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Tuesday, November 10th is MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY and

Wednesday, November 11th is VETERANS DAY

THANK YOU, ALL!

FROSTBITE SERIES. Race 2 (of the 5 race series) is in the books. Yesterday, Sunday, Nov.8th, twenty-one (21) Southern Bay keel boats slipped along in light, soft breezes and current to complete the second scheduled race (Race 1 was abandoned due to dreadful wind and rain). There wasn't much wind, but there was enough, and everyone who started did indeed finish. Wairere, Pete Hunter's Thompson 30, won the 9 boat PHRF-A fleet. Second in A was *Riff Raff*, **Don DeLoatch**'s Melges 32. In third place was **Leroi Lissenden's** *Voodoo* 2, Tripp 38. Six (6) boats raced in PHRF-B/C. **Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran's**, *Rumble*, J29 won the race **Alan Bomar**, *Roundabout*, J24, was 2nd in B/C and **Ben Cuker**, *Callinectes*, Cal 30-3, was 3rd, but a protest pends. *Kingfisher*, Dixon Wilde's C&C 99, won the PHRF Non-Spin fleet, followed by **Paul Clifford** in *Wind Dancer*, C&L37. And, **Alan Johnson** in *Seeke*r, Catalina 34, won third in the 6 boat fleet. Brian Deibler as PRO, Kim Deibler, Official Scorer, and Jack and Bettyrene Pope Signal boat.

FROSTBITE Series continues on every remaining Sunday in November, that is the 15th, 22nd, and 29th, 2020. This is an annual series for keel boats provided by Hampton Yacht Club, OPEN TO ALL, and offering starts for PHRF A, B/C, Non-Spin (double headsails allowed), and Cruising (single headsail only + no spinnakers). Racing will be in the Hampton Roads Harbor. Entries are due by 1200 on the day before the race. The NOR is available at http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/HYC-Circular-7-Frostbite-2020.pdf and contains entry information, as well as starting order, courses, scoring, etc. PRO for the Frostbite Series is Brian Deibler; he may be contacted at (757) 715-8977.

HOT BUTTERED RUM RACE. There was lighter than light breeze on Saturday, by the Willoughby Racers raced anyway. Goes to show what an incentive HOT BUTTERED RUM can be! The most successful rum-sters were: SILVER FLEET (6 boats): 1.David Hulse, ENCOUNTER; 2.Karen Roberts, HORNET; 3.Will and Mary Roberts, REMEDY. GOLD FLEET ((7 boats): 1.Robert Duncan, OH SHEET; 2.Ken Copeland/Carl Gade/Alvin Girardin, BLACK WIDOW; 3.David Hughes, JAMMIN'. Curt Hauger and Al Brazzi organized and scored the event for Broad Bay Sailing Association, "Willoughby Racers branch") For complete results, click on https://broadbaysailing.org/WRResults

FALL FLING! Saturday 27 racers arrived, checked in, launched and . . . began to wait for the **FOG** to lift and the *BREEZE* to come. And, while a light breeze eventually, tantalizingly showed immediately off the launch area, zero knots dropping to zilch were detected out on the racing area. Racers and accompanying friends and family engaged in a lunchtime, spur-of the moment picnic and made arrangements to "try again Sunday". And, Sunday brought the weekend breeze, gentle, but as your grandma



used to say, "ample sufficient", and the Viper Class (7 boats), a Laser Radial group (7 boats), and 5 new Melges 15s had a pleasant day of racing in Hampton Roads, getting in 3 races before accepting awards and hitting the road home. Award winners: Viper 640 (7 boats):1.Tyler Moore; 2.Mark Wheeler; 3.Peter III. Melges 15 (5 boats): 1.Tyler Brown; 2.Jon Mann; 3.Michael Peters. Laser Radials (7 boats): 1.Kyle Pfrang; 2.JAK Kelly; 3.Olivia Gilmore Event Chairman: Joe Buczkowski. PRO: John McCarthy; DPO: Jerry Thompson; Timer: Eric Matherne; Official Scorer: John Ritter; Wind Boss: Buk Lawrence; Signals: Bob Magoon; Signal Boat: Eric Matherne (*Tardis*); Mark Boats: Dave Gibbings and Craig Pittman (in *Vortex*) and Tom and Debbie Ryan (*Stormy Weather*).

Laser Racers Wrap Up at FBYC LASER FROSTBITE REGATTA. They played the waiting game for a little while, but wind finally came along for 9 Lasers racing Sunday at Fishing Bay. Jon Deutsch, one of the racers, reported that James Jacob (SSA) won the day, bullets in 3 of the 5 races. Mike Toms (FBYC) finished 2nd overall, and Alain Vincey (FBYC) took 3rd. Race Committee: Jerry Latell, Henry Latell, Ruthanna Jenkins, and Bob & Lisa Fleck. A complete results report is available at https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_regatta_results.php?regatta_id=21417

VENDEE GLOBE. The ultimate distance race... alone. Yesterday Sunday, November 8th, at 1320 French time, a record setting 33 **VENDEE GLOBE** skippers began the 9th rendition of the solo, non-stop around round the world race. Courtesy of *AFLOAT*, *IRELAND'S SAILING, BOATING, & MARITIME MAGAZINE*, for all the details and for LIVESTREAM, click on https://afloat.ie/sail/events/vendee-globe/item/48287-record-33-skippers-set-for-vendee-globe-race-start-today? mc_cid=de0cdd8f06&mc_eid=de26fb1cf8

MURPHY'S LAW: Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, knows you cannot over-emphasize the importance of a good rescue group on the race course. During Sunday's racing, a Tervis tumbler, one of the most coveted items a sailor can have, tumbled overboard from a regatta support boat. The loss took place at a particularly action-intense moment, and when rescue was finally attempted, it was not possible. Alas, the action of the day moved on. Later, several hours after the mishap, the skipper of a regatta support boat returned to the "approximate" scene, and, lo and behold, spotted the Tervis tumbler bobbing like a Halloween apple at the confluence of the James and Elizabeth Rivers. The Tumbler was retrieved and returned to the grateful owner. Put that in your Currents History Log. Ahoooo. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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