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

**Gannon Troutman and *Pied Piper* crew** finished 12<sup>th</sup> out of 38 racing in the J70 one design class at **2017 Quantum Key West Race Week**. The Pipers best finish was a 3<sup>rd</sup> in the last race of the 12 race series along with two other finishes (8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>) in the Top 10 of the class. **Ian Hill and the *Sitella* crew**, racing in the 9 boat ORC Fleet, finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall, 2 points out of a tie for 3<sup>rd</sup>. *Sitella* had 2 second place and 3 third place finishes in the 10 races of the series. *Kudos* to both southern Bay teams for representing the southern Bay at the 90 boat KWRW event.

From **Southern Bay expatriate Steven Hunt** came word on the first day of Key West Race Week that there was a problem in the waters where the race boats were docked. BULL SHARKS had taken up residence to search for food. Remember that, they were searching for *food*. So, the most asked question of the day was, "Who's diving your boat?" And Steve pointed out that it certainly was not a good time to be the youngest crewbie on the boat! Just another one of those things racers have to deal with, a little like crab pots in the spring on the Chesapeake.... only, the crabs are not as big or as bite-y as sharks.

This past Saturday a group composed of racers (current and "retired"), experienced race managers, and novices spent 10 hours at the **US Sailing One Day Race Management Seminar**, hosted by Fishing Bay Yacht Club. Participants came from FBYC, RRYC, HYC, NY&CC and other southern Bay clubs and hailed from as far away as Charlottesville and Raleigh, NC. The ODRMS is an intense course which is chocked full of information for race committee members (and those who want to be on the race committee) and is required for US Sailing certification as a Club Race Officer. John McCarthy (Hampton, VA) and Jerry Thompson (Roanoke Rapids, NC) led the seminar. Jim Raper was the FBYC organizer of the event. The participants soaked up a wealth of information and downed a mountain of snacks and lunch while sharing the intensity and the humorous aspects of the subject. Twenty-six signed up for the course.

**Only 12 more days 'til MURPHY RULES, including the NEW changes to the rules - February 4, 2017, 0900-noon, hosted by Norfolk Yacht & Country Club. Registration is \$20 and includes materials and complimentary refreshments at check-in and throughout the seminar. Payment of registration fee (\$20) *guarantees* a spot. John McCarthy leads this seminar in his "Rules Made Easy" style that removes the mystery of the way the rules changes are written. He will discuss scenarios of how the changes affect our racers on the race course, of course in his entertaining and humorous way. Y'all come – it's going to be a fun and informative morning! Seats are filling fast - get your name on the list soon! For additional info and to register contact Lin McCarthy at (757) 850-4225 or email [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net)**

**LAST REMINDER:** To order the **NEW (2017-2020) RULE BOOK, including request for a FREE PAPER COPY FOR CURRENT US SAILING MEMBERS**, go to <http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/rules/rulebook/> and follow the appropriate click on.

THIS COMING SATURDAY - **Jan 28<sup>th</sup> - Sail Nauticus hosts a US Sailing 2017 Winter Chesapeake Regional Symposium (10:00 AM • 4:00 PM)** Contact K.C. Fullmer at [Kevin.fullmer@norfolk.gov](mailto:Kevin.fullmer@norfolk.gov) or 757-664-1047 *Hosted by:* Sail Nauticus, One Waterside Drive • Norfolk, VA 23510, Please register in advance at: <http://www.ussailing.org/events/symposium-and-meetings/regional-symposiums/>

**SBRW 2017 Update:** The Southern Bay Race Week fleet continues to build as the early Early-Birds enter. All of the fleets in the PHRF Division and the Cruising Division have early entries. The Viper 640 one-design fleet received its 10<sup>th</sup> entry

yesterday – Nick Amendola of Naples, Florida – has joined in the 2017 VIPER 640 ATLANTIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIP, hosted at SBRW. To enter on line and to see entry list, scratch sheet, Notice of Race, and more click on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=3016> Remember, **Early Bird entries** receive a \$15 discount on their entry fee and 10 complimentary regatta drink tickets. For additional info, including paper entry forms, contact Lin McCarthy at [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) or (757) 850-4225. **Y'ALL COME RACING!**

**MURPHY'S LAW: BULL SHARKS!?** Are you crazy? Count this racing beagle out of the “boat bottom diving lotto”, the “straw drawing” or any other manner of selection to dive. *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, would be pure caviar for any Bull Shark. Guarantee the Murphster would have been sitting out the diving at Sloppy Joe's. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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