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## Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use #1111 April 17, 2023

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Founded in April, 2000. Lin McCarthy, Editor

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



*PHRF A start from the pin end, Sunday, April 16. Photo by David Gibbings*

**CCVR SPRING SERIES / Day 1.** Twenty-four (24) Southern Bay racers began the 2023 season, opening the **Cruising Club of Virginia-Racing (CCVR) Spring Series** with pleasant temperatures and enough breeze to race. But, Momma Nature being how she is, the breeze faded away and not everyone finished within the time limit. Race 2 was cancelled due to the dearth of wind. **CCVR Spring Series/Race 1:** PHRF A (12 boats) – 1. **Sledd Shelhorse**, *MERIDIAN XI*; 2. **Leeroi Lissenden**, *VOODOO2*; 10 scored 3/TLE. PHRF B/C (8 boats) – 1. **Ben Weeks**, *RUMBLE*; 2. **Gordon Edwards**, *COWBOY*; 3. **Ben Cuker**, *CALLINECTES* (2 scored 7/TLE). PHRF NS (4 boats) – 1. **Maury Niebur**, *BUMP IN THE NIGHT*; (3 scored 2/TLE). Complete results available at <http://ccvracing.us/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/CCV-Spring-2023-Race-1.pdf> Principal Race Officer=Brian Deibler; Official Scorer=John Ritter; Signal Boat=Brian and Kim Deibler, *Barefoot'n*; Mark Boats=(weather mark)*Kerry Sue* (Henry Hudgins, Tom Ryan and (pin & leeward mark))*Thomas* (David Gibbings, Craig Pittman)

**Day 2-Race 3 will be run next Sunday**, April 23, at the same Bat Station and same Bat Time. There will be one middle distance, open course race, which will also count in the *Southern Bay Distance Racing Series*. For the Notice of Race, click on <http://ccvracing.us/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/CCV-2023-Spring-Series-Circular.pdf>

## HEAVY METAL UP FOR GRABS IN MAY!



The **CAPE HENRY CUP** is actually more glass than metal, yet it is all pretty impressive. . . especially to the skipper and crew who win this trophy. The annual race, presented by Broad Bay Sailing Association, will be run on Saturday, May 20. <https://broadbaysailing.org/event-5193813> To enter, click on <https://broadbaysailing.org/event-5193813/Registration> Entry DEADLINE is 1200 (noon), May 18 (Thursday).

Racing will be in the southern Chesapeake Bay with the start and finish lines located in the vicinity of Buckroe Beach (Hampton), UNLESS weather causes relocation into the Harbor. Length of the possible courses ranges from 27.9nm to 9.3nm. Possible courses, marks, awards, starting sequences, and other details are available in the *NOTICE OF RACE* – click on [BBSA CAPE CHARLES CUP 2023 NOR](#)

For additional information and for copies of the Sailing Instructions (after May 15), please contact Claude Speed at 703-244-2906



The **73<sup>rd</sup> DOWN THE BAY RACE** is a 120 nm non-stop race from Annapolis to Hampton, presented by Hampton Yacht Club and Storm Trysail-Chesapeake Station. The start is on Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> of Memorial Day Weekend and the Trophy Presentation soiree is at HYC on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 1900 (7PM). The *Virginia Cruising Cup* will be presented to the PHRF monohull boat with the fastest corrected PHRF time.

The *Robert M. Ravin Memorial Trophy* will be presented to the monohull boat taking line honors (first to finish), and a special award will be presented to the ORC monohull with the fastest corrected ORC time. Awards will also be presented in each class racing. The NOTICE OF RACE is available by clicking [DOWN THE BAY RACE 2023 NOR](#). Race documents, scratch sheets, ON LINE ENTRY, and other information is available at the event Yacht Scoring website – click on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15684>. No entries will be accepted after Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 1700 (5PM). For additional information, please contact Event Chairman (HYC): David McConaughy at 757-870-4475 or Co-Chair(STC): Dick Neville at 410-353-0477.

**BOTH the Cape Henry Cup and the Down the Bay Race count in the *Southern Bay Distance Racing Series*.**

**KUDOS** to Ben Cuker for making it to the race Sunday. His boat, *Callinectes*, fell off her jacks while on the hard and Ben spent the better part of 10 days repairing her himself. Ask him, he'll show you the pictures!

**[SpinSheet Hampton Crew Party](#)** – IT'S HERE! THIS COMING SATURDAY! April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday, 5:00pm – 8:00pm at Marker 20 (downtown olde Hampton). Reach out and touch a(nother) racer.

**HEADS UP – 2023 Race to Cock Island, June 16 (Welcome Rendezvous) & June 17 (The Race).**

Click on <https://portsmouthboatclub.org/pdf/2023-cock-island-notice-of-race.pdf> for NOTICE of RACE and Entry Form – download the registration form, make check payable to Safety Town, and mail to Portsmouth Boat Club, 20 Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, VA 23704

**Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show**. April 28-30 - Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - at the City Dock, Annapolis Tickets: General admission \$18 at [annapolisboatshows.com](http://annapolisboatshows.com), \$20 at the gate (children under 12 are free). Limited onsite box office available. Show Highlights: Climb aboard new and brokerage sailboats, meet with charter companies, shop gear and equipment, and catch up with marine professionals and sailing friends. Also don't miss: VIP experience, Cruisers University, free daily seminars, First Sail Workshop, Tasting Tent, and more. FOR MORE SHOW DETAILS and LOGISTICS (including "Parking options"), click on <https://www.spinsheet.com/annapolis-sailboat-show/spring-boat-shows-coming-soon>



**SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK** *Racing and fun for everybody on the Southern Bay and beyond – PHRF, ONE-DESIGN, CRUISERS & ORC CRUISERS!*

June 1-Opening/Welcome Night Social; June 2, 3, & 4 – racing awards, socializing and hobnobbing for racers of every stripe! **Y'ALL COME RACING!** For NOR and more and to enter ON LINE click on the SBRW event site at Yacht Scoring <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15611>

**EARLY BIRD** entry fee special rate expires APRIL 30!



**MURPHY'S LAW:** *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, is aware that suddenly there is R-A-C-I-N-G, mid-week and weekend, in full swing and as good as it ever was. Now . . . all we need is for Momma Nature to flip on the wind switch. . . but not overdo it! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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