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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use #420**

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YIKES! OOOPS! <u>SEA STAR</u> is the 2008 CCV HIGH POINT WINNER IN PHRF A. Let there be NO DOUBT that Sea Star, Dave Eberwine and the "Blue Beauty's" team are top dogs in the CCV High Point competition this year! A compilation error was made in the info handed out last week and was regrettably duplicated in last week's issue of SBRNYCU. The error was discovered before trophy presentations, so all is on track to get the correct information in all the correct places. When you see these very good and very deserving Sea Star racers, be sure to give them a congratulatory handshake and/or high-five, even though a little bit belated!

FROSTBITE SERIES - Day 3. The wind that was AWOL last week put in an appearance yesterday as an enhanced version. The 22 boats that raced got in plenty of action in Hampton Roads harbor. RESULTS: PHRF A (8 boats racing) - 1.Sledd Shelhorse, Meridian; 2.Bob Mosby, Cyrano; 3.Phil Briggs, Feather. PHRF B (9 boats racing) - 1.Rusty Burshell, Cool Change; 2.Graham Field, Independence; 3.Chuck Monsees, Rockette. PHRF C (1 boat racing) - 1.Bob Thomas, Surprise. PHRF-Non-Spin (4 boats racing) - 1.Wright, Glory Days; 2.Tom Connors, Fins Up; 3.Bob Nunn, One o Five. Race Chairman, Brian Deibler. Official Scorer, Dick Boykin.

FROSTBITE SERIES races happen <u>every Sunday in November</u>, same time and place. Yep, even the Sunday of Thanksgiving weekend. The first warning signal is at a "very civilized" noon, 1200. For info and to enter contact <u>Brian Deibler at (757) 224-4272 or (757) 715-8977.</u> Hampton Yacht Club sponsors this Series, which is OPEN TO ALL.

Racing sailors turned out Saturday at high-noon in Norfolk's Ghent to jam-pack the Naro Theatre for the showing of Morning Light, the Disney studio's documentary on a team of youngsters who raced in the 2007 TransPac Race (California to Hawaii). There was a second showing at the same time on Sunday with a similar response. Racers of all ages crowded the sidewalk and spilled off the curb to secure tickets for the show and afterwards to share informal "reviews" with friends. The consensus was overwhelmingly positive, extremely so. Special thanks are due Jimmy Schools for the idea to interest the Naro in showing the film and then actually "making it happen".

If you want to know how in the world the <u>footage for Morning Light</u> was shot, ask southern Bay racer, JD Scott - he was on the film boat that followed *Morning Light* in the race across the Pacific.

You might know this idea would come from one of the most revered party sites on the Bay - The Boatyard Bar & Grill (Annapolis). A Sock Donning Party! This is the set-up for Spring 2009 Sock Burning parties. Racers with vision (and cold tootsies) are gonna insist their clubs have Sock Donning Parties, and soon!

Leg #2 of **VOLVO OCEAN RACE** - Cape Town to Kochi, <u>www.volvooceanrace.org</u> started Saturday, November 15th.

BBSA announces winners of 2008 Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series: This series is comprised of 9 southern Bay races sponsored and run by 4 different clubs on the southern Bay. The races are CCV Spring Series #3, BBSA Cape Henry Cup, BBSA Cape Charles Cup - races #1 & #2, CCV Moonlight Triangle, HYC Plantation Light Race, BBSA Neptune's Atlantic Race, CCV Fall Series #3, and OPCYC 'Round the Lights Race. Award winners for the 2008 CBDRS are: PHRF A: 1.Christian Schaumloffel, Mirage (Hobie 33); 2.Phil Briggs, Feather (J36); 3.Jim Williams/Will Robertson, Treaty of Ghent (Hobie 33). PHRF B: 1.Bob Archer, Bad Habit (Pearson Flyer); 2.Ben Cuker, Callinectes (Cal 29); 3.Graham Field, Independence (Islander 36). PHRF C: 1.Martin Casey, Bowmovement (Catalina 27); 2.Tim Ketten, April Tied; 3.Justin Morris, The Hunter (Hunter 26.5). PHRF Non-Spin: 1.Harry Tenney, Margarita (Roberts 43). Cruising: 1.Jim Forrester, Anjalei.

**Say What?!** In the November issue of *SAIL Magazine* the following report appears:

"...in Newport Harbor in Newport Beach, California. According to several sources, the harbor police have been ordering sailboats competing in buoy races to slow down and/or lower their sails; in some cases skippers have

received citations for **sailing too fast**. While racing." The article further noted that the city's seal shows sailboats - racing! Could it be time for some of those harbor police to suit up in "Fun Police" uniforms?

**Six teams of NOOD (National Off-Shore One Design)** sailors raced and party-ed their way around the BVI's this past week, compliments of the NOOD Regatta program organizers. The group from the southern Bay, **Christian Schaumloffel, Matt Smith, Mark Kawa, Jon Finn, Dave Taylor, and Dave Nash,** representing the St. Petersburg NOOD, returned home having had a great time. They finished fourth in the six boat fleet of Sunsail Odyssey 39s.

Christmas gift giving ideas for racing sailors: SAILTIME offers (see ad below), Old Coast Guard Station gift shop (Virginia Beach oceanfront), various yacht club holiday sales, special event racing gear (check with organizers and at sites of past seasons races), photos (etc.), entry fees for 2009 events - all offer and/or make great holiday season gifts for racers and are sure to endear the giver to the recipient. After all, it's the thought that counts!

Join the VOLVO OCEAN RACE in Galway, Ireland - May 23 - June 6, 2009 - A SpinSheet Magazine sponsored group will be there. For details and to request information, please email <a href="mailto:galway@spinsheet.com">galway@spinsheet.com</a>. Or, contact Mary Ewenson at (410) 216-9309.

So, you want to be on the Race Committee team - here's a great way to get ready and it's going to happen right here in the southern Chesapeake Bay. The US SAILING Basic Race Management Seminar will be hosted by Hampton Yacht Club in two, half-day sessions, February 14-15, 2009. Cost is \$50 for US SAILING members and \$60 for non-members. This is a great course for those with race committee experience as well as those who are considering becoming involved. John McCarthy, advanced Race Officer and certified Judge, will be lead instructor and will be assisted by certified Club Race Officer Glenn Giles. For additional information and/or to register, contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or mcbear@earthlink.net\_or visit www.hamptonyc.com and click on the race committee seminar icon.

Remember... **The GABOON Race, Sunday, December 7th.** Don't put your baby away yet! The annual Gaboon Race, hosted by Hampton Yacht Club, OPEN TO ALL, is a pursuit race that starts and finishes in Hampton River at the HYC docks. Starting times will be available at the race registration table (HYC Dockside Lounge, aka The Bar) on race day. Deadline for entries is 12:30 PM on race day. There is no limit on number of crew, so bring 'em all! A PHRF of the Chesapeake valid rating is required, but the crew limitations will not apply. The starting sequence begins at 1:00 PM and the pre-set course is approximately 8 nautical miles, in Hampton Roads harbor. Fleet awards and the grand **Gaboon Spittoon** will be presented on December 9 at HYC annual awards presentations. For info and/or to enter, contact Phil Briggs at (757) 850-244-5477.

**MURPHY'S LAW:** Yrs Truly, Murphy the Racing Beagle, took special note of Morning Light. After all Great Uncle Cornelius McBeagle rode a three- master to Hawaii back in the day. The Murphy line remains strong to this day as Cousin Dude Murphy hangs twenty while shootin' the curl off Maui every morning. Righteous! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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