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Founded in April, 2000. Lin McCarthy, Editor

Try sailing - it's NOT easy! - Bill Schanen, [SAILING Magazine](#)

"Beer Can Racing is Back in Annapolis!" – *Scuttlebutt Sailing News*, Issue 5584, Friday, June 5, 2020, shares the AYC Race 1 video. Watch the action heat up at the finish. ENJOY! Click on https://www.sailingscuttlebutt.com/2020/06/03/beer-can-racing-is-back-in-annapolis/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Scuttlebutt%205584%20%20June%205%202020&utm_content=Scuttlebutt%205584%20%20June%205%202020+CID_c5a36307c857d7ad0d

OH HAPPY DAY! Rappahannock River Yacht Club (RRYC) kicked off the 2020 racing season with their annual Singlehanded regatta. In the eight (8) boat PHRF fleet; first place went to Tom Chapman in his J-24, *Hot Air*; second place was Glenn Solt in his Alerion 28, *Freedom* and third place was Tom Richardson in his Flying Scot, *Goshawk*. In the four boat Typhoon fleet, first place went to John Congdon in *Mad Cow* and second was Shawn Thaxter in *Orion*. The west winds were light and shifty – but there was wind and the racers were racing! PRO Hal Starke Jr; Scorer Lisa Watlington; support boats provided by Marshall Orr and Gary Hooper. RRYC is officially underway!

DINK VAIL REGATTA – Norfolk Yacht and Country Club **WILL INDEED** be hosting the annual DINK VAIL REGATTA for Saturday, JULY 11th. Save the date. Plans are being firmed up for this event as we speak!

USNA Varsity Offshore Sailing Team Director, Jahn Tihansky, "zoomed" Hampton Yacht Club membership last Tuesday night with his program presentation. USNA has a special relationship with Hampton and specifically SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK. The event welcomes Naval Academy teams of Midshipmen on Navy 44s to the regatta with open arms. The audience included folks of all ages and backgrounds, including a future Midshipman as well as a retired engineer who said he was able to "... take my iPad outside to the grill and watch the Zoom presentation yesterday evening while cooking..... in the shade too!". Coach Tihansky was in good spirits, having just recently taken delivery on a Reichel Pugh 66 (the second in the USNA fleet). *KODIAK* was donated to the to the VOST program by a gentleman who felt it was time to divest himself of the responsibilities of his boat. He had been unable to do the Bermuda race this year because it was cancelled due to Covid virus, and he thought the 2022 race too far in the future. When the VOST Mids sail *KODIAK*, they will have under them a boat with good racing bones. Her history is found in the results ledgers also under other names, such as *Exile*, *Blue Yankee* and *Aurora*.

TOUR THE HARBOR CHALLENGE ready to go NOW!. The up-to-date event "Procedures" document (V2, June 4, 2020) and the required "HYC Waiver and Release of Liability" form are both available for the asking or clicking. Here's the link to the HYC Waiver and Release of Liability form: <http://hamptonyc.com/yachting/racing/waiver-and-release-of-liability/> You can sign it on line and submit it electronically. It's easy. **BE sure to check the two red blocks** – one at the beginning and one at the end of the form. You must sign and submit the form **before** sailing the TOUR THE HARBOR CHALLENGE Course. General info on the event may be seen at <http://hamptonyc.com/yachting/racing/tour-the-harbour-challenge/> - Click the "Procedures pdf" button for the up-to-date event Procedures document, which includes the course and how to participate, OR contact John or Lin at mcbear@earthlink.net or 757-850-4225. Report as many runs as times as you care to do – the course will not wear out!

Mid-Week Series soon to get going: 9 days 'til the START!

- **HYC WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES** opens **JUNE 17**. Updated Sailing Instructions and HYC COVID-19 Safety and Sanitary Protocols for the Series are available at <http://hamptonyc.com/yachting/racing/wednesday-night-racing/> OR contact John McCarthy 757-850-4225
- **BBSA WEDNESDAY Night Series at Little Creek** opens **JUNE 17**. Watch for information from BBSA at <https://broadbaysailing.org/LCSAHome>
- **BBSA THURSDAY NIGHT SERIES at Willoughby Spit** opens **JUNE 18**. Watch for information from BBSA at <https://broadbaysailing.org/WRHome>

Remember the summer of 2018 picture of the COLLISION between the fishing boat and the J105? The powerboat ended up on top of the sailboat and it became the *Chesapeake Bay Magazine* "Most Viewed Picture" that year. Here in the *CBM Bay Bulletin*, June 2, 2020 issue, is the **rest of the story**. And, *Bay Bulletin* goes the extra mile and does a reenactment of the incident. Click here for the update and the video of the reenactment <https://chesapeakebaymagazine.com/video-watch-cbm-recreate-sailboat-vs-fishing-boat-collision/> Pour a cup of coffee and share the video with your best sailing or fishing friend so you can chat about who was most right or most wrong!

SUMMER SOLSTICE NOT OCEAN RACE Saturday, Coming June 20. Presented by Cruising Club of Virginia (Racing). Racers should plan for a medium to long distance race within the Hampton Roads harbor between I-64 and I-664 using government marks. It will be open to all fleets. Registration will be mandatory, the entry fee will be \$1. , all classes are welcome (PHRFA, B, C, & non-spin, Cruising, Vipers, and double-hand with CHESSS rules). Still TBA are mods to the starting system, scale or venue of skippers meeting, and other Covid-19 related decisions. CCVR asks you stay tuned for specifics of the event – click on www.ccvr.us/news

HYC DOUBLE HAND RACE – coming Sunday, JUNE 28. Race Event preparations are heating up. Remember, preliminary plans for the 2020 Double Hand include:

- Date set for Sunday, June 28, 2020

- No Skippers Meeting. Entry and information will be done electronically.
- HYC members will have the option of paying their entry fee through their HYC member account.
- The race will be run as a Pursuit Race from the HYC dock.
- First boat starts around 1300. Everyone welcome !
- There will be special COVID-19 safety protocols for everyone's protection.
- Trophies awarded at HYC Awards Night in December

Once you enter, you'll receive the Sailing Instructions plus you'll be kept posted as plans become firm. In the meantime, if you have questions or concerns, please contact John McCarthy at 757-850-4225 or email Lin at mcbear@earthlink.net. Watch <http://hamptonyc.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/HYC-Circular-2-Double-Hand-2020-1.pdf> for official event circular as soon as details are complete.

The *wench* – *winch* controversy continues: From Jim Williams comes the following: "Hey Murphster – From my faint memories of sailing, winches only require your undivided attention a couple of times a year, AND they don't nag you when you want to go out to have a few beers with the guys! They also don't ask "does this cover make my base look fat?", and they don't give a damn how you leave the toilet seat. And you don't have to hire a lawyer if you decide to change to a new winch." [Jim sailed his Hobie 33, *Treaty of Ghent*, with great aplomb in the southern Bay PHRF fleet when he and wife Barb were members of BBSA. And, Jim, for multiple years during the growing period, chaired the [now] **Leo Wardrup Memorial Cape Charles Cup Regatta**]

MURPHY'S LAW: *Murphy, the Racing Beagle*, has sometimes wondered about which word to use when discussing a small island or sandbar, not to be confused with a structure to which we might tie up the boat.. Here's what's what: you tie the boat up at a *quay* – you visit the tropics and explore many a *cay* or *key*. Just remember, if it's built by humans it's a *quay*. *Cays* and *keys* are nature's doing. All three words sound alike, especially after a few Mai Tais at the planning session for your trip to the islands, Mon! *Ahooooo. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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