

SOUTHERN BAY RACING NEWS YOU CAN USE #329

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TWO NORTH CAROLINIANS TAKE TOP SPOTS at KEY WEST!! Pete Hunter, of Kill Devil Hill, sailing his Thompson 30, WAIRERE, crushed his fleet and Lloyd Griffin, of Elizabeth City, sailing his Hadley 40, CASH FLOW, won his. Even with a DSQ in the first race, the Wairere team came back to win the fleet by 11 points. Wairere put together a string of 9(dsq)-3-3-1-2-2-3-1-1 and, using their throw-out for the dsq, finished with 16 points. The second place boat amassed a total of 27 points. Wairere sailed in the PHRF-1 fleet (8 boats), and Cash Flow sailed in the 12 boat PHRF-2 fleet. Cash Flow experienced a bit of a rocky first race, finishing 7th, but came back to win the fleet by a 5 point margin. Over the five days of racing Cash Flow had finishes of 7-3-2-1-2-3-1-1-2. More than 250 boats raced at 2007 Key West Race Week .

PROMISES for 2007: Voodoo Chile has moved on to a new home on the Great Lakes, and **Leroi Lissenden and Scott Birch**, along with **Bob Krushelnisky**, will be racing one of the prettiest boats on the Bay , the Tripp 38 **Promises**. The green racing machine belonged to **Sledd Shelhorse**, then to St. Mary's College, then to an Annapolis owner, who sold her to **Larry and Anne Kumins**. But, now she comes back to her warm and welcoming southern Bay waters.

February 17 - US SAILING BASIC RACE MANAGEMENT COURSE - Hosted by Fishing Bay Yacht Club (Deltaville, VA) - this is the official USSA course required for certification as USSA Club Race Officer. The certification test will be given to those participants wishing to take it. Registration fee (\$40 for US Sailing members, \$50 for non-members) includes morning refreshments, lunch, and materials. Register on line at US Sailing site www.ussailing.org/racemgt/Race_Officer_Prog/seminars.asp or contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or mcbear@earthlink.net

MURPHY GOES TO NORTH CAROLINA: Pasquotank River Yacht Club, in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, will host the SBRNYCU "Murphy Goes Racing" workshop on Saturday, March 24. Lynn Jolley, Commodore of PRYC, will be the point of contact for the host club. Stay tuned to SBRNYCU for details on registration and location. "Murphy Goes Racing" is presented by SBRNYCU and is open to all.

SOLD OUT: "Murphy Goes Racing", presented by Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use, and hosted by Broad Bay Sailing Association at the Old Dominion University Sailing Center on January 27, is chock-a-block full. Thank you all for your interest and your fantastic response.

RULES POP QUIZ: Situation: Two boats racing have a close crossing situation. Neither boat protests. A third boat observes the incident and believes there was a foul. Can the third boat protest anyone? (Answer later in this issue)

PHRF C may look different in 2007: Wiki Wiki, Rodney Paice's Pearson 26, tore up the non-spinnaker fleet in 2006. Word is a spinnaker has been added to the Wiki-Wiki arsenal, but fleet decision pends. **Bill Bounds'** red-hot Andrews 27, Wham Bam, is on the market. Bill says he and Angie are going to try "serious" cruising. A related rumor is afloat about a certain J24 owner looking to step up to B fleet boat - another "decision pends". And, perhaps a stepped up racing schedule for **Bumps Eberwine** in his Olsen 25, Spray - more Spray on the course would be a good thing!

Watch your mailbox for your **CCV Membership** application (renewal). Be sure to pay attention to the deadline date for listing in the 2007 CCV Racing Guide. Skippers as well as crew benefit from listing in the Guide. CCV membership includes your personal copy. Distribution of the Guide is scheduled for the annual CCV Rules Clinic on April 3, a Tuesday evening. Watch SBRNYCU for details as they develop.

BOAT GEAR SHOPPING HINT: Spring is when racers, a reputedly shiftless group, are shifting boats. Usually, **he or she who is giving up a boat has "stuff" for sale.** Watch for the racers who are changing rides, google them, and chances are you can pick up some goodies.

A number of boats familiar to southern Bay racers, made the trip to last week's Key West Race Week. In addition to Wairere and Cash Flow, who won their fleets, 7 were "at the end of the road". Here's how they did: Savannah, **Walter Kennedy** (Charlotte) 15th of 20 in the Melges 32 class; Rum at Six, **Worth Harris** (Beaufort, NC) 9th of 33 in the J105 class; Bone Chillin', **Alan Simonini**, 8th and Sweet Baby J, **Robin Team**, 10th of 17 in the J80 class; EZ, **Paul Lockwood** (Beaufort, NC) 8th of 11 in PHRF-4; Unvanquished, **Dan Ledbetter** (Charlotte) 8th of 9 in PHRF-5; Bone Machine, **Joe Corriher** (Charlotte) 10th of 11 in PHRF-6.

Velux 5 Oceans: How's this for a starting line? Word is the schooner Virginia may be the signal boat and a British aircraft carrier the pin when the singlehanded racers begin the final leg of the race on April 15. And, it will all happen right in our Hampton Roads. Finish your income taxes early and be on the water to see 'em go.

RULES QUIZ ANSWER: Absolutely. Rule 60.1(a) says that a boat may protest another boat for a breach of a Part 2 rule - provided that the protesting boat observed the incident. By the way, the race committee may also protest something it observes...so, BARGERS BEWARE!!!

MURPHY'S LAW: Last year at a Southern Bay Race Week party, I saw a Volvo cut off the beer truck at the entrance to the party grounds. I should have protested the Volvo ... for delay of fun! /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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