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Marine Safety Alert: http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/AIS/Safety_Alert_0710.pdf **CAUTION TO AIS USERS NAVIGATING THE JAMES RIVER, YORK RIVER, UPPER CHESAPEAKE BAY, DELAWARE BAY, NEW JERSEY SHORE, AND, NEW YORK HARBOR AND APPROACHES** Read this - it's all about "seeing and being seen" on the water and a specific existing circumstance.

HYC ANNUAL MIDDLE GROUND LIGHT RACE proves that **Middle Ground Light is still there!** Thirty (30) boats entered and 30 raced Saturday around a middle distance course in Hampton Roads, the marks for which included Middle Ground Light. So, it can be said that 100% of the boats entered did indeed confirm the location of the lighthouse at the confluence of the James River and Hampton Roads. The PHRF A fleet sailed an 11 mile course while the PHRF B, C, and Non-Spin fleets each did a 7.9 mile course, all proving to be "expert navigators"! If nobody moves the lighthouse, plans are to do the race again in 2011, on the same weekend as the Hampton City festival, Bay Days. **RESULTS:** PHRF A (4 boats) - 1.**Dave Eberwine (Brian McCauley-skipper)**, *SEA STAR*; 2.**Louie Lewis**, *INCENTIVE+*. PHRF B (7 boats) - 1.**Rusty Burshell**, *COOL CHANGE*; 2.**Greg Cutter**, *GREMLIN*; 3.**Andy Armstrong**, *VIRGINIA H.* PHRF C (7 boats) - **Justin Morris**, *THE HUNTER*; 2.**Alan Bomar**, *ROUNABOUT*; 3.**Bumps Eberwine**, *SPRAY*. PHRF Non-Spin (12 boats) - 1.**Bob Archer**, *BAD HABIT*; 2.**Dixon Wilde**, *KINGFISHER*; 3.**CT Tiller**, *BOOGITY*. Principal Race Officer - John McCarthy; Scorer - Dick Boykin.

CCV FALL SERIES Opens This Coming Sunday. The Series will be run on three fall Sundays: **September 19** - Races 1 & 2 (drop mark courses); **October 3** - Race 3 (middle distance around fixed marks); and, **October 10** - Races 4 & 5 (drop mark courses). **OPEN TO ALL;** starts for all PHRF classes as well as a Cruising fleet. Scores are included in the standings for the CCV High Point, the CBYRA High Point, and, for October 3, Race 3 only, the BBSA Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series. That's real "bang for the buck"! All racing is in Hampton Roads harbor. The first Warning Signal is at 1030 each day. Racers may enter by the day or by the series. Racers who have a "CCV RACING MEMBERSHIP" are already automatically entered; all others must enter no later than the day before the race day. For entry and information, please contact John McCarthy, (757) 850-4225.

Fishing Bay Yacht Club finished 10th overall out of 24 teams competing in the **2010 NYYC Invitational Cup Qualifying Series** in Newport this past week. The team of **Travis Weisleder, Rob Whittemore, Lud Kimbrough**, and **Ben Buhl** sailed 26 races in 4 days in Sonars and J22s, making it to the championship round of the final 12. Only the final top three (3) teams received the coveted invitations to the 2011 New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup Regatta; those were Eastern Yacht Club, Annapolis Yacht Club, and Newport Harbor Yacht Club.

YORK RIVER CUP - THIS COMING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 - This race is sanctioned and counts in CBYRA High Point scoring - OPEN TO ALL PHRF classes. Boats must have 4P equipment category on their rating certificate. Sailing instructions will be posted at www.yryc.org . Check it out and get yourself entered!

ALSO this coming Saturday:

Rappahannock River Yacht Club Commodore's Cup - Sept 18 - sanctioned race OPEN TO ALL PHRF classes - for info click www.rryc.org

Annual Tri-Services Regatta - Sept 18 - for details on who may race, etc, go to www.langleyyacht.org This is a regatta devoted to the staunch competition among the three Hampton Roads area military services sailing clubs - Langley Yacht Club (LAFB), Old Point Comfort YC (Ft Monroe-Army), and Norfolk Naval Sailing Association (NOB).

FBYC WOLFTRAP. Saturday was a beautify racing day on the southern Bay and those sailing in the annual

Fishing Bay Yacht Club Wolftrap race took full advantage. The fleets started just before noon and most were back from the slightly over 23 miles jaunt by mid-to-late afternoon (the last to cross the finish line did so around 1700). **RESULTS: PHRF A (6 boats) - 1. Sam Mitchener, *Double Eagle*; 2. Tom Lakin, *Sweet Liberty*; 3. Glenn Doncaster, *Nanuq*. PHRF B (3 boats) - 1. Eric Powers, *Nereid*; 2. Miles Booth, *Shenanigan*. PHRF C (2 boats) - 1. Brad Miller, *Schiehallion*. PHRF Non-Spin (2 boats) - 1. Frank Murphy, *Last Boat*.**

Mothboat Nationals Sept 17-19. Check out this action at ELIZABETH CITY this coming weekend. Southern Bay Moth-ers, **Joe and Susan Bousquet** will be in action at the regatta along with **Jeff Linton**, the 2007 Rolex Yachtsman, and the 1996-97 #1 US Europe sailor, **Rebecca Harris**, sailing one of her Moth/Europes. **Mike Parsons** is the defending champion. Some of the Mothists, including our Joe Bousquet, **will be demoing** Foilers on Friday and any other time they can. **Check out the NOR at www.Mothboat.com under schedule Elizabeth City NC.** These boats are Soooooooooooooo Cooooooooooooo!

Collegiate Racing: This coming weekend (Sept 18-19) Hampton University hosts the **EDWARD TEACH MEMORIAL REGATTA**. Racing at the event will be HU, William and Mary, Old Dominion, UVA, Christopher Newport, George Washington, and others. This past weekend at the **Riley Cup**, hosted by Old Dominion, Virginia teams finished as follows: 3rd - ODU "2"; 5th - ODU Monarchs'; 7th - UVA; 8th - George Washington; 9th - Christopher Newport; 10th - William and Mary; 11th - Hampton University; 14th - Virginia Tech. St Mary's College (Maryland) won the regatta.

One Last Word on the 2010 Stingray Point Regatta. In addition to the fleet winners, who were listed in issue #507 of *SBRNYCU*, two other trophies were up for grabs: **David Alexander** (*Don't Be Blue*, J22), PHRF C Class, won the Brent Halsey Jr. Memorial Trophy. The **Hampton Yacht Club** team of **Leroi Lissenden**, *Voodoo2*, **Dave McConaughy**, *White Boat*, and **Dave Alexander**, *Don't Be Blue* combined to win the **Potts Trophy**.

There were a number of **southern Bay sailors on crews** at Annapolis Race Week, including **Trevor Pardee** as tactician on the winning boat in the J30 one-design class, *BeBop* (Bob Rutsch & Mike Costello, Annapolis). **Ashley and Jimmy Haines** and **Tripp Behm** were crewing on Maury Niebur's (West River, MD) J35, *Bump in the Night*, which took 4th in the 11 boat one-design class.

Hampton Roads Sunfish Challenge & Distance Dinghy Race took in it's 100th entry this past week - **David Taylor** will be sailing his Hampton One-Design on **Saturday, September 25**, when he and at least 99 other dinghies launch their assault. It will be an adventure, which will take the fleet out of Willoughby Bay, up the ship channel past the US Navy piers with the finish at the ODU Sailing Center. The monster mash of dinghies and windsurfers is expected to garner lots and lots of attention! Portsmouth Boat Club is the organizing authority for this (hopefully) annual event.

2010 DVR10. The Annual Dink Vail Regatta hosted by Norfolk Yacht & Country Club on Saturday of Labor Day Weekend came right on the heels of Hurricane Earl. Nevertheless, some did race and the fleet winners were: PHRF B (2 boats) - Harry Tenney, *Margarita*; PHRF Non-Spin (3 boats) - Leo Wardrup, *Black Widow*; Cruising (5 boats) - Bill Ripley, *Obsession*. Race Chairman - Bob Hume.

MURPHY'S LAW: *IGOR!* They've named the current tempest from the tropics *IGOR!*. Pretty scary! *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, is scared enough by the first name - that being *Hurricane*, as in *Hurricane Igor*. YIKES! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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