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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use # 689**

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**CAPE HENRY CUP.** *Stardancer* and *Feather* finished neck-and-neck while a band of porpoise frolicked along the Ft. Monroe shoreline Saturday. It was better than the finish of the Preakness, where California Chrome won going away. *Feather* corrected over *Stardancer* and won PHRF A, while **Ben Cuker's CALLINECTES, won the CAPE HENRY CUP** as well as PHRF B. There was ample wind and the spinnaker fleets had a perfect day for chute use. RESULTS: PHRF A (7 boats): 1. **Phil Briggs**, *Feather*; 2. **Jim Bordeaux**, *Solstice*; 3. **Don DeLoatch**, *Special K*. PHRF B (6 boats): 1. **Ben Cuker**, *Callinectes*; 2. **Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran**, *Rumble*; 3. **Butch Patterson**, *Schock Full o' Nuts*. PHRF C - only one boat was on the course, **Mark Wolfe**, *Orange Blossom Special*. PHRF Non-Spin: (3 boats): 1. **Leo Wardrup**, *Black Widow*; 2. **Vicki Zimmerman**, *Bona Dea*. Cruising (6 boats): 1. **Lester Knight**, *Vagabond*; 2. **Randy Goodman**, *Red Frog*; 3. **Jim Forrester**, *Anjalei*. Principal Race Officer – Scott Almond. Twenty-nine (29) boats entered the Cape Henry Cup. Awards will be presented Tuesday, May 20 at the ODU Sailing Center. The social will start at 6:30 pm followed by the BBSA infamous potluck dinner and the Cape Henry Awards Presentation. For info contact BBSA Commodore Jim Currie at (757) 777-6592.

**Memorial Day Weekend is here and so is the 65<sup>th</sup> DOWN THE BAY RACE.** It starts in Annapolis this Friday and finishes in Hampton (hopefully) this Saturday. A 120 nm dash, non-stop, overnight – the stuff from which legends are made. Last year multiple boats broke the old race record but, given the weather predictions, record breaking seems unlikely this time. **Entries will be accepted until Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> and must now include the Late Entry Fee.** For entry and information click on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=1042> or [www.hamptonyc.com/downthebay](http://www.hamptonyc.com/downthebay) Contact: David McConaughy, 757-870.4475; Bill Sandberg, 203-19-7256; OR Dick Neville, 410-353-0477. DTB racers who also enter Southern Bay Race Week (SBRW) will receive priority consideration for berthing at host Hampton Yacht Club for the intervening five (5) days through SBRW.

**And, weekend afterthis coming is SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK (May 30, 31, & June 1).** Fleets are making and splits have been announced. **Two popular one design classes have made already. The VIPER 640 classes will be racing one design** as will the J70 class which made some time ago. J70s raced at SBRW last year as a one design class, but this will be the first year for the VIPER 640s. Two of the already entered VIPERS come from North Carolina, one from Greenville (**Adam Asch's Red Planet**) and one from Raleigh (**Eddy Parker's Granny's Hoe**). Both of the Carolina boats sail out of Blackbeard Sailing Club. Also, from out of state is VIPER 640, *Rhum Gone* sailed by **Daniel Bowman** from Annapolis, MD. **LAST**

**REMINDER** to enter now to avoid the Late Entry fee, which applies to all entries received after May 24<sup>th</sup>. To enter and for info click on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=981> OR, contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225, [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) **Y'ALL COME RACING!**

**FBYC Spring Series – Day 4.** Saturday was the final day of the FBYC Spring Series. RESULTS for the DAY: J70 (6 boats): 1.Clark Dennison, Cat's Pajamas; 2.Matt Braun, E.L.E.; 3.Blake and Lud Kimbrough, Nostalgia. PHRF A (6 boats): 1.Sam Mitchener, Double Eagle; 2.Leroi Lissenden, Voodoo 2; 3.Rob Whittet & Steve Utley, Wavelength. PHRF B (4 boats): 1.Dennis Hannick, Goin'; 2.Eric Powers, Nereid; 3.Wayland Rennie, Trilogy. PHRF C (5 boats): 1.Bob Fleck, Horizon; 2.Paul Wash, Cheeky Monkey; 3.Sam Marshall, Play it Again. PHRF Non-Spin (3 boats): 1.Mike Dale, Juggernaut; 2.Steve Smith, Checko. Principal Race Officer-John Hubbard. For individual race information click on [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net)

**This Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, they are gonna pick a pig at Fishing Bay YC! The inaugural FBYC Open House Regatta and Pig Pickin' is all set to go.** The regatta is open to big boats, juniors, and one-designs. Race, eat, drink and enjoy the band – what's not to like. It's a Memorial Day Holiday Weekend happening. Racin', Pig-Pickin' and Toe Tappin' to Jackass Flats Bluegrass Band (7-10pm). For info click on [www.fbyc.net](http://www.fbyc.net)

A small group of J24 and Hampton One Design racers took to the water Sunday in the **HYC One Design Regatta**. It was blustery at the start of the day, but winds diminished throughout. Among the J24s, **Neil Ford, Rocket J**, had the best day, followed by **William Bomar** in *Racing Tide*. After 5 HOD starts **Will Roberts** had the best total, followed by **Gordy Stokes**.

Racers have braved challenging river currents, contrary weather, and commercial ship traffic to complete the **Portsmouth Boat Club Spring Barnacle Series**. Here are the SERIES RESULTS: Class A (5 boats): 1.Chop Chop (J-24 - **Rodney Paice**); 2. *Finns* (J-24 - **Thomas Edwards**); 3. *Spanky* (Colgate 26 - **Frank Lira**). Class B (9 boats): 1. *Sorellina* (Dehler 22 - **Ralph Edwards**); 2. *Valcour* (Catalina 310 - **Dave Washbourne**); 3. *No Problem* (Pearson 26 - **Jeff Fremeau**). PBC also conducts the annual Cock Island Race (see below).

**Heads-up! 2014 Cock Island Race registrations are now being accepted!** The "warm up" party is the evening of Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> after the Skipper's meeting at Portsmouth's NorthLanding Park. The race is Saturday morning (June 14<sup>th</sup>) followed by the live music and refreshments at the post-race party. NOR and entry form is at PBC website: [www.portsmouthboatclub.org](http://www.portsmouthboatclub.org). After June 6<sup>th</sup> the entry fee increases – enter *NOW* and save *mucho dinero*.

**MURPHY'S LAW:** The Annual *Blackbeard* Pirate Festival on the Hampton waterfront is an added attraction for Southern Bay Race Week go-ers. *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, takes notice of two of the VIPER 640s coming to SBRW, both hailing from *Blackbeard* Sailing Club in North Carolina. Questions, therefore, arise. Are these skippers and crew expected to partake in the festival pirate ship battle? Will the skippers have lighted candles in their beards? Will they brandish swords at the rounding marks? Is Dark 'n' Stormy their favorite grog? **ARRRRRRRRRRRRRGH! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.**

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