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35th running of the A2N. Norm Dawley, Pursuit, has won line honors in the 2015 Annapolis to Newport race. *Pursuit* finished the course Sunday at 5:30 EDT with an elapsed time of 3 days, 4 hours and 45 minutes. *Dawn Treader*, sailed by **Lawrence Cohen**, took 3rd in line honors and 3rd in the Doublehand Class. See all the results and track the boats at <http://yb.tl/a2n2015>

The next "big" thing, i.e. multi-day regatta, **SCREWPILE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE, July 17-19, Solomons, Maryland.** All set to be the centerpiece of a Chesapeake Bay racer's July, Screwpile has been around for years and has a flavor all it's own. The regatta draws racers from the Southern Bay and the Northern Bay, giving them a chance to knock heads on the race course and to share toasts at the legendary parties. SPLC regatta headquarters is at the Solomons Holiday Inn and the parties and awards presentations happen at the pool and tiki bar area. PHRF, One Design, and Cruising boats are included in the regatta format. There are multiple windward-leeward races on Friday and Sunday, and a Saturday distance race, with the finish up the Patuxent River off the downtown pier. The Cruising Fleet, participating Saturday and Sunday only, races on Saturday (in the distance race) and has it's own (single, mixed-leg course) area and race committee on Sunday. Racers have until July 10 to enter and save the \$50 late entry fee. PHRF and One Design fee is \$180 for 3 days of racing, Cruisers \$100 for 2 days of racing. Everyone is invited to all of the parties and they are a must! Get your NOR, Sailing Instructions, entry form and more at <http://screwpile.net/> **For even more info or answers to questions, please contact Event Chairman, LG Raley at 301-862-3100 or email chairman@screwpile.net Enter now and help regatta organizers complete the best plan for the racers. It'll be time to check-in (Thursday, July 16) at Screwpile before you know it!**

HYC Double Handed Race. Nine (9) pairs raced in Hampton Roads harbor in the best possible conditions. Race Officer, Rich Wilcox said. "... today provided the most spectacular conditions, for limited crews, that can be imagined. A sunny 10-15 out of the east, clocking as the race proceeded, for the alphabet soup course (A-B-P-C-J-N-I-A), a seven-and-a-half mile challenge. It was a *fabulous* day." As sometimes happens, the slower boats brought a healthier wind up with them to the finish line and corrected over the three front runners. RESULTS (9 boats): 1. **Steve Ritz, Excelsior**; 2. **Doug Miller, Folly**; 3. **Eckman, Flag Raiser**. Race Officer, Rich Wilcox; Scorer: Catherine Ryan.

FBYC Moonlight Regatta. Bob Fleck, Mad Hatter, continued his winning ways in the FBYC Moonlight Regatta, finishing ahead of the 5 other boats in the PHRF B fleet. Only a week ago Bob won the 2015 Black Seal Cup at Southern Bay Race Week. A total of 14 boats sailed in the Moonlight Regatta, which is one of the races in the FBYC Long Distance Series. RESULTS: PHRF B (6 boats) 1. **Bob Fleck, Mad Hatter**; 2. **Eric Powers, Nerid**; 3. **Miles Booth, Shenanigan**. PHRF C (3 boats) 1. **Lew Thatcher, Catitude**; 2. **Brad Miller, Schiehallion**. PHRF Non-Spin (2 boats) 1. **Sherpa**. Cruising (2 boats): 1. **Jonathan Moody, Mood Sway**. **Sam Mitchener, Double Eagle**, was the only PHRF A boat in the race. Mike Karn was Race Chairman.

Mid-Atlantic Typhoon Regatta. Saturday, Rappahannock River YC hosted the Typhoon Mid-Atlantic Championship Regatta. Thirteen (13) TYs raced in the Championship fleet and 3 in Corinthian. Ron Mihills and crew blew the fleet away taking a first in every one of the three races. Ad Astra was 2nd and Ned Crockett won a tie-breaker for 3rd. Next on the RRYC Typhoon fleet schedule is the club Single-Handed Race on June 27.

FBYC J/70 Regatta. Eight (8 boats) turned out Saturday and enjoyed an 8-12 knots breeze in 4 races. At the top of the fleet for the day were: 1.*E.L.E. Guthrie Braun*; 2.*Inconceivable - Mike Karn*; 3.*Nostalgia - Lud Kimbrough*. On Sunday the **FBYC Laser Spring Regatta** drew 10 boats, including 1 from Florida and 2 from North Carolina. Racers got in 4 races in a building sea breeze. RESULTS:1.**Austin Powers**; 2.**Brad Squires**; 3.**Jon Deutsch**.

It's not about the poultry industry, but the **Annual Cock Island Race** is entitled to do some crowing. The 2015 edition (Friday check-in, June 19th and Saturday race, June 20th) will be the 28th of this event, long known as "two parties interrupted by a race". On Friday of the event, there will be swag bags at the check-in, live music and libations, and a mandatory Skippers Meeting. On Saturday, there will be a continental breakfast, a race, more live music and libations and an awards ceremony. All of the (*official*) shoreside activities take place at North Landing in downtown Portsmouth, VA. There will be racing for PHRF class boats, non-PHRF class boats, and multi-hull boats. For information and to enter, go to www.portsmouthboatclub.org or contact Rich Dodson at 757-572-8091.

PHOTOBOAT Southern Bay Race Week 2015 photographs are available for viewing and purchase at <http://www.photo-boat.com/southern-bay-race-week-2009.html> FATHERS DAY is Sunday, June 21st.

Almost any dad would love a picture of his boat and/or your boat and/or you on a boat! PhotoBoat has supported SBRW for years and both Allen and Daniela Clark were on the water for SBRW 2015 and shooting pictures at all three courses, all three days. PHOTOBOAT has also included some of David Baxter's photos. Check out the results of their efforts.

One last thing about that submarine at SBRW: Karl Shulenburg, a member of the SBRW Distance Race Seawall Finish Team, says, "As for the submarine that came through on Saturday's distance race, it was over WAY early (left on Tuesday) and never crossed the finish line... just my observations from the sea wall." The *John Warner* was returning from sea trials on that Saturday and the boat's course paralleled the last leg of the regatta distance race. The newest addition to the Virginia Class, the *Warner* was a sight to behold and something SBRW racers will remember for some time.

COMING UP THIS WEEKEND: (June 12 – 14)

Sat, June 13 RRYC Spring Regatta www.rryc.com

Sat, June 13 OPCYC Yankee Station Series (2)

Sun, June 14 HYC Single-handed Race Michele Garn 757-713-8077

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, is noticing that regattas are serving *libations* at post-race parties. Mr. Webster says the best definition of *libation* is: "the ritual of pouring out wine or oil upon the ground as a sacrifice to a god" (*Websters New World, 4th Edition*). The Murphster says that while sailboat racers, being the responsible citizens they are, never pour oil on the ground (there's the EPA threat), they do occasionally, no matter how careful, spill drink on the ground! Racers will drink almost anything alcoholic that is served (not just wine). And, they certainly do offer up sacrifices to the racing gods (remember the \$100 you offered up for one yard of high tech, light weight line?). So, *libations* does in fact sound like the appropriate word for post-race parties! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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