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26 years of Cock Island Races makes surprises hard to come by. So, a light and fluky day for the 26th rendition was not a first on June 15th. Of the 77 entries, 13 finished the race, 9 did not show to start the race (DNC / Did Not Compete), and 55 started, but gave up (DNF/ Did Not Finish), some rather quickly, before the time limit (3pm). The lack of wind up the course (down the river) combined with a flooding current, caused racing crews to rationalize away any hope of finishing the race. There were a number of reasons given for "hanging it up" before the time limit (thereby becoming DNF/Did Not Finish), most related to the lack of wind and post-race party plans. One skipper, Brendan Drinkwater, reported himself and his crew as ROOL, i.e. Ran Out Of Libations. **Trophy Winners: PHRF A (2 boats racing): 1. Cyrano, Bob Mosby; 2. Bow Down, Martin Casey. PHRF B (7 boats racing): 1. Stingray, Don DeLoatch; 2. Tantrum, Tim Savage; 3. Schock Full o' Nuts, Butch Patterson and Larry Boone. PHRF C (6 boats racing): 1. TL Sea, Tony Thornton; 2. Dream On, Steve Bowen. PHRF Non-Spin 1 (7 boats racing): 1. Black Widow, Leo Wardrup; 2. Boogity 3, CT Tiller. Cruising-1 (9 boats racing): 1. Spanky, Frank Lira.** Spanky was the only boat in the entire Cruising Fleet to finish within the time limit. No boats completed the race in PHRF Non-Spin 2, or in Cruising 2, 3 or 4. Portsmouth Boat Club and the City of Portsmouth cooperate on the annual Cock Island Race. Principal Race Officer – John Ritter.

SCREWPILE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE REGATTA (July 21, 22, and 23, 2013), at Solomons, Maryland, is a regatta Chesapeake Bay racers want and *need* to do. Racers come from every nick and cranny of Chessie, and beyond. The competition is fierce and no "body of work" resume is complete without a Screwpile listing. For the uninitiated, there is a good explanation of Screwpile, what goes on there, and how the regatta has evolved over the years at <http://www.solomonsmaryland.com/solomons-screwpile.html> So, to enter go to www.splc.us, print down the form and mail it *NOW* to avoid the late fee. **Entry Fee: \$180.00 per boat, received by Noon Wednesday, July 10, 2013. Entries received after July 11 will include a late fee of \$75.00. No entries accepted after Noon Wednesday July 17, 2013.** Fleets are forming, sponsors are sponsoring, and organizers are getting ready for the racers, racing, and the parties on the poolside patio. What could be better in mid-July!?!

SOUTHERN BAY BRIGADE forming for the trip to Screwpile: recent additions are **Bob and Lisa Fleck's** (FBYC) *Mad Hatter* (Olson 911s), 2013 SBRW Black Seal Cup winner, and **Sam Mitchener's** (FBYC) J109, **Double Eagle**. Already entered are **Pat and Jake Brodersen**, *Midnight Mistress*; **Dennis Hannick**, *Goin'*; **Miles Booth**, *Shenanigan*; and, **Leroi Lissenden**, *Voodoo 2*.

Two "MOONLIGHT LADIES" made the most of the full moon on Saturday night. In the Hampton Roads area, the CCV Moonlight Triangle started at 1700 and the last boat was in before 2115. Off the Rappahannock River, the FBYC Moonlight Race first warning was at 1930 (actual finish times were not available). Now, three of the southern Bay "Moonlight Ladies" are complete. Plantation Light Race remains and is scheduled for August 24. For Plt Light Race info, contact Bob Thomas at (757) 898-9407 or (757) 864-3913.

Moonlight Triangle Race. Those who were easily daunted, did not go racing Saturday afternoon-evening. Those who were undaunted (there were 14 who started the race) experienced tough conditions at the start, but improving conditions throughout the race. Racers reported rough seas and winds in the high teens at the start off Buckroe. But, they were rewarded eventually with a huge moon shining down. **RESULTS: PHRF A (3 boats) – 1. Feather, Phil Briggs; 2. Mirage, Christian Schaumlöffel; 3. Stardancer, John Blais. PHRF B (5 boats) – 1. Bad Habit, Bob Archer; 2. Gregarious, Greg Peterman; 3. Callinectes, Ben Cuker. PHRF C (4 boats) – 1. Rocket J, Neil Ford and Lis Biondi; 2. The Hunter, Justin Morris; 3. Aquarius, Mike Tate. Cruising (2 boats) – Cymru, Bob Howell; 2. Bona Dea, Vicki Zimmerman.** The PHRF Non-Spin fleet did not make. Principal Race Officer, Richard Payne.

Moonlight Race. This is the first of the FBYC Long Distance Series. **RESULTS: PHRF A (4 boats) – 1. Double Eagle, Sam Mitchener; 2. Afterthought, Craig Wright; 3. Chilcoot, Alex Alvis. PHRF B (4boats) – Neried, Eric Powers; 2. Mad Hatter, Bob Fleck; 3. Shenanigan, Miles Booth. PHRF C (2 boats)– 1. Schiehallion, Brad Miller. PHRF Non-Spin (4 boats) – 1. Red Sky, Doug Anderson; 2. Sherpa, Michael Shaner; 3. Reveille, George Burke.** Principal Race Officer– Mike Karn

Coming Up this Coming Weekend (June 29-30):

June 28-30 Albacore Nationals – hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. On Friday the Albacores will open their National Championship regatta and on Saturday and Sunday will be part of the HYC Annual One Design Regatta. For Albacore specific information, contact event chairman Steve Taylor at **757-722-7861** or steve.taylor@wartsiladefense.com **NOR posted at www.hamptonyc.com**

June 29-30 HYC Annual One-Design [& Albacore Nationals] – hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. One-Design classes [in addition to Albacores] intending to compete include: Hampton One Design, Laser, Sonar, J24, J70, Moth and any other class with at least 5 pre-registered boats. For details and entry, contact event chairman Steve Taylor at **757-722-7861** or steve.taylor@wartsiladefense.com **NOR posted at www.hamptonyc.com**

MURPHY'S LAW: Wind, water, cooling temps, and moonlight, too. What's not to like? Arghhhhhhhhh!
/S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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