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### **HAMPTON ANNUAL MIDDLE GROUND LIGHT RACE – Racers race and post-race crabs are steamed!**

Twenty-four (24) boats rounded Middle Ground Light Saturday and completed the annual Hampton “big boat” race sponsored by Hampton Yacht Club on Bay Days Festival Weekend. The racers faced dire predictions of 2 knot breezes and huge current, but it didn’t turn out that way. The moderate 6-8 knots stayed through the morning to mid afternoon and it turned out to be a beautiful, sunny day on the water. Principal Race Officer John McCarthy said, “Everyone got to Middle Ground Light and everyone got off the course in time for the great crab and beer party. It was a wonderful day!” **RESULTS: PHRF A (7 boats) – 1. Dave Eberwine, Sea Star, J36; 2. Martin Casey, Bow Down, Olson 30; 3. Phil Briggs, Feather, J36. PHRF B (5 boats) – 1. Greg Cutter, Gremlin, Elliott 770; 2. Rusty Burshell, Cool Change, J30; 3. Ben Weeks/Michele Cochran, Rumble, J29. PHRF C (6 boats) – 1. Alan Bomar, roundabout, J24; 2. Justin Morris, The Hunter, Hunter 26.5; 3. Neil Ford/Lis Biondi, Rocket J, J24. PHRF Non-Spin (4 boats) – 1. Ben Cuker, Callinectes, Cal 3 -30; 2. Leo Wardrup, Black Widow, Irwin 36; 3. CT Tiller, Boogity 3, J27. Cruising Fleet (2 boats)– 1. Rose Hobart, Wine Taster (HYC), Sonar 23.**

**CHESAPEAKE BAY LASER MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA. Bob Tan (SSA) is 2013 Chesapeake Bay Laser Masters Champion.** Forty-two “seasoned Laser racers” took part in the annual championship, hosted over the weekend by Fishing Bay Yacht Club. Of the fleet, which was divided into 4 standard age groups, 75% of the racers came from beyond southern Bay boundaries, the majority from Severn Sailing Association (SSA). Three local racers did particularly well: **Dan Herlihy** (FBYC) finished 2<sup>nd</sup> overall and 1<sup>st</sup> in his age group. **Henry Amthor** (HYC) was 10<sup>th</sup> overall and **Len Guenther** (FBYC) finished 13<sup>th</sup> overall. The regatta got off to a good start on Saturday with enough wind for 3 races, but on Sunday the land wind began to dwindle and after two races the fleet called it a day and a regatta. The traditional Saturday night dinner was prepared by Grand Master racer Alain Vincey - crabcakes and steak followed by fruit cobbler with ice cream with whipped cream. The special guest of honor, was former FBYC Laser Fleet Captain, prior event chairman, past FBYC commodore and masters sailor **David Hazlehurst**. Event Chairman - Jon Deutsch; Principal Race Officer – Rick Klein. Complete results are at the Fishing Bay YC website.

**CCV FALL SERIES opens on THIS COMING Sunday, Sep 15<sup>th</sup>. DAY 1** - races #1 and #2 (of the 5 race series), drop mark courses. All PHRF fleets as well as a Cruising fleet. First Warning Signal is 1030. All Series racing will be in Hampton Roads harbor. The Series is open to all. CCV Members who have a “*racing membership*” are automatically entered; all others must submit a CBYRA standard entry form and fee (\$35 per day - \$30 for US Sailing members)– Make check payable to CCV. Day 2 (Sep 22<sup>nd</sup>– race #3, single mid-distance race); Day 3 (Oct 6 – races #4 and #5, drop mark courses). To enter mail entry form and fees to:

John McCarthy, CCV Fall Series, 4401 Chesapeake Avenue, Hampton, VA 23669. Entry due day prior to race day. **For info, contact John McCarthy at (757) 850-4225.**

**WOLF TRAP RACE, Saturday, Sep 14<sup>th</sup>**. This is part of the Fishing Bay YC Long Distance Series. All PHRF fleets as well as a Cruising fleet. PHRF Non-Spin is single headsail only. For Notice of Race, entry, and details click on [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net)

**YORK RIVER CUP, Saturday, Sep 14<sup>th</sup>**. Racing for PHRF class as well as Cruising fleet. For information on the race and to enter, please contact Dan Fox at (703) 414-9549.

**RACING FOR THE AMERICA'S CUP GOT UNDERWAY THIS PAST WEEKEND.** This coming week races are scheduled for Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday with more to follow, possibly through September 23<sup>rd</sup>, depending on who wins the best of 17 series and when, etc. There are plenty of actual racing and TV viewing schedules posted on the web, so, just Google America's Cup. Be aware, not all schedules are shown as EASTERN TIME.

**King Neptune wants YOU! NEPTUNE'S ATLANTIC REGATTA (Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>)**. This is the only southern Bay big boat race that *finishes in the Atlantic Ocean off the Virginia Beach Ocean Front*. Skippers' meeting/welcome party at The Raven (Atlantic Ave, VAB) on Friday night; race starts off Little Creek and finishes off of 24th Street at Virginia Beach; *complimentary docking* in Rudee Inlet for the racers; private catered post-race party at the Old Coast Guard Station in front of the 24th Street Stage during the Neptune Festival's Boardwalk Weekend - former lead singer of Bad Company will be performing and Fireworks show off the beach. All good stuff! Entries are due by 1500 on September 24<sup>th</sup> – ON-LINE entry is available. For details on the event and to enter, click on [www.broadbaysailing.org](http://www.broadbaysailing.org) or **contact event chairman Jerry Pattenau** at (757) 543-3029. Enter as soon as you can – it really helps event planners to know you are coming.

**GOBBLE! GOBBLE! HOSPICE TURKEY SHOOT REGATTA (Oct 12-13) reminder - \$10 entry fee discount last day is Sunday, Sept 15<sup>th</sup>**. Also, racers who want their **boat name listed on the event T-shirt**, must entry by the 15<sup>th</sup>. The event has moved to Rappahannock River YC this year. For info and to enter just Google *Hospice Turkey Shoot Regatta 2013*. OR, contact co-chairmen Tom Chapman (804) 577-3202, Dwight Timm (804) 462-7119, or Jerry Latell (804) 776-6151.

**MURPHY'S LAW:** *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, has been wondering just who is responsible for all the whiz bang and very expensive technology so key to the America's Cup races. It is awesome – lines on the water, warning lights on the boats, helicopters tracking the boats, and so much more. The man in charge is Stan Honey, Director of Technology, America's Cup Event Authority. So, a word to the wise, if you hand Stan a "HONEY DO LIST", he's gonna do it in fine fashion, but it won't be cheap! *Kudos to Mr. Honey. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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