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CCV Founders Race. SEA STAR, COOL CHANGE, and LONA B win fleets. The sailing conditions, steady breeze (10-15) and flat water, were perfect yesterday off of Ocean View (Norfolk) for the fourteen (14) boats, skippers and crew. There was close racing, especially in the PHRF A fleet (4 boats) where **Bumps Eberwine**, *Sea Star*, won by 2 seconds (corrected) over **Leroi Lissenden**, *Voodoo 2*. **Phil Briggs**, *Feather*, took 3rd in PHRF A. PHRF B (6 boats): 1.**Rusty Burshell**, *Cool Change*; 2.**Bob Archer**, *Bad Habit*; 3.**Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran**, *Rumble*. PHRF C (4 boats): 1.**Cary Hardesty**, *Lona B*; 2.**Justin Morris**, *The Hunter*; 3.**Louie Lewis**, *Incentive*. The only non-spinnaker boat on the course chose to sail with the C fleet. Principal Race Officer, Bob Thomas; Mark Boat, Dave Hamilton.

Cut Channel Regatta. Fourteen (14) boats started the annual FBYC **Cut Channel Regatta** Saturday at noon and sailed the 27.8 nm course, the latest boat crossing the finish line by 17:25:20. In the two boat PHRF A fleet, **Craig Wright**, *Afterthought*, finished 13 seconds ahead of sistership J109, *Double Eagle* (**Sam Mitchener**). In PHRF B (3 boats), **Wayland Rennie**, *Trilogy*, corrected to first over 2nd place **Miles Booth**, *Shenanigan* followed by **Eric Powers** in *Nereid*. In PHRF C (4 boats), **Brad Miller**, *Schiehallion*, was first to finish and held his time over *Morningtide* (no skipper's name listed), and *Ardent*, **Denton Roberts**. In the largest fleet, PHRF Non-Spin (5 boats), **George Jones**, *Delphinus*, finished first and held his time, with *Incorrigible* (**Gregory Watt**) finishing 2nd and *Sherpa* (no skipper's name listed), third. Principal Race Officer: Noel Clinard

28th Annual CI Race. STARDANCER wins Hanbury Cup. Around 60 boats tried to start the race against flooding current in a light breeze, which died about one hour after the start. Of the boats racing, six (6) were able to beat the 3pm time limit, finishing at the Portsmouth seawall against a south breeze and by then ebbing current. Race organizers had set up four (4) raceboat fleets (2 spinnaker and 2 non-spinnaker). Five (5) of the six (6) finishers were in the raceboat fleets: PS-A: 1. *Stardancer*, **John and Beverly Blais**; 2. *Midnight Mistress*, **Pat and Jake Brodersen**; 3. *Cowboy*, **Gordon Edwards**. NS-1: 1. *Corker*, **Mitch Doughtie**; 2. *Southerly*, **Bill Bounds**. There were five (5) Cruising fleets and one Multihull Fleet. The 6th finisher came from SC-1 - **Nick Shawyer's Black Sheep**. Event chairman: Rich Dodson; Principal Race Officer: John Ritter.

Dear Readers,

Murphy and staff will be taking a short holiday break. Consequently, your next issue of Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use will be coming to you after the Independence Day holiday weekend. So, watch for issue #745 of SBRNYCU on Monday, July 6th. Happy Fourth of July!

Your friends at SBRNYCU

At Block Island Race Week, the racers have survived weigh-in, picked up their bow stickers, registered, and practiced. Now, this morning, southern Bay racers **Glenn Doncaster** (*Nanuq*) and **Greg and Cary Cutter** (*Diablo*) are beginning the racing part of their Block Island Race Week adventure. The Cutters are sailing in the Doublehand Class and *Nanuq* and her crew are in the 14 boat PHRF 2 class. To follow the regatta, which wraps up this Friday, June 26, click on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1218>

In another part of the world. Part of the MIRAGE crew, their skipper Christian Schaumloffel and two more southern Bay racers, Will Roberts and Steve Taylor will be crewing on *High Yield* in the Gotland Runt Regatta. The GRR is a 350 nm mile race from Stockholm to Sandhamn. The start is this coming Sunday, June 28th, and 220 boats will be sailing. Christian says because of the “midsummer nights” in that part of the world, there will be no “sailing in darkness”, and neither will they have to worry about excessive heat.

Here comes the VET CUP. This coming Saturday, June 27. Officially, this is the *Col Armie Armstrong Memorial Veterans Cup Regatta* organized each year by Langley Yacht Club. Proceeds are donated to the Virginia Wounded Warrior Project. Entries are due by Friday, June 26 at the beginning of the Skippers Meeting. There will be racing for monohull keel boats LOA 20' or more. All PHRF Classes (PHRF Non-Spin may use 2 headsails) and Cruising boats are invited. One Design Classes may race provided at least 4 of the class enters. Boats must check-in during registration 6–7PM on Friday, June 26th. Skippers Meeting will follow at 7PM at Mama Rosa's Italian Restaurant, 617 E. Mercury Blvd, Hampton, VA 23663 (in Phoebus). Two drop mark races are planned for PHRF and OD boats. One race around government marks is planned for the Cruising class. The post-race awards party will be in the lounge/pool area near the Salt Ponds Marina Office, 11 Ivory Gull Crescent, Hampton, VA (Buckroe area). For info and to enter, please contact Tom Connors at 757-593-8950.

If you cannot make SPLC (Jul 17-19, Solomons, MD) this year, consider the **New Willoughby Challenge Saturday – July 18, 2015**, presented by Norfolk Yacht & Country Club. This is the combined successor to Broad Bay Sailing Association's Little Bay Challenge and NYCC's Dink Vail Regatta. The \$50.00 entry fee covers the regatta, the picnic buffet reception and awards ceremony at 1700 hours at NYCC for the skipper plus up to four crew, free dockage for racing boats at NYCC piers Friday night and Saturday night, and free access (skipper + 4 crew) to the NYCC outdoor swimming pool Saturday after the race. Additional crew may attend the picnic and enjoy pool privileges for \$5 per head. Info and online registration at <http://www.norfolkyacht.com/> (click on *Willoughby Challenge Regatta* under “Visitor Info” at bottom of page). OR, complete the paper entry and mail to Norfolk Yacht and Country Club, 7001 Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk VA 23505. Entrants may mail a check for entry fee or hand deliver it at the Skippers' Meeting on the 17th. (NYCC members may use their Club number to pay the entry fee.) This race is part of the BBSA sponsored Southern Bay Distance Racing Series. Classes: PHRF Non-Spinnaker and Cruising. NS boats may be split into fleets based on PHRF ratings. PHRF NS boats may fly double headsails; single headsails only for Cruising fleet. For additional info, please contact: **Jeff Heller, 757-615-0680, serendipity38@cox.net** NYCC: 757-423-4500. Harbormaster: 757-286-1752.

And, speaking of SPLC (www.splc.us) please take note that future reference to that special regatta in Solomons, Maryland, on July 17-19, that is named for a “certain type of lighthouse” must henceforth be referred to as SPLC in this publication. It seems that political correctness has overtaken our vocabulary and many of our readers' filters bounce the name. This is also happening with the race named for a reference to Portsmouth, VA, (CI) that includes the name for a male chicken. Go figure. **Southern Bay racers already entered in SPLC include: Leroi Lissenden, *Voodoo 2* (HYC); Miles Booth, *Shenanigan* (FBYC); Pat & Jake Brodersen, *Midnight Mistress* (HYC); Mayo Tabb, *Excitation* (FBYC); Sledd Shelhorse, *Meridian X* (HYC); Brad Miller, *Schiehallion* (FBYC); and, Dennis Hannick, *Goin'* (FBYC).** Also, **Thomas Bowen** (Charleston, SC), who finished 2nd at SBRW, and **Larry Ray** (SMSA), also at SBRW, will be racing in the J70 class. Join the fleet and ride the bubble up to Solomons. Welcome, registration and Skippers meeting is Thursday, July 16 at regatta headquarters – Holiday Inn Solomons. For entry and info - www.splc.us or call SPCL Chairman, LG Raley at 301-862-3100 Enter now and avoid the \$50 late fee kicks in July 11.

Early, very early, heads-up for bluewater racers. The 50th Newport to Bermuda Race will start June 17, 2016. Registration for the 50th Thrash to the Onion Patch will open January 12, 2016. The registration opening date is especially important because the race will be limited to 200 boats. Mark your calendars.

Southern Bay Racing in July. The weather is hot and so the racing will be sizzling!

July 3 Friday PBC Barnacle Summer Series begins, www.portsmouthboatclub.org

July 4 Saturday INDEPENDENCE DAY

July 4 Saturday FBYC Long Distance Race, www.fbyc.net

July 11 Saturday OPCYC Yankee Station Series (3)

July 10-12 Fri-Sun So. Chesapeake Bay Leukemia Regatta, www.leukemicup.org/va

July 17-19 Fri-Sun SPLC, Solomons, MD, www.splc.us

July 18 Saturday NY&CC New Willoughby Challenge, <http://www.norfolkyacht.com/>

July 25 Saturday CCV Moonlight Triangle, Richard Payne 757-396-5802 or 757-928-0067

Aug 1 Saturday PBC Hometowne Regatta, Steve Ormsbee 757-287-6334

Aug 1 Saturday FBYC J70 Regatta 2, www.fbyc.net

Aug 8 Saturday HYC Tom Brady Masters Race, John Blais 757-365-3185

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, had a wonderful Fathers Day visit with my Pappy O'Mulligan Murphy... and 28 siblings. There were plenty of tales to tell and tails to wag. And, the doggie tee shirt people did an outstanding job getting "The Annual O'Mulligan Murphy 2015 Barking Beagle Family Reunion" on the shirt. The printing ran up one side and down the other with the date centered on the back. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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