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CAL MARITIME/UC BERKELEY CO-HOSTING TEAM RACING SAILING CHAMPIONSHIPS MAY 29-31 AT TREASURE ISLAND

(Vallejo, CA – May 21, 2009)...The California Maritime Academy and the University of California – Berkeley are serving as co-hosts for the 2009 College Nationals Team Race Championships, set for May 29-31st on the waters of San Francisco Bay.

Team racing is a unique form of college sailing in which two schools, each with three boats, face off against each other. The rules allow interference, which makes for exciting action as boats battle for position rounding the marks. The race is umpired, so fouls are called on the water and penalties assessed when appropriate. Cal Maritime Sailing Program Director Charlie Arms Cartee, a certified National Umpire, is also co-chair of the Team Race Nationals Committee. She extended an invitation to the public and to area Cal Maritime alumni to come watch the events over the Memorial Day weekend. The Treasure Island Sailing Center will be the hub of weekend activity with collegiate sailors from 14 colleges and universities taking part. A detailed overview of the competition including first-round races (starting at 10 AM Friday) can be found at <http://teamracing2009.wordpress.com/>

Arms also invited area alumni interested in volunteering to help with the event to contact her at (707) 654-1257 or carms@sum.edu.