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SITELLA wins ORC Fleet at Annapolis Fall Regatta. The AFR was intended to be a 3 day regatta but, Saturday was blown out. As was the case at a number of other events on the Chesapeake Bay, Saturday offered 30+ knots and would have made racing more of a survival test than a meaningful competition. The regatta included a 22nm distance race on Friday, no racing on Saturday, and windward-leewards on Sunday. Eighteen (18) of the 20 entries raced. **Ian Hill along with the crew of *Sitella* (XP44), Martin Casey, Jimmy Hardesty, Austin Meincke, Chad Wilkins, Jermiah Dull, Kris Korpman, RJ DeMattia, Sam Nuebert, Sean Henry, Chuck Eberwine, and Mark Wheeler** had a string of 3 (distance race)-3-1-2-2 to win the 6 boat ORC fleet. The regatta was presented by the Storm Trysail Club Chesapeake Station.

2016 FROSTBITE SERIES, this coming SUNDAY, Oct 30th. This is the granddaddy of frostbite series on the southern Chesapeake Bay. Hampton Yacht Club presents this series which runs on 5 consecutive Sundays beginning Oct 30. Racing is in Hampton Roads Harbor with the starting line in the proximity of CCV Harbor Mark "H". The course is around fixed marks. All PHRF classes and Cruising Fleet boats are invited to race. First warning will be at 1200, high noon. TO ENTER: \$60 (USSA member) \$70 (non-USSA member) for the entire Series; OR \$25 /\$30 per race. Entries are due the day before race day. Mail entry to: Race Committee (Fall Series), Hampton Yacht Club, 4707 Victoria Blvd, Hampton, VA 23669. FROSTBITE SERIES IS OPEN TO ALL. For information contact Brian Deibler (757) 715-8977. For NOR click on <http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/HYC-Circulars-Frostbite-2016.pdf> Daily awards will be presented in the HYC Lounge following each race. Series awards will be presented at HYC Awards Night on December 6th.

Hokulea visiting our corner of the world. Because we live on the Eastern Seaboard and the Chesapeake Bay, we are often treated to visits by craft and people from afar. Right now at The Mariners' Museum (Newport News, VA) the *Hokulea*, the ambassador [ocean, sailing] canoe from Hawaii, is on the hard, preparing for her sail back to Hawaii through the Panama Canal. She will leave Newport News on November 8th. This is the first trip for this distinctive boat outside the Pacific Ocean. While near the Bay and in close proximity to the Atlantic coast, the crew will be accompanied by an escort vessel with modern navigation equipment and techniques. However, she sails the oceans using ancient Polynesian navigation techniques. For more information, videos, etc, click on www.hokulea.com

Collegiate sailors like to race on keelboats too. Two southern Bay racers, **Dixon Wilde** and **John Haracivet**, have welcomed members of the William & Mary sailing team on their boats for some time now. John Haracivet has had Tribe racers sail with him for more than 6 years. The youngsters have crewed on both John's previous boat, *Rider Midnight*, and his current boat, *Dixie Diva*. W & M sailors are often on Dixon's *Kingfisher* for Wednesday night as well as weekend races. There are four college teams in the immediate southern Bay area, and each has young people who would most likely appreciate the chance to be part of "big boat" crew. Find out by contacting the head sailing coach of: College of William & Mary, Old Dominion University, Hampton University, and/or Christopher Newport University.

CNU OYSTER ROAST. Saturday, November 5, 2016. Mark your calendar and purchase your tickets for the **Christopher Newport Foundation Sailing Foundation annual Oyster Roast and Alumni Regatta**. OPEN TO ALL – PROCEEDS SUPPORT CNU SAILING TEAM. Regatta during the day, OYSTER ROAST from 5pm to 10pm. Everyone is welcome at the OYSTER ROAST, which will be held at the CNU Sailing Center. Assorted side dishes, desserts, ales, soft drinks, wine by La Bodega of Hampton and *the very finest Virginia oysters* are included in the \$25 ticket. All proceeds will go toward the CNU Sailing Team's Fleet Replacement Program. For additional information and to purchase tickets early, click on <http://cnsailingfoundation.wixsite.com/cnsf/shop> or email sailingteam@cnu.edu

Another OEO (Oyster Eating Opportunity) the first weekend in November (5th and 6th) will be the HYC Fall Fling (one design incl J24). Contact Leigh Chapman 757-593-0250 for info.

MURPHY'S LAW: This weekend was a windy one. As is often said, "It was windy enough to blow dogs off chains". *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, opines that it was so windy, Saturday in particular, that any self-respecting dog would have stayed on the chain. . . to keep from becoming airborne. With ears like the Murphster's becoming airborne could result in a trip to another zip code (body type aside). Ahoooo! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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