

## #1-2024 MURPHY DISPATCHES

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### **MURPHY DISPATCHES #1, 04 January 2024**

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

**25<sup>th</sup> DANA DILLON MEMORIAL NEW YEAR'S MADNESS RACE (2024).** Twenty-two (22) boats started the first race of 2024, and 15 finished. **Pete Hunter's WAIRERE**, Thompson 30, was the fastest boat in the pursuit race and proved it, by starting last and finishing first overall. Second across the finish line at Mill Creek was Melges 24, *WILD CHILD*, **Max Plarr**, and third overall was **Christian Schaumloffel** and crew in the red Hobie 33, *MYRAGE*. The first B/C boat to finish was *CALLINECTES*, **Ben Cuker**, Cal 3-30 (5<sup>th</sup> overall), and **Jeff Rogers** in HALAHA, Columbia 28-2, took 7<sup>th</sup> overall. *PISCES*, **John**

**Wandling**, was the only Cruising Boat to finish the race and she was 12<sup>th</sup> overall. For all the finishes and finish times, click on [25th DDNYMR RESULTS](#) Great post-race party – lots of food and lots of bubbly! Old Point Comfort Yacht Club co-sponsors this event with Hampton Yacht Club.

### **ANNAPOLIS BOAT SHOWS DATES. Watch your Boat Show Dates this year . . . and next.**

The City of Annapolis is planning to do a restoration of the downtown docks. It will take a while – maybe as long as 2 years. So, as we get closer to Annapolis Boat Show time, be sure to check on the dates. SpinSheet Magazine is a good source. SpinSheet has confirmed these date for now. . . HOWEVER things could change 'tween now and then!

Oct 3-6 Thur-Sun ANNAPOLIS POWERBOAT SHOW (Annapolis, MD)

Oct 10-14 Thur-Mon ANNAPOLIS SAILBOAT SHOW (Annapolis, MD)



### **SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK**

**May 30 – June 2, 2024**

The event web site is up at Yacht Scoring with on-line registration available and preliminary information posted.

*SHENANIGAN*, **Miles Booth's** Tartan 10 is first in followed by **Dennis Hannick's** Tripp 26, *GOIN'*, both racing in PHRF B. **Max Plarr** and **Rusty Burshell** have opened entries in the One-Design Division, with Melges 24s, *WILD CHILD* and *THIS IS COOL* respectively. Racers and spectators alike can be on the lookout for 3 Navy 44's coming to SBRW from the U.S. Naval Academy. They will be sailed by members of the USNA Varsity Offshore Sailing Team. For info and contacts, and to enter, click on

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16366> **Y'ALL COME RACING!**

**NOTE:** SBRW 2024 will offer in the CRUISING DIVISION. PHRF Cruising (CC) – Spinnaker (CCS) as well as Non-Spinnaker (CCNS) Fleets. The SBRW Cruising Fleet (complementary rating assigned by regatta officials) will continue to be offered in the SBRW Cruising Division.

**PHRF CRUISING CLASS.** PHRF of the Chesapeake is offering again this year **PHRF Cruising, Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker . Racers may apply for a PHRF Cruising Class certificate FREE of Charge again this year.** A racer may hold only the PHRF CRUISING CLASS certificate (there was, for a brief time, a false rumor to the contrary). IF a boat wishes to race in the regular PHRF fleets, the skipper/owner must have a regular PHRF certificate. A number of boats already have PHRF CRUISING CLASS certificates and many have both Cruising and Regular Certificates. For information on the PHRF CRUISING CLASS, click on <http://www.phrfchesbay.org/page/rules/cruising>.

***ALL PHRF Racers, Regular and Cruising: It's important to check the expiration date on your rating certificate. A number of the southern Bay fleet have April 01, 2024 expiration dates – best to get into the “renewal” mode now.***

**HOD Nats at Norfolk.** *Hampton One Design (HOD) class has announced their 2024 National Championship Regatta site. Norfolk Yacht & Country Club will host the event August 9, 10, 11, 2024.*

**Long time southern Bay racer, Ben Weeks,** has decided to let his beloved **J-29, RUMBLE** go to a new owner. Ben says the, “ *Sails and hull - Good enough to win multiple High Point awards, CCVR, CBRYA and MORC!! Great all around racer! Contact Ben Weeks 757-285-2127, \$16,200 with all the old sails and equip.*”

**RACING DATES LIST for 2024.** A group of southern Bay clubs/associations representatives (race programs officials) has completed work on the **Big Boat schedule**. The list includes confirmed dates. When info such as CBYRA sanction numbers, likely fleets, etc. is available, there will be an updated document. For now, racers can request the list from their yacht club or sailing association. OR, you can email [mcbear@earthlink.net](mailto:mcbear@earthlink.net) and **put “Racing Dates List” on the Subject Line**. This will be an indication that you are thinking about *sailing your brains out in 2024* and need to know when best to do it 😊 You will receive your copy of the **Racing Dates List** by return email.

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**MURPHY'S LAW:** *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle* says, “The holidays are over. The schedule is out. Let’s get ready to go racing!! AHOOOOOO!” /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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