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Try sailing - it's NOT easy! - Bill Schanen,SAILING Magazine

Spring has sprung, the grass has rizz.

Winter is failing, 'cause the raceboats are sailing!

Day 1 (Races #1 and #2) of the **Cruising Club of Virginia (CCV) Spring Series** is in the books. Twenty-four boats busted out to the race course after an interminable winter. It was a glorious day to race in Hampton Roads. In Race #1, PHRF A sailed a 6.80nm course while PHRF B, C, and Non-Spin went 4.60 nm. Toward the end of the day the wind began to fall out and Race #2 was a shorter one (3.40 nm) for every fleet. **Sledd Shelhorse**, **Meridian X**, and **Leroi Lissenden**, Voodoo 2, finished 1st and 2nd respectively in both races in A Fleet. **Don DeLoatch** and crew had their inaugural outing in PHRF A sailing **Special K**, J105 and finished 6th for the day. In the B Fleet, **Ben Weeks**, *Rumble*, and **Rusty Bursell**, *Cool Change*, also finished 1st and 2nd respectively in both races. RESULTS: PHRF A (8 boats): 1.**Sledd Shelhorse**, **Meridian X**(1-1); 2.**Leroi Lissenden**, **Voodoo 2** (2-2); 3.**Bumps Eberwine**, **Sea Star** (3-3). PHRF B (8 boats): 1.**Ben Weeks**, *Rumble*(1-1); 2.**Rusty Bursell**, *Cool Change* (2-2); 3.**David Taylor**, *Wham Bam* (4-3). PHRF C (5 boats): 1.**Neil Ford**, *Rocket J* (2-1); 2.**Justin Morris**, *The Hunter* (1-4); 3.**Alan Bomar**, *Roundabout* (3-2). PHRF Non-Spin (3 boats): 1.**Leo Wardrup**, *Black Widow* (2-1); 2.**Jake Brodersen**, *Midnight Mistress* (1-2). Principal Race Officer: John McCarthy; Mark Boats: Tom Fowler and Bill Gibbings. Official Scorer: John Ritter. Day 1 (Race #3) of the Series will be Sunday, April 27 –one middle distance race using government marks in Hampton Roads Harbor. Classes also will be scored in the Southern Bay Distance Racing Series (administered by BBSA). For info and entry, contact John McCarthy, 757-850-4225, mcbear@earthlink.net

Fishing Bay Yacht Club (FBYC) Spring Series opens: Eighteen (18) boats hit the water Sunday in the first of the FBYC Spring Series competition. Principal Race Officer Sharon Bauer got in three races for each of the fleets. RESULTS J70 (3 boats): 1.**Mike Karn**, *Inconceivable* (1-3-1); 2.**Walter Bundy**, *Shazam* (2-1-2). PHRF A (5 boats): 1.**Sam Mitchener**, *Double Eagle* (1-1-1); 2.**David Clark**, *Corryvreckan* (2-3-2); 3.**Rob Whittet and Steve Utley**, *Wavelength* (3-2-3). PHRF B (5 boats): 1.**Dennis Hannick**, *Goin'* (2-1-2); 2.**Bob Fleck**, *Mad Hatter* (2-1-2); 3.**Eric Powers**, *Nereid* (3-3-3). PHRF C (4 boats): 1.**Brad Miller**, *Schiehallion*, (2-1-3); 2.**Paul Wash**, *Cheeky Monkey* (1-5-1); 3.**Sam Marshall**, *Play It Again* (3-2-3). **Mike Dale's Juggernaut** was the only Non-Spinnaker boat on the course. The next FBYC Spring Series will be Sunday, April 27th. Go to www.fbyc.net for entry and info.

Jim Englert is taking a sabbatical from racing and his 505 is for sale. Jim, owner and operator of Hi-Tech Engraving (Newport News), will be renovating his “new” home in Gloucester in his very limited spare time. Here’s the boat info: #7776, Kevlar/honeycomb waterat; everything up to modern Spec’s; Dual carbon pole, waterat 480 cb and waterat highaspect rudder, superspars M2 mast, new bottom cover in 2010 and an older

but functional dolly trailer. Everything on the boat is new as of late 2010 and it has only been sailed a few times since then and been in the garage all other times. Jim is asking \$10k. Your can reach Jim at (757)873-3639 or email info@Hi-TechEngraving.com

Like the song says, “**Some days you’re the windshield, some days you’re the bug...**” **Greg and Carie Cutter** are feeling pretty bad right now. Their beautiful, new-to-them *Diablo* (Andrews 28), suffered significant damage this past week while launching (mast must be replaced) as the result of a block on the port aft quarter that exploded. No people were hurt – thank goodness! So, an offer of a commiseration brewski from fellow racers will probably be most appreciated!

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK update.

***If you are coming to SBRW from out of town or you have crew from outside the area, or you just want to be within a easy walk to regatta headquarters, take advantage of the **CROWNE PLAZA MARINA HOTEL** SBRW racers special \$119 base rate + taxes and fees per night along with FREE PARKING and Wi-Fi. Click on www.hamptonmarinahotel.com, enter Group Code SBR. Make your ressies now as the rooms are going fast. **The special rate expires after May 1, 2014.** To make ressies by phone - call Reservations Manager Jamie House at 757-727-8918.

***Recent additions to SBRW 2014: Three more PHRF A fleet boats are now in the mix – **John Haracivet** (Ft Monroe) brings his Soverel 33, *MIDNIGHT RIDER*, **Maury Niebur**(West River, MD) has entered his J35, *BUMP IN THE NIGHT*, and **Pete Hunter**(Kill Devil Hills, NC) is back with his Thompson 30, *WAIRERE*. Joining the Cruising Fleet this past week is **Dave Bettis'** Pearson 39, *SURELY BOO* and **Randy Goodman's** Cal 34, *RED FROG..*

***To enter SBRW and to check on information (entries list, scratch sheet, NOR, Accommodations, and more) just click on [http://www.yachtscoring.com/emeunu.cfm?eID=981](http://www.yachtscoring.com/emeenu.cfm?eID=981) OR, contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225, mcbear@earthlink.net for paper entry form and/or info. **Y'ALL COME RACING!** **NOTE: Early Bird Entry rate and 10 complimentary regatta drink tickets expires on April 28, 2014. Don't let the Early Bird fly away without you!!**

Summer is around the corner and JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAMS are heating up. NOW is the time to find a spot for your youngster to learn and enjoy sailing. Watch his or her confidence grow while making lasting friends in the outdoor environment. Sailing is a lifetime pastime – from kidhood to retirement. Several programs on the southern Bay are taking signups, hiring instructors, and making plans right now. Parents, grandparents, and guardians need to get cracking too. Here is a **contact list for several of the southern Bay programs:**

*Fishing Bay Yacht Club www.fbyc.net <http://www.fbyc.net/Juniors/Admin> Mark Hayes 336-282-2093

*Hampton Yacht Club juniors@hamptonyc.com Gary Bodie HYC: 757-7220711

*Norfolk Yacht & Country Club <http://www.norfolkyacht.com/> NY&CC: 757.423.4500

*Rappahannock River Yacht Club <http://www.rryc.org/sailing/junior-sailing/2014-rryc-junior-training-program/> Darryl Resio

*Ware River Yacht Club <http://www.wryc.org/2012-11-05-15-10-08/2012-10-30-14-36-10>

*Premier Sailing School <http://www.premiersailing.com/dates.htm> Arabella Denvir 804-438-9300

*Big Blue Sailing Academy <http://www.bigbluesailingacademy.com/generalinformation.html> Mitch Brindley

THIS COMING WEEKEND is Easter weekend and southern Bay racing schedules, for the most part, take a break. Things pick up full pace again the following week.

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, particularly enjoys the candy which Webster describes as "a small, bean-shaped, usually brightly colored candy with a hard sugar coating and a firm gelatinous filling." If the Murphster were ever asked by authorities if there is a "street name", the reply would have to be, "Well, they call me Jellybean – sweet and bright and bean-shaped with legs." Aahoooo! Here come da Bunny!! /S/
Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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