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Try sailing - it's NOT easy! - Bill Schanen, SAILING Magazine

SEA STAR shines at Cape Henry Cup. And, her skipper and crew will have some new hardware to shine after the top award is presented tomorrow night (see below). The winner of the coveted Cup is determined by a formula which compares the corrected time of the winner over the second place boat in each fleet. However, to be considered, the fleet must have had a minimum of 4 competitors. Sea Star won her fleet by more than 5 minutes (corrected). Twenty-three (23) skippers and crew, defied the thunderstorm odds predicted by the weather-sayers and headed out Saturday for a 20+ mile long race in the Bay, from Buckroe toward Cape Henry. The early morning daunting conditions abated prior to the start and the day consisted of a constant, manageable breeze. The first flag was at 0930 and the last boat to cross the finish line did so at just after 1430. Of the 23, 20 finished this annual Spring distance race sponsored by Broad Bay Sailing Association (BBSA). Awards will be presented TOMORROW EVENING, Tuesday, May 21st, at the BBSA monthly meeting-potluck dinner(a function worthy of awards on its own accord) at the Old DominionUniversity Sailing Center. Drinks and sea stories at 6:30pm, dinner at 7:00pm. RESULTS: PHRF A (5 boats) – 1.Sea Star, David Eberwine; 2.Feather, Phil Briggs; 3.Mirage, Christian Schaumloffel. PHRF B (6 boats)-1. Rumble, Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran; 2. Callinectes, Ben Cuker; 3. Gregarious, Greg Peterman. PHRF C (3 boats) - 1. The Hunter, Justin Morris; 2. Orange Blossom Special, Mark Wolfe. PHRF Non-Spinnaker (2 boats) – 1. Black Widow, Leo Wardrup. Cruising Fleet – Protests pend. Principal Race Officer – Scott Almond.

Important ENTRY DEADLINES this week:

- SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK After Friday, May 24th late fee (additional \$50) kicks in www.blacksealcup.com or 757-850-4225. SBRW – May 31, June 1 & June 2 (11 days away)
- DOWN THE BAY RACE Wednesday, May 22nd (additional \$50 late fee already must be included)
 www.hamptonyc.com/downthebay
 or 757-890-2687. DTB start, THIS Friday, May 24.

SBRW Update. Preliminary Scratch Sheet, Order of Starts, and venue/racing circle assignments (see Appendix F of Preliminary Sailing Instructions) now available at the event website, www.blacksealcup.com Entry late fee kicks in after this Friday, May 24th. For additional info, please contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225 or check out the event website.

64th Annual Down the Bay Race – Skippers Meeting and Welcome party – Thursday, May 23rd, at Severn Sailing Association in Eastport (Annapolis) 1800-2000. Check-in desk open 1700-2000. First warning signal 1000, Friday, May 24th. 31 boats are entered (to date) to race the 120 nm non-stop from Annapolis to Hampton for the Virginia Cruising Cup and numerous other honors. For info and to enter on line, www.hamptonyc.com/downthebayor contact event co-chairman, Chauncey Wu, 757-890-2687.

Also, happening on Memorial Day Weekend - The Race to Urbanna, sponsored by *Fishing Bay Yacht Club*. This is a point-to-point race from Fishing Bay to Urbanna. Start is Saturday, May 25th and includes all PHRF classes as well as a Cruising class. The Notice of Race, which includes details, registration info, and marks of the possible courses is available at www.fbyc.net

FBYC Spring Series, Day 4. Seventeen (17) racers got in two races Saturday at Fishing Bay. **Glenn Doncaster**'s *Nanuq* took first place in both races in <u>PHRF A (4 boats)</u> ahead of the two J109s, *Afterthought* (**Craig Wright**) (3-2) and *Double Eagle* (**Sam Mitchener**) (2-3), who finished 2nd and 3rd respectively, after the tie was broken, for the day. In <u>PHRF B (6 boats)</u>, for the day, **Dennis Hannick**, *Goin'*, was first (1-2), **Bob Fleck**, *Mad Hatter* (3-1) 2nd, and **Eric Powers**, *Neried* (2-5) 3rd. In <u>PHRF C (4 boats)</u>. **Sam Marshall**, *Play It Again* won the tie breaker (2-1) with **Paul Wash**, *Cheeky Monkey* (1-2) for the day and **Denton Roberts**, *Ardent* (4-3) won the tie for 3rd with **Brad Miller**, Schiehallion (3-4). Three boats raced in the <u>PHRF Non-Spin</u> fleet and **Mike Dale**'s *Juggernaut* won the day with two first places, while **Dick Cole** took 2nd in *Nutcracker*(2-2). Ric and Sharon Bauer shared principal race officer duties for the day.

June Racing on the Southern Bay and beyond:

May 31, June 1 & 2 SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK www.blacksealcup.com

June 7-9 Harborfest (Norfolk)

June 7 Start of the Annapolis-Newport Race

June 8-9 Dixie District Lightning Championships, HYC host, www.hamptonyc.com

June 8 RRYC Single Handed Race

June 9 HYC Double-Handed Race, Rich Wilcox, 757-773-6292

June 14-15 26thAnnual Cock Island Race, www.portsmouthboatclub.org

June 15-22 SAILSTICE DELMARVA RALLY – Annapolis to Hampton to Lewes, to Annapolis.

www.delmarvarally.com

June 16 FATHERS DAY

June 22 FBYC Moonlight Regatta, www.fbyc.net

June 22 CCV Moonlight Triangle Race, Richard Payne, 757-928-0067

June 28-30 ALBACORE NATIONALS and HYC Annual One Design Regatta

July 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY

Regatta Doubleheader. A plan for southern Bay racers in JULY. Do the 15th Annual Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta, July 13-14, in Deltaville-Fishing Bay, and then move on up the Bay to the racers' favorite Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Regatta (SPLC), July 21, 22, and 23, hosted at Solomons Island, MD, by Southern Maryland Sailing Association. There is a full week (including a Friday/Saturday) between the events for delivery to Solomons, — Screwpile racing starts on Sunday, July 21. LG Raley is the Screwpile Regatta event chairman for SPLC and you can obtain info and entry forms at www.screwpile.net The Leukemia Cup contacts are Judy Buis, 804-725-0218, and Carolyn Norton Schmalenberger, 804-776-9211 — on line registration at www.leukemiacup.org/va

MURPHY'S LAW: The only thing better than a weekend is a 3-DAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND. Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, hopes you are on the water for a good part of your Memorial Day weekend! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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