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Try sailing - it's NOT easy! - Bill Schanen, SAILING Magazine

CHESAPEAKE BAY LASER MASTER CHAMPION IS JOHN BERTRAND. Bertrand (AYC) posted all bullets on a very blustery Saturday and a benign Sunday at the 29th annual event, held at Fishing Bay Yacht Club. Of the 43 racing Lasers, 8 were from the southern Bay. Of those 8, 4 finished in the Top 20 - James Jacob (FBYC-3rd overall), Ron Thompson (11th overall), Len Guenther (FBYC-16th overall), Henry Amthor (HYC-19th overall). Also, sailing from the southern Bay were Mike Toms (FBYC), Jay Vann, John Hubbard (FBYC), Jeremy Waters (FBYC), and Richard Biggs. For a detailed review of the regatta by Jon Deutsch and results please go to www.fbyc.net. Race Chairmen: Sharon and Ric Bauer.

COMING THIS WEEKEND! 'Round the Lights Race, Saturday, October 23. OPEN TO ALL. Starts for PHRF A, B, and C, PHRF Non-Spin (double headsails allowed), and Cruising classes. For info and to enter, please check out the host club's, Old Point Comfort Yacht Club, website: www.opcyc.org. Warning signal will be 0955, Saturday, October 23d. The start and finish line: Between the orange flag on the OPC Marina dock and G"3" Phoebus Channel mark. The Course: Around both Thimble Shoals and Middle Ground Lighthouses, in any order, and in any direction. The Round The Lights race is sanctioned event number 430 for 2010 CBYRA High Point awards. Please contact John Lones (483-7901) or Mark Wolfe (989-5064), if you have any questions. So, you don't have to decide *yet* what YOUR COURSE will be, but you do have to enter. Get on it! This is a great race with a different twist!

BOB BEGGS, winner of The Times Clipper 2000 Round the World Race will be Hampton Yacht Club for a special presentation from 6pm to 8pm on Monday, October 25th. There is no charge for admission. Beggs is well know as an ocean singlehander with an extensive sailing resume. He plans to sail his 31 footer from here to Plymouth, England, this Fall. The boat will be at HYC later this week. Everyone is welcome at this presentation. Meet and greet a legendary sailor and check out the boat he plans to sail across the "Pond". Bluewater sailors, this is for you!

Something fishy went on Columbus Day. While most sailors were *sailing* to honor Christopher, one sailing couple, **Dave and Phil Alexander** (Dave races J22, *Don't Be Blue*) headed out to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel and, in Dave's words, "... put 5 Tautog in the box (one just shy of citation) and then Phil landed a nice Sheepshead!" The Alexanders proved once again that there are all sorts of ways to celebrate holidays, but the best ways are on the water!

The unconfirmed rumor that Rod Stewart was on the CCV Fall Series race committee signal boat Sunday before this past remains unconfirmed. Updates as sightings are reported. "Wake up, Maggie! . . . "

A Turkey Wrap: The 2010 Hospice Turkey Shoot Regatta - 92 of the 120 who entered actually raced this year. They were blessed with a reward for patience on Saturday, when, after a delay, a 10-15 knot blast came down the Rappahannock and provided for great 'round the buoys racing. However, the racers had to struggle to find a breath on Sunday during the pursuit race. Three finished cleanly and beat the time limit. The winner of the Lightning Division (PHRF boats), and, therefore, the event representative to the National Hospice Invitational in the Spring, is Joe Waters, Birthday Party. Joe won in a tiebreaker over Bob Fleck in Horizon. Third place in the PHRF fleet was Billy McCarty, Aerwana. Overall winner of the Flying Cloud Division (non-PHRF, courtesy ratings) was Michael Chesser, Scuba Kat. All of the fleet winners are posted in the complete results at http://www.turkeyshootregatta.com Principal Race Officer - Dwight Timm; Event Chairman - John McConnico

WHARF RAT Crew Awarded US SAILING Hanson Medals for Chesapeake Bay Rescue. From US SAILING comes the following account:

"A crew that rescued five people from Chesapeake Bay were awarded Arthur B. Hanson Rescue Medals by the US SAILING Safety-at-Sea Committee for the seamanship displayed by their crews.

On the night of July 17, 2010, Larry Vazzano (Mt. Airy, Md.) and his crew of three in the CS 40 *Wharf Rat* were powering home to Pasadena, Md., from the Solomons Island Invitational Regatta. Soon after passing under the

Bay Bridge at 11:00 p.m., they heard screams for help and spotted a waving navigation light. Vazzano quickly throttled back and cautiously drove towards their light where they saw two men and a 12-year-old boy clinging to a capsized boat.

Vazzano initiated a Mayday, deployed the boat's Lifesling rescue device astern at the end of its line, and circled around the overturned 14-foot powerboat. The two men grabbed the line and were pulled to the boat, where they came aboard by climbing the stern boarding ladder. Wharf Rat then retrieved the boy from the boat with a throw rope. He was the only one of the five wearing a life jacket. The incident was caused when a wave capsized their boat. The crew learned that others were still in the water, and they spotted a woman and a man clinging to a cooler. A rescue helicopter arrived overhead as a police boat from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources picked up the remaining two in the water and the three others on Wharf Rat. After three hours in the water, they were treated for mild hypothermia and shock."

RACING COMING UP IN NOVEMBER-DECEMBER: All are OPEN TO ALL! Get out your

<u>fuzzies and your long-johns!</u>

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October 30
              Saturday FBYC Closing Day - Staggered Start Race, www.fbyc.net
October 31
              Sunday
                        HYC Frostbite Series
                                             Dick Boykin, (757) 890-0093
November 6
              Saturday BBSA - Willoughby Hot Buttered Rum Race, Scott Almond, (757) 471-2663
November 6
              Saturday FBYC Frostbite Racing www.fbyc.net
November 6
             Saturday CNU Sailing Team Oyster Roast, (610) 417-5529
                              DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
November 7
              Sunday
November 7
              Sunday
                        HYC Frostbite Series
                                             Dick Bovkin. (757) 890-0093
November 11 Thursday
                              VETERANS DAY
November 13
             Saturday CCV AWARDS PARTY AND YEAR END BASH, Steve and Jenn Taylor, (757) 722-
7861
                                              Dick Boykin, (757) 890-0093
November 14
             Sunday
                        HYC Frostbite Series
November 21
             Sunday
                        HYC Frostbite Series
                                              Dick Boykin, (757) 890-0093
November 25 Thursday
                             THANKSGIVING DAY
November 28
             Sunday
                        HYC Frostbite Series
                                             Dick Boykin, (757) 890-0093
December 5
                        Gaboon Race
                                              Phil Briggs, (757) 723-5477, (757) 719-0386
              Sunday
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Watch for SBRNYCU, issue #514, Monday, October 25, for upcoming workshops and clinics.

Collegiate Update: Christopher Newport University will be traveling to Hobart/WmSmith in Geneva, NY for the Fall championship, the War Memorial. CNU earned their berth at Georgetown weekend before this past. CNU Assistant Coach Kate McClintock took the team to Georgetown because Head Coach Dan Winters was needed at home to oversee the installation of the new roof on the CNU Sailing Center. No more drips on the CNU team - they can save their drysuits for when they are racing.

MURPHY'S LAW: Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, did some "lake sailing" in New Hampshire over the weekend. Saw a Hobie 16 sailor single handing, hull a-flyin', in a very stiff breeze on very cold water. He was bundled up-dry suited, hooded, gloved, and every other piece of cold weather gear you can think of. He did fine... but imagine how much better and happier he would be here on our southern Bay in surfer shorts and suntan lotion! ./S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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