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

**VALENTINE'S DAY (the official day) IS THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> !**

**MURPHY NUTS & BOLTS for RACE COMMITTEE - *ANGLES & BEARINGS & NUMBERS . . . OH MY!*** March 10 (0900 – noon, at HYC, Saturday) This seminar will be helpful to volunteers on race committees for all sorts of races (Wednesday and Thursday Nights, club weekend races, and/or bigger regattas), including anyone on a mark boat or other support boat, and everyone on the signal boat. Learn how to set and maintain proper race courses. John will remove the mystery. And, materials and refreshments for check in and breaks are included. At the end of the morning you will know “*How, when, and where to set those bags of air!*” Cost is \$25. To sign up just send your name, address, and phone number to: Lin McCarthy at [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) – subj: Nuts and Bolts Seminar. Or, call Lin at (757) 850-4225.

**3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL MIAMI TO HAVANA RACE starts this Wednesday, Feb 14<sup>th</sup>.** Cheer on southern Bay racers **Craig Wright** (Raleigh/FBYC), *Afterthought*, J109; **Glenn Doncaster** (Raleigh/FBYC), *Nanuq* Sabre 426; and **Sandy Clark** (Richmond/FBYC) *Brightling Star*, catamaran, at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4524> and [www.havanarace.org](http://www.havanarace.org)

**Sarasota Viper Winter Series wrapped up yesterday, Sunday.** The regatta ran for three weekends spread over December, January, and February. Southern Bay racer **Steve Taylor** – *Viper 220* (HYC) finished 15<sup>th</sup> overall in the 30 boat fleet. **Peter III** – *Caterpillar* (HYC), did not race the final weekend and was 21<sup>st</sup> overall based on his scores in 7 of the 14 races; **Justin Morris** - *Knot Hunter* (HYC) was 25<sup>th</sup> overall, and **Martin “Bubba” Casey** – *Life of Riley* (HYC), finished 27<sup>th</sup> overall (5 races of 21). Complete results are available at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15544>

**Heads-Up.** Mark your calendar for the annual **SPINSHEET CREW PARTIES.**

Southern Bay - Saturday, April 7, 6-8pm, Hampton, at Marker 20.

Northern Bay - Sunday, April 22, 4-6pm, Annapolis, at Eastport YC.

Middle Bay - Saturday, April 28, 4:30-6:30pm, Solomons, at Southern Maryland SA.

For details and to register click on [www.SpinSheet.com/crew-parties](http://www.SpinSheet.com/crew-parties)

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**SBRW 2018 Update: The US Naval Academy is in!** Two boats worth of Midshipmen will be competing in Navy 44s at SBRW 2018. The Mids will be sailing *Defiance* (skipper–**Joshua Corbett**) and *Integrity* (skipper-**Cassidy O'Brien**) in the PHRF A fleet. In addition to the Navy, recent Early Birds joining the SBRW flock are: PHRF B – **Bob Archer**, *Bad Habit* (Pearson Flyer), **Tim Porter**, *Mighty Mouse* (Ultimate 20), and **Miles Booth**, *Shenanigan* (Tartan 10); PHRF C - **Brad Miller**, *Schiehallion* (Beneteau 30); PHRF Non-Spin – **Alan Johnson**, *Seeker*, (Ericson 34t) ) and **Bob Hausmann**, *Bobinski* (Catalina 30 ); and, Cruising Division – **Claude Speed**, *Iris* (Irwin 31) and **Tom Pantelides**, *Mazi* (Sabre 34CB). To see the “real time” scratch sheet, entry list, event documents, ON-LINE registration and more click on <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4427> or contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225 or [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) . Remember, for the racers at SBRW launching and rafting at the host club (HYC) are FREE, there are entry fee discounts, special prices for slips during the regatta, and more. Also, SBRW provides FREE secure storage for SBRW boats on trailers throughout April, May, and the regatta (leave your boat if traveling from Charleston, the Annapolis NOODs, or anywhere else). SBRW is the weekend AFTER Memorial Day Weekend. (May 31-Opening Night, Racing+ June 1, 2 & 3).

Regarding the Midshipmen, SBRW Event Chairman Jack Pope said, *“We always are especially delighted to have the Mids and their coaches with us at SBRW. Hampton, SBRW, and the USNA contingent have had a very special relationship ever since the Midshipmen here in 2012, the year of the tornado, were so willing and helpful in the immediate assessment and clean up after the storm hit SBRW that Friday night. The presence of these fine young people at the regatta and on the race course always is a key factor in making SBRW the event it is.”*

**MURPHY'S LAW:** *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, wants all to know that my recovery from pre-Valentine's Day weekend is complete. Therefore, it is not unreasonable for the Murphster to expect a heart shaped basket complete with a chocolate squirrel at the doghouse door Wednesday morning. After all, holidays are designed for celebration! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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