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RIFF RAFF repeats - takes Cape Charles Cup Weems and Plath Lantern Trophy of Racing Division & *SPECIAL K v2.0* captures the Lantern for Cruising Division.

The **2019 Leo Wardrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup** turned out to be a truly *current affair- a foul and fierce current at that..* Saturday the current was so strong even a moderate breeze (12-15 knts) could barely get the boats to the shortened course mark. But, several did make it to 1YR and used the iron gennies to get the rest of the way to Cape Charles and the Oyster Farm Marina. On Sunday, there was not enough breeze to make a race of it from Cape Charles to Hampton/Buckroe. Race 2 of the weekend was abandoned. RESULTS: Race 1 – Little Creek to Cape Charles: PHRF A (9 boats)-1.**Don DeLoatch, Riff Raff**, 2.**Neil Ford & Lis Biondi, Danger Paws**; 3.**Pete Hunter, Wairere**. PHRF B (7 boats)-1.**Chris French, Elixir**; 2.**Bob Archer, Bad Habit**; 3.**John Seely, Cannonball**. PHRF C (4 boats)-1.**Ben Cuker, Callinectes**; 2.**David Hughes, Jammin'**. PHRF Non-Spin, 1hs (5 boats) – 1.**Bill Ripley, Obsession**; 2.**Larry Baun, BaseRunner**; 3.**Booty Baker, Klimax**. PHRF Non-Spin, 2hs (6 boats) – 1.**Bob Howell, Pegasus**; 2.**Copeland, Gade, and Girardin, Black Widow**; 3.**Alan Johnson, Seeker**. CRCA (10 boats) – 1.**Paul Clifford, Wind Dancer**; 2.**Greg Peterman, Gregarious**; 3.**Ben & Cristina Ritger, Argo**. CRUISING A (5 boats)-1.**Scott Nielsen, Old Crow**; 2.**John Moore, Endless Summer**; 3.**Chris Schott, Lio Kai**. CRU B (7 boats) – 1.**Al Brazzi, Special K V2.0**; 2.**Kent Utley, Mortar Offer**; 3.**Dan Fox, Rare Vos**. CRU C (5 boats)- 1.**Chris Whately, Kaleidoscope** (only boat to finish); Schooner (3 boats- none finished). Multihull (5 boats)- 1.**Ben Carver, Entourage** (only boat to finish). Event Principal Race Officer and West Starting Area = Scott Almond. Race Officer East Starting Area = Homer Babbitt. Signal Boats = Preston and Sherry Caraway (*Sojourner*) and Rob and Nancy Smithwick (*Miss Amy*). Mark Boat (*Holokai*) = Bill Pardee with Jerry Pattenaude. Event Co-Chairs = Ben & Christina Ritger. Click on <https://broadbaysailing.org/LWMCCHome>, then “results” for race details.. Of the 76 boats entered in the Cape Charles Cup, 66 raced on Saturday and 37 persevered against the grinding current to finish the shortened course. No racing was possible on Sunday due to lack of wind.

Cape Charles Cup Awards will be presented on Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 17th at AJ GATORS on Shore Drive in Norfolk near the Little Creek marinas. The Cape Charles Cup Weems and Plath Lanterns are awarded to the boat with the fastest corrected time in each division. WINNERS of the 2019 Cape Charles Cup Trophies: PHRF/RACING-Don DeLoatch, *Riff Raff*, CRUISING-Al Brazzi, *Special K v2.0*. *Riff Raff*, is a repeat winner, having won in 2018.

As a testimony to the viciousness of the current on the race course, a total of 3 marks were seriously damaged during the starting sequences. The first pin mark had a D-ring ripped from the mark (ground tackle lost, mark rendered unusable); the replacement mark for the pin suffered an identical fate as the first; and, the third merely blew a hole in itself and had to be displayed from on the mark boat for pin duty, since it could not float on its own. The race committee remained undaunted through it all, the racers were patient, and the race was started in a reasonable amount of time. KUDOS!

Save the Date: Leo Wardrup Memorial CAPE CHARLES CUP 2020 – August 15-16, 2020.

COMING UP THIS COMING SATURDAY:

*****Annual PLANTATION LIGHT RACE offered by Hampton Yacht Club. Start-Saturday, AUGUST 17th , 7:00pm.** OPEN TO ALL. This is a ***non-stop, overnight*** race. The course starts in the Hampton Roads harbor, and, weather permitting, rounds Plantation Light (off the Eastern Shore near Cape Charles City), and finishes off Fort Monroe. This is the 44.7 nm course. The race committee has two other course options: one is 33.1 nm and the other is 23.6 nm. Notice of Race is available at <http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/HYC-Circular-Plantation-Light-V6- 2019 -Mar-4-2019.pdf> Entries are due by 5:00pm Friday, August 16. For additional info and to enter contact Bob Thomas (race PRO) at 757-592-1650. This race counts in the Southern Bay Distance Racing Series (administered by BBSA) and in the HYC CUP Championship. PHRF spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spin (double headsail allowed), and CRUISING (single Headsail only) boats are expected. Circular Random (CR) ratings will be used for PHRF boats.

*****York River Yacht Club annual Moonlight Race – www.yryc.org**

*****Fishing Bay Yacht Club annual Smith Point Race (Distance Series 4)** – PRO Ruthanna Jenkins - www.fbyc.net

Fiddler's Green – Charles Amory (June 19, 1940 – August 2, 2019). Last week Charlie Amory passed from us. Mr. Amory touched so many parts of our water-centric community – boating, sailing, seafood industry, and more. He is known by many for his seafood company, Amory's Seafood, founded by his grandfather in 1917 and passed into Charlie's hands as a young man, 23, by his ailing father. The blue neon Amory fish sign at the end of King Street in downtown Hampton is a Hampton landmark. Daily Press staff writer Mike Holtzclaw wrote that, “*For Charles Amory Jr., seafood and the local industry that produced it was more than a business. It was a way of life and a means of bringing the community together.*” Mr. Amory was a generous man who cared for his fellow man in so many, many ways. He will be missed and long remembered. Sincere sympathy to all of Charlie's family and many friends. <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/dailypress/obituary.aspx?n=charles-reginald-amory-jr&pid=193550301>

APS changes their *modus operandi*. Annapolis Performance Sailing has put out a notice that they are expanding their apparel, accessories, and personal sailing gear offerings. As a result of this expansion, APS will no longer sell line and hardware. So, they are offering deep discounts on all in-stock hardware, line, one-

design, electronics and boat accessories until the stock of such items is depleted. Check out the APS website at <https://www.apsltd.com> for more information on the new APS and sale prices on line and hardware.

Heads Up! The CCV FOUNDERS RACE is set to go Saturday, August 24th. This summer happening is a middle distance race, in the harbor around a combination of drop and government marks. There will be reaching legs plus some windward-leeward. . PHRF spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spin (double headsail allowed), and CRUISING (single headsail only) boats are expected. PHRF Circular Random (CR) handicaps will be used for PHRF boats. First warning signal is scheduled for 1100. This race counts in both the CCV High Point standings and the Southern Bay Distance Racing Series (administered by BBSA). For additional info contact race Principal Race Officer John McCarthy at (757)850-4225, or click on www.ccvracing.us for NOR and to enter.

MURPHY'S LAW: Yrs Truly, *the Racing Beagle*, is aware that most southern Bay racers would vote for **Tail of the Horseshoe** as the most endearing location name on the Bay. However, there is a new name in play, especially if you like to clam by using your toes in chest high water to catch the tasty critters. Find **Ware Stick Point** at N 37°08'46.3 W 076°19'33.8, jump out of the boat and starting toe-ing around! On these clam digging excursions, the Murphster has to stay in the boat – chest high water for a beagle is awfully thin... and there probably wouldn't be many happy, juicy clams there either! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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