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Famous Southern Bay Racers are everywhere. Lots of area racers remember years ago **Steve Hunt**, and his kidhood pals ooching, shoe-horning, and sweet talking a J24 into an overfilled berth at downtown Portsmouth for a Cock Island Race. Steve is now a highly respected high school sailing team coach teaching today's sailing kids. He resides in San Diego where he has coached famous Point Loma High School to numerous championship titles. And, he is a regular *Sailing World* contributor. Watch for Steve in reports of the Melges 32 circuit where he races on Joel Ronning's *Catapult*.

2013 SOUTHERN BAY RACING SCHEDULES. Available electronically by emailing mcbear@earthlink.net and requesting the 2013 racing schedule (sending **"reply"** to this issue of *SBRNYCU* works, too). Or, call 757-850-4225.

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK Early Entry List growing: **Larry Bryant**, who is down in Florida enjoying the warm breezes, has entered his Hunter 40, *Whisper*, in the SBRW Cruising class. And, **Craig Wright**, who sails the Chesapeake during the race season, but lives in Raleigh otherwise, will bring his J109, *Afterthought*, to the A fleet line. *Afterthought* is a previous winner of the Black Seal Cup. **Don DeLoatch** and crew are bringing one of the prettiest and most nimble under-30 boats to SBRW; *Stingray*, a Soverel 27, will race in PHRF B. And, another notable PHRF B entry, **Dave Taylor's** red hull, CCV High Point fleet champion, Andrews 28, *Wham Bam*, is entered and ready to go.

Forty-Six (46) southern Bay racers smartened up on **the new changes to the racing rules** this past Saturday. **Broad Bay Sailing Association** sponsored the MURPHY RULES event (proceeds will go to the BBSA Cape Charles Cup Regatta) at the Old Dominion University Sailing Center. Those in attendance filled their heads with good info and their ballast spaces with donuts, muffins, and coffee. There will be two more MURPHY RULES sessions – the new rules changes and more. One in New Bern and one in Hampton. Best to register now as spaces are going quickly. (see registration info below)

**** **March 16th, 0900-1230, MURPHY RULES hosted by Neuse River Yacht Racing Association (NRYRA), New Bern, NC, at the Blackbeard Sailing Club.** Check the Neuse River YRA website to registration info.

**** **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. OPEN TO ALL

**** **NUTS & BOLTS RACE COMMITTEE SEMINAR** – **March 30, 2013, 0900-1230, Hampton Yacht Club**. OPEN TO ALL Cost - \$19 This half-day seminar will cover rules changes (2013-2016) of particular importance to race committees. Appropriate for RC Chairmen as well as all RC team volunteers (newbies too). The emphasis is on the "how to" of RC duties. To sign up, email mcbear@earthlink.net and ask for Nuts & Bolts info, or call Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225.

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, is making regular boatyard visits, checking the boat, trying to find problems before they occur. And, when they occur, timing is everything. Consider this account by Philip Holland (*Yachtsman Magazine*), "We won the race by 23 seconds, and 2 seconds after we crossed the line the mast snapped. Which solved the problem of stopping, anyway." /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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