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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use #1077 May 30, 2022**

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### **MEMORIAL DAY – A TIME TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE STOOD FOR US ALL.**

It's 120 nautical miles from start to finish of the **DOWN THE BAY RACE**, and every boat in the fleet has to do them all. To win *the Virginia Cruising Cup*, a boat must be a monohull that sailed in a PHRF fleet, and must have the fastest corrected PHRF time. This year, that was **ALLEGIANT**, J42, skippered by **Albert Bossar** of HHSA, Shady Side, Maryland. **ALLEGIANT** completed the course in 22hrs:28mins:04sec., and her handicap corrected to 0:23:02. The J42 picked up 1st place silver for the PHRF B class and, of course, was first in the 9 boat PHRF Division. **ALLEGIANT** Crew: **Albert Bossar** - owner/skipper; **James Branson** - navigator; **Hannah Dickmyer** - main trimmer; **Noah Martin** – bow; **Maryline O'Shea** – floater; **Adam Rybczynski** – mast; and, **Jordan Stock** - helm .

The **Robert M. Ravin Memorial Trophy**, awarded to the first to finish monohull in the DTB fleet, was captured by **ENDORPHIN**, Soto 40, skippered by **Erik Wulff**, also of HHSA/St. Mary's College, home ported at Dallas, TX. **ENDORPHIN** skipped across the finish line at 06:06:53 having taken 19hrs:56Mins:53secs to go the 120 nm. *Endorphin* is entered in SBRW and will be racing in the Super A class, in the PHRF Division, this coming Friday-Saturday-Sunday.

Early entries to DTB numbered as high as 35, but on Friday morning, fourteen (14) boats started the 72<sup>nd</sup> running of the **Down the Bay Race** and 13 finished, the 120 nm dash amid weather alerts and some brief storms, one of reported 30knt winds. One boat suffered mechanical difficulties and retired early on. Thirteen (13) monohulls finished (9 PHRF, 2 CHESS and 2 ORC); & 1 Multihull). *Glory Days*, sailed by **Karen Roberts**, of BBSA/ Norfolk sailed down the Bay, the only multihull participant. In addition to Karen Roberts, 4 southern Bay monohull skippers and crew raced: *Challenge Accepted*, **Michael Cummings** (NY&CC); *Elixir*, **Chris French** (was 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in the PHRF Div) (BBSA); *Red Frog*, **Randy Goodman** (BBSA); and *Afterthought*, **Craig Wright** (FBYC). Co-Event Chairmen: HYC Rich Wilcox and STC Dick Neville. For complete results, please click on [https://www.yachtscoring.com/event\\_results\\_detail.cfm?Race\\_Number=1&eID=14973](https://www.yachtscoring.com/event_results_detail.cfm?Race_Number=1&eID=14973)

**SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK (June 2-5)** moves into the spotlight this coming weekend and a lot of racers (83 boats, skippers and crew as of this morning) from all over the Bay and beyond will be racing in Hampton Roads – PHRF and One-Design fleets in the Harbor, and SBRW Cruising and ORC Cruisers fleets in the Bay off Buckroe. Regatta headquarters is at Hampton Yacht Club and there will be a whole lot of racing goin' on! If you are interested in crewing on an SBRW boat, you can list on the event website at the "Crew, Boat, and Charter Board" at [https://yachtscoring.com/event\\_board.cfm?eID=14948](https://yachtscoring.com/event_board.cfm?eID=14948) For all SBRW info including current scratch sheets, entry list, ON LINE ENTRY, and more, click on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=14948> . **Y'ALL COME RACING!**

**Special Kudos** to one southern Bay racer, who crews on one of the PHRF Super A boats. He has re-commissioned his currently slightly used Viper 640 and a group of youth sailors at a local yacht club will be racing for 3 days at SBRW on the One Design course. Kudos go to the generous sailor. HINT- his friends call him Bubba 😊!

**JUNE IS UPON US – Time to Race in Southern Bay Sunshine!**

**June 11** - FBYC is running their annual MOONLIGHT RACE. For the NOR, entries list, and to sign up, click on <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24069>

**June 18** - Two events share the day. **Portsmouth Boat Club has been running the Annual COCK ISLAND RACE** for many years and usually on Father's Day Weekend – you can take Pop racing on Saturday and celebrate his day on Sunday. For info, schedule, and entry form click on <http://portsmouthboatclub.org/PDF%20files/2022%20cock%20island%20registration%20form.pdf> Friday, June 17, is check-in, Skippers Meeting, welcome party, etc. The race is in the Elizabeth River mainly. This fleet is likely to include a number of racers who consider this their favorite race. . .ever. There is a whole lot of socializing on Friday at Check-in before the race and Saturday at the After Race Party at Portsmouth Boat Club.

**Also, run on June 18**, is the **Summer Solstice Ocean Race, organized by CCVR**. The race is for spinnaker fleet boats greater than or equal to 28 ft. This 58 nm race out the mouth of the Bay via the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel channels sends the boats around the Chesapeake Bay Light Tower and back to the finish line off Ft Monroe. **CCV cautions in the race circular that “the Chesapeake Light Tower is 1 mile beyond the 12 mile zone in international waters so check your insurance coverage.”** There is a required Skippers meeting to be held Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the HYC Gazebo.. *The 2022 Summer Solstice Ocean Race Circular is available by clicking on <http://ccvracing.us/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/2022-CCVR-SSOR-Circular.pdf>* For information contact Greg Cutter at 757-439-1281.

**June 25/26 – Racing all over the southern Bay:**

**Up the Elizabeth River - 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Broad Bay SA and NY&CC Wolcott Regattas** - The two clubs cooperate on these two days of racing, BBSA taking the lead on Sat, and Norfolk Yacht YC on Sun. Racers should keep an eye on the website of either club for info.

**Off Buckroe in the Bay - VETERANS CUP RACE offered by Old Point Comfort YC** on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Click on <https://www.opcyc.org/copy-of-regattas-and-registration> , and then click on VET CUP in the listing and see the official NOTICE OF RACE. There is also contact info for event officials and a link for ON LINE ENTRY.

**Up the Rappahannock River - Yankee Point Racing & Cruising Club offers the SPRING PURSUIT RACE** on the 25<sup>th</sup>. For Event info click on <https://sites.google.com/view/yprcc/racing/phrf-racing-fleet-2022>

**In Hampton Roads Harbor** – Hampton Yacht Club offers the annual DOUBLEHAND RACE – on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup>. Watch the HYC website for Race Circular. Contact: Rich Wilcox, 757-773-6292



**MURPHY'S LAW:** *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, wants to know - MARTHA?! MARTHA WHO?* Evidently there's a 7 foot long great white shark, named Martha, prowling around the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel. The local newspaper said she was “cruising parallel to the [CBBT]” as she headed north to enjoy New England for the summer, or more specifically, to enjoy the New England seal buffet. Turns out, Martha is just a kid, a juvenile. So, she'll be **B-I-G-G-E-R** the next time she passes by. The Murphster is imagining how closely an aquatically-challenged – dog-paddling - panicky-splashing beagle might resemble a New England seal. . . .and worries. **All the more reason to Stay on the Boat!** Ah-oooo! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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