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### **AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY - SUNDAY, JULY 4th. LET FREEDOM RING!**

And, while you are at it. . .

### **CELEBRATE HAMPTON'S 400th ANNIVERSARY IN JULY!**

**SCREWPILE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE 2010 - July 18, 19, and 20th - Solomons, MD.** This is the regatta chosen by racers as the *Best on the Bay in 2009* - expect even better in 2010! **TO AVOID THE \$75 LATE FEE REGATTA ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOON, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30. - THAT'S DAY AFTER TOMORROW!** Go to [www.splc.us](http://www.splc.us), print down your entry form, fill it in and mail it with your fee to Screwpile Challenge 2010. Regatta headquarters is at the Holiday Inn Solomons (regatta headquarters) 1-800-356-2009. When making resses, tell the person taking your info that you are coming to SCREWPILE and give them the magic code - SC 1. There is additional accommodation and dockage info at the event website - [www.splc.us](http://www.splc.us)

**Inaugural YRYC MOONLIGHT RACE shines. PTERODACTYL, RUMBLE, and SHENANDOAH earn way to the podium.** The first John Dworak Memorial Moonlight Race came off, in the words of York River Yacht Club co-race captain, Ben Weeks, ". . .under a beautiful moonlit sky with southeast breeze of 8 - 15 knots over a 21.5 nm course." Trophy recipients: First Place: Eugene Thayer, Pterodactyl (Evelyn 42); Second Place: Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran, Rumble (J/29); Third Place: Dan Fox and Mike Mastracci, Shenandoah (J30).

**NEWPORT TO BERMUDA:** *From Lewis Toms comes the following:* **Rives Potts**, native Richmonder and longtime member of Fishing Bay Yacht Club who grew up sailing on the Southern Chesapeake Bay, **won [his class and his division in] the prestigious Newport to Bermuda Yacht Race on Carina.** Included in his crew were FBYC members **Will Crump**, his wife **Marie Klok Crump** and one of his sisters, **Cyane Crump**. Marie's brother Thomas Klok, who has frequently sailed at Fishing Bay, was also among the crew, along with two of Rives' sons and others. Potts' McCurdy and Rhodes Custom 48 footer, commissioned in May of 1969 was winner of same in 1970 under the command of her original owners, father Richard S. Nye and his son Richard B. Nye. Potts sailed in the largest and most competitive division, the **St. David's Lighthouse Division**, comprised of 103 boats in 8 classes. Also, familiar to southern Bay racers, racing in Newport to Bermuda, were: *Vela Veloce* (Richard Oland) on which **Mark Wheeler** is a regular (navigator) - finished 6th in the Gibbs Hill Lighthouse Division of 13 very large, very fast boats; **Conrad Hall**, *Shearwater*, of Norfolk Yacht and Country Club, won his class and placed 2nd in the 38 boat Cruiser Division; **Greg Leonard**, *Heron*, who just recently won the 2010 DOWN THE BAY RACE, won his class in the Double-Handed Division, and finished 11th overall in the 26 boat division. Complete Newport to Bermuda results are available at <http://63.134.239.39/2010results/Public/ORRResults.html>

Rives Potts (see item above) is the son of **Allen R. Potts**, a founder of the **POTTS CUP CHALLENGE**, which is a special competition among yacht clubs represented, usually, at the annual **Stingray Point Regatta** on Labor Day Weekend, hosted by Fishing Bay Yacht Club.

Rappahannock River Yacht Club hosted the **Flying Scot Capitol District Championship** the weekend of June 19 & 20. Twenty (20) top boats in this district competed in the two day regatta, including six boats from the home fleet. This was the first time the local fleet had hosted the event, which is rotated within the 10 fleets in the district each year. The top five finishers: **1.Skipper John Aras and John Wake; 2. Skipper David Neff and Jason Hair; 3.Skipper Mike Miller and Amy Miller; 4.Skipper Frank Gibson and Debbie Gibson; 5.Skipper Jerry Latell and Andrea Latell.** Principal Race Officer - Brooks Zerkel; Event Chair - Debbie Cycotte

When **John Aras** (Annapolis) and his crew **John Wake** (Richmond) won the Flying Scot Capitol District Championship with a clean sweep of 4 bullets in 4 races, it was the third time he won the championship trophy. John won it in 1972 and again in 1976 while he was in his teens.

**FBYC Moonlight Race - beautiful night with perfect breezes.** One of the boats in the FBYC Moonlight Race

was **Doug Anderson's Red Sky** and she has a setting red sun pictured on her transom. Saturday evening when the race started, racers were treated to the *real* thing - a beautiful red sky sunset. The race was a little bit over 15 miles long and everyone was in by midnight. This race is part of the FBYC Long Distance Series. **RESULTS:** PHRF A (6 boats) - 1. **Alex Alvis**, *Chilcoot*; 2. **Strother Scott**, *Loose Cannon*; 3. **Sam Mitchener**, *Double Eagle*. PHRF B (3 boats) - 1. **Miles Booth**, *Shenanigan*; 2. **Wayland Rennie**, *Trilogy*. PHRF C (1 boat) - 1. **Brad Miller**, *Schiehallion*. PHRF Non-Spin (3 boats) - 1. **Doug Anderson**, *Red Sky*; 2. **Paul Cross**, *Gray Eagle*.

**CNSF Executive Cup Race** Fifteen (15) boats entered the 2010 Executive Cup Race Saturday, and 12 finished. The race is sailed in mid afternoon (the start was at 3:30pm) in Hampton Roads Harbor. This year the course length was 6.30 miles. The proceeds from the Executive Cup Race go to the sailing team at Christopher Newport University. **John Ritter's Temeraire was declared the overall winner**; he finished more than 8 minutes (corrected time) ahead of the second boat in his class, PHRF C. **RESULTS:** PHRF A (5 boats): 1. **Leroi Lissenden**, *Voodoo2*; 2. **Dixon Wilde**, *Kingfisher*; 3. **Louie Lewis**, *Incentive+*. PHRF B (8 boats): 1. **Ben Cuker**, *Callinectes*; 2. **Bob Archer**, *Bad Habit*; 3. **Graham Field**, *Independence*. PHRF C (2 boats): 1. **John Ritter**, *Temeraire*; 2. **Randy Pugh**, *Elusive*. Race Chairman - Malcolm Brady.

**Who won Cock Island?** Just in case you were in orbit last week, or the heat melted your memory banks: Of the 74 boats entered, 29 were PHRF, the remaining 45 sailed in Cruising classes. **Class winners:** PHRF A (2 boats) - **Cyrano**, **Bob Mosby**; PHRF B (4 boats) - **Stingray**, **Don DeLoatch**; PHRF C (7 boats) - **Bow Movement**, **Martin Casey**; PHRF NS-1 (7 boats) - **Black Widow**, **Leo Wardrup**; PHRF NS-2 (9 boats) - **Wiki Wiki**, **Rodney Paice**; Cruising Division - classes winners: *Black Dog*, *Finns*, *Serenity*, and *Content*. For results details, please contact Principal Race Officer Larry Bryant at (757) 472-5969.

Southern Bay expatriate, **STEVE HUNT**, has an interesting column in the July/August issue of *SAILING WORLD Magazine*. He boils down the complexities of racing to "Three Simple Go- Fast Rules". It's great info, well put, and very helpful at all levels of racing. Check -out pages 62 and 63. **NOTE:** *Steve was a highly regarded contender for the USA team a few Olympics back, in the Men's 420's. He has since made his residence on the West Coast and is a well-known high school coach at Point Loma HS in California, and his name often turns up on big boat crew lists.*

Coming up for the holiday weekend:

**HYC Annual Trapeze Regatta** - hosted by Hampton Yacht Club - July 3-4, Hampton One Design Class and any other class with at least 5 one-design boats. Event administrator and info - Leigh Chapman, (757) 726-9640.

**Commonwealth of Virginia Junior Sailing Championship Regatta** - July 3-4, hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. International Optimist Dinghy, Laser Radial, and 420. CBYRA junior age eligibility limits apply. For additional info contact Event Chairman Dave Revill (757) 897-7302, OR Mark Newman (607) 746-2758, OR Tim Spracher (757) 746-4928. NOR available at [www.hamptonyc.com](http://www.hamptonyc.com).

**12th ANNUAL SOUTHERN CHESAPEAKE LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA - JULY 10-11, 2010.** Hosted by Stingray Harbour Yacht Club and Fishing Bay Yacht Club. Two days of racing, classes for PHRF A, B, C, and Non-Spin, a Classic division, and a Cruising Class. There will be one-design racing for classes with at least 5 boats. For information contact Laura Boone at (804) 627-0400, x-6707, OR Sue Willis at (804) 627-0400, x-6711. And, remember, for Hampton Roads and York River area racers, Fishing Bay is 6-7 hours closer to Solomons Island for Screwpile the following week (July 18, 19, and 20). A two part delivery with a race in between - what's not to like?!!

**VETERANS CUP - SATURDAY - JULY 10, 2010.** Here comes Langley Yacht Club's annual Veterans Cup. Starts are offered for all PHRF Classes (PHRF Non-Spin is double headsail) as well as for a single headsail Cruising Class. The plan is to do 2 drop mark races on Saturday. **The Skippers Meeting is Friday, 7pm** at the **Water's Edge Grill** (upstairs over the Salt Ponds Marina Office, Buckroe Beach Road, Hampton. The Notice of Race is posted at the LYC website - [www.langleyyachtclub.org](http://www.langleyyachtclub.org) For information, please contact John Ritter at (757) 329-6992. **This event honors members of our Armed Forces.** You DO NOT have to be formally affiliated with the Armed Forces to participate or to honor the members, past and present.

**MURPHY'S LAW:** Picture this - 50 white stars on a head and two ears dyed blue, and 13 red and white stripes circling a rotund beagle-body and tail! Here you have *Yrs Truly the All American Racing Beagle*, outfitted for the coming weekend. Happy 4th of JULY! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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