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HAPPY THANKSGIVING! **GOBBLE 'TIL YOU WOBBLE**

FROSTBITE #4 was bitten by low temperatures and high winds on the southern Bay. Sunday's racing was cancelled late Saturday when it became apparent that conditions would be untenable. The **final race (#5) for the HYC Frostbite Series is this coming Sunday, November 27th**. 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: Entry fee \$25 /\$30 (non-USAA) for the 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.

Special info for Race Committee-ers and those who would like to be on the RC. On Saturday, JANUARY 21, 2017, Fishing Bay Yacht Club will host the **US Sailing ONE DAY RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR at their clubhouse in Fishing Bay/Deltaville.** This seminar meets the requirements for US Sailing Race Officer certification (new and renewal) *and also is appropriate for anyone interested in participating on a Race Committee.* John McCarthy is the lead instructor and will be assisted by Jerry Thompson. For information please contact Jim Raper at (804) 307-3212 or jlraperjr@gmail.com On-Line registration and additional details are available at the US Sailing website. Go to the Race Management Seminars calendar at <http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/find-a-seminar/race-officer-seminar-calendar/> and scroll to Jan 21, 2017 at Fishing Bay. This is the only US Sailing ODRMS scheduled in the southern Bay area for 2017 and is centrally located so as to be convenient for all. Register early to guarantee yourself a spot.

Viper 640 International Championship Regatta. Four (4) teams with southern Bay ties completed in the 41-boat Viper International Championship Regatta in Bermuda last week. The competition was stiff and the adventure memorable. **Mark Wheeler** finished best among the southern Bay boats - 31st overall and 14th among Corinthians. Also racing, with Mark were **Kathy Wheeler, Jeremiah Dull and Morgan Silverman, skipper David Furna with Eddie Parker and Nick Lounsbury, skipper Steve Taylor with Tom Fitzsimmons and Mike Gravitt, and skipper Martin "Bubba" Casey with Ian Hill, Samantha Ficksman, and Max Plarr** For details click on <http://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1577>

39th Gaboon Race will be on Sunday, December 4th. 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. Registration is 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. HYC presents the annual Gaboon Race.

HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE. (Nov 12-13). Great results for Christchurch School and three southern bay high school sailors this past weekend in Rochester, NY on Lake Ontario where **Christchurch School won the ISSA Atlantic Coast Championship** in a fleet of twenty boats with a combined score of 94. Falmouth HS in Maine took 2nd with a score of 152

and Antilles High School from St. Thomas, USVI took third with a score of 157. **Boyd Bragg** from Irvington was the A skipper for all races. Eric DeMario from Kilmarnock crewed with Boyd for races 1-8 and Alara Sahin of Turkey crewed the final three races. They won the A division with a score of 2,1,1,8,1,1,11,11,3,4,3. **Benton Anthor** of York with the help of **Alara Sahin**, won the B division with a score of 2,2,2,1,3,3,4,10. Senior, **Austin Freda**, filled in for the final three races in the B division with crew, **Eric Demario**, for an 8,3,10.

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, is in racing beagle heaven right now. Granny O'Murphy already is in the kitchen cooking all the Thanksgiving Day fixin's, including the squirrel flavored stuffin' and the soup bone soufflé. There will, of course, be *rum* flavored holiday cake. And, best of all, will be the roast turkey sandwiches for the weekend Frostbite racing. Ya gotta be thankful for Thanksgiving. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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