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FEATHER, BLACK WIDOW, CALLINECTES, and SEEKER win fleets in 2016 Moonlight Triangle Race. The consensus among racers in the Moonlight Triangle is that it was a nice night to race and the cool, southern Chesapeake Bay was pleasant place to be. The PHRF A and PHRF B fleets sailed at 21.7 nm course, while the PHRF C and PHRF Non-Spin fleets went 14.8 nm. Breezes were light-ish to moderate, (7 to 10 knts most of the way) and all of the boats finished before 10pm. **Phil Briggs'** J36, *Feather*, chose to "go to the beach" and picked up valuable time in that current and corrected to first in the largest fleet. **Ian Hill's** *Sitella* was first to finish the longer course, but corrected to third place when all was said and done. In all, 22 boats started the race and all finished. RESULTS: PHRF A (11 boats): 1.**Phil Briggs**, *Feather*; 2.**John Blais**, *Stardancer*; 3.**Ian Hill**, *Sitella*. PHRF B (6 boats): 1.**Ken Copeland [w/ Gade and Girardin]**, *Black Widow*; 2.**Ben Weeks & Michele Cochran**, *Rumble*; 3.**Bob Archer**, *Bad Habit*. PHRF C (2 boats): 1.**Ben Cuker**, *Callinectes*; 2.**Alan Bomar**, *roundabout*. PHRF NonSpin (3 boats): 1.**Alan Johnson**, *Seeker*; 2.**Bob Howell**, *Pegasus*; 3.**John Wandling**, *Pisces*. Principal Race Officer-Richard Payne; Official Scorer-John Ritter.

There were **two dad-son sets** on *Sitella* in the Moonlight Triangle Race Saturday night. **Scott Almond and his son Michael (9) and Jamie Collins and his son Carter (15)** were all members of the crew on Ian Hill's XP 42. Carter is a sophomore at Granby High and has recently taken an interest in sailing, Michael sails recreationally with his dad on their beach cat and attends a junior program each summer, while maintaining a keen interest in basketball during the winter.

HYC ANNUAL MASTERS RACE – THIS COMING SATURDAY, JULY 30th The Masters Race now has racing for all ages – young and old, neophytes and experienced, whippersnappers and old dogs. No spinnakers, no double headsail rigs, single headsail only. In addition to the **Masters Fleet** (everyone on the boat must be 60 years old or better and the boat must be 10 years old or better), newly added is the **Youngsters Fleet** (skippers, crew, and boats can be *any* age). **Each fleet will receive appropriate place awards.** And, the winner of the Masters Fleet will receive the **Masters Trophy**. Also, the new **Grand Masters Trophy** will be awarded to the Masters Fleet boat with the crew averaging the oldest (and wisest) in age. Free beer, soft drinks, and munchies for racers in the HYC Dockside Lounge after the race. Entry form and fee (\$25 / \$30 for non-USSA members) due by 11:30am on race day. Mail or bring entry to: Race Committee (Tom Brady Masters Race), Hampton Yacht Club, 4707 Victoria Boulevard, Hampton 23669 SKIPPERS MEETING-high noon, HYC lounge, on race day; courses, starting times, and fleet splits (if any) will be announced at this time. Notice of Race available at <http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/HYC-Circulars-Masters-2016.pdf> Awards will be presented at the HYC Annual Awards Night on December 6th. Bring crew, family and friends – this is going to be a summer highlight! **THIS RACE IS FOR KEELBOATS AND IS OPEN TO ALL.**

Recently, a southern Bay racer suggested it might be fun to pull together a list of the **"Top 10 Things Crew Say When it is Hot, There is No Air, and Everyone is Crunched on the Leeward Rail, or the Dogs are in the House"**. It has been decided, however, that most suggestions would have to be eliminated from publication owing to salty, unprintable language almost all such comments would contain. Well, just think about it!

Wolcott is overall winner of the Lightning Atlantic Coast Championship. Gordon Wolcott (Virginia Beach), along with crew Lizzie Chambers (Mooresville, NC) and Chris Stessing (Buffalo, NY) won the tiebreaker for 1st overall in the 5 race Lightning ACC's held at Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina. Noteworthy is the fact that the winning team is a part of the Lightning Class' 2016 Boat Grant Program, designed to fund young sailors who want to compete in the Lightning Class. Forty-six (46) boats raced in the July 15-17 event.

OLYMPIC SAILING venue opened at the Rio Games yesterday, July 24. Racing will begin on August 6th. World Sailing has a results link all set up and ready to go as soon as the racing begins.

<http://www.sailing.org/olympics/resultscentre.php> For one of the best sources for Olympic Sailing information, leading up to, during, and post-wrap, Google *Scuttlebutt Sailing News* and enjoy.

COMING IN AUGUST TO A RACE COURSE NEAR YOU!

Aug 6 YRYC Singlehand Race
Aug 6 FBYC Southern Bay Governors Cup (start)
Aug 13-14 BBSA Cape Charles Cup, Randy Goodman 7557-348-7921
Aug 13-14 FBYC 77th Annual One-Design Regatta www.fbyc.net
Aug 17 YPRCC Fall Wednesday Night Series begins
Aug 19 NYCC Fall Friday Night Racing opens
Aug 20 HYC Plantation Light Race, <http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/HYC-Circulars-Plantation-Light-2016.pdf>
Aug 20 FBYC Smith point Race www.fbyc.net
Aug 24 RRYC Typhoon Fall Series Opens www.rryc.org
Aug 27 CCV Founders Race Bob Thomas, 757-898-9407
Aug 28 HYC Singlehand Race, Michelle Garn, 757-713-8077
Sep 2-4 FBYC 22nd Annual Stingray Point Regatta www.fbyc.net

Bert Sanford, Norfolk Yacht & Country Club, finished 2nd overall in the 2016 Sunfish Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships hosted by Old Point Comfort Yacht Club this past weekend. Other southern Bay Sunfish sailors racing were **Frank Patch** (4th overall) of Hampton Roads Sailing Association, and **Grant Simmons**, Sail Nauticus, **Tim Etherington**, OPCYC, and **Ken Damon**, OPCYC, who were 8th thru 10th overall respectively. Champion of the regatta was John Butine, Lake Norman Yacht Club. The 10 boat fleet raced Saturday and Sunday in 7 races, Principal Race Officer – Jonathan Romero.

13th Annual Leo Wardrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup (LWMCCC) is August 13th & 14th. Easy online entry available at www.CCCup.net Two days of racing and three great parties. Between races spend Saturday night in beautiful Cape Charles, VA, on the Eastern Shore. **Race registration closes at 3 PM on August 8th. Skipper's meeting on Friday 12 August at 6:30 PM, Bay Point Marina, Norfolk, VA.** The 2016 CCCup fleet is building fast with 84 boats currently entered (44 in Cruising, 5 in Multihull and 35 in the various PHRF Fleets). The Cape Charles Cup is the southern Bay racing weekend for August – don't miss it!

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, thinks racing this past weekend in temperatures above the mid 90s, which felt like 100+ degrees (and even hotter downwind), should qualify as a special weight reduction program. A whole lot of pounds were melted off racers, including the Murphster. So, maybe the IRS will allow you to claim summer racing as a medicinal dietary procedure – yeah. . . right! Ahoooo! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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