

SOUTHERN BAY RACING NEWS YOU CAN USE #129

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2003 CBYRA SCHEDULING MEETING: Region 4 CBYRA Scheduler, Martin Holland, has set the scheduling meeting for **Monday, December 2, 7 PM at Hampton Yacht Club**. Be sure your club, association, or event is represented at this meeting. For info contact Martin Holland at (757) 726-2267 or (757) 726-0289.

HYC Frost Bite Series continues - final race Sunday, November 25. Yesterday's conditions provided a special opportunity for on-the-rail togetherness. It was cold, wet, and clammy. The wind speed was Force 3 on the Beaufort Scale. Sitting close was one way to stay somewhat dry and maybe warm. The finish line, set at the entrance to Hampton River, looked especially inviting to most of the cold-hunched racers.

RESULTS: PHRF A: 1. Christian Schaumloffel, *Mirage*; 2. Ben Weeks, *Cheryl Lea*; 3. Skip Amory, *Woof*. PHRF B: 1. Rusty Burshell, *Cool Change*; 2. Larry Preddy, *PF Flyer*; 3. Greg Cutter, *Gremellyn*. PHRF C: 1. Bob Archer, *About Time*; 2. John Blais, *Stardancer*; 3. Richard Payne, *Miss Anne Thrope*. PHRF NS-2(HS): 1. Bob Old, *Beowulf*; 2. Jake Brodersen, *Midnight Mistress*. PHRF NS-1(HS): 1. Scott Wolff; *Wolff Trap*; 2. Lester Knight, *Vagabon-De*. (Note: Force 3 = 8-12 mph)

More on oysters... and **Fall Regatta** winners: **Leigh Morgan**, Fall Regatta organizer, reported that post racing dinghy sailors easily consumed more than a bushel and one half of oysters along with all sorts of other goodies. Here are those who had standout performances on the race course: Lasers: 1. George Panayides, 2. Henry Amthor, 3. Devon Sweeny. Laser Masters: 1. Bill Warren. 420s: 1. Brett Baker and Mike Brown. Vanguard 15s: 1. Brian Shores, 2. Chris Behm/Will Gillen.

Holiday Gift Desires: This could be a way to get your "wish list" in front of your personal Santa. *SpinSheet Magazine* is soliciting for publication ideas for gifts you'd like to receive and why. Gift ideas should be in the \$25 - \$100 range and, of course, sailing related. They want you to be specific, reasonable (we'd all like a new 50 footer, but...), and include your name and home port. Send your gift wish info to: dave@spinsheet.com Send it now; deadline draws near.

CBYRA Annual Meeting is set for Saturday, December 7th, 9:30 AM at West River Sailing Club, Galesville, MD. If you plan to go, you should let CBYRA know before Friday, November 22. Call Amy Chalmers at (410) 269-1194.

Sophomore **Anna Tunncliffe** brought home to **Old Dominion University** the collegiate women's single-handed championship. Anna won the title and the silver in Houston; the regatta was hosted by Rice University.

Gaboon rhymes with spittoon and the annual **Gaboon Race** is set for Sunday, December 8th. Mark your calendar. This is different and fun. Staggered start in Hampton River. Racers must have a 2002 valid PHRF certificate and lifelines in place. PHRF crew limits do apply. For info contact: Phil Briggs at (757) 244-5477. Sponsored by Hampton Yacht Club, open to all comers. Entries are due no later than 12:30 PM on race day (Dec. 8th).

Watch your mailbox for **PHRF Valid Certificate Renewals** around the end of December. So, if your address has changed during 2002, please be sure PHRF Executive Secretary, Stew Buckler, P.O. Box 3169, Prince Frederick, MD 20678, has updated info.

Over the next couple of months sailing clubs, classes, and associations will be having **awards ceremonies**. To be sure, on the race course *you must be present to win*. To the contrary, at award ceremonies *you do not have to win to be present*. And, besides, if your season was not so hot, you may find yourself even more popular at the bar!

Another 2003 schedule note: **2003 Key West Race Week** organizers have announced the upcoming event dates as Jan 20-24, 2003.

Speaking of regattas, one of the grumbles coming out of the recent **US SAILING Annual Meeting** was about the noticeable decline in "big" regatta **sponsorships**. Grapevine has it that the Lloyd Phoenix Cup Regatta, for one, was threatened when Disney declined to sponsor the event in 2002. The question is will the trend

trickle down and if so, how far, how soon? Sailors may feel the pinch at local events that benefit from sponsorships of which racers are often unaware.

A Boating Fee Going Down? Sounds like a Ripley's "Believe It or Not" item. Reports are that as a result of audits of the Coast Guard vessel documentation program costs, it has been proved that the fees paid exceed the cost of providing the service by more than \$1.5 million. Not a lot (these days), but... if you document your sailboat, you probably won't object to more money staying in your pocket. Some of the savings may be related to the Coast Guard's initiative a few years back that brought about large scale computerization of record keeping on the documentation side of their house.

Little Creek Sailing Association/BBSA: LCSA wrapped up their last of 4 Wednesday Night series recently. RESULTS: Spinnaker: 1. Jim Morris, *Victoire*; 2. Mike Veraldi, *Quickie*; 3. Rob Beck, *Graceful*. Non-Spin 1: 1. Jim Borberg, *Queen Mary*; 2. Leo Wardrup, *Black Widow*; 3. Stan Mason, *Beck-n-Call*. Non-Spin 2: 1. Maury Jackson, *Nereus*; 2. Neil Ware, *No Limits*; 3. Greg Peterman, *Content*.

MURPHY'S LAW: Be a marked racer. While you putting legal markings on your racing machine to meet PHRF and RRS requirements, e.g. black bands on mast, boom, red on whisker pole, etc., here's a mark that is not required, but sure is helpful. When you install that new go fast folding prop, before you launch do this: line the prop up so that the blades stay closed without flopping open (causing no drag in the water), crawl inside the boat and mark that alignment on the shaft (red nail polish works well). Before each race, after stopping your engine, send a crewbie below to rotate the shaft so the mark is aligned like in the boat yard, then lock your transmission in reverse. By the way, with a two blade prop this works by aligning the two blades straight up and down (hidden behind the keel). It ain't as good as a folding prop, but every little bit helps. Drag is a drag and s-l-o-w. *Living to race, racing to live. /s/Murphy the Racing Beagle*

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