

SAIL TRAINING BOARD REPORT
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Our long search for an assistant coach has ended with the hiring of Gracie Bulgerin. Gracie grew up in Central Texas and has an impressive sailing resume. She is an excellent sailor, competing in many regattas, and was the Club 420 Girls State Champion in 2014. She has coached at the Houston Yacht Club and is presently a Camp Councilor at the Austin Yacht Club. She volunteered to help teach this years PB&J camp and has shown the sensitivity and patience that makes a good sailing coach. Please welcome Gracie and support her efforts.

Our sailing camps are doing well and with some campers choosing to take addition sessions. We are seeing some new sailors and many of them are becoming proficient in a short period of time. I can't say enough about this years staff and Sailing Director, Coleman Terrell. Each session has a wide spectrum of skill levels and Coleman is very good at dealing with this. PB&J is getting better, also. We are seeing kids single hand the Optis earlier than before. One of Gracie's tasks will be to encourage these young sailors to move into Opti 1 at AYC, and thus a pipeline to Green Fleet.

The Roadrunners Endless Summer Series , which coincides with Wednesday night Sunfish/Laser races, is very complete this year. First Place is up for grabs .And the starts are amazing., with Nicholas Carew pulling off a rare port tack start in one race.

Our Roadrunners have been competing in Texas Youth Race Week in Houston. Andrew Butler took 6th place in Laser Radial, Eli Ortiz took 6th in Laser 4.7, Lucy Brock took 5th in Club 420, and in Opti RWB Lucas Tenniero took 19th, Ethan Froelich took 35th, James Brock 37th, Fiona Froelich took 52nd, Aidan Krempetz took 65th, Kate Froelich took 68th, Niclas Carew took 72nd, and Anna Jayawant sailing very well and took 6th in Green Fleet!

Our next adult event will be the Cruise Clinic on August 13th. This will be a class, a cruise, and a party, all in one!