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

It's Leap Year! And, this **Wednesday, February 29th**, is **Leap Day**. In days of old this was the day that a woman might ask a man to marry. There was (and still is) even a special drink. The Leap Year Cocktail was created on February 29, 1928, at the Savoy Hotel. It is 2 ounces of gin, ½ ounce of Grand Marnier, ½ ounce of sweet vermouth, and ¼ ounce of fresh lemon juice. The drink was often accompanied by a marriage proposal from a woman to a man. There are no studies that indicate whether the drink was partaken before, during, or after the proposal!

RACERS AND THE RULES QUIZ: "*The Tub*" is coming to the finish line in light air and with a strong current moving across the course. Just before finishing, "*The Tub*" is swept by the current on to the committee boat anchor line. "*The Tub*" crew grabs the anchor line and is able to hold "*The Tub*" off the committee boat, and after about 15 seconds, a puff of air fills in and *The Tub* is able to move forward and to finish. "*It's Them*", having already finished, sees the whole incident and protests "*The Tub*" for touching a mark. What do you think? (Answer follows in this issue of SBRNYCU - this scenario comes from [Dave Perry's 100 Best Racing Rules Quizzes.](#))

Southern Bay and beyond. BOATS FOR SALE - One Time Only Spring List: It may be a race boat with a set of 2011 sails and a new bottom, she may be a project boat in need of TLC, or she may be ready to sail away right away. She may be a championship racer, or maybe the owner is just "thinning" his fleet. Whatever the case, each of these boats seeks a new home this Spring. Call the phone number for details. Go ahead - get a boat while you can!

Peter Longhini. 1978 **J/24**. Asking \$7,900 Phone (757) 651-1201.

Clarke McKinney. 1985 **Olson 29**. *The Riddler* . Asking \$21,000. Phone (410) 326-2600.

Jean & Howard Kluttz. 1980 **Rodgers 32 "Nogutsnoglory"**. Make offer. Phone (703) 402-8788.

Amber Vellenga. 30.5 1969 **Dufour Arpege** *Vigueur...* . Asking \$15,000. Phone (804) 852-6765.

Dixon Hemphill. 1977 **Cape Dory 28**. Asking \$14,500. Phone (703) 250 9277

Blaine Liner. 1987 **Bayfield 29 Cutter**. Asking \$26,000. Phone (804) 436-3657.

Greg Duncan. 1993 homebuild **Windward 15** (sitting on an old trailer). Asking \$500 (includes trailer). Phone (252) 207-9421.

Gary Prizzia. 2006 **Beneteau 423** Tall Mast, Classic Main. Asking \$199,000. Phone (804) 937-5241.

Rob Whittimore. **Mobjack #495**. Make offer. Phone (804) 387-7607.

Rodney Paice. 1979 **Pearson 26 OD** w/ 9.9 4 stroke Yamaha, *Wiki Wiki*. Asking \$4,300. Phone (757) 971-0202.

Ed Cassidy. **Hampton One Design #724** w/Trailex trailer, *Patriot*. Asking \$7,800. Phone (202) 225-9510.

Bob Old, 1998 **Triad trailer built for J-30**, rated 9900# GTW, Asking \$4250.00 Phone (757)488-8083 (h), 582-0125 (c).

Arabella Denvir/Premier Sailing, **1977 J24**. Asking \$2,200. Phone (804) 438-9300 or mobile (804) 815-0150.

Arabella Denvir/Premier Sailing, **1978 J24**. Asking \$1,100. Phone (804) 438-9300 or mobile (804) 815-0150.

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE drawing near for the **USSAILING (Basic) One-Day Race Management Seminar** hosted by US SAILING and RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER YACHT CLUB (Irvington) on March 10, 2012 - OPEN TO ALL; great information for folks who want to join the race committee team. Also, meets seminar requirement for Club Race Officer certification or renewal and will offer test (optional to participants) that is required for CRO certification. Materials and refreshments throughout the day and lunch are included. John McCarthy is primary instructor. Please **PRE-REGISTER** asap - info packets are sent to all registrants prior to March 10. Click on

this site http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Race_Officers/CertificationTraining/Race_Officer_Seminars/Seminar_Calendar.htm scroll to the March 10, 2012, One Day Race Mgt Seminar at Rappahannock River YC and click on register. Also, you may go to www.rryc.org or contact Debbie Cycotte (RRYC) at (804) 761-3048 OR Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225.

RACING RULES OF SAILING on last year for this edition. The current *Racing Rules Of Sailing (2009-2012)* is in its last year. A new edition will cover 2013 through 2016. So, if you need one for this (2012) season, better click on US Sailing's website store or head on over to your local West Marine. Caution, stores are not likely to re-stock a soon to be expired book. A very reliable source has reported that there are only 11 copies on the West Marine shelves in Deltaville.

The MARINERS' MUSEUM has a plethora of activities planned to recognize the Civil War Battle of Hampton Roads.

Activities crank up on March 9th and run through the weekend until March 11th. Go ahead and click on www.BattleofHamptonRoads.com for information on the Civil War Navy Conference and other Battle of Hampton Roads Weekend details and registration.

Southern Bay racer Mike Mastracci (Yorktown, VA) is the **Skipper of Sea Scout Ship 1781**. Mike and his BSA Sea Scouts crew are working their To Do List and getting their fleet ready for Spring. Mike raced in the Yorktown area and beyond over a number of years and he and his crew, like many, many other Sea Scout groups, are getting ready for a season on the water. Help and donations are usually welcomed.

Answer to RR Quiz Question: *"The Tub"* would not be penalized under Rule 31, Touching a Mark. (Touching the anchor line of a mark is not a rules violation, since the mark's anchor line is not part of the mark.). HOWEVER, *"The Tub"* broke two other rules, Propulsion (Rule 42.1) and Hauling Out; Making Fast; Anchoring (Rule 45). Rule 42.1, Propulsion, prohibits using anything but wind and water ". . .to increase, maintain, or decrease. . ." speed. And, Rule 45, prohibits "a boat from being made fast by means other than anchoring or standing on the bottom" once she is racing. Even though *"It's Them"* cited the wrong rule (hitting a mark) in their protest, a boat that is found to have broken a rule must be penalized irrespective of whether the rule that led to the penalization was cited in the protest. *"The Tub"* messed up. *This scenario comes from Dave Perry's 100 Best Racing Rules Quizzes.*

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, remembers quite fondly sharing chases, milk bones, and snuggles with distant cousin Daisy Mae Murphy on Sadie Hawkins Day, which seems related to Leap Year with the "ladies chasing gentlemen" theme. However, Sadie Hawkins Day is an annual event, usually in November. It doesn't matter if you can't keep all this straight - just take the milk bone and say "Thank you!" Ahhhh-oooooooooh! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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