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DOWN THE BAY RACE - entry deadline **May 25** - www.hamptonyc.com click on the DTB logo
SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK - submit entry by **May 25** to avoid late entry fee (\$50) -
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Tragedy on the James River. Two sailors who often raced on Christian Schaumlöffel's Hobie 33, *Mirage*, died May 13th when their 22ft sailboat capsized in the James River in the early morning that day (around 0100 hours). **Tyler Lorenzi** (23) died at 11am in Riverside Regional Medical Center of hypothermia. **Alex Brown** (24) the owner of the boat couldn't be kept afloat while the several of the crew were treading water for 3-5 hours and is now missing. The accident happened in the vicinity of the mouth of the Pagan River. Eight others survived. The losses of life are especially overwhelming to all who knew or knew of Tyler and Alex. Gone from us too soon.

District 11 Laser Championships and US Singlehand Area C Elimination. This past weekend at Fishing Bay Yacht Club thirty-six (36) Laser racers battled for two days in two fleets (Radial and Standard) for some District awards and for a chance to move on to the Singlehanded Championships to be sailed at the Columbia River Gorge on July 21-24. John MacCausland (CRYC) and Dorian Haldeman (SSA) won the right to represent Area C at the men's and women's US Singlehanded Championships. Southern Bay racers who competed in the event and finished in the top half of their fleets were: Laser Standard Rig 4.**James Jacob** (FBYC); 5.**David Tunnicliffe**; 8.**Jon Deutsch** (FBYC); 9.**Rob Whittemore** (FBYC); 11.**Len Guenther** (FBYC); 12.**Jake Spratcher** (HYC) Laser Radial Rig 2.**Austin Powers** (FBYC); 3.**Ben Buhl** (FBYC). Event Chairman - Jon Deutsch; Principal Race Officer - David Lee.

MIRAGE Wins Cape Henry Cup. Thirty-one (31) boats raced Saturday in the 2011 CAPE HENRY CUP in the southern Chesapeake Bay. Most took between a little over 3 hours to around 4 and one-half hours to negotiate the appropriate courses. **Christian Schaumlöffel's** Hobie 33, *Mirage*, is winner of the overall award, the Cape Henry Cup. *Mirage's* margin of victory over *Sea Star* is 2.93% of her Corrected Time. RESULTS: PHRF A (8 boats): 1.Christian Schaumlöffel, Mirage; 2.David Eberwine, Sea Star; 3.Dixon Wilde, Kingfisher. PHRF B (7 boats): 1.Dave McConaughy, White Boat; 2.Rusty Burshell, Cool Change; 3.Harry Tenney, Margarita. PHRF C (3 boats): 1.Justin Morris, The Hunters; 2.Bumps Eberwine, Spray. PHRF Non Spin (4): 1.Leo Wardrup, Black Widow; 2.Lester Hudgins, Vagabon-De; 3.Dave Bettis, Surely Boo. Cruising (9 boats): 1.Jim Forrester, Anjalei; 2.Tony Thornton, TL Sea; 3.Alan Moore, Trouble. Race Chairman - Scott Almond. Cape Henry Cup awards will be presented TOMORROW, TUESDAY, MAY 17, at the BBSA annual "Pot Luck Supper" meeting at the ODU Sailing Center. Drinks and sea stories at 6:30pm - Dinner at 7:00pm - Awards following dinner.

RACERS AND THE RULES QUIZ: Last week we said that the Right-of-Way rules begin to apply when boats are sailing in or near the racing area with the intent of racing. So, when may a boat be penalized for breaking one of the Right-of-Way rules? (Answer follows in this issue of *SBRNYCU*.)

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK APPAREL - CRSA 10% DISCOUNT ENDS THIS FRIDAY, MAY 20TH. Click on www.blacksealcup.com, then on the Coral Reef Sailing Apparel logo. Place your order using **coupon code SEAL10**. Your stuff will be waiting for you at the regatta on Opening Night, June 2. Git on it now, you want to look spiffy for SBRW! *Y'all come racing!*"

Collegiate Sailing: Christopher Newport University Sailing Team wrapped up their season in fine form - FIRST PLACE in the **Jeremy A. Pinkerton Memorial Regatta** hosted by the University of Maryland at Severn Sailing Association in Annapolis weekend before this past. CNU posted an impressive win over Maryland and Ocean County in a 22 race series that was run on the "Arrigan" format - puts both A and B division teams into the same fleet. It means racers sailed in a six boat fleet and both divisions sailed all the time in every race. CNU won the event and both divisions, all by a considerable margin. CNU sailors actually won 14 of the 22 races. Every skipper won at least two races. CNU head coach is Dan

Winters.

Word from a reliable, very reliable, source is that the Hobie 33, TREATY OF GHENT, is for sale. Racers interested in TOG may get details by contacting Will Roberts at 757-617-5084.

Rob Overton, well known US Sailing rules guru, sailed in the Laser Area C Eliminations this past weekend (see item above). Lately, Rob and his wife **Andi** have been back and forth from their current base in the Caribbean while Rob pursues a strong interest in high school sailing (especially team racing), in particular. He will be umpiring at the Baker Cup competition this coming weekend, hosted by Norfolk Yacht and Country Club.

Navy Sailing Center (Naval Station Norfolk) started weekly TUESDAY evening dinghy regattas and BBQs last week. Going to TUESDAY is a big change based on popular requests. Now there is no conflict with the Big Boat Wednesday races. So...big boaters have no excuses!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! **Patrick, Kate and the rest of the team (now including Brendan Drinkwater)** have gotten many upgrades done to the boats over the winter and the center has added 6 brand spanking new 420's!!! Racing is in Norfolk's Willoughby Bay - aka Little Bay. For info contact Leon Garber Cell: (757) 615-7154

The **World Cruising Club's Atlantic Cup** fleet has completed the first leg of their journey to the US. After four days of 15-20 knot headwinds, the fleet arrived in Bermuda and celebrated at an Awards Ceremony at the St. George's Sport and Dinghy Club on May 8. The Atlantic Cup is the World Cruising Club's fun sailboat rally from the Caribbean to the US with a stop in Bermuda. The first leg of the rally from Nanny Cay in Tortola to St. George's Harbour in Bermuda was 850 nm and took the fleet an unusually long 5-6 days. **Steve Black**, well known in the southern Bay for his creation and, until recently, management of the Caribbean 1500 and other bluewater events, won the casual competition in his Pacer 42, *Madrugada*. Some boats choose to sail under a World Cruising Club handicap, which provides an element of fun competition while still allowing the boats to motor if necessary. Steve will be racing in the **Down the Bay Race for the Virginia Cruising Cup** which starts in Annapolis on Friday, May 27th and finishes in Hampton on Saturday, May 28th (hopefully!).

This coming weekend:

Saturday, May 21 - Rappahannock River Yacht Club Spring Regatta.

Sunday, May 22 - Fishing Bay Yacht Club Spring Series continues.

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND PRELIMINARY SCRATCH SHEET ARE POSTED AT www.blacksealcup.com The official (final) fleet splits will be announced at the SBRW Skippers Meeting, June 2 (Thursday), 1900 (7pm) at regatta headquarters, Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton, Virginia. Enter SBRW by May 25 (Wednesday) to avoid the \$50 late fee. "Y'all come racing!"

DOWN THE BAY RACE - CHECK-IN at Annapolis Yacht Club 1500 - 1800 on Thursday, May 26. The check-in location has indeed bounced back and forth, AYC to EYC to AYC, as plans have changed during the pre-season and things happened. However, the NOR on the website does correctly indicate AYC as the location for check-in (1500-1800) and the pre-race party (1800-2000). This has been confirmed by event co-chair Graham Garrenton (757) 478-2994. The post race party and awards presentation is at Hampton Yacht Club, Saturday, May 28, 1930 (7:30 pm) **DTB accepts entries (late fee applies) until May 25, 2011. For on line entry and info go to www.hamptonyc.com and click on the DTB logo.**

VIMS Benefit Event - a Poker Run for paddle boats, dinghies, jet skis and other motor craft. Saturday, June 18 - 0900 through 1500 - at Salt Ponds Marina (Hampton). If you want to play and help the **Virginia Institute of Marine Science**, contact Bill Walsh at 800-55404581 or 757-880-8820.

Answer to RR Quiz Question: A boat not racing shall not be penalized for breaking a Part 2 rule (*When Boats Meet*); therefore, boats may be penalized when they begin racing (i.e. at their preparatory signal). HOWEVER, a boat that is not racing may be penalized (DSQ), if she fouls a boat that is racing. So, beware of getting in the way of boats that are racing.

MURPHY'S LAW: The "Pot Luck Supper" that precedes the awards presentation for the Cape Henry Cup is one of *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle's* very favorite style of awards presentations. Casual food and drink, but very fancy silverware. That Cape Henry Cup can hold a lot of rum soaked milk bones! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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