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There are 27 Viper 640s entered in the Sarasota Viper Winter Series, and four are from the southern Chesapeake. Racing this past weekend (January 9-10), left Henry Amthor in 3rd place in the standings, with Mark Wheeler close behind in 6th, Steve Taylor in 16th and Martin Casey (newest of the local Viper-ers) in 20th. All four sail out of Hampton Yacht Club. The Sarasota Winter Series picks up again February 6-7. There are worse places to be than Sarasota in February!

BOATS FOR SALE LISTING. Each year *SBRNYCU* lists (in an early March issue) "Boats for Sale" for southern Bay racers. **There is no charge for the listing.** If you have a boat or sailing equipment (especially racing equipment) you wish to sell (or give away), here's how to do it. Send an email to mcbear@earthlink.net *subj: Boat Listing*. Include: type of boat, model and year, name of boat, location of boat, a few words about the boat (keep it to a line or so), the asking price, and the name and PHONE number of the person to contact. Send your listing info as soon as you like, but **NO LATER THAN March 3**. The List will be published in the March 7th issue. *SBRNYCU* reserves the right to edit the info. If you have questions, contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225.

******2016 MURPHY RULES: What you Really Need to Know - "Cutting Through the Fog".** This MURPHY RULES is filling fast – best to register now. It's gonna be a great day. The seminar is all set for **Saturday (9am – 3:30pm), February 6, 2016, hosted by Norfolk Yacht and Country Club.** John McCarthy will present "Cutting Through the Fog" in his entertaining and interactive "Rules Made Easy" style. This seminar is for skippers AND crew. Cost: \$39 per person (\$69 for couples), includes refreshments (at check-in and breaks), lunch, and a helpful notebook. **TO REGISTER:** email mcbear@earthlink.net and ask for the *Murphy Rules 2016 registration form* (it will come to you by return email) or call Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225.

Quantum Key West Race Week, January 17-22, is set. Of the 140 boats entered, 54 are J-70s. Representing the southern Bay in the KWRW J70 fleet (and the regatta as a whole) is *Pied Piper* (FBYC) sailed by **Dan and Gannon Troutman**.

Racing events on the southern Bay require a Marine Event Application. The Coast Guard has put out the word that the process for **Marine Event Applications** will change January 29th through April 30th. The **HOMEPORT** website will be down for revision/updates. So, as an alternative, race officials will be able to complete an application at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/cg544/homeport%202-0.asp> and then submit it to your local Coast Guard office via email, fax, postal service, or hand delivery. Any questions? Call the Coast Guard at (757) 668-5580 or email HamptonRoadsWaterway@uscg.mil

Two very special regattas coming up on the Southern Bay – 1 in June, 1 in July:

**** **SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK, June 3-5 (opening night, Thursday, June 2) – SBRW is the weekend AFTER memorial Day weekend. Regatta Headquarters is Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton, VA.** On-line entry (and paper entry form), Notice of Race, entry list, scratch sheets, accommodations and docking info, and more are available at www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1547 **SBRW 2016 – Y'ALL COME SAILING!**

**** **The LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA, July 8-10, hosted at Fishing Bay Yacht Club, in Deltaville, VA.** The event is open for entries. You may submit yours on-line at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1573> . It is not too early to think about supporting and enjoying this grand event. Details are available at <http://www.leukemiacup.org/va/>

******US SAILING ONE DAY RACE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR, scheduled for Saturday, February 20, 2016, at Hampton Yacht Club, Victoria Boulevard, Hampton, Virginia, is now open for on-line registration.** This is a great course for those interested in learning about race management as well as the US SAILING race officer certification program. The seminar meets requirements for Club Race Officer certification or renewal. Lead instructor is John McCarthy, USSA National Judge and certified Regional Race Officer. The seminar is posted on the USSA calendar (<http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/become-a-race-official/race-officer-seminar-calendar/>) and registration is now open. Click and then scroll down until you come to the February 20, 2016, seminar at HYC, and follow the prompts. On-line registration is encouraged. IF you have questions or need assistance with the on-line registration, contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225. On-line registration will close on February 14th.

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, just does not get it when people say they do not know what they would do if they won the gazillion dollar powerball lottery. Here's the Murphster's plan. Open the December issue of *SAIL Magazine* and pick one of the 13 "2016 Best Boats" they cover. Then, get crazy trying to find the estimated cost. Of course, no one wants to talk money right off the bat. . . and if you win the powerball lottery. . .you won't have to! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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