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Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use #505

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Latane Montague made it his 5th Hampton One-Design National Championship at the HOD Class showdown in Fishing Bay this past weekend. Latane has won the title in 1999, 2003, 2007, 2009, and, now, in 2010. Thirteen (13) HODs raced in light air on opening day Friday, got in three nice races on Saturday, and squeezed two more in on Sunday; the total of 6 allowed for one throw-out in the final tabulations. Latane sailed with crew **Jaci Finney**. Second overall was **Gordon Wolcott** with crew **Perrin Priest**, and third was **Eddie Wolcott** sailing with **Rachael Blake**. Fishing Bay Yacht Club hosted the event. Complete results are available at www.fbyc.net Principal Race Officer - Rick Klein.

Moonlight Races have plenty of moonshine, but fickle winds:

***Plantation Light Race** winds went light and more racers went home than finished. Eleven (11) boats struck out for Plantation Light on Friday night, in spite of iffy conditions predicted by wind wizards. As it turned out 5 actually finished the race; they were : PHRF A (3 boats)- 1.*Meridian*, **Sledd Shelhorse**; PHRF B (5 boats) - 1. *Rumble*, **Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran**; 2.*Gremlin*, **Greg Cutter**; 3.*Margarita*, **Harry Tenney** *NOTE: A protest pends in PHRF B.* PHRF Non-Spin (3 boats) - 1. *Virginia Lee*, **Mike Brannon**. Hampton Yacht Club sponsors this event. Principal Race Officer - Bob Thomas.

*In the Fishing Bay Yacht Club **Smith Point Race**, nine(9) started on Saturday, and all 9 finished by the wee hours of Sunday. **RESULTS:** PHRF A (4 boats) - 1.*Loose Cannon*, **Strother Scott**; 2.*Sweet Liberty*, **Thomas Larkin**. PHRF B (4 boats) - 1.*Schiehallion*, **Brad Miller**; 2.*Nereid*, **Eric Powers**. PHRF Non-Spin (1 boat) - 1.*Last Boat*, **Frank Murphy**. Principal Race Officer - Allan Heyward.

Southern Bay (and beyond) Boats Racing at Annapolis Race Week over Labor Day Weekend: John and Bev Blais' Stardancer is entered in the Beneteau 367 One-Design Fleet. **Kenny Saylor (tactician), Bill Wheary, and Jimmy Cobb** are among the crew sailing with the Blais for the weekend. **Cal Huge's Jubilee** from Summerville, South Carolina, and **Peter Hunter's Wairere** from Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, will be racing in the A0 fleet at ARW.

DON'T TELL BUMPS! But, DO bump along to the surprise Birthday Party for Bumps Eberwine THIS WEDNESDAY, August 25th, at Hampton Yacht Club after the Wednesday Night Racing. Stop by for Birthday Cake and Beer; drink a toast to "The Bumpster" on his 85th! **Graham Field is organizing this surprise party and he can be reached at (757) 488-3931. Donations toward the cake and beer are appropriate and will be greatly appreciated - please give them to Graham.**

MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY! A call most boaters hope they never have to make; and, most will enjoy a lifetime of recreational boating without being in a situation that warrants a *Mayday*. **But, say you hear a *Mayday* - what now?** There are a lot of specific steps you, as having heard the call, must take correctly. The first time you hear the call, the first thing you do is record the location of the vessel broadcasting the call and stop all of your radio transmissions. While you are waiting for the second *Mayday* call, try to figure out what your distance and heading is to the vessel calling. If the boat calls *Mayday* a second time, and you have not heard a Coast Guard or closer boat respond, then you should set about establishing contact with the originating vessel. **DO NOT ever use the word "*Mayday*".** Use "*Vessel in distress*" to respond, identify yourself and confirm your reception of their location, determine the nature of their difficulty, tell them where you are, and estimate for them the time of your arrival at their location. And, there is more to know. The **July issue of SEAWORTHY Magazine has an excellent article titled "Mayday Protocol"** that includes this information and more regarding what the responding boat should do. Burn some brain cells on this, especially if you are planning on any distance sailing on the Bay or bluewater sailing. When someone calls for help, you may be it! [*Seaworthy* is a BoatUS publication, available for the "outrageous price" of \$10 per year (800-262-8082, x-3276).]

Southern Bay Racers out of Fishing Bay Yacht Club, **Mike Massie, Sophie Massie, and Noel Clinard** sailed the Massie's Rhodes 19, *Toni Too*, to first place in the one-design class in Nantucket Race Week. *Kudos!*

September Southern Bay Racing Calendar - A great time to race anywhere and everywhere on the

southern Bay:

- September 4 - 5- 6 Labor Day Clinic, at ODU - David Tunnicliffe (757) 580-2991
 September 4 - 5 Stingray Point Regatta, Fishing Bay - Alex Alvis (804) 370-8241
 September 4 Dink Vail Regatta, Norfolk Yacht & Country Club - Bob Hume (757) 288-9985
 September 10 -12 Hampton Bay Days Festival Weekend, Hampton, Virginia
 September 11 Hampton Annual Middle Ground Light Race, Hampton Yacht Club - John McCarthy
 (757) 850-4225
 September 11 Wolf Trap Race, Fishing Bay Yacht Club - www.fbyc.net
 September 11 YP Fall Regatta, Yankee Point Yacht Club
 September 18 York River Cup, York River Yacht Club - Ben Weeks/Michele Cochran (757) 285-2127
 September 18 Commodore's Cup, Rappahannock River Yacht Club - www.rryc.org
 September 18 Tri-Services Regatta, Langley Yacht Club - John Ritter (757) 329-6992
 September 19 CCV Fall Series (Day #1), Cruising Club of Virginia - John McCarthy (757) 850-4225
 September 24 - 26 505 East Coast Championship Regatta, Hampton Yacht Club - John McCarthy (757)
 850-4225
 September 25 Neptune Atlantic Regatta, Broad Bay Sailing Association - Scott Almond (757) 471-
 2663
 September 25 Fall Singlehand Race, Yankee Point Yacht Club
 September 25 Hampton Roads Sunfish Challenge & Dinghy Distance Race, Portsmouth Boat Club -
www.hrsunfishrace.com
 September 26 Singlehand Race, Hampton Yacht Club - Marshall Findley (757) 285-8482
 October 2 Willoughby Memorial Regatta, Broad Bay Sailing Association - Scott Almond (757)
 471-2663
 October 2 YPYC Fall Regatta, Yankee Point Yacht Club
 October 3 CCV Fall Series (Day #2), Cruising Club of Virginia - John McCarthy (757) 850-4225
 October 3 FBYC Fall Series, Fishing Bay Yacht Club - www.fbyc.net
 October 6 Octoberfest Wednesday Series begins, CCV - Christian Schaumloffel (757) 496-3590
 October 7 - 11 United States Sailboat Show, Annapolis, MD - (410) 268-8828
 October 9-10 Hospice Turkey Shoot Regatta, Yankee Point Marina - www.turkeyshoot.org
 October 10 CCV Fall Series (Day #3), Cruising Club of Virginia - John McCarthy (757) 850-4225

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, has been doing a lot of the summer moonlight racing. As crew, I have done all I could to help the cause. Yep, have bayed at the moon and mooned at the Bay, as appropriate. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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