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HAPPY THANKSGIVING! AND, GOBBLE, GOBBLE!

MIRAGE, BAD HABIT, INCENTIVE, and KINGFISHER like it light - HYC Frostbite #4 started out in light breezes, but eventually, even those petered out. The race committee shortened the course in order to save the race. Everyone finished. **RESULTS: PHRF A: 1. Mirage, Christian Schaumloffel; 2. Voodoo 2, Leroi Lissenden; 3. Rockette, Chuck Monsees. PHRF B: 1. Bad Habit, Bob Archer; 2. Cool Change, Rusty Bursnell; 3. Strega, Neal Garrett. PHRF C: 1. Incentive, Louie Lewis; 2. Lona B, Cary Hardesty; 3. April Tide, Tim Ketten. PHRF Non-Spin: 1. Kingfisher, Dixon Wilde; 2. Treaty of Ghent, Jim Williams, Will Roberts; 3. Lively Lady, Dave Lively. PRO - Dick Boykin.**

FROSTBITE #5 - Sunday, November 25 - same time; same place; same plan. For info or to enter, call Dick Boykin at (757) 890-0093. This is the last of the 5 series races.

THINK GABOON! The annual **GABOON RACE, is set for Sunday, December 2.** This year is the 30th Anniversary of the event. Line up your crew now, 'cause this is going to be a happening. "Pack up the babies, grab the old ladies..." and anyone else who has ever wanted to go racing with you. PHRF limits on the number of crew do not apply, but you must have a valid PHRF certificate with at least a 5P equipment category. For details or to enter, contact Phil Briggs at (757) 244-5477. The Gaboon Race is a staggered start (pursuit) race sailed in Hampton Roads harbor and sponsored by HYC. The first signal is at 1300. The start/finish line is Hampton River, off the HYC docks.

In special recognition of the **30th Anniversary of the Gaboon Race**, Hampton Yacht Club will offer a **GABOON GABRUNCH** in the HYC Lounge on race day. The brunch buffet will be served from 0900 to 1200. Cost is \$6.50 per person. Gather the crew early, "do brunch" and then do the race.

A couple of years ago, some "bar talk" among racers instigated the **Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series** which is administered by Broad Bay Sailing Association. The standings were announced last week and the awards were presented at the CCV High Point Awards Presentation party. The Series includes a number of distance (not windward-leeward) sanctioned races that are sponsored by southern Chesapeake Bay clubs. **CBDARS Award Recipients: PHRF A: 1. Mirage, Hobie 33, Christian Schaumloffel; 2. Treaty of Ghent, Hobie 33, Jim Williams/Will Roberts; 3. Meridian 2, Farr 36, Sledd Shelhorse. PHRF B: 1. Callinectes, Cal 30-3, Ben Cuker; 2. Charis, Nordfarer 42, Ryan McCrillis; 3. Ganar!, Santana 35, Dave Bouchard. PHRF C: Lona B, S2 7.9, Cary Hardesty; 2. The Hunter, Hunter 26.5, Justin Morris. PHRF Non-Spin: 1. Margarita, Roberts 43, Harry Tenney; 2. Black Widow, Irwin 38-1, Leo Wardrup; 3. Virginia H, Soverel 30, Andy Armstrong. CRUISING: 1. Mariah, Cal 39, Doug Rose; 2. Nepenthe, Columbia 40, Jim Lant; 3. Checks in the Mail, Catalina 38, Keith Carson.** Series administrator - Scott Almond (BBSA)

Renaissance Racer - Tom Roberts, CBYRA vice-president for Region 4 (the southern Bay), has seen and experienced racing from all the angles - both small boat and big boat. Now Tom has teamed up with **Blackwell Nottingham** on a Hunter 37 cutter. They delivered their new baby from Solomons Saturday a week ago in the teeth of a mini-gale and were delighted with her performance. "We had everything up and she went just great," Tom said. Tom and Blackwell expect to spend a lot of time on *Adventure* with families and friends. They say the boat is going to be their "summer cottage". But, don't be surprised to see the cottage on the race course in 2008!

Southern Bay Race Week will have a new event chairman in 2008. **Jack Pope** will head up the happening. Jack is an experienced event chairman, having honcho-ed a number of regattas over the years, including the 300 boat Opti Nationals hosted by HYC. **Leigh Morgan Chapman**, stepped down from event chair duties after three very successful years as SBRW chairman. Thanks go to Leigh for her service, energy, and dedication. She will remain involved in the regatta, specifically as special liaison to major sponsors. 2008 SBRW dates: May 30 - June 1, 2008.

Keep fingers crossed for a southern Bay racer who is close to moving up to a Santana 30/30. **Butch Patterson**

currently sails a *Capri 25*, *Small Potato*, and hopes to have the new baby soon.

Jacob Michael Clark hit the crew listings last Monday. He weighed in at 6 pounds 7 ounces and measured 20.1 inches. Both parents, **Joe and Brenda Switzer Clark**, are doing great! Brenda was a main crewbie on Graham Field's *Independence* for many years, like...since kidhood.

Southern Bay Belles at Rolex International Women's Keelboat Championships - This past week the RIWKC regatta was sailed at Houston Yacht Club (TX). Walking away with the title, **Sally Barkow** (former ODU All American), along with **Debbie Capozzi** (former ODU), **Amanda Callahan**, and **Annie Lush**, sat out the last race and still finished 7 points ahead of the 2nd place team. **Anna Tunnicliff** (former ODU All American) skippered the Austin YC Team with **Liz Bower** (graduate of and assistant coach at ODU), **Ali Sharp** and **Molly Vandermoer** and finished 3rd. Finishing in 4th place, one point behind Tunnicliff, was **Derby Anderson** (a Hampton Roads expatriate) skippering the Annapolis YC team which included **Jacqueline Schmitz**, **Katherine Wade**, and **Lucy Kupersmith**. **Anna Cobb Matchett** (former ODU) and **Kenney Cobb** sailed on one of two Southern YC teams along with **Corrie Clement** (former ODU) and **Leslie Higgins**; they finished 19th out of 39 teams. The International J/22 was the boat used in this regatta. There were many, many southern Bay ladies at the timepiece regatta.

Multihulls Kicked to the Curb by ISAF Council - The ISAF Council has voted against multihulls racing in the Olympics. Scuttlebutt 2474 - November 13, 2007, ran the following posting: *When the ISAF Council voted against any multihull event for the 2012 Olympic Games to be held in Britain, it decided that in future the only sailing boats to be raced should have one hull. In doing so, it voted against the fastest boat at the Games, the only event open to both men and women, a permanent fixture for three decades, the recommendation of its own Events Committee, the strong endorsement of the host nation, and a sport invented in Britain.* For those wishing to sign a petition to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to allow multihulls to compete go to www.ipetitions.com/petition/multihullinolympics

SET IN CONCRETE DATES FOR 2008:

SBRNYCU Murphy Goes Racing - 2008 - Saturday, February 2, 2008

Southern Bay Race Week - Friday, May 30 - Sunday, June 1, 2008 (racing days)

Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge - Sunday, July 20 - Tuesday, July 22, 2008 (racing days)

And, along these lines, the complete schedule for the southern Bay is well along the way toward publication. Representatives from sailing organizations, clubs, and special event sponsors are working to pull together the final schedule for 2008. Look for an announcement in *SBRNYCU* of its completion and availability, probably early in January.

Henry Amthor is 505 Chesapeake Bay Region Two Champion... for the 8th time! Henry said his first two titles in the 1990s he sailed with **wife Barb**. Then, Henry teamed up with **brother Doug** for 5 more. This year he had to have an "extended crew". In the qualifying regattas (5 out of 7 sailed are counted for the title), Henry sailed with either **Doug Amthor**, or **Charles Smith**, or **Dustin Romey**, or **Doug McKeige**, or **Sol Marini**. Now, that's a network!

Dear Readers,

***The Murphster*, and SBRNYCU staff will take off next Monday (November 26) to recover from Thanksgiving. Watch for issue #371 on Monday, December 3.**

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, The Racing Beagle*, is heading for Vegas during the holiday weekend. *The Murphster* will be testing out a new lounge act and hooking up with Rat Pack friends for a tour of the strip. Stay tuned! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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