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

SAILBOAT RACERS DAY, some call it APRIL FOOLS DAY, is this coming Saturday – April 1, 2017

WILLOUGHY RACERS MEET AND GREET CREW LISTING PARTY – THIS THURSDAY, March 30th at Sunset Grill, 1525 Bayville St overlooking Little Bay on Willoughby Spit (Norfolk). Are you interested in crewing on a racing sailboat or interested in finding crew members? The soiree starts at 6:30pm. Sailors who are interested in learning to race, novices or experienced sailors, are also cordially invited to come and hear about the basics of racing and the Willoughby Racers Thursday nights program. For details contact Rob Duncan at 757-348-2510 or email willoughbyracers@broadbaysailing.org

Get the old SUNFISH out of the garage... this is a heads up for Sunfish racers – **the 2017 Sunfish Mid-Atlantic Regional Regatta** will be hosted by Old Point Comfort Yacht Club, May 6 & 7, 2017. Top finisher qualifies for the 2017 ISCA Worlds. For additional information click on www.opcyc.org. or call Tim Etherington 757-690-3178 or Jonathan Romero 757-285-6017. Get your SUNFISH race ready and go for it!

SOUTHERN BAY RACE WEEK. The **SBRW Crew and Boat Board** is now open. Go to the SBRW 2017 website at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=3016>, click on the Crew/Boat Boards option (righthand column) and post your info. 2017 Southern Bay Race Week is June 2-4 in Hampton Roads, hosted by Hampton Yacht Club. Opening Night and Welcome is June 1. If you are looking for a crew spot or are an SBRW skipper looking for crew, this is the place to list. You can also check out the current entry list, the Notice of Race, additional regatta documents, complete ON-LINE entry and more. **Y'ALL COME RACING!** For additional info, contact Lin McCarthy, 757-850-4225, mcbear@earthlink.net

FBYC CREW TRAINING starts TOMORROW, March 28th. For info and sign up, www.fbyc.net.

CCV RACING CLINIC “Introduction to Sailboat Racing”- Saturday, April 1st – 8:00AM to Noon. Info-contact Bobby Whitehouse 757-218-9374 or 757-965-5775

SPINSHEET CREW PARTY. April 8th (Saturday after next), 6PM-8PM at Marker 20 in downtown Hampton. MUSTO is sponsoring this party and will be giving away a MUSTO jacket and MUSTO shoes – to win the MUSTO gear you need to sign up for the crew party. You can see the info and sign up at <https://www.spinsheet.com/crew-parties> This is an annual mix and meet for crew looking for a boat and skippers looking for crew. Get there and get connected!

APRIL SOUTHERN BAY RACERS' EVENTS:

Apr 1 Sat **SAILBOAT RACERS DAY (also, April Fools Day)**
Apr 1 Sat **CCV Racing Clinic, 8am-noon – Contact Bobby Whitehouse 757-218-9376**
Apr 5 Wed **HYC, BBSA at Little Creek, and YRYC Wednesday evening series open**
Apr 7 Thur **BBSA at Willoughby Bay Thursday evening series opens**
Apr 8 Sat **SpinSheet Crew Party, 6-8pm at Marker 20 in Hampton –**
<https://www.spinsheet.com/crew-parties>
Apr 8 Sat **HYC Trapeze Regatta, www.hamptonyc.com**
Apr 9 Sun **CCV Tune-Up Races**
Apr 16 Sun **EASTER**

Apr 22 Sat FBYC Opening Day
Apr 23 Sun CCV Spring Series Day 1 (races 1&2)
Apr 23 Sun FBYC Spring Series Day 1
Apr 26 Wed YPPCC Spring Wednesday Racing begins
Apr 28 Fri NY&CC Friday Night Racing begins
Apr 30 Sun CCV Spring Series Day 2 (race 3 - mid-distance race in harbor)
Apr 30 Sun FBYC Spring Series Day 2
May 5-7 NOOD Regatta – Annapolis
May 7 Sun CCV Spring Series Day 3 (races 4&5)

For an electronic copy of the 2017 Southern Bay Racing Schedule, click on “reply” [or email mcbear@earthlink.net], Subj: “2017 Racing Schedule”. You’ll receive the schedule by return email, compliments **SBRNYCU.**

Forty (40) Broad Bay Sailing Association (BBSA) members and a sprinkling from of other area clubs, spent Saturday morning getting ready for race committee duties this coming season. Most are responsible for one or two races in their club mid-week racing program. John McCarthy spent the morning explaining the basics of what each will need to know. The *Murphy Nuts & Bolts for Race Committee* session was hosted by BBSA at Nauticus (Norfolk). Proceeds benefited the US Patriot Sailing organization, a 501c3 non-profit with a mission of getting combat Veterans involved in competitive sailing. Randy Goodman and Scott Almond organized the event with the assistance of a number of BBSA volunteers.

College Racing Update: Hampton University hosted and won the MAISA/SAISA inter-sectional regatta this past weekend. Teams from 9 colleges competed in the regatta of 20 races. Top three teams: **1. Hampton University; 2. George Washington University; and 3. University of Virginia.** Principal Race Officer – Jonathan Romero

MURPHY’S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, knows of a skipper who was always yelling at his crew because they could not find the marks. In their defense, it is noted that while he yelled about their inability to find the marks, he was known to spend hours after races finding his car in the parking lot. Ahooooo! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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