden support structure will be upgraded with the panel and disconnect, like the Middle Floating Docks on the front and meter on the rear. The panel will be water resistant NMEA 3r with internal GFI breakers basically the same as the Middle Dock. We will employ FBYC staff to do carpentry and dock modification work while using an outside electrical contractor to do all electrical work. As space under the dock is limited, most of this work must be done in December, January, and February when we have low tides so that the underside of the dock can be accessed via our floating barge/platform.

The power to the dock and crane will be cut off by Dominion the week after Thanksgiving. The existing panel, walk, under dock electrical cables and water pipes will be removed by FBYC staff. For every 5 feet under the dock, a cable/water support beam will be installed

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with clips for cables and pipes. For the outer slips 6 power Pedestal like on the floating dock will be installed with 30-amp receptacles and a seventh at the T-head with 30- and 50-amp 240-volt receptacle for guest power boats like we have on the other two T-heads. The location of the Power Pedestals will be staggered with one before and one after the piles that separate the slip pairs. The inner two slips will have 20-amp receptacles on the adjacent pilings.

After the first few cable supports have been installed, they will be photographed and incorporated into final bid specification. These will go out to the contractors who provided budget quotes or showed interest with anticipated contract award before Christmas.

It is anticipated that the electrical contractor work will take 1-2 weeks. The start will be determined by tides, contractor back log and scheduling along with supply chain for the needed Square D components.

The goal is to have the electrical system back online before the start of the 2023 season.

Motion passed to approve up to \$12K to purchase parts in anticipation of upgrading west dock electrical system.

#### **CLUB OPERATIONS – Brian Ankrom:**

#### **Current Status Updates:**

- Hurricane lan came & went without damaging the Club
- County water is running without issues
- Hosted two private events this month
- Fall leaf burning will start next week beware of the smoke
- Fannie's/West Dock promenade rehab project is under way

#### On the Horizon:

- Fleet & Facility decommissioning scheduled to begin in stages in early November
- · Fall fire & crane inspections are being scheduled
- All known off-season projects are in my report
- I'll be out & on vacation in early January

#### **VICE COMMODORE – MARK WENSELL**

Sailing event meetings are under way and we will have a draft schedule out by the end of October. John Deutsch did a great job of rescheduling the Chesapeake Bay Masters Championship for November 5th and 6th to make this event happen. And the Offshore events are in full swing to wrap up our winter series.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Commodore Joseph Roos reported over the last five months, the Board has considered various proposals to amend the Bylaws of Fishing Bay

Yacht Club. After reviewing various recommendations to update the Bylaws to support a focus on sailing, facilities, membership and financial stewardship and full discussion, the amendments attached under committee report were fully considered. On a motion which was duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED, The Bylaws of Fishing Bay Yacht Club, as amended and restated are hereby adopted as the Bylaws of Fishing Bay Yacht Club.

#### JUNIOR COMMANDER - Parker Garrett: RIB Update

- Plan: this matches the plan as described in the September 2022 board meeting, and the idea submitted in December 2021 board meeting.
- Highlights: this will give the club all 17 ft ribs, which will increase the safety of the program and lower the long-term costs by having all identical trailers, engines and eventually hulls. These boats additionally have replaceable air bladders which is key as it allows us to re-tube & repower them in about 10 years, instead of needing to replace.
- Budget: this is included in our most recent budget and Long-range plan for 2023 that Veronica has reviewed.

We are making a motion for the board to approve:

• \$10,000 each for the deposit for two Zodiac 17ft Ribs (\$20,000 total) for the Junior Program following our long-range plan to upgrade our fleet. We expect delivery on these in fall of 2023. The total expected cost with tax and trailers is \$35,000 each, and a net cost to the club of around \$25,000 each after the sale of our two smaller 14ft Ribs.

Motion made and Approved

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### FINANCE - Veronica Hinckle: 2023 Budget

The 2023 Budget is complete and we had a strong financial surplus this year. With that being said, to keep up with the cost of inflation, there will be a 5% increase across the board, including dues. Ideally, we save the cash surplus as a reserve and continue to grow the cash and use for capital projects at the club, such as the Fishing Bay dock.

The surplus will be allocated to several of our programs as well, like the social division.

The 2023 Budget will be voted on at the November board meeting.

#### **MINUTES / SPECIAL NOTICES**

#### MEMBER-AT-LARGE - Elizabeth Staas:

### **2023 Proposed Trustees**

Commodore Mark Wensell
Vice Commodore Doug Bendura
Rear Commodore Mary Almany
Secretary Mason Chapman
Treasurer Veronica Hinckle
Fleet Captain Mike Chesser
Offshore Div. Cdr. Glenn Doncaster
One Design Div. Cdr. Andrew Spencer
Cruising Div. Cdr. John Koedel
Junior Div. Cdr. Parker Garrett
Facilities Director David Hinckle
Communications Director Elizabeth Staas
Social Director Nancy Powell
Member-at-Large Joe Roos

The 2023 Board will be voted on at the annual meeting.

## Rear Commodore Doug Bendura presented the sod proposal in absence of Steve Montgomery:

Sod behind main club house

- Ongoing issue trying to maintain grass on bank behind main club house
- Have seeded multiple times without success
- Had success with sod on Jackson Creek side
- Recommend investing \$6k \$7k to sod
- Vote at next board meeting



### **OCTOBER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

We invite you to view the Board Minutes and Committee Reports at the following website as an appendix to this Log:

https://www.fbyc.net/members-only/board-minutes/





#### **REVISED FBYC BOARD STRUCTURE**

# REVISED FBYC BOARD STRUCTURE TO SUPPORT BROADER PARTICIPATION

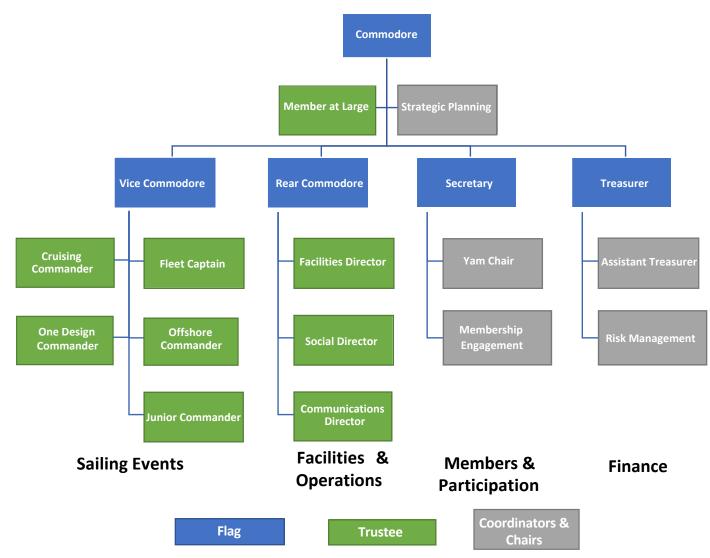
Over the past five months, the FBYC Board has been working to review and modify the organizational structure of the Board. The effort sprang from discussions about making it easier for members to get involved in Club leadership, organizing roles to better reflect members activities and needs and ensure ongoing planning to define and meet the Club's future challenges. At the October Board meeting, the amended Bylaws outlining the revised Board structure were approved. A copy of the revised Bylaws is posted on the Club website:

### https://www.fbyc.net/members-only/bylaws/

The new structure focuses on four key areas to keep FBYC a vigorous sailing community: Sailing Events, Facilities and Operations, Members and Participation, and Finance.

For each area, there is a Flag Officer accountable for overall strategic directions and operations. Each area is broken down to teams of Coordinators and Chairs headed by a Trustee representing the different sailing divisions or operational functions. The Coordinators and Chairs in the teams are responsible for things like the events, activities, support equipment, or facility maintenance. Breaking out specific roles for these team members ensures the Club activities are fully supported. They also provide a readily available path for members to get more involved in the Club management, gain experience in different aspects of the Club and determine if they wish to possibly serve in other Board positions.

If you have any question about the revised Club structure, how it may affect activities you are interested in or wish to get more involved in the Club management and planning please contact any of the Flag Officers.



For clarity, not all Coordinator and Chair positions are displayed.

#### **OYSTER FARMING AT FBYC**



## OYSTER FARMING AT FBYC BY GEORGIA WENSELL

FBYC has recently renewed its oyster lease through the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC). In efforts to maintain our lease, we are re-establishing a program on aquaculture focused on the lifecycle of oysters and how they impact the health of the Chesapeake Bay. A single oyster can filter up to 50 gallons of water per day. Our Club wants to support oysters as they remove excess nutrients like nitrogen from the water and they grow in reefs that provide habitat for fish and crabs.

I installed the oyster float as part of my senior project for the Blue Ridge Virtual Governor's School (BRVGS) and Goochland High School. I am excited to partner with FBYC to improve the conditions of the water in Fishing Bay and teach our community about the benefits of oysters. During Junior Week I was an assistant coach who met with groups of beginner Opti sailors to talk about the advantages of oysters.

This fall, I worked with the Tidewater Oyster Gardeners Association (TOGA) <a href="https://www.oystergardener.org">https://www.oystergardener.org</a>. They held an Oyster Float Workshop at Camp Kekoka in Kilmarnock, VA. At this event, I built the Rough Rider oyster bed with the help of on-site master oyster gardeners. The float holds up to 150 market-sized oysters. It hangs on a line beneath the dock and is good for high-energy water. Its all-wire construction minimizes fouling. I placed the oyster float on FBYC's Fishing Bay dock with new spats. I will clean the float periodically and move the spats to a larger mesh cylinder as they grow.

I look forward to growing the oysters and improving the surrounding bay for our club by utilizing our oyster lease with VMRC.









#### **CRUISING**

### NYYC CHESAPEAKE CRUISE AND DINNER BY STROTHER SCOTT



The New York Yacht Club's (NYYC) biannual Chesapeake Bay cruise visited Norfolk, Cape Charles, Yorktown and Fishing Bay in early October. Two yachts from FBYC, Rappahannock, owned by Bev and Susan Crump and Serenity, owned by Jim and Bootsie Rogers, participated. The yachts hosted about fifty sailors on a trip around Norfolk's waterfront. The sailors were offered a day away from their duties to visit with yacht club members, have lunch aboard, and view their ships and duty stations from a different perspective. In Norfolk, we were invited to participate in the U.S. Navy's celebration of its 247th birthday with Admiral Daryl Caudle, Commander, U.S. Forces Fleet Command. The Commodore of the New York Yacht Club, Dr. Paul Zabetakis is shown as Admiral Caudle and the youngest sailor present cut the cake.



On October 10, Jim Rogers, who was port captain for the FBYC visit, hosted a seated dinner for about 30 guests in the beautiful upstairs of our clubhouse. Guests included the following who are members of both FBYC and the NYYC: Jim Rogers, Bev Crump, Cyane Crump, Strother Scott and Bob Aron who was a former member of FBYC. Former Commodore Lydia Strickland also ioined the dinner.

Left to right are Bev Crump, Jeff Neuberth chair of NYYC Chesapeake Cruise who formerly sailed with Ted Turner on *Courageous* and with George Coumantaros on Boomerang, and Bruce Burton - President of US Sailing in 2016 and former Flying Dutchman and Etchells world champion.



Mark Wensell, Vice Commodore of FBYC welcomed the guests to FBYC and received a scroll from Jeff Neuberth. The visit by the NYYC was the first that anyone could recall.









## **ILCA FALL REGATTA**















## JACKSON CREEK AND BOTTOM SLIME BY MAYO TABB

This year we all have experienced constant growth of slime on our boat bottoms that has kept Brad very busy as he dives and cleans these bottoms. At the Annapolis Boat Show, I took the opportunity to talk to each of the three top bottom paint suppliers as to what was the best paint for slime. The slime is due to high water temperature, salinity, and nutrient run-off from farming. This combination has caused (per VDH) a growth of "Cyanobacterial blooms may produce a film or surface scum on the water that is most commonly a green or blue-green color".



I showed the picture taken last year of Excitation's hull 2 weeks after a diver cleaning in August and asked for their input and recommendation. It was painted with Pettit SR40 which is copper oxide 40%

and Irgarol 2% semi-hard ablative.

There was consensus that no bottom paint would be totally effective in preventing slime and that diver cleaning would be necessary from time to time. They all consider the most effective what some are calling hybrid or hard ablatives that are in hardness between the traditional ablatives and hard leaching bottom paints. They are substantially harder than traditional ablatives thus can be lightly cleaned by a diver without losing too much paint.

Irgarol, the go-to anti-slime agent for the past several decades has been banned for sale worldwide starting in 2023. New formulations without it were introduced in the last few years. The development of biocides comes from the chemical and drug labs of international megacorporations. Irgarol was developed by BASF while Econea and Zinc Omadine (Pyrithione) came from the Jassen PMP division of Johnson and Johnson. The anti-slime agent Zinc Pyithione is the key active ingredient in Head and Shoulders and other anti-dandruff shampoos. Econea was developed for ocean going commercial vessels and has just started to enter the recreational marine market.

#### Petit - RPM

Their choice was the Odyssey Triton, a heavily loaded triple biocide hard ablative available in white and other colors. Its main biocide is Copper Thiocyanate 15%, Econea 6% and anti-slime Zinc Pyrithione 6%. This looks like an enhanced slightly softer more slime fighting triple biocide version of Vivid which is Copper Thiocyanate 25% and Zinc Pyrithione 2.8% but with the colors slightly muted. Priced at \$325 per gallon and has the highest warranty of any paints they sell.

If you prefer a hard bottom paint, their Trinidad Xsr has the same triple biocides in a hard paint formulation.

#### Interlux - AkzoNobel

Their choice is Micron Extra SPC which is a self-polishing single biocide hard ablative. Its biocide is the tried and true 38% copper oxide but depends on a trade secret new binder that allows constant exposure of new biocide while the boat is docked while being hard enough to be diver cleaned. It is a totally different approach from what any other company is doing so it will be interesting to see how it works at the price of \$305.

#### Sea Hawk - AkzoNobel

AkzoNobel appears to be covering all bases by buying Sea Hawk reportedly for their technology in using dual and triple biocides.

Their first recommendation was for the hard ablative dual biocide Biocop TF which is 38% Copper oxide and 4.14% Zince Pyrithione. They are the only company that has really gotten the Zinc Pyrithione anti-slime agent to work with traditional Copper Oxide. The Biocop TF, priced at \$300, is a relatively hard ablative and can be burnished to a very smooth racing finish as they showed on a sample at their booth.

Their second choice is Colorcote, a triple biocide hard ablative of Copper Thiocyanate 10.5%, Zinc Pyrithione 4.7% and Econea 3.2% and is available in white. This looks similar to Pettit Odyssey Triton but with reduced biocide levels and is priced at \$265.

My choices would be **Biocop TF** if you want to burnish or **Odyssey Triton** if you are not doing so or want more color choices.

#### **CLOSING DAY REGATTA WINNERS**





SPRING, FALL, and DISTANCE SERIES WINNERS



BRENT HALSEY JR. MEMORIAL TROPHY
Dave Tabor



### **PERPETUAL AWARDS**

BARBER TROPHY - Paul and Julie Ann Wash
NOTT MEMORIAL TROPHY - Phil Webb
BAKER BOWL - John and Sharon Wake
PERFORMANCE TROPHY - Miles Booth
WINDWARD START TROPHY - Bob and Lisa Fleck
PATRICK A. GIBSON MEMORIAL TROPHY - Walker Angus



## **CLOSING DAY / OYSTER ROAST**



#### **FBYC TRADEWINDS**

#### **ONLINE CLASSIFIEDS:**

www.fbyc.net/classifieds/ or go to Webtools then Classifieds to view or place an online classified ad.

**FOR SALE**: Slide Moor Boat Docking System for boats up to 35 ft 18 in slides & 8 ft rails. Boat floats up and down with tide. No line adjustment required. Mounts on two pilings. Costs \$1,998.00 plus tax. Asking \$1,500. Richard Rodgers 804-436-5295

**FOR SALE**: 5 HP Mercury, 4 stroke, long shaft outboard motor with fuel tank and dolly \$525.

Contact: jim.snowa@gmail.com

**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

**FOR RENT**: **Jackson Creek Harbour Condo for Rent** - 3 Bdrm Townhouse waterfront condo, 2 Qns, 4 Bunks, 2 1/2 baths, fully equipped, CATV, Wifi, Pool, Tennis Ct; \$1100/wk. Noel Clinard 804-338-4066.

FOR RENT: Main House at Rosegill. FOR RENT: Main House at Rosegill. 5 BR house on large farm at Urbanna with pool, dock, beach and great walks. High speed internet. Four night minimum rentals through VRBO at www.vrbo.com/833711 or call Strother Scott 804-405-5999

FOR RENT: Waterfront Property Overlooking the Chesapeake Bay and Piankatank River. Magnificent views! Located near Stingray Point on a private 1-acre lot with a sandy beach and a dock. 4 Bedrooms, 1 full bath. 2 bedrooms with King beds, 1 bedroom with 2 bunk beds.

Guest house with 2-twin beds. Living room, laundry room and newly renovated, state of the art kitchen. Access to 2 kayaks, a Sunfish sailboat, life jackets and 3 crab traps. Deck with grill and picnic table. Clean linens provided, W/D, heat/air-conditioning, Wi-Fi, cable. \$2,300/week. \$300 deposit. \$125 cleaning fee. Please contact Greg Ullmann 410-207-7751 (cell) or gregullmann@yahoo.com.

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