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CCV Tune-Up Races: Like Van Cliburn's piano, they are TUNED! Fifteen (15) southern Bay racers took advantage of the beautiful sunny and moderately breezy conditions yesterday to do the CCV Tune-Up Races in Hampton Roads. At the gathering were *Sea Star*, *Treaty of Ghent*, *Pterodactyl*, *Incentive+*, *Gremlin*, *Bad Habit*, *Wham Bam*, *Independence*, *Stingray*, *Callinectes*, *Roundabout*, *Insolvent*, *Figaro*, *Surprise*, *CYMRU*. The race committee, headed by **Tom Connors**, who usually is sailing *Fins Up* (Pearson 26), got in two races. So, plenty of rust was shaken off and plenty of crew are feeling ready to go!

CCV SPRING SERIES OPENS SUNDAY, APRIL 10th. *Let's get ready to rummmmmble!* There will be two races in Hampton Roads harbor - starting line in the vicinity of CCV Mark H (Harbor). First Warning signal is set for 1030. Starts offered for all PHRF fleets (PHRF Non-Spin allows double headsails) and a Cruising Fleet (single headsail only). This is Day 1 of the Series - it is a 2 race day. Daily awards will be based on combined scores of the two races. Races #1 and #2 will be counted as individual scores for overall Series standing. CCV Racing Members are automatically entered. All others must submit entry and appropriate fee no later than Saturday, April 9th. For information, please contact John McCarthy at (757) 850-4225.

ENTRY DEADLINES - Do it now, get ahead of life's curves!

April 25 (Monday) **EARLY BIRD** entry deadline for **SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK** - save \$\$\$ and receive FREE regatta drink tickets - contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or click on www.blacksealcup.com (Late Fee (\$50) applies after May 25th)

May 6 (Friday) **Entry deadline for 62nd Down the Bay Race** - avoid the \$50 late fee - go to www.hamptonyc.com and click on DTB logo or call Graham Garrenton at (757) 478-2994. Entries will be accepted until May 25 (Late Fee applies after May 6th).

BATTLEWAGON, aka GREY EAGLE, the gray Pearson that tore up many a race course with **John Hanna** at the helm, has another new owner. **Doug Savage** now owns *Grey Eagle*. He, along with **Bob Fleck**, skipper of *Horizon*, delivered her to Alexandria on the chilly, chilly weekend before this past. Doug previously owned and raced quite successfully his S2 10.3, *Reprisal*, until she took a tumble from her jackstands and never returned to action. It is reported that Doug is once again a happy man!

Several skippers will do the Down the Bay Race (May 27-28) as well as Southern Bay Race Week (June 3-5), but so far only one will do the events in different boats. **Bob Howell**, will sail his Beneteau 44, *Cymru*, in the DTB and then switch to his "new-to-him" Pearson 30, *Top Gun* for SBRW.

TWO WEDNESDAY AND ONE THURSDAY EVENING SERIES OPEN THIS WEEK - April 6 and 7:

Hampton Yacht Club Wednesday Night Races are set to begin around Hampton Bar in Hampton Roads harbor. There is NO ENTRY FEE, but you must submit and ENTRY FORM. For info call HYC at 757-722-0711 or click on www.hamptonyc.com

Broad Bay Sailing Association's Little Creek Sailing Association begins their Wednesday Night Series near the mouth of Little Creek, off East Ocean View beach. For info contact John Bergman at (757) 362-3775 or click on www.broadbaysailing.org

Broad Bay Sailing Association's Willoughby Racers Thursday Night Series begin in Norfolk's Willoughby Bay, aka Little Bay. For information go to www.broadbaysailing.org

PHRF SAYS YOU MUST HAVE A PHRF RATING FOR THE PHRF FLEET IN WHICH YOU PLAN TO RACE.

That is to say, if you are racing PHRF Non-Spin, you must have a PHRF Non-Spin rating (a PHRF Spinnaker rating will not do!) If you are racing in a PHRF Spin fleet, you must have a PHRF Spin rating (a PHRF Non-Spin rating will not do!) PHRF is very clear about this. If you do not have the rating you need, call PHRF at (410) 414-3270. Don't be left at the dock - get this straight now, time is a' wasting!

THIS SATURDAY Race your Scot right! The Flying Scot Clinic is set for **Saturday, April 9th (0900 'til mid-afternoon) at Fishing Bay Yacht Club**. The clinic will be conducted by **Jerry Latell** of Ullman Sails Virginia & Latell Sailmakers and **David Neff** from the Selby Bay Sailing Center. David is the FS Capitol District Governor. Open to all, there is no charge for the clinic itself. You may sign up for pizza and a drink for lunch for \$6, or you can pack and bring your lunch from home. For info contact John Berry at (804) 769-2856. On-line sign up is available at www.fbyc.net

Racers' Vocabulary : *COURSE* - The direction in which a skipper wishes to steer his boat and from which the wind is blowing. Also, the language that results by not being able to do so.

SBRW 2011 Fleet Update: The PHRF C Fleet continues to build with 4 new entries: **Tom Connors**, *Fins Up* (Pearson 26), **Bumps Eberwine**, *Spray* (Olson 25), **Kathy Barber**, *Figaro* (Merit 25), and **Bob Howell**, *Top Gun* (Pearson 30). Also, completing their entries this past week: **Bruce Artman**, Tracys Landing, Md, is bringing his J35, *T-Bone* and **Alan Bomar** his J24, *Roundabout*. And, **Walt Boatwright**, *Puff Card* (Tartan 37) becomes the first to enter the PHRF Non-Spin (Single Headsail) fleet.

Collegiate Update: The top three finishers in the MAISA championship regatta this past weekend, UVA (1), George Washington U(2), and Hampton U(3), have qualified for the America Trophy. The America Trophy will be sailed at St. Mary's in Maryland.

SAVE \$\$\$\$, ORDER NOW! CORAL REEF SAILING APPAREL has Southern Bay Race Week 2011 stuff NOW - shirts, jackets, shorts, bags, and anything else the well clad racing sailor needs - on display at the CRSA website. Crews can personalize gear with boat name, number, etc. Click here http://coralreefsailing.net/southern_bay_race_week or go to www.blacksealcup.com, click on the CRSA logo on the right, and place your order. **Orders received by May 20th get a 10% discount** - be sure to put the **SEAL10** discount code on your order. And, you can save shipping by picking your advance ordered gear up at the regatta. Save some moolah and be sure to get the size you want. Remember, you want to look really good in the PHOTOBOT regatta pictures.

MURPHY'S LAW: Racers have practiced, tuned-up, and done some informal racing. We are ready! Sail to the howl of the *Racing Beagle* - Yow-oooooooooooo! Let the races begin! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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