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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use #695**

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THIS COMING FRIDAY, JULY 4<sup>th</sup>, is our INDEPENDENCE DAY. So, feel free to sail!

NANUQ WINS CLASS IN NEWPORT TO BERMUDA. Glenn Doncaster and his crew won their class of 15 boats in the St. David's Lighthouse Division (99 boats) of the Newport to Bermuda Race (NBR). Nanuq has been focusing on distance races, while staying heavily involved in drop mark racing, for a few years now, but this was her first race to Bermuda. Nanuq, a Sabre 426, tuned up at Southern Bay Race Week and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the SBRW distance race in a highly competitive fleet. Members of Glenn's crew for the Bermuda race were: Greg Dupier (navigator); Jerry Latell (watch captain); Bob Fleck (watch captain); Alex O'Toole; Matt Newborn; Jimmy Cobb; and Clifton Massey. Here are the accomplishments amassed by Nanuqthis past week: in addition to 1<sup>st</sup> in class, 12<sup>th</sup> overall in ORR and 18<sup>th</sup> overall in IRC; second in the Onion Patch Series; and, winner of the Navigator Class of the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club Annual Regatta. Nanuq sails out of Fishing Bay Yacht Club in Deltaville.

**Vet Cup Racers Battle Challenging Conditions**. Saturday brought good racing winds to the southern Bay, but off Buckroe the winds were accompanied by significant wave action. The wind was out of the East and the long fetch from the mouth of the Bay made for significant seas as the fourteen (14) boats and crew made their way around the courses. Of the 14 boats entered, all 14 showed up to race and all but 2 finished the day. Fleet winners were: PHRF A (2 boats) – **Phil Briggs**, *Feather*; PHRF B (2 boats) – **John Wandling**, *Rebecca J*; PHRF C (3 boats) – **Steve Ritz**, *Excelsior* followed by (2<sup>nd</sup>) **Mark Wolfe**, *Orange Blossom Special*; PHRF NS (5 boats) – **Guy Sorenson**, *Blue Ghost* followed by (2<sup>nd</sup>) **Mike Brannon**, *Virginia Lee* and (3<sup>rd</sup>)**Christopher French**, *Elixir*. Neither of the two Cruising Fleet boats finished their race. Principal Race Officer – Tom Connors. A four hundred dollar (\$400) donation from the proceeds of the **Armie Armstrong Memorial Veterans Cup Regatta** was given to the Wounded Warriors Project of Virginia. A very appropriate contribution give the **4**<sup>th</sup> **of July** timeframe!

**There he goes again – Rob Suhay going for a roundtrip from Norfolk to Annapolis and back toNorfolk...on a Laser!** Rob said, "Last year I made it to Annapolis in one shot in 31 hours. On Sunday [yesterday, June 29<sup>th</sup>], in the wee hours I hope to launch from Norfolk and head north up the Chesapeake, pass the Bay Bridge and round a point a little north of Poole's Island then head back for a non-stop round trip of just over 300nm. Looks like that will be my weather window this year. Hope to have a good

story to tell you when I get back." Rob added, "I will be testing out Magellan's new eXplorist 510 GPS unit on the trip. Looks like a really powerful tool so far." If Rob completes his record setting 300 mile journey, he will miss the traditional Hampton Roads Fourth of July fireworks, but he will certainly have something else to celebrate. Rob plans to post on Facebook as he goes along.

**More Newport to Bermuda: Christian Schaumloffel, Steve Taylor, and Will Roberts,** were crewing on the winner of Class 7 (11 boats) German Swan 45 *High Yield,* owned by Hanns Ostmeier of Hamburg. Also in Class 7, **Mark Wheeler (navigator) and Graham Garrenton (bow)** were on the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher, a Morris 48.7, *Reindeer,* owned by Tony Parker and Peter Driscoll.

Another Southern Bay Newport to Bermuda Race (NBR) connection. *Actaea*, a Hinckley B40 owned by Michael Cone and sailed out of George Town Marina on the Sassafras River, won the St David's Lighthouse Division (99 boats) and, therefore, is generally regarded as the race's top boat (officially, there are only Division winners in the NBR). *Warren Ryan's son, naval architect James Ryan*, had a whole lot to do with *Actaea*'s success in this year's NBR and is mentioned in the article at <a href="http://bermudarace.com/following-5-ps-actaea-goes-galley-slave-lighthouse-winner/">http://bermudarace.com/following-5-ps-actaea-goes-galley-slave-lighthouse-winner/</a>. Warren races out of Yankee Point Racing & Cruising Club, in Lancaster, VA.

**Thirteen (13) race at Rappahannock River Yacht Club**. **Don Scheu in** *Abino* **won Saturday's RRYC Single Handed Race.** The single-handers sailed a 4.38 nm course on a breezy day on the RappahannockRiver. *Abino* finished first in the water and held her correction for first in the race. Correcting to 2<sup>nd</sup> place was **Dwight Timm**, *Silver Fox*, and to 3<sup>rd</sup> **Warren Hottle**, *Cygnet*. Principal Race Officer – Ron Mihills; Mark Boat – Ginny and Pete Clay.

## COMING IN JULY FOR SOUTHERN BAY RACERS:

- \*\*HYC Annual One Design Regatta July 5-6 in Hampton, sponsored by Hampton Yacht Club. Anticipated classes are Hampton One-Design, Albacore, Sonar, J24, Moth and other classes with at least 5 pre-registered boats. Contact Steve Taylor (757) 722-7861 or Principal Race officer Bob Thomas (757) 592-1650.
- \*\*Summer Breeze Regatta (#1) July 5 in Deltaville, sponsored by Fishing Bay Yacht Club. Small boat regatta. Classes are J/70s, Flying Scot, Front Runner, and 420. A class of any three like or unlike One-Design boats is also invited to race. The Portsmouth Number (D-PN) handicapping system will be used to score classes of unlike boats. Info: www.fbyc.net
- \*\*Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta July 11-13 in Deltaville. All onshore activities will be hosted on the grounds of the Deltaville Maritime Museum & Holly Point Nature. For detailed information and to enter click on <a href="www.leukemiacup.org/va">www.leukemiacup.org/va</a> All entries are due before Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 1200. There will be PHRF Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions, a J105 Division, a Classic Division, and a Cruising Division for a more casual racing format. Contact: Judy Buis at 804-725-0218 or Carolyn Schmalenberger at 804-776-9211
- \*\*CCV Moonlight Triangle Race July 12 Counts as part of the CCV season long High Point Series and season long Southern Bay Distance Racing Series administered by Broad Bay Sailing Association. All PHRF classes as well as Cruising. All boats must meet PHRF Equipment Category "Ches Bay" (CB). First warning is at 5:00 pm, in the vicinity of CCV Mark Y (in the Bay off Buckroe). Contact: Richard Payne at 757-928-0067
- \*\*York River Moonlight Race July 12 Sponsored byYork River Yacht Club. Info: www.yryc.org

- \*\*Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Regatta- July 17-20, Solomons, MD. Thursday, July 17 is Check-in and Skippers Meeting at regatta headquarters at the Holiday Inn Solomons. PHRF Classes and one-design classes will race Friday thru Sunday while the inaugural SPLC Strictly Cruising Classwill race only on Saturday and Sunday (for a reduced entry fee). The Saturday race format for all classes is a distance race that will finish off the downtown restaurant pier. For up-to-date info <a href="http://screwpile.net">http://screwpile.net</a> or call LG Raley at 301-862-3100 or email <a href="mailto:chairman@screwpile.net">chairman@screwpile.net</a>.
- \*\*Little Bay Challenge July 19, Willoughby Bay (aka Little Bay) in Norfolk. Broad Bay Sailing Association and Portsmouth Boat Club in Willoughby Bay (Norfolk). Registration at website: <a href="www.broadbaysailing.org">www.broadbaysailing.org</a>. Notice of Race is posted. All fleets are non-spinnaker, single headsail only. Entry fee is just right FREE! The post-race party, put on by the Portsmouth Boat Club, is at Rebel Marine and will have plenty of food and beverages. Party tickets available at the skippers' meeting (11 am, race day, front steps of Willoughby Harbor Marina). Contact: Rick Perkins at 757-647-7528.
- \*\*Summer Breeze Regatta (#2) July 26 in Deltaville, sponsored by Fishing Bay Yacht Club.[Small boat regatta.] Classes are J/70s, Flying Scot, Front Runner, and 420. A class of any three like or unlike One-Design boats is also invited to race. The Portsmouth Number (D-PN) handicapping system will be used to score classes of unlike boats. Info: <a href="https://www.fbyc.net">www.fbyc.net</a>
- \*\*Tom Brady Masters Race July 27, sailed in Hampton Roads Harbor. Sponsored by Hampton Yacht Club. Skipper and all on board must be at least 55 years old as of race day. Yachts must be at least 10 years old. No spinnakers and no double headsails. Class splits and starting time(s) will be determined at the Skippers meeting, at NOON on race day at Hampton Yacht Club. Post-race social at HYC with food and beverages for racers and their guests. Contact: John Blais at 757-357-0621.

**MURPHY'S LAW:** Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, is captivated by our southern Bay racer Rob Suhay, who is venturing from Norfolk to beyond Annapolis and back, non-stop on his Laser. Rob did the one way trip last year, as a tune-up. It's a long trip, but he has the know-how and the *chutzpa* to make it. So, we all need to cross our fingers, toes, and eyes for Rob. The Murphster will cross both sets of legs and throw in crossed ears, something only a racing beagle can do! Go, Rob! Ahhhhoooooo! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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