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CYRANO, WHITE BOAT, DON'T BE BLUE, LA MAGA and SHE CRAB SOUP win fleets at Stingray Point Regatta. There were 35 boats racing Saturday morning at the Fishing Bay Stingray Point Regatta and everyone of them already had a "win" on the scorecard - they all "beat" Hurricane Earl. Earl turned out to be a wussie and did not keep even the Hampton Roads area boats from getting to Fishing Bay, either before or after his passage. Two beautiful racing days made for a nice regatta and the lovely Monday made for a nice ride home or holiday cruising. RESULTS: PHRF A (9 boats) - 1.**Bob Mosby**, *Cyrano* (1-1-1-1-6); 2.**Phil Briggs**, *Feather* (2-2-2-2-4); 3.**Norman Dawley**, *Pursuit* (3-3-4-4-1). PHRF B (6 boats) - 1.**David McConaughy**, *White Boat* (2-1-1-2-1); 2.**Dennis Hannick**, *Goin'* (1-3-2-1-2); 3.**Bob Archer**, *Bad Habit* (3-2-3-3-3). PHRF C (10 boats) - 1.**Dave Alexander**, *Don't Be Blue* (1-1-3-1-2); 2.**Bob Fleck**, *Horizon* (2-2-1-3-1); 3.**Drake Johnstone**, *Cat's Pajamas* (3-7-2-2-3). PHRF Non-Spin (5 boats) - 1.**Allan Heyward**, *La Maga* (1-1-1-1-1); 2.**Douglas Anderson**, *Red Sky* (5-2-2-2-2); 3.**Shepard Cole**, *Nutcracker* (2-4-3-4-4). J105 (5 boats) - 1.**Cyane Crump**, *She Crab Soup* (2-1-1-2-1); 2.**Mike Karn**, *Inevitable* (1-2-2-1-4); 3.**Strother Scott**, *Loose Cannon* (3-3-3-3-2). Principal Race Officer - David Lee.

STARDANCER wins Beneteau 36.7 class at ARW. John Blais, wife Beverly, and their trusty crew, which included Ken Saylor as tactician, won the 5 boat Beneteau 36.7 one-design class at Annapolis Race Week this past weekend. *Stardancer* had a string of finishes of 2-1-3-2-1-2-1-6(DNF). The DNF in the last race came when the southern Bay bunch lost crew Huey Fourquet overboard and they retired from the race. Even with the dnf-6, they won the class by 2 points, besting nemesis *Jubilee* sailed by Keith Mayes out of Herrington Harbor. CONGRATULATIONS! Note: Blackberry reports seem to indicate Huey was recovered!

HEADS UP! 2011 Racing Season Dates Get 'em on your 2011 office vacation schedule!

THESE ARE IN CONCRETE (UNLESS THE CREEK RISES!)

***January 17, 2011** Monday Key West Race Week opens - www.Premiere-Racing.com

***February 19, 2011** Saturday US SAILING Race Management Seminar at Hampton Yacht Club - meets certification seminar requirement for USSA Club Race Officer - for information please contact John or Lin McCarthy (757) 850-4225

***March 26, 2011** Saturday MURPHY RULES at Rappahannock River Yacht Club - presented by John McCarthy - for information contact Ron Mihills (804) 438-6111

***April 14, 2011** Thursday Charleston Race Week opens

***May 27, 2011** Friday DOWN the BAY RACE (start)

***June 3-5 2011** Fri-Sun SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK - check-in June 2, Thursday evening - racing, parties, and good mayhem Friday June 3, thru Sunday, June 5.

***June 9-12, 2011** Thur-Sun HarborFest - City of Norfolk

***July 18-20, 2011** Sun-Tue SCREWPILE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE - check-in July 17, racing, parties, and more July 18-20

***August 20-21, 2011** Sat-Sun CAPE CHARLES CUP

(NOTE: The full Southern Bay racing schedule should be available around mid-December. Watch SBRNYCU for FREE electronic schedule.)

THE HAMPTON ANNUAL MIDDLE GROUND LIGHT RACE, the [Bay Days Festival](#), and the continuation of Hampton's 400th birthday celebration all come together **THIS Saturday, September 11.** The race is OPEN TO ALL, is a sanctioned regatta, and offers starts for PHRF A,B, C, and Non-Spin (2 headsail) as well as J24 one-design. Racing will be in the harbor using CCV Harbor marks, including Middle Ground Light. First warning is at 1030; there is a time limit at 1600 hours. Entry deadline is Friday, September 10. For information, please contact [John McCarthy at \(757\) 850-4225](#). Race in the Hampton Annual and stick around for Bay Days festivities including FIREWORKS! Another great summer weekend in Hampton Roads.

DINK VAIL REGATTA (DVR10) results not available as of publication. Check Norfolk Yacht & Country Club website for info - www.norfolkyacht.com

WEDDING BELLS AND SHOTGUN SHELLS! At this year's Hospice Turkey Shoot regatta, there will be a wedding. Seems like more and more racers are opting for the post-race party to tie the knot (Richard Winters and

Jenn McCullough had their nuptials at Southern Bay Race Week in June). **Joe Waters**, who hails from South Carolina, and has done many a Turkey Shoot, and **Linda Minginini**, who sails out of Fishing Bay, will be married at the regatta wherever *The Godspeed* replica can be in the picture. All the regatta folk are invited to attend! The dates for Turkey Shoot 2011 are October 8 (opening and check-in), October 9 -10 (racing and parties).

Eat your hearts out Canada 5o5-ers! Amthor and James take Canada Nationals Championship. Southern Bay 5o5 racers **Henry Amthor** and **Clayton James** (past Commodore of Ware River YC) sailed in the 5o5 Canada National Championships in Kingston, Ontario. Henry said, "We had an epic battle with local superstars Jeff Boyd & Martin Ten Hove from Kingston YC that ended in a tie that broke in our favor after 13 heavy air races..10 to 22/kts!!" This makes the 4th time in 8 years that the racers from Hampton Yacht Club have brought the Canada National Championship trophy home to Hampton. In a release published on the regatta in Canada, the writer said, ". . . the Ghost of Canada lives on the walls of HYC. . ." That is a reference to the 4 championships won by our southern Bay guys: **Doug and Henry Amthor** (2003); **Tyler Moore and Jesse Falsone** (2007); **Chris Behm and Drew Buttner** (2008); and now in 2010, **Henry Amthor and Clayton James**.
Oooooooooooooo!

Cross up all your fingers, toes, and eyes (not while driving, of course) and wish for good luck for the Fishing Bay Yacht Club team of racers at the **New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup Qualifier**. They are racing Sonars today through Saturday in Newport, RI, in hopes of gaining an invite to the "big dance" in 2011.

Weekend after this coming:

York River Cup Race - Sept 18 - sanctioned race #423 OPEN TO ALL PHRF classes with 4P rating. Sailing instructions will be posted at www.yryc.org . Check it out and get yourself entered!

CCV Fall Series - Sept 19 - the beginning of the annual Fall Series - Day 1 (Races 1 & 2) - racing in the harbor - for info contact John McCarthy, (757) 850-4225, mcbear@earthlink.net. Remember, racers who are have a *Racing Membership* in CCV are automatically entered in the Fall Series, but everyone else must submit an entry form and fee before the Saturday, Sept 18 deadline.

Rappahannock River Yacht Club Commodore's Cup - Sept 18 - sanctioned race #453 OPEN TO ALL PHRF classes - for info click www.rryc.org

Langley Yacht Club will host the annual Tri-Services Regatta - Sept 18 - for details on who may race, etc, go to www.langleyyacht.org This is a regatta devoted to the staunch competition among the three Hampton Roads area military services sailing clubs - Langley Yacht Club (LAFB), Old Point Comfort YC (Ft Monroe-Army), and Norfolk Naval Sailing Association (NOB).

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, is all for weddings at regattas - see "Wedding Bells and Shotgun Shells" above. Grandpappy O'Murphy says as a puppy he was always warned about the importance of the *sequence* of Wedding Bells and Shotgun Shells. Timing was everything back then! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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