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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use # 433**

SBRNYCU is an independent weekly publication of southern Chesapeake Bay racing happenings. Founded in April, 2000.

**It is MARCH!** Finally - we are making progress beyond the murky darkness of winter. We are only 17 days away from the First Day of Spring, Friday, March 20! So, what IS that white stuff doing here??!!

**CBYRA Region 4 High Point Award Winners (2008)** received their trophies this past week at a gathering hosted at Hampton Yacht Club. Past vice-president (and current Region 4 scorer) **Tom Roberts** and current vice-president **John McCarthy** presented the awards. For Region 4-SOUTH: PHRF A: 1. *Cash Flow*, **Lloyd Griffin**; 2. *Feather*, **Phil Briggs**; 3. *Sea Star*, **David Eberwine**. PHRF B: 1. *Bad Habit*, **Bob Archer**; 2. *Gremlyn*, **Greg Cutter**; 3. *Callinectes*, **Ben Cuker**. PHRF C: 1. *It's White*, **Richard Winters**, **Scott Batchelor**, **AJ Piccillo**; 2. *Spray*, **Bumps Eberwine**; 3. *Roundabout*, **Alan Bomar**. PHRF Non-Spin: 1. *Virginia H*, **Andy Armstrong**; 2. *Midnight Mistress*, **Jake Brodersen**; 3. *Impulse*, **Tom Peddy**. For Region 4-NORTH: PHRF A: 1. *Correyvrecken*, **David Clark**; 2. *Wavelength*, **Rob Whittet**. PHRF B: 1. *Schiehallion*, **Brad Miller**. PHRF C: 1. *Checko*, **Don Barfield** and **Steve Smith**.

**Sock Burning Time is drawing near:** This is a favorite spring ritual for racing sailors. So, gather up the entire crew, families, children and even babies and get everyone to your club's official sock burning. If your club does not have a sock burning ceremony, take it upon yourself to get one started. In a pinch, a charcoal grill and a cooler of beer will do. It is imperative that southern Bay racers officially burn their socks during March - the racing deities demand it!

The "Big Red Boat", **Sanford and Alex Richardson's KAHUNA** (Farr 395) has entered the **DOWN THE BAY RACE for the Virginia Cruising Cup**. *Kahuna* currently sails out of Annapolis Yacht Club, but has spent many years on the southern Chesapeake racing scene and maintains ties there. **Martin Casey** has entered his Catalina 27, *BOWMOVEMENT* in DTB. Martin will be sailing out of Willoughby Bay in Norfolk., and is a Broad Bay Sailing Association member. For info on DTB check out the Hampton YC (event headquarters) website at [www.hamptonyc.com](http://www.hamptonyc.com) and click on the DTB logo, or contact co-chairmen of the event Vince Behm (757) 876-7778 or Wayne Bretsch (301) 332-6773.

**CCV Rules Clinic and 2009 Racing Guide Distribution** - The annual CCV spring gathering comes a bit earlier than usual this year. On **Tuesday, March 31**, 6:30pm, CCV will hold their annual Rules Clinic at the Mariners Museum (Newport News, Virginia). At this gathering, CCV members will receive the **2009 CCV Racing Guide**. The *Guide* is included in the price of the membership. CCV will take membership applications at this clinic. The clinic is OPEN TO ALL and it is FREE! For information contact: Tom Peddy at (757)638-3358

**REMEMBER - to use the new CCV mail address - CCV, PO Box 62074, Virginia Beach, VA 23466 - when mailing in payment for your dues.**

**SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK update** - The Soverel 33, *MIDNIGHT RIDER*, owned and skippered by **John Haracivet**, sailing out of York River Yacht Club, is returning to SBRW. The Gloucesterman will be racing in PHRF A. And, the Tripp 38, *VOODOO 2*, a PHRF A boat, is back in the hunt for the Black Seal Cup. **Leroi Lissenden** and **Scott Birch** have combined their efforts for 2009. For info on SBRW 2009 check out the website at [www.blacksealcup.com](http://www.blacksealcup.com), visit the Hampton YC (event headquarters) website at [www.hamptonyc.com](http://www.hamptonyc.com) and click on the SBRW logo, or contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225, email [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net)

**Buzzzzzzzzzz continues** regarding competition for the **Down the Bay Race record**. The record was set in 1974 by *RUNNING TIDE*, a 60-footer designed by Sparkman and Stevens and owned by Al van Metre. The race is 120 miles non-stop from Annapolis to Hampton. Legend has it that *Running Tide* holds the fastest finish time and that it was "around thirteen (13) hours". The written records have not been found.

**MARCH Southern Bay Racers Calendar:**

Volvo Ocean racers continue on Leg 5 from Quingdao to Rio de Janiero.

March 8 Sunday Daylight Saving Time begins  
 March 14 Saturday Rappahannock River YC Rules Clinic  
 March 17 Tuesday St Patrick's Day - wear green!  
 March 18 Wednesday Fishing Bay YC Rules Clinic (Richmond)  
 March 20 Friday First Day of SPRING - rejoice!  
 March 21 Saturday MURPHY RULES/MURPHY 2 at Hampton YC  
 March 29 Sunday Fishing Bay YC begins "Crew Training Program"  
 March 31 Tuesday CCV Rules Clinic and distribution of *2009 CCV Racing Guide*  
 April 1 Wednesday Hampton YC Wednesday Night Races begin

Remember, you can get your **2009 CBYRA Region 4 Racing Schedule** by emailing [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) and putting on the subject line: **I need my schedule!** It will come to you by reply email, courtesy of *Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use*.

**MURPHY RULES / MURPHY 2, Saturday, March 21, at Hampton Yacht Club, 0900 - 1530.** Pre-register by calling (757) 850-4225 or by email to [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) (include your name, address, and phone number) and on the subject line put MURPHY RULES. **There are a very limited number of spaces available, so call or email right away.** The revised *Racing Rules of Sailing (2009-2012)* became official on January 1st. Murphy says, "*Ya can't play the game, if ya don't know the rules!*"

**MURPHY'S LAW:** Sock Burning Day is one of best days in a racer's life. Gettin' those covers off the feet and gettin' the paws limbered up for action is reassurance that the first race of the season is very near. It's a grand moment - let those toes breatheeeeeeeeeeeeeee! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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