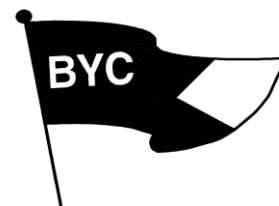




# Brigantine Yacht Club Newsletter

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## From the Commodore ☆☆☆ Paul Murray

Spring is upon us, and before I get into Yacht Club updates, I must start with a somber note. Brigantine Yacht Club recently lost a long time member, Mrs. James Burns. During her long membership she was involved in many ways. Her husband Jim, was commodore in 1981. Her son Jim is current past commodore, and, in his younger years, a sailing director. In the 1980's Betty organized a wonderful social scene, including Wednesday luncheon / bridge parties and fashion shows for sociability and income for the BYC Auxiliary. She was the person who was in charge of reservations for socials, and Betty was treasurer of the auxiliary for a number of years. Betty enjoyed her years at BYC and remained a loyal & enthusiastic supporter of all activities. She will be greatly missed by our membership.

Regarding our building update, I had hoped to have work in progress on the new building by now. However at this time, we still do not have finished plans from the Architect. So we have made arrangements to patch up the club the best we can to get one more season out of the building, and begin the rebuilding phase in September. Thank you to all who got behind the movement and especially to those that financially supported the project.

Due to our current situation with the building, we are not having a typical spring Work day. We will have two separate work days. One interior work day organized by our Vice, Dave, putting the contents back into the club, and one outdoor workday, organized by our rear, Dan, getting the yard organized. Dan and Dave will talk more about their scheduled dates in their sections.

I am pleased to have such enthusiastic flag officers, and I am certain that their efforts will not disappoint the membership. As Vice Commodore, Dave DeMarco has made arrangements to bring back Paul and Christine Lauriello to work the kitchen. He has a fully packed summer of social activities that I, for one, am looking for to attending. Rear Commodore, Dan Hoffman, is using his talents to further improve a sailing program. He is a great asset and putting his skills as program Director for Outward Bound to work for BYC. I expect a wider variety of sailing activities, and encourage anyone with children ages 7-18 to review the program and sign up early.

Our General Membership Meetings will be on:

Friday June 21	8 pm
Friday July 12	8 pm
Friday Aug 9	8 pm

I look forward to see everyone soon!

## From the Vice Commodore☆☆ Dave DeMarco

Summer is almost here and we are preparing the BYC for its final summer tour. My mantra has always been the people make the party. The BYC family of friends certainly lives up to that mantra! We have many great events planned for the season and I look forward to seeing all of you real soon!

I have a call to action for **May 18 at 0900 for an Interior Work Day** to empty the trailer and put the interior of BYC back together. The more hands the quicker we take care of business.

The Sunset Bar will begin again starting on **Friday May 24 at 1730 followed by the BYC Opening Day Party on Saturday May 25** hosted by your Flag Officers! This years' Opening Day Party is family friendly and will be buffet style (\$14 adults and \$6 children) and will feature our 2013 caterers Paul and Christine Lauriello. See Menu below!

Accompanying this newsletter is the 2013 BYC Calendar of Events. Please print a copy and keep handy for reference of all upcoming social and sailing events known as of the date of this writing.

I am so looking forward to long sunny days and another great summer at the BYC.

### 2013 Opening Day Party Menu

#### **Adult Buffet Menu \$14.00**

Garden Salad with Choice of Dressing

Caesar Salad

Chicken and Penne Picatta

Roasted Vegetable Medley

AC Bread and Butter

Grilled Flank Steak in a Mushroom Demi Sauce

Lemon or Cherry Water Ice

#### **Kids Buffet \$6.00**

Homemade Macaroni and Cheese

Oven Baked Chicken Fingers

Roasted Green Beans

Lemon or Cherry Water Ice

## From the Rear Commodore ☆ Dan Hoffman

Dear Members, Our officers, chairs, and volunteers have been working all winter long to make sure the 2013 season will be the best ever. We worked hard as a community to raise the money to rebuild after Sandy's damage. Unfortunately time did not cooperate with that plan. Instead we are making some repairs now to get us through the season and plan on building post season. We are currently in the process of making permanent repairs to the docks, water, and electric supply – as well as having the club house floor and deck repaired for the season. Bobs marine has started de-winterizing the coach boats and both LBIYRA and MAYRA have finalized schedules. In 2013 we will be prepared again to supply the best Junior Sailing program in South Jersey as well as professional support and instruction for our adult members. Eight out of our ten instructors will be returning to teach for the 2013 season and we hired 3 new. We have an awesome core of veteran staff, volunteers and committee members, who make it easy for new people who want to help (please ask how).

Please *register* early so we can make sure to have all the equipment and instructors in place to get the kids on the water the first day. Please find a 2013 youth sailing brochure and registration form attached. Counting the days till I see you all again.

**Outside Work Day will be on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 9AM. Please come down to the club and help prepare for the upcoming season!**



## *We're All in the Boat*

The BYC hosts its annual Open House on Saturday June 29 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. This important membership drive event, if well attended by our members, presents all that the BYC has to offer to anyone interested in joining the club. It takes many hands some years to entertain the volume of visitors we receive on this day. With a large sign out front depicting the new clubhouse "coming in 2014", this could be a great year for membership!

Please come down to the club on Saturday June 29 and put a boat in the water and take an interested future BYC member for a sail. Put your kid's boat in the water and have your kid take their kid for a sail. Put yourself on the deck, watch the sailing and chat with the visitors about how nice it is to sit on the deck and chat about all of the boats in the water. That's how we do it. A fun, relaxed day and we need your help. Just show up!

## *News and Notes*

Congratulations to Harry and Sarah Chaikin on the birth of their first grandchild, Fiona Jade Russo, born to Hannah and Tony Rizzo. Everyone is doing fine.

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# Brigantine Yacht Club Junior Sailing Program Informational Brochure 2013



**The Brigantine Junior Sailing Program is operated at the Brigantine Yacht Club located on Bigantine Island – 1001 Bayshore Drive – (609) 266-9859**

## **Mission Statement**

The purposes of Brigantine Yacht Club is to unite in an organization those persons residing in Brigantine, New Jersey and its vicinity who are interested in sailing, boating, good sportsmanship, and good fellowship; to pursue these purposes by educating children and adults in the art and science of sailing and the sport of racing sailboats; to provide active junior and adult social programs in a context of nautical sports; and to be a good citizen of our community. In further pursuit of these objectives, the Club will own and maintain a facility adjacent to the bay in Brigantine, New Jersey, from which its members, can observe or participate in its activities. Brigantine Yacht Club membership is open to all who share these objectives, and otherwise qualify, regardless of race, religion, sex or national origin.

We offer an eight week instructional sailing program that follows the US sailing level one keelboat curriculum and adds a lot of summer fun and adventure. Our sailors learn not just how to sail, but also good seamanship, craftsmanship, and teamwork. Our program offers sailing for all levels, fun and engaging field trips, and engages the entire family. Starting June 34<sup>th</sup>, the instructional program runs Monday through Thursdays with Fridays being an all hands on deck "Fun Day". Each day runs for 6 hours from 9am to 3pm. Sailors who are not travel racing may pick either a (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) or (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday) schedule. Those who have competed in club races, and who are interested, are encouraged to apply to the BOLT (Brigantine Opti Laser Team). The racing team schedule will be worked out with the coaches. When applying, simply indicate the session that you wish to attend, (Mon, Wed, Fri) or (Tue, Thu, Fri), and whether you are interested in racing. Classes will be formed based on your preference, the availability of boats, and the guidelines below. Returning sailors will be grouped with others of similar experience for beginner, intermediate, advanced, or racing instruction.

### **\*\*\*First Year Students**

Beginners age 8-11 and weighing less than 115 lbs will start out in LTS (Learn to Sail). First year students may use club boats although purchasing your own boat is recommended.

## **The Program**

BYC has a long history of developing great sailors accomplishing a wide variety of life long results; whether that be local racing and cruising, National and international regatta attendance, college level racing, short/long distance cruising or offshore ocean racing. In addition, we have some of the best dinghy sailing waters right off our club of all Southern NJ.

## **Eligibility**

The program is open to members who are comfortable in the water and will be between the ages of 8-16 on July 1. Sailors who have previously competed on the Race Team may continue in the Race Team as long as they meet the age qualifications set for this year's regional and Junior Olympic Sailing events.

## **Instructors**

The Instructor and Assistant Instructors are young sailors certified by the US Sailing Association who have grown up through youth sailing programs. Our dockhands are

up and coming instructors who are provided with in-house training.

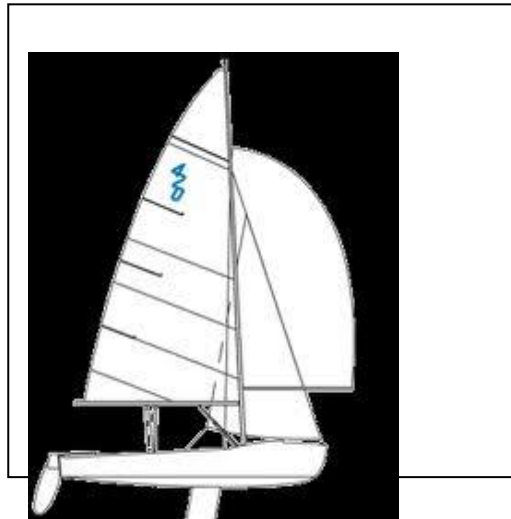
## The Boats



**The Optimist Dinghy (Opti)** is a small (7 ft 9 in), single-crew sailing dinghy for children up to the age of 15.



**The Laser** is a larger single crew racing Dinghy (13 ft 9 in)



**The 420 Class Dinghy** is a larger (13 ft 9 in) sloop rigged monohull planing dinghy with centerboard, main, jib, and spinnaker. It is designed for a crew of two.

## Course Content – Goals and Expectations for All Classes

### Class Content - The Optimist / Laser Dinghy

Our program is designed after the US sailing curriculum for keelboat sailing. First year students starting in the Opti will learn small boat handling and seamanship. Sailors will learn terminology, rigging, basic sailing, and confidence building. Students start out sailing in pairs with the goal to gain confidence and comfort in the boat. As students continue with junior sailing program there is an increasing emphasis on independence through sailing alone, and in rigging and maintaining their boats with less assistance.

As sailors continue to develop they will learn performance sailing techniques to get the most from their boat and those who are interested can continue into racing classes to learn basic racing rules and tactics and can join the racing team to participate in local and regional regattas. As they grow larger in size / age they may choose to continue onto the Laser Class (larger-faster one crew) or Sail tandem on a 420.

### **Class Content - The International 420 / Laser Class Dinghy**

Beginning sailors who are 12 years old OR over 115 lbs may start out in the 420 or Radial Laser. They will learn small boat handling and seamanship, in a 420 they will learn sailing in pairs, they will learn terminology, rigging, basic sailing, and confidence building. In following classes sailors will refine their boat handling skills and learn rudimentary navigation. Students will be introduced to weather and as conditions permit will learn high wind sailing skills. Performance sailing techniques (roll tacks, spinnaker use, etc.) will be introduced and basic racing introduced as a forum for practicing these skills. Students may continue into racing classes to learn racing rules, competitive starts, mark rounding and to fine-tune their boat handling and racing skills.

All Opti and 420 students completing the LTS program should take away a rudimentary understanding of sailing and rigging. As they complete a second year they should have a journeyman level of skills and be able to go where they want in their boat and make it back in light to moderate conditions. By year two or three they should have achieved a good understanding of sailing in local conditions and be able to manage their boat well in reasonable conditions, and be able to independently evaluate conditions as appropriate for their skills.

### **BOLT (Brigantine Opti / Laser Race Team)**

\*\*\*Sailors who have previously participated on the Race Team or who have competed at club level racing are invited to race.

#### **This is a Bona Fide Travel Team with travel team commitments**

Travel team members are expected to compete in Monday, Tuesday and Friday club racing and at least one of the following as a commitment: Wednesday LBI/ Thursday MAYRA/ Weekend MAYRA, with the understanding that a minimum number of travel events are required for summer long travel series to qualify for awards from those associations.

Some transportation can be arranged through parent carpools, but not guaranteed by BYC. It is the parent's responsibility to transport the kids to and from races, however much carpooling is expected.

Brigantine Yacht Club supports the travel team with at least one powerboat and at least one instructor at races.

Sailors who commit qualify for season long awards in Wednesday LBI and Thursday MAYRA, Weekend MAYRA, and even Junior Olympics.

There is an additional \$50 participation fee for the race team to offset staff & equipment travel costs and provide racers with team shirts. **PARENT PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED**

**Travel team members are encouraged to join the following:**

[USSailing.org](http://USSailing.org)

[USODA.org](http://USODA.org)  
[MAYRA.org](http://MAYRA.org)



### **Friday Activities**

Friday is dedicated to having all participants come together and having fun. All participants are invited to participate in fun activities that the instructors and parents plan for either Fridays at the club or special trips planned by our Jr. Activities Committee. There will also be optional nautical field trips and destination sails. Trips include a canoe day in the pines, a day at the waterslides in Wildwood, and A sail on the Atlantic City tall ship. Destination sails include a sail around the grass island, a trip to the cove, and a possible beach launch and sail to the club.

### **Program Schedule / Hours**

Each instructional day runs from 9am-3:00pm - any sailors who own a boat can sail from 1pm-3pm (any day without instruction) Monday through Thursday. Friday is reserved for Fun, Field Trips, Optional free sails and racing events.

Instructors are on hand throughout the weekend to lend assistance to ALL club members who are launching personal boats, private instruction and use of club boats must be arranged ahead of time.

### **Parent-Sailor Meeting**

Meeting will be held on the evening of Friday, June 18 for all sailors and parents. You will have the opportunity to hear more about the program, meet the instructors, see the boats and receive additional information.

### **Cost of the Program**

The program fee is \$300

Effective January 1, 2013, full payment and signed medical waiver is required with each application.

Private Lessons are available for \$20 per hour and are open to All club member.  
 (Yes Adults Too)

### **Requirements for Program**

- ☀ Students must be comfortable in / near / around water. Each participant must be able to swim. A swim check will be given on the first day of class.
- ☀ US Coast Guard approved life vest with an attached plastic whistle. The jacket type is recommended. The life vest must be worn at all times. **NO VEST – NO SAILING!**



- ☀ Sun block (SPF 15 or greater) should be applied before class.
  - ☀ Sunglasses, hat and a swimsuit are recommended.
  - ☀ Water bottles frozen the night before will help ward off thirst.
  - ☀ Change of clothing, Towel, Insect repellent. (backpack optional).
  - ☀ Students are expected to attend classes, be on time and have necessary items with them at all times.
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### Important Notice

The Brigantine Yacht Club Junior Sailing program is run by volunteers and staffed by certified paid instructors. We make every effort to honor your preferences while maintaining a high quality program. Fleet assignments will be made according to skill level, age, and stated preference. If there are more applicants than spaces for a particular class, preference will be given to the applicant whose application is received first. We will attempt to schedule siblings in the same time slot, if requested. We reserve the right to change the schedule if necessary based on the number of applicants at each of the skill levels.

## 2013 Mayra Regattas

### Thursday Series

June 27 AYC

July 2 CRYC (Tue)

**July 9 BYC SJ Optimist Championship**

July 11 YCSH

July 18 CYCCM

July 25 GWYC/YCSIC

August 1 OCYC

**August 8 BYC**

### Weekend Series

June 23 CYOP

June 29 GWYC/CYCCM

July 13 AYC/YCSH

July 20 CRYC

July 28 YCSIC

August 3 OCYC

**August 10 BYC**

## 2013 LBIYRA Regattas

Haven Beach Club – 7/3/13

**Brigantine Yacht Club - 7/10/13**

Barnegat Light Yacht Club - 7/17/13

Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club (Race Week) - 7/24/13 Interclub 7/27/13

senior race

Brant Beach Yacht Club - 7/31/13

Surf City Yacht Club - 8/7/13

Spray Beach Yacht Club – 8/14/13 (Championships)

### **Other important Dates:**

July 20-21st -Atlantic City Race Week

July 27 Avalon Cup

August 3rd Cape to Cape

Corinthian Philadelphia – Philadelphia Cup

December 6 Mayra Awards Dinner CYCOP 6 PM (Friday)



## 2013 BYC Junior Sailor Program Registration Sheet

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB (m/d/y): \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian email: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian local address: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Owned: Y or N

Fleet: \_\_\_\_\_ (LTS (Learn to Sail), Club (club regattas / destination sails), Team (Travel Racing))

Years of Sailing Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Days (1) – M,W,F  
(2) – T,Th,F  
(3) – BOLT (Travel Team)  
(3) – No preference

Desired Instruction: (Opti, Laser / Radial, 420): \_\_\_\_\_

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Instructor Notes:

Rigged and Ready:

Solo Capable up to 10 knots:

Solo capable 10+ knots:

Can sail triangle course: