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

THIS COMING SUNDAY, March 11th

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS (officially at 2AM, 0200)

Be sure you *Spring Ahead* one hour!

20th Anniversary Southern Chesapeake Leukemia Cup Regatta Kick Off Celebration is *TOMORROW*, Tuesday, March 6, 2018, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., at Triple Crossing Brewery – Fulton, 5203 Hatcher Street, Richmond, VA 23231. It's the kick off of the *2018 Leukemia Cup Regatta fundraising season*, sharing LLS updates, and offering incentives for registering your boat! Attendance is FREE for all with complimentary dinner & a cash bar. **Please RSVP to Katey Sanders at katey.sanders@lls.org or 804.774.2257** . Click on www.leukemicup.org/va for regatta info.

Think about your anchor chain in the anchor well as you watch this video. Physics and magic. Why an anchor rode won't tangle when simply fed into the anchor well from above... Don't try to coil it - just drop it in and let it fall at random. Here's the proof in a 3.5 minute video: <https://vimeo.com/117627468>

A sure sign of spring – **2018 Spring Membership Meeting and Racing Rules Clinic**, Monday, March 26, 5:30 – 8:30pm, at Hampton Yacht Club. This is the first “official” gathering of the new season of CCV members and those who are interested in joining CCV. The club offers a Club Membership (\$40) as well as Racing and Distance Series memberships. Information about membership application will be available at this event as well as on line now at www.ccvracing.us . As is traditional, CCV members will be able to pick up their *2018 Racing Guide* at this meeting. **CCV 2018 Board of Directors: Commodore: Bobby Whitehouse; Vice Commodore: Carie Curry-Cutter; Past Commodore: Dixon Wilde; Secretary: Vicki Bristow; Directors at Large: Bob Thomas and Steve Taylor; Racing Director: Christian Schaumloffel; Education Director: Benedikt Zihlmann.** The first CCV on-the-water event will be the **CCV Tune UP Races** on Sunday, April 8. The Tune-Ups are OPEN TO ALL and FREE, but you MUST SUBMIT AN ENTRY FORM! So, get your baby ready to go and air out your fleecies.

March is SOCK BURNING MONTH! Sock Burnings are social high-lights in March and attract all sort of sailors. A large contingent of racers will be there always! Bring your socks – yes, there is a moment when everyone offers up their socks to the fire – and go to as many Sock Burnings as you can. They are a great place where racing skippers as well as crew seeking a boat meet and greet. Look for area clubs and sailing organizations that have a sock burning on their pre-season schedule.

SPINSHEET SOUTHERN BAY CREW PARTY – Saturday, APRIL 7 – 6-8PM – Marker 20 in downtown Hampton. This is the chance for crew to find boats and skippers for the coming season and the place for skippers to find crew. Come enjoy the annual *SPINSHEET* gathering, hob some nobs, and meet some racers, new and old friends alike. Be there – it's time to get ready to go racing! **Register on-line at www.spinsheet.com/crew-parties** NOTE: SpinSheet magazine also host Crew parties in Annapolis (April 22, EYC) and Solomons (April 28, SMSA)

TWO LAST REMINDERS:

****MURPHY NUTS & BOLTS for RACE COMMITTEE - *ANGLES & BEARINGS & NUMBERS . . . OH MY!*** March 10 (0900 – noon, at HYC, Saturday) This seminar will be helpful to volunteers on race committees for all sorts of races (Wednesday and Thursday Nights, club weekend races, and/or bigger regattas), including anyone on a mark boat or other support boat, and everyone on the signal boat. Learn how to set and maintain proper race courses. John will remove the mystery. And, materials and refreshments for check in and breaks are included. At the end of the morning you will know *“How, when, and where to set those bags of air!”* Cost is \$25. To sign up just send your name, address, and phone number to: Lin McCarthy at mcbear@earthlink.net – subj: Nuts and Bolts Seminar. Or, call Lin at (757) 850-4225.

****BOAT FOR SALE? The March 12 issue (#878) of *SBRNYCU* will include the annual *BOATS FOR SALE LIST*.** The listing is FREE. To list your boat, send an email to mcbear@earthlink.net – subj: Boat Listing. Include the following information: Type, model, year and length of the boat; Name of the boat, where she is located and ASKING PRICE; A short, concise sentence or two about the boat that gives the reader an idea of her condition, equipment, and/or sail inventory, etc. Give your name and contact PHONE number. SBRNYCU may make editorial changes to submissions based on length and other pertinent factors. **The deadline for listing requests is THIS Saturday, March 10th.**

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, like many southern Bay racers, will be spending several days in the boat yard the next few weeks. The largest block of time will be spent on helping my crewmates sand the roughness out of the newly painted bottom. Wet sanding 'til we get down to 600 grit sand paper is our goal. And, then, heck, let's hit it with the bronze wool. Bottom prep - it's a rough job (get it?!). The Murphster will be mainly in charge of pizza distribution. /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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