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<u>CCV SPRING SERIES IS A WRAP.</u> SEA STAR, COOL CHANGE, QUICKY, and BLACK WIDOW are fleet winners. Sunday proved perfect for the final two races of the five race series that traditionally opens the season on the southern Bay. A rock solid breeze out of 240 that ranged between 12 and 20 knots was just what the doctor ordered and the fleet of 36 boats made the most of it. The Spring Series (overall) awards will be presented at the CCV Annual Awards Party in early November. Here are the top finishers in each fleet: <u>PHRF A (10 boats racing)</u>: 1.Dave Eberwine, Sea Star, J/36; 2.Phil Briggs, Feather, J/36; 3.Christian Schaumloffel, Mirage, Hobie 33; 4.Bob Mosby, Cyrano, Frers 36. <u>PHRF B (13 boats racing)</u>: 1.Rusty Burshell, Cool Change, J/30; 2.Bob Archer, Bad Habit, Pearson Flyer; 3.Graham Field, Independence, Islander 36; 4.Chuck Monsees, Rockette, J/29. <u>PHRF C (12 boats racing)</u>): 1.Mike Veraldi, Quicky, J/24; 2.Alan & Will Bomar, Roundabout, J/24; 3.Justin Morris, The Hunter, Hunter 26.5; 4.Jonathan Phillips, Fine, Kirby 25. <u>PHRF Non-Spin (7 boats racing)</u>): 1.Leo Wardrup, Black Widow, Irwin 38; 2.Don Barfield & Steve Smith, Checko, Macgregor 26; 3.Mitch Doughtie, Old School, S2 7.9. Principal Race Officer - John McCarthy; Scorer - John Ritter; Mark Boats - Bill and David Gibbings; Tom and Jane Fowler.

The CCV Fleet flew gray ribbons for **Neal Garrett** in the races Sunday. There are buckets of tears and waves of prayers and thoughts for Neal from his racing friends. Since doctors cannot help Neal with surgery, it is even more important to help strengthen his spirit.

**FLECK, MITCHENER, and JANKOWSKI do the NOODS. Bob Fleck,** who now makes his home in Hardyville (a suburb of Deltaville), finished 1st in the 7 boat S2 7.9 class at the NOOD regatta in Annapolis this past weekend. Fleck's *HORIZON* dominated the fleet with a string of 1-1-2-1-1-2-5, finishing 7 points ahead of the 2nd place boat. **Sam Mitchener**, who resides in Roanoke and sails his J/109, *DOUBLE EAGLE*, out of Fishing Bay Yacht Club, finished 6th in his class and **Chris Jankowski**, also of FBYC, took 8th in the 17 boat J/24 class. Both Mitchener and Fleck are Early Bird entries in upcoming (June 4-6) <u>Southern Bay Race Week</u>.

**CAPE HENRY CUP on the near horizon - Saturday, May 15.** Broad Bay Sailing Association offers the Cape Henry Cup, Saturday after this coming. Starts are offered for PHRF A, B, C, and Non-Spinnaker (single headsail only). There is also a Cruising fleet (single headsail only). This is a sanctioned race and is part of the Chesapeake Bay Distance Racing Series. Entries are due no later than 1700, May 14th. Sailing Instructions will be available from <u>Scott Almond (757) 471-2663</u> or at <u>www.broadbaysailing.org</u> after May 5. This is a well established, mid-distance race in the mouth of the Bay. Study your current tables!

This from <u>Scuttlebutt, Thursday, April 29, 2010 issue</u>. On the Tuesday of the Bermuda International Invitational Race Week Skipper Tim Lynch and crew of their J/24 *ERIN* had been on the last leg of the last race. " She was flying her spinnaker in a building 30-knot breeze. As the boat rounded up in a massive broach, she put her mast in the water and flooded the cockpit and cabin. The **boat didn't right herself and just sank to the bottom, sails and all.** No one was injured. Chase boats on the course picked up Lynch and his crew. About two feet of the mast was sticking above the water and Erin was standing straight up with her keel resting on the sandy bottom. She was marked with a buoy overnight. " In summary, the next morning (Wednesday) two barges moved *ERIN*, having lifted her by her hoist ring just inches off the bottom in to the lee of Long Island. Then, they used two straps under the boat to lift her to where the deck and companionway where just above the surface. (The weight of the water in the cabin would have broken the boat in half, if they had lifted her entirely out of the water." The article stated that , "*ERIN was back at the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club marina by 2:00PM Wednesday...*" When racing resumed on Thursday, *ERIN* was there and took two 6th places in the competition for the J/24 class Gripper Trophy. As Winston Churchill once said, "When you are going through hell, keep on going!"

**2009 SCREWPILE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE RACE COMMITTEE** has been named winner of the CBYRA Bay-Wide <u>Handicap and Cruising One-Design Race Committee of the Year award</u>. The group organized by Event Chairman, LG Raley, and led by Don Brehens, both of the Southern Maryland Sailing

Association, consists of top of the line race management folks from all over the Chesapeake. Running the West Course, one of the regatta's three racing circles, is the Hampton -based team. They are: **PRO: John McCarthy** (HYC); **Communications: Lin McCarthy** (HYC); **Timer: Glenn Giles** (HYC); **Wind Boss: John Ritter** (HYC); **Flags: Brooks Zerkel** (FBYC) and **Cathy Clark** (FBYC) ; **Leeward Mark Boat: Rick Klein** (FBYC); **Windward Mark Boat: Mike Dale** (FBYC). Joining the Screwpile team from the southern Bay this year will be Eric Matherne and Buk Lawrence.

**FBYC Spring Series Update:** Fourteen (14) boats turned out Saturday for a day of racing in the Series and after three more races, the Series leaders of their respective packs are: <u>PHRF A</u> - **Strother Scott**, *Loose Cannon*; <u>PHRF B</u> - **Eric Powers**, *Nereid*; and <u>PHRF C</u> - Brad Miller, *Schiehallion*. Dick Cole's *Nutcracker* is, to this point, the only PHRF Non-Spinnaker boat in the Series. Ric and Sharon Bauer honcho-ed the day of racing. The FBYC Spring Series continues this coming Saturday, May 8.

**Pat and Kollette Hillard** have started a sailing club at <u>Nansemond-Suffolk Academy</u>. So far they have 9 student-sailors from 9th through 12th grade. The NSA team practices at Hampton Yacht Club in the HYC high school sailing program.

## Mother, MAY I... go racing?! This month, yes, you certainly MAY!

May 7 Friday	Late Entry Fee (+ \$50) kicks in at 2400 for DOWN THE BAY - save money, beat this
deadline!	
May 8-9 Sat-Sun	Hampton Yacht Club Trapeze Regatta, Leigh Morgan Chapman -
leigh.morgan2@verizon.net	
May 8 Saturday	Fishing Bay Yacht Club Spring Series, <u>www.fbyc.net</u>
May 8 Saturday	Yankee Point Yacht Club, Spring Regatta
May 9 Sunday	MOTHER'S DAY
May 15 Saturday	
May 15 Saturday	VISA Championship (high school racing) at Norfolk Yacht &CC
May 15 Saturday	Fishing Bay Yacht Club Spring Series, <u>www.fbyc.net</u>
May 15 Saturday	Rappahannock River Spring Regatta
May 16 Sunday	Fleet 71 J/24 Regatta - Alan Bomar - (757) 810-4518 or HYC - (757) 722-0711
May 22 Saturday	HYC - Hampton Roads Hospice Regatta, Glenn Giles - (757) 851-9690
May 24 Monday	Late Entry Fee (+ \$50) kicks in at 2400 for SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK - save \$\$!
May 26 Wed.	Deadline for DOWN THE BAY entries
	Down the Bay Race for the Virginia Cruising Cup, Graham Garrenton - (757) 478-2994
May 29 Saturday	Portsmouth Boat Club, Merrimac Memorial Regatta (small boat racing), Jonathan Romero -
(757) 285-6017	
May 29 Saturday	FBYC - Fishing Bay to Urbanna Race - <u>www.fbyc.net</u>
May 30 Sunday	RRYC - FBYC River Races - <u>www.fbyc.net</u>
	SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK for the BLACK SEAL CUP, info and entry: (757) 850-4225,
www.blacksealcup.com	

**ANNA UPDATE** - Hyères, France (April 30, 2010) – US Sailing Team AlphaGraphics' (USSTAG) **Anna Tunnicliffe** (Plantation, Fla.), **Molly Vandemoer** (Redwood City, Calif.) and **Debbie Capozzi** (Bayport, N.Y.) won a silver medal in the **Women's Match Racing** event at the 42<sup>nd</sup> French Sailing Week today, after finishing 1-3 in the final series against Germany's Silke Hohlbrock. This was their second podium finish in the 2009-2010 International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Sailing World Cup series, after winning gold at US SAILING's 2010 Rolex Miami OCR in January.

(NOTE: info released by US SAILING media outlet)

HEADS-UP. Tunnicliffe Consulting, David Tunnicliffe's enterprise, will sponsor the first annual LABOR DAY CLINIC in Norfolk Sept 4 & 5 (clinic) and 6 (regatta). The Clinic will be held at Old Dominion University. Here are the expected clinicians: Anna Tunnicliffe and Erika Reineke (Laser Radial, limited to 20 boats); Brad Funk (Laser - full rig, limited to 20 boats); Adrienne Patterson and Michael Collins (Club 420, limited to 20 boats); Nick Turney (Optimist, limited to 20 boats); Charles Higgins (High School Team Racing, limited to 18 boats); Mitch Brindley (Collegiate Sailing, limited to 18 boats); and, Alessandro "Alex" Ambrosi (Techno 293, limited to 10 boats). For additional information, registration fees and procedures, deadlines, etc, please contact David Tunnicliffe at Tunnicliffe Consulting, (757) 580--2991

IF you have a junior-aged sailor or sailor-to-be in the household, **NOW** is the time to get him or her signed up for a southern Bay **JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM**. There are several programs in our area, including <u>Fishing Bay</u> <u>Yacht Club</u> (host of the 2010 Opti Nationals in late July), <u>Hampton Yacht Club</u> (host of the Virginia State Juniors

Championship July 4th weekend) and <u>Norfolk Yacht & Country Club</u>. Google a club of interest and check out their offerings. Your young'un may not be old enough to drive a car, but tell him or her that in junior sailing you drive your own boat; the couch potato will morph!

<u>Hey, get those 'chutes up!!</u> The Women's Racing Club at Premier Sailing in Irvington is at it again. Members are <u>learning to fly spinnakers on J24s</u>. Training includes learning how to match race, learning all the basic racing rules, learning to be safe on board. Members commute from as far away as Fredericksburg and Charlottesville for Sunday training sessions. The club has room for new members and welcomes women of all ages with some basic sailing experience. The schedule is carefully written with a limited spring and fall season that is easy enough for a busy mother or busy working woman. See the website on www.premiersailing.com

**MURPHY'S LAW:** This past weekend was a *WINDY* southwesterly. It was so windy that when *Yrs Truly*, *The Racing Beagle*, howled on the downwind run, Cousin Mick Lobster McMurphy hear me in Gloucester, Massachusetts! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all

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