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Founded in April, 2000. Lin McCarthy, Editor

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

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!!

Everyone is allowed one more gross of chocolate, then we gotta stop!

The 2022 Pittman Innovation Awards have been announced by SAIL Magazine (Vol 53, Number 2, March 2022 issue). It's obvious that the sailors' brains have kept turning throughout the year – lots of good stuff. One thing in particular aimed at individual sailors: ZHIK OFS800 OFFSHORE JACKET. It's all about the foulie hood and this one is special. It is designed to move *WITH* the head. ZHIK calls it their "head-lock" hood. Check it out on page 50 of the March SAIL. It's a serious offshore jacket.

FAT BOTTOM GIRL, Bobby Whitehouse's Pearson Flyer, was spotted on the hard in a Hampton boatyard. And, speaking of her bottom, somebody has done a number on it. Sprayed and already smooth as silk, before wet sanding with tiny-tiny grit. A super smooth bottom is one answer to the racer's "*need for speed!*" And, *FBG* is not alone. The crew of her sistership, **BAD HABIT**, and skipper **Bob Archer** were working like a band of whirling dervishes on her bottom. Both of these Pearson Flyers race in the southern Bay PHRF B fleet. Watch for *competition within the competition* in that fleet all summer long! It's the charm of racing.

Andy Spittler has a new-to-him boat to race – CREEK WATER, a J-27 previously named **Juggernaut**, and raced extensively by Mike Dale in the Fishing Bay/Deltaville are. *Creek Water* is now with Andy and getting a new paint job for the 2022 season. Andy sails mainly out of Broad Bay Sailing Association (BBSA) at the Little Creek location. Watch for the blue beauty in Southern Bay Race Week, where Andy has been a mainstay sailing *Swamp Rat*, the boat for which we raise a rum toast to fond memories!

GET IN THE PICTURE! WILL KEYWORTH named SBRW 2022 Official Photographer. Will is a renowned sailing/racing photographer who will also be covering the event for *SpinSheet Magazine*. Southern Bay racers can see the outstanding work Will completed while in here last October, photographing the J111 World Championship regatta hosted by HYC. Will is particularly familiar with our southern Bay waters, racers, and sailing spirit. Shine up your boat, your togs, and your smile! Check out Will Keyworth's work at <https://willkeyworth.smugmug.com/>

Lis Biondi, with husband Neil Ford, of J-24 *ROCKET J* and Melges 24 *DANGER PAWS* fame on the southern Bay, is branching out. Lis bought a Typhoon, *TY AFFAIR* and Neil said it was “coming home” to Hampton from Irvington this past weekend. The plan is to take it back up to Irvington, a.k.a. *Typhoon Nirvana*, this summer. The Typhoon fleet is based at Rappahannock River YC and there is plenty of competition among the TY aficionados. RRYC hosts the National Typhoon Championship every other year, and 2022 is a Rapp River year!

Southern Bay racer, Dixon and Mary Wilde’s C&C 99, ***KINGFISHER***, is about to pass the light at the end of the repair/refurbishment tunnel. When your work includes chainplates, mast, and other stuff, it has been a heck of a road. Dixon had some metal work done and lauds Howdy Bailey and his crew on their job. Life is good and Dixon said that even his “...new chainplates look incredibly robust and shiny.”

GET YOUR RACING PAPER READY, TOO! – *Current and Valid, when applied to racing documents means “within the time you are racing”.* REMEMBER **One-Design racers** need to get up-to-date with class memberships and requirements, and **PHRF handicap racers** need to have certificates that are extant through this coming season – if your cert expires April 2022, you won’t be ready or eligible to race in many races. It is interesting to note that **all the boats** mentioned above in *SBRNYCU – Kingfisher, Fat Bottom Girl, Bad Habit*, and *Creek Water*, already have their PHRF Certificate updated beyond the 2022 season. **It’s easy to renew or apply for a new PHRF rating at www.phrfchesbay.org.** Racers planning to apply for 2022 **ORC rating certificates** need to get going too. Information on the *Offshore Racing Congress* rating application process is available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/orc/>

MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR RACER CALENDAR! **April 23rd Saturday, 5pm-8pm – at MARKER 20 in downtown Hampton.** The annual ***SpinSheet Magazine Crew Listing Party*** – southern Bay skippers and crew meet and greet and find one another for the coming season. The 2022 gathering will be hosted-ed by CCVR .



MURPHY’S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, can feel the rumble of racers readying! ***And so it begins.*** The early wave of boatyard-visiting race boats will soon be leaving the yard, heading for homeports and friendly slips. Many yards will have a significant turnover, staggered through mid-March. And, then it is “*Katy bar the door!*” . There is one thing concerning your *Racing Beagle*, however. Let’s don’t all wait ‘til the latest possible moment to SPLASH. To be part of the first ever boatyard-launchings driven tidal tsunami is not something any of us want to endure! If you are procrastinating on any part of *getting ready*, cut the dillydally short and get ‘er done now - SPRING IS COMING! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

MURPHY CLINICS UPDATES:



- **MURPHY RACING RULES CLINIC Saturday, March 5, 2022 (0900-1530)**

The Rappahannock River Yacht Club, Irvington, VA

IT's EASY TO REGISTER - RESERVE YOUR SPOT! Just Email Glenn Solt at glenn.solt@gmail.com and provide the following information: Your name, mailing address, email address, phone number

One low cost of \$30 for the day, includes:

****Materials (course notebook) * LUNCH * and copious refreshments provided by host club RRYC at check-in and breaks throughout the day.***

(NOTE: Proceeds go to the host club, RRYC).

- **MURPHY RACING RULES CLINIC** Saturday, **March 12, 2022** (0900-1530) is **FULL**.

Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton, VA.

- **MURPHY NUTS & BOLTS for RACE COMMITTEES CLINICS:** (Saturday, 3 hour, ½ day clinics):

MARCH 19 – Richmond, VA - If interested in attending, contact Ruthanna Jenkins at (434)-825-5743.

MARCH 26 – Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton, VA - Details and registration information will be available Feb 21st- watch SBRNYCU.

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