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

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND PRELIMINARY SCRATCH SHEET ARE POSTED AT www.blacksealcup.com The official (final) fleet splits will be announced at the SBRW Skippers Meeting, June 2 (Thursday), 1900 (7pm) at regatta headquarters, Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton, Virginia. **Enter SBRW by May 25 (Wednesday) to avoid the \$50 late fee.** **SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK entries have already hit 80 with over three weeks to go 'til "Y'all come racing!"**

CAPE HENRY CUP - THIS coming Saturday, May 14, 2011. Sponsored and administered by Broad Bay Sailing Association. This is a perfect daytime distance race in the southern Bay. Be sure to read the NOR and the Sailing Instructions - go to www.broadbaysailing.org or contact Scott Almond at (757) 471-2663. The possible courses are described in the NOR. You must have your entry to Scott by Friday - May 13th; enter earlier if you know you are going - it helps the race organizers plan. This is a southern Bay favorite - lots of living legends around who have tall tales to tell about the Cape Henry Cup race - become one!

FBYC Spring Series Racing: Mother's Day took precedence over most formal racing yesterday, but FBYC was able to get in two more of the FBYC Spring Series races on Saturday. There was some delay during the proceedings because of light-ish air, but 21 boats raced and enjoyed it. **RESULTS for the day:** PHRF A (7 boats) 1. **Rob Whittet**, *Wavelength*; 2. **Sam Mitchener**, *Double Eagle*; 3. **Alex Alvis**, *Chilcoat*. PHRF B (6 boats) 1. **Jerry Latell**, *Chupacabra*; 2. **Dave Hinckle**, *Elancer*; 3. **Mike Dale**, *Juggernaut*. PHRF C (8 boats) 1. **Noel Clinard**, *Prophet*; 2. **Walter Bundy**, *Blue Moon*; 3. **Brad Miller**, *Schiehallion*. Race Chairman - Len Guenther

RACERS AND THE RULES QUIZ: **When do the actual racing rules begin to apply before a race?** (Answer follows in this issue of *SBRNYCU*.)

DOWN THE BAY RACE - CHECK-IN at Annapolis Yacht Club 1500 - 1800 on Thursday, May 26. The check-in location has indeed bounced back and forth, AYC to EYC to AYC, as plans have changed during the pre-season and things happened. However, the NOR on the website does correctly indicate AYC as the location for check-in (1500-1800) and the pre-race party (1800-2000). This has been confirmed by event co-chair Graham Garrenton (757) 478-2994. The post race party and awards presentation is at Hampton Yacht Club, Saturday, May 28, 1930 (7:30 pm)

One last bite at the Annapolis NOOD regatta. The **overall winner** of the regatta was the winner of the J80 fleet. Thomas Klok's *Guldfaxe* won a three-way tie for first in his fleet overall. The story is his crew - all from the southern Bay and Fishing Bay Yacht Club members. His three crew are all FBYC sailors: **Will and Marie Crump and Scott Collins**.

5th COAST GUARD DISTRICT is asking your opinion. If you use a chart, let the IHO know your thoughts. The International Hydrographical Organization (IHO) is soliciting participation from chart users to ascertain mariner preferences for uncertainty (quality) indicators on nautical charts. Mariners are encouraged to [take this survey](#) to assist the IHO in improving charting products. **The on-line version of the questionnaire may be accessed at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/IHODQWG>**

Some MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND OFFERINGS: *Don't let a 3-day weekend go by without racing somewhere!*

***DOWN THE BAY RACE starts for the 62nd time in Annapolis (Friday, May 27) and finishes in Hampton (Saturday, May 28).** Go to www.hamptonyc.com and click on the event logo. Hampton YC and Storm Trysail Chesapeake team up for this event.

***RACE TO URBANNA on Saturday, May 28,** (Fishing Bay YC) and the **RIVER RACES on Sunday, May 29** (Rappahannock River YC). Go to www.fbyc.net

***MERRIMAC MEMORIAL REGATTA for small boats on Saturday, May 28,** hosted by Portsmouth Boat Club. Go to <http://www.portsmouthboatclub.org> to enter and for info.

Answer to RR Quiz Question: The rules regarding Right-of-Way (*When Boats Meet*) begin to apply when boats are sailing in or near the racing area with the intent of racing. (more related to this topic in the next issue of *SBRNYCU*)

SBRW 2011 Fleet Update: **Doug and Liz Savage** (Alexandria) will be bringing their "new to them" baby, *Dark Star* (Pearson 37), to race in the PHRF A2 fleet. *Dark Star* will look very-very familiar to a lot of racers - picture her as *Battlewagon*. Since the last *SBRNYCU* update on the Southern Bay Race Week fleet that is a' building, **15** more skippers have entered their boats: Along with *Dark Star* are **Maury Niebur** (West River, MD), *Bump in the Night*; **Bob Thomas** (Yorktown), *Surprise*; **Clarke McKinney** (Solomons, MD), *The Riddler*; **Dave McConaughy** (Newport News), *USA-90*; **Mark Wolfe** (Yorktown), *Orange Blossom Special*; **Noel Clinard** (Richmond), *Prophet*; **Jack Hall, Ben Ritger, and John Ritger** (Newport News), *Blew J*; **Jake and Pat Brodersen** (Hayes), *Midnight Mistress*; **Pete Wallio** (Hampton), *Not So Blue*; **Tim Lindsay** (Norfolk), *Natty Bloh*; **David and Jacki Meiser**, *Easy Button*; **Barry Moss - Bad Company Syndicate**, *Bad Company*; **Joe DeMarco**, *Tenacious*; and, **Barbara Saunders**, *Stargazer*. **Enter SBRW by May 25 (Wednesday) to avoid the \$50 late fee.** All one-design fleets must be made (5 or more entries) by May 25. For additional information on the current SBRW fleet or for entry forms and fees, go to www.blacksealcup.com or contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225.

MURPHY'S LAW: Yesterday was Mother's Day and *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, invited the Murphy clan matriarch, Rosey O. Murphy, sailing. Of course, the grand lady arrived on board with her famous Squirrel Souffle and an ample sufficient supply of Guinness. Needless to say, she has secured a position on the crew as often and whenever she chooses to come racing! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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