

SOUTHERN BAY RACING NEWS YOU CAN USE #330

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CBYRA REGION 4 celebrates and presents trophies to Region High Point Award Winners this coming Saturday, February 3rd, at Fishing Bay Yacht Club, Deltaville, VA. Contact Tom Roberts at (804) 843-2682.

Heads-up: Gary Jobson will be speaking at the University of Richmond on Friday, March 16th, 7-9pm. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students (Yes, college kids are considered students!) Fishing Bay Yacht Club is sponsoring Gary's presentation and you may make reservations on line at the FBYC website or call Sue Willis at 800-866-4483 to make "pay at the door" ressesies. Seating is limited, so if you plan to go, get on it now!

The GROUNDHOG COMETH! This Friday, February 2, 2007, we will know whether we will have an early, friendly Spring or 6 more weeks of Winter weather. Keep you fingers crossed for a cloudy Friday, so that the Big G'Hog will not see his shadow and will not scamper back into his hole for another 6 week siesta.

Anna Tunnicliff finished 4th in the 70 boat Laser Radial Fleet at Rolex OCR. Anna was the first American finisher in the week long, 13 race international regatta. The ODU All American is well known to southern Bay collegiate racing followers.

SCREWPILE PARTY ON THE MOVE! Bring your pool toys and come thirsty - the regatta parties for 2007 Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge, July 22 - 24, will be held in the waterside courtyard-pool area of the Holiday Inn (regatta headquarters). **John Simpson**, owner of the Holiday Inn, suggested the move, and **LG Raley**, chairman of the event, has officially announced the decision to have the parties in the absolutely p-e-r-f-e-c-t location! Reminder, it is not too early to get your entry in and make your accommodations and slip reservations. And, locate your water-wings! This is going to be really, really fun! Find details at www.screwpile.net

New Racers on the Scene: Two new baby boys have joined the southern Bay racing ranks. **Parker Moore** has already been spotted "wheeling" about his neighborhood in a carriage tended by his world class dinghy sailing parents, **Tyler and Jane**. Parker surely has saltwater in his veins. A slightly more recent arrival, **Jack Peddy**, made the scene this past Thursday. Grandfather Len Peddy reports that mom and dad, **Brigid and Tom**, are doing fine too. The foredeck of Impulse, the Peddy Catalina 34, has a reserved sign on it for Jack. Congratulations to all!

Fiddler's Green: Dick Johnson, a long time participant in the southern Bay racing scene, passed on January 19, 2007. Dick was involved in sailing and racing while running his law firm in downtown Hampton. Many will remember his dad, Bryant Johnson, who was a mainstay on the race committees from the mid-80's to mid 90's. Dick (Richard Wigley Perrot Johnson) was 52 years old - gone from us too soon.

More than 60 southern Bay racers squeezed into the Old Dominion University Sailing Center Saturday to brush up on their racing knowledge, gather nuggets for improving their team and boat for the 2007 campaign, and to be with fellow racers. SBRNYCU sponsored the 2007 annual seminar, "**Murphy Goes Racing**", Broad Bay Sailing Association hosted the event at ODU, and John McCarthy presented the workshop. Because of the great interest in "Murphy Goes Racing", the workshop will travel to Elizabeth City, North Carolina, where Pasquotank River Yacht Club will host the event on March 24. Please see item below for registration info.

A Plethora of Pearson Flyers: Bobby Whitehouse now has **Ken Hidu's** Pearson Flyer and intends to race it this coming year. She'll be named Fat Bottom Girl (Kid Rock will be pleased) and, if she goes in PHRF B, she'll be joining sister ships Bad Habit (**Bob Archer and Chris Beahr**) and PF Flyer (**Larry Preddy**).

BCNU will be seen in PHRF C in 2007 season. **John Ritger** will be sailing his Morgan 27 out of Willoughby. Sounds like there will be some great competition in PHRF C this coming spring.

Southern Bay Racers in Key West Winners Circle: CASH FLOW is not the first KWRW winner that **Sue Kessler** has crewed on. Sue, one of the trimmers on **Lloyd Griffin's** Hadley 40, was a member of the crew on **Paul Andersen's**, J29, Titillation, during its heyday. Other members of the Cash Flow team were: **Jamie Collins**, bow; **Allen Lyons**, mast; **Cary Hardesty**, pit; **Sean Roby**, main; **Justin Wymann**, **Chris Wymann**, and **Mike Austin**, trimmers; **Heather Fretz**, runners; **Kenny Saylor**, tactician, and **Lloyd Griffin**, skipper/helm.

Arbiter of Time Report: Official AOT, Jimmie Mock says there are only 75 more days until the first sanctioned race on the southern Bay. He also reminds us that we should be checking our sock wardrobes - March 20, Spring Equinox, is sock burning day .

Local Sailors, i.e. Virginia hometown, on Local Collegiate Teams:

There are 10 southern Bay "homies" on the Old Dominion University Sailing team: **Michael Brown** (Hampton, skipper, sophomore); **Elyssa Albert** (Leesburg, crew, sophomore); **Gillen Elder** (Norfolk, skipper, sophomore); **Jaclyn Finney** (Hampton, crew, sophomore); **Ryan Kozoriz** (Yorktown, crew, senior); **Bryan Otis** (Reston, junior, crew); **Lisa Shapiro** (Reston, junior, crew); **Thomas O'Bryan** (Hampton, skipper, freshman); **Laura Speas** (Chesapeake, crew, freshman); **Stephen Waters** (Norfolk, skipper/crew, freshman).

Of the 18 members of the Christopher Newport University Sailing Team, 15 hail from Virginia: **Johanna Faroe** (Purcellville, sophomore, crew); **Sara Firth** (King George, freshman, crew); **Taylor Gray** (Williamsburg, freshman, skipper); **Amy Polhemus** (Centreville, junior, crew); **Elizabeth Hund** (Norfolk, junior, crew); **Kate McClintock** (Midlothian, junior, skipper); **Patrick McCabe-Marcell** (Fredericksburg, junior, crew); **Jerrica Nichols** (Richmond, sophomore, crew); **Daniel Romero** (Alexandria, sophomore, skipper/crew); **Joseph Schmitt**, Mechanicsville, junior, crew); **Emily Crawford** (Galax, sophomore, crew); **Brookelyn Constant** (Bealton, freshman, crew); **Kate Bice** (Richmond, freshman, crew); **Tom Watson** (Lynchburg, freshman, crew); and, **Jordan Miller** (Fairfax Station, freshman, skipper).

The Hampton University Sailing Team has their first Virginian on the team. **Bryan Campbell** is a sophomore crew from Stafford.

MURPHY GOES RACING in Elizabeth City - SOUTHERN BAY RACING NEWS ANNUAL RACING WORKSHOP, "Murphy Goes Racing" - MARCH 24, Saturday, 0900-1530 - hosted by Pasquotank River Yacht Club at the Museum of the Albemarle, Elizabeth City, NC - \$35 includes morning and afternoon refreshments, lunch and workshop materials. This is the same "Murphy Goes Racing", presented by John McCarthy, that was sponsored by Broad Bay Sailing Association at the ODU Sailing Center in January. **OPEN TO ALL**

Info or register by contacting Lynn Jolley at (252) 771-2511 or email LJolley@albemarlenet.com

MURPHY'S LAW: So, we need The Groundhog to think it is cloudy when he pokes his head up on Friday? That's easy - park the beer truck over the hole!! And, in addition to early Spring weather, we'll have a happy groundhog! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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