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

4th of July weekend - INDEPENDENCE DAY - is upon us! We are all free to fly our flag, eat plenty of 'burgers, and sail! The Founding Fathers must be smiling!

SCREWPILE (July 17, 18, & 19) is July Racing Central AND July Party Central: The word is out that Mount Gay Rum is hosting three additional parties in Solomons starting around 8PM each day after the racing: Sunday Night at Kingfisher's, Monday Night at Solomons Pier and Tuesday Night at Isaacs located in the Holiday Inn (Race Headquarters). This year's regatta marks 19 years of SCREWPILE and, like the previous 18, it will be a grand time for racers from all over the Bay and beyond. Going as part of the SOUTHERN BAY BRIGADE and bringing the number of southern Bay boats racing at SCREWPILE to 10 is David Taylor's red Andrews 27, **WHAM BAM**.

Already entered from the southern Bay are: Voodoo 2, Lissenden/Birch/Krusheinsky; *Goin'*, Dennis Hannick; *Bobinski*, Bob Hausmann; *Black Widow*, Leo Wardrup; *Double Eagle*, Sam Mitchener; *Midnight Mistress*, Jake & Pat Brodersen; *Stardancer*, John & Beverly Blais; *Corryvreckan*, David Clark; and *The Hunter*, Justin Morris.

Special SCREWPILE notice: SAVE MONEY! Enter by noon, THIS THURSDAY, July 30, to avoid the \$75 late entry fee. For information and entry form, click on www.splc.us. If you are a racer, you need to be at SCREWPILE 2011!

Racers' Vocabulary. *Yawl* - a sailboat from the southern Bay, with some good bourbon stored down yonder in the cabin.

From the Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta (racing July 9-10) comes word that Early Bird Pricing has been extended! This event includes a Cruising Class and a Classic Class for yachts designed by 1976 in addition to PHRF spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes. Event officials are offering multiple races each day; drop mark courses will be in the Chesapeake Bay off Stingray Point. Fishing Bay Yacht Club and Stingray Harbour Yacht Club sponsor this, the 13th edition, of the event. For info and/or to enter, please contact Sue Willis at 800-766-0797 or sue.willis@LLS.org.

RUNNING TIDE, Waddy Garrett's J46, was the only southern Bay boat in the **2011 Marion to Bermuda Race**. *Running Tide* finished 10th in her class and 29th overall in the 50 boat fleet. The entire crew is from Fishing Bay Yacht Club: **Waddy Garrett, Parker Garrett, Winston Trice, Ned Trice, Charlie Clough, Paul Becker and Tad Thompson**. *RUNNING TIDE* raced in Division A. For complete results, www.marionbermuda.com

BBSA Annual Regatta (small boats) - (Results were incomplete at publication deadline) However, the Laser fleet report was available, thanks to Robert Suhay: **LASER (7 boats) - 1. Cameron Barclift, 2. Neil Ford, 3. Robert Suhay**. Hampton One Design, FJs, and Force 5s were reported to have raced, but results were not available. Watch www.broadbaysailing.org

Word has spread around the sailing community of the **accidental death of a young sailor, Olivia Constants, 14, during a Severn Sailing Association Junior Sailing Association Program session**. The following is from *The Capital*, HometownAnnapolis.com posting, Sunday, June 26, 2011:

" On Thursday afternoon, Constants drowned in the Severn River when her Club 420 sailboat capsized near the Naval Academy during a lesson with the Severn Sailing Association Junior Sailing Program. The Broadneck High sophomore-to-be was wearing a trapeze harness that got caught in the boat's rigging when it capsized. A counselor freed the girl and performed CPR until rescuers arrived. She was wearing a personal flotation device, officials said. Questions remain unanswered about the accident and the Natural Resources Police had not completed their investigation late yesterday. But one thing is clear - the accident was a rare event in the sailing school industry in the Annapolis area. A search of The Capital's archive found no stories about serious sailing school accidents, let alone a fatal one. . . . Not only are sailing school fatalities rare, deaths associated with sailboats are rare as well. U.S. Coast Guard 2010 boating accident statistics show of 672 total boating deaths only 3 percent were related to sailboats. There were eight deaths associated with sail-only craft and 15 for auxiliary

sailboats, those with both sail and an engine." Read the complete article at <http://www.hometownannapolis.com/news/top/2011/06/25-23/Rare-mishap-claims-life-of-young-sailor.html> As of this morning (June 27) details about this terrible accident remain unconfirmed.

VET CUP is on the near horizon - Saturday, July 9 . Remember, you do not have to be affiliated with the Armed Services to participate. The racing will take place off the Buckroe area and is open to all PHRF classes as well as to Cruising Fleet boats. Four boats of a specific kind will constitute a one-design fleet and a separate start. For information and entry, please contact Annette Connors at (757) 327-1514 Event officials hope to have two races on drop mark triangular courses. Entries are due by July 7, 2011.

COMING UP during 4th of July, INDEPENDENCE DAY, weekend:

Screwpile entry (Late Fee kicks in July 1) - enter by June 30 to avoid \$75 Late Fee: www.screwpile.net or www.splc.us

Bay Open - Junior Olympics - July 1-3, Hampton Yacht Club, www.hamptonyc.com

Hampton Annual One-Design Regatta (small boats) - July 2-3, Hampton Yacht Club, www.hamptonyc.com

Cut Channel Race - July 2; Fishing Bay Yacht Club, www.fbyc.net

OPENING FOR COACH FOR MAURY HIGH CLUB SAILING TEAM. The Maury High School Club Sailing Team (Norfolk, VA) is looking for a coach to run weekly practices, attend Saturday regattas and travel once or twice a year to out of town regattas. The employment period is per semester when Maury competes in Virginia Interscholastic Association (VISA) events during Fall and Spring semesters. This is a club sport and does not involve employment with Norfolk Public Schools or Maury High School. Team administrators are looking for applicants who are experienced dinghy sailors if not big boat sailors. US SAILING Level II certification and proof of current CPR and First Aid certification is an added plus. For information, please contact Bill Dister at 757-650-0680, Maury Sailing Club Administrator , or Jennifer Sanford at 757 537-7004.

Kudos to Butch Patterson for his service to high school sailing in the southern Bay area. Butch recently stepped down from the head coach position of the Maury High Club Sailing Team (see item above). Most "big boat" sailors know Butch from the race course where he currently races *Schock Full O' Nuts* in the PHRF B fleet and previously raced *Small Potato* in the PHRF C fleet. Butch has come up against a conflict between the coaching and his work situation, proving there are a finite number of hours in everyone's day! Thanks to Butch and all his coaching cohorts who make sailing possible for high schoolers in the southern Bay.

Virginia Junior State Championship Regatta: Results were not available at publication deadline. Watch www.fbyc.net

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle's* edition of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary defines *yacht* as "a vessel used for private cruising, **racing**, or other noncommercial purposes." So. . . depending on to whom one is speaking, it is ok to explain one's weekend racing endeavors as *yachting*. And, if one wishes to or needs to appear snooty to a degree, it is ok to describe oneself as *yachty*. And, one does not have to toss out the favorite faded regatta T-shirt or holey sailing shorts. Pass the Grey Poupon and the Sly Fox - you are racing, therefore, yachting! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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