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Get spooked! Halloween is this coming Wednesday, October 31.

FROSTBITE #1: *VOODOO 2, COOL CHANGE, APRIL TIDE,* and *VALKYRIE* open with wins. Blustery?? And, chilly?? What the...? Twenty-two (of 25 entered) boats raced yesterday, undeterred by cool temps and hefty breezes that started out near 20 kts and eventually tapered off to 10-12. It was cool enough on the water for sets of foulies to be hauled from the bottoms of the sailing bags, but not too bad. <u>RESULTS: PHRF A (7 boats)</u> - 1.*Voodoo 2.* Leroi Lissenden; 2.*Feather,* Phil Briggs; 3.*Flying Colors,* Richard Payne. <u>PHRF B (8 boats)</u> - 1.*Cool Change,* Rusty Burshell; 2.*Strega,* Neal Garrett; 3.*Independence,* Graham Field. <u>PHRF C (3 boats)</u> - 1.*April Tide,* Tim Ketten; 2.*Lona B,* Carey Hardesty. <u>PHRF non-Spin (4 boats)</u> - 1.*Valkyrie,* Karl Petersen; *Treaty of Ghent,* Jim Williams / Will Roberts. PRO - Dick Boykin.

Hot Buttered Rum Race set for Saturday, November 3. Sponsored by BBSA Willoughby Racers. Racing takes place in Norfolk's Willoughby Bay (aka Little Bay). For details on fleets and entry process contact Scott Almond at (757) 471-2663.

FROSTBITE #2 - Sunday, November 4 - same time (set your clocks to Eastern Standard Time); same place; same plan. For info or to enter, <u>call Dick Boykin at (757) 890-0093</u>. Remember, you can enter the entire series or one race at a time. There are a total of 5 races, all on consecutive Sundays and all in Hampton Roads harbor.

SEAFOOD! Eat it . . . for the good of the Christopher Newport University Sailing Team! This coming **Saturday, November 3rd, at 5:30pm, be at the Oyster Roast for CNU sailing.** The <u>seafood-a-thon at James</u> <u>River Marina</u> (located at the end of Deep Creek Road in Newport News) is a deal! \$20 gets you oysters, crab soup, and other kinds of water critters and side dishes and soft drinks or brewskis. All proceeds go to the CNU intercollegiate Sailing Team. For info and/or directions to James River Marina, contact Marty at (757) 930-1909 at JRM or Jim White (CNU assistant sailing coach) at (757) 249-8758. (NOTE: you can pay at the door.)

Spray tops and sweaters - get 'em on! Here's the November-December southern Bay schedule:

November 3	Saturday	Hot Buttered Rum Race - BBSA/Willoughby Racers, Scott Almond (757) 471-2663
November 4	Sunday	Frostbite #2 - HYC, Dick Boykin (757) 890-0093
November 4	Sunday	START of Caribbean 1500 - www.carib1500.com
November 9	Friday	CCV Awards Party and Year End Bash - CCV, Karl Petersen (757) 271-2869
November 11	Sunday	Frostbite #3 - HYC, Dick Boykin (757) 890-0093
November 18	Sunday	Frostbite #4 - HYC, Dick Boykin (757) 890-0093
November 25	Sunday	Frostbite #5 - HYC, Dick Boykin (757) 890-0093
December 2	Sunday -	Gaboon Race - HYC, Phil Briggs (757) 244-5477

Pocket Plotter. Weems & Plath has come out with a neat-o parallel ruler. The W&P gizmo is 7.25 inches long and has all the features of a standard parallel ruler and a protractor, mileage scale, and innovative locking knob. The Paralock Plotter@ goes for \$24. Call (800) 638-0428.

The Caribbean 1500 fleet, currently gathering in Hampton, will head for Tortola, BVI, Sunday, November 4. The start of the race / cruise is planned for just east of Thimble Shoal Light around mid-morning / noon-ish on Sunday. Check at www.carib1500.com for specifics and definite times. This looks to be a record setting number of boats - each one beautiful. Most are berthed at Bluewater Yachting Center (Sunset Creek - Hampton River, Hampton) and at other facilities on Hampton River.

Bluewater racers: As the 2008 season gets underway there will be bluewater races, like the Lauderdale to Miami, the Newport Bermuda, and others, that southern Bay racers are considering. Here's one way to save a little bit of money while equipping the boat to go "out of sight of land". **BoatUS RENTS 406-MHz Emergency Position Indicating Beacons (EPIRB).** The cost is \$40 per week for a maximum rental of six weeks. For info call BoatUS at 1-888-66-EPIRB (37472).

MURPHY'S LAW: You do not have to go offshore to put an EPIRB to good use. Yrs Truly, The Racing Beagle is seriously considering renting one next year for major regatta parties. Imagine, you could set it off when it was time to go home and your friends could find you easily underneath the beer truck, in the wrong restroom at the marina on the Eastern Shore, or wherever.... /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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