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## **Southern Bay Racing News You Can Use #674**

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

**IMPORTANT LAST REMINDER** – If you plan to attend the **CLUB RACE OFFICER SEMINAR, February 16<sup>th</sup> at Hampton Yacht Club, you must complete your registration no later than THIS COMING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9<sup>th</sup>.** All registration must be done electronically through US Sailing ON-LINE site. Click here [http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Race\\_Officers/CertificationTraining/Race\\_Officer\\_Seminars/Seminar\\_Calendar.htm](http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Race_Officers/CertificationTraining/Race_Officer_Seminars/Seminar_Calendar.htm), scroll to the seminar (listed by date, Feb 16, 2014, at Hampton Yacht Club), click on “Enroll Now” and follow the prompts. This is for US Sailing Club Race Officer certification, re-certification, brushing up on race committee skills, and/or developing race committee knowledge and is open to all interested in race committee-ing. You MUST be a member of US SAILING to attend the seminar. And, all registrations must be made at the US SAILING on-line site. If you are not yet a member of US SAILING, you will be able to join on-line prior to registering for the seminar. Once registration closes (Feb 9<sup>th</sup>), that's all she wrote. US Sailing provides all workshop materials and must assemble and ship them Feb 10<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$60 and includes seminar materials, morning coffee and pastries, lunch, and break refreshments throughout the day. For additional information or assistance in registering, please contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225.

**Newcomer to the Southern Bay Sailmaking Community.** **Clarke Smal** has joined Dave Baxter at Baxter Sailmakers, Ltd in Ocean View (Norfolk) as a sailmaker apprentice. Clarke has a varied sailing career that includes world-wide bluewater sailing as well as racing. He was selected to his country's Olympic team and after that to Team Schosalzoza for the South African bid in the America's Cup. While in the British Army he was on their offshore sailing team. Welcome!

**SBRW 2014 Update:** The first Southern Bay Race Week 2014 **J70** entry is complete – **Lud Kimbrough's Nostalgia**. Recently joining Lud and other the Early Bird Entries are **Bob Archer, Bad Habit** (PHRF B) and **Bob Hausmann, Bobinski** (PHRF NS). Click on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) then select the SBRW 2014 listing for regatta details and **to enter and/or pay your entry fee**. Also, the preliminary NOR is posted for racers' convenience. If you prefer to use a PAPER ENTRY FORM for SBRW 2014, select “Additional Event Documents”, print the form, fill it in, and mail it to the address shown. If you have any difficulties entering or questions, please contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or email [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) At SBRW our racers are the top priority. Y'ALL COME RACING!

**Safety at Sea at The Mariners' Museum February 22, 2014.** Presented by The Mariners' Museum and Landfall Navigation this is a day-long seminar, designed and conducted by sailors and experts in their fields, provides novice and experienced mariners with information and skills required to prepare for sailing the Chesapeake Bay or offshore, handling heavy weather, conducting rescue procedures and much more. Registrants will earn an official **Near Coastal Safety at Sea Certification** from U.S. Sailing. Topics include “Formula for Disaster - Lessons Learned,” man overboard and rescue procedures, medical care and prevention, damage control, pumps and steering gear emergencies, Chesapeake Bay weather and life raft inflation and abandon ship procedures. The program will be led by Captain Henry Marx and includes a panel of experts: Capt. Mark Bologna, Will Keene, Bill Sammler and Pete Seidler, retired USCG captain. A registration fee of \$110 covers a boxed lunch. Seating is limited. To reserve space, visit [www.MarinersMuseum.org/Safety-At-Sea](http://www.MarinersMuseum.org/Safety-At-Sea). For more information, and for marine dealers interested in having a presence at the event, **contact Bryan Hill at (757) 591-7749 or [bhill@MarinersMuseum.org](mailto:bhill@MarinersMuseum.org).**

**MURPHY'S LAW:** *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, notes that Mr. Groundhog saw his shadow yesterday and beat a hasty retreat to his burrow. So, he brings on 6 more weeks of winter (at least). The official first day of Spring is March 20<sup>th</sup>, 4 days beyond 6 weeks from today. Like any good Groundhog, by leaving out specifics, he has left himself some wiggle room. Hang in there, SPRING COMETH! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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