FWBC Welcomes

The Special Olympics!

Blowin' In The Wind Regatta!

Saturday, August 29th

Please join in welcoming The Special Olympics Team to FWBC!!!

We'll take the kid's on a short sail at 4 **p.m. on August 29th.** Greeting the kid's at the dock after the race will be Clowns! (compliments of Jack Garner & the Shriner's) Trophy presentation for the kid's will **be at the Hamburger cookout** following the race. (Each child will **receive a trophy)** Every one is a Winner so come on out **& share a smile!**

Special Olympics & FWBC

special reports

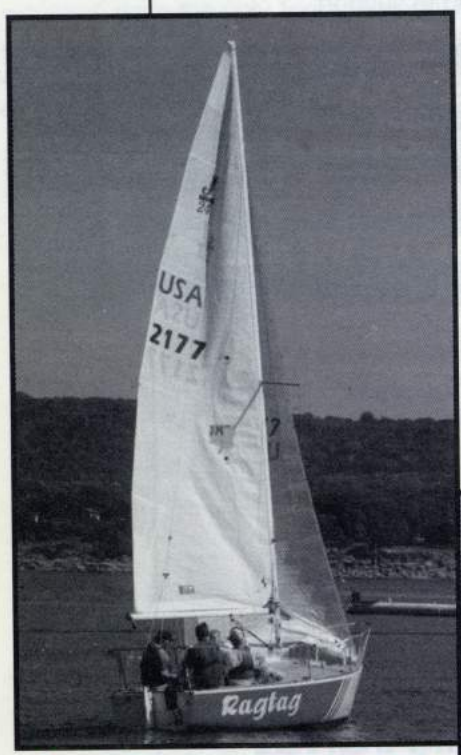
Set Sail!

by Jennifer Reid, Public Relations Intern

new sports

Athletes in the Greater Fort Worth and Central Texas areas were introduced to the sport of sailing when they participated in local Sailing Fun Days.

Greater Fort Worth had a large turnout with more than 25 athletes in attendance. The Fort Worth Boat Club hosted the first Special Olympics Texas Sailboat Regatta on Aug. 29, 1998. Twenty-six members volunteered their sailboats for the event which carried athletes, family and spectators. The skippers of each boat worked with each athlete to identify skills and tasks that Special Olympians could accomplish. Many athletes got the opportunity to be temporary skippers while others were busy pulling in the sheets on the tack. Then the athletes were given the chance to put their skills to the test. A regatta was designed to give athletes the experience of competing in a sailboat race. The four-mile race consisted of two buoys that had to be rounded before reaching the finish line. After the competition, dinner was provided and the Shriner Clowns came to hand out trophies and t-shirts to each athlete.



Special Olympians and their families get a taste of life on water.

Zac Ladesic, Special Olympian, tries his hand at a regatta.

Area Director Michael Heaslet said the experience was so successful that the Fort Worth Boat Club has agreed to make this an annual event.

Future sailors in Central Texas joined Austin Yacht Club members at the club on Oct. 24, 1998. The morning began with an introduction to sailing from Gretchen Hanover, AYC Member. Hanover, Special Olympics Texas Sailing Sport Director, showed her skills as she taught participants the safety rules, risk factors, wind patterns, sailing terminology and other sailing necessities. Area Director Joy Blair said it was an opportunity to learn to act as a team by listening and being aware on the boat. Role playing helped participants learn all the aspects of the sport. When they made it back to land, everyone enjoyed a barbecue lunch cooked by SOTX staff members.

Although the turnout was lower than expected, Blair said it was a good experience and it was an opportunity to see who would be interested in sailing.

Both areas agreed that these events were positive and have given athletes the opportunity to learn a new sport. With events like these, SOTX hopes to develop its own Unified Sailing Program and send members to the 1999 World Games in North Carolina.

Special Olympics to Benefit Athletes Along the Border

Through new outreach efforts, the Special Olympics Texas Permian Basin-Big Bend area will soon provide athletic training and competition for people who live in seven border towns located in West Texas. The expansion of their services will benefit more than 50 people with mental retardation in the remote cities of Presidio, Alpine, Marfa, Van Horn, Fort Davis, Valentine and Marathon.

"Currently there is nothing for people with mental retardation in this area and if we do not do something about this it will remain that way," said Domingo Vargas, a volunteer who is organizing most of the activities.

A Coaches Training School has been scheduled for volunteers in the Presidio area, December 19. Organizers from the Special Olympics program in Ojinaga, Mexico, Presidio's next door neighbor, will join forces with volunteers like Vargas and assist with some of the activities.

There are also plans to invite athletes from Ojinaga to a tentative competition which will be held in Presidio sometime in March. The Permian Basin-Big Bend area will offer athletics and soccer at the initial competition and plans to add aquatics and cycling depending on the interest of the Special Olympians.

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Bip Nauta and Karen Smith

Jim Caddell and David Preece

Phillip Schutts, Andrew Houser and Mark Smith

Boat club hosts Special Olympics

The Fort Worth Boat Club Special Olympics Texas was held at Eagle Mountain Lake. Event chairwoman was Bip Nauta.

SPECIAL TO THE STAR-TELEGRAM/SHARON CORCORAN

TEXAS SPECIAL OLYMPICS/ FWBC

Special Olympics was founded on the idea that people with mental retardation can be more involved in everyday society through athletic competition and training. Now, over 30 years later there is no off-season for the athletes of Special Olympics Texas. By increasing fitness and ski levels, Special Olympic athletes are building self-esteem and gaining social skills, providing lifelong benefits.

Fort Worth Boat Club hosted the very first Special Olympics Sail-boat Regatta on August 29th. Bip Nauta of Fort Worth Boat Club contacted Special Olympics Texas Area 11 Director, Michael Heaslet, to plan this special day.

The athletes compete in numerous land sports and now they have shared the joy of sailing!

The overwhelming support of the boat club members in this event deserves a standing ovation!
Twenty-six Athletes signed up for the event & within hours, 26 sailboats volunteered their boats & time! Even when circumstances got in the way, our members shifted boats, skippers & activities to make this day a success for these Athletes.

Fort Worth Boat Club Members set the first "on the water" mission of these new friends. Smiles, hugs & caring people dominated the afternoon!
Every time I open my mouth at this club it's nearly always "thank you" to some member, but this time it's a huge "thank you" to those wonderful Skipper's & crew signing up to spend time for a really good cause & never skipping a step to assure the Athlete's of a new experience. Skipper's were Pete Lagergren, Les Miller, Roland Arthur, Tom Steffen, Dave Thornton, Scott Shirley, Larry McCracken, Todd Crowell, Alex Crowell, Dean Thompson, Marshall Sansbury, Darrel Cox, Charley Poellet, Jim Edenfield, John Orr,
Jack Bean, Paul Lucas, Bryan Dyer, Gene Ferguson, Tom Felsenthal, Rob Duncan, Louis Church, Bernie Nauta, Jack Strickland, Art Brees & Ed Ely. Our spectator boats were Jim Kaufman and Charlie Clements, photo boat was Phil Pearce and

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS
FORT WORTH BOAT CLUB

REGATTA '98

our chase boats were Mark & Karen Smith & Leslie Yarbrough. Bob Yarbrough & Sue Shelton were committee boat with Harold. Thanks to all of these neat people!

From the beginning idea until the end of the day, Manager Evelyn was there to do whatever she needed to do, as were the boat club staff. Thanks!

The Shriner Clowns greeted the boats after the race & handed out trophies at the hamburger cookout. Each Athlete received a trophy and a regatta t-shirt.

Zac, Sara, Jeffrey & many, many more athletes captured our hearts on this day and will we never forget them. Some athletes helmed the boat, some helped crew & a few stayed below, but everyone was a winner on this day!

What a wonderful day at Fort Worth Boat Club! It's the little things that mean so much, and this day meant so much to all of our FWBC Family!
Bip Nauta

PARTY ANIMALS

SUPER!

"Committee Boat"
Bob Yarbrough
Sue Shelton
Harold

Leslie Yarbrough
"Chase Boat"
Karen Smith

WOW!

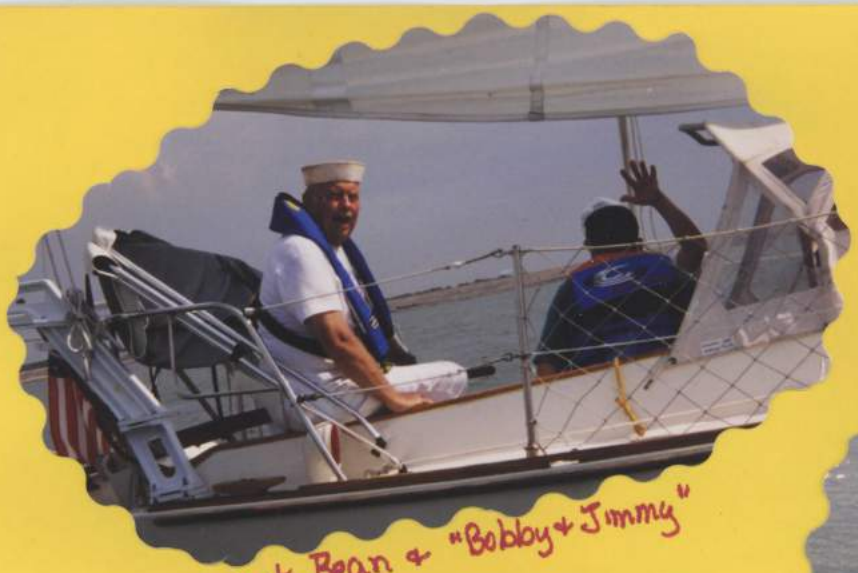
Mark S. Smith
"Mark Set"

HANGING LOOSE

Charlie Clements "Spectator Boat"

Susan Pearce & Cathy Trudeau

Phil Pearce
"Photo Boat"



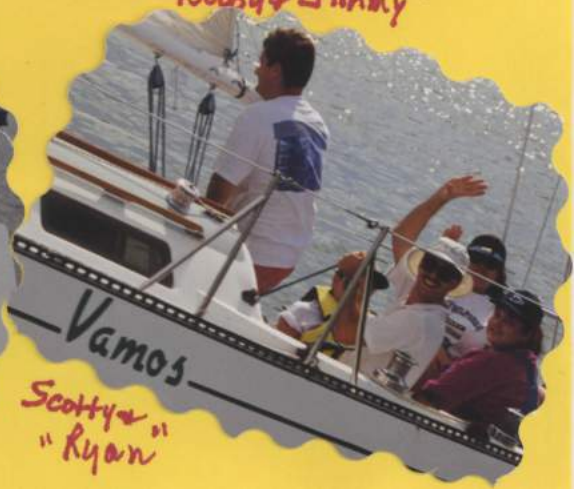
Jack Bean & "Bobby & Jimmy"

Tom & "Arthur"

Pete, Les & "Jeremy"

Jack & "Bobby & Jimmy"

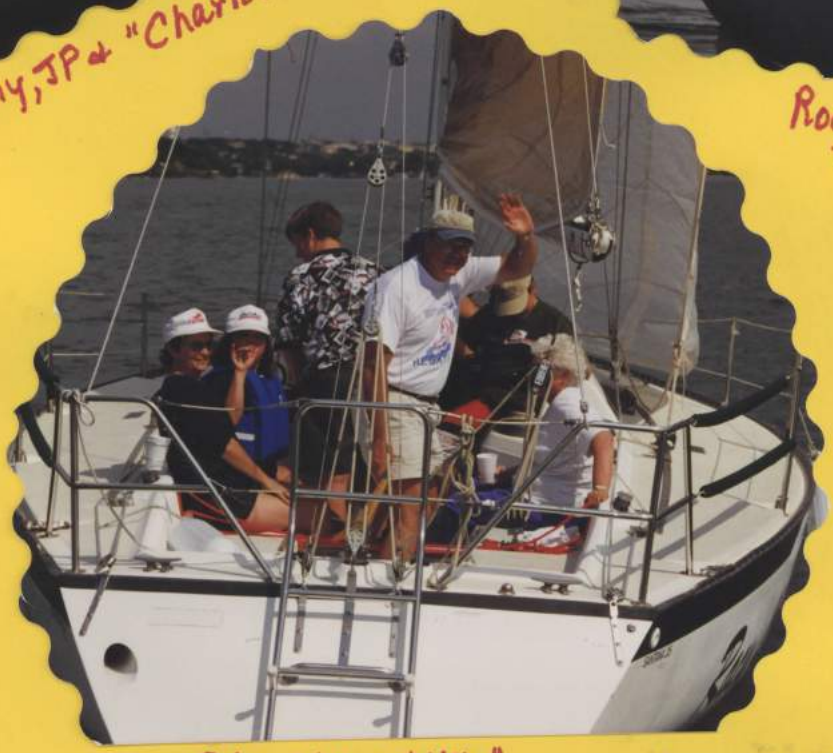
Bryan, Vicki, Anthony & "Dustin"



Scotty & "Ryan"

Todd, Jimmy, JP & "Charles"

Rod & "Gloria"
Paul & Karen



Ed & "Meridith"

Art & "Susie"

Dean & "Jeff" & Tip,
Jack & Barb

"Are You Experiencing Technical Difficulties?

← Where's J?

Don't Be → So Loud!

Sharks ???

Vamos

PAKI II
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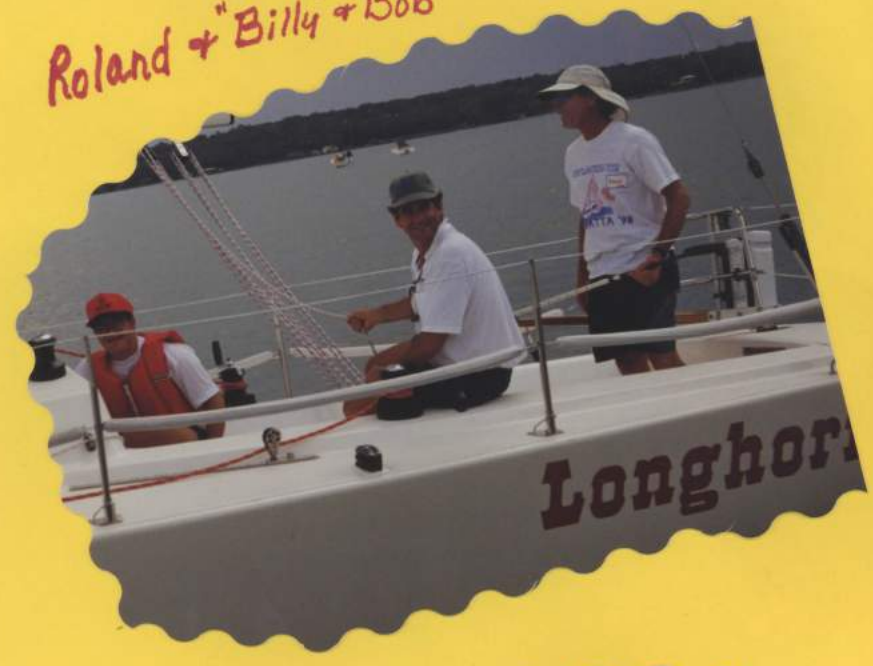
MV Topsy II

Roland + "Billy" + Bob



Louis + "Rickey" + Roger

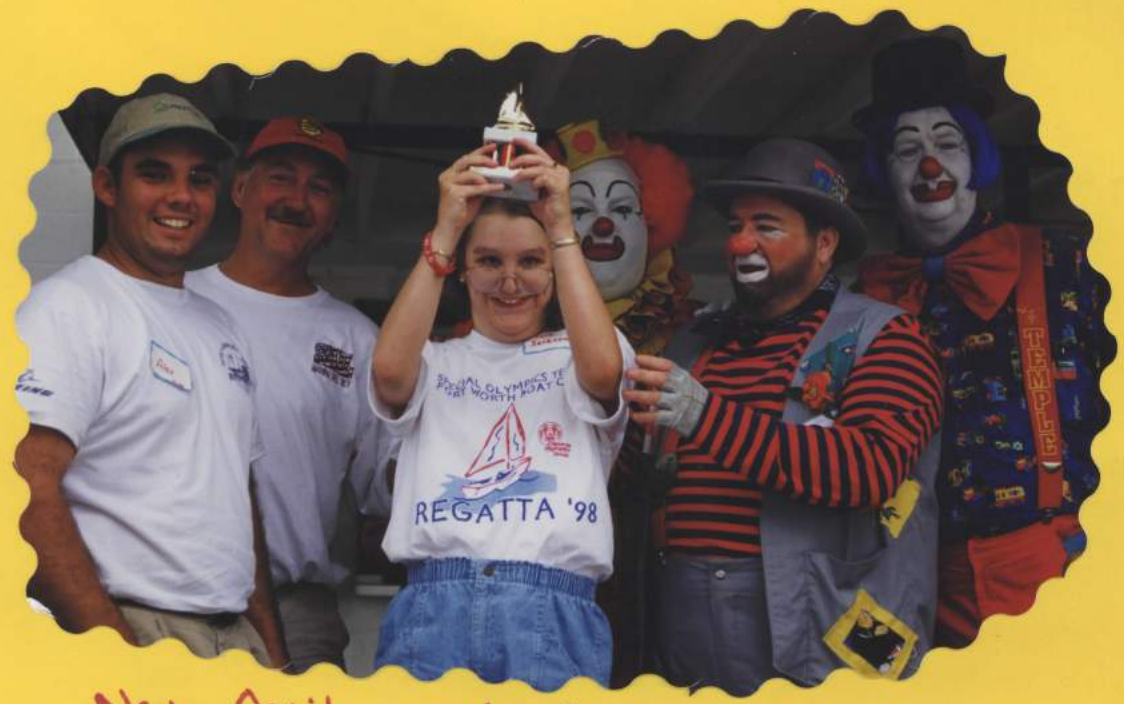
Daryl, Cindy + Stephanie

Larry, Barry + "Ryan"

Ed + "Meridith

Dave "Eugene" Cole

"Everyone's A Winner"



Alex, Cecil & "Kara"

Marshal & "Lyndon"
"Billy & Roland
Tom Steffen & "Stan"
Larry & "Ryan"
Todd & "Charles"

"Gloria"

Paul

Bryan, Vicki, "Dustin" & Anthony

Rod

Art & "Susie"

B.P., Bernie, Cathy, James & "ZAC"
"Captain Zac"

Jack & "Sara"

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"Happy Sailing"
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FORT WORTH BOAT CLUB

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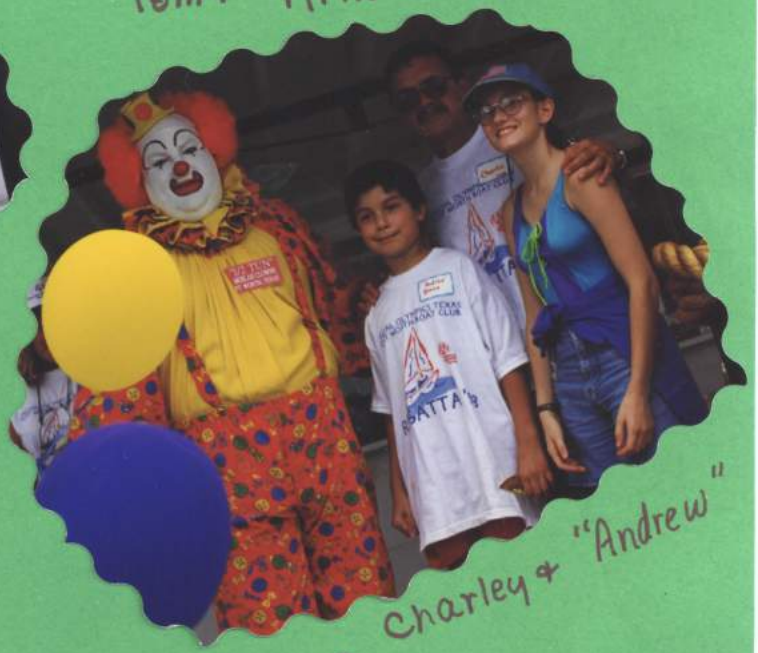
Tom & "Arthur"

Pete & Michael

Les, "Jeremy"



Charley & "Andrew"

Nancy & "Brock"

Paul

Ed & "Meridith"

Jim & "Jeff"

Paul & "Brock"

THE CHARLIE DANIELS BAND VOLUNTEERS

7-15-98

Dear Bip,

First of all we would like to thank you for the invotation, but we are sorry to say that Charlie is on a heavy tour schedule and will be preforming at the Festival Grounds, Keshena, WI on Aug. 29th.

Charlie would be happy to send an auction item if you plan on having one, please let me know.

C D B Fan Club Pres

Ginger Ambrose

KISS THIS GOOD-BYE

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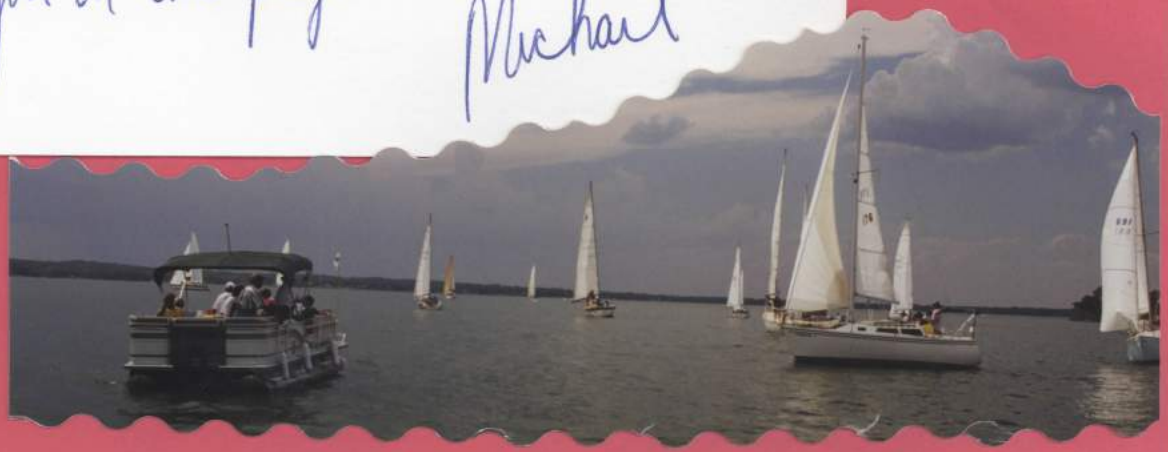
Bip:

It was a pleasure to finally put a face with a name. I think the 29th will be a lot of fun for everyone. I look forward to working with you on this project.

Michael



TEAM SKIPPER'S
Texas Special Olympics/FWBC Regatta

STRESSED OUT!!!

Ranger: Chase Boat

Sue Shelton & Bob Yarbrough

Leslie Yarbrough
Mark S. Smith

"Feeling The Pinch?"

Division 1

Pete Lagergren/Les Miller– Adios
Roland Arthur–Longhorn
Tom Steffen – Paki
Bryan Dyer – Joker
Ed Ely – Racy Lady
Dave Thornton – J105

Division II

Larry McCracken – Sea Witch
Todd Crowell – Scarab
Alex Crowell – Awtopsy
Dean Thompson – Conan
Marshall Sansbury – Mo Gusto
Charlie Poellet – J/24
Jack Bean – Mallard
Jim Edenfield – Whisper Jet
John Orr – Blue Dolphin
Paul Lucas – Pearson
Scott Shirley – Vamos

Division III

Gene Ferguson – Bulletproof
Tom Felsenthal _ Yathtahey
Rob Duncan–Janna Dee
Louis Church –Yellow Cal 25
Bernie Nauta – Nauta Problem
Jack Strickland–Cracker Jack
Art Brees –Relentless
Daryl Cox–Satisfaction

Bad Hair Day

Spectator Boats:

Charlie Clements
Jim Kaufman
Photo Boat: Phil Pearce

Great "Cheerleaders"!

The Best

FORT WORTH *Click*

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BOAT CLUB WELCOMES SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Members of the Fort Worth Boat Club welcomed the Special Olympics Blowin' in the Wind Regatta last week at the club on Eagle Mountain Lake.

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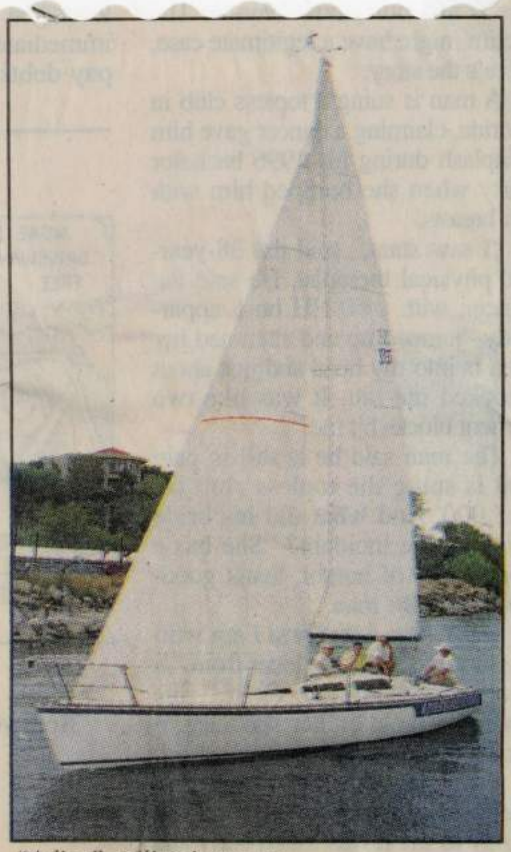
Annette McCracken and Bip Nauta

Chris Weems, Sally Thornton and Eugene Gholson

FWBC ♥

Todd Rufner

Keri Powers and Lisa Powers



"Adios" sailing into port

COOL

Bip:

Thanks for everything! It was a great day and all the athletes I spoke to said it was unforgetable. You and everyone at the FW Boat Club were tremendous. Hopefully we can continue the Special Olympics Sailing Program with the FW Boat Club

and allow many more athletes to enjoy in the fun of sailing.

Michael

"Captain" Zac
& crew:
Bernie
James & Cathy Berry

John, Roland, Bob

Best Wishes.

Thanks for everything. We are very lucky to have your support.
Michael

To you and the Boat Club family. Thank you for all you do.
Yolanda

We had a wonderful time this year! Thanks so much!
Anne

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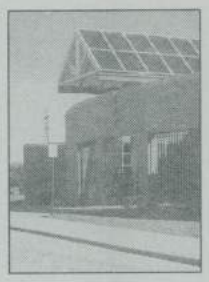

SPECIAL PROGRAMS
DEBORAH MILLER,
Director

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DEAR BIP AND MEMBERS OF FORT WORTH BOAT CLUB,

ON BEHALF OF THE WHITE SETTLEMENT ATHLETES AND COACHES,I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR MAKING THE SP.OLYMPIC SAILING REGATTA AN ACTIVITY THAT WE WILL ALL REMEMBER. THANK YOU ALL FOR THE TIME AND EFFORT THAT WENT INTO PLANNING AND SPONSORING SUCH A WONDERFUL EVENT.

EVERYONE WAS SO FRIENDLY AND UNDERSTANDING. SO MANY ATHLETES HAD NEVER BEEN ON A BOAT SO JUST THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ON A SAIL BOAT WITH A GREAT CREW WAS TRULY A GREAT EXPERIENCE. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR PROVIDING A WONDERFUL RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCE FOR THE WHITE SETTLEMENT SPECIAL ATHLETES.

THANK YOU,

Beverly Elrod
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Sp. Olympics Coach

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i may be able to be at your event saturday eve around seven p m - call me and we will talk - 972 227 3337 - please hold a room for me - thanks ! janie fricke

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STAGE DOOR

JANIE FRICKE

JIM SUNDBERG

WOW!

FUN!

Committe: Bob & Leshe
Chase: Phil & Susan

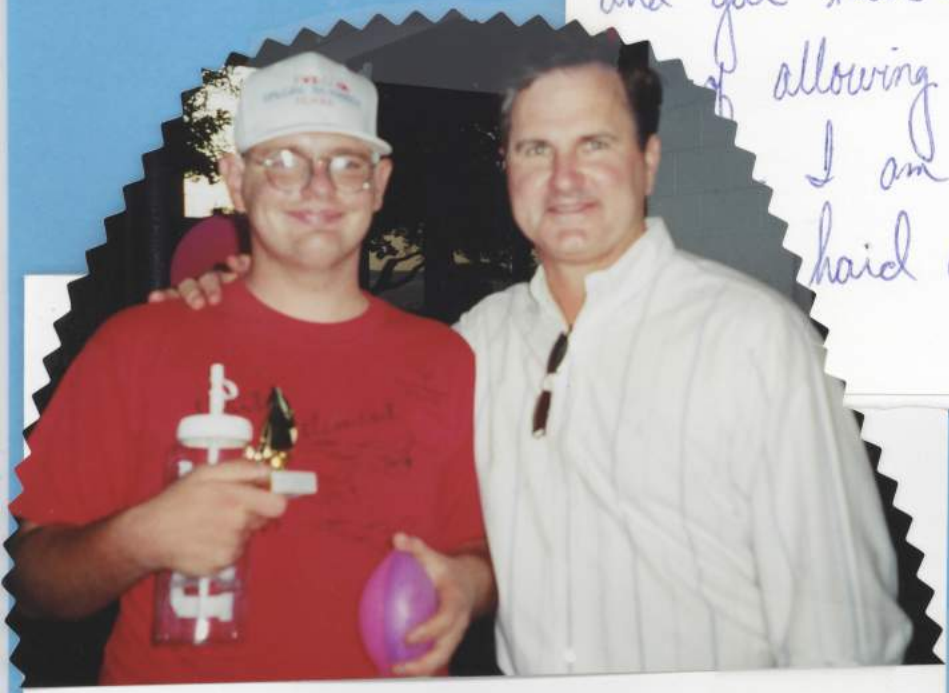
Les Miller / Pete
Tom Gore
Robert Freedman
Dean Thompson
Charlie Poelett
Todd Crowell
Gene Ferguson
Bret Stewart
Rod Dusing
Doc Kunert
Mark Petrovic
Darrell Cox
Art Brees
Glen Darden
Greg Jaryga
Scott Shirley
Marshall Sandsbury

Charlie Baldwin
Louis Church

Rick Scaffer
Tom Felsenthal
Anthony Chaumont
Bernie Nauta
Larry McKracken
John Orr

Bip:

I am very sorry that I was unable to be here today. The Fort Worth Boat Club and you have done such a wonderful job allowing our athletes to enjoy. I am extremely appreciative of hard work. Thank you. Michael



Everyone whose
life you touch
is lucky.

Bip —

I just wanted you to know what a great job you did of the Special Olympics Soil — The kids seemed to have a great time at their follies — and I thought it was great how many of the members helped out — none of it would have happened without your coordination!

Thanks again!

Cody + Daniel Cox

STAGE DOOR

White Settlement

Special people
like you
make good times
even better!

Thank You

The coaches and athletes
of White Settlement
Special Olympics.

Beverly Elrod
Susie Chamberlain
Peggy Early

Athletes

Adam Smith
Ernest Ledesma
Tony Windham
Zac Ledesic
Arthur Jiminez
Chris Blevins
Tiffanie Lee
Kara Jackson
Ryan Jenkins

FWBC/Special Olympics Texas 2000

Bernie Nauta and Zachary Ladesic

FORT WORTH BOAT CLUB STAGES SPECIAL OLYMPICS REGATTA

The Fort Worth Boat Club/Special Olympics Texas 2000 was held recently at the Fort Worth Boat Club on Eagle Mountain Lake. Athletes were treated to a race with trophies awarded, prizes and a cookout following the race.

Photos: ROBERT M. McAVOY

Les Fenton, Jon Midgley and Scott Shirley; in life jackets: Michael Fenton, Adam Smith and Liz Fenton

Phillip Pearce, Bip Nauta and Michael Heaslet

Marshall Sansbury
Tom Festhenthal
Chet Klyn
Todd Crowell
Larry McCracken
Greg Jarga
Scott Shirley
Brad O'Kelly
Jack Peterson
David Tipton
Art Brees
Dean Thompson

Tom Gore
Anthony Chaumont
Roger Brandt
Thorton/Harrison
Louis Church
Mike Patterson
Gene Ferguson
Robert Freedman
Pete Lagergren

Bob Yarbrough
Mark W. Smith
Rod Holmes
Bernie Nauta

"ZAC"

Ryan Brown Monty
Ryan Jenkins Miller
Chris Blevins
Tony Windham
Adam Smith
Ernest + Anthony Ledesma
Zoe Ledesma
Arthur Jimenez
Gloria Ballard
Tiffanie Lee Russell H.

Dear Bip,

Thank you so much for all the work you do to put together the S. O. Sailing Regatta!

Thanks,

The White Settlement Athletes

FWBC/Special Olympics Texas 2001

FWBC/Special Olympics Texas 4th Annual Regatta

September 25th marked the 4th Annual Sailing Regatta for the Special Olympics Texas. Thirty-two (32!) athlete sailors enjoyed a beautiful day on the water. Athletes joined us from White Settlement, Keller, Mansfield, Saginaw, Fort Worth and Greater Tarrant County.

Our generous sponsors for the event were: **Chevrolet (Mike Patterson)**, donating to each Skipper, helper and athlete a t-shirt and cap; **Sante Rehabilitation (Louis Church)** provided food for the athletes, sponsors and families; **Simpson Builders (Ed Simpson)** donated trophies for the Athletes; and **Rick Schaffer** provided overall help for the event.

Athletes Arthur Jimenez and Zac Ledesic lit the Olympic torch on shore and the race began for great time for all involved.

Our skippers this year were **Roland Arthur, Rosser Bodycomb, Roger Brandt, Art Brees, Bill Chambers, Anthony Chaumont, Louis Church, Todd Crowell, Vince Cruz, Rod Dusing, Tom Felsenthal, Tom Gore, Hank Lattimore, Phil Hansen, Alan Harris, Kelly Holmes, Greg Jaryga, Raoul Kunert, Larry McCracken, Brad O'Kelly, Mike Patterson, Jack Peterson, Mark Petrovic, Burt Powell, Rod Rutledge, Rick Schaffer, Scott Shirley, Mark W. Smith, Dean Thompson, David Thornton, David Tipton** and **Bob Yarbrough.**

Our Race Committee support were **Phil Pearce, Karen & Mark Smith, John & Ruth Starr** and **Peggy & Ron Troy**.

Rod Rutledge opened the awards ceremony following the race and cook out by singing "God Bless the USA," with help from three of our athletes. **Governor Rick Schaffer** welcomed everyone to the event. Thanks to those who supported the regatta were extended by **Bip Nauta**, and **Joe Macko** of the Texas Rangers inspired the athletes with a short talk. Each athlete received a "Winner" trophy presented by sponsors **Ed Simpson, Mike Patterson** and **Rick Schaffer** while **Sue Bodycomb (Yacht Shots)** and **Laura Grunewald** captured the day in photographs.

I want to send out a HUGE thank you to everyone who made this day special for so many. I think the hugs, smiles and excitement from our special athletes say it best!

Thank you!

Bip Nauta
Entertainment

Sue Bodycomb / Yacht Shots

Special Olympics regatta floats Bip Nauta's boat

By Carolyn Poirot
Star-Telegram Staff Writer

HOMETOWN
Heroes

One in an occasional series

When the exuberant young athlete, who came in last, lifted her small trophy high in the air and shouted, "I did it! I did it!," there could be no doubt that the Texas Special Olympics Regatta is well worth the effort.

But, every day?

Athletes were registering for the Special Olympics sailing competition at the Fort Worth Boat Club recently when a 16-year-old boy named Boomer approached Bip Nauta, fixing her with an intense stare and pointing his finger in her face.

"Can-we-do-this-every-day?" he asked seriously, pronouncing each word distinctly and jabbing his finger at her for emphasis.

"Well, not every day, but we can do it every year. Will you come back next year?" she asked.

Boomer grinned and nodded yes. Like all 26 competitors, he went home a winner — clutching a trophy in one hand and his Special Olympics cap in the other and looking forward to next year.

Nauta is responsible not only for the idea of adding sailing to the Texas Special Olympics competition, but also for recruiting boats, skippers, crews and special guests, and for blowing up most of the 500 balloons that decked the docks of the Fort

(More on HERO on Page 5D)

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Bip Nauta organized the first Special Olympics sailing competition at the Fort Worth Boat Club.

Bernie Nauta and Zack Ladesic

Bip Nauta

Boat club sponsors Special Olympics regatta

The Fort Worth Boat Club-Special Olympics Sailing Regatta was held last week at the cub on Eagle Mountain Lake.

PHOTOS BY SHARON CORCORAN

Sailing to a special win

Ryan Brown of White Settlement shows his trophy to his mother, Bonnie, Saturday after he participated in the fourth annual Fort Worth Boat Club/Special Olympics Texas Sailing Regatta. The event was at Eagle Mountain Lake in Fort Worth and was followed by a cookout.

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HERO

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Worth Boat Club along with dozens of colorful flags for the second annual event, on Sept. 11.

When she began organizing the first Texas Special Olympics Regatta two years ago, Nauta says she just thought it would be a fun way for the club to give back to the community. Now, she says she knows that the Special Olympics event has given back much more than it has taken in time and effort.

"There is just this chain of excitement. Once you get started, everybody wants to be part of it. I made a phone call to check out the possibility of us hosting a Special Olympics regatta, and within hours, I had more than enough boats and skippers and crews volunteering to help," Nauta says. "The club's excitement was overwhelming. The chain of excitement was never broken."

She organized the first Special Olympics sailing race in the summer of 1998. She has been entertainment chairman of the Fort Worth Boat Club since the day she and her husband, Bernie, joined in 1994.

Photo courtesy of Bip Nauta

Excited regatta participants show off their trophies after participating in the race last month at the Fort Worth Boat Club.

"She's fabulous," says Michael Heaslet, Area 11 director for the Special Olympics. "It takes individuals willing to take on the responsibility of organizing one of these events. We have only three paid staff [members] and 1,600 athletes from a 10-county area that extends from Gainesville to Stephenville.

"We offer 15 sports each year," Heaslet says. "It takes a tremendous amount of volunteer support to pull these events off. Bip is a go-getter, and she's dedicated to opening up sailing to everybody, including our athletes. It makes their lives better."

Nauta says the Special Olympics, sanctioned for athletes age 8 and over with mental retardation, are all about people like Zack, who is about 16 and told everyone, "Just call me Captain Zack from now on."

And Arthur, who, when the race started, said he was not coming out of the cabin because he was afraid of sharks, but who was at the wheel with the skipper sailing the boat when it crossed the finish line.

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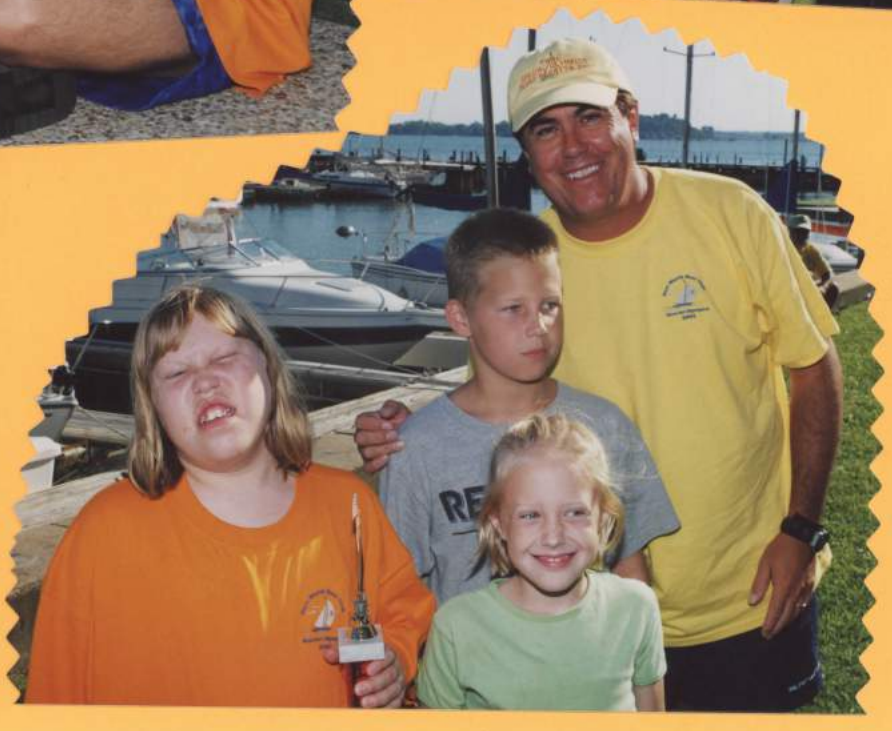
TEXAS
RANGERS

Every
One
Wins!



Arthur lights Torch

Welcome Special Olympics

Special Olympics Texa

COOL

Roland Arthur/Bernie
Tom Gore
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Phil Hansen
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Mark W Smith
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Jack Peterson
Art Brees
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Brad O'Kelly
Rosser Bodycomb

Committee

John Starr
Ruth Star
Harold
Karen Smith
Mark Smith
Phil Pearce
Laura Grunewald
Mike McDonald
Sue Bodycomb

THE CHARLIE DANIELS BAND

Charlie Daniels

Hi Bill

Thanks for the invitation. I do believe in the Special Olympics Program.

However I have an old friend in a nursing home in Fort Worth and I'll be visiting her that day.

God Bless

Charlie

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September 12, 2002

Bip Nauta
FWBC/Special Olympics Texas Sailing Regatta
9521 Fair Haven
Fort Worth, TX 76179

Dear Bip:

This will confirm the appearance of Texas Rangers' goodwill ambassador Joe Macko. During this time, Joe will participate and assist in the sailing festivities.

Please fax to my attention directions to your location from The Ballpark in Arlington, estimated travel time, attire and a contact number and telephone number on site if you have not done so already. You may fax all this information to my attention at 817-273-5206.

Feel free to contact the local media regarding our representative's appearance and please forward to my attention any publicity, programs, etc. you may print.

Enclosed, please find Mr. Macko's bio along with a postcard photo. Please feel free to contact me with any further questions at 817-273-5216. Thanks so much for your interest in the Texas Rangers.

Best regards,

Candiss Caudle

Candiss Caudle
Community Relations Department
Texas Rangers Baseball Club

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FWBC/Special Olympics Texas
5th Annual Sailboat Regatta
FWBC September 28th
Sign up now for a memorable afternoon.

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Special Olympics Texas 5th Annual Sailboat Regatta FWBC September 28th

Mark your calendars … sign up your boat with Bip … take a Special Olympics Athlete out to race! Athletes will arrive at 1:00 p.m., race to follow about 2:00 p.m. All athletes are winners and will receive trophies following the race.

STAR-TELEGRAM/RICK MOON

Special Olympians take to the lake for day of fun

Entrants sail across Eagle Mountain Lake, above, during the fifth annual Special Olympics Texas sailing race hosted Saturday by the Fort Worth Boat Club. At left, Special Olympian Jaime Critbes watches the competition from Dean Thompson's sailboat. Forty-four Special Olympics athletes from the local chapter competed in 35 sailboats, which were provided by volunteers who also organized volunteer crews.

Special Olympics sailing regatta held

The fifth annual Fort Worth Boat Club Special Olympics Texas Sailing Regatta was held recently at the boat club on Eagle Mountain Lake. The event chairman was Bip Nauta.

Larry McCracken, Glenn Darden, Betty Presnall and Bip Nauta

Cindy Baker, Sue Kaufman

Bernie Nauta, Jim Cadell

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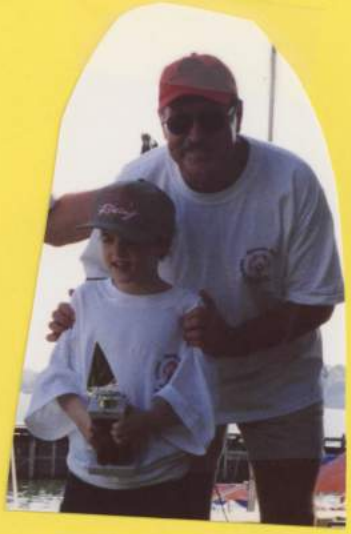

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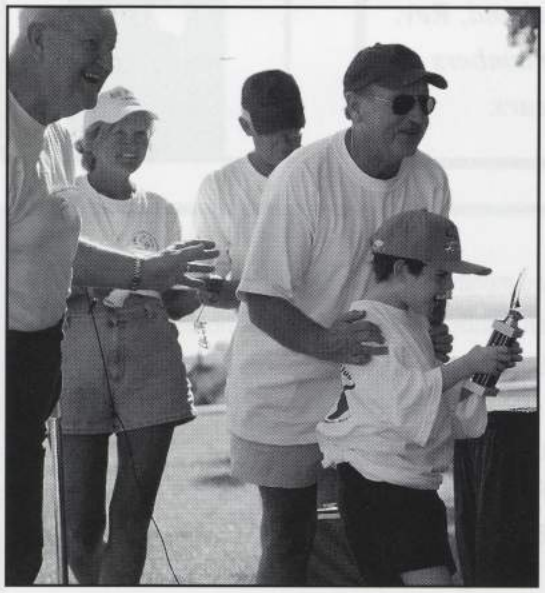
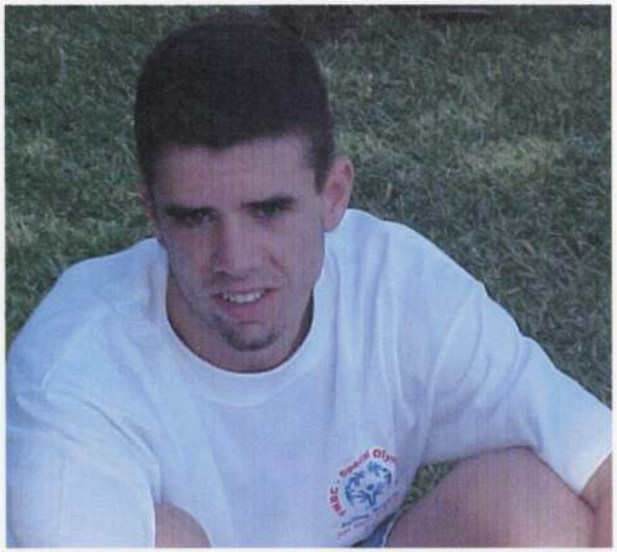


6th Annual Special Olympics Texas/FWBC Regatta

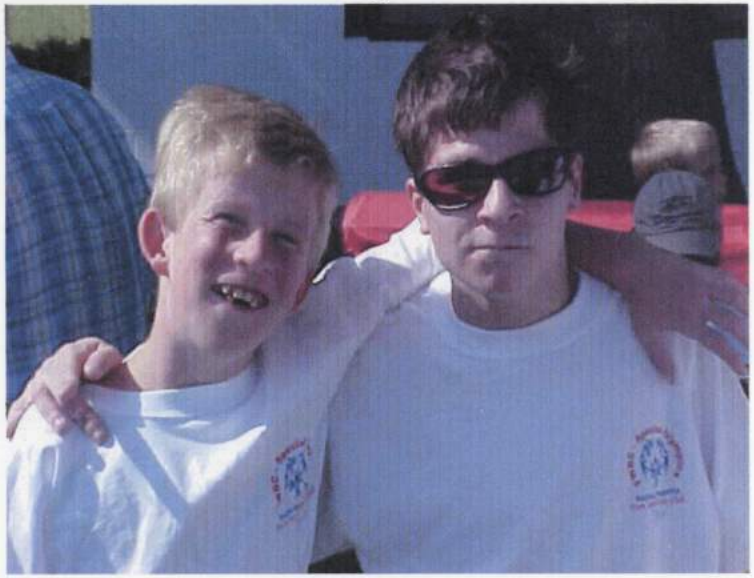
September 27th

FWBC/Specials Olympics Sailing Regatta



48 Athletes!

32 Boats



Boat Club stages annual Special Olympics regatta

The Fort Worth Boat Club/Special Olympics Texas Sixth Annual Sailing Regatta took place at the Fort Worth Boat Club on Eagle Mountain Lake. Event chairwoman was Bip Nauta.

PHOTOS BY SHARON CORCORAN

Click coverage

For Click coverage YOU MUST submit a Click Request Form TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE EVENT. To get a form, contact Charles Caple at (817) 390-7677 or e-mail ccaple@star-telegram.com.

Eric Peterson, Robin Peterson and Glenn Reeves

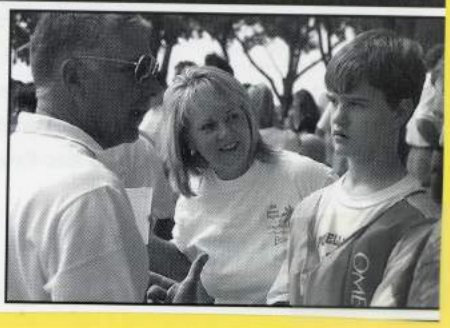
Claudia Duff, Linda Billman, Hank Billman and Jim Duff

Justin Plunk and Bip Nauta

Photos: Sue Bodycomb / YachtShots.com

6th Annual Special Olympics Texas/FWBC Regatta

This year's regatta covered the lawn and the race course with hugs, smiles, and victories for everyone involved.



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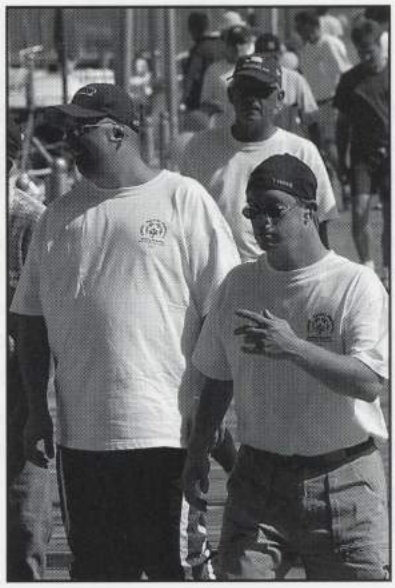
6th Annual Special Olympics Texas/FWBC Regatta



48 athletes from the District 11 Special Olympics Texas joined FWBC members on 32 sailboats to enjoy a beautiful afternoon of sailing. The overwhelming support of our members and staff makes this day truly special for all.

Early Saturday morning the Club was transformed with festive decorating by **Laura Grunewald, Karen & Kevin Yeoman, Bret Stewart, Larry McCracken, Graham Stadler, Lindsey Minnick, Jim Mitchell** and **Taylor** and **Collin Moore.**

Laura Grunewald, Karen Yeoman and **I** handled registration while Club members welcomed our guests.

Athlete Justin Plunk from Weatherford lit the torch to open the day's events. **Commodore Glenn Darden** welcomed the excited group to FWBC. **Joe Macko**, the Rangers Baseball Team Ambassador of Good Will, addressed the crowd. The skippers' meeting by **PRO Bill Simpson** followed.

As the Athletes and their skippers and crews made their way down the docks **Ed & Marilyn Heibert** ushered parents and spectators onto their houseboat so they could view the regatta from the water. **Phil & Susan Pierce** graciously provided *Big Fun* for on the water photography. **Karen & Mark Smith** buzzed around the course setting marks and keeping a watchful eye in their dual capacity as chase boat. **Harold** was joined on the committee boat by **Bill & Caroline Simpson**.

As a brisk breeze filled in from the north the racing began! The trapezoid course provided two long reaching legs, perfect for the day's breeze. Many thanks go to our wonderful skippers for providing their boats and crew:

Chip Bearden
Rosser Bodycomb
Roger Brandt
Art Brees
Ray Burgett
Jim Caddell
Bill Clary
Darrell Cox
Todd Crowell
Tom Felsenthal
Rich Gallagher
Reese Hillard
Debi Klyn
Larry McCracken
Steve Migues
Bernie Nauta
Mike Nicole
John Orr
Mike Patterson
Eric Peterson
Joe Rhone
John Rutledge
Rick Schaffer
Philip Schutts
Forest Smith
John Starr
Bret Stewart
Tippy Thompson
Pat Todd
Edwin Youngblood
Craig White

Mark Petrovic, O. L. Pitts and **Ed Ely** offered their boats for the regatta even though they could not attend.

Photos: Sue Bodycomb / YachtShots.com

A huge thank you goes to our sponsors this year. **Sante Rehabilitation** (**Louis Church**) donated the caps, **Larry McCracken** provided the trophies for each athlete. Mike Nicole donated the chicken for the athletes' cookout following the race. **Rick Schaffer** and **Robert Freedman** provided tee shirts. **Karen & Kevin Yeoman** donated bottled water specially labeled for the regatta. **Yacht Shots** (**Sue Bodycomb**) photographed the race and shore side activities. To the delight of the athletes, the Texas Rangers sent even more prizes.

Each year this day is so special, and so are all of you! We can never decide who has the most fun, the athletes or the members. Everyone involved deserves a round of applause for the smiles and happiness that comes from this event. Thanks to all!!

Bip Nauta

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PIZZA MONEY

First of the pack of nearly two-dozen boats to round the second buoy is Harms Way, skippered by Mark W. Smith. Following close behind are Sea Witch, skippered by Larry McCracken, and Pandemonium, skippered by Rich Gallagher and Gary Debenport

Perfect weather for FWBC Special Olympics Sailing Regatta

By Art Jones

Take a partly cloudy sky, mild temperatures, add a light southerly breeze, and you have last Saturday's perfect sailing weather! An ideal setting for the Fort Worth Boat Club's 7th annual Special Olympics Sailing Regatta for Athletes from Chapter 11 district on Eagle Mountain Lake.

The race is patterned after the FWBC races with starts, finishes, and a specific course to sail. Boat owners, accompanied by their friends or family crewmembers, take an athlete on board for the race. FWBC was the first sailing club to host such an event as part of the Special Olympics, and the regatta's popularity continues to grow each year.

Athletes began arriving around 1:00 p.m. and were welcomed by Club Members with T-shirts and caps. After registering, it was time to board the waiting boats.

Watching a sailboat race can be confusing for the first-time observer. The skippers all seem to have a different course in mind and the boats appear to be just wandering around. A cannon is fired from the Committee Boat warning sailors that they have five minutes to reach the starting line. That's when you realize that all that "wandering" was a tactic to try and sail to an advantageous position so the boat crosses the starting line just as the next cannon shot is fired.

The boats seem to be lining up. There is a second shot - now it begins to look very much like a race. All boats are heading for

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the same buoy marking the first leg of the course, which must be rounded counter-clockwise - a potential for some more wandering about to get in the right position. The wind on this leg is blowing slightly toward the boats, and they have to "beat" a bit into the wind to make their mark - a large, bright yellow inflatable buoy.

Then it's a downwind leg - probably the easiest run for spectators to understand. All the boats are going in a tight line and headed for another buoy, and a "reach" for the finish line. Assuming, of course, that the wind direction and speed doesn't change much during the race.

With the steady breeze, the race was completed in about an hour. And, as most sailors will tell you, that's the time to party, and the Special Olympics Sailing Regatta was no different. Crews and Athletes enjoyed a mid-afternoon cookout. Clowns, David and Donna Thomason, performed their mystifying magic tricks. The Athletes received prizes donated by Joe Macko, Goodwill Ambassador of the Rangers Baseball team. And each Athlete received a trophy - everyone is a winner in this regatta. Other sponsors included Sante' Rehabilitation, Louis Church, Larry McCracken, Robert Freedman and the Fort Worth Boat Club.

"This was a wonderful event again this year," said Bip Nauta, organizer/chairman of the annual regatta. "I am so thankful for all the help and support of the members - they make this day very special for everyone!"

Skippers who donated their time and boats included: Ray Burgett, Larry McCracken, Bernie Nauta, John Orr, Tim Yarbrough, Mike Moore, Cathy Horgan, Jim Caddell, Tom Felsenthal, Mark W. Smith, Debbie Klyn, David Tipton, Les Miller, Jack Peterson, Art Brees, J.T. Sorvenson, Jerry Reynolds, Rich Gallagher, Gary Debenport and Scott Shirley.

The Committee Boat was crewed by Harold Ricket, Bill and Caroline Simpson, Ruth Starr, Robert Freedman and Findley Higgins. The Photo Boat was manned by Phil and Susan Pearce. David Thornton handled the spectator boat. On the Chase boat were Mark and Karen Smith and Paul Bregenzer.

Skipper Larry McCracken congratulates Athlete Zack Thompson after last Saturday's Special Olympics Regatta hosted by the Fort Worth Boat Club.

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Harm's Way

Boat Club hosts Special Olympics

The Fort Worth Boat Club's seventh annual Special Olympics Sailing Regatta was held at the Club on Eagle Mountain Lake. Event chairwoman was Bip Nauta.

PHOTOS BY SHARON CORCORAN

Karen Smith and Mark Smith

Bip Nauta, Bernie Nauta and Nancy Day

Bip -

Thank you for your hard work on the Regatta

I know it was a wonderful experience for our athletes.

Best Wishes -

Suzanne

Start 1

Tom Festhenthal	Mike Vantrease -EMSaginaw	Yatahey
Ray Burgett	Robert & Dawson	Hanky Panky
Art Brees	Jimmy Beaird	Relentless
John Orr	Nathan Eister -Mansfield	Miss Eleanor
Greg Jarga	Robyn Richard-Keller	Heart's Desire
Jack Peterson	Jeff Reeves & Brandon Draughan	YoMaMa
Pat Rhone	Alyson Weatherford -Mansfield	Great Blue
Tim Yarbourgh	Jenna Weber -Mansfield	Angel Baby
Jim Caddell	Shakir Young -Mansfield	Spring Fever
Debbie Klyn	Lisa Springer-Keller & Andrew Grau -Arlington	Pizza Money
Edwin Youngblood	Nick Bailey -Mansfield	Dawn Star
Betty Nicolle	Paige Popplewell -Mansfeild	3 Sheets
Dean Thompson	Nick Bailey	Conan
Robert Coolidge	Sydney O'Reggio -Keller	Capo 26

Start 2

Bernie Nauta	Travis Fults -EMSaginaw	Weekend at Bernie's
Kevin Yeoman	Aaron Walters-Arlington & Cory Field -Mansfield	Sea Witch
Rick Schaffer	Ryan Fortenberry -Keller	Cest' Nasty
Rich Gallagher	Kristine Smith -Mansfield	Pandemoniam
Ben Gray		Beneteau
Ed Ely		Racy Lady
Kathy Horgan		Alegre
Brad O'Kelley		Big Dill
Mike Lattimore		Yoko
Rob Holmes		Beauty
Louis Church		J109
Mark W Smith		Harms Way
Ken Davis		Red Stripe
Jim Edenfield		Whisper Jet

8th Annual FWBC / Special Olympics Regatta

Saturday, September 17 is our 8th FWBC/SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS REGATTA. The athletes will arrive at 1 p.m., ready for another great day at FWBC. A short race at 2 p.m. will be followed by trophies and a cookout on the lawn. This is a great day for all so come and join the smiles and excitement!

Skippers - please sign your boat up for the race by calling Bip or signing the sheet in the bar on the bulletin board. We're expecting about 40 athletes this year.

Help welcome our Special Olympic friends back for the 8th FWBC Regatta!

Bip Nauta
Entertainment Chairman

Start 1

Tom Festhenthal	Mike Vantrease -EMSaginaw	Yatahey
Ray Burgett	Robert & Dawson	Hanky Panky
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Rich Gallagher	Kristine Smith -Mansfield	Pandemoniam
Ben Gray	Dan Ritcher -Keller	Beneteau
Ed Ely	Ashley Gomez -Arlington	Racy Lady
Kathy Horgan	Andrew Houser	Alegre
Brad O'Kelley	Eric Houser	Big Dill
Mike Lattimore	Kristopher Houser	Yoko
Rob Holmes	Christy Dumond -Arlington & Eric Houser	Beauty
Louis Church	Lyndon LaPlante & Alex Varrone -Keller	J109
Mark W Smith	Sarah Novotny & Allison Arnold -Keller	Harms Way
Ken Davis	Briana Chambers -Mansfield	Red Stripe
Jim Edenfield	Cory Field	Whisper Jet

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8th Annual FWBC / Special Olympics Regatta

Ol' Man of the Sea TSA Junior Regatta at FWBC

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8th Annual FWBC / Special Olympics Regatta

36 Athletes from Keller, Mansfield, Arlington, Eagle Mountain Saginaw and surrounding areas participated in the regatta this year with 29 skippers, numerous crew and plenty of smiles and hugs!

Laura Grunewald, Karen Yeoman, Marie Hawa, Collin Moore, Bip Nauta and FWBC staff made sure all decorations were ready when our guests arrived. **Joe Macko**, Ambassador of Goodwill with the Texas Rangers Baseball organization, joined us again and brought plenty of Ranger memorabilia for the Athletes.

Sante' Rehabilitation (**Louis Church**) sponsored the Athletes' and Skippers' caps, the **Schaffers** provided for the T-shirts, the cookout and trophies were supplied by **Sante' Rehabilitation, Rick & Betsy Schaffer, Robert Freedman** and the **Nautas**. **Sue Bodycomb** (Yacht Shots) was there for photographs of the event. The *Fort Worth Star Telegram* was also on hand for photos.

The Area 11 sponsor of the Special Olympics Texas, **Keith Kowaiski**, also joined us this year. **Phil Pearce** took out the photo boat along with **Joe Macko, Sue Bodycomb, Susan & Keith Kowaiski, Nancy Day, Susan Pearce** and **Bip Nauta**. The committee boat consisted of **Harold Rickett** and **Bill & Caroline Simpson**. **Karen & Mark Smith** set the course and were chase boat for the race. **Rick Schaffer, Louis Church** and **Bip & Bernie Nauta** hosted the trophy presentation.

Skippers for the day were: **Tom Felsenthal, Ray Burgett, Art Brees, John Orr, Greg Jarga, Jack Peterson, Pat Rhone, Tim Yarbrough, Don Morris, Debbie Klyn, Edwin Youngblood, Betty Nicolle, Dean Thompson, Robert Coolidge, Bernie Nauta, Kevin Yeoman, Rick Schaffer, Rich Gallagher/Gary Davenport, Ben Gray, Ed Ely, Warren Horgan, Brad O'Kelley, David Thornton, Rob Holmes, Louis Church, Mark W. Smith, Ken Davis** and **Jim Edenfield**.

Thanks to everyone for helping make our 8th Special Olympics Regatta a great day for all.

Bip Nauta
Event Chairman

Fleet 47 C22 Happenings

Well, sailors, fall is on the horizon and the last three or four regattas of the season are eminent. Speaking of which, congratulations to **Gene Ferguson** for taking first place in the annual Gold Rush Regatta on Lake Grapevine. There were five races in winds that ranged from only adequate to those of 25+ in the last two legs of the last race. Gene and **Bret Stewart** on *Bulletproof* were consistent as always while *Popeye* had its issues, especially in the big wind of the last race.

EXTRA! EXTRA! Just in from the road warriors! Latest information from the Governors Cup Regatta in Austin ...**Gene Ferguson** and **Bret Stewart** have taken first place two weeks in a row. Congratulations, men, you do us proud.

The NOOD Regatta at Houston Yacht Club was postponed due to Hurricane Rita; the Wurstfest Regatta at Canyon Lake will round out the season. Fall weather can be some of the best sailing all year so we can ease up on the sun screen and enjoy the cooler club races.

Don't forget the Catalina 22 Fall Fleet Meeting on October 8th at Port Popeye. We will be sending fleet members an e-mail with directions to the Spruiell residence for this annual "Surf & Turf" outing. See you there if not before!

Larry Spruiell
Popeye

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OUT AND ABOUT

Mary Rogers

Ladies who lunch find new place to dine

The music is soft and low and so are the lights in this new white-tablecloth eatery run by Fort Worth socialite **Pilar Wayne Upchurch**. Many in Cowtown's party crowd know that Pilar is the wife of Cowtown arts benefactor and polo enthusiast **Jesse Upchurch** and the widow of film star **John Wayne** — but few know that she once owned a restaurant. She's visiting that profession again.

Ladies who lunch will find her place — called Pilar's — in the City View shopping center a comfortable and elegant nook that serves dainty tea sandwiches, her mother's spinach pie, and an assortment of crepes, soups and salads. Once the sun goes down, the meals become hearty offerings of steak, fish and lobster.

Pilar says she had no intention of going into business. She was busy painting still lifes and portraits of the Duke. "This restaurant just found me," she says. Her art pieces hang in the foyer, and she hopes to display the work of other artists there as well.

Have a heart: The Humane Society of North Texas celebrates 100 years of service tomorrow at the animal shelter's main location, 1840 E. Lancaster. Admission is free. Several animals rescued from Hurricane Katrina are there and available for adoption. The society depends completely on donations to keep the doors open.

The fight is on: Find the

Kay Granger, Sid Bass and Mercedes Bass

Al Travis and Van Cliburn

Caroline Rose Hunt, Charlie Simmons, Adele Hart and Mollie Lasater

Symphony opens 81st season with celebration

Patrons of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra enjoyed an Opening Night Celebration Event in the ballroom at City Club after the symphony's performance at the Nancy Lee and Perry R. Bass Performance Hall. Event chairmen were Mercedes and Sid Bass. Honorary chairman was Miguel Harth-Bedoya.

SPECIAL TO THE STAR-TELEGRAM/SHARON CORCORAN

Anna Moreno

James Collins, Alene Washington and Bobbie Collins

Rudy Munoz and Carmen Rescendez

Senior Citizens Services holds celebration

The Senior Citizens Services of Greater Tarrant County Annual Dieciseis de Septiembre Celebration was held at the Round Up Inn.

SPECIAL TO THE STAR-TELEGRAM/SHARON CORCORAN

Isabelle Ortega and Margie Bonner

Keith Kowalski, Bip Nauta, Rick Schaffer and Bernie Nauta

Ken Travis, Edwin Youngblood, Briana Chambers, Brad O'Kelley and John Johnson

Boat Club hosts Special Olympics Regatta

The eighth annual Fort Worth Boat Club/Special Olympics Texas Sailing Regatta was held at the club at Eagle Mountain Lake. Event chairwoman was Bip Nauta.

SPECIAL TO THE STAR-TELEGRAM/SHARON CORCORAN

Patsy Rhone and crew sail Great Blue.

Cornelia Blake, Jim Blake, Bill Hallman and Nancy Hallman

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BP:

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ORGANIZING THE SAILING EVENT FOR OUR ATHLETES THIS PAST SATURDAY. THE DAY WAS SO WELL ORGANIZED & IT WAS GREAT TO SEE SO MANY SMILES ON OUR ATHLETES & FAMILIES FACE. YOU TRULY PROVIDE AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE FOR ALL INVOLVED.

THANK YOU AGAIN,
KEITH KOWALSKI