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*Try sailing - it's NOT easy!* - Bill Schanen, [SAILING Magazine](#)

**COLUMBUS DAY was Saturday, so happy 3-day holiday today! Christopher was a grand sailor so, if you can, go sailing today in his honor. . . or for any other reason!**

**The Schooners Are Coming! The Schooners Are Coming!** The official start of the **GREAT CHESAPEAKE BAY SCHOONER RACE** is Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, when 30 schooners are expected to cross the line off Annapolis, and head down the Bay, winding up in Norfolk. Go to [www.gcbssr.org](http://www.gcbssr.org) for all the info and beautiful schooner pics. The next best thing to being onboard - track the schooners at <http://kws.kattack.com/GEPlayer/GMPosDisplay.aspx?FeedID=1766> . **The public can expect to view the schooners at the NORFOLK WATERSIDE FREEMASON HARBOR on Saturday, Oct 19<sup>th</sup>.** Word is that some *may* be open for tours.

**HIGH-HIGH TIDES over the past weekend.** Plenty of folks are aware of the abnormally high tides that hit the area (evidently due to an off-shore crazy storm) that hung around out there. Ocracoke and Hatteras Islands had [another] bad time of it, some streets in Ghent (Norfolk) flooded and re-flooded, and even the Sailboat Show in Annapolis closed early Saturday evening because of dock area and street flooding. No one reported sofas floating out of the lounge of a downtown Annapolis hotel, as they did during Hurricane Isabel a few years back, thank goodness. *And, think about this. . . we look for the next KING TIDE beginning weekend after this coming, October 25-30!*

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**38<sup>th</sup> Chesapeake Bay Laser Masters Championship** was hosted this past weekend by Fishing Bay Yacht Club. Four southern Bay racers finished among the top 20 competitors in the 36 boat fleet: **Len Gunther (FBYC)** 4<sup>th</sup> Grand Master/8<sup>th</sup> Overall; **Jon Deutsch (FBYC)** 4<sup>th</sup> Apprentice Master/11<sup>th</sup> Overall; **Peter III (HYC)** 7<sup>th</sup> Grand Master/13<sup>th</sup> Overall; and, **Mike Toms (FBYC)** 9<sup>th</sup> Grand Master/ 17<sup>th</sup> Overall. And, the HIGH TIDES caused some aggravation and inconvenience by flooding the approach road to the regatta site. A short delay took care of the problems though and the racers got in 6 races over the two day event. Event Chairman—Jon Deutsch; Principal Race Officer—Rick Klein. See complete results at [http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19753#\\_newsroom+results](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19753#_newsroom+results)

**LOTS OF RACING POPPIN' THIS COMING WEEKEND (October 18-19-20):**

**\*\*\* ROUND THE LIGHTS RACE - October 19<sup>th</sup>!** This southern Bay racers' favorite is THIS SATURDAY! Racers will leave Mill Creek (at their appointed time – it's a staggered start, aka pursuit, race), decide which lighthouse (Thimble Shoal or Middle Ground) to round first, and hope like heck that the extensive debate the crew had at the local brewery Friday night is on target. The cost is \$35. **Entries will be accepted up until 8AM on race day.** ON LINE ENTRIES are preferred – click on [www.OPCYC.org](http://www.OPCYC.org), click on "Racing" and follow the prompts. *For additional info, contact Tim Etherington at (757) 690-3178.* DO this race if at all possible – skippers and crew will have a blast and the post-race social and awards party at the OPCYC clubhouse on the beach at Ft Monroe, just beyond the Ft Monroe Marina/Deadrise Restaurant (McNair Drive) starts at 6:30PM sharp and the entry fee covers skipper and all the crew. Get the boat put away and go to the party – it's a racers good time!

**\*\*\*RRYC COMMODORES CUP – October 19<sup>th</sup>!** Hosted and administered by the Rappahannock River Yacht Club, first warning 10:30am. For NOR [click here](#). For general SIs [click here](#). For entry form [click here](#).

For additional information regarding entries, please contact Ed Johnson at [toohulls@gmail.com](mailto:toohulls@gmail.com)

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**\*\*\* J24 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP – October 19-26!** This will be in Miami and regatta plans call of a series of 10 races – 2 each on 5 days. **Southern Bay racer Will Bomar** will be racing on *Bangor Packet*, skippered by Tony Parker from Annapolis. There are currently 81 boats entered in the Worlds and entries are limited to 85. *Bangor Packet* finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall (in a 3-way tie for 2<sup>nd</sup>) in the J24 District 10 Championships / Fleet 10 Worlds Warm-Up this past weekend in Coconut Grove, FL, so skipper and crew are looking pretty well prepared for the coming Worlds. Goodluck to Will and his fellow crewmates and skipper!!! For more details on the event, click on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5893>

**\*\*\*FBYC FALL SERIES #3 – October 19<sup>th</sup>!** Hosted and administered by Fishing Bay Yacht Club, click on [www.fbyc](http://www.fbyc) for info and entry.

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**And, just around the corner:**

**\*\*FBYC FALL SERIES #4 – Saturday, Oct 26<sup>th</sup>**, hosted by Fishing Bay YC. Click on [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net) for info and entry.

**\*\*2019 FROSTBITE SERIES OPENS – Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**, hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. Starts for all PHRF classes and Cruising Fleet boats. PHRF Non-Spin is double headsail allowed; Cruising Fleet is single headsail only-no spinnakers NOR is available at <http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/HYC-Circular-Frostbite-2019-FINAL.pdf> For additional info contact PRO Brian Deibler at 757-715-8977 (cell) Entries are due NO LATER THAN 1200 hours on race day. Entry Fees: Series=\$75; By the Race=\$35@. Mail entry form and fee

to: Race Committee (Frostbite Series/Race), Hampton Yacht Club, 4707 Victory Blvd, Hampton, VA 23669  
The FROSTBITE Series Races are scheduled consecutive Sundays: Oct 27, Nov 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2019.  
Daily awards will be presented in the HYC Dockside Lounge following each race; Series awards will be presented at HYC Awards Night, Tuesday, Dec 3<sup>th</sup>. Thanksgiving is AFTER Frostbite this year (Nov 28<sup>th</sup>).

**BEWARE!!! November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Sunday at 2AM, EASTERN STANDARD TIME RETURNS! You can sack in (fall back), but only for 1 hour – don't be late to the boat for the Sunday race.**

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**\*\*One Design-ers – Heads-Up! FALL FLING! Vipers, Lightnings, Lasers, 505s, Albacores, Sonars, Melges 24s, Melges 14s, J24s, J70s, and more. . . oh, my! November 2-3, hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. Traditional Fall Fling OYSTER ROAST Saturday evening. The Regatta is open to one design classes under 25 feet.** Classes with fewer than 3 entries will be combined into an open class and scored using the Portsmouth handicap system. For additional info, contact Event Chairman Joe Buczkowski at (757) 416-9807 or PRO John McCarthy at (757) 850-4225. For NOR and ON LINE ENTRY click <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19717> NOTE: First to enter the J24 class is **Pete Longhini** (Norfolk-Silver Surfer); Lightning Class opener is **Lisa-Marie Lane** (Brambleton, VA-As You Wish); and, Viper 640-**Brian McEwing** (Woodbine, NJ-Gringo). EARLY BIRD discounted entry fee is \$50 until October 27<sup>th</sup>; after than, \$70. Sonars and Melges 14s are racing only one day; their fees are \$30 through Oct 27<sup>th</sup>, \$40 after. The time is NOW to get'er done – sign up and save moola!

**\*\*FBYC Closing Day & Winter Series –Race 1 – Click on [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net) for info and entry.**

### **RACERS PARTY OPPORTUNITY REMINDER!**

**The CCVR Awards Party will be Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at Nauticus, Living Sea Landing, 1 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, VA 23510 – 7pm until. . . There will be awards presentations (including the coveted CCVR High Point Fleet Championship Trophies), entertainment, buffet dinner, music and dancing [put on your hi-heel sneakers☺] and more. Suggested dress is Black & White Masquerade (mask optional). Tickets purchased before November 1<sup>st</sup> are \$45; Ten table tops are available for discounted price at \$400 per table. The special emphasis of the party this year is CREW APPRECIATION – get the team together and have a grand night celebrating the grand sailing season! To purchase tix, click on [www.ccvracing.us](http://www.ccvracing.us) , then “store”, then scroll down to the CCVR Party listing, then follow the prompts. Remember, the early bird price flies away November 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**MURPHY'S LAW: Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, loves a holiday as much as anyone – especially one that extends a weekend! COLUMBUS DAY holiday is a celebration of the day Christopher Columbus first arrived in the Americas. “In 1492, Columbus sailed the ocean blue.” Your 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher would probably be delighted to know you remember that little ditty. . . and that Chris arrived on October 12<sup>th</sup> 1492. He was discovering continents; not furniture store sales. Ahoooo! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.**

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