



July Newsletter

Staying in Touch with CRAB's Friends

Recent Events

In June and July, CRAB partnered with the **Anne Arundel County Police and Annapolis City Police** to host two sailing camps for kids from at-risk neighborhoods. CRAB's entire fleet of six boats were crewed by 3 kids and 1 police officer per boat. CRAB Skippers providing expert instruction and guidance. Each of the kids and police officers were provided a special camp tee shirt and some kids were able to get free boat shoes donated by APS. For more on the Kids Sailing Camp check out the video on CRAB's [home page!](#)

The **2017 Don Backe Memorial CRAB Cup Regatta** was hosted by the Annapolis Yacht Club on June 17th. The racing was very competitive this year because AYC J-107 sailors/tacticians were aboard each boat. The racing between the Freedom 20's and the Beneteau First 22A's was especially spirited. Taking overall first place was Jim Hayes with Susan Taylor and Bonnie Urban. Lance Hinrichs with John Tarrant, and John Slabaugh won the duel of the First 22A's against last years winner Tom Ostrye. Congratulations to all and many thanks to the AYC Race Committee, Staff and supporters.



Up Close & Personal with Tom Ostrye

Name: Tom Ostrye

How many years with CRAB: 6

How did you find out about CRAB?
I met Don Backe and he invited me

What kind of disability do you live with? I had arteriovenous malformation burst when I was 12. It is like a stroke.

Which event is your favorite? CRAB Cup and the Boatyard Bar & Grill Regatta



SAVE THE DATE!

The 11th Annual **Boatyard Bar & Grill Regatta** benefiting CRAB is **August 19th**, be there or be stranded! This is CRAB's biggest fundraiser of the year, and biggest party! After an exciting regatta, come hang out with good friends, fine food and refreshing Mount Gay & Heineken.

For more information or to buy party tickets go to the [Event Page](#)

[Register to race here!](#)

because I get to see all the other people supporting CRAB.

Do you have a favorite memory?

2016 CRAB Cup. Lance and I finished one race and our boats were no more than 18 inches apart. I thought he won, but they told me I won. I'll take that.

What have you learned from CRAB?

I have learned to take advantage of everything I can. If I can't do it alone, people will help.

Join our online fundraising race [2017 Skipper Challenge here!](#)

Any team raising \$500 or more receive 4 party tickets!

Upcoming Events

All CRAB events are on the calendar on the CRAB website, [found here](#)

July 23rd - SailFree Sunday at Sandy Point State Park

August 19th - Boatyard Bar & Grill Regatta benefiting CRAB at Eastport Yacht Club

August 20th - SailFree Sunday at Annapolis Yacht Club

CRAB's Top 10 Volunteers

As everyone knows, CRAB cannot offer the fabulous sailing programs we do without the tremendous support and participation of our volunteer Skippers & Crew. Below are the Top 10 in volunteer hours half-way through 2017. Don't be left out...make the list before the year ends. All persons donating more than 20 hours of their time will be provided free entry to the CRAB Holiday Party on December 7th at the Annapolis Maritime Museum!

Art Savage	72 Hours
Pete Nelson	42 Hours
Phil Ourisson	40.5 Hours
Liz Bollinger	38 Hours
Maude Laurence	34.5 Hours
Dave Enos	33.5 Hours
Carol Lazzaro	31.5 Hours
Scott Gitchell	30.5 Hours
Dan Pendergast	27.5 Hours
Greg Flanagan and Alex Gladd	26.5 Hours



Guests

You can register for events on our event pages. This will allow CRAB to contact you if the event has to be cancelled due to weather. [Learn more.](#)



Donate to CRAB

Right now we are in the middle of our Mid-Year Appeal. If you would like to support CRAB and bring more events to people with disabilities, please click here [Learn more.](#)



Volunteers

Verified volunteer? Check out the Signup Genius page for all the upcoming volunteer opportunities. [Learn more.](#)

Join the 2017 Skippers Challenge!

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