



## 2 out of 7? Way to Blow, Frostbite



Aaron McCulley and Mike Beuerlein found some wind, Frostbite Race #4 *Photo by Cheryl Pervier*

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### SAVE THE DATE

Mar 3	Sailing Beyond Lake Travis
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*You are cordially invited to  
Austin Yacht Club  
2022 Opening Day Ceremony and Regatta  
March 6, 2022*



9:30am Bloody Marys  
10:00am Brunch  
10:50am Ceremony begins  
12:15pm Skippers' Meeting  
1:30pm Regatta First Gun

**Watch your email for an Evite for the Brunch registration**

## Message from the Commodore by Anne Morley



I want to thank everyone who attended the first Coffee with the Commodore. Board meetings are a time to handle Club business. My vision, by hosting these coffees, was that they would give members a venue to have detailed discussions with myself and another Board member or two each month. In the first get together, we went through some of the items the Board is actively working on. We had some great conversations and answered some great questions. Some of the topics discussed were:

- Opening Day
- Purchase of the 420Es
- Sail Training class offerings (ST Commander will be with us next month)
- Painting of the Clubhouse (B&G Commander will have more info)
- Updating the Covid protocols
- Vice Commodore **Russ Shermer** updated us on volunteer opportunities and Turnback options
- RC Commander **Bob Gross** fielded questions about possible changes in the racing schedule
- Peter Gerard and Gary Jobson visit

The participants said they found this format very helpful and would like to continue to have these coffees every month or so. Look forward to having more of you join us next time!

I would like to thank the AYC Fund for helping us fund the 420Es by awarding AYC two grants that equal a little over \$40,000. We appreciate your support. We will be doing additional fundraising in the near future. The down payment for the purchase of the boats should be placed the end of February.

The AYC Opening Day Celebration & Regatta will be held March 6, 2022. We are gathering in person this year! We look forward to a great celebration and a fun day of racing. And we are bringing back the tradition of Board as Race Committee for this regatta. Hope to see you there! Don't forget to RSVP!

Sail Safe!

## Vice Commodore Report by Russ Shermer



**Greetings Members!**

We are making great progress on planning our 2022 regattas.

This year, our Opening Day event is different. Instead of the race being the first of the Spring Series, we are having the Opening Day Regatta. And as Commodore Anne

mentioned, we have brought back the tradition of the current Board serving as Race Committee. I would like to thank **Anne Morley and Bob Gross** for all of the work they and their teams did putting the ceremony and race together.

As long as lake level holds, the plan is to race the Turnback Canyon Regatta to Lago Vista and back. Our co-regatta chairs **Lynn Jaeger and Chris Covington** have met with the LagoFest organizers and are busy putting together teams and working out all of the logistics. We are excited at the possibility of getting to race a two-day distance course and being able to participate in a full LagoFest celebration this year.

**Janis Livingston** has graciously accepted to chair our Fall Fest Regatta, previously called "Governor's Cup," and has already put together some of the teams for it. The change in name is due to the fact that the governor has not attended this event in many years.

We are still looking for a Centerboard Regatta chair. Please contact me if you are interested. [vice\\_commodore@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:vice_commodore@austinyachtclub.net)

## Secretary Report by Cheryl Pervier



Ahoy! We are preparing the input for printing the 2022 AYC Member Directory and Handbook. (Bylaws, too). Please help us publish accurate information. You can find the latest directory here: [austinyachtclub.net/printable-member-directory](http://austinyachtclub.net/printable-member-directory). Thanks to those who have already submitted updates. You'll need to log in to view it. It's a pdf file that was

created from the records in the AYC office database and includes the Junior sailors at the end of the list. It includes names, phone numbers, email addresses, and mailing addresses. A household can have two phone numbers and two email addresses.

If your information needs to be changed, go to the "Member Information Change Form": [austinyachtclub.net/contact-change-form](http://austinyachtclub.net/contact-change-form).

You might notice that there's another and different type of directory called the "Online Member Directory": [austinyachtclub.net/member-directory](http://austinyachtclub.net/member-directory). It's a separate website-based database that you can edit directly. Your profile contains your name, email address, phone number, and photo, if you wish. Search for your name to find your entry and click on the button on the right to edit your profile.

While you're at it, check out the boats listing at [austinyachtclub.net/ayc-racing-boats/](http://austinyachtclub.net/ayc-racing-boats/) and use this form to add or change boats: [austinyachtclub.net/ayc-series-race-registration/](http://austinyachtclub.net/ayc-series-race-registration/). To delete a boat, use this form: [austinyachtclub.net/contact-change-form/](http://austinyachtclub.net/contact-change-form/).

Please submit your changes (as described above) by March 4 so that information can be accurate in the next printed AYC Directory. Thanks!

## Race Commander Report by Bob Gross



### Frostbite Series

Two days “blowing the dog of the chain” with gusts exceeding 35 kts – and three with light unstable conditions that failed to develop into anything suitable for racing, we were only able to run racing for two of the seven scheduled Frostbite races. Unfortunately, one of the

abandoned race days came last Saturday allowing the boats to come to shore earlier than scheduled, and extending the End of Series Chili Cookoff, which I consider to have been a huge success thanks to the efforts of the 2022 Social Committee who took a half baked idea and ran with it. I’m hoping the Chili Cookoff will become an annual event.

### Mark Set Bot

The Mark Set Bot (MSB) approved at the January Board meeting has been ordered and has been scheduled to ship to us on the 25th of February. If everything goes right, we will break it out for Opening Day, but at the very least will have it showcased during the Spring Series. I have had the opportunity to practice with the MSB course setter software. I find it to be extremely intuitive and will help with not just setting the BOT, but also with positioning AYC chase boats to set tradition course marks in the correct location.

### J70 Guests Update

Realizing the J/70 series was originally scheduled to race on Sundays for the Spring Series, I launched a hasty plan to swap race days in support of the J/70’s fleet building plan. Unfortunately, after receiving objections from a few fleets, the J/70 fleet has withdrawn their request to move race days and will sail on their originally scheduled day in the Spring Series despite the diminished ability to draw guest boats from other clubs around the state.

### Fleet review

I have begun looking at historical fleet participation as we are seeing one design boats, currently sailing in PHRF fleets, average higher participation than some of the currently recognized AYC one design fleets. As defined in the Race Committee handbook, the PRC will discuss the merits of realigning fleets that qualify for individual starts and make recommendation to the Board regarding any changes at the March Board meeting. No changes are planned for the Spring Series. I encourage anyone with an opinion to reach out to the myself or the PRC directly with questions or concerns. You can email me at [race\\_commander@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:race_commander@austinyachtclub.net)

### Series Course Review

In addition to the fleet review, I have asked the PRC to debate the merits of adjusting the course layout to reduce the issues created by the current start finish line placed in the missile of the round the buoys (RTB) course. Look for possible changes in the Spring Series Sailing Instructions once they are posted.

## Building and Grounds Report by Jeff Sabuda



This month, Building & Grounds wanted to hit the floor running as there are many major time sensitive projects in the pipeline.

First is getting our grounds ready for Opening Day. By the time you read this, we will have had a workday dedicated to beautifying the grounds with gardening, mulching, leaf raking, washing clubhouse windows, and power washing the walls and concrete floors outside. A big thanks to all the volunteers who helped out.

Second, you may notice Cabin 3 has some paint swatches painted on its walls (that look like we have art classes here now). That’s because we are trying to narrow down what two colors to paint the exterior of the buildings that need a new coat after 10+ years. After working with color advisors and researching what other yacht clubs painted their buildings, keeping in mind that whatever the color choices we decide on, it would need to be timeless for at least 10+ years. We narrowed the color choices down to five colors. We hope to make a final decision on the colors this week.

Third, asphalt repaving has been put on the back burner for many years now. Paint and asphalt projects need to be done when temperatures and humidity are optimal for each and don’t get in the way of Club activities. We will work on getting quotes after the painting project is completed.

Fourth, the double doors on the clubhouse have a significant draft which creates more strain on the HVAC systems to cool and heat the clubhouse. Because it is not a standard door, we are looking at custom commercial doors that would keep our Club more energy efficient. Quotes are coming in for this project already.

Lastly, Tom has replaced that rotting walkway railing section and painted it. Looks good Tom!

Jorge Martín de Nicolás and John Maddalozzo have been tirelessly working on our AYC sign on the point. Graphics are being ordered, cutting and welding new sign hangers to replace the warped and damaged original ones and moving the scaffolds to complete top coat painting on the sign. These men are totally fearless!

## Sail Training Commander Report by Linda McDavitt



Wow, time flies. Lots going on in the Sail Training world at AYC.

Adult Team Racing has been mainly light air but that has been good as **Jeff Brock** has been teaching us the starts and how to block the other team to let our guy get around. Very interesting and fun. It all happens so fast. Our first day out we were working starts with some Opti sailors and they did teach us a few things. Adult Team racing is looking forward to hopping on keelboats soon.

Saturday, February 26th, Sail Training was privileged to put on the "Fundamentals of Racing Clinic" created by **Bill Records**. Bill did a great job of getting all prepped for what to do to get prepared for the race. Explanations of NORs, Sl's, Flags, Rule Book, RC Boat signals and a great reading list started the morning. Well, that plus some



coffee, hot chocolate, cookies and mandarin oranges set up by **David Michael** with some coffee making instructions from **Jeff Sabuda**.

**Bill** introduced AYC member **Chris Lewis** who has provided the Club with some great RC work, building enthusiasm and loads of tuning practice for the J70 fleet as well as sharing his offshore racing with some of us. **Chris** did an amazing job talking about trim, tactics, the whys and why nots of what to do while racing. Talk on starts, upwind legs, mark roundings, downwind thoughts and some great videos shared. AYC is lucky to have **Chris and Karen** as members who want to share great sailing.



Thanks to **Trevor Miller** for providing the necessary technical expertise to have all visual aids functioning properly, and of course to **Karen Lewis** for working with **Chris** to run his smoothly.

### Coming up:

- "Sailing Beyond Lake Travis" March 3rd, 7:00-9:00pm
- "Train/Build Your Crew" March 5th, 9:00am to 5:00pm
- "Performance Fleet (PHRF A & B Fleets) Clinic" with **Bobby Brooks** March 12th, 9:00am-5:00pm
- Our first Free Sail will be on Sunday, March 13th from 1:00-5:00pm. It's your chance to bring down yourself, parent, child, best friend, get on one of our dinghies, and share the joy of sailing.

- More Team Racing March 19-20th and hopefully this will be in keelboats, so if an FJ was too small for you and you want to come out and play, give me a shout and let's get you involved.
- We have another "Discover Sailing" class March 27th from 1:00-5:00pm and if your spouse or best friend might like a chance to get out, this is a great way to see what it's all about.

A special thank you to **John Foster, Thomas Young, Jeff Brock, and Emily Verdoia** for getting the new cradles done for the FJs and eventually the E420s. Thanks also to **John Foster** for providing/donating the lumber used and to **Bob Gross** for use of his skill saw. And of course, to **Spencer LeGrande** for his cheering from the side lines on his crutches.

I had the privilege to sail with **Chris and Karen Lewis** on Kenai for the SORC race from Miami to Cape Canaveral this past weekend and I must tell you that seeing an amazing team work together to do sail changes, work the spinnaker, the traveler, put their weight on the high side, trade off on the helm, and do all with very little communication was awesome. Myself, I had my usual first day on big water and waves sea sickness, so I was in the perfect spot to watch, enjoy and learn from a well in sync crew. Crew work is the most important part of racing. Having people on your team who know their job and how it relates to others is of prime importance. Also seeing that each person was very well rounded at all aspects of the crew work was poetry in motion. Thank you **Karen and Chris** for a great adventure!!!

One last thought – I would like to open up a forum to share BEST KEPT SECRETS that you may have learned over the years. One of mine involved spinnaker/chute/kite flying way back in the 80s. **Pat Halter**, mother of **John**, said that one always had to ease the chute out to produce a slight curve on the forward edge of the spinnaker. You must always be working it and if the curl grows too quickly you winch it back to a slight curve again. One must let the spinnaker breathe. If you are just holding tight and not working the spinnaker, then you are not doing your job. It was great advice then and every time I fly the chute, I hear **Pat's** voice in my head.

So, bottom line, if you have a BEST KEPT SECRET to share, please contact me at [sail\\_training@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:sail_training@austinyachtclub.net) and let's help out all on the lake and the race course.

The Sail Training Committee has been busy working on several projects and some great clinics coming up so keep posted.

Enjoy each day and find something positive in everything you see or do!

## General Manager Report by Jackie Wheelless



This past month has been cold, hot, foggy, rainy, icy and busy!

The dues and slip fees have been updated for 2022, thank you **Lynn Weir** – AYC Accountant and her team – for such a speedy turn around on this tedious task. I'd like to remind everyone to PLEASE update your auto payments to match what the fees actually are. We have some

members who haven't updated their bank auto payments in over five years! Next week's billing will reflect the new rates.

The AYC dumpsters continue to get filled with debris from home repairs, etc. Just a reminder that the AYC dumpsters are for AYC generated trash and debris. The TDS trucks won't empty our dumpster if there's anything hanging out of it. They will also begin inspecting/monitoring our dumpster and charging higher fees if they believe we're dumping materials that are not in our agreement.

During the past few months there have been instances in which I've had to remind members of specific harbor rules. Here are two important ones that will help you avoid some uncomfortable and possibly costly occurrences:

- Slips are Non-Transferable – If you buy a boat from another member, you do not automatically get assigned to the slip where the boat is stored. You must prove ownership of the boat, apply for boat storage and go to the bottom of the waitlist and work your way up.
- If you are selling your boat to another member, you should provide a bill of sale to the Harbor Commander and GM, and you should release the slip the boat where the boat is stored. The member purchasing your boat must apply for storage of the boat. The same slip can be requested, but there is no guarantee that the new owner will get assigned to the same slip.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns: [gm@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:gm@austinyachtclub.net)

### *Mark Your Calendar for These Upcoming Sail Training Events!*

Sailing Beyond Lake Travis [Register here](#)  
March 3rd, 7:00-9:00pm

Train Your Crew [Register here](#)  
March 5th, 9:00am-5:00pm

PRF Training Clinic  
March 12th, 9:00am-5:00pm

Bobby Brooks will be hosting a training day for A and B Fleets. The training will include both classroom and on-the-water sessions. Please spread the word and come out to participate in this great opportunity! Please contact me or Cass Meyer with questions or if you need more information. [geonorman@gmail.com](mailto:geonorman@gmail.com)

Adult Team Racing  
Contact Linda McDavitt for all dates  
[sail\\_training@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:sail_training@austinyachtclub.net)

Please contact me if you have any questions at all.



**AHOY AYC!**

Opening Day – March 6th – Volunteers Needed

Opening Day is a longstanding tradition. It's an annual event during which we kick off the Sailing Season! The day includes mimosas, a Bloody Mary bar, catered brunch, abagpiper and formal flag ceremony. It's a remembrance of sailors who parted this world – and it includes a regatta!

Here's how you can volunteer:

Shift 1: Saturday March 5th, 10:00am to 2:00pm – Set up tables, hang decorations, arrange flowers, place tablecloths and centerpieces, polish silver, make boutonnieres, set up fruit and veggie trays.

Shift 2: Sunday March 6th Catering Pickup – Pick up catered food (need large SUV or van), bring food to AYC with plenty of time to set up to serve. Brunch begins at 9:30am.

Shift 3: Sunday March 6th, 8:00 to 11:00am – Set out catered food, make coffee, serve food, refresh food as needed.

Shift 4: Sunday March 6th, 10:00am to 1:00pm – Relieve Shift 3 in serving, refreshing food; clean up and stow tables.

Shift 5: Sunday March 6th, 3:30 to 6:30pm – Set out leftovers and snacks for sailors after race, clean up.

To volunteer for Opening Day, email Dee at [doris.chow30@gmail.com](mailto:doris.chow30@gmail.com).

We really need YOUR help to make this event a successful one! Come out and meet your fellow sailors!

Warm regards,

**Dee Chow, Social Committee Co-chair (and Molly Isbell,Carolynn Griffin, Lynn Jaeger and Audrey Ravelo)**

## Social Team Report by Molly Isbell



The 2022 Chili Cookoff on February 19 was the first big AYC social event of the year and by all accounts, it was a great success! The fleet-vs-fleet cookoff, along with the NOC (Notice of Chili Cook Off), was the brainchild of our intrepid Race Commander, **Bob Gross**. Social Team member **Dee Chow** took it from there and ran lead on all logistics and planning details. In addition to the Social Team, volunteers included:

**Nan Taylor, Pat Manning, Janis Livingston, Gabriela Banks, Ken Tothoro, Emily Dodds, Ryan Pressley and Kristin Spindler.**



Our esteemed, totally unbiased and unbribeable chili judges, L-R: Fred Ford, John Powell, Jim Casto, Spencer LeGrande and Jeff Brock *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*

The J80s, Ensigns, Multihulls, B Fleet, and the Sunfish Fleet all showed up for the competition, with the following entries:

- **Dee Chow (Sunfish):** Dee's offFISHal Chili – *Winner of Best Presentation*
- **John Foster (J80):** John's Smoke Brisket Chili
- **Molly Isbell with Audrey Ravelo, Carolynne Griffin and Lynn Jaeger (Ensign):** ENSIGNdiary (in'sendē, erē, as in "hot") Chili – *Winner of Best Team Spirit* (which had nothing to do with the tequila shots served along with the chili since our judges were unbribeable)
- **Lewis Price (Ensign):** Chilitos Locos
- **Michael Moran (Multihull):** Frank's Red
- **Jeff Sabuda (Beef-Fleet):** BeefEater Chili – *Chili Champion* (selected in a blind tasting by the judges), *People's Choice* and *Best Name*
- **Dave Wahlberg (J80):** Snake Island Red

Thanks to all the volunteers, chili judges, chili chefs, and chili eaters for the help and for making this a fun day! We hope it turns into an annual event.

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A small subset of the Chili Cookoff volunteers, L-R: Dee Chow, Pat Manning, Molly Isbell, Audrey Ravelo and Lynn Jaeger *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*



Dee Chow's crafty trophies were a big hit. *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*



Grand Champion, Jeff Sabuda, BeefEater chili (B fleet) and presenters Bob Gross and Audrey Ravelo *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*



George Dahmen giving advice to the Ensigndiary Chili spoon (or maybe just licking it, it's hard to tell). *Photo by Carolyn Wilsford*

Next up on the social calendar is Opening Day on March 6. This is one of maybe two Club-wide events each year when (most of) your fellow sailors will show up with their hair brushed and wearing something besides sailing gear. You don't want to miss seeing that. Seriously, Opening Day is an awesome AYC tradition when we come together to celebrate the history of AYC, reflect on the treasure this place and its members are, and look forward to all the racing, training, social, and other events that are still to come. The day will start at 9:30 am with Brunch (complete with Bloody Marys and Mimosas for those who like that kind of thing) The ceremony will begin at 10:50. Then we'll spend the afternoon racing in the Opening Day Regatta brought to us by our 2022 Board of Directors. If you have not already, please respond to the Evite if you are planning to attend the Brunch so we can get an accurate headcount. And be sure to register for the Regatta on the AYC website.

Looking ahead, the Social Team is conspiring with Commander Bob to throw a couple of big parties following the Spring and Summer series races. The tentative plan is to hold a crawfish boil at the end of the Spring Series races and a full-on luau, complete with pig roasting, fire dancers and Mai-Tais, after the Summer Series races.

Please reach out to the Social Team with any suggestions or feedback, or to volunteer. Team members include **Dee Chow, Carolynne Griffin, Molly Isbell, Lynn Jaeger, and Audrey Ravelo.** You can reach us all at once at [socialcommittee@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:socialcommittee@austinyachtclub.net) or just find us around the Club. Our goal this year is pretty simple – we want to organize fun Club-wide events that all members can enjoy throughout the year. Your input will help us do that (especially if it's accompanied by an offer to help)!

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**MORE CHILI PIX**

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A great turnout at the Chili Cookoff *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*



Renee Ruais, Jim Bridgwater, Gerry Kwiecinski *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*



We always knew the Multihulls were a little corny. Steve and Melody Morrissette showing their team spirit (and creativity) with combread to accompany their team's chili. *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*



Dane Ohe, Jeff Jackson, David Mok *Photo by Marilyn Jackson*

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Dale Scoggins and John Foster *Photos by Marilyn Jackson*



Molly Isbell and Bob Gross



Bob & Gayle Leonard



Serious and unbribable judges



Diane Covert and Owen Crouse



Nick Cole and guest, Ken Tothero & Carolynne Griffin



## Registration for all spring classes is open!

Please check the website calendar for all practice schedules.

[Click for more information!](#)

### Laser and Flying Junior Class

The Laser and Flying Junior (FJ) class combines the use of single-handed and double-handed boats. Beginners will start in an FJ to learn some of the basics, and Lasers will be used to focus on boat handling skills and racing tactics. This class is perfect for sailors 12 and older who are either brand new or have a bit of experience.

[Register here for Laser/FJ!](#)

### High School Sailing



For 8th-12th grade students!

AYC has a robust and energetic high school program that is growing fast! This program's focus is twofold. First, sailors will learn the basics of sailing and introductory racing. Once sailors have mastered these skills, the curriculum shifts to advanced racing, boat handling, and a complete understanding of the racing rules of sailing. No sailing experience needed!

[Register for High School Sailing](#)

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# AUSTIN YACHT CLUB JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAMS

[Click for more information about all three levels of Opti practice](#)



## Opti I: Beginner

This introductory program is designed to teach sailors ages 8-12 the basics aboard our fleet of Optimists. The Opti I curriculum emphasizes the basics of sailing terminology, seamanship skills like rigging and knot-tying, and boat handling. This class does not require prior sailing experience.

[Opti I Registration](#)



## Opti II: Intermediate

Opti II focuses on refining boat handling skills and introductory racing skills though tactics and strategy. Opti II has ranging skill levels from recent Opti I graduates to experienced sailors.

\*\*All registrants for Opti II must have approval from the AYC Coaching Staff.

[Opti II Registration](#)



## Opti III: Advanced

Opti III practice is for those sailors who are interested in the highest level of competition. This class focuses on advanced racing strategy and concepts as well as perfecting boat handling.

\*\*All registrants for Opti II must have approval from the AYC Coaching Staff.

[Opti III Registration](#)

## AYC Youth Offerings

### Austin Yacht Club Junior Program

Austin Yacht Club has a strong sail training Junior Program. There are multiple sailing lesson programs depending on the child's age and ability.

PB&J	Ages 4-7
Junior Sailing Camp	Ages 8-16
Opti I, II, III	Ages 8-12
High School programs	High School
Laser and FJ Classes	Minimum age of 12

### RoadRunner Fleet

The RoadRunner Fleet is primarily comprised of youth sailors racing in Optimists, Lasers, C420s, and FJs. It is organized, overseen, and funded/operated independently of AYC's junior programs by the parents of RoadRunner Fleet members. The RoadRunner Board focuses its efforts on racing and regattas, leaving Club sailing lessons and camps to the Sail Training department of AYC. The RoadRunner Fleet is heavily involved with the Texas Sailing Association and USODA.

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## Frostbite Series Races 4 – 7

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Hopeful sailboats heading out from AYC, Day 4 *Photos by Marilyn Jackson*



John Halter and Matt Young on Project Mayhem, Day 4



David Weeks & crew on Incognito, Day 4



Can Kalyoncuoglu and crew on Gunes, Day 4



Owen Crouse on Old Skull and Steve Morrissette and crew on Barely Tri'n, Day 4



Owen Crouse, Brendan Walsh, Philippe Bettler and Steven Morissette on signal boat, Day 5



Cass Meyer, Ashley Sullivan and Jeff Jackson on Nameste, Day 5

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L-R: Dee Chow, Nan Taylor, Claude Welles and Jeff Sabuda, Day 6  
*Photos by Marilyn Jackson*



James Brock, Jeff Brock, Martine LaCombe & Dale Scoggins, Day 6



Kurt Carson, Steve Ward and Jeff Jackson, Day 6



Onur Celebioglu and Can Kalyoncuoglu, Day 6



Floating sailboats, waiting for the start that did not happen, Day 7



Kurt Carson and crew on Knot Rite, Karen Bogisch and crew on JazzTacks, Rosanne Butera and crew on Crash Course, Day 7

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## Frostbite Series Races 4- 7

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Will Shull, Mike Parker, Pat Feagan, Ray Shull on Flyer, Day 7 Photos by Marilyn Jackson



Dave Weeks and crew on Incognito, Ed Taylor and crew on Air Supply, Day 7



Ben Miller, Jeff Wigzell and Michael Tita on Big Air, Day 7



Barry Thornton and Mike Wuamett on chase boat #2, Day 7



Bob Leonard, Bill Mitchell, Lisa Rogers, Fred Schroth, Ed Pierce on Lickety Split, Day 7



Jolie and September catching a tow from the signal boat, Day 7

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# Frostbite Awards



1st Place Catamaran, Mike Beuerlein on Goodall C2 Photos by Marilyn Jackson



2nd Place Catamaran, Jim Casto on Too Hot (R) with Bob Gross, presenter



1st Place Ensign, George Dahmen (not pictured), Ann Kitzmiller (C) and Carolyn Wilsford (R) on Stijf Kop, with presenter Bob Gross



2nd Place Ensign: David Gamble (not pictured), Danny Lien (L), Thomas Young (C) on One with the Wind, with Bob Gross



1st Place J22 John Halter on Project Mayhem, with Bob Gross



1st Place PRF-A, Gayle Leonard, Lisa Porta, Bruce McDonald on J70 Rogue Warrior



2nd Place PRF-A, Karen & Chris Lewis on J70 GB



1st Place J80, Kurt Carson, Bay Peterson, Rick Kole on Knot Rite



2nd Place J80, Karen Bogisch, Jeff Brock, Dale Scoggins

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1st Place PRF-B, Bill Records (R) on Pearson 26 Cafe au lait, with presenter Bob Gross *Photos by Marilyn Jackson*



2nd Place PRF-B, Dave Weeks (R) on Pearson 26 Incognito, with Bob Gross



1st Place Trimaran, Joel Rosinbum (C) and Chris Cherry (R) on Trinity, with Bob Gross



2nd Place Trimaran, Bill Coon (R) on Humility, with Bob Gross

## RACE RESULTS

### PRF A

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	PHRF	TYPE	TOTAL
1	50	Rogue Warrior	Bruce McDonald	114	J70	3
2	181	GB	Chris Lewis	114	J70	6
3	836	Namaste	Cass Meyer	129	Pearson Flyer	6
4	7	Shaken	Kurt Zinsmeyer	87	J88	6

### PRF B

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	PHRF	TYPE	TOTAL
1	198	Cafe au lait	Bill Records	210	Pearson 26 OD	2
2	1393	Incognito	Dave Weeks	210	Pearson 26	4
3	827	Gunes	Can Kalyoncuoglu	210	Capri 22	6
4	230	Jack of Hearts	Cody Hix	210	Pearson 26 OD	6

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## RACE RESULTS

### TRIMARANS

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	PHRF	TYPE	TOTAL
1	27130	Trinity	Joel Rosinbum	57	Corsair F27	4
2	130	Humility	Bill Coon	33	Corsair Sprint 750Mk2	5
3	232	Rumline	Aaron McCulley	24	F28-R	6
4	46	Lucy Gene	Jim Rehage	33	Corsair Sprint 750R	6

### CATAMARANS

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	TYPE	TOTAL
1	918	Goodall C2	Mike Beuerlein	F18	3
2	314	OMB	Jim Casto	Prindle 16 squaretop	6
3	461	Old Skull	Owen Crouse	Nacra 5.7	6
4	427	Too Hot	Jim Casto	NACRA 5.5 uni+jib	7

### J/22

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	TOTAL
1	1235	Project Mayhem	John Halter	6
2	672	Silicon Ship	Jim Bridgwater	7
3	510	Scorcher	Chuck Waldron	8
4	984	Bubbles	Renee Ruais	8

### J/24

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	TOTAL
1	2160	Stray Dog	Jorge Martín de Nicolás	4
2	2285	Illegal Smile	Rhonda Moore	4
3	2822	Vang Go	Ken Berringer	4

### J/80

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	TOTAL
1	670	Knot Rite	Kurt Carson	6
2	122	JazzTacks	Karen Bogisch	6
3	266	Flyer	Ray Shull	6
4	1320	Speed Racer	Claudia Bartlett	7

### Ensign

POS	SAIL	BOAT	SKIPPER	TOTAL
1	588	Stijf Kop	George Dahmen	2
2	1167	One with the Wind	Dave Gamble	5
3	929	Dos Locos	Lewis Price	6
4	2027	Jolie	Josh Davidson	8



**Join us for a special afternoon  
with sailing legend and Hall of Famer Gary Jobson!**

Gary will share a sneak preview of The Sailing Museum, located in the newly renovated Armory Building on Thames Street in Newport, RI. A home for the sport, the museum will celebrate the members of the National Sailing Hall of Fame and America's Cup Hall of Fame. The Sailing Museum will showcase sailors and sailing nationwide through interactive exhibits that provide real-world applications of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts & math) concepts that come alive through sailing. And visitors of all ages will discover the magic that happens when wind and water meet.

Go to [bit.ly/TSMRenderedTour](https://bit.ly/TSMRenderedTour) for a virtual tour!

**Sunday, March 13th  
4:00 PM Social Hour & Presentation  
Austin Yacht Club**



# NORTH U.

## Performance Racing Clinic J80's @ Austin Yacht Club April 4 – 8, 2022

### The North U Performance Racing Clinic:

#### You're Invited!

Whatever your level, we can *raise your game*. We combine expert coaches, great boats, and refined curriculum (did we mention we've been doing this since 1980?) to make the most of your time.

#### Join Us

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- Sign up as a crew of 4 or individually
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#### Schedule

##### Monday, April 4

9:00 - 11:30: Check-In & Class  
11:30 - 12:30 Lunch  
1:00 - 4:00 Sailing  
5:30 - 7:00 Welcome Party

##### Tuesday – Thursday

8:30 - 11:30 Sailing  
11:45 - 1:00 Class & Lunch  
1:30 - 4:30 Sailing  
5:00 - 6:00 Video Review

##### Friday, April 8

8:30 - 11:30 Races with Coaching  
11:45 - 1:00 Video Review & Lunch  
1:30 - 4:30 Races with Coaching  
5:00 - 5:30 Awards & Closing



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# AYC RACING / SAIL TRAINING



The 2022 Racing Schedule was approved at the 1/27/22 Board Meeting. For Spring Series, the Saturday races will be J 80 and Trimarans. Sunday races will be PRF, Catalina 22/Sc21, J70, Ensign, J22/J24, Pearson, Beach Cats, Centerboards. 1:30 starts, skippers meeting at noon.

## RACING MAR-MAY

### SERIES RACES

Spring #1	Sat-Sun March 12-13
Spring #2	Sat-Sun March 20-21
Spring #3	Sat-Sun April 2-3
Spring #4	Sat-Sun April 9-10
Spring #5	Sat-Sun April 23-24
Spring #6	Sat-Sun May 14-15
Spring #7	Sat-Sun May 21-22

### REGATTAS

Opening Day Regatta	Sun March 6
Turnback Regatta	Sun April 30-May 1

### UTST

McCarthy Cup	Sat-Sun March 5-6
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### OD/FLEET REGATTAS

J24 March Madness	Fri-Sun Mar 25-27
Easter Laser	Fri-Sun April 15-17
J80 Intergalactic	Sat May 7
J22 Circuit Stop	Sat-Sun May 21-22

### HIGH SCHOOL SAILING TEAM

LTHS Spring Regatta	April 30-May 1
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### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SAILING

Laser/Sunfish Races	May 4, 11, 18, 25
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### FRIDAY PRF BEER CAN

Beer Can Races	Fri April 15, 22, 29
	Fri May 6, 13, 20, 27

### PRF MOONBURN

Beer Can Races	Fri May 13
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For June - December racing, please refer to website calendar.

## SAIL TRAINING MAR-MAY

### TRAIN YOUR CREW

Two sessions simultaneously working to help crew members understand how their part fits and how it affects other positions on the boat. Two formats, one dealing with Asymmetrical Spinnakers and the other with Symmetrical Spinnakers. Wing on Wing If boat does not use a spinnaker. Cost \$50 per boat/crew. Individual/no boat \$25 members/\$50 non-members March 5

### PRF TRAINING DAY

Bobby Brooks hosts training day for A and B Fleets. Includes classroom and on-the-water sessions. Cost \$20 members/\$20 non-members March 12

### ADULT FJ RACING/TEAM RACING/JUDGING TEAM RACING

Multi-day series covers FJ Racing, Team Racing and Judging Team Racing Cost \$50 members/\$75 non-members Mar 19-20 / April 2, 10, 23, 24

### DISCOVER SAILING (FIRST SAIL)

Beginner sailing class with 45 min to one-hour chaltalk followed by a two-hour sail followed by a Q&A. Drinks and snacks during Q&A. On-the-water training includes rigging and rotating crew positions. Cost \$30 members/\$50 non-members. Mar 27, Apr 23, May 22

### US SAILING LEVEL 1 INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION

Course uses FJs and Lasers. Includes classroom and on-the-water training for potential instructors. Mar 26-27

### ONE DESIGN, KEELBOAT, MULTIHULL CLINICS

Clinics when requested by any of the fleets or put into motion by Sail Training Committee. Refer to website calendar for open dates. Cost TBD

### ASA 101 COURSE

April 23-24, May 21-22

### ADULT BEGINNING SAILING IN DINGHIES

Learn to sail in FJs, Sunfish, Lasers and Picos. Cost \$50 members/\$75 non-members May 7, 14, 21, 28

For June - December Adult Sail Training activities, please refer to website calendar.

## Fun Friday Events

by Marilyn Jackson



Jeff and Marilyn Jackson hosted a Fun Friday game night on February 11. We played via Zoom because the clubhouse was closed due to Covid-19 stage 5. Charlie & Annie Lancaster and Marilyn & Jeff Jackson were in attendance for 'Two Truths and a Lie'. We enjoyed the game and side conversions. Jeff took first place. Annie, Charlie and Marilyn tied for second place.

Two more Fun Fridays are scheduled before Friday Night Beer Can races start in April. The next Fun Fridays will be March 11 and March 25 starting at 7 pm. Join us for some fun. New members, please join in on the fun and introduce yourself so we can get to know you and you can get to know your AYC family.

Do you want to host a Fun Friday night and provide fun for yourself and others? If so, reach out to Marilyn Jackson at [JacksonML2000@hotmail.com](mailto:JacksonML2000@hotmail.com). Some ideas for Fun Fridays could be games, movies, dance lessons, cooking lessons, crafts or whatever you think is fun.



## AUSTIN YACHT CLUB ROADRUNNERS WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



Andrew Butler, almost a college graduate now, was a RoadRunner at AYC from 2013 until 2018 when he graduated high school. He started in the Opti program and eventually moved up to Lasers and high school sailing. Andrew participated in the TSA Circuit for Lasers and some of his favorite memories are traveling to regattas where he got to camp with his friends. He also loved how competitive the training always was at AYC.

When Andrew graduated from high school, he had the opportunity to attend the school of his dreams. So, he packed up and moved out to Vallejo, California to attend the California Maritime Academy. Andrew spent his time at Cal Maritime studying and sailing for their dinghy team, which allowed him to travel all over California. He even sailed on Cal Maritime's Andrews 77 from San Diego to the Coronado Islands in Mexico! In addition to his college sailing, Andrew attended a Dave Perry Match Race Clinic in San Diego, and competed at the 2019 Laser North American Championship in New Jersey.

Apart from his sailboat racing, Andrew's education also involved sailing across oceans on Cal Maritime's 500-foot training ship, the Golden Bear. He sailed from Barbados to Portugal to Fort Lauderdale and went through the Panama Canal on a single, summer-long voyage. Another summer during his schooling, Andrew worked on a service tender for the commercial salmon fishing industry in Bristol, Alaska.

While still in school, Andrew has been teaching ASA Courses in San Francisco. His other hobbies include whitewater kayaking, backpacking, and fishing. Recently, Andrew descended a Class IV waterfall that was 13 feet tall on his kayak – a very technical feat – and spent five days hiking over 60 miles in New Mexico! He is planning on being back in Austin for the Easter Laser Regatta to revive his dinghy racing career! Andrew will graduate from Cal Maritime in 2022 with his Third Mate's Unlimited Tonnage Coast Guard license, his 100-Ton Captain's license, and a Bachelor of Science degree.

Andrew's advice to all the current RoadRunners is this:

*"Stick with it! I know Optis can be a challenging start for some people as it was for me, but you learn lifelong skills, make lifelong friends, and get to travel to some pretty cool locations."*

With the Frostbite Series behind us and spring creeping in, the Ensign Fleet continues to make a strong showing at the Club and on the water. Although the Frostbite Series was a bit fragmented between having either too much or not enough wind, we were able to determine a series winner. Stiff Kopf (#588) with Ann Kitzmiller at the helm and Capt.' Elie barking orders every step of the way. Way to go, Ann! In second place was Dave Gamble on Gravy (#1358) with Danny Lien and Richard House. Despite the extreme weather conditions, the Ensign Fleet once again made a good showing. Lewis Price on Doc Locos (#929), Fred Ford on September (#972), Josh Davidson on Jolie (#2027), Bill Hawk on Prickly Pair (#1414), and Carl Wisemen on Deep Six (#1609).



The Frostbite Series concluded with the chili cookoff. A special thanks go out to Lewis Price, Molly Lewis, and Fred Ford for their participation and volunteerism! Lewis Price provided a delicious "Chilitos Locos" served over rice (unusual, but very tasty) and I think there were truly 929 reasons to love it! With help from Audrey Ravelo, Carolynn

Griffin, and Lynn Jaeger, (and some fine wine from what I understand) Molly Lewis prepared the "Ensigndiary" chili and won the Team Spirit award by leading the way with her indomitable enthusiasm. Fred Ford served as a totally impartial and unbiased judge. One would think that with having someone so influential on the judges panel, the Ensigns should have come away with Best in Show, but apparently some other fleets also had their spies embedded in the contest. In any event, a great time was had by all.



Opening Day is soon upon us! I am looking forward to getting "Dancing Bear" back in the water and on the racecourse.



The Ensign Fleet has been steadily attracting new sailors and the future looks bright. Notably, Molly Lewis and Audrey Ravelo have been very active in the fleet and have provided excellent crew work on Dancing Bear and September. A warning though, as can be seen in the picture at the left, Molly and Audrey may



decide to take charge of the boat. Any back talk may lead to "walking the plank" as can be seen in the picture to the right where they are wondering if "Rocky the Dancing Bear" really can do the doggy paddle. I wonder if they treat Fred that way?

Carolynn Griffin has been sailing with Fred Ford, and Lynn Jaeger has been sailing with Fred Ford and with Ann Kitzmiller and George and Frans Dahmen on Stiff Kop. Dave Gamble and Danny Lien have been out with some new members and prospective new members. Lewis Price continues to build his crew and they are turning into a force to be reckoned with. We're all so happy to see Josh Davidson and crew back at the Club and on the racecourse sailing Jolie. Commodore Anne & Commadude Dave Morley split their time between the Ensigns and J80s by sailing with Keith & Bonnie Lackey. Hopefully we'll see them more with the Ensigns this year! Bill & Kelly Hawk have been seeing some interest in the Ensign from their son, Will, as he discovers



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the benefits of having a boat at his disposal and lovely young crew to help him enjoy it. And you will see that **Charlie and Annie Lancaster** have their boat looking beautiful and ready to race! **Carl Wiseman** has his boat



in good order and brings along a very enthusiastic crew. Let's keep up the enthusiasm and continue to build our fleet. And speaking of fleet building, **Mark Finley**, a long-time Club member and Ensign sailor, decided to let us have his boat (JAM, #732). Thanks to those who helped rescue her from the slip and put her on the trailer. After many hours of sanding, she looks like she has a lot of potential to be a great boat and will soon join us on the starting line. That's one of the beautiful

things about the Ensign; even after sitting in the water for many years, #732 is still solid as a rock. With just a little borrowing from some other boats, she'll be race rigged and, on her way to her former glory. Many thanks to **Mark Finley** for his kindness, generosity, and genuine desire for his Ensign to remain with Fleet 30! And many thanks to **Rocky** for all his hard work...



And finally, we need to welcome our newest member and fleet mascot, **Maggie the Sea Dog**, seen here sailing



**Fred Ford's September**. A truly talented dog, **Maggie** has already taken to solo sailing. When she's not sailing, she likes catching fish, and cuddling up close for her well deserved petting. I'm guessing she is really looking forward to the **Dog Days of Summer** series.



So, hooray for us!!! (Editor's note:

My apologies to those pets whose pictures but didn't make the cut.)

## Sunfish Fleet Report

by Louise Miller



Plans are being made for our 2022 Sunfish and Laser Wednesday night series. It will start May 4th at 6pm. Race committee volunteers are always needed. An email will be sent out for signing up. There are a number of races each night so don't worry if you miss the first one. Join in whenever you can. After the races there is a 'debrief' under the clubhouse. It's always a good time to visit with friends, soak-up some

knowledge and maybe learn some tricks.

All are welcome so if you have been trying to figure out when to dust off that Sunfish or Laser, now is the time! Or perhaps you are ready to pass your boat on to a new enthusiastic sailor. There are a number of them looking to have their own boat. Just let me know and I will help make that happen.

Last year a good Saturday morning group sailed around and learned the ropes. I hope to start showing up in March around 10 am when I am available and weather permitting. Also, I heard through the grapevine that **Claudia Bartlett** and **Terry Schertz** are making plans for their intermediate sailors to meet back up. Keep your eyes and ears open for that as the weather gets warmer.

I am working on the Texas Circuit Stops. So far this is what I have:  
 May 7-8, Spring Dinghy, Rush Creek  
 Sep 3-4, Fall Dinghy, Rush Creek  
 Sep 10-11, Goatsman, Fort Worth  
 Oct 8-9, Centerboard, Austin  
 Oct 23-24, Fall Fest, Austin  
 Nov 7-8, Wursthfest, Canyon Lake

I got an email from the SW Regional rep and he has the Fall Sunfish Qualifier in Nebraska! Looks like it will be a road-trip, Sept 24-25. I will forward his email. Which reminds me, please send me your email so I can update the list. If you do not get the rep's email, I do not have you on my list. [sunfish@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:sunfish@austinyachtclub.net) Happy sailing!



Photo by Marilyn Jackson

## Dinghy Fleet Report by James Bland



Fitting the centerboard trunk and seats. More updates next month,

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## Catalina 22 Fleet Report by Steve Pervier



Our Catalina 22 Fleet will soon complete 39 years as an AYC Recognized One-Design Fleet! This recognition encourages our success and allows privileges such as choosing our race course type. We also have responsibilities – serving as a race committee fleet, and growing our participation. Let's get to it! With spring arriving and Club members reactivating, a calendar full of AYC activities has arrived right on time.

Opening Day ceremonies and the free Opening Day Regatta are on March 6. I hope we fondly remember celebrating and competing on this day. More AYC events are coming soon, starting with Spring Series. Most fleets will race on Sundays (3/13, 20, 4/3, 10, 24, 5/15, 22) with J/80s and Trimarans racing on Saturdays. All fleets will come together

for an End of Series Party on Saturday 5/28. During these months, Sail Training offers many opportunities, and the Race Calendar contains Turnback (4/30-5/1), Beer Can (starting 4/15) and more events. What a great season for being active and going sailing!

Our fleet members have a wide variety of experiences, ages, and sailing interests – yet we share a common love of our sport. We can all work together to improve skills, continuing our practices and training from last year. We will continue matching up skippers and crews – either category could be new or proficient. Many new racers and even some completely new sailors have joined us – seven skippers in the last year and some crew besides. We want to help everyone get started and confidently out on the course, in a year without as many pandemic limits. Maybe we'll even have a fleet cruise.

South Coast 21 and Catalina 22 fleets formed a Covid-safe Frostbite Series race committee on 1/29, with SC21 sailors **Charles Christie** and his daughter **Lily** on one chase boat, **Bob Musselman** on the



Frostbite 4-Charles & Lily Christie - David & Anne Morley - James & Sarah Denny



Frostbite 4-Bob Musselman and Steve Pervier  
Photos by Cheryl Pervier

Flags, C22 sailors **James and Sarah Denny** on another chase boat, and **Cheryl and Steve Pervier** on the Signal Boat afterdeck. Thanks to each, and to Commodore **Anne and First Gentleman David**, who volunteered to bring their nice powerboat and serve as "Chase 3"! We tried for a course in different places and directions, the wind going W, then E, N, and

briefly S just as we gave up after a long wait. It never filled between our mid-lake location and our marks. Afterward I realized – I might have run practice starts in the little wind area we did have. Next time.

For those of you looking for a boat and a fleet, a Catalina 22 is easy to sail, readily purchased and equipped, with new and many used examples of this versatile right-sized boat widely available. Over 17,000 have been built so far, with ongoing activity in National and Regional organizations. We can join a local All-Catalina cruising fleet ([CatFleet69.org](http://CatFleet69.org)) for informative meetings and monthly cruises. With a C22 you can trailer to the coast, race one-design, cruise around our lake, and sleep onboard overnight – with a head and maybe a galley too. If you're interested, ask any of us you see, or contact us on email... [c22@austinyachtclub.net](mailto:c22@austinyachtclub.net). We look forward to hearing from you!

## RoadRunner Fleet Report by Constanze Heitkoetter



Welcome aboard, new and seasoned officers! This is the 2022 RR Board:

### 2022 RoadRunner Board Officers

Fleet Captain: Constanze Heitkoetter  
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Treasurer: Stefan Froelich

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### 2021 TSA Sailing

2021 TSA Changes in L'Attitude Regatta (End of Year)  
Corpus Christi Yacht Club | November 20-21, 2021

AYC was represented with seven youth sailors. Congratulations to all who participated! Corpus Christi Bay is always a challenge in itself. In the Opti class, **William Michael** placed 3rd overall and 1st in Blue Fleet. **Yuval Sela** finished 3rd in Blue and **Roni Sela** 4th in Red. Excellent representation also in the Laser Radial class with four AYC junior sailors out of 18 total, with **Lucas Tenreiro** (5th), **Fiona Froelich**, **Nicholas Carew** and **Zachary Aronson**.

### 2021 TSA Youth Circuit Results

#### Optis

In Green Fleet, we welcomed **William Deboer** and **Jack Riley** who sailed at the AYC RoadRunner Regatta. First regatta in White Fleet was the RCYC Chocopalooza for **Cai Lockett**. Nothing beats a chocolate fountain as an incentive to compete – a hint for new Opti parents! **Calvin** and **Jackson Brock** competed in the 2021 TSA Youth Circuit in Blue Fleet, **Ramzi Matous** in Red Fleet.

**Yuval Sela** placed 1st in Opti Blue, participating in all but one of the TSA regattas in 2021! 2nd place in Opti Blue was **William Michael** (7 out of 11 regattas, 5th overall). 2nd in Opti Red and a strong 2nd place in Opti Overall went to **Roni Sela** (also 10 out of 11 regattas). Congratulations!

#### Laser

AYC youth sailors in Lasers included **Sebastian Pando** (Laser 4.7), **Lucas Tenreiro**, **Fiona Froelich**, **Sofia Pando**, **Alice Stockli**, and **Tony Slowik III** (Laser Radial). Congratulations to **Nicholas Carew** for placing 4th for the year in Laser Radials, participating in 10 out of 11 regattas, and **Zachary Aronson** in 3rd place in the Laser Full class (8 out of 11).

### High School Sailing

Since several of our RoadRunner racers are active in the high school sailing program, we are very proud to congratulate **James Brock**, **William Cranney-Fee**, **Ryder Getson** and **Vivian Heitkoetter** who won the 2021 ISSA High School National Keelboat Championship and with it the Mendleblatt Trophy at St. Petersburg Yacht Club, Florida, December 10-12, 2021 as members of the Lake Travis High School sailing team.

The RoadRunner Fleet is open to all youth of members of the Austin Yacht Club and its junior members. Youth sailors race in Optimists, Lasers, C420s, and FJs, as well as in the fleet's own aspirational sailboats for double- and triple-handed sailing.

It is organized and overseen by parents and established by-laws. The RoadRunner Board focuses its efforts on racing and regattas, leaving club sailing lessons and camps to the Sail Training department of AYC. More info:



*From James Brock: "I would like to give a huge thank you to everyone that helped us prepare for this event! **Bob Leonard and Karen Bogisch** for trusting a bunch of high schoolers to train with their boats. **Bruce McDonald** for being a sparring partner. **John Bartlett** for providing RIB support. And **Chris Lewis** for spending an entire afternoon coaching us and giving us countless bits of advice. We truly could not have done it without any of you!"*



From right to left: James Brock, Vivian Heitkoetter, William Cranney-Fee, Ryder Getson. Photo: Markus Heitkoetter

### 2022 Outlook

The RoadRunners are looking forward to continued involvement in the AYC training programs and local regattas. We welcome new youth sailors of all ages, particularly new Opti kids. To help facilitate growth of the junior racing fleet and camaraderie among the youth sailors and their families, RR Social Chair **Lauren Crouch** is planning quarterly socials. Please be on the lookout for those.

The TSA Youth Circuit offers plenty of opportunity to race and compete with youth from across the state. Beyond the sailing, we'd like to emphasize the benefits for families traveling together, making lasting memories and forming lifelong friendships. For new racers, the AYC RoadRunner Regatta is a great way to start sailing in a bigger fleet.

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For out-of-town regattas, we'd like to feature one or two regattas later in the year that are good venues to get youngsters excited about racing. If you are thinking "chocolate fountain" and Chocopalooza, you're on the right track! Another great travel regatta is the Pirates of the Corinthian at DCYC which normally allows camping, as normally does the TSA regatta at Lake Canyon. Highlight of the TSA summer is Texas Youth Race Week.

### 2022 TSA Youth Circuit Schedule

More info at <https://www.txsail.org> and on Facebook

March 12-13 at Corpus Christi Yacht Club  
Changes in L'attitude

April 23-24 at Lake Canyon Yacht Club  
Canyon Chaos Regatta

May 14-15 at Grapevine Sailing Club  
Greg Reed Memorial Grand Prix Junior Regatta

June 4-5 at Austin Yacht Club  
Road Runner Regatta

June 18-19 at Rush Creek Yacht Club  
Chocopalooza [USODA Mid-Americans]

July 7-10 at Texas Corinthian Yacht Club  
Texas Youth Race Week - all days, all lines at Texas Corinthian YC

August 6-7 at Rockport Yacht Club  
Rockin' Rockport Regatta

September 10-11 at Corinthian Sailing Club  
Rock the Rock

September 24-25 at Fort Worth Boat Club  
Jr Ol Man of the Sea

October 15-16 at Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club  
Pirates of the Corinthian

November 12-13 at Lakewood Yacht Club  
Seahorse Regatta - TSA End of Year

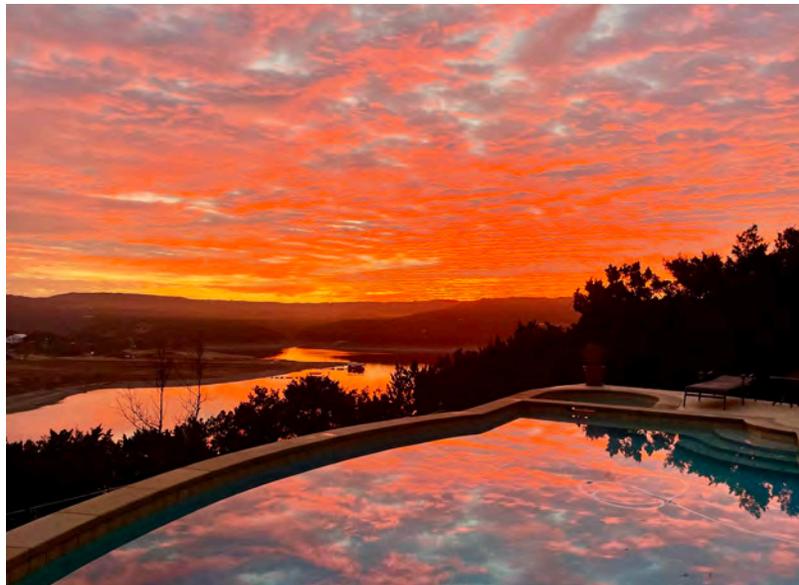
### Other Upcoming Opportunities for our Laser Youth Sailors

Easter Laser Regatta at AYC

2022 ILCA 6 Youth World Championship  
Saturday 23 July 2022 - Saturday 30 July 2022  
USA, Shoreacres, Texas

This is an outstanding opportunity for our Laser junior sailors born between 2004 and 2008! Even though the entry is restricted, they can submit their application regardless of ranking or participation in qualifying events, since a certain number of entries will be for local participants in this international regatta. More information at <https://sailing.laserinternational.org/> or under the link with the QR-Code below, and on the TSA Junior Sailing FB page.

Close of applications for initial ranking and allocation of places:  
16 March 2022, 23:59 US CST



Sunrise Photo by Commodore Anne Morley

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Independence Day	July 4
Thanksgiving Day	November 24
Shopping Day	November 25
Christmas Day	December 25

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## AYC March 2022 Race Calendar

UTST McCarthy Cup	Mar 5-6
Opening Day Regatta	Mar 6
Spring Series	Mar 12-13; 19-20*
J/24 March Madness	Mar 25-27

\* For Spring Series, Saturday races will be J80 and Trimarans, Sunday races will be PRF, Catalina 22/SC21, J70, Ensign, J22/J24, Pearson 26, Beach Cats, Centerboards

## AYC March 2022 Non-Racing Events

Train Your Crew	Mar 5	9:00am - 5:00pm
Opening Day Celebration	Mar 6	9:30am - 12:00pm
Fun Friday	Mar 11, 25	7:00 - 10:00pm
PRF Training Day	Mar 12	9:00am - 5:00pm
Adult FJ Racing/Team Racing/ Judge Team Racing (Multi-session clinic)	Mar 19, 20	9:00am - 12:00pm
AYC Board Meeting	Mar 24	7:30 - 9:00pm
Building & Grounds Work Day	Mar 26	8:00am - 5:00pm
US Sailing Level 1 Instructor Certification	Mar 26-27	8:00am - 6:00pm
Discover Sailing (AKA First Sail)	Mar 27	1:00 - 5:00pm

### Please Note:

The AYC Board of Directors has approved the updated AYC Covid-19 Policy, effective February 24, 2022.

You can access the official document on the website under Menu/Information/General Information/AYC Covid-19 Policy.

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