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

Labor Day Weekend cometh – go racing!!! Labor Day Weekend options (Fri, Aug 30th – Mon, Sep 2nd):

STINGRAY POINT REGATTA – Opens with distance race (scored separately from Saturday and Sunday racing) on Friday August 30th in **Fishing Bay/Deltaville**. Two days of round-the-buoy racing on Saturday and Sunday. For info, details, and to enter go to www.fbyc.net and click on the event listing. Organizing Authority is Fishing Bay Yacht Club.

CBYRA ANNAPOLIS RACE WEEK – Opens Saturday, Aug 31st, with racing through Monday, Sept 2nd in **Annapolis**. Click on www.cbyra.org for info on the event and how to enter. CBYRA offers this event headquartered in downtown Annapolis.

DINK VAIL REGATTA – Racing on Sunday, September 1st only in **Hampton Roads/Norfolk**. The start/finish will be in the vicinity of Norfolk Harbor Reach, R "10". This race is part of the BBSA administered Southern Bay Distance Racing Series. ***** **Free Dockage at NYCC on August 31 and September 1, 2013, for all entrants******* Contact: **Jeff Heller, 757-615-0680, jjheller@verizon.net** or NYCC: 423-4500. Harbormaster: 286-1752. For additional information regarding the race, dockage, event socials, etc., please click on www.norfolkyacht.com Norfolk Yacht and Country Club sponsors this annual event.

Cape Charles Cup action was captured by event photographer Dave Baxter. Check it out at <http://www.dbxaterphotography.com/Galleries/Pages/CapeCharlesRace2013.html>

To Fiddler's Green. Major General Robert "Bob" Wagner passed away August 14th in Smithfield. Bob, as he preferred to be called by fellow sailors, raced his boat *Sea Slipper* on the southern Bay. He sailed out of Old Point Comfort Yacht Club. He was a graduate of VMI, 57', and served our nation for 33 years in the U.S. Army. His many awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star with V device and 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Vietnamese Cross for Gallantry. Bob's accomplishments, both while in the military and on the civilian side upon retirement, are many and varied. A funeral at Arlington National Cemetery is being planned. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the VMI Foundation Center for Leadership and Ethics.

PLANTATION LIGHT RACE has perfect night. Eleven (11) boats took advantage of the perfect summer night sailing conditions Saturday evening into Sunday to do the non-stop night race from Hampton Roads harbor to Plantation Light, over to the western shore and back to the harbor. PHRF A and PHRF B classes did the 58.9 nm course while the PHRF C boats went 46.1nm. Principal Race Officer, Bob Thomas said everyone was back and finished by 6am Sunday morning. **RESULTS:PHRF A (4 boats) – 1.Christian Schaumlöffel, Mirage (Hobie 33); 2.Gene Thayer, Pterodactyl (Evelyn 42); 3.John and Bev Blais, Stardancer (Bene 36.7). PHRF B (2 boats) – 1.Ben Cuker, Callinectes (Cal 30). PHRF C (5 boats) – Neil Ford and Lis Biondi, Rocket J (J24); 2.Justin Morris, The Hunter (Hunter 26.5); 3.Ben Carter, Mizmo(J24).** Sponsored by Hampton Yacht Club.

SMITH POINT RACE in the books. Twelve (12) boats raced Saturday evening off the Rappahannock River area in the Fishing Bay Yacht Club annual Smith Point Race. **RESULTS: PHRF A (2 boats) – 1.Alex Alvis, Chilcoat. PHRF B (4 boats) – 1.Bob Fleck, Mad Hatter; 2.Miles Booth, Shenanigan; 3.Eric Powers, Neried. PHRF C (2 boats) -1.Lew Thatcher, Catitude. PHRF Non-Spin (4 boats) – 1.Doug Anderson, Red Sky; 2.George Burke, Reville; 3.Michael Shaner, Sherpa.** Principal Race Officer– Case Whittemore.

Emory and Caitlin Nemeth return from Tasar Worlds at Columbia River Gorge. Emory said that they got to "... witness an awesome place to sail, ... placed last, but in fun factor we were first. We met all the great minds that make up the fleet and were able to attend the general meeting which is held at the worlds. The last two days we had to call it because of too much breeze for us. The Americans won top three places, Anthony Boscolo and Haley Lane won the championship with a thirty-five year old boat that he found tucked away in somebody's yard for \$500!" If you want to know something about a Tasar performance dinghy, talk to Emory and or Caitlin.

FLYING SCOTS GATHERING - From **Rappahannock River Flying Scot Fleet Captain Rick Peterson** comes a reminder that the **Flying Scot Fall Series** - OPEN TO ALL - began yesterday (Aug 25th) and **will continue on Sundays September 8 & 15, and October 6**, with a make-up (if necessary) on October 27. The Scots will be racing at Rappahannock River Yacht Club on the same course as the Typhoons, but with separate starts. The races are followed by a social gathering for all participants on the RRYC porch. First race warning is at 1300. **NOTE:** The Flying Scot is an ideal "one design" sloop, normally sailed by a two person crew. With a roomy and comfortable cockpit, it is fun and exciting to sail both as a racer or family daysailer. Many crews are composed of husband and wife or parent-child teams. If you have access to a Flying Scot, or would like to use the RRYC Scot, or perhaps just crew for another, give **Fleet Captain Rick Peterson** a call at cell - (804)356-8941 or office - 804-353-3051.

And, remember, Hampton's BAY DAYS FESTIVAL (Sep 6-8) and the **HAMPTON ANNUAL MIDDLE GROUND LIGHT RACE** (Saturday, Sept 7th) are the **weekend following Labor Day**– racing is on Saturday, September 7th, in Hampton Roads Harbor. Entry deadline is Friday, September 6th. The actual course will be posted on the race committee signal boat. **HOWEVER**, one mark of the posted course will be Middle Ground Lighthouse. There is racing for all PHRF classes as well as a Cruising fleet. The first warning is scheduled for 1030 (10:30am) with a Time Limit of 1600 (4pm) hours. So, everyone can get off the race course in time to enjoy post-race crabs and beer on the HYC dock and the Bay Days festivities, including fireworks. Trophies for this event will be presented at the HYC Annual Awards Night on December 3rd. For information and/or to enter, please contact John McCarthy at 757-850-4225. NOR available at www.hamptonyc.com click on "2013 HYC Sponsored Keelboat Racing Events" (right column).

COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER:

Aug 30 – Sep 2	Labor Day Weekend events – see listing above in this issue
Sep 7 Sat	Hampton Annual-Middle Ground Light Race, HYC – John McCarthy, 757-850-4225
Sep 7 Sat	Fall Regatta, YPRCC – Warren Hottle, 804-462-5530
Sep 7-8 Sat-Sun	Chesapeake Bay Laser Masters Championships –Jon Deutsch, 804-305-1244
Sep 14 Sat	York River Cup, YRYC – Dan Fox, 703-414-9549
Sep 14 Sat	Wolf Trap Race, FBYC – www.fbyc.net
Sep 14 Sat	Serio Regatta/J24 OD racing, HYC – www.hamptonyc.com
Sep 15 Sun	Fall Series (Races 1 & 2), CCV – John McCarthy, 757-850-4225
Sep 21 Sat	Fall Series (Day #1), FBYC – www.fbyc.net
Sep 21 Sat	HR SUNFISH CHALLENGE AND DISTANCE DINGHYRACE – Jonathan Romero, 757-285-6017
Sep 21-22	Rappahannock Cup, RRYC – www.rryc.org
Sep 22 Sun	Fall Series (Race 3, middle distance), CCV – John McCarthy, 757-850-4225
Sep 28 Sat	Neptune's Atlantic Regatta, BBSA – Jerry Pattenaude, 757-543-3029
Sep 28 Sat	Moonlight Race, YRYC - Dan Fox, 703-414-9549
Sep 29 Sun	Singlehand Race, HYC – Michelle Garn – 757-713-8077
Sep 29 Sun	Fall Series (Day #2), FBYC – www.fbyc.net
Sep 29 Sun	Frostbite Series opens, YRYC - Dan Fox, 703-414-9549
Oct 2 Wed	Octoberfest Series opens, CCV – Christian Schaumlöffel, 757-496-3590
Oct 5 Sat	Willoughby Memorial Regatta, BBSA/Willoughby racers – www.broadbaysailing.org
Oct 5 Sat	Commodores Cup, RRYC – www.rryc.org
Oct 5 Sat	Fall Series (Day #3), FBYC – www.fbyc.net
Oct 6 Sat	Fall Series (Races 4 & 5), CCV – John McCarthy, 757-850-4225

MURPHY'S LAW: On long overnight races like Plantation Light and Smith Point, a lot of pondering goes on on the rail. *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, was moved to wonder, "What if the Hokey Pokey IS what it's all about?" /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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