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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use # 349**

SBRNYCU is an independent weekly publication of southern Chesapeake Bay racing happenings. Founded in April, 2000.

**Tenney Turns HOMETOWNE REGATTA into *Margarita* ville:** Harry Tenney and crew on the big, yellow Roberts 43, *Margarita*, rolled downwind under double headsail Saturday to win PHRF Non-Spin I and the Culpepper Cup, which was awarded to the boat that wins her fleet by the largest corrected margin. The **Harborfest Hometowne Regatta** was blessed with a steady and continuous 17-20 knot breeze out of the North. The event continued its steady growth pattern with 36 entries this year. And, as advertised, the host, Portsmouth Boat Club, provided a home-y social touch and great competition - as they say, it's truly the regatta with a "down-home" hometown soul. **RESULTS:** PHRF A: **1.Phil Briggs**, *Feather*, J36; **2.Mike Nestor**, *Glory Days*, Cal 39. PHRF B: **1.Bob Archer**, *Bad Habit*, Pearson Flyer; **2.Neal Garrett**, *Strega*, S2 9.2; **3.Graham Field**, *Independence*, Islander 36. PHRF C: **1.Ron Lewis**, *Incentive*, O'Day 27; **2.Bumps Eberwine**, *Spray*, Olson 25; **3.Rodney Paice**, *Wiki Wiki*, Pearson 26. PHRF Non-Spin 1: **1.Harry Tenney**, *Margarita*, Roberts 43; **2.Ron Primm**, *Echo*, Ericson 38; **3.Robert Burnell**, *Solace*, O'Day 39. PHRF Non-Spin 2: **1.Doc Harbour**, *Slice*, O'Day 34; **2.Leo Wardrup**, *Black Widow*, Irwin 38; **3.Steve Waters / Fred Scarlott**, *Scarlott Waters*, Catalina 27. Cruising: **1.Tony Thornton**, *Verano*, Cal 31; **2.Dave Washbourne**, *Valcour*, Catalina 310; **3.Ron Peterman**, *Content*, Columbia 28. Event Chair: Larry Bryant; PRO: John McCarthy; Official Timer/Scorer: Dick Boykin

**YORK RIVER CUP, Saturday, June 16, to benefit THE WATERMEN'S MUSEUM.** This is a CBYRA sanctioned event. Starts are offered for all PHRF Classes and a J-30 One-Design fleet, and a non-PHRF Cruising Fleet, too. Sponsor York River Yacht Club is hosting this event and has stepped up the level. There will be prizes, food, and raffles after the race. Racing takes place near the mouth of the York River, and, here's the "something different" part, the post-race party and dinner will take place on the water at the Watermen's Museum (riverfront Yorktown). Entry fee is \$50 ( \$55 for non-USSA members).

**John Hanna** says there's room at the Watermen's Museum for several race boats to spend the Friday night before the race free of charge. Interested racers should contact **Dan Fox, Race Captain, directly at (757) 561-3636**, if they would like to take advantage of this free dockage. Dan's doing it on a first come first serve basis. This is a great weekend opportunity - The York River is midway between Hampton Roads and the Rappahannock River areas. Here's an opportunity for southern Bay racers to "meet in the middle." For info contact Dan Fox at (757) 561-3636 or George Jones at (757) 784-3347.

**Media Watch:** *Sailing World*, June issue, has a big section entitled "2007 College Sailing Guide". **Hampton University's** sailing program is featured (page 34), including nice pictures and info put together by **Ben Cuker**. Ben teaches at HU and is an active PHRF racer too. He races his Cal 30-3, Callinectes in the southern Bay's PHRF B fleet.

Saturday was a pretty blustery day for small boats. Seven showed up for the BBSA Small Boat Regatta hosted at the ODU Sailing Center. **Emory and Caitlin Nemeth** sailed away with the open fleet title in their Tazer (1-1-3-3) and **Jerry Pattenau and Christina Couch** were the best of the two Sharks sailing, winning all four races. **Charles McCoy** and son Charles III finished 2nd in the open fleet and **Gordon Stokes** and his crew took 3rd. Both McCoy and Stokes sailed in Hampton One Designs. PRO: Bill Mellen.

**HOSPICE REGATTA XIII is this coming Saturday, June 16.** This is a CBYRA sanctioned event, featuring starts for all PHRF classes as well as a Hospice (Cruising) Fleet. Racing is in Hampton Roads Harbor. The first warning is at 1100 hours. Proceeds from this event go to the help support hospices in the Greater Hampton Roads area. For entry info contact Glenn Giles at (757) 851-9690 or the office at Hampton Yacht Club (757) 722-0711, host for the event. Remember, this race is a qualifier for the annual National Hospice Regatta Championship sailed in Annapolis each spring. This past spring **Mike Veraldi** represented the Hampton Roads

area. Mike races his J24, *Quicky*, in the southern Bay fleet.

**SBRW detritus: Leroi Lissenden** and the Voodoo Kroo came close to becoming detritus themselves on their delivery home from SBRW. The *Voodoo 2* gang decided to leave Saturday night, bound for Fishing Bay, to avoid the arrival of party - crashing Tropical Storm Barry. They fairly flew up the Bay, 15 knots out of the SE. Just as they got to the entrance of Jackson Creek, their faithful 18 year old diesel suffered a setback. But, Leroi said, "...the remaining 2 cylinders took us to the dock like a faithful horse carrying it's wounded rider back to the barn." Sounds like arrival in fine *African Queen-esque* fashion!

Spain has "The Running of the Bulls". And, Hampton almost had "**The Running of the Crabs**". There was to be a 15K "Crab Run " foot race on Saturday morning of SBRW. A problem came to light when folks realized the race was to take place at the same time SBRW racers would be arriving at race headquarters (and boats) on Day Two of the regatta. Oh, yeah, and the course would have closed off the entire neighborhood surrounding race headquarters! The issue became moot when it became apparent that the number of crazy people who race sailboats far out number the number who want to race on foot at that hour of the morning!

**David Gibbings got some good pics of SBRW racers "at work" on Venue 1. If you want to take a look, go to <http://thomassailing.spaces.live.com>**

**20th ANNUAL COCK ISLAND RACE - June 22-23. To enter call City of Portsmouth at (757) 393-8481.** Do it now - they are getting those skippers bags ready and setting up plans for the usual mega parties! This is an annual "reunion" event! And, don't forget to dig out that Cock Island Chicken-man suit you wore back in 1990!

NEW on the Racing Schedule: 1st Annual Sail Against SIDS, Saturday, June 30 at Fishing Bay. Proceeds from this event will go toward research and prevention of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). FBYC is hosting this annual event. Invited classes include Optis, 420s, Lasers, Mobjacks, Frontrunners, Flying Scots, and others with a Portsmouth Yardstick D-PN. Also, there will be a Team Racing Clinic and family cruises and moonlight racing is planned for the evening. The regatta is OPEN TO ALL. Prizes, food, refreshments, more food (BBQ Buffet served continuously from 6:00pm to 9:00pm) and evening activities. Planned as a "sail yourself silly" day long regatta. For info and to register, contact Event Chairman Matt Braun at (804) 640-3184 or go on line at [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net). A new happening for dinghy sailors.

**MURPHY'S LAW:** For years, Sunday night after Sunday night, *Yrs Truly, The Racing Beagle*, has been watching "The Sopranos". Then, last night, they let a cat in ...and what happens? Finished, toasted, done - end of series! Thinkaboutit!!! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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