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FROST IS ON THE PUMPKIN -- and thanksgiving is around the corner -- which means that its time to wrap things up for the fall. Looking back on the season, it's had a lot of good and some bad features. The Sailing Association experienced the typical difficulties organizing trips to the lake, especially as the semester wore on and the officers became preoccupied with academic obligations. Partially due to their old age, many things broke on the Coronados. Remember that all damages that you cannot repair on your own should be immediately reported to Peter Hare. There are tools in the wooden box (the combination is engraved on the back of the box; if you have trouble using padlocks, Pete would be more than happy to show you how. Please don't try to break in!). We will be ordering more parts for this spring. Please note that the boats will be taken apart for winter storage this Friday, though we wish we could sail all year long. And now for the good news!

ON THE SOCIAL SIDE -- the fall party a couple of weeks ago turned out to be a success. The small but spirited crowd enjoyed an abundance of drinks and munchies. A slide show from the '88 Bahamas Trip was shown and included various amusing shots of sun-tanned (and sun-burnt) club members. That concludes the club's social news for the moment, but keep your eyes peeled for more.

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE'S DESK -- Thanks to the time and efforts of Julie Cane and Magill Morgan, as well as a number of dedicated racers, the University has left its mark on intercollegiate sailboat racing this fall. The small but growing racing team had a strong start against tough competition from around our sailing area (which includes Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York). The season began with the Navy Freshman Invite regatta, a regatta/seminar that introduces new sailors to collegiate racing. Our team sailed remarkably well, placing 7th out of the 20 competing MAISA teams.

The next event was the MAISA Women's Invitational and the MAISA Area C Qualifier. The Women's Regatta pitted our racers against the best women in college sailing, many from strong sailing programs in New England. After a tough two days of racing, the team finished at the back of the fleet; but they all learned a lot and had an exceptionally good time. In the Laser Qualifier, an equally competitive regatta, Steve O'Hearn placed 11th of the 44 starters, narrowly missing a spot at the MAISA Laser Championship. Our other three laser sailors also sailed hard races.

The team then travelled to Georgetown for the Area C Dinghy

Elims. After sailing two days in 25 knot breeze and in the flight path of National Airport, the team finished 8th of 10. The final regatta sent our team on the road to New York for the MAISA Freshman Championship at Kings Point. Two days of fine sailing resulted in a finish of 11th of the 13 teams.

And while everyone was gone for Fall Break, Jeremy Waters, Stuart Martin, and Rick MacDonald participated in the Sailboard invite at Annapolis. Jeremy placed 6th, right behind the Naval Academy sailors, with Stuart following in 7th. Two weeks later, Jeremy, Rick, and Mitchell Caplin returned to Annapolis for the MAISA Boardsailing, an eliminator for the Atlantic Coast Championships. Our hero, Jeremy Waters, placed 5th, qualifying for the Vandersterr Windsurfing Regatta (top 5 qualifiers), which will be on November 19th and 20th in Annapolis.

In addition to Jeremy, some other sailors deserve mention: Leigh Morgan ('92) skippered A-Division in nearly every regatta, and Latane Montague ('92) has also proved to be a valuable skipper in the 420 fleet. Crews include Nica Chapman ('91), Jill Whitehead ('92), Whit Williams ('92), Julie Cane ('89), and Ken Forziati ('92). The entire team deserves congratulations and thanks for their courage and energy. With hard work and continued enthusiasm, the team looks to becoming even more formidable competition in the future...and to having a great time! Anyone interested in participating on the racing team should come to the meetings every Thursday night in Maury Hall at 8pm, or contact Julie or Magill.

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER -- In September, the Caribbean was hit with a devastating hurricane. Jamaica was hit especially hard, causing billions of dollars of damage. In an effort to aid the Jamaicans, the National Society for Black Engineers created a relief fund and solicited student organizations for funds. The Sailing Association contributed \$25.00 (as much as we felt as was within our budget). Jamaica Relief t-shirts (with our name on them!) are currently being sold for \$7.00 in Thornton Hall. In addition, our own t-shirts are still being sold for \$8.50...they make great gifts!! Finally, anyone knowing of or having any equipment for sale should call Jeremy. We are still in the market for new boats, and will have some new additions by this spring.

THE BAHAMAS -- are no doubt sounding better and better as the semester wears on and the days get chillier. All of you interested in sailing the sparkling Bahamian waters this spring should be sure to attend the meeting and slide presentation for the Spring Break Sail Bahamas '89 trip. Since the trip was so popular last year, there will be quite a few boats this year, including Beneteaus...and a new windsurfing program during the week-long vacation. For more information, come to the Informal Lounge of Newcomb Hall on Tuesday November 15th at 7:00 or call David Lennarz at 977-2969.

A FINAL NOTE -- Cdr. Chip Barber, our outstanding advisor, will be leaving UVA for bigger and better things this December. We are very sorry to see him go and wish him great luck!