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SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK entry deadline is THIS FRIDAY, MAY 23rd. SBRW entries received after this Friday, May 23rd will be subject to the \$50 late fee. Get 'er done! For forms or information go to www.blacksealcup.com or contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or email mcbear@earthlink.net

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VIRGINIA H WINS CAPE HENRY CUP: Thirty-five race boats put a perfect day to perfect use Saturday, in the **CAPE HENRY CUP**, organized by [Broad Bay Sailing Association](#). Sailed in the vicinity of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, the tail of the Horseshoe and Thimble Shoal, this is a local favorite event and the second race of the Chesapeake Bay Distance Race Series. The PHRF A boats' course was 27.40 nautical miles and all other fleets' courses were 20.30 nautical miles. The last boat crossed the finish line shortly after 1600. Perhaps emulating Big Brown in the Kentucky Derby (he started in the far outside spot), *Meridian 2*, in the last fleet to start, was the first boat of all contenders to the finish line. The "Big Yellow" Tripp 36 completed the 27.40 nm course in 4 hours, 31 minutes, and 10 seconds, but was bumped to third in the corrections by *Mirage* and *Feather*.
RESULTS: PHRF A (8 boats) - 1.*Mirage*, **Christian Schaumloffel**; 2.*Feather*, **Phil Briggs**; 3.*Meridian 2*, **Sledd Shelhorse**. PHRF B (6 boats) - 1.*Gremlyn*, **Greg Cutter**; 2.*Five Speed*, **Eric Schwab**; 3.*Crusader*, **Ed Darling**. PHRF C (10 boats) - 1.*Bowmovement*, **Martin Casey**; 2.*Wiki Wiki*, **Rodney Paice**; 3.*The Hunter*, **Justin Morris**. PHRF Non-Spin (5 boats) - 1.*Virginia H*, **Andy Armstrong**; 2.*Black Widow*, **Leo Wardrup**; 3.*Margarita*, **Harry Tenney**. **Cruising (6 boats)** - 1.*Anjalei*, **Jim Forrester**; 2.*Mariah*, **Doug Rose**; 3.*Whisper*, **Larry Bryant**. PRO = Scott Almond.

It's Back!!! THE DOWN THE BAY RACE for the VIRGINIA CRUISING CUP! Hampton Yacht Club and the Storm Trysail Club (Annapolis) have gotten together to revive the annual Down the Bay Race next year. Organizers have settled on the 2009 starting date. The race will start on May 22, 2009, the Friday before Memorial Day. The course is non-stop, through the night (and maybe parts of the following day) from Annapolis to Hampton. This race, which began in 1935, but went into hiatus after 1999, has plenty of DTB veterans still active on our race courses. Organizers say that the 2009 re-opening will be the 60th race for the Virginia Cruising Cup - folks didn't do much racing during World War II. Watch **SBRNYCU** for details as available. And, mark your calendar. Our racing brethren in the northern Bay waters may see this event as a great way to "come south" for Southern Bay Race Week 2009.

FBYC Spring Series Awards will be presented to the honored recipients at the Memorial Day Weekend racing festivities at the Rosegill Party in Urbanna. PHRF A: 1.**Brad Davis**, *Blade Runner*; 2.**Sam Mitchener**, *Double Eagle*; 3.**David Clark**, *Corryvreckan*. PHRF B/C: 1.**Allan Heyward**, *La Maga*; 2.**David Hinckle**, *Elancer*; 3.**Jerry Latell**, *Boomerang*. PHRF Non-Spin: 1.**Dick Cole**, *Nutcracker*; 2.**Blackwell Nottingham**, *Adventure*; 3.**Mike Dale**, *Juggernaut*. It is interesting to note that all three A boats and two of the B/C (*La Maga* and *Boomerang*) will be on the line at Southern Bay Race Week. Bringin' it!

Southern Bay racers **Jim Englert** and crew **Brian Huntsman** sailed at the **Albacore North America Championship** in Rock Hall, Maryland, this past weekend. Jim and Brian sailed together at **CNU**, but had not been able to practice for this regatta as Brian lives in New Jersey. Jim, following his parents **Pat and Bob Englert** in the trophy business, owns [Hi-Tech Engraving](#). The three Engler's are probably responsible for more trophies on southern Bay mantels than any others in the history of the sport.

Watch the **SBRW** website later today for the **preliminary scratch sheet**. **Event Webmaster, Buddy DeRyder**, will be posting later today. www.blacksealcup.com

When Jim Englert and Brian Huntsman made their way to Rock Hall, MD, for the Albacore NAs, they had no idea they'd see a friendly face in the right place - **John McCarthy** from Hampton was there as the event Chief Judge.

Sailmakers, the one's who help us go fast, will see plenty of action on the SBRW race course. Here's the roll call: **Jim Miller (Doyle, Hampton)** will be on *Meridian 2* and **Eddie Williams (Doyle, Hampton)** will be on *Sea Star*. **Ken Saylor (North, Hampton)** will be in the afterguard on *Cash Flow*, while **Glenn Gates (North, Hampton)** will be on Tripp Behm's *J/24*. **Jerry Latell and Justin Ailsworth (Ullman, Irvington)** will both be sailing in the regatta, Latell in his own boat, *Boomerang*. And, **Clarke McKinney (Quantum, Solomons)** will be racing his boat, *The Riddler*. So, while you're out there, check out their trim. You can bet they'll notice yours!

A Southern Bay Legend: When **Captain Lane Briggs** passed on almost three years ago, he left behind a legacy of good works and good people, people who had been made better for having encountered Lane Briggs in their lifetimes. Captain Briggs was known for his special care and concern for youth in trouble and he guided many of them to solid livelihoods in the marine industry. He had received the American Sail Training Association Lifetime Achievement Award. Now Lane's family has established The Captain Lane Briggs Sail Training Scholarship Fund for future generations. There will be a soiree this Friday, May 23rd at Rebel Marine (Norfolk / Willoughby Spit) to celebrate the creation of the fund. For information, please contact Virginia Maritime Heritage Foundation at (757) 627-7400.

PHRF - bit: Remember, if your PHRF rating includes a **credit for using a roller furler, e.g. RFA or RFB**, you must use the roller furler in your sail plan when racing. All the tentacles that apply to that credit always apply to you. You do not get to go back and forth, sometimes using a headsail foil or hanks. The RF credit - you bought it, you own it, and you must use it!

Dave Pyron, a southern Bay homie well known on the national judging scene is about to extend his territory. In early June, Dave will make a job related transfer to... Yokosuka, Japan. How do you say *PROTEST!* in Japanese? Will Dave be addressed as Judge-san?

Racers and Pirates - Fast Boats and Tall Ships = Something for Everybody! SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK racers will have plenty to do off the race course. Friday and Saturday downtown Hampton celebrates the annual Blackbeard Pirate Festival. Expect "authentic" pirates and their wenches roaming the streets, grog a'plenty, and mischief and mayhem (of the good natured kind)... and then there's the pirates! There will be 4 tall ships in the river, the schooner *Virginia*, *The Royalist*, *Bonny Rover*, and *The Serenity*. Check out all the festival doings at www.blackbeardfestival.com And, on top of everything else, there will be FIREWORKS on Saturday night.

Five J/24s "worked out" Sunday in anticipation of SBRW. **Mike Veraldi**, *Quicky*, was best for the day (1-4-1). **Tripp Behm, Alan Bomar, Bert Johnson**, and **Jonathan Harn** took advantage of the opportunity to race.

Memorial Day Weekend Racing and more:

Fishing Bay Yacht Club sponsors the **Race to Urbanna** on Saturday and co-ops with **Rappahannock River Yacht Club** on Sunday for the **River Races**. The filling between these two cookies is The Rosegill Party - set at the historic site overlooking the Rappahannock in Urbanna.

Merrimac Memorial Regatta sponsored by **Portsmouth Boat Club** is Saturday, May 24. Classes: Open, Moth, Laser, and Multi-hull. Ratings will be per the Portsmouth Yardstick 2006. Two lunch tickets are included in the \$10 entry fee. Location: The Portsmouth City Park (gather at small boat ramp) Skippers Meeting is a 0900. First start is scheduled for 10:00am. For info contact Bob Werneke at (757) 449-2666.

Even though the **Cock Island Race** is not until June 21, the entry fee jumps \$25 for entries received after May 23. Save the money and get entered now. For information call (757) 393-8481.

Tuesday, May 27, **CCV's "Learn to Crew on a Racing Sailboat"** in-the-classroom and on-the-water classes begin. Cost is \$75. Contact Davie Taylor at (757) 344-5292 for information and to register.

MURPHY'S LAW: Arrrrg! *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, will be digging out me cutlass and grog cup for the Blackbeard Pirate Festival too, but more importantly, for making a clear path to the SBRW post-race beer truck! Arrrrggg! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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