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

Racing Breaks Out This Week! And, not a minute too soon – the number of incidents of “racestircrazyitis” is at an all time high. Get well – go racing!

*** **Apr 6 Hampton YC Wednesday Night races begin.** Racing is FREE, but entry form is required.

Stop by HYC, pick up the Wednesday Night Races brochure which shows all the important info, such as marks, order of starts, class splits and flags, etc., and submit the short entry/waiver form. Or, for additional info contact John McCarthy, HYC Sail Captain at 757-850-4225.

*** **Apr 6 BBSA/Little Creek SA Wednesday Nights begin.** Call BBSA LCSA chairman Randy Goodman at (cell) 348-7921 or (home) 757-431-8172.

*** **Apr 6 York River YC Wednesday Night races begin** (practice race on April 6). <http://yryc.org>

*** **Apr 7 BBSA/Willoughby Racers Thursday Night Racing begins.** Call BBSA Willoughby Race chairman Guy Sorenson, 757-754-6418.

*** **Apr 9 FBYC Opening Day.** www.fbyc.net

*** **Apr 9-10 HYC Trapeze Clinic and Regatta** (see more info below in this issue)

*** **Apr 10 CCV Tune-Up Races** (see more info below in this issue)

Southern Bay Racing Schedule is available electronically from *SBRNYCU* – email mcbear@earthlink.net and ask for yours.

Last week, March 24-27, two southern Bay Opti sailors, **Boyd Bragg and Benton Amthor** sailed at the **Lake Garda Optimist Meeting in Riva Del Garda Italy**. Benton and Boyd were among more than 1,000 Opti sailors at the event. Both sailors qualified last fall in Newport to be part of the 15 member US Opti Team to sail in the 34th Lake Garda Optimist Meeting. This regatta holds the **Guinness World Record** as the largest one design regatta. Of the 1,065 sailors participating, both Boyd and Benton made the Gold fleet. Boyd finished up 73rd and Benton 98th overall. Prior to the main event, Benton Amthor was selected to represent the USA to compete in the Country Cup where he finished 11th of the 22 countries represented. Great Big Kudos to these southern Bay racers.

CCV Tune-Up Races. Sunday, April 10th. The plan is for two short races using government marks in Hampton Roads harbor. Boats may sail in either of two classes – Non-Spin/Cruising or Spinnaker. The racing is FREE, but you must submit an entry form. All participating boats must meet the PHRF Safety Equipment category “NearShore”. Starting line – CCV Mark A (Harbor). Racing begins at 1100. The Tune-Up Races are open to all comers. For more info contact Tom Connors at (757) 593-8950. The Tune-Ups are a chance to shake off the winter rust. Be sure to get out early enough to do your Man Over Board drills. Weekend racing gets serious the following week with the opening of the CCV Spring Series.

SBRW Update: *SCREAMER*, **Greg Schuster's** Viper 640, is number 50 on the **Southern Bay Race Week (June 3-5)** entry list. Greg hails from Yorktown and is a returner from SBRW 2015. Filling the spots between numbers 40 and 50 are: *Feather*, **Phil Briggs** (Hampton); *Cool Change*, **Rusty Burshell** (Yorktown);

BaseRunner, **Larry Baun** (Norfolk); *Tipsea*, **Joe Grebluans** (Rockville); *Dixie Diva*, **John Haracivet** (Gloucester); *Viper 220*, **Steve Taylor** (Suffolk); *Mirage*, **Christian Schaumloffel** (VA Beach); *Blew By You*, **Austin Powers** (Chesterfield) and *Solstice*, **Jim Bordeaux** (Yorktown). For more info, e.g complete current entries list and scratch sheet, Notice of Race, entry forms and fees (including SBRW discounts) and much, click on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1547> OR contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225, mcbear@earthlink.net. Remember, the EARLY BIRD ENTRY special (\$15 discount + 10 complimentary regatta drink tickets) expires on April 30th.

One of the most endearing and enduring friends of Southern Bay Racers is **SpinSheet Magazine**. Think crew listings and sock burnings, event advertising and coverage, and major event sponsorships. *SpinSheet* does all these things. And, it is not unusual to have a member of the *SpinSheet* staff involved as a competitor in regattas and other happenings. Already, the publisher, Mary Ewenson, has entered her Viper 640 in Southern Bay Race Week. So, save this link, <http://www.spinsheet.com/>, and use it to check out the monthly issues of *SpinSheet Magazine* and much, much more.

Charleston Race Week opens on April 14th and some southern Bay racers will be there. **Martin "Bubba" Casey** will race in the Viper 640 class. Three J70s from the southern Bay are also racing at CRW: **Matt Braun** (Richmond/FBYC), *E.L.E.*; **Dan and Gannon Troutman** (Gloucester/FBYC), *Pied Piper*; and **Don DeLoatch** (Virginia Beach/HYC), *GetMyBoat*. *GetMyBoat* will carry **helmsman Ryan Kozoriz with crew Bryan Waugh, DeWayne Dooley and Don DeLoatch** to compete in the 73 boat class.. The GMB team will most likely run into (hopefully only figuratively) former southern Bay racer **Mark Newman**. Mark currently manages the sailing program at South Carolina Yacht Club in Hilton Head. Mark has entered another Vortex member boat, *Vortex* in CRW.

HYC Trapeze Clinic and Regatta – April 9-10 at Hampton Yacht Club. The **Clinic is on Saturday** (\$100 per boat - includes dinner and debrief on Saturday night). The **Regatta is on Sunday** (\$25 for USSA Members, \$30 for non- members). Open to One Design Classes under 25 feet, including International 505, Lightning, Viper 640, Albacore, Sonar, J24, and J70 classes. In the clinic **Geoff Ewenson**, an internationally respected 505 racer, who has finished in the Top 10 (8th) in the 505 Worlds, will coach the 505 sailors. **Arielle Darrow**, HYC Sailing Center Director and former member of the ODU Varsity Sailing Team, will coach the other classes, including the Viper 640s. Principal Race Officer for the Sunday Regatta is **Brian Deibler**. For additional information, contact Leigh Chapman at (757) 726-9640.

Top youngsters who raced in CBYRA competition in 2015. The CBYRA 2015 awards have been presented and a number of young Southern Bay racers, brought home championship hardware. Finishing *first overall in the Opti Class* – **Benton Amthor** (FBYC); *First in the Laser Radial Class* – **Gray Kiger, III** (BBSA). Southern Bay youngsters claimed first in Opti sub-divisions – *Blue* / **Guthrie Baun** (FBYC) and *Red* / **Benton Amthor** (FBYC). **Jessica Williams** (BBSA) won the *Laser Girls subdivision*.

PHRF Racers – Push has come to shove. You will need your 2016 rating if you plan to race in the PHRF Class. Go to www.phrfchesbay.org and follow the directions for **"Application and Renewal"**. The **PHRF Valid List is also posted there - most recent update** April 1, 2016.

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, already has procured a brand new pair of boat shoes for the back paws, a new pair of racing gloves for the front paws (for grinding), and a set of fuzzy foulies . . .with tail flap. Ready to roll come Wednesday! Ahoooooo! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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