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CCV 2016 HIGH POINT AWARDS were presented this past Saturday evening at the annual party. CCV skippers, crew and friends gathered at the Crowne Plaza ballroom in downtown Hampton to celebrate the occasion. A number of series and single race awards were presented, but the highlight of the evening was the announcement and presentation of the 2016 CCV HIGHPOINT AWARDS. These awards are based on each boat's performance over the summer long 9-event CCV schedule. 2016 HIGH POINT Award winners: PHRF A:1.Phil Briggs, Feather; 2.Will Roberts, Remedy; 3.Leroi Lissenden, Voodoo 2. PHRF B:1.Ben Weeks / Michele Cochran, Rumble; 2.Rusty Burshell, Cool Change. PHRF C:1.Alan Bomar, Roundabout; 2.Ben Cuker, Callinectes. PHRF Non-Spin:1.Jake Brodersen, Midnight Mistress. Special awards were also presented: Commodore's Award – Jay Matteson; Crew Person of the Year – Russell Brooks (Ganar!); Rookie Crew Person of the Year – Julie Savage (Callinectes); Sportsmanship Award – Rosemary and Stocky Hobart.

2016 Southern Bay Distance Racing Series awards were presented at the Saturday evening CCV soiree. This series is administered by Broad Bay Sailing Association and sponsored by BBSA, HYC, OPCYC, NYCC, and CCV. Several of the southern Bay distance races are included in the Series scoring. 2016 SBDRS award winners: PHRF A:1.lan Hill, Sitella; 2.Mary and Will Roberts, Remedy; 3.Christian Schaumloffel, Mirage. PHRF B:1.Bob Archer, Bad Habit; 2.Ben Weeks / Michele Cochran, Rumble; 3.Butch Patterson / Larry Boone, Schock Full o' Nuts. PHRF C:1.Ben Cuker, Callinectes; 2.Justin Morris, The Hunter. PHRF Non-Spin:1.Alan Johnson, Seeker; 2.Jay Thompson, Restless; 3.Bob Howell, Pegasus. Cruising:1.Jonathan Romero, Tempo; 2.Randy Goodman, Red Frog.

Racing begins day after tomorrow, Wednesday, at the International Viper 640 Championships in Bermuda. Keep your fingers crossed for the southern Bay (and beyond) contingent of Martin "Bubba" Casey (with Ian Hill, Samantha Ficksman, and Max Plarr), Mark Wheeler (with Kathy Wheeler, Jeremiah Dull and Morgan Silverman), David Furna (with Eddie Parker and Nick Lounsbury), and Steve Taylor (with Tom Fitzsimmons and Mike Gravitt). There are 42 Vipers entered in this regatta which is to be sailed in the waters of Bermuda's Great Sound, right where the America's Cup will be sailed in 2017. You can follow our "hometown heroes" at http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=1577

HYC Frostbite Series (Race #3). The race committee and thirteen (13) hopeful boats went out to play yesterday, Sunday, for the middle race of the HYC Frostbite Series. However, as optimistic as they all were, the 13 were not so lucky and after 4 attempted starts, an afternoon of socializing at the docks seemed the better option. The towel was thrown in. Series racing will continue this coming Sunday, November 20th, with Race #4 Hampton Yacht Club presents this series which runs on 5 consecutive Sundays beginning Oct 30 thru Nov 27. 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 https://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.

Early Reminder. **39**th **Gaboon Race will be on Sunday, December 4**th. Phil Briggs (*Feather*) is event coordinator of this wonderful race. Phil has run every one of these races and you can assume he knows what he's doing! It's a pursuit race (slower boats go first), that starts and finishes off the HYC docks in the Hampton River. The harbor course is pre-set.

Entries are due by 12:30 pm on race day. Registrations on race day in the HYC Lounge (starting times will be posted at this time). The first start time will be no earlier than 1:00pm. For NOR and entry information click on http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/HYC-Circulars-Gaboon-2016.pdf or call Phil at 757-723-5477.

MURPHY'S LAW: Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, has some good news for southern Bay racers. The federal government weather forecasters say our coming winter will feature a minimum amount of snow and rain. Well, let's hope they have it right! The Murphster is laying in a supply of frozen jerky-milk bone pizzas just in case. And, don't forget, stack up some sailing magazines that feature trips to tropical islands. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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