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



*CCVR Spring Series 2 (Race 3) gets underway off Buckroe, Apr 23 – photo by J. Ritter.*

**CCVR SPRING SERIES 2 (Race 3).** Thirty-one (31) southern Bay racers took advantage of the crisp moderate breeze that followed Saturday night's bum, stormy weather yesterday morning. The armada was comprised of 4 fleets: PHRF A, PHRF B/C, PHRF Non-Spin, and ORC Club Cruisers. The boats sailed different distances, with PHRF A going the farthest at 16.60 nm. Momma Nature could not just let things be and she packed up the breeze and departed a couple of hours into the afternoon, leaving some boats unable to meet the finish time limit. Two-thirds of the 31 starters did meet their fleets time limits, but some (9) were unable to contend with the late "perfect storm" of no air, foul current, the distance and the ticking clock. That's sailboat racing and what makes beating the vagaries so rewarding. **RESULTS: PHRF A (13 boats):** 1. **Doug Bird**, JOYRIDE; 2. **Pete Hunter**, WAIRERE; 3. **Sledd Shelhorse**, MERIDIAN XI. **PHRF B/C (11 boats):** 1. **Alan Bomar**, ROUNDABOUT; 2. **Ray Nugent**, ROCKET J; 3. **Ben Cuker**, CALLINECTES. **PHRF Non-Spin (4 boats):** 1. **Maury Niebur**, BUMP IN THE NIGHT; 2. **Alan Johnson**, SEEKER; 3. **Dave Bouchard**, BUMPS. **ORC CRUISER (3 boats):** 1. **Randy Goodman**, RED FROG; 2. **Rob Williams**, SET FREE. **PRO:** John McCarthy; **Official Scorer:** John Ritter; **Signal Boat:** Brian and Kim Deibler (*Barefoot'n*), **RC:** Buk Lawrence, Jean Holt. For complete results report for Series Race 3 click on <https://ccvracing.us/ccv-race-results/>.

*The scene reverts to the harbor for the final day of the Series on **Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** and to the racing format of two drop mark windward/leeward races.* Click here for information [CCVR 2023 SPRING SERIES NOR](#)

**FISHING BAY YACHT CLUB Opening Day Regatta and Blessing of the Fleet.** This past Saturday, FBYC kicked off their keel boat racing for the season. Eleven (11) boats in three fleets finished one race, making the opening official. Remember the horrible weather predicted for the day. **RESULTS: PHRF A (5 boats):** 1. **David Clark**, CORRYVRECKAN; 2. **Jay Buhl & Mike Karn**, TRADITION; 3. **Bob Fleck**, MAD HATTER. **PHRF B/C (3 boats):** 1. James Sturdy, WENDAS; 2. Russ Collins, MORNINGTIDE; 3. Brad Miller, SCHIEHALLION. **CRUISING (3 boats):** 1. **Mike Chesser**, RED SKY; 2. **Brad Davis**, ARORA; 3. **Wade Thomas**, GALENE.

**Charleston Race Week NOTE:** Undoubtedly in a regatta as large as Charleston Race Week (CRW), it is likely there were racers participating on crews whose roots are in the southern Bay. However, one southern Bay skipper and crew won their fleet. Ian Hill, with Martin "Bubba" Casey, sailed in the ORC SPORT BOAT Class in a chartered Cape 31, temporarily named *Sitella*. Our brethren dominated the 4 boat class with a string of 1-1-2-3-1-2-1-1-3 [3]. Ian most recently (2022) raced his J111 *Sitella*, before letting her go and expanding horizons.

**ALSO at CRW:** Responsible for the scoring operation of CRW was SBRW Chief Judge Jerry Thompson.

**FBYC OFFSHORE SPRING 1** is **THIS COMING UP THIS COMING SATURDAY, April 29.** ON LINE REGISTRATION at [https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/26030#\\_registration](https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/26030#_registration). For race event information click on [FBYC 2023 OFFSHORE SPRING RACING PROGRAM NOR](#) or [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net) and continue to Regatta Network links provided. Race Chairman is Donna Alvis.

Here's a special event presented by racing cohorts to the near south. It's an established keel boat regatta in a beautiful location, presented by great people who are knowledgeable racers and event organizers. The regatta is looking for a Principal Race Officer (PRO). If interested in learning more, please contact Greg Florence at [gwflorence335@gmail.com](mailto:gwflorence335@gmail.com).

### *ASSA Albemarle Challenge*

*September 28, 29, 30, October 1, 2023*

*Hosted by Osprey Yacht Club - Albemarle Plantation - Hertford, NC*

ORGANIZED BY: Albemarle Sound Sailing Association

For NOTICE OF RACE, click on [ASSA Albemarle Challenge 2023 NOR](#)

For ENTRY FORM a click on [ASSA Albemarle Challenge 2023 Registration Form](#)



### **LAST REMINDER!!**



**EARLYBIRD** Discount ends THIS COMING SUNDAY, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

*Then it's "BYE BYE, BIRDIE!"*

EARLY BIRD includes 10 complimentary regatta drink tickets with the special entry fee rate.

Early Bird Entry Fees: \* PHRF & ONE DESIGN FLEETS (Fri/Sat/Sun) = \$175.

\* CRUISING FLEETS (Sat/Sun only) = \$ 99.

AFTER EARLY BIRD (Apr 30<sup>th</sup>): PHRF & ONE DESIGN: \$195. ~ CRUISING FLEETS: \$119.

**OLD POINT BANK SBRW LOYALTY DISCOUNT = 2022 SBRW returnees may deduct \$25 from entry fee EASY to Enter ON-LINE at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15611> or contact Lin at 757-850-4225.**

### 7 DAYS 'TIL MAY RACING!

May 5-7 **Helly Hansen World Regatta Series, aka The NOODS, – Annapolis**  
May 6 **FBYC Offshore Spring 2**  
May 6 **RRYC Spring Regatta 2**  
May 14 **MOTHERS DAY**  
May 18 **RRYC Thurs Nights Spring Racing opens**  
May 20 **BBSA Cape Henry Cup**  
May 20 **YPRCC Spring Regatta**  
May 20-21 **HYC Annual Hospice One-Design Regatta**  
May 20-21 **FBYC Offshore Spring Open**  
May 21 **OPCYC Yankee Station Series (1)**  
May 26-27 **HYC/STC DOWN THE BAY RACE (Annapolis to Hampton non-stop)**  
May 28 **FBYC Open House Regatta & Party**  
May 29 **MEMORIAL DAY**



**MURPHY'S LAW:** *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, was alarmed when at the post-race gathering yesterday Patches, the 40 pound cat who now lives in Richmond, was discussed as a possible addition to our crew. The Murphster wanted to say, "Oh yeah... How slick and agile will that cat look when her paws hit the non-skid on the foredeck?" Bet all 40 fluffy pounds will fly right off the boat. Bet she can't dog paddle either? Maybe she could do well in a boatyard rousting mice. Ahoooo. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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