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Watch Out - Summer is trying to slip away. Go racing now!!

HAMPTON ONE-DESIGN 75th NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP - Latane Montague and crew Pellerito, who Latane swears he never met before this weekend, swept the HOD National Championship held in Hampton, Virginia, this past weekend. The Montague/Pellerito team was all but unbeatable, posting 5 bullets over the three day, six race regatta. Their one throw-out was a third place finish in Race #1. Latane says he has his new found crew's cell phone number written in permanent ink on his wrist! Four other boats battled down to the last race of the last day (Sunday) for second place while the rest of the 20 boat championship fleet enjoyed three great days of racing, great wind, grand parties, and a special Mariners' Museum unveiling of restored HOD Hull #1 and its placement in an honored position at the entrance of the Museum's International Small Craft Center. **TOP 5 RESULTS: 1. Montague/Pellerito** [3] -1 -1 -1 -1 -1; **2. Gordon Wolcott/Sam Stokes (defending 2008 National Champions)** 6 - [10] -2 -2- 3 - 3; **3. Mark and Kathy Wheeler** 1- 4- [7] -5 - 6- 2; **4. Randy and Ann Stokes** 2 - [9] -3-4-4-5; **5. Eddie Wolcott, Jr and Sarah Wolcott** 4 - [7] -6-3-2-4. The 75th HAMPTON ONE-DESIGN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP was hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. Event Chairmen were Dave "Chappy" and Leigh Chapman. Principal Race Officer - John McCarthy; Mark Boats - Dave and Suzanne Hamilton, Bill and David Gibbings, and Glenn Giles. Official Scorer - Scott Almond.

"It was a dark and stormy night..." when sixteen (16) boats set off Friday night to race non-stop from Hampton Roads to Cape Charles on the Eastern Shore and return. The annual **Plantation Light Race**, organized and sponsored by Hampton Yacht Club, proved to be not so daunting for the quicker PHRF A and PHRF B boats, and more of an endurance test for the PHRF C and PHRF Non-Spin fleets. All 16 raced just over 46 miles. **Christian Schaumloffel, Mirage**, Hobie 33, was the only PHRF A boat sailing. Of the 7 PHRF B boats, **Harry Tenny's Margarita** took 1st, **Ben Cuker's Callinectes** finished 2nd, and **Andy Armstrong's Virginia H** was 3rd. Four (4) boats raced in PHRF C and the top 2 finishers were **Martin Casey, Bowmovement**, and **Justin Morris, The Hunter**. And, of the four boats racing in PHRF Non-Spin, the top two finishers were **Leo Wardrup, Black Widow**, and **Cliff Porter in Scoundrel**. First to finish was **Mirage**; she crossed the finish line shortly after 2:30 AM Sunday. The last to finish was a Non-Spinnaker boat who came in about 8:00 AM on Sunday. All boats started between 7 and 7:20 PM on Saturday. Principal Race Officer - Bob Thomas.

One of the highlights of the HOD 75th anniversary celebration at The Mariners Museum was the awarding of the **Mariners Trophy** to HOD racer **Charles McCoy, Jr** for his service to the HOD Class and to sailing. Mr. McCoy was racing this year in his 50th consecutive HOD National Championship regatta. He and his crew, son **Charles McCoy III** finished 9th overall in the championship regatta and won the special **Heritage Race** run on Sunday morning for the special fleet of wooden hull, "heritage", boats.

Racers are well known for traveling great distances and faster than legal speeds to make race boat dock-departure times. It happens to others on the race course too. For example, **Rob and Sue Stephens**, part of the HOD race committee, who had been called to multiple family emergency situations, drove straight through from New Jersey, **BY-PASSING THEIR HOME IN WILLIAMSBURG**, to be on time for the HOD regatta in Hampton. And, that was on top of a couple of days before undertaking 48 hours of air travel to return from the "other side of the Pond."

FBYC 70th ANNUAL ONE-DESIGN REGATTA - It was a big weekend for small boat one-design racing on the Rappahannock River this past weekend. An assortment of 56 Albacores, Flying Scots, Fronrunners, Mobjacks, Typhoons and San Juan 21s showed up to race in this 70 year old event. Even though Saturday, like just about everywhere south of the Virginia-Maryland border, proved to be a challenge weather-wise on the Rapp, the fleets got in 5 or 6 races and competition in each fleet was hot and heavy. For a detailed report of each of the fleets, please check out the Fishing Bay Yacht Club website at www.fbyc.net. Here are the fleet winners: Albacore (9 boats) - tied for first, but winning the tie-breaker, **Marty Hublitz**; Flying Scot (25 boats) - **David Neff**; Fronrunner (8 boats) - **Matthew Braun**; Mobjack (4 boats) - **Tom Roberts**; San Juan 21 (2 boats) - **William McClure**; Typhoon (8 boats) - **James Bearden**. Lasers (adult division) - results pend. Principal Race Officer - Rick Klein.

Portsmouth Boat Club reports completion of their **Barnacle Summer Regatta Series**. Winners of the two non-spinnaker fleets were, **Tim Savage (Tantrum)** and **Bob Old (Jezebel)** tied for first, and **Ron Peterman (Content)** first in fleet 2.

Be careful when you let go of **those "used" one-design boats**. Marty Hublitz, who won the Albacore fleet at FBYC this past weekend, did so in Barney Harris' first HAPCO Albacore. Marty (3-2-1-4-1) beat Barney (1-3-2-3-2) in the tie breaker.

COMING UP THIS WEEKEND:

CAPE CHARLES CUP - August 22 - 23, hosted by Broad Bay Sailing Association. This event is very likely to break the record setting entry count of 80 established last year! Race from Norfolk (Little Creek area) to Cape Charles on the Virginia Eastern Shore) on Saturday and from Cape Charles to the finish line off Buckroe (Hampton) on Sunday. Got questions? Please contact Scott Almond at (757) 471-2663 or through www.CCCup.net This two race regatta features all PHRF fleets as well as several fleets in the Cruising Division. Skippers Meeting and social on Friday, August 21, at 1830 at the Gazebo at Bay Point Marina (Little Creek, Norfolk).

MOBJACK 50th NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA - August 21-23, hosted by Ware River Yacht Club. The International Mobjack Class will meet to contest its 50th National Championship at WRYC in Gloucester, VA. Expect plenty of Mobjack "notables" to be there. For info contact Tom Roberts at (804) 843-2682.

FBYC SMITH POINT RACE - August 22, part of the FBYC Distance Series. Contact Mike Dale at (804) 347-7409 or (804) 758-0334.

Don't forget to make your plans for LABOR DAY WEEKEND:

15th ANNUAL STINGRAY POINT REGATTA - Saturday, September 5 and Sunday, September 6): Hosted by Fishing Bay Yacht Club. Special attention to pre-and post-race social activities and two-days (Saturday and Sunday) of round-the-buoys racing. Organizers have left Monday, the actual holiday, open for a return delivery home. Starts for all PHRF classes (Non-Spin is single headsail only) as well as J/105 one-design and other monohull [keel boat] one-design classes with sufficient entries. For entry and details contact Event Chairman David Hinckle (804) 370-7650 or check out the FBYC web site at www.fbyc.net.

9th ANNUAL DINK VAIL REGATTA - Saturday, September 5: Hosted by Norfolk Yacht and Country Club. DVR 9 is a one day event, sailed in Hampton Roads harbor, offering starts for PHRF A, B, C, Non-Spin in addition to a Cruising fleet. There's a skippers welcome reception at the NY&CC lounge on Friday, September 4, a continental breakfast Saturday morning on the club south patio, and a reception and awards banquet following racing in the NYCC Main Bar and Dining Room on Saturday at 1800. For docking arrangements at NY&CC, contact the harbormaster directly at (757) 286-1752. For entry and details contact John Hume at (757) 288-9985.

MURPHY'S LAW: The racing season is reaching a fevered pitch in the personal wardrobe department. This is when the car trunk truly is a race gear closet - stuff for when it might shower, stuff for Indian Summer days in the high 80s, stuff for late day or evening racing when the Fall chill hits the southern Bay and, of course, there are all those summer regatta T-shirts you have earned. For *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, of course, it is the time of constant change - growing fur, shedding fur, growing fur, shedding fur... well you've got the picture. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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