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

**ST PATRICK'S DAY IS THIS COMING SUNDAY, MARCH 17<sup>th</sup> – don't let the leprechaun slip by ya!**

**Safety Equipment Requirements – pay attention.** PHRF of the Chesapeake no longer publishes Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for southern Bay Racers. The responsibility has been passed over to individual organizing authorities (i.e. yacht clubs, sailing associations, event managers, etc) of races. This spring clubs have been deciding on the safety equipment requirements each of them will apply to their races. For example, Hampton Yacht Club will use the *US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements* for their races while CCV has developed their own set of standards. Each of those organizations publishes the entire list of their requirements at their website and refers to them in their Notices of Race. Other clubs may soon announce their SERs and indicate where they may be found. So, be aware that Safety Equipment Requirements are likely to differ from club to club – at least for the time being.

**After six days of racing at the Bacardi Cup Invitational Regatta in Miami, and Mary and Geoff Ewenson and Tyler Bjorn won the 19 boat Viper 640 class.** The Ewenson boat, *Evil Hiss*, racked up 4 firsts (in 8 races) including wins in each of the final 3 races. Mary is well known to southern Bay racers as publisher of *SpinSheet Magazine* (and key sponsor at SBRW and numerous other events). Another southern Bay Viper racing in the extremely competitive class was **Peter III's Caterpillar**, with crew **Mark Wheeler** and **Joe Donahue** (10<sup>th</sup> overall) In addition to the Viper 640 class, racers competed in J/70, Melges 24, Flying Tigers 7.5 and Star classes. Melges 24 racer, **Travis Weisleder** of Richmond, brought *Lucky Dog* in 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the 25 boat class. Crewing on *Lucky Dog* were **John Bowen**, **Evea Aras**, **Jeremy Wilmot**, and **Caroline** (last name not available). For details on the regatta and complete results click on <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5889>

**Goin', Goin', . . . gone (any day now) to the Tripp 26 MidWinters at Ft Walton, March 14-17. Dennis Hannick and crew** will be taking their Tripp 26, *GOIN'* on the road in a couple of days. Dennis said, "We'll

leave Wednesday, the 13<sup>th</sup>. We take it easy going there and take two days. Arriving in the early afternoon Thursday, we'll set up the boat, practice a little, try to figure out the local currents and recon the local dinner/bar situation (yea, the seafood!!)." This is not the first rodeo for the *Goin'* guys. The racing goes Friday thru Sunday. For a look at the Tripp26 MidWinter Championship Notice of Race click on <http://www.nextsailor.com/app/page/regatta/108>

**There's a new boat all set to race in the PHRF A fleet on the southern Bay.** Andrew Norris, former skipper of *Papahu* (Santana 23) brought his "new to him" Carrera 290, **RIPTIDE**, home from Maine this past December. Andrew said he bought *Riptide* ". . . from John Casey in Maine, who now has the molds for the boat." Andrew is pretty sure *Riptide* has never sailed on the Chesapeake Bay. There was, however, a Carrera 290, owned by **Terry Nichols**, named *Vamp* (?), that raced here in the early-mid-1990s.

J36, **Sea Star**, recently has changed hands from Seward Lawlor to Will Kotheimer. Plans (whether she will be racing or not or if so, when) have not been announced.

**CCV Racing Spring Kickoff Meeting, Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm – hosted at Hampton Yacht Club.** CCV Members may pick up their copy of the **2019 CCV Racing Guide**. Membership registration will be available at the Kickoff Meeting to those not yet registered. OR, register and pay on line [here](#).

Beginning in April, the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month, **SBRNYCU** will publish the link to the current issue of **SpinSheet Magazine** for our readers convenience. Enjoy the read. Lots of good stuff. **SpinSheet** is downloadable as a PDF for e-readers, too.

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This past Saturday 30 Race Committee volunteers. for the coming season attended the **CCV Racing Race Committee Clinic**, hosted at Hampton Yacht Club. John McCarthy led a discussion of practical practices important to every Race Committee member.

**SBRW 2019 Update: May 30=Opening-Welcome-Check-in), May 31 & June 1 & 2 = racing awards, parties, and more.**

**DOCKING:** SBRW boats are all invited to raft FREE at the HYC docks (regatta headquarters). SBRW also has for SBRW racers *\*FREE - boat and trailer storage prior to the regatta (and FREE trailer storage throughout the regatta); \*FREE launch and haul from any of HYC three lifts; FREE - rafting for boats. Slips are available at low cost - \$.75 per foot -* SBRW skippers interested in reserving a slip, should contact the **HYC Manager, Richard Ash at 757-722-0711 and get on the Slips Reservations list.** Boats racing in *both* SBRW and the Down the Bay Race (May 24-25) will be given the special rate for slips reserved for the week between the two events.

Very Early Birds are building the fleets for SBRW. The PHRF Division is by far the largest and the Cruising Division is ahead of previous entries. The Viper 640 and the J70 classes have begun to form in the one-design division. The listing of current entries may be seen in Scratch Sheet format at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=6123> **Championship Regatta Graphics, designer and producer of the SBRW bow numbers**, has chosen to include a regatta photo of **Pete Hunter's Wairere and crew**, sporting their SBRW bow # decal, on the CRG website. <https://www.championshipregattagraphics.com/sponsor-Logo-stickers-or-bow-numbers-with-sponsorship/> **Y'ALL COME RACING!** For all SBRW 2019 documents, scratch sheets, entry ON LINE, accommodations, the Official Notice Board, and more click on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=6123> .

MURPHY'S LAW: Yrs Truly the Racing Beagle, has some St Patrick's glee for ya – Irish chuckles: \*\*He gave her a zirconia ring on St Patrick's Day – it was a sham rock. \*\*Due to a water shortage in Ireland, Dublin swimming baths plan to close lanes 5 and 6. \*\*Donncha is shocked at finding out all his cows are suffering from "Bluetongue". "Bejabbers," he said, " I didn't know they had mobile phones." \*\* Never try to borrow money from a leprechaun – they're always a little short. \*\* How did the Irish jig get started? Too much to drink and not enough toilets. Ahooo. /S/ Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.

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