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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use # 453**

**SBRNYCU** is an independent weekly publication of southern Chesapeake Bay racing happenings. Founded in April, 2000.

**What about Pterobyte?** **PTEROBYTE**, Jim Baldwin, 6th in the PHRF A3 fleet at Screwpile. *Pterobyte* won a tie breaker in their battle with *Priority One* (Ron Spicuzza) in the overall standings by virtue of having finished 2nd in the second race of the regatta. **SBRNYCU** just plain missed *Pterobyte* when summarizing final regatta standings in Thursday's issue. Make no mistake, they were there. And, they raced tough in a very tough fleet. And, **TREATY OF GHENT**, Jim Williams, won Fleet 1 at the Little Bay Challenge (*Virginia H* finished second). Sometimes, even the proofreading staff has a long day!

**INDEPENDENCE wins Vet Cup!** Graham Field's *Independence* won PHRF B and the 2009 Veteran's Cup Saturday, amassing the largest corrected time difference over the second place boat in his fleet. The race ran in very pleasant conditions off Buckroe around fixed marks. **RESULTS:** PHRF A (4 boats) - 1. **Lewie Lewis, Incentive+**; 2. **Phil Briggs, Feather**. PHRF B (4 boats) - 1. **Graham Field, Independence**; 2. **Dick McCrillis, Charis**. PHRF Non-Spin (7 boats) - 1. **Jeff Rogers, Halaha**; 2. **Dennis Miner, Joy**; 3. **Tom Connors, Fins Up**. **Kathy and Mike Barber**, as the only boat in PHRF C, used the race to test out their "new to them" Merit 25, *Figaro*. They were pleased, so look for more of *Figaro* in PHRF C. **Cruising Fleet (8 boats)** - 1. **Paul Mellen, Saltwater Taffy**; 2. **Armie Armstrong, Zephyr**; 3. **Juan Diaz, Levante**. Principal Race Officer - John Ritter.

**At Ware River Yacht Club this SATURDAY and SUNDAY: GOVERNOR'S CUP AND JUNIORS REGATTAS, Aug 1-2, 2009 at Ware River YC in Gloucester. All small boat classes welcome. Individual class starts for 5 or more boats. See the WRYC website for all the info - [www.wareriveryachtclub.com](http://www.wareriveryachtclub.com)**

### **Also, this coming weekend - on Saturday, August 1:**

**14th Annual Little Creek Cup**, administered by Broad Bay Sailing Association, in support of the Hampton Roads Regatta, which is a charity event established on behalf of the St Jude Children Research Hospital. For information on the Little Creek Cup, please contact Scott Almond at (757) 471-2663 or go to [www.broadbaysailing.org](http://www.broadbaysailing.org). The race is in the Bay off Ocean View, with the start and finish in the vicinity of the Ocean View Fishing Pier (Norfolk). **All classes, PHRF as well as Cruising, are single headsail only.** There is a skippers meeting on Friday, July 31, 1830 hours at Bay Point Marina.

**Fishing Bay Yacht Club Moonlight Regatta** is set for Saturday, August 1. Please go to [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net) for info and entry or contact Race Chairman Jere Dennison at (804) 288-6323.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY REGATTAS!** Right smack-dab in the middle of August come two very special milestone celebration regattas for southern Bay small boat racers. Here are the details and/ or contact points for each:

**HAMPTON ONE-DESIGN 75th NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA** - August 14 -16, hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. HOD sailors from all points of the compass are expected to attend the social events as well as the racing. A special Heritage Race is planned for Saturday, so that all who care to, whether actually competing for the 2009 National title or just soaking up the socializing, may participate in the historic "on the water" scene. There will be lots of special doings, including the unveiling of refurbished Hull #1, which has been undertaken by the "world renown refurbishment experts" at The Mariners' Museum (Newport News, Virginia). For registration and other info, contact Dave Chapman, National Regatta Chairman, at (757) 726-9640 or [hod75th@verizon.net](mailto:hod75th@verizon.net) or class website [www.shoren.net/hamptonone](http://www.shoren.net/hamptonone)

**MOBJACK 50th NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA** - August 21-23, hosted by Ware River Yacht Club. The International Mobjack Class will meet to contest its 50th National Championship at WRYC in Gloucester, VA. Expect plenty of Mobjack "notables" to be there. For info contact Tom Roberts at (804) 843-2682.

**Media Watch:** Well, we don't know about the claim of "oldest", but we do know about the claim of "*longest overnight yacht race on the Chesapeake.*" *Chesapeake Bay Magazine* (page 8, August issue), in reporting about the upcoming [Maryland] Governor's Cup, so described the event which starts off Annapolis on this coming Friday and goes 70 miles to St Mary's City. Do the math; no matter how you look at it, the **Down the Bay Race for the Virginia Cruising Cup** (the 60th running was this past Memorial Day Weekend from Annapolis to Hampton) is longer. DTB uses the *whole Bay for it's 120 miles of overnight yacht racing.* Go figure!

The Hampton One-Designs are celebrating their 75th Nationals (August 14-16). It is interesting to note that the current (2008) reigning National HOD Champion is a teenager, **Gordon Wolcott**. Word is there will be several former National Champions (none of them is still a teenager!) sailing in the upcoming event including a number who have won the title more than once - **Charlie McCoy, Eddie Wolcott, Kevin Hanna, Mark Wheeler, and Latane Montague**. Well now... this will be interesting!

**MURPHY'S LAW:** This old dawg, *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, is thinking about the "young Turks" and the "old Dawgs" rivalry that is likely to evolve during the Hampton One-Design National Championships (see item above). And, like the song says, "... there's just no substitute for experience...". This litter of young dawgs evidently has been paying attention, and they ain't pups anymore! However it turns out, it will all be good fun and great competition!!! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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#### **SPECIAL NOTES FOR HAMPTON ONE-DESIGN 75TH ANNIVERSARY REGATTA:**

- Please be sure to let HOD organizers, Dave and Leigh Chapman know, right away, of your intention to attend the **unveiling soiree of expertly restored HOD HULL #1 at The Mariners' Museum, on Saturday evening, August 15**. Contact Dave or Leigh at (757) 726-9640. Please DO call asap. This will be a very, very special event - ya gotta be there!
- Also, the make-up **HYC Trapeze Regatta will be run on Saturday, August 8, for HODs only**. This is a qualifier for the HOD National Championships (Aug 14-16) Contact Dave or Leigh at (757) 726-9640.