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

Award Winners of the 2017 CCV Spring Series are: VOODOO 2, COOL

CHANGE, ROUNDABOUT, and MIDNIGHTMISTRESS. It was chilly and it was windy, and stuff was broken and crew were tested, and all in all it was a fine "series finale" day. Twenty-six (26) skippers and crew raced in the windy (15 to 18 knots) conditions with cold spray to boot. It was an appropriate day for the final day of the series. One of the most popular forms of equipment failure seemed to be a broken halyard. And, as the racing went on blown out sails caused a lot of grief. The first weekend of the series was a two race day with windward-leeward races. On the third Sunday of the Series, the format was the same. The second Sunday was a middle distance race (Race #3) around fixed marks in the harbor. Series standings: PHRF A (14 boats) - 1.**Leroi Lissenden, Voodoo 2** [3-2-3-1-3]; 2.**Neil Ford and Lis Biondi, Danger Paws** [1-3-9-3-2]; 3.**Phil Briggs, Feather** [2-1-5-7-5]. PHRF B (12 boats) – 1.**Rusty Burshell, Cool Change** [1-1-1-2-3]; 2.**Ben Weeks and Michele Cochran, Rumble** [2-3-2-3-1]; 3.**Bob Archer, Bad Habit** [3-2-3-1-2]. PHRF C (5 boats) – 1.**Alan Bomar, Roundabout** [1-1-3-1-1]; 2.**Ben Cuker, Callinectes** [2-2-1-2-2]; 3.**Steve Ritz, Excelsior**[8dnc-8dnc-4-3-3]. PHRF Non-Spin (6 boats) – 1.**Jake Brodersen, Midnight Mistress** [1-1-3-1-1]; 2.**Alan Johnson, Seeker** [2-2-5-2-2]; 3.**Jay Thompson, Restless** [8dnc-8dnc-1-8dnc-8dnc]. Principal Race officer – John McCarthy; Signal Boats Skippers – Tricia Williams with Brian Deibler and Henry Hudgins; Mark Boats – Dave Hamilton and Bill and David Gibbins.

Next up, the weekend *after* Mothers Day is the **CAPE HENRY CUP (Saturday, May 20, 2017)**. This is an annual favorite organized by Broad Bay Sailing Association. The race starts in the Bay off Buckroe, goes around fixed marks, and finishes off Fort Monroe. Courses vary from 27.4 nm to 9.8 nm and are selected by the Race Committee at the starting area on race day. Course descriptions and marks are listed in the Notice of Race. For information and registration contact Scott Almond ([757 471-2663](tel:7574712663)) OR click on www.broadbaysailing.org Entries are due by 1200 hours on Friday, May 19th.

Annapolis NOODs. Just like most of the Bay, the opening day of racing, Friday, at the National Offshore One-Design regatta in Annapolis was blown away. The good news was that the party tent opened early! Saturday and Sunday brought 5 races for the regatta.. In the **Viper 640** class (14 boats), the **Amthor-Eberwine** boat took **2nd place overall** . Sailing on the team were **Henry, Doug and Madeline Amthor and David Eberwine**. Also in the top echelon of the Viper class was **Mark Wheeler, Vapor Trails**, who finished 5th overall. Two other Viper teams headed by **Martin "Bubba" Casey** and **Steve Taylor** also raced. All four teams sail out of Hampton Yacht Club. In the 44 boat J70 class, two southern Bay entries, both sailing out of Fishing Bay Yacht Club, raced in the most competitive fleet at the NOOD regatta. They were **Latane Montague** and **Matt Braun**. Complete NOOD results are available at YachtScoring.

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK update: Later this week SBRW race officials will announce preliminary fleet splits for **PHRF A, PHRF B, and CRUISING**. **These fleets will be sub-divided** to create great racing in narrower rating bands. The sub-divided fleets will be posted on the SBRW YachtScoring website. In addition, for ALL SBRW information, Sailing Instructions, current registration lists, ON-LINE entry and more, go to <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=3016> OR contact Lin McCarthy at [757-850-4225](tel:7578504225) or email mcbear@earthlink.net The SBRW opening night welcome party and Skippers Meeting is Thursday, June 1, with racing, socializing, entertainment and awards presentations on Friday, June 2 through Sunday, June 4. **Y'ALL COME RACING!**

Get America's Cup smart. On **Saturday, May 27th**, The Mariners' Museum (Newport News, VA) will open to the public the **Speed and Innovation in the America's Cup** exhibit. Oracle Team USA's 17, the **72 foot catamaran that won the 2013 America's Cup**, is the star. Get a good look at the actual craft. There are other events related to the exhibit: *America's Cup Boat Design* (a family workshop, June 10); *Technological Innovations in Sailing* (lecture, June 22nd); *Physical Fitness Training* (a family workshop, July 1). For more info ([757 596-2222](tel:7575962222)) or www.MarinersMuseum.org

DOWN THE BAY RACE for the VIRGINIA CRUISING CUP - (May 26 start) – Annapolis to Hampton, non-stop (120nm). **Friday, May 12th**, is the last day to take advantage of the lower entry fee available for early entries. For information and to enter, go to www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=3037

Christopher Newport University sailing team standout Austin Powers, will be joining the Ullman Sails Virginia team two days (May 15) after his official graduation from CNU. Austin will be heavily involved in the Ullman Sails one-design racing program. (Ullman Sails is located in Deltaville and Hampton – Jerry Latell)

DATE CHANGE. The Yankee Point Racing and Cruising Club has changed the date of their **YPRCC Spring Regatta to May 27**(from May 13). For revised NOR check at www.YPRCC.org

For a GOOD CAUSE. Proceeds from the sale of this donated boat will go to a southeastern communities charity, ForKIDS.1973 Cape Dory 19' daysailer with sails and 5hp motor. No trailer. Good title, fair condition. Lies downtown Norfolk. Highest offer before 6pm on Sunday, May 14th takes it and full amount goes to local charity. Contact Mike Veraldi for details, [757-343-4909](tel:757-343-4909)

Old Point Comfort Yacht Club and the US Sunfish Class Association teamed up to host the **2017 Sunfish Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships** this past Saturday and Sunday. Nine (9) skippers brought their Lasers and raced in 8 races. The race was a qualifier for the 2018 Sunfish Worlds. Winds for the weekend tended toward 20 knots or more for Saturday where only 4 of the 9 boats entered finished the five races run on Saturday. Winds were more manageable on Sunday starting around 12 knots, but ending with gusts into the high teens. **Brian McGinnis**, overall winner, won 7 straight races and did not sail in the last race (discarded). McGinnis hails from Patchogue, NY. **John Butine** of Charlotte, NC, finished 2nd in races 1 through 7 and took a first in the final race. Third place went to southern Bay Laser sailor **Johnnie Meyers** of Gloucester, VA. Principal Racer Officer-Jonathan Romero; Mark Boats-Aimee Darling with Jack Clayton and Kimmannee Simon.

CCV reminds everyone of two new events for this year: Saturday, June 17th – Summer Solstice Ocean Race – 58 nm daylight race around Chesapeake Light with a separate distance race (29.7 nm) for small spinnaker, non-spinnaker and cruising boats. There are special safety requirements. For detailed info and to enter, contact Christian Schaumlöffel at [757-496-3590](tel:757-496-3590). **In July the CCV Advanced Training** classes will take place – Mondays in the classroom and Wednesdays on the water. Space is limited, so early registration is encouraged. For info and registration, please contact David Taylor [\(757\) 722-7861](tel:757-722-7861).

THIS COMING WEEKEND:

**** **Saturday, May 13th is the start of Old Point Comfort Yacht Club Yankee Station Series.** Saturdays racing will be held in Hampton Roads with a series of short races. Racing in June will be out at Yankee Station. Non-members are welcome in the series and registration is online at www.OPCYC.org

**** **Saturday, May 13th the Fishing Bay Yacht Club Spring Series resumes** with Day #3 racing. www.fbyc.net

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, reminds all sailors that MOTHERS DAY is this coming Sunday. The Murphster's skipper and crewbies will be taking Mother Murphy sailing We're going to pretend we are racing, so she can experience all the things racers love about racing. We'll do a couple of spinnaker hoists, quick tacks and jibes, battle our way up wind, let her hike out and then return to the dock. We probably *won't* simulate a post-race party for Mom. That borders on TMI. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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