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SPINSHEET CREW PARTY. THIS SATURDAY, April 8th, 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!

TRAPEZE REGATTA. THIS SATURDAY (April 8, 2017). The annual Hampton Yacht Club Trapeze Regatta is set to go this coming Saturday. This event is open to one-design classes under 25', including Viper 640, Albacore, Sonar, J24, and J70 classes and other classes with 3 or more paid entries. Racing will be in the vicinity of Hampton Flats. On Saturday, registration opens at 0900, skippers meeting is at 1000, and warning for the first race is at 1100. Multiple windward/leeward races are intended, weather permitting. Launch facilities are available at HYC. Event Chairman-Joe Buczkowski (757) 416-9807; Principal Race Officer-John McCarthy (757) 850-4225.

CCV TUNE-UP RACES. THIS SUNDAY (April 9, 2017). There is NO, ZERO, ZILCH, Entry fee, but you DO have to complete and submit an entry form. The intent is to do 2 short races, weather permitting. The courses will consist of government marks in the Harbor. There will be two classes – PHRF Spinnaker (A, B, and C combined) and PHRF Non-Spin/Cruising. For info and to enter contact: Tom Connors, 757-593-8950

Racing begins this week and goes “serious” April 22-23, the weekend after Easter (April 16). If you race in the PHRF CLASS you need to have your **current PHRF of the Chesapeake valid rating**. A number of racers renewed for 2 years when they renewed for 2016, so their rating does not expire until **March 2018**. Others renewed for one year and their rating expired March 31, 2017, so they are no longer current. Check the expiration date on your certificate, or check the 2016 posted valid list at www.phrfchesbay.org or contact PHRF at 443-699-0868. If yours has expired or you are getting a first-time certificate, do something about that today.

MID-WEEK RACING OPENS:

**** Wednesday, April 5 – HYC – info: John McCarthy 757-850-4225 or <http://hamptonvc.com/yachting/racing/2015-phrf-racing-results/>**

**** Wednesday, April 5 – BBSA (Little Creek-LCSA) – info: Randy Goodman 757-348-7921 or <http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/files/lcsa-2017si.pdf>**

**** Wednesday, April 5 – YRYC – contact: www.yryc.org**

**** Thursday, April 6 - BBSA (Willoughby Racers) – info: <http://www.broadbaysailing.org/downloads/files/wr-2017si.pdf>**

SBRW Early Bird Entry Reminder: Sunday, April 30, 2017, is the day the Southern Bay Race Week Early Bird flies away! Every SBRW racer may subtract \$15 from his or her entry fee if entered and paid no later than April 30th. And, in addition, the skipper's welcome package will include 10 complimentary regatta drink tickets. Also, SBRW racers returning from SBRW 2016 may deduct an additional \$25 Loyalty Discount from the entry fee. To enter ON-Line, see the current entry list and scratch sheet, accommodations info, Notice of Race, print down a paper “mail-in” entry form, and more click <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID016> Or, contact Lin McCarthy at 757-850-4225 or mcbear@earthlink.net **Y'ALL COME RACING!**

Remember: The Mariners' Museum (Newport News, VA) will open the MODERN YACHTING SYSTEMS and AMERICA'S CUP GALLERY in May. It will be a permanent display. Plans are for the Oracle boat AC72 to be in the

exhibit, fully assembled (except for the wing).

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, recently was debating a racing friend about the "favorability" of the friend's handicap rating. Of course, there is no way to win such an argument or save face without damaging the friendship. The incident caused the Murphster to recall advice once given by a revered friend. He said, "*The best way to save face is by keeping the lower part of it shut!*" Ahoooooooooooo. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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