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Go sailing... and remember those who have kept us free. It's Memorial Day!

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK is upon us! Check-in (6PM) and Skippers Meeting (7PM) Thursday, May 29, at Regatta Headquarters, Hampton Yacht Club, 4707 Victoria Boulevard, Hampton, Virginia. Bring your racin' brains and your dancin' shoes - three days of racing hot and hard begins Friday, May 30, with great post-race parties each day. Boat of the Day award every day on each course as well as daily trophies in each fleet. And, the overall winner sails away with the Gosling's Rum Black Seal Cup. SBRW 2008 - Y'all come on! For info www.blacksealcup.com or Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or mcbear@earthlink.net.

The Anna T. Watch: Anna Tunnicliffe did everything but hang 'em out to dry in Medemblik, Holland, as she won the gold medal in the Laser Radial Class at the Delta Lloyd Regatta, an ISAF Grade 1 event. In the 14 races, Anna took 6 firsts during the chilly, windy week of choppy conditions. A different kind of congratulations are in order, too - Anna and Laser sailor **Brad Funk** were married earlier this month. (Anna Tunnicliffe is a former All American sailor from <u>Old Dominion University</u>, Norfolk, VA.) She'll be heading for the Olympics in China this August!

<u>Omar the Tent Maker</u> never had this great a deal! Join the **Tent Team for Southern Bay Race Week**. Help put up the tent on Wednesday, May 28, at lunch time and/or help take the tent down on Monday, June 2 (early morning). You will be paid handsomely with a free tee-shirt. The IRS cannot track that benefit! <u>Contact Woody</u> <u>Woodcock at (757) 723-0818</u>. This is fun and a skill you can add to your resume!

Twenty-six boats headed up the Rappahannock Saturday, drawing a bead on the suspecting town of Urbanna. **The Urbanna Race**, the first in the Fishing Bay Yacht Club Distance Series, had perfect weather and the perfect place to go. The PHRF fleet raced 23.85 miles, while the non-spin and cruising groups took the 17.53 mile route. <u>RESULTS: PHRF A (6 boats)</u>: 1.*Chilcoot*, **Alex Alvis**; 2.*Loose Cannon*, **Strother Scott**; 3. *Wavelength*, **Rob Whittet**. <u>PHRF B/C (8 boats)</u>: 1.*Trilogy*, **Wayland Rennie**; 2.*Schiehallion*, **Brad Miller**; 3.*Strokin*, **Robert Bowles**. <u>Non-Spin (8 boats)</u>: 1.*Juggernaut*, **Mike Dale**; 2.*Last Boat III*, **Frank Murphy**; 3.*Battlewagon*, **Paul Cross**. <u>Cruising (4 boats)</u>: 1.*Back Porch*, **Kenny Cobb**; 2.*Red Sky*, **Doug Anderson**. PRO - Brooks Zerkel.

No Hatfields, but the **REAL McCoys raced** in the annual HYC Trapeze Regatta weekend before this past. **Charley McCoy, Jr** (71) and **son, Charley III** sailed together on a Hampton One Design.

The southern Bay's Hospice Turkey Shoot Regatta has been named BEST OF THE BAY_by <u>CHESAPEAKE BAY MAGAZINE (June 2008 issue)</u>. The annual regatta, which is hosted by Yankee Point Marina on Myer Creek off the Corrotoman and Rappahannock Rivers, drew more than 130 boats to racing and partying over the two day period last October. Allan Young, Event Chairman and John McCarthy, the Principal Race Officer, along with an army of outstanding volunteers who staff the shore side and race course activities, plan throughout the year for the Turkey Shoot. In addition to sharing in the Regatta's award, Ken and Karen Knull's Yankee Point Marina (and boat yard) also received numerous accolades in the CBM announcement.

<u>Do a quick turn-around after SBRW</u>: Harborfest Hometowne Regatta and the York River Cup are next up, on Saturday, June 7th. The Harborfest Hometowne Regatta is a sanctioned event run by Portsmouth Boat Club. Starts are offered for all PHRF classes as well as for a non-spinnaker cruising class. The race starts in the Elizabeth River; first signal is at 10:00AM. Deadline for entries is Monday, June 2nd. For info and entry contact Larry Bryant (757) 484-4966 or Dave Bennett (757) 676-1047. This year the York River Cup will be run for the first time from York River Yacht Club's new home at Crown Pointe Marina. The Skippers Meeting will be held at the Crown Pointe Marina, as will the pool-side, post-race cookout. Entry fee is \$25 for USSA members and are requested by Saturday, May 31. For details, please contact Brian Gregory, YRYC Race Captain at (804) 642-9157. Meanwhile, the same Saturday, Fishing Bay Yacht Club will be running their Long Distance June Race. Mike Dale (804) 347-7409 is the point of contact.

Rap River Spring Regatta: Rappahannock River Yacht Club had 10 boats turn out for their annual spring regatta. They got in two races. <u>RESULTS: PHRF Non-Spin-</u> 1. **Peter Knight**, *Salute*; 2.**Lew Thatcher**, *Catitude*; 3.**Dwight Timm**, *Silver Fox*. **Sam Marshall** won the 3 boat <u>PHRF spinnaker fleet</u> in *Play it Again*. PRO - Blaine Liner.

A weekend ago, six 505s raced in the <u>HYC Trapeze Regatta</u>. Tyler Moore / Jesse Falsone took first, followed by Lin Robinson / Erik Booth and Henry and Doug Amthor. Among the three Hampton One Designs racing on Sunday, Mark Wheeler / Graham Garrington took the top spot.

Portsmouth Boat Club hosted their annual Merrimac Memorial Regatta Saturday - 19 small boats showed up to race off Portsmouth's City Park. Winners of each of the four classes were: SUNFISH (4) - **John Meyer** (Lively, VA); LASER (5) - **Eric Schwab** (Norfolk); MONOHULL (5) - **Mike Parsons** (Media, PA); and MULTIHULL (5) - **Keven Baum** (Portsmouth).

COMING UP IN JUNE TO YOUR SOUTHERN BAY RACE COURSES:

- June 7 Harborfest Hometown Regatta Larry Bryant (757) 484-4966 or Dave Bennett (757) 676-1047
- June 7 York River Cup Brian Gregory (804) 642-9157
- June 7 FBYC Distance Race Mike Dale (804) 347-7409
- June 14 14th Annual Hospice Regatta (Greater Hampton Roads) Glenn Giles (757) 851-9690
- June 14 YPYC Spring Singlehanded Race
- June 21 Cock Island Race Portsmouth Parks and Rec (757) 393-8481 or Don Wade or Jim Backus at PBC
- June 21 FBYC Moonlight Regatta Mike Dale (804) 347-7409
- June 22 YPYC Women's Race
- June 28 The Hanbury Cup Jim White, CNU Sailing Team Asst Coach.

MURPHY'S LAW: So, the best and most enthusiastic racers from the southern Bay and beyond will be going at it in just a few days. They'll battle head-to-head and toe-to-toe. *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, aka, the Murphster,* will be out there with them. I tend to win <u>all</u> the toe-to-toe showdowns - numbers make a digital difference! */S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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