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

GREMLIN wins Amarylyn Award for DANA DILLON NEW YEAR'S MADNESS RACE. Greg Cutter's Elliott 770, *Gremlin*, was first to finish in the annual DDNYMR. Sixteen (16) boats full of New Year's Day revelers took to the course which started in Hampton Creek and finished in Mill Creek after a circumnavigation of Hampton Bar in the main harbor. The race was a 3-stage event: Stage 1 – the HYC pre-race breakfast buffet; Stage 2 - the race; and, Stage 3 - the OPCYC post-race party which included New Year black eyed peas for good luck. The last half of the race was a nice spinnaker run. *Gremlin* held off *Feather* for the overall win (by 37 seconds) of the pursuit race. **RESULTS (overall / class):** PHRF A, 4 boats – 1. **Phil Briggs**, *Feather* (2/1); 2. **John Blais**, *Stardancer* (2/3). PHRF B, 4 boats - 1. **Greg Cutter**, *Gremlin* (1/1); 2. **Ron Thompson**, J/70 (4/2). PHRF C, 2 boats – 1. **Steve Ritz**, *Excelsior* (8/1). PHRF-Non Spin, only boat in class – **John Wandling**, *Eclipse* (13/1). **CRUISING, 5 boats** – 1. **Jim Forrester**, *Anjalei* (10/1); 2. **Jim Beaudry**, *Black Dog* (11/2). Event Chairmen: Jeff Rogers, Bob Williamson NOTE: This race is named for founder Dana Dillon and *Amarylyn* was the name of Dana's Catalina. 30. Hence, the name of the award given the overall winner.

SMOKE wins Seaford Yacht Club New Year's Day Race. Dan Smoker, in his *Nightwind 35*, *Smoke*, led **Chuck Eldred** in *Gail Force* (Hobie 33), **Geoff Rogers** in *Sea Bear* (Pearson P40), **Mike Webb** in *Incision*, (Freedom 25) and **Bill Willshire** in *Willet* (Catalina 34) across the finish line in respective order. The Seaford race was almost 12 miles long, 11.7 officially, and all five boats, having started at 1100, were home safe and sound long before 1600. And, so racing on the York River begins for 2013!

KINGFISHER, is Miss December of the new "The Chamberlin 2013 Calendar". Dixon and Mary Wilde's beautiful C&C 99 is front and *almost* center, sharing the spotlight with the Chamberlin, on the last page of the year. There are other southern Bay boats in scenes included in the publication. Call 757-637-7200 at The Chamberlin for info on the calendar.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Now, let's get ready to go racing!

The new *Racing Rules of Sailing (for 2013-2016)* rule book is in effect. "**A MORNING WITH MURPHY**" rules clinics have been scheduled in two southern Bay locations and one beyond. These are **half-day, Saturday morning (0900-1230)** rules clinics aimed at the changes and their significance to YOU on the race course. Each is presented by John McCarthy in his "rules made easy" informative and entertaining style. Seating is limited at each location, so sign up early:

**** February 23rd, 0900-1230, MURPHY RULES hosted by Broad Bay Sailing Association at the ODU Sailing Center (Norfolk) – proceeds go to the support of the Cape Charles Cup. For information and/or to

register contact Scott Almond at (757) 471-2663. Cost is \$19 per person, includes refreshments during breaks. There is a discount for on-line registration at <http://www.broadbaysailing.org>

****** March 23rd, 0900-1230, MURPHY RULES hosted by Hampton Yacht Club (Victoria Blvd, Hampton) – proceeds go to the support of Southern Bay Race Week 2013.** For information and/or to register contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or email mcbear@earthlink.net. Cost is \$19 per person, includes refreshments during breaks.

****** March 16th, 0900-1230, MURPHY RULES hosted by Neuse River Yacht Racing Association (NRYRA), New Bern, NC – specific location TBA** (stay tuned to *SBRNYCU* for updates.)

There are also day-long and weekend seminars available on safety at sea, race management, and tactics and rules:

.... **February 2nd, 0900-1630, NORTH U offers a rules and tactics seminar, presented by Dave Dellenbaugh in downtown Richmond – hosted by Fishing Bay YC.** Cost \$95 / \$135 (non-USSA members). Lunch is not included. For additional details and to register goggle [North U Sailing Seminars](#).

.... **February 16th, 0800-1800, US SAILING One-Day Race Management Seminar – hosted by Hampton Yacht Club (Victoria Blvd, Hampton).** Cost: \$50 / \$95 (non-USSA members). Continental breakfast, lunch, break refreshments, and seminar materials all included. This seminar is designed for those who have some race committee experience as well as for newcomers to race committee work. Principal Instructor is John McCarthy, US Sailing Race Management Instructor, a Regional Race Officer, and a US Sailing Senior Judge. The Assistant Instructor is Scott Almond, a local certified Club Race Officer. The Club Race Officer certification test, which will be given at the conclusion of the seminar, is optional. Anyone, whether seeking official certification or not, is welcome to come and improve race committee skills. For additional information and/or to register contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or mcbear@earthlink.net or click on www.hamtonyc.com and follow the prompts for the seminar.

.... **February 23rd-24th, Safety at Sea Seminars at The Mariners' Museum presented with Landfall Navigation & Storm Trysail Foundation.** ADULT PROGRAM on Saturday, February 23rd, 0830-1600, \$75. JUNIORS PROGRAM (age 12 and older) on Sunday, February 24th, 1130-1700. \$35. There are special discounts for TMM members and their children. The registration fees cover lectures, demonstrations, course materials, and a boxed lunch. The ADULT program will provide valuable information and skills to novice as well as experienced mariners for handling heavy weather, knowing the proper equipment and more for offshore as well as in the Chesapeake Bay. The JUNIORS program will cover big boat navigation, storm preparation, man-over-board, dinghy safety, knowing your equipment, life raft demonstrations, and more. For program details and registration info, go to www.marinersmuseum.org/safety-at-sea or call (757) 591-7749. Seating is limited, so early registration is advised.

US SAILING The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013 – 2016. New rules books are now available. Members of US Sailing receive a complimentary copy from US Sailing. You must have an up-to-date membership. The rules book can be purchased at the US Sailing website – click on the “store”. The non-

member price is \$29.95 Check at your favorite West Marine store, too. This book is THE book for the coming 4 years of racing. There are changes to the rules and you will want to know them. And, remember to take your rule book to seminars and clinics when you go. To check on your US Sailing membership, call 1-800-877-2451.

List your BOAT FOR SALE: The *Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use* FOR SALE list will be published on February 4th, issue 626. This is an annual FREE listing for southern Bay and beyond racers and readers. The goal is to keep boats on the water! To list your boat (and/or boat hardware) send your info to mcbear@earthlink.net. Your info should include: Boat name; Boat make, model, and year; Asking price; Where the boat is currently located; A very few words about the boat (e.g., PHRF rating, great in heavy air, etc.); Your name and phone number – be sure to include area code. If you have questions about the listing, call Lin at (757) 850-4225.

To obtain the **Southern Bay (CBYRA Region 4) 2013 Racing Schedule**, email mcbear@earthlink.net or hit "reply" to this issue of SBRNYCU and ask for your schedule. Your schedule will come as an attachment by return email.

Seaford Yacht Club SEADOG SPEAKERS SERIES opens: Saturday, January 12th, 0930, Seaford Yacht Club, FREE, **Dr. John Boon**, VIMS, will talk about "Sea Level Rise". On January 27th, 0930, Greg Reese, Coast Guard Auxiliary, will present "Suddenly in Command", useful tips on unexpected happenings while sailing. Coffee and donuts. Everyone is welcome. Go to www.seafordyachtclub.com for details.

MURPHY'S LAW: This past Thursday, at The Mariners' Museum FIRST THURSDAY, the evening was dedicated to this quandary: "**What do you do with a drunken sailor?**" *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, opines that, once you acknowledge the term *drunken sailor* is most often to a degree redundant, *whatever* you do with a drunken sailor is likely to result in hot or cold rum in you and/or you in water, hot or otherwise! Ahhhhh-ooooooo! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

NOTE: The Mariners' Museum next "First Thursday" (the first Thursday in February), on Feb 7th, will address "Sailor's Valentines." The Mariners' Museum (Newport News, VA) has started a FIRST THURSDAYS [of the month] program where they offer casual socializing, live entertainment, a 50/50 raffle and open a select gallery or exhibit during the event. Food and beverages are available for purchase. This program has the promise of a great way put your First Thursday's of the month to good use and to ease into the coming weekend. Google The Mariners' Museum website for details.

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