BBYRA Committees

2026-2027 officers, chairpersons and committee descriptions

These are the standing committees of the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association. The 2026-2027 officers and chairpersons are listed first, followed by a description of each committee and how its chair is chosen.

Elected Officers 2026-2027

Office	Name
Commodore	Jean Mastrangelo
Vice Commodore	Robert (Bob) Baxter
Rear Commodore	James (Jim) Walsh
Fleet Captain	Art Bailey
Secretary	Susan Proko
Treasurer	Rob Vogel
Measurer	Dave Magno

Standing Committee Chairpersons 2026-2027

Committee	Chairperson
Regatta Committee	Bob Baxter (Vice Commodore)
Class Liaison Committee	Jim Walsh (Rear Commodore)
Equipment Committee	Jim Walsh (Rear Commodore)
Safety and Training	Art Bailey (Fleet Captain)
Sailing Instructions Committee	TBD
Class Eligibility Committee	Peter Sayia
Protest Committee	Darryl Waskow
Appeals	Jim Walsh

Scoring	Jean Mastrangelo
YRA Representative to US Sailing	Harry Foote
Junior Sailing Coordinators	Rose Matzat
US Sailing National Cup Events Committee	Jim Walsh
General Programs and Services Committee	Buzz Reynolds (Past Commodore)
Webmaster	Autumn Hoover
Marketing Committee	Frank Parisi
Nominating Committee	Buzz Reynolds
Financial Committee	Rob Vogel (Treasurer)
Historical Committee	June Kingman

About each committee

Regatta Committee

Chair: Vice Commodore

Class Liaison Committee

Chair: Rear Commodore

The Class Liaison Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA, chaired by the Rear Commodore. It meets at least once a year with the representatives of each of the classes being sailed in the championship series. The committee receives the recommendations of the class representatives and reports to the Regatta Committee their suggestions for the improvement of racing on Barnegat Bay and other matters within the purview of the BBYRA's racing activities.

The representatives of the classes may appoint, by majority vote, a person to attend a meeting of the Regatta Committee as an observer.

Equipment Committee

Chair: Rear Commodore

The Equipment Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA, chaired by the Rear Commodore. Its job is to store and maintain the equipment of the BBYRA and to make it available to the Regatta Committee whenever and wherever requested by the Commodore or Vice Commodore.

Safety and Training

Chair: Fleet Captain

Sailing Instructions Committee

Chair: Appointed by the Commodore within one month of the annual meeting

The Sailing Instructions Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA. It is responsible for updating each year, as required, the published sailing instructions and charts to be proposed to the Regatta Committee and published in the BBYRA Year Book and on the BBYRA website. The chairperson works in cooperation with the Class Liaison Committee and the Vice Commodore in their race management functions.

Class Eligibility Committee

Chair: Appointed by the Vice Commodore within one month of the annual meeting

The Class Eligibility Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA. It recommends and maintains guidelines for series eligibility, reviews the annual performance of each class and investigates the credentials of applicant classes. It makes recommendations concerning old and new class eligibility to the Regatta Committee.

Protest Committee

Chair: Appointed by the Vice Commodore within one month after the annual meeting

The Protest Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA. The chairperson forms a suitable committee from among the general membership of the Association. Written results of protest hearings are delivered to the scorer, and the Vice Commodore is advised of the results of hearings.

Skippers or their representatives are responsible for being present at the time and place designated for the hearing of a protest. When possible, the chairperson of the Protest Committee hearing panel on a given race day will cause the hearing to be held on the date of the race out of which a protest arises.

Appeals

Chair: Appointed each year

Scoring

Chair: Appointed each year

YRA Representative to US Sailing

Chair: Representative named each year

Junior Sailing Coordinators

Chair: Named each year

US Sailing National Cup Events Committee

Chair: Appointed by the Commodore within one month of the annual meeting

The US SAILING National Cup Events Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA. It coordinates the BBYRA's elimination series for the US SAILING National Cup Events. The chairperson reports to the Vice Commodore on the progress of the US SAILING events and BBYRA eliminations and makes recommendations for their improvement.

General Programs and Services Committee

Chair: Appointed by the Commodore within one month of the annual meeting

The General Programs and Services Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA. It has at least three Individual Members, one of whom is a Past Commodore. All members, including the chairperson, are appointed by the Commodore within one month of the annual meeting. The Commodore also names the members responsible for the website and for publication of the Year Book.

The committee is responsible to:

- Develop insurance programs for the BBYRA and its members, including coordination with the insurance programs of Member Clubs, Delegates and Committees, and with services provided by US SAILING and other organizations.
- Develop programs for the solicitation of funds for the purposes of the BBYRA as set out in its By-Laws, Constitution, and the Exemption Letter dated February 28, 1992 from the Internal Revenue Service, which determined the BBYRA's exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) and 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- Solicit invitations from Active Member Clubs to host the annual fundraising Commodores' Ball, and schedule the dates for future Balls.
- Develop a schedule of advertising fees for space in the Year Book, coordinate with the Appeals Committee, Regatta Committee, Sailing Instructions Committee and Executive Committee on its publication, and publish it.
- Handle the public relations of the BBYRA, including the website.

The committee also develops a Policies and Procedure Manual for any fundraising activities undertaken by or on behalf of the Association, by any of its Active or Associate Member Clubs, or Individual Members. The manual deals explicitly with fiscal responsibility for such activities.

Webmaster: named each year

Marketing Committee

Chair: Appointed each year

Nominating Committee

Chair: A Past Commodore, working with the BBYRA Past Commodores

Financial Committee

Chair: Treasurer

Historical Committee

Chair: The BBYRA Historian, appointed by the Commodore within one month of the annual meeting

The Historical Committee is a standing committee of the BBYRA. It preserves the records and memorabilia of the Association and its members. The chairperson is known as the BBYRA Historian and submits a written report of the committee's activities to date in the current calendar year.