

FROM THE QUARTERDECK

JUNE 2023



TRYING ALL THE THINGS

As we set sail into the month of June, it is the perfect time to take a moment and celebrate the diverse and vibrant divisions that form the very fabric of our Club. From the Juniors to the Offshore, One-Design,

and Cruising divisions, each brings its own unique spirit and passion to our sailing community and we as Club members have the opportunity to experience them all!

Our Junior Division embodies the future of sailing. Their enthusiasm, energy, and dedication remind us of why we fell in love with sailing. From the excitement of Junior Week to the many regattas and practice sessions, our young sailors continue to showcase their skills and determination. Let us support and encourage them as they continue to grow and thrive, ensuring a bright future for our Club.

The Offshore Division brings the excitement of big boat racing. Well prepared, these sailors have had a great Spring Series with rapidly changing weather conditions being the norm. The Series was capped off with a great Open weekend-long regatta that saw 17(!) boats join the fun, plus a great social and dinner hosted by Team Nanuq! We are looking forward to hearing more from the division as it heads into the heart of the season with major upcoming events such as Down-The-Bay, Southern Bay Race Week, Annapolis-to-Newport and our own Stingray Point Regatta.

The One-Design Division brings together sailors with a shared love for close and competitive racing. We saw a great increase in participation this spring with our three major fleets (Flying Scots, Melges 15 and Lasers/ILCAs) excited to start the season. The tightly contested races and the camaraderie amongst competitors showcase

the essence of sportsmanship. Let us cheer on our One-Design sailors as they continue to uphold the tradition of close racing at our Club.

And finally, the Cruising division embraces the joy of exciting voyages and exploration. These sailors embark on journeys of relaxation and discovery, cherishing the challenge and beauty of the sea. We have many members returning back to the Club docks after exciting cruises, with much to share and retell. Let us appreciate and acknowledge the cruisers for reminding us of the simple joys that sailing brings.

As we navigate through June, we should recognize the importance of unity and mutual support among our divisions. Each division plays a vital role in shaping the character and identity of Fishing Bay Yacht Club. By embracing the unique contributions of each division, we strengthen our community and create an environment where all sailors can thrive.

So, whether you're cheering on our Junior sailors, reveling in the excitement of Offshore racing, embracing the competitive spirit of One-Design, or savoring the tranquility of Cruising, let us come together as one club, celebrating the diversity and richness that our divisions bring.

Fair winds and boundless enthusiasm await us this June. Let's sail forward together, sharing our passion for the sport of sailing. ~ *Mark Wensell, Commodore*



June 2023 • www.fbyc.net • page 2

SPECIAL NOTICES



ARTS ON FISHING BAY IS BACK

Original art by FBYC members has returned to the main clubhouse for our 2023 season.

Our first exhibitor this season is Laura Heyward, a longstanding FBYC member that most of you know as Lolly. She brings an interesting synthesis of nature in her outdoor nautical mixed media works that are informed by her early childhood experiences growing up in the Blue Ridge mountains and her lifelong joy of sailing.

Most of us know Lolly and her husband, former Commodore Allan, by their devotion to Club racing, both in Flying Scots (Mehitabel) and offshore Keelboats (Ilmatar). What you may not know about them is their years of sailing along the Coast of Denmark, England, Scotland, and Sweden, or their summers out of Dartmouth, Maine. They have accumulated many friends in many ports.

Lolly's exhibit includes lithographs of racing in Hampton as well as Danish and Swedish sailboats, and paintings of Dartmouth Harbor, Maine. If you wish to inquire about Lolly's works and availability for purchase she can be reached at Ipheyward@gmail.com



Join us for a relaxed family cookout with hamburgers, hot dogs, and veggie burgers, along with some delicious sides and desserts. Online registration and payment are mandatory, so we can plan for enough food for all.

1700 On-shore Happy Hour and gathering1730-1900 Dinner served

Dinner choices include:

- Hamburger
- Hot dog
- Veggie Burger

Refreshments include:

- Adult Beverages
- Soda
- Tea
- Lemonade

All meals include:

- Green salad
- Macaroni salad
- Baked beans
- Watermelon
- Dessert

Orders placed by June 28th

\$7 for adults and \$5 for children (12 and under)

Orders placed by July 2nd

\$10 for adults and \$8 for children

June 2023 • www.fbyc.net • page 3

MEMBERSHIP



APPROVED FOR MEMBERSHIP MAY 2023



Amelia Arthur – Richmond, VA

Amelia loves to sail and is so excited to be back on the East Coast and close to the Chesapeake Bay. Amelia grew up in Maryland and learned to sail at camp on the bay in middle and high school. Her children learned to love the water on the lakes in Minnesota. They took lessons on Lake Minnetonka before their relocation to Richmond last year. Amelia wants to get them back into sailing and they are super excited to attend Sailing School lessons at FBYC this summer. Amelia's recent purchase of *Niörðr* introduced her to Ken Johnson and the rest was history. Welcome to the lower Chesapeake! FBYC sounds like exactly what she and her kids are looking for - a place to continue to develop their sailing skills, a social/ community-oriented club where they can have fun, learn, and make great memories. Amelia is also friends with club members Charles & Liz Nance and Ida Farinholt, whom she knows from Richmond. They both recommended FBYC and said it would be a great place for her family. Amelia and her family will be great additions to FBYC.

Sponsors: Ken Johnson and Charles & Liz Nance



INVITING FRIENDS TO JOIN FBYC JUST GOT EASIER

We've updated our membership application and made it easier than ever to submit. Our new Google Form is online and ready to receive new members. Just send the QR code or link to your friends to apply. It's a great time of year to invite other sailors to get involved with our Club!

For more information about how to join our Club and our application process, please visit: https://www.fbyc.net/club/membership/



Start Your **FBYC** Membership Application Process



Please sign up to help with one of our upcoming regattas or events. *Our Club depends on its members to flourish and grow.* Volunteering is also a great way to meet other members. Visit this webpage to get a list of volunteering opportunities: https://www.fbyc.net/members-only/volunteering-fbyc/



IN MEMORIAM Brenton "Brent" Shaw Halsey Sr. May 28, 2023





Brenton ("Brent") Shaw Halsey, age ninety-six (96), died on May 28th, 2023.

Brent's greatest love was his wonderful family. He was devoted to and took great pride in this close knit and loyal gang. He is predeceased by his adored wife of seventy (70) years, Lindsay Graham Halsey, by his loyal and loving son, Brenton S. Halsey, Jr., and by his brother, John S. Halsey. He is survived by his three daughters and their spouses, Liza and John Perrin, Kate and Phil Edris and Melanie and Guy Crittenden; by his daughter-in-law, Corell Halsey Moore and her husband, Thurston Moore; by sixteen (16) grandchildren, Rawleigh Taylor and his wife, Polly; Halsey Perrin Ash and her husband, Will; Catherine ("Catty") Perrin; Sam Corey and his

wife, Erin; Kane Corey and his wife, Taylor; Mason Corey and his wife, Katherine; Katie Corey Funk and her husband, Will; Lindsay Crittenden Leonard and her husband, Charlie; Alexis Crittenden; Melanie Crittenden; Brent Halsey III and his husband, Ian; Ali Halsey Breeden and her husband, Wood; Philip Halsey and his wife, Alee; Christian Halsey; and Thurston Moore; and by thirteen (13) great- grandchildren (soon-to-be fifteen). Brent is also survived by the family's caretaker and family counselor for sixty-five (65) years, Rosebud Houston, his loyal long-time assistant, Joanne Moss, and his loving caretakers, Vashti, Gordon, Nancy, Mary and Nancy.

Brent graduated from the Episcopal High School in 1945, attended the United States Merchant Marine Academy (King's Point), and graduated from the University of Virginia in 1951 with a degree in chemical engineering. He made an impact at UVA through his membership in the Raven Society and his endowment of the Brenton S. Halsey Distinguished Visiting Professorship in Chemical Engineering. He served as an officer in the U.S. Navy in Korea. A native of Newport News, he has resided in Richmond for seventy (70) years.

Aside from his family, Brent devoted his time to four major interests: his business, the Richmond Community, History and Education, and Sailing and Nautical Affairs.

Brent was Chairman, CEO and co-founder, together with Robert C. Williams, of the James River Corporation, a manufacturer of consumer, packaging and communication papers, until his retirement in 1992. Under his leadership, the corporation grew from a small, single plant operation in Richmond, Virginia into a Fortune 100 international firm with over 100 operating locations in North America and Europe and which, in 1986, was ranked as the world's largest manufacturer of paper. Continued growth brought annual sales to approximately \$8 billion in 1990, when he retired as

CEO. His leadership was permeated by a belief that scrupulous adherence to ethics in all transactions would ultimately result in a corporation of choice for customers, suppliers, employees and shareholders, and that Ownership, in various forms, was the key to employee motivation and satisfaction. These values were documented in the "Big Black Book," the James River Bible, promulgated and preached throughout the organization of 44,000 employees.

As an industry leader, Brent served as Chairman of the American Paper Institute (now American Forest & Paper Association, AF & PA), and his interest in forest conservation led him to the Chairmanship of the American Forest Council and the American Forest Trust. James River Corporation was purchased by Georgia-Pacific Corp. in 2000.

Brent believed that economic development in the City of Richmond is the most important path to reducing poverty. While contributing generously to the many organizations fighting poverty directly in Richmond, Brent believed that his skills were best applied to economic development. He served as the second Chairman of Richmond Renaissance (now Venture Richmond), an organization devoted to the redevelopment of downtown Richmond, and for eighteen (18) years on its Executive Committee. Brent also led the redevelopment of the Richmond riverfront and canals, serving for fifteen (15) years as Chairman of the Richmond Riverfront Corp. and its predecessors, resulting in the restored canals, the Canal Walk, the historical interpretations along the canals, and the resulting commercial development.

Consistent with his admiration for Thomas Jefferson, Brent believed that the future health of our state and nation depends upon an educated electorate with an understanding of our history. Brent held the Chairmanships of the Thomas Jefferson Foundation (Monticello) and the Virginia Historical Society (now the Virginia Museum of History & Culture), serving for twenty (20) years on the boards of each. He also served on the board of the American Civil War Center and was a founder of the Richmond Civil War Visitor Center at Tredegar.

Brent's interest in education led him to the Board Chairmanship of St. Catherine's School, the Vice Chairmanship of St. Christopher's School as well as the boards of the University of Virginia's Darden School, St. Paul's College and the Board of Managers of the Alumni Association of the University of Virginia.

Brent's avocation was competitive sailboat racing. He raced a series of "Stormking" sailing yachts over a period of thirty (30) years, winning many premier east coast ocean and Bay racing events. Brent particularly enjoyed the camaraderie of the many members of his sailing crew, young and old. He was Commodore of Fishing Bay Yacht Club and served on the Board of Trustees of the New York Yacht Club. He was Chairman and long-time board member of the Mariner's Museum in Newport News, Virginia.

Brent was the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including designation by the Virginia General Assembly as the State's Outstanding Virginian in 2001, the award of an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from St. Paul's College, the Outstanding Alumnus Award of the University of Virginia School of Engineering, the Science Museum of Virginia's first Outstanding Industrialist Award, and induction into the Paper Industry International Hall of Fame.

Brent is the author of three books: James River Corporation, a Personal Memoir; A Sailor's Course, A Maritime Memoir; and Riverfront Renaissance, the Story of the Rebirth of the Richmond Riverfront.

Brent had many achievements throughout his life, but none greater or more profound than his family. The legacy he leaves behind will live on for generations to come, and his family will miss him dearly.

Guests are respectfully invited to a burial and memorial service at Hollywood Cemetery on Thursday, June 1st, at 2:00 p.m., immediately followed by a gathering of friends and family at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture. *In lieu* of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Venture Richmond.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

RACING / CRUISING



ONE DESIGN SAILING UPDATE

The One Design Sailing Season is well underway after a false start at the first Spring Series event that was canceled due to the weather. The second and third spring days had great turnouts of Flying Scots, Melges 15 and ILCA. The final installment of the Spring Series will be Sunday, June 11th. Thank you to the PROs and volunteers who made these possible. We're still looking for a few more PROs for late summer and fall events.

Planning for AOD is well underway. Note the new date in July (22-23) will enable more of our members who are juniors or have junior sailors to participate.

New for 2023 - the One Design Division is adopting DPN-2 (instead of DPN-0) for Portsmouth Handicap racing. DPN-2 numbers better account for the performance differences between boats in the expected wind ranges. To keep things simple, we've established a new Appendix E on the website that lists the DPN-2 numbers for each class of boat and the registration process has been simplified to enable plugging in that number without having to do a US Sailing Search. Look for this on the July 4th Long Distance Race.

Upcoming One Design Events:

- Sunday June 11, One Design Spring 4
- Sunday July 2, Long Distance Race
- Saturday July 8, Summer Sea Breeze 1

ONE DESIGN DIVISION COMMANDER CHANGE

Andrew Spencer has taken a step back from his board role for personal reasons. Jon Deutsch has actively jumped in and will take over the role and leadership at FBYC as One Design Division Commander.



CRUISING UPDATE FOR JUNE

We had a great cruise on May 6th & 7th to Little Bay with four boats attending. *Jabberwock*, *Obsession*, *Salty*, and *Wings*. *Jabberwock* had three generations aboard. A scavenger hunt was held, with the best find being a koozie celebrating the nuptials of a couple during COVID. We held a cocktail party on the beach and dinner aboard our own boats. The weekend began Friday night celebrating Cinco de "Mayo" at Fannie's House and later on *Sonas*.



Cinco de "Mayo!"



JUNIORS



JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT AND RACE TEAMS

Junior sailors who want to build upon their knowledge of sailing are encouraged to join our Race Teams. Junior Development and Race Teams provide a great way to sail more consistently over the summer and to be coached by those with experience.

Can't make all the practices or go to every regatta? - no problem! Attend as much of the summer events as you can. It is an opportunity that many of our adult sailors wish they had been exposed to when they were juniors. We currently have teams for Optis, Lasers/ILCA, and C420.

Learn more at: https://www.fbyc.net/junior-sailing/race-teams/





JUNIOR SAILING SCHOOL

Can't attend Junior Week this year? Want more lessons after Junior Week? We have a few openings for Sailing School camps.

Sign up today: https://www.fbyc.net/junior-sailing/sailing-school/



JUNIOR WEEK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

JUNIOR WEEK - JUNE 19-23

Junior Week is sold out and we need more coaches and assistants during that week.

Come join us to help our youth get outside in nature, away from their electronic devices, and fall in love with the water and sailing! It is a volunteer opportunity that strengthens our bond to our Club and provides returns that are immeasurable. Retirees and grandparents are especially invaluable at Junior Week. Your guidance and experience is invaluable.

We provide volunteer hours for our youth coaches and assistants!

Email us today to discuss how you can help! juniors@fbyc.net

FBYC TRADEWINDS

ONLINE CLASSIFIEDS:

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

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 3 Bdrm Townhouse waterfront condo, 3BR w/ 2 Qns, and 2 Singles or Qn, 2 ¹/₂ baths, fully equipped, CATV, Wifi, Pool, Tennis Ct; \$1200/wk. Contact Noel Clinard 804-338-4066.

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

FOR RENT: **Family Tides**. Entire home across from J&W conveniently located just minutes from FBYC. Master BR first floor and open floor plan LR/DR. Dormitory-style BR upstairs, sleeps 4, plus second full bathroom. Wifi and Cable TV. Perfect for your family of 6! Plenty of parking for your boat and cars. Visit us at

https://www.airbnb.com/h/StayAtFamilyTides or Contact Mark Crews: Mark@CodeShoppe.Net (540) 840-3404

FOR SALE: Byte Sailboat. New running rigging, blade bag and hiking strap. Dolly included. Garage kept in Hartfield VA. Asking \$600.00 OBO. Contact: Carrie Russell, 804-218-0414, carrierussell@aol.com **FOR SALE: Laser for Sale!** Race Ready (newer hardware installed, BOTH Regular and Radial Rigs and Sails—some in great condition. Great practice and Race Sails available as well as corresponding sail bags, dolly, new cover and ready to race. Can be packaged with a Classic Sunfish as well for a sweet offer. Elizabeth Staas estaas@comcast.net

FOR SALE: Classic Sunfish for Sale - Beautiful classic sunfish for sale. Classic rainbow sale, aged but sales well. Trailable/and manual push dolly and new cover come with. Can be packaged with Laser Reg/Rad Rig as well for a Sweet Offer Elizabeth Staas estaas@comcast.net







Deltaville, VA Hampton, VA 804-776-6151 info@latellsails.com www.latellsails.com

Quality, Design, Craftmanship, SERVICE

