Happy New Year! December came and went with record high temperatures; the Rat and Coriolis remained in their slips. I should be impeached before I get started.

Please let me express my gratitude to the following Members who are serving as BBSA Officers in 2016:

Vice Commodore:Jean PattenaudeRear Commodore:Jim CurrieTreasurer/Membership:Sergio DiehlSecretary:Karl ShulenburgRacing Fleet Captain:Scott AlmondCruising Fleet Captain:Mary GreblunasOne Design Fleet Captain:Jerry Pattenaude

In addition, take a look at what these Members are doing for our club:

LWM Cape Charles Cup Chairman: Randy Goodman Neptune Atlantic Regatta Chairman: Jerry Pattenaude Cape Henry Cup Chairman: Scott Almond Little Creek Racers Chairman: Randy Goodman Willoughby Racers Chairman: **Guy Sorenson** BBSA PHRF Representative: Scott Almond Chesapeake Yacht Racing Delegate: Scott Almond Website Administrator: Scott Almond Little Creek Racers Training Chairman: Randy Goodman Ships Store: **Bev Borberg** Sunshine Committee: **Kathie Roberts**

Also, I would be remiss if I did not give a shout out to our 2015 retirees: Commodore Bill Barnes, Cruising Fleet Captains Doug and Judy Rose, and Cape Charles Cup Chairman Hank Giffin. Your time and service is greatly appreciated. If I left anyone out who deserved to be recognized; speak out, beat me with a wet noodle, and I will remedy the error.

BBSA would not be a viable organization without the dedication of these members and their cadre of cohorts. If you haven't had an active role (ever or recently), contact one of these members and offer your time. We have too many folks with continuous service wearing multiple hats, and they could use your help.

This is going to be a great year. I'll be competing on the race course, living it up with the cruising fleet...and of course, all the planning and comradery that go into making this club what it is. See you there!!!

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"In the final analysis, you get what you pay for." James D. Sinegal



A MURPHY RULES-MADE-EASY SEMINAR

What You Really Need to Know "Cutting Through The Fog"

Saturday, February 6, 2016 Norfolk Yacht and Country Club

9:00 am to 3:30 pm

\$39 per person (\$69 for couples)

[Includes refreshments, lunch, and helpful notebook]

An interactive, entertaining presentation in John McCarthy's "Rules Made Easy" style. Designed to maximize understanding of the rules by removing needless complexity, using "real life" scenarios that happen every day on the race course, and presented in John's entertaining and humorous style.

Topics will include:

- Who has the Right of Way (and what that means)
- What is Proper Course (and why should you care)
- Who gets Room at the mark (and how much does he get)
- What Special Rules Apply at Starts and Finishes

This seminar is for skippers AND crew. You will gain a better, refreshed understanding of the rules, and have a good time doing it.

Check-in opens at 8:15 am.

Come early, enjoy some coffee, and get a good seat!

Registration form is on the next page.
For information or to register, contact
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Murphy Rules 2016 ATTN: Lin McCarthy 4401 Chesapeake Avenue Hampton, VA 23669 If you are going to be race committee for your weekly races, you should probably attend this (copied from SBRNYCU):

****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 to the USSA calendar (http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/become-a-race-official/race-officer-seminar-calendar/) and registration is now open. 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.

Finally, Sergio is looking for sailing related pictures of the past year for the banquet slide show (this Saturday). Please look through the files and send them to sergio.diehl@cox.net