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HAMPTON ONE-DESIGN (HOD) NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP and **FBYC 78TH ANNUAL ONE DESIGN REGATTA**. The HOD Nationals will start **THIS Friday, Aug 11** and go through **Sunday, Aug 13**. The FBYC 78th Annual One Design Regatta will begin **THIS Saturday, Aug 12th** and go through **Sunday, Aug 13th**. Both events are hosted by FBYC and will share the shore and the water. For details and registration go to www.fbyc.net.

PLANTATION LIGHT RACE: As night time distance races go, this one was memorable for what did *not* happen. From Saturday evening between 7 and 7:20 into the wee hours of Sunday morning there were not thunderstorms, no big ships blowing 5 blasts, no wild and woolly winds and seas. The mouth of the Chesapeake was as lovely as it gets in the summertime. Among the 13 boats there were some equipment failures, a tenacious crab pot, and a navigation mistake which caused individual retirements, but, other than that, the 2017 Plantation Light Race was in the books when the last boat to cross the finish line did so around 4:30 AM Sunday. RESULTS: PHRF A (5 boats) 1.**Ian Hill, Sitella**; 2.**Jim Bordeaux, Solstice**; 3.**Neil and Lis Ford, Danger Paws**. PHRF C (3 boats) 1.**Alan Bomar, Roundabout**; 2.**Ben Cuker, Callinectes**; 3.**Jeff Rogers, Halaha**. PHRF Non-Spin (5 boats) 1.**Jay Thompson, Restless**; 2.**Bill Ripley, Obsession**. Principal Race Officer – Bob Thomas.

VIRGINIA GOVERNORS CUP: Trent Levy wins the Virginia Governors Cup. Trent picked up the Cup by winning the largest fleet in the regatta. There were 14 Laser Radials racing at Ware River this past weekend. Eight classes were represented: Albacore (4), Buccaneer (3), Laser Radial (14), Hampton One Designs (8), Laser (2), Wayfarer (3), Windmill (2), Mutineer (1), and a Portsmouth handicap class (4). In addition to **Trent Levy** (Laser Radial winner) class winners included: **Marty and John Minot** (Albacore); **Jimmy Yurko and Evan Scott** (Buccaneer); **Montague and Montague** (Hampton One-Design); **Frank Paldin** (Laser); **Richard Johnson and Michelle Parish** (Wayfarer); **Frank Murphy and Chris Kennedy** (Windmill); **Scott Bush and Billy Lancaster** (Mutineer); and, the Portsmouth class was won by **John Meyer** in a Sunfish. The *Congressman's Cup* is awarded each year to a participant who exhibits exceptional sportsmanship qualities and fosters an exceptional spirit of sailing. Event Chairman, Clayton James said, "*This year the Congressman's Cup was awarded to Joel & Kristin Morgan from Richmond, VA. Joel and Kristin sacrificed life and limb as they helped rescue another non-regatta boat from sinking and safely managed to get the boat a crew back to shore. Their heroism was recognized by the entirety of the regatta participants during the awards ceremony.*" In addition to the adult classes racing, nineteen Optimist racers were at the Virginia Governors Cup. **Guthrie Braun** finished first overall in the Opti Fleet and was awarded the *Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce Trophy*. Ware River Yacht Club hosted this annual event.

LEO WARDRUP MEMORIAL CAPE CHARLES CUP – August 19-20. ENTRY DEADLINE is MONDAY, August 14th.

Enter using the easy online entry form found at www.CCCup.net

Entrants receive: A chocked-full skipper's bag, race hat and t-shirt, CCCup *Yearbook* with a picture of your boat; three great parties; four dinner tickets to Saturday evening awards ceremony and dinner; and breakfast snacks and coffee on Sunday morning; and of course, two great races. Reduced slip fees at Oyster Farms Marina and Cape Charles Town Marina; bus transportation between Cape Charles Town Marina and Oyster Farms Marina on Saturday. This year the Schooner Virginia is planning to join the race and will be in a Fleet of her own. She will dock in downtown Cape Charles on Saturday night and the crew will join in the Awards Ceremony and party. For additional info and race documents click on www.broadbaysailing.org and click on the event logo or listing.

Southern Bay Youth Update:

CHRISTCHURCH TEAM WINS CLUB 420 NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM RACE CHAMPIONSHIP. Twenty-four (24) teams and more than 140 sailors raced for two days at Goddard State Park in Warwick, RI, at the CJ Buckley Team Race Regatta – Club 420 Junior Nationals. The team went 21-4 overall and 2-0 in the final knock-out round against Chicago. Sailing for Christchurch School were: **Boyd Bragg, Ashling Sullivan, Benton Amthor, Eric DeMario, Luke Amone, Mariner Fagan, Gannon Troutman, and Reese Bragg.** CONGRATLATIONS!! The event

GUTHRIE BRAUN 4TH IN USODA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA. Three hundred and eleven (311) Opti racers spent four days at the **USODA Open National Championships** sailed this past week at the mouth of the Lafayette River in Norfolk. The fleet got in a total of 7 races during the three days of qualifying and the final championship day (Thursday). On Thursday the top 103 of the group sailed in the Gold Fleet for the championship title. Mid-day breezelessness messed with racing schedules throughout the event, but morning and afternoon breezes showed on time (mostly) each day and race officials made the most of them. There were 22 southern Bay Opti racers at the event. In the **CHAMPIONSHIP (GOLD) FLEET:** Guthrie Braun (FBYC) had the best overall finish of 4th. **Tommy Sitzmann (FBYC),** and **Madeline Amthor (FBYC)** also raced in the Championship (Gold Fleet) group. Racing in the **SILVER FLEET** on the last day: From *Fishing Bay Yacht Club:* **Baylor Goldthwaite, Reed McAlister, Walker Angus, Josh Bendura, Bo Angus, John Thomas Mason, Chase Brewer** From *Hampton Yacht Club:* **Kyle Pfrang, Pierce Brindley, Leila Pfrang, Parker Moore, Jack Butler.** From *Norfolk Yacht & Country Club:* **Rebecca Schill, Audrey Permenter, Henry Allgeier, Sean Trudell, Jennifer Permenter, Robert Chase, Paul Trundell.** Big Blue Sailing Academy and USODA were organizing authority for the event.

Four (4) **Maryland Governors Cup** entries raced from Fishing Bay to St Mary's as the southern part of the fleet. **Scott Ruff** in his J32, *Makai*, was the first place finisher in the group. Scott hails from Ninde, Virginia, which is a community in *King George County*. Another King George racer, **Josh Colwell**, skipper of his Corsair F-31R, *OrgaZmatron*, won the seven (7) boat MultiHull Class.

HEADS-UP! LABOR DAY HAPPENINGS ON THE SOUTHERN BAY

******Stingray Point Regatta** hosted at Fishing Bay Yacht Club, Fri-Sun, September 1, 2, & 3. Racing on Friday is optional and is not scored as part of the SPR. SPR racing is Saturday and Sunday. Monday, the actual holiday, is left free for deliveries homes, family parties, and other good stuff. Check out www.fbyc.net

******73rd Annual Labor Day Regatta/ Governor's Cup** hosted at the Norfolk Yacht & Country Club on Saturday, September 2nd. There is no entry fee for this event and any class with five or more boats gets its own start. Registration is at 9:30am on race day with the first warning signal at 11:00am. **Eddie W. Wolcott, Jr is the contact:** Wolcott@wolriv.com

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, thinks racers should re-define the term "Slush Fund". The original term comes from days of old when the ship's cook would take the fat renderings from boiling meat (slush) and secretly sell them ashore for more jingle. Today a "slush fund" is most likely a secret account the skipper, aka husband, maintains for buying new racing sails on the QT. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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