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SCREWPILE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE – Southern Bay Racers make plenty of podium appearances. When overall awards were presented, just over half of the southern Bay boats racing at Screwpile, 7 of 13, brought home Screwpile Lighthouse silverware. And, that is not counting daily hardware collected along the way. Racers got in 2 races on Friday and were blessed with good wind in the Bay for the Saturday SPLC Distance Race. However, the wind gods were very frugal with breezes on Sunday allowing for one race on each course. All in all, the annual meeting of Chesapeake Bay racers at Solomons Island was its usual good time. Here's the info on southern Bay racers who danced on the podium: Austin Powers, Blew By You – 1st in Tartan 10 Class; Miles Booth, Shenanigan – 3rd in Tartan 10 Class. Sledd Shelhorse, Meridian X - 3rd in PHRF A1. Jay Thompson, Trouble - 2nd in Cruising. Paul & Julie Ann Wash, Cheeky Monkey – 2nd in PHRF C; Brad Miller, Schiehallion – 3rd in PHRF C. Bob Fleck, Mad Hatter – 3rd in PHRF B. Event Chairman-L.G.Raley; Event PRO and PHRF A1 and A2 Div-Don Behrens; PRO PHRF B, C,Tartan 10 and J70-Taran Teague; PRO Saturday SPLC Distance Race (entire fleet) and Cruising-John McCarthy. Sixty-seven (67) boats raced at 2016 SPLC in 7 classes. Detail results are available at http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=1663

CCV MOONLIGHT TRIANGLE RACE - THIS COMING SATURDAY, July 23 - first signal is at 1700 (5pm), starting area is in the vicinity of CCV BAY mark "Y" off Buckroe. The designated course will be posted on the Race Committee signal boat at the starting line. Course distance options range from 14.2 nm to 30.2 nm. The Notice of Race provides the marks of each course. This race is also part of the Southern Bay Distance Racing Series (administered by BBSA). Boats must meet PHRF Category "Chesapeake Bay" equipment and safety requirements For information and entry, please contact Principal Race Officer Richard Payne at 757-928-0067.

2ND ANNUAL WILLOUGHBY CHALLENGE. For those who could not race at SPLC, for one reason or another, had the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club Willoughby Challenge Regatta, a non-spinnaker event in the cozy confines of the Hampton Roads Harbor/Elizabeth River. Thirteen sailboats raced through rain showers on Saturday. RESULTS: PHRF Non-Spin (9 boats): 1. **Gordon Edwards**, *Cowboy*; 2. **Christian Schaumloffel**, *Mirage*; 3. **Will Roberts**, *Remedy*. Cruising (4 boats): 1. **Tom Lira**, *Colgate 26*; 2. **Rick Sanford**, *Elan*; 3. **Jonathan Romero**, *Tempo*. Event Chairman: Bob Hume

It should be noted that stationed in the **entryway of the SPLC headquarters Holiday Inn Solomons**, was a beautiful (eyes of the beholder) Toyota truck. This display vehicle was fondly fondled by a number of the racers. Rumor has it that two of these trucks were sold by Saturday morning.

The large and very competitive PHRF A-1 class at SPLC (17boats) met with the racers' approval. "It was fun to sail against so many good boats," one racer declared. "The competition on the starting line was great, too." Also, it was noted that crews from SPLC traveled in groups at post-race parties and to local watering holes in Solomons. Personalized crew shirts were the attire of the day on the water and off.

SUNFISH RACERS! The 2016 Mid-Atlantic Sunfish Championship #1 is THIS COMING WEEKEND, Saturday-Sunday, July 23-24, right here on the southern Bay. Old Point Comfort Yacht Club at Fort Monroe in Hampton, VA, is the host. This is a "world qualifier" event. Click on https://www.sunfishclass.org/regattas/regatta-details/1594/ for NOR and contacts.

LEO WARDRUP MEMORIAL CAPE CHARLES CUP (LWMCCC) (August 13-14) - a special racing/cruising weekend on the Southern Bay. EARLY ENTRY (\$95.) DEADLINE is 22 JULY, after which the entry fee goes to \$115. Special

First Year Participant Entry fee \$50. This is a unique, 2-race event; weekend regatta. Saturday's race is from Little Creek (Norfolk), across the lower Chesapeake Bay to Cape Charles on the Eastern Shore. Post-race party on Saturday evening, awards, and regatta dinner take place at The Oyster Farm Marina at Kings Creek. On Sunday, the fleet races from Cape Charles to a finish line just off the Buckroe Beach (Hampton). Daily awards for all fleets. Easy Online Entry Form https://form.jotform.com/52634636061150 For paper entry details, go to www.CCCup.net or call Event Chairman, Randy Goodman at (757) 348-7921.

MURPHY'S LAW: Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle, was part of the fun at the Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Regatta. Just before we hit the Tiki Bar Saturday evening, though, my crewmates took paparazzi precautions. They duct taped out our boat name on my crew shirt. They were avoiding the possibility that a picture be taken of the Murphster sipping too many adult beverages. Headline: Beagle from XXX raceboat crew, nips bouncer at Tiki Bar while resisting ejection. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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