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SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK WRAP-UP:

BLACK SEAL CUP WINNER: *WAIRERE*, Pete Hunter, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina **Boats of the Day:**

Day #1 (Sponsored by Winters Sail Loft): Ocean View Course - *WAIRERE* (Hunter) Buckroe Course - *PUFF CARD* (Boatwright)

Day #2 (Sponsored by North Sails, Hampton): Ocean View Course - #999 (White/Ballard) Buckroe Course - *WIKI WIKI* (Paice)

Day #3 (Sponsored by Doyle Sails, Hampton): Ocean View Course - *INEVITABLE* (Karn) Buckroe Course - USA 193 (Behm)

On the OCEAN VIEW COURSE: Day 1, three races sailed; Day 2, one race sailed; and Day 3, three races sailed.

Boats racing in each fleet: PHRF A1 - 5; PHRF A2 - 9; J-105 - 5 PHRF B1 - 12; PHRF B2 - 10

WAIRERE, Pete Hunter's Thompson 30 from Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, sailed great throughout the regatta and took home the top overall award, the Gosling's **Black Seal Cup**. The team in the red shirts finished with a string of 2-1-1-1-1-2-3 over 7 races in PHRF A1 to win their fleet, holding off hard charging, locally based *Meridian 2*, **Sledd Shelhorse**, (Hampton, VA Beach) who won Day 3 in their fleet by one point, but could not overcome *Wairere's* overall lead.

Sea Star, **Dave Eberwine's** J36, (Hampton/Suffolk) and **John White's and Tom Ballard's** (Annapolis, MD) purple hull #999 Beneteau FC10 went at it hammer and tong all three days of racing, . The two teams did a masterful job of employing match-racing tactics within the PHRF A2 fleet, exchanging the lead throughout the event. When all was said and done, *Sea Star* sailed their best in the first race of Day 3 (Race 5) to take a bullet that turned out to be the linchpin for the top spot in PHRF A2.

In the J105 one-design fleet, **Mike Karn** (Fishing Bay/Richmond) and the *Inevitable* team hammered the fleet on Day 3 with 3 bullets to take the top spot from **David Clark's** (Fishing Bay/Mechanicsville, VA) *Corryvreckan*, who had held big dog position for the first two days of the regatta.

In PHRF B1 one of two Tripp 26's, *A Parent Tripp*, **Brett Harrison and John Yeigh** from Annapolis, MD, gained the lead in the first race (#5) of Day 3 and kept their hold on first over **Dennis Hannick**, *Goin'*, Tripp 26 (King George, VA), and **Ben Week's and Michele Cochran's** J29, *Rumble* (Yorktown, VA). *Rumble* had a brilliant first day (1-2-1) and was only one point out of the lead after Day 2, but *A Parent Tripp* put together a consistent performance on Day 3 to keep the top spot and win the fleet.

Cool Change, J30, **Rusty Burshell** (Hampton/Yorktown) and *Strega*. S2 9.1, **Neal Garrett** (Hampton, Yorktown) were tied for the lead in PHRF B2 going into Day 3, when a protest at the start of Race 5 cost *Strega* a DSQ and eventually bumped her to 3rd in the final standings.

On the BUCKROE COURSE: Day 1, three races sailed; Day 2, one race sailed; and Day 3, two races sailed.
Boats racing in each fleet: J24 - 6; PHRF C - 10; PHRF NS-2 (double headsail) - 9; PHRF NS-1 (single headsail) - 5; Cruising - 5

Among the J24 one-design fleet, Tripp Behm (Hampton) and crew aboard #193 did what they had to do, win both races on the final day of the regatta, to take the first place spot away from leader *Quicky*, **Mike Veraldi** (Virginia Beach).

In PHRF C, the top two contenders flip-flopped the lead after each of the first two days of racing, and a first in the

first race of the final day of racing gained the overall win for **Bumps Eberwine's** (Hampton/Suffolk), *Spray*, Olson 25, over **Greg Miller** (Washington, North Carolina) and his tough team on *Essobee*, Lindenberg 26.

In the PHRF NS-2 fleet (double headsail allowed), *Incentive +*, Olson 30, **Lewie Lewis** (Hampton) won each of the first two days and tied on the third with second place overall finisher **Leo Wardrup** (Virginia Beach), *Black Widow*, Irwin 38-1.

Puff Card, Tartan 37-2, sailed by **Walter Boatwright** (Norfolk, Newport News) and crew, dominated the PHRF NS-1 (single headsail only) fleet by winning 5 of the 6 races. *The Edge*, C&C 35-2, skippered by **Mark Baldrige** from Surf City, North Carolina, took a first in Race 4 and finished a strong second overall in the regatta.

In the Cruising Division, **Tom Pantelides'** (Hampton) *Mazi*, Sabre 34, won both races on Day 3 to bump **Rick Carroll's** (Virginia Beach) *Sur Le Vent*, Beneteau Oceans 351, to second overall by one point.

Wind Conditions during the regatta: Day #1 great racing, moderate winds across both courses throughout the day. Day #2 proved especially challenging to all as fluky and light stuff tested everyone's patience, but one race was completed on each course when a sea "breezette" came in late in the day. Day #3 was absolutely glorious for racing! The fleet delayed departure from the harbor for approximately 30 minutes as a front passed through and broke up just a couple of miles north of Hampton Roads. Racing began in 8 - 12 knots, then was favored by a beautiful 12 to 15 knots for the remainder of the day. At the conclusion of the racing there was plenty of wind left for a parting day sail back to regatta headquarters.

Top 3 Overall by Fleet:

PHRF A1: 1. *Wairere*, Thompson 30, Pete Hunter; 2. *Meridian 2*, Farr 36, Sledd Shelhorse; 3. *Cash Flow*, Hadley 40, Lloyd Griffin

PHRF A2: 1. *Sea Star*, J36, Dave Eberwine; 2. #999, Bene FC10, John White and Tom Ballard; 3. *Afterthought*, J109, Craig Wright.

J105-OD: 1. *Inevitable*, Mike Karn; 2. *Corryvreckan*, David Clark; 3. *Bladerunner*, Brad Davis

PHRF B1: 1. *A Parent Tripp*, Tripp 26, Brett Harrison and John Yeigh; 2. *Goin'*, Tripp 26, Dennis Hannick; 3. *Rumble*, J29, Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran.

PHRF B2: 1. *Cool Change*, J30, Rusty Burshell; 2. *Bad Habit*, Pearson Flyer, Bob Archer; 3. *Strega*, S2 9.1, Neal Garrett.

J24-OD: 1. *USA 193*, Tripp Behm; 2. *Quicky*, Mike Veraldi; 3. *Bash*, Ron Medlin.

PHRF C: 1. *Spray*, Olson 25, Bumps Eberwine; 2. *Essobee*, Lindenberg 26, Greg Miller; 3. *The Hunter*, Hunter 26.5, Justin Morris.

PHRF N-2 1. *Incentive+*, Olson 30, Lewie Lewis; 2. *Black Widow*, Irwin 38-1, Leo Wardrup; 3. *Excelsior*, Steve Ritz, Cal 30-2

PHRF N-1 1. *Puff Card*, Tartan 37-2, Walter Boatwright; 2. *The Edge*, C&C 35-2, Mark Baldrige; 3. *Bobinski*, Catalina 30, Bob Hausmann.

Cruising: 1. *Mazi*, Sabre 34, Tom Pantalides; 2. *Sur Le Vent*, Bene Ocn 351, Rick Carroll; 3. *CYMRU*, Bene 440, Robert Howell.

SBRW Event Chairman - Jack Pope; Event Principal Race Officer and Ocean View Course - John McCarthy; Buckroe Course Race Officer - Glenn Giles; Signal Boats - *Salty Dog* (J. McCarthy) and *Southern Branch* (Brian Deibler); Pin Boat (OV) - *Christine* (Nick Worth); Mark Boats - *Thomas* (Bill Gibbings), *Black Dog* (Dave Hamilton), *Sellfish* (Jerry Olson), and *Kerry Sue* (Marshall Findley)

Complete Results are posted at www.hamptonyc.com - click on Handicap Racing (left column) and click on SBRW Day-by-Day on schedule.

AND, THE SOUTHERN BAY BEAT GOES ON THIS COMING WEEKEND!

This coming weekend THE HOMETOWNE REGATTA, organized by Portsmouth Boat Club goes off on Saturday, June 6th, first warning set for 1000. For entry and event information please contact Larry Bryant (757) 472-5969 or Dave Bennett (757) 676-1047 or go to the PBC website at www.portsmouthboatclub.org Racing is offered for all PHRF fleets and a Cruising Fleet. There is a time limit on the race, but no time limit on the post-race party! MANDATORY SKIPPERS MEETING is at 1900 (7pm) on Thursday, June 4, at the PBC clubhouse, 20 Elm Street, Portsmouth.

Also on **Saturday, Fishing Bay Yacht Club's CUT CHANNEL RACE goes off on Saturday**. John Beery is the Race Chairman. For details and info check the FBYC website at www.fbyc.net

MURPHY'S LAW: YIKES! Raced so hard and danced to grand at SBRW, *Yrs Truly the Racing Beagle* has gotta get the Chuck Taylors patched! Whooo! What a weekend! Oh, and that TugTub@ floating hot tub is all it promised to be! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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