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IT'S OFFICIAL – FALL BEGINS THIS COMING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND.

FLYING SCOT ATLANTIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS. Rob Whittemore and crew John Wake are the 2013 Flying Scot Atlantic Coast Champions! The duo had a string of 1-1-2-1-1 for the two day, 5 race regatta held at Toms River YC in New Jersey this past weekend. Twenty-one boats sailed in the championship fleet. Also racing were **Len Guenther**(5th overall) and **Jay Buhl**(11th overall). All three southern Bay boats sail out of Fishing Bay Yacht Club.

WOLF TRAP RACE. Twenty-five (25) boats filled with skippers and crew completed the 25 mile distance race on Saturday, before dark, most between 4 and 5pm, logging 5 to 6 hours on the water. The Wolf Trap Race is one of the Fishing Bay YC Long Distance Series events. **RESULTS: PHRF A (8 boats, 1 dnf) – 1.Craig Wright, Afterthought; 2.Rob Whittet, Wavelength; 3.Sam Mitchener, Double Eagle. PHRF B (6 boats) – 1.Bob Fleck, Mad Hatter; 2.Dennis Hannick, Goin'; 3.Miles Booth, Shenanigan. PHRF C (4 boats) – 1.Paul Wash, Cheeky Monkey; 2.Russ Collins, Morningtide; 3.Lew Thatcher, Catitude. PHRF Non-Spin (6 boats) – 1.Mike Dale, Juggernaut; 2.Douglas Anderson, Red Sky; 3.Michael Shaner, Sherpa. Cruising (2 boats)– 1.Bruce Brooks, Superstition.** Principal Race Officer– Brooks Zerkel.

CCV FALL SERIES (Day 1): No racing Sunday– insufficient wind. Day 2 of the Fall Series is scheduled for this coming Sunday, September 22, a single middle-distance race in the harbor. For info and/or to enter, please contact John McCarthy, 757-850-4225.

HAMPTON ROADS SUNFISH CHALLENGE & DINGHY DISTANCE RACE is THIS SATURDAY, September 21st. The course will be from the Willoughby Harbor Marina seawall to Middle Ground Lighthouse and back; this is a change from previous years. The official Notice of Race is available at the event website – www.hrsunfishrace.com – as well as an official entry form and on-line registration format. Contact Jonathan Romero at (757) 285-6017 NOR lists Mill Creek Boat Club as Organizing Authority. Fleets are building right now – get your name on the list and your boat on the line!!

On the Rappahannock River this coming weekend:

**** Fishing Bay YC Fall Series opens on Saturday, Sep 21 – www.fbyc.net**

**** RRYC and YPRCC members will contest their Rappahannock River Cup, hosted by RRYC, Saturday-Sunday, Sep 21-22**

SAVE THE DATE. US SAILING ONE-DAY RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR – Sunday, February 16, 2014, at Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton Virginia. This is for US Sailing Race Officer certification, re-certification, brushing up on race committee skills, and/or developing race committee knowledge. The course will be led by John McCarthy, US Sailing National Judge, Regional Race Officer, and certified course instructor. Stay tuned for details, registration information and costs, etc.

ARRRGGGGGH!!! PIRATES PACK THE PARK – THIS COMING SATURDAY, September 21st
The Mariner's Museum Pirate Festival in the Park – the official pirate count for the official Guinness World Records will be at 2PM. The Festival in the Park is 10am to 5pm. Go to TMM's event website – it is easy to “dress as a pirate” for the official count picture. Then, The Mariners' Museum Annual Fundraiser PIRATE GALA is in the evening. At the GALA enjoy food and beverages, celebrity pirate appearances (maybe Blackbeard will pull himself together for the party!), music by Rusty Cutless and Party Fins. Menu includes Slow Roasted Whole Leg “Steamship” of Beef, Picked and Pulled Pig, Atlantic Red Crabs and more. Dress is semi-formal or pirate costume. For GALA details, ticket prices, and details check out TMM website. Hurry and make your ressesies TODAY. www.piratespackthepark.org

More on Stan Honey, Director of Technology, America's Cup Event Authority. Last week *Murphy, the Racing Beagle*, mentioned Stan Honey and his vision of and responsibility for all the electronic wonder of the America's Cup. Among the tidbits that came to *SBRNYCU* in response was mention of the fact that he invented the yellow first down line for football presentations on TV and mobile devices. And, no surprise, he is a master yachtsman steeped in sailboat racing, including having been navigator on *Pyewacket* for Roy Disney. Readers will not have to dig very deep to find a plethora of information about this most interesting, respected and well liked man and his accomplishments on the water and in the ultra “technosphere”.

Heads-Up! NEPTUNE'S ATLANTIC REGATTA is just around the corner - Saturday, September 28. Race to the Virginia Beach Oceanfront and enjoy the Neptune Festival Boardwalk Weekend! 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 24th**– ON-LINE entry is available. For details on the event and to enter, **click on www.broadbaysailing.org or contact event chairman Jerry Pattenau** at (757) 543-3029

MURPHY'S LAW: A *Murphy, the Racing Beagle*, thought: "Never be afraid to try something new. Remember, amateurs built the Ark. Professionals built the Titanic." /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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