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Viper 640 sailors...you've a summer full of regattas ahead of you

Summertime is Vipertime with dozens of regattas to be sailed across the U.S., Canada, and Bermuda in addition to all the local Viper racing being done. The northeast has events from Long Island Sound to Marblehead. Down south, the GYA Viper series has three more events planned. Out west, there's Viper sailing from San Diego and Long Beach up to Anacortes, WA. The Canadian Viper Champs are soon with other regattas across the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain. And don't forget

November's inaugural Viper International Championship in Bermuda.

Race locally but also plan to take a road trip. Viper racing guarantees excellent competition, great camaraderie, and memorable sailing. Viper 640: great boats, great racing, great destinations.

Bellow is a list of the upcoming Viper regattas you should have on your schedule. If I missed one, contact me and I'll post it on the site.

Note to Self #1 - If you've ever run a regatta, you know how frustrating late entries can be as you're trying to plan logistics and all. Help your fellow Viperer prepare for the next regatta by registering early.

Note to self #2 - You know you're going to a regatta...register NOW so others can see that there will be a solid fleet of Vipers on the starting line. You know, we all suffer from the herd mentality!

See you on the starting line,

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UPCOMING REGATTA RECAPS - Save the Dates

Northeast and Mid-Atlantic:

July 2-3 - Independence Day Regatta
American Yacht Club, Rye, NY
[Registration/Information](#)

July 16-17, 23-24 Larchmont Race Week
Larchmont Yacht Club, Larchmont, NY
14 Vipers already registered and expecting over 20 to race.
[Registration/Information](#)

July 29-31 Marblehead Race Week NOOD Regatta 2016
Marblehead Racing Association
4 boats already registered and expecting over a dozen on the starting line.
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August 7-8 Western Long Island Sound YRA Championship
Riverside Yacht Club, Greenwich, CT
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August 28-29 New England Championship / ONE Regatta 2016
Boston Yacht Club, Marblehead, MA
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Great Lakes and Eastern Canada

July 9-10 Viper 640 Canadian Championship

Kingston Yacht Club, Kingston, Ontario
11 boats already registered and more expected.

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Pacific Northwest

July 15-17 High Sierra Viper Regatta
Huntington Lake hosted by the Fresno YC

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Southern California

Aug 26-28 The Catalina Cruise
Here's one for the books - talk about a great concept
Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, Long Beach, CA
Registration/Information contact [Tim Carter](#).

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Gulf Coast

July 9-10 Megis Regatta
Fort Walton Yacht Club, Fort Walton Beach, FL
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July 16-17 Summer Regatta
Mobile Yacht Club, Mobile, AL
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July 25-26 Weatherly Regatta
Gulfport Yacht Club, Gulfport, MS
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Australia

August 5-12 Airlie Beach Race Week
Whitsunday Sailing Club, Airlie Beach, QLD
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Europe

July 10-15 Volvo Cork Week
Royal Cork Yacht Club, Crosshaven, Co. Cork, Ireland
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July 29-31 Taittinger Yarmouth Regatta
Royal Solent Yacht Club, Yarmouth, UK
[Registration/Information](#)

August 5-14 Falmouth Week
Falmouth Sailing and Yacht Clubs, Falmouth, Cornwall, UK
[Registration/Information](#)

August 20-23 Royal Torbay Regatta
The Royal Torbay Yacht Club, Torquay, Devon, UK
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Viper 640 Class Flags for Race Committees

Your friendly Class Admin had printed a bunch of 2.5' x 2.5' Viper flags for use by Race Committees as starting flags. They are \$40 each. There are 14 left in inventory so contact Class Admin Buttons Padin (epadin@padesta.com) ASAP if you want one. First come first served.



Photo Beth Hill

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RECYCLE YOUR OLD SAILS

Some of our Viper brethren in the looking for practice sails for their newly acquired Vipers. If you have some serviceable sails, please Viper sails you'd like to recycle, please go to the Viper Forum's new chain on Recycling Viper Sails to find a seller or buyer.

DO YOU HAVE A REGATTA COMING UP?

If so, send to Buttons Padin the following: Name of the event, location (host club), dates, a brief description of the event (promoting why someone should participate), and links to the NoR and online registration. Buttons will post on the website's Events listing and include in future newsletters.
epadin@padesta.com

GOT GREAT VIPER PIX OR VIDEO?

If you do, we can use them on the Viper website or in future editions of Snake

Bytes. Share your great images and video by sending the files to Buttons Padin at epadin@padesta.com.

DID YOU HAVE A REGATTA?

If so, send a recap of the event and a link to results to Buttons Padin and he'll post online and may include in a future newsletter. epadin@padesta.com

DATABASE CLEAN-UP

If you wish to be taken off the Viper 640 Class Association's database, please send an e-mail to Buttons Padin at epadin@padesta.com and simply put UNSUBSCRIBE on the subject line. If you're getting multiple copies of Snake Bytes, shoot Buttons a note and say **MULTIPLE COPIES**.



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