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

PRESIDENTS DAY Holiday - Sail if you can!! Tomorrow is the birthday of the gentleman who started it all - George Washington.

IF YOU MIGHT CHANGE BETWEEN PHRF SPINNAKER AND PHRF NON-SPINNAKER DURING THE SEASON, THIS IS IMPORTANT! This year PHRF is offering separate Spinnaker AND Non-Spinnaker ratings for boats. In order to race in a PHRF Spinnaker Fleet you must have a Spinnaker Rating and in order to race in the PHRF Non-Spinnaker Fleet you must have a Non-Spinnaker Rating. If you have one and not the other (maybe because you did not ask for both ratings), you are not legal to race in the fleet for which you do not have a rating. A word to the wise - ask for BOTH the spinnaker and non-spinnaker rating for your boat. You never know when that all important bowman cannot make it through the weekend traffic and you want to race in the non-spin fleet, as an example. At race time, if you do not have a proper rating for the PHRF fleet in which you wish to sail, you will not be allowed to sail. The Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker ratings are no longer interchangeable. Race committees will have to carefully check that each boat changing fleets has the appropriate required rating. **CHECK YOUR PHRF CERTIFICATE TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE APPROPRIATE RATING(S). IF YOU NEED TO REQUEST AN ADDITIONAL RATING, CONTACT PHRF NOW, BEFORE THE RACING BEGINS.**

INTRODUCE A YOUNG PERSON TO SAILING THIS SUMMER:

There is no telling where junior sailing will take a young person, boy and girl alike.. For instance, consider **Ed Baird**. What follows is part of an item in *Scuttlebutt, issue #3279, Tuesday, February 15, 2011.* "Ed Baird is one of the good guys, on and off the water. He has twice won the America's Cup (1995, 2007), was Laser and J/24 World Champion, three times Match Racing World Champion (1995, 2003, 2004), ISAF Rolex World Sailor of the Year (2007) and Rolex Yachtsman of the Year (1995). **And now he is an Optimist parent.** Here he provides an update with the *Clever Pig* website: * How and when did you start sailing? **ED BAIRD:** My folks started me in boats when I was very young. By the time I was 7, I was going fishing with my buddies from school in a little jon-boat with a 5 HP Johnson. We'd load the thing in the back of Mom's station wagon and head to the boat ramp. Very fun. **I started sailing when I was 9 and did my first race on Thanksgiving weekend after taking learn to sail courses in the summer. We had no coach; just a bunch of supportive parents who were happy to send us out in the bay for hours on our own. It allowed us great independence."**

SUMMER SAILING PROGRAMS for JUNIORS on the Southern Bay. Believe it or not, it is time to begin to think about getting your favorite kid(s) on the water and sailing. One of the best ways is to let them learn to enjoy sailing at a summer program. Watch 'em go and develop personal independence - just like you did on a sailboat! Here is a listing of basic info on some of the junior programs on the southern Bay:

* **Rappahannock River Yacht Club.** Located in Irvington, VA. Director of Junior Sailing, Bo Bragg. Contact info: Bo@BraggCo.com, (804) 436 7337, www.RRYC.org/juniorsailing.asp www.rrycjuniorsailing.blogspot.com

* **Norfolk Naval Sailing Center and Marina.** Located on Naval Station Norfolk. **Serves military dependents and DOD civilians** - camps for children ages 8 to 16 in our large fleet of Optimis, 420s, Lasers, Hunter 170s, and Hobie Waves. Contact info: (757)444-2918, <http://www.discovermwr.com/navalstationnorfolk/> under *Marina and Sailing Center link*

* **Seaford Yacht Club.** Located on Back Creek (Seaford, VA), SYC, 3108 A Goodwin Neck Road, Yorktown, VA 23692. Rear Commodore, Al Cummins. Contact info: Al Cummins, almarlene@verizon.net, (757)259-0739, www.seafordyachtclub.com click on *Junior Sailing*

* **Ware River Yacht Club.** Located in Ware Neck, VA. Jr. Sailing Coordinator, Ginger James. Contact info: Ginger James, msntexas@cox.net (804) 815-0804 cell, www.wareriveryachtclub.com

* **Hampton Yacht Club.** Located on the Hampton River in Hampton, Virginia. Hampton Yacht Club Junior Sailing Program, 4707 Victoria Blvd, Hampton, VA 23669. Junior Program Chairmen, Malcolm and Kathy Brady. Contact info: Malcolm and Kathy Brady, msb53142, (757) 722-071, www.hamptonyc.com click on *Junior Sailing* HYC Office - (757) 722-0711

* **Old Dominion University Athletic, i.e. SAILING, Camps Office** (757) 683-3375; Located off Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk, on the Lafayette River. Contact info: Jeanne Walker Sinclair, asst sailing coach, ODU, jnwalker@odu.edu . Sailing Camps website <http://www.odusports.com/camps/oldd-camps-sailing-main.html>

* **Fishing Bay Yacht Club.** Located on Fishing Bay (and Jackson Creek) in Deltaville, Virginia. For information please go to www.fbyc.net

* **Norfolk Yacht & Country Club.** Located on the Lafayette River in Norfolk, Virginia. For information: (757) 423-4500

World Cruising Club comes to Hampton:

There are 4 major events operating out of **our own southern Bay backyard** this year. These events are heavy on the bluewater cruising side, but do actually engage in a "bit of racing" too. This year, 2011, **World Cruising** is bringing to Hampton, Virginia, the following:

ARC Europe - May 6 - <http://www.worldcruising.com/arceurope/newsarticle.aspx?page=S634176381228211490&ArchiveID=1&CategoryID=20&ItemID=17766&src=>

Atlantic Cup - mid May - http://www.carib1500.com/events/atlantic_cup.html

Ocean Sailing Seminar - September 17-18 - <http://www.carib1500.com/seminars/index.html>

Caribbean 1500 - Oct. 31- Nov. 7 - <http://www.carib1500.com/events/caribbean1500.html>

Yep, it was southern Bay racer **Christian Schaumloffel** (*Mirage*, Hobie 33) who made an "electronic appearance" at the second International Yacht Forum held in Hamburg. Bruno Finzi (IT), chairman of the ORC (Offshore Racing Congress) affirmed in his speech last week the intention to unite the organizations behind the formulas ORC and IRC to one single association. Christian's comments were by way of explanation of the PHRF system in the US. Christian is chief PHRF handicapper for the southern Bay.

Southern Bay Race Week (SBRW) is a "Wild Card" event for CBYRA High Point Standings. There are only 4 events on the Chesapeake Bay where the races count for boats from all declared regions, including those outside the regatta venue region. Along with SBRW (Region 4) in the "wild card" category for all regions are SCREWPILE, Annapolis Race Week, and Northern Bay Race Week. So, when the racing gets cookin' in Hampton Roads at SBRW 2011, expect to see folks from the other CBYRA regions on the course. And, out-of-town racers should be aware that SBRW racers get a special rate at the Crowne Plaza on the Hampton downtown waterfront, a stones throw from regatta headquarters at Hampton Yacht Club. www.blacksealcup.com click on *Accommodations, Docking, and Directions*.

SBRW 2011 FLEET UPDATE: **Dennis Hannick**, Tripp 26, *Goin'* and **Sam Mitchener**, J109, *Double Eagle*, are in! *Double Eagle* will be racing in the SBRW A2 fleet after having done the Annapolis NOOD Regatta against his one design brethren earlier in the Spring. *Goin'* is returning after having finished second in the B1 fleet at SBRW last year. www.blacksealcup.com

SAVE THESE DATES:

March 26, Saturday - MURPHY RULES Seminar hosted by Rappahannock River Yacht Club, Irvington, VA - OPEN TO ALL. Register early - space is limited! This is an all day seminar - 0900-1530 (9am - 3:30pm), lunch is included in the seminar fee (\$20). John McCarthy presents an informative and entertaining interactive discussion of the 2009 - 2012 *Racing Rules of Sailing*. John will use his unique "Rules Made Easy" format that emphasizes concepts rather than memorizing rules. Register with event organizer Debbie Cycotte at dcycotte@yahoo.com .

March 29, Tuesday - CCV Annual Clinic and *Racing Guide* distribution. At The Mariners' Museum, Newport News, VA. (6:30pm - 8:30pm) - OPEN TO ALL. Pre- registration is not required. There is usually a brief Rules Clinic and the 2011 *Racing Guide*, put together by CCV each year, will be distributed. To obtain a *Racing Guide*, you must be a member of CCV (\$30 club membership fee); the *Racing Guide* is included in the membership. If you have not already joined CCV, you will be able to join, and, therefore, obtain your *Racing Guide* at the gathering. Admission to the clinic is free. For additional info, please contact CCV Commodore Bob Thomas at (757) 898-9407.

Forty folks registered for the **US SAILING Race Management Seminar** this past Saturday, hosted by Hampton

Yacht Club. They spent a long day (7:45am - 6:00pm) brushing up on and learning race management techniques and procedures. The seminar lead instructor was John McCarthy; he was assisted by Rick Klein. Nice to see so many folks interested in helping our sport.

MURPHY'S LAW: Tomorrow is George Washington's birthday. *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, draws your attention to the famous painting of General George crossing the Delaware, standing up in an open boat. Look closely behind him and you'll see, mostly obscured by the General's cape, cousin Private First Class, Audee Murphy, the Fighting Beagle. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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