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They are racing at Quantum KEY WEST RACE WEEK today! The regatta runs through Friday, June 22nd. You can follow the only southern Bay boat there on the web at www.YachtScoring.com . **Dan and Gannon Troutman** (FBYC, Gloucester, VA) are racing their J70 in the 54 boat class.

Annapolis Yacht Club has temporary digs. NSHOF recently announced the following: "After the Annapolis Yacht Club (AYC) clubhouse suffered damage from a fire just before the holidays, the Board of Directors of the National Sailing Hall of Fame offered AYC the use of some of the NSHOF office space to help the club in its effort to rebuild after the fire. The national Sailing Hall of Fame is located in downtown Annapolis, about half a mile from the club. AYC will also be occupying a restaurant space that is adjacent to the NSHOF facilities."

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Remember, as of **July 1st, 2016, everyone (no matter the age)** must complete the **Virginia Boater Safety Course** to obtain a VA Boater's License. You can take the course and the test on line. Click here for all the info. <https://www.boat-ed.com> Or, sign up at one of the local clubs or associations that is offering the course on site.

The **HARBORFEST CHALLENGE** returns in 2016 as part of the grand 40th celebration of Norfolk's **Harborfest**. As part of Festevents effort to make the festival anniversary a celebration that recognizes and thanks the sailing community, the HARBORFEST CHALLENGE will recognize years past when the race opened the festival, racers were included on the Friday Parade of Sail, and then tied up at the downtown Harborfest docks for the entire festival. This year, the race will be on **Thursday (as in the past), June 9, and** raceboats can join an abundance of watercraft, including the festival tall ships, in the **Parade of Sail on Friday**. Docking at the downtown festival site will be available for raceboats and race awards will be presented on the **Main Harborfest Stage**. All the details about the race (the finish line will be off the **Waterside seawall**), the **Wednesday Skippers Meeting** (hosted by Norfolk Yacht and Country Club), and the **post-race party** are all explained in detail in the **official Race Announcement** – click on www.festevents.org/norfolkharborfestchallengeregatta. (Entry Form is also available at this site.) Event Chairman is Preston Carraway, John McCarthy is Principal Race Officer of Harborfest Challenge and Scott Almond will run the finish line as well as serve as official event scorer.

The skipper and some of the Voodoo 2 crew will be heading for St. Petersburg, Florida, in February. They will be sailing in the St Pete NOODS on **Grant Dumas' Warrior**, sistership to *Voodoo 2*, a Tripp 38. Going down are **Leroi Lissenden (Voodoo 2 skipper), Scott Birch, Bob Krush, Stephanie Sweeney** and **Chauncy Wu**. A *Voodoo 2* contingent was on *Warrior* in 2013 when she won first in class and in 2015 when she won first overall. This year the St Pete NOODS will be February 12-14. NOTE: February 14th is Valentine's Day, making this trip a "sweetheart of a deal" for our southern Bay warriors!

CONTACTS & LINKS:

*****2016 MURPHY RULES: What you Really Need to Know - "Cutting Through the Fog".**

Saturday (9am – 3:30pm), February 6, 2016, hosted by Norfolk Yacht and Country Club.

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. This MURPHY RULES is filling fast – best to register now as seating is limited.

****** 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.leukemicup.org/va/>

******2016 SOUTHERN BAY BIG BOAT SCHEDULE: Ask your club's racing program official for a copy OR email mcbear@earthlink.net for an electronic copy, Subj: please send my 2016 schedule. The schedule will come to you by reply email.**

******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 course is great 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: It's cold. How cold? As cold as *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle's* Irish uncle's nose after a "drop by the pub" and the therefore required long, cold evening spent recovering in the alley. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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