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SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK (June 4-6, 2010): More than 70 boats have already entered SBRW 2010. **TODAY, May 24, is the final day before the \$50 late entry fee kicks in tomorrow.** With 10 fleets, two racing circles (side-by-side off Ocean View), three days of great racing, and four party-hearty parties, there is a lot for everyone. If the competitive skipper insists all the crew wear light Kevlar underwear, there's a PHRF fleet that will fit. If you are laid back and like to light the barbie on the last leg, the Cruising fleet may be your cup of tea. To get regatta details and/or entry forms, contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or mcbear@earthlink.net, or click on the event website at www.blacksealcup.com **Get on it today to save \$\$\$.**

Starting guns and wedding bells - SBRW 2010 will have it all! On Saturday of SBRW, *after the racing*, **Jenn McCullough and Richard Winters**, both established racers on the southern Bay scene, will be married aboard *Cyrano*, Bob and Mary Mosby's Frers 36. The plan is for *Cyrano* to return to her slip after racing on Saturday, so the actual ceremony can take place on *board*, and from there, Jenn and Richard will be feted by friends and family at HYC. All of this will happen in the midst of a throng of SBRW racers, friends, and festivities!!!! Sailing IS a lifetime sport!

FEATHER wins the HAMPTON ROADS HOSPICE REGATTA. It could not have been a better day for sailing in Hampton Roads harbor, and the Hospice racers did just that Saturday. The proceeds from the regatta go to area hospice organizations. A number of participants give beyond their entry fee to the cause. This year Hospice recognized **Dave Alexander** as having raised/donated the largest amount. **RESULTS: PHRF A (4 boats) - 1.Phil Briggs, Feather (J36); 2.John Blais, Stardancer (Beneteau 367); 3.Christian Schaumloffel, Mirage (Hobie 33). PHRF B (5 boats) - 1.Dave Taylor, Wham Bam (Andrews 27); 2.Andy Armstrong, Virginia H (Soverel 30); 3.Greg Cutter, Gremlin (Elliott 770). PHRF C (5 boats) - 1.Pete Wallio, Not So Blue (J/22); 2.Bumps Eberwine, Spray (Olson 25); 3.Mike Veraldi, Quicky (J/24). PHRF Non-Spin (3 boats) - 1.Rudy Lotz, Faith (Seahorse 34); 2.Larry Bryant, Whisper (Hunter 37).** Principal Race Officer - Glenn Giles; Mark Boat - Bill and David Gibbings.

Get the jump on raisin' a ruckus at SBRW - join the Tent Raising Team on Thursday, June 3. Team Leader, Woody "Omar" Woodcock, needs strong backs and those with "working supervisory" skills to get the regatta tents in place Thursday morning. Contact Woody at (757) 810-7238 (cell). Folks are needed to strike the tents too, on Monday, June 7.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND (Friday, May 28 - Monday, May 31, 2010) THIS COMING WEEKEND!

***Friday - Saturday 61st DOWN THE BAY RACE for the VIRGINIA CRUISING CUP - Graham Garrenton, (757) 478-2994 (HYC-STC)**

***Saturday Merrimac Memorial Regatta (dinghies) - Jonathan Romero, (757) 285-6017 or Jimmy Schools, (757) 802-2394 (PBC)**

***Saturday Fishing Bay to Urbanna Race - www.fbyc.net (FBYC)**

***Sunday The River Races - Ron Mihills, www.rryc.com (Rappahannock River Yacht Club)**

Captain Ahab impersonator, **Cary Hardesty**, has been spotted on the race course sporting a leg cast. He broke his leg while sailing. It has not slowed Cary down; he will be among those racing on Bob Howell's *CYMRU* this coming weekend for the Down the Bay Race.

The HR Sunfish Challenge & Dinghy Distance Race (Saturday, September 25) has two new sponsors:

Marine Sonic Technologies of Gloucester Va. and *St. Moritz Watches*. And, there are more than 20 racers signed up already, and 14 are Sunfish!!

After the dust settles from SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK (June 4-6), coming up on the southern Bay racers list is the **HARBORFEST HOMETOWNE REGATTA (Saturday, June 12)**. Harborfest Hometowne is hosted by Portsmouth Boat Club and is sailed on the same weekend on the Elizabeth River as Norfolk's mega-summer

festival, Harborfest. This year Harborfest is tangentially involved in recognizing the participants of the regatta. "Harborfest will call the award winners of the regatta up on the big Harborfest stage on Saturday night and their names will be on the Nauticus big screen for all to see," explained principal race officer **Larry Bryant**. The awards presentation and cook-out dinner will be at the PBC clubhouse on Elm Street in Portsmouth (5pm-7pm), leaving plenty of time afterwards for a ride over to Harborfest (by ferry, car, or cardboard raft) and the special recognition there. Make no mistake, PBC is the organizer of this race and continues to do all the heavy lifting. It is nice to see the regatta mentioned on the Harborfest schedule, but it remains in the HOMETOWNE REGATTA format that PBC has had in place since Harborfest dropped the old Michelob Challenge event years ago. Entries are due no later than 5pm, Monday, June 7. **For entry forms, regatta info, click on www.portsmouthboatclub.org or contact Larry Bryant at (757) 472-5969** Go race, enjoy PBC hospitality, and do the festival - a full day!

MURPHY'S LAW: Deliveries are not so bad. *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, will be delivering with a special friend (ooh-la-la), who is bringing rabbit stew and squirrel soufflé (yummy-yummy). We think we'll get the boat there in time to race Down the Bay. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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