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

MERIDIAN won the Bolero Trophy for first to finish in PHRF Fleet in the Lauderdale to Key West Race. At first, race organizers mistakenly gave the trophy to another boat, but, once the error was pointed out, the prestigious trophy was presented to the rightful owners at a post-race party. Good thing. **Sledd Shelhorse's Meridian** crew earned that silver!

CBYRA High Point Standings for Southern Bay (Region 4): Region 4 High Point Scorer for CBYRA, **Tom Roberts**, has finished the compilation of all the 2009 southern Bay race results and applied the CBYRA High Point formula. It's not an easy job - Thank you, Tom! Here are the preliminary results. Remember, you must be a member of CBYRA to be scored in this high point competition. **PRELIMINARY STANDINGS (top three shown): SOUTH DIVISION of Region 4:** PHRF A: 1. *Sea Star*, **David Eberwine**; 2. *Cash Flow*, **Lloyd Griffin**; 3. *Meridian 2*, **Sledd Shelhorse**. PHRF B: 1. *Bad Habit*, **Bob Archer**; 2. *Gremlyn*, **Greg Cutter**; 3. *Goin'*, **Dennis Hannick**. PHRF C: 1. *The Hunter*, **Justin Morris**; 2. *Roundabout*, **Alan Bomar**; 3. *Fine*, **Jonathan Phillips**. PHRF Non-Spin: 1. *Black Widow*, **Leo Wardrup**. **NORTH DIVISION of Region 4:** PHRF A: 1. *Corryvreckan*, **David Clark**; 2. *Loose Cannon*, **Strother Scott**; 3. *Voodoo 2*, **Leroi Lissenden**. PHRF B/C: 1. *Strokin'*, **Bob Bowles**; 2. *Goin'*, **Dennis Hannick**; 3. *Schiehallion*, **Brad Miller**. PHRF N (no qualified members).

Jobson was "SPECTACULAR!" "Spectacular!" is how Chesapeake Bay sailor and premier newscaster **Walter Cronkite** described America's Cup boats and sailboats in general. Mr. Cronkite's boat, *Assignment*, once was a frequent visitor to the southern Bay. Many southern Bay sailors have "had dinner with Walter", i.e. slurping oysters at the restaurant on the dock at Tidewater Yachts (Portsmouth) at the same time Mr. Cronkite was dining there. Thursday night, *The Mariners' Museum* brought another "Spectacular" to the southern Bay. World famous and much beloved **Gary Jobson** shared stories and opinions and a wonderful video collection with the almost 200 folks who crammed the room. College sailing team coaches, sailing school owners, sailmakers, savvy old timers, hot young bloods, and every stripe of racer in between was there, including the Hampton University sailing team. A night with Gary Jobson was a moment to treasure, especially when it was in your own backyard. *Kudo's* to TMM for sponsoring the event.

Key West Race Week results. *Lucky Dog*, (skipper **Travis Weisleder**, Fishing Bay, VA), one of three "purely" southern Bay boats at KWRW, finished 6th in the 14 boat J105 class. **Kent Mitchell's** (Bald Head Island, NC) *Cape Fear 38*, *My Velocity*, was 5th in the PHRF 2 fleet and *Teamwork*, J/122, skipper **Robin Team** (Beaufort, NC), was 6th in the IRC 2 fleet. *L'Outrage* (Bruce Gardner, Annapolis) finished 3rd in the PHRF 2 fleet with southern Bay tactician, **Ken Saylor** on board. **Mark Wheeler**, sailed as navigator on IRC 1 fleet *Vela Veloce* (6th place), and southern Bay expatriate **Steven Hunt** was tactician on the 3rd place *Melges 24*, WTF (Alan Field, Marina del Rey, CA) in that 21 boat fleet.

MURPHY RACING SEMINAR 2010 - Rules Around the Race Course A view especially from the racers' perspective on the race course - learn what you can do, when you can do it, and to whom! Sharpen up your tactics and strategy - master the game. And, yes, there have been a few changes, effective January 1, 2010, to the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*. **Saturday, February 20, 2010, 9am-3:30pm at Norfolk Yacht & Country Club.** MURPHY 2010 registration fees remain the same as 2009 - \$40 per person (\$35 for immediate family member of attendee). Fee includes coffee and pastries at registration, lunch, and break refreshments, and all seminar materials. MURPHY 2010 is great for skippers AND crew. To **PRE-REGISTER BY E-MAIL**, send your name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address to mcbear@earthlink.net Put MURPHY RACING-2010 on the subject line. You can also **PRE-REGISTER BY PHONE** by calling (757) 850-4225. Smarter racers race smart, and that's a good thing!

BOLO (Be On the LookOut for) the SpinSheet Crew Listing Party - South (April 3, 2010). The event is set for MARKER 20 (downtown Hampton racers' watering hole) and will afford crew and skippers the chance to hob some nobbs, link-up, and get ready to mount a campaign for 2010. Southern Bay clubs and sailing organizations will be invited to attend to answer questions and to provide information regarding their programs. This is a party with a purpose format. Say tuned to SBRNYCU for more details as Spring draws closer!

A sailing season plan suggestion. Multiple day regattas that are within striking distance are great for crews and budgets. Consider including the following in your plan for the 2010 summer (June-July-August):
 June 4-5 SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK for the BLACK SEAL CUP (Hampton, VA) www.blacksealcup.com
 July 18 - 20 SCREWPILE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE (Solomons Island, MD) www.screwpile.net or www.splc.us
 August 14-15 CAPE CHARLES CUP, www.CCCup.net
 These are jewels for your 2010 racing season crown. Noodle it over. Get ready to do some racin'!

MURPHY'S LAW: Dear Reader, Murphy has not been heard from since the start of the last Key West Race Week party. Southern Bay expatriate racer Ray Houle reported that actual sighting. *The Murphster* has been AWOL before, and we are fairly confident of *Murphy the Racing Beagle's* eventual return after a brief rehab. The Editor /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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