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It's Monday. It's January. And, it's almost 70 degrees. Today will have more hours of daylight than yesterday and the day before that, and.... So, butter your boss now, then taking an afternoon off come early Spring will be easy.

TONIGHT!!! PHRF FLEET SPLITS MEETING - JANUARY 7, 6:30 pm. PHRF members from **Region 4 SOUTH** are invited to attend this PHRF delegates meeting, the singular objective of which is to determine the fleet splits for use in 2008 in **Region 4 SOUTH**. Attendees may offer comment and discussion. The meeting will be held in Meeting Room B at the Hampton Public Library, 4207 Victoria Boulevard, Hampton. (That's a couple blocks down from the cannon at HYC. The Library is at the corner of Victoria and Kecoughtan). Get there early to get a good seat!

SBRNYCU MURPHY GOES RACING - 2008: "Going Faster - It's All About the People" February 2, 2008, hosted by Broad Bay Sailing Association at the Old Dominion University Sailing Center (Norfolk)- OPEN TO ALL. The fee, \$35 (\$25 for accompanying family member), includes morning refreshments, lunch, and all clinic materials including the course workbook. Register by calling (757) 850-4225, or by email to mcbear@earthlink.net (include your name, address, and phone number and on the subject: line put MURPHY CLINIC). Course instructor, John McCarthy, will cover a variety of topics including Skipper-Crew Communication, Crew Recruitment, Training, and Retention, Reaching Techniques, The Dreaded Double-Headsail, and more. This clinic is ideal for both skippers and people who crew. **Pre-registration is required.**

"Whatever LOLA wants, ..." *Radio Flyer*, the Tripp 26 until recently owned by **Dennis Hannick**, is in Pensacola, Florida, earning her way with a new owner, Carlos Melville, who lost his previous Tripp to a tornado and no doubt is delighted to have *Radio Flyer*. Dennis and the *RF* crew have another ride for the coming season - *LOLA* is a Thompson T750. Look for her on the PHRF A starting lines at Southern Bay Race Week, Screwpile, and other events on the southern Bay and elsewhere.

IT'S ANNA AGAIN! Former ODU All American **Anna Tunnicliff** has been named the **2007 Scuttlebutt US Yachtswoman**. Mentioned in addition to her racing accomplishments is her commitment to the sport and the sailors, especially the young ones, in it. *Scuttlebutt*, among other comments, said, "...she is very well liked."

Hobies Head South - Both Hobie 33s from the southern Bay PHRF A fleet plan to head to St Petersburg for the **NOOD Regatta**, February 15-17. **Christian Schaumloffel** (*Mirage*) and crew are going with hope of defending the class midwinter trophy and, **Jim Williams and Will Roberts** (*Treaty of Ghent*) will be there with designs on regatta hardware too.

The good news and the bad news: The good news is **Butch Paterson** actually has taken delivery on his Santana 30/30 GP, *Schock Full-a-Nuts* (she came over the road from Kentucky). But, now he is "working her bottom", all 30 feet of it, in the January cold. If you go by Cobbs boat yard to see Butch and the boat, take something warming to drink.

2008 CBYRA REGION 4 SCHEDULE The "big boat" racing schedule is ready. Email **SBRNYCU** at mcbear@earthlink.net, on the subject: line put "I need the 2008 Racing Schedule", and you'll get the whole schedule by return email.

MURPHY'S LAW: The Murphster is still suffering the post-holiday calorie calamity. To heck with this shrink wrap - get it off me. *Yrs Truly, The Racing Beagle*, is headed for Florida - I'll bake these nasty calories off on the beach! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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