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

HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY from Murphy, the Racing Beagle, and SBRNYCU!

WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING (words and music Chauncey Olcott & George Graff, Jr.)

[Chorus] When Irish eyes are smiling,
Sure, 'tis like the morn in Spring.
In the lilt of Irish laughter
You can hear the angels sing.
When Irish hearts are happy,
All the world seems bright and gay.
And when Irish eyes are smiling,
Sure, they steal your heart away.

<http://www.ireland-information.com/irishmusic/whenirisheyesaresmiling.shtml>

SBRW UPDATE: Tartan 10 Class planning to gather at Southern Bay Race Week 2014. Aaron Ressler, skipper of T10, *Parrot Head*, says the Tartan Tens are planning to race One Design, which means they will be able to use their class jibs. And, Noel Clinard's J70, *LOONATICTU*, has entered SBRW. SBRW One Design classes, monohull over 20 feet LOA, with at least five registered boats are encouraged and will be offered a separate start. OD Classes must make (5 entries paid) no later than May 21. To date, along with the Tartan 10 class, J24, Viper 640, and J70 classes have indicated their *intentions* to race one design, but must make with 5 entries. Also, recently entered in SBRW 2014 are: **Christian Schaumloffel's** Hobie 33, *MIRAGE*, sailing in PHRF A, and the **Christopher Newport Sailing Team**, sailing *NEREID*, a Tartan 40 which belongs to the Powers family. *Nereid* is a PHRF B boat coming out of Fishing Bay, and is raced a lot of in the Rappahannock River area of the Bay.

SBRW Apparel and Gear: Official SBRW shirts, jackets, hats, and more are now available at CORAL REEF SAILING APPAREL – click on <http://www.coralreefsailing.com/index.php/catalog/category/view/s/southern-bay-race-week-2014/id/1271/?store=sbrw> to shop and order. CRSA is offering a **10% Early Bird DISCOUNT** from now through May 12th. Enter the code EARLYSB to receive the discount. *Look good while you 're sailing good!*

SBRW Info and Entry: See entry list, preliminary scratch sheet, NOR, enter (or get paper entry form) and more at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=981> NOTE: At the site, click on "Additional Documents" for "Accommodations and Docking" info. Y'ALL COME RACING!

What's Going on in Mill Creek at Fort Monroe?? Young people are learning to sail. Youth Sailing Virginia has set up the beginnings of a program for youngsters in the area. A volunteer group of local sailors, yacht club members, coaches, educators, and business people are working with the Fort Monroe Authority, the City of Hampton, YMCA, and local high schools, including the VirginiaSTEAM Academy, to pull together a program that will provide an opportunity for youngsters to learn to sail. The primary focus of the first phase is on high school sailing. Boats and floats are already installed in the quiet waters of Mill Creek (landside Ft Monroe), so that several high school teams can practice this Spring. The YSV is not teaching swimming, but **swim lessons are available at the YMCA and Hampton Community Centers**. For information on this much needed, very exciting, developing program, please contact Kevin Eley, leader of the program at youthsailingvirginia@gmail.com .

COMING UP IN MARCH:

*****Nuts & Bolts Race Committee Seminar, hosted by Rappahannock River Yacht Club (Irvington, VA) on Saturday, March 22, 0900 – 1500 (9am-3pm)**. For info contact Tom Linville, Tsailor@aol.com or 804-438-6038.

*****Cruising Club of Virginia (CCV) Racing Guide Distribution, hosted at Hampton Yacht Club, Tuesday, March 25** – to get a copy of the *Guide* you must be CCV member – you can join at the distribution gathering.

*****SpinSheet Crew Listing Party, at Marker 20 (in downtown Hampton), Saturday, March 29 – 5 to 7pm – OPEN to ALL**

THURSDAY, March 20 – Vernal Equinox 16:57:00 UTC. The first day of SPRING!

(Universal Coordinated Time, aka Greenwich Time).

Spring has sprung!

The grass has rizz!

Now wonder where the flowers is.

NOTE: 16:57:00 UTC is 12:57:00 Eastern Daylight Time.

Southern Bay Schedule. If you need your copy of the Southern Bay Racing Schedule (CBYRA Region 4), just click on reply and say "Schedule, please". It will come to you by email. Courtesy *SBRNYCU*

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, thinks the formal name for our favorite day, *Vernal Equinox*, sounds like something no racer would want to get involved with! *Spring* just sounds better. No matter, today, St Patrick's Day, is *the Racing Beagle's* favorite holiday– green mashed potatoes and green brew. What's not to like? /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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