



Windjammer



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Commodore's Log

I am taking a vacation from my retired life. I will be doing a bicycle ride along the Neckar River Valley (Schwenningen – Heidelberg – Nurnberg) in southwest Germany, and will be gone from June 15th until July 17th. The Fremont Sailing Club should get along fine in my absence, and who knows, things might go better. Some club members seem to step up and things that need to be done get done. I would say if some issue occurs to you, pick whoever seems to be the appropriate Board member and discuss it with him or her. Depending on the Board's decision, there may be a Board meeting in July (the board is looking at July 10th) chaired by Vice Commodore Gwen Locke.

Jim Lechner has suggested that the club try to participate in the Fremont Fourth of July parade. Right now there is a question whether we will get a space in the parade, but if we do, apparently it would be for someone pushing a boat (El Toro) on a dolly or buggy of some sort. It has been suggested that perhaps we might use one of the city boats. We have one or two strings of pennants in the race box which might serve to dress up a boat. Again, we don't know for sure if we will get a spot, but if you would be in a position to help out with your presence, perhaps with a good dolly, or an El Toro, please contact Jim Lechner at (510) 440-9554 or james_lechner@yahoo.com, or there will perhaps be a chance to volunteer at the June 24th regatta

We have a general meeting scheduled for the regatta/BBQ on July 22nd. This is a chance for the members to make observations, comments, or suggestions. Club officers will be reporting on their areas of responsibility. Also, we will be soliciting help for a nominating committee for next year's officers. Note that Board members should not be on the nominating committee.

The new Standing Sailing Instructions are up on the Club web site. Thanks to Harold Ho for making that happen. (He did it in the middle of moving too.) Also, the last I heard, the second series of sailing classes is a go. Thanks to Vern Tucker for being the chief instructor, and to Jim Lechner, Chuck St. Denis, Gene Arrillaga, and Keith O'Hara, who have volunteered to help out.



Hope to see you at the July 22nd regatta/BBQ/General Meeting.

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Fremont Sailing Club Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report June, 10, 2007

Income

Interest	1.17
Guest Sailors	30.00
Dues	108.00
Ships Stores	33.00

Checking balance	\$4,029.94
Savings balance	\$3,952.81

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Federico, Treasurer

Historian's Corner

July in our Club

Doug Hamilton, Historian

- July '06 Helga Wolff reported that we now have 60 members.
- July '05 Vern Tucker placed first in the FJ's - Spring Series.
Butch Michel placed first in Lidos.
Max Fraser placed first in El Toros.
Roy Jordan placed first in Open Class.
- July '04 Jack Navarra thanked the 23 participants who enjoyed the Great Barbecue.
Joe Davis had a successful measurement day.
- July '03 Race Captain Roy Jordan discussed regatta procedures for the club.
- July '02 Lake Dredging finally completed. Bull and Belle regatta was able to use the whole lake.
- July '01 All fleets came along and dipped in the Del Valle cruise and enjoyed the BBQ.
- July '00 Commodore John Christman thanked Vern Tucker, Ian Murray, Joe and Cathy Doering, Roy Jordan, and Doug Hamilton for the fine efforts in handling the sailing classes.

Board Meeting at the Lake, June 10

Hi all,

We gathered a small group of Board members after the regatta on Sunday, June 10 to discuss a couple of matters.

We scheduled a board meeting for July 10th at the Fremont Library - Helga is going to reserve the room (as soon as she gets over her jet lag). Gwen, I hope this is all right with you. If the rest of the Board decides not to have the meeting, you'll want to cancel the room. The first Tuesday in August is in the middle of the ET Nationals - if this is an issue we might want to move the August Board meeting (if we have one) to the second Tuesday.

We weren't able to decide Sunday whether or not to order some additional T-shirts. We have a considerable amount of capital tied up in the inventory we have, but we are out of some sizes/styles that a couple of people have expressed an interest in. The decision seems to center around whether we can order a mix of styles and sizes without making too big an order. Kathleen, how big does an order have to be to mix sizes and styles? Maybe with this information the Board can approve an order by email, or at the July meeting.

Kathleen suggested that if an appropriate person is going to the ET regionals, he or she might take some shirts and see if they could sell a few up there. (Maybe it's too late to set that up now.)

Jim Lechner expects to find out soon if we are allotted a place in the Fremont Fourth of July parade. If we get one, it appears that it would be for someone pushing a small boat (El Toro) on a cart or dolly. If it comes through, Jim will be looking for a few participants. (Note that this will be over before a July 10th Board meeting.)

Another piece of business - our P flag seems to have disappeared. We may need to get a new one. Kathy, do we need Board approval to do that? If so, it's one more bit of business for a July meeting, if not maybe someone can go ahead and order one.

Something to think about - we have a general meeting coming up the 22nd of July. I mentioned a couple of things to bring up - usual reports from Board members and a nominating committee for next year's officers.

I think that's about it for me. I will be gone from Friday, June 15th until Tuesday, July 17th. I might see some email while I am in Germany, but I think we have people who can take care of things until I get back.

Thanks for your help,
Roy

Fleet News



El Toro Fleet Report

Flight of the Bulls

A big THANK YOU to John Frazier for coming from Santa Cruz to provide our safety crash boat!
Thank you Mary Morrill for a healthy lunch.

During the El Toro sailing season some days will have light winds, some moderate and some days will be windy and occasionally there is a very windy race! It all comes out in the averages in the end. The second leg of the Tripple Crown was windy!

Last Saturday was a beautiful sun filled and windy day. The wind was a steady 12 mph with gusts well over 20+.
It was a day for the big guys! Heavy was better and that is OK, some times.

Triple Crown Standings

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| 1. Art Lange | Fred Paxton |
| 2. Fred Paxton | Gordie Nash |
| 3. Gordie Nash | Art Lang |
| 4. Dennis Silva | Chris Straub |
| 5. Chris Straub | Will Paxton |
| 6. Greg Morrill | Dennis Silva |
| 7. Vickie Gilmore | John Pacholski |
| 8. Paul Zander | there are more |
| 9. Jacob Abrahams | |
| 10. Marina Fennell | |
| 11. Vern Tucker | |
| 12. John Pacholski | |

2007 Fremont Relays

The 2007 Fremont Relays were held on Sunday May 20 on beautiful Lake Elizabeth in Fremont.

This year we had 24 skippers in 12 El Toro's sailing in moderate winds. Unlike last year when it rained, with the exception of three unlucky skippers who couldn't stay right side up, we all remained dry.

After each leg of the course Fred Paxton and his partner Dave Vickland remained in first place for the entire race. Art Lange and John Pacholski were in second place after the first lap, but fell down to eight place after John went swimming. They finally were able to move up one spot when Greg Morrill also took a swim and fell from fourth to eighth place.

The race couldn't have been held had it not been for Kathy Federico and Nancy Tucker who not only recorded the finishes but also handled the starting. Mary Rommelsee helped with the registration and collected the launch fees. The BBQ and purchasing of the food was handled by Gene Arrillaga. T-Shirts for the top twelve boats were obtained by Tom Federico and the trophies as in the past were donated by Pete Blasberg. Than you all for the hard work you put in.

It was especially good to see Carol Warren, who came from Oregon to visit her parents Lew and Marie Hawk , on the water again.

The results are as follows:

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|-----|----------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Fred Paxton and Dave Vickland | 2. | Patrick Tara and Steve Katz |
| 3. | John Amen and Claire Dennis | 4. | Aad Rommelse and Al Anderson |
| 5. | Paul Zander and Dennis Silva | 6. | Dan Cook and Mackenzie Cook |
| 7. | Art Lange and John Pacholski | 8. | Vern Tucker and Greg Morrill |
| 9. | Pete Blasberg and Vickie Gilmore | 10. | Hayden Stapelton and Marioum Fennell |
| 11. | Jim Lechner and Carol Warren | 12. | Karen Howard and Cynthia Grimam |

For those of you missed this great annual event, it will be repeated again next year on May 18, 2008.



Ready, Set, Go!

Race Calendar

Fremont Sailing Club 2007 Schedule FSC events in bold

Other events of possible interest to FSC sailors are included as best we know them

6/23	Sat.	Lady & Tramp (women skippers) (FLYC)
6/24	Sun.	Summer 1, 2, 3 RC = ET
7/07-7/08	Sat.-Sun.	High Sierra Regatta (FYC)
7/08	sun.	Mayors Cup (LMSC)
7/15	Sun.	Summer 4, 5, 6 RC = FJ
7/22	Sun.	Summer 7, 8, 9; BBQ & Gen. Mtg. RC = Lido
7/28-7/30	Sat.-Mon.	FJ Nationals (TISC)
8/02-8/05	Thr.-Sun.	FJ Worlds (TISC)
8/06-8-09	Mon.-Thr.	ET Nationals (Pinecrest)
8/11	Sat.	Centerboard River Regatta (FLYC)
8/11-8/12	Sat.-Sun.	ET Worlds (Pinecrest)
8/18	Sat.	Dinghy Delta Ditch (LWSC)
8/18-8/22	Sat.-Wed.	Lido Nationals (Newport Beach)
8/26	Sun.	Fall 1, 2, 3 RC = FJ
9/09	Sun.	Fall 4, 5, 6 RC = Lido
9/22-9/23	Sat.-Sun.	Totally Dinghy (RYC)
9/30	Sun.	Fall 7, 8, 9; BBQ & Gen Mtg. RC = ET
10/6-10/7	Sat.-Sun.	Lido District Championship (LWSC)
10/07	Sun.	El Toro Stampede (RYC)
10/13	Sat.	Corkscrew Regatta (ET's) (Sequoia)
10/24	Wed.	ET Wed. Eve. Races end (HPSC)
11/03	Sat.	Bailer's Ball
11/10	Sat.	Turkey Shoot (LWSC)



MAKE FLEET RACING MORE FUN

By Tom Ehman, Jr.

Most important for those interested in improving one-design sailing is to remember that most people race to socialize as well as compete. They want to have fun – party, party, party. Where sailing is social and fun, fleets are alive and healthy. (Or is the converse true? I think not.) Here is a string of ideas to make racing more social and fun:

Have a potluck dinner after the race. Move it around from one fleet member's house to another. BYO drinks and protein. Hosts (or co-hosts) provide salad and dessert. This concept was singularly responsible for rejuvenating the J/24 fleet in Newport, RI a few years back. The party is fun for those who win (they can savor their victory in public), and a salve for those who don't.

Every now and then have a fleet "theme party": Hawaiian luau, M*A*S*H party, toga party... all the standard stuff. Invite non-sailors (prospects) and those from other "fringe" fleets.

Do a regular fleet newsletter announcing results of recent races and regattas – and announcing who won the parties. Keep it simple and light, and don't be afraid to poke some gentle fun... People love the recognition.

Have lots of short races. The more races you have, the more likely it is that the regulars will beat the rock stars. Starting on a reach off the yacht club dock, and finishing back there 25 minutes later IS FUN. Then do it again. Someone else is bound to win. No, don't run the districts or nationals that way; but for club racing, it's great.

Give out crew awards equal to those given to skippers. The prize giving should not be "In first place, Ken Read and crew." Every member of the crew should be recognized by name and awarded a trophy the same as the skipper. Recognize crews as well as skippers and everyone will have more fun; and it will make it easier for skippers to get crews.

Use US SAILING's Rules-In-Brief card instead of the rulebook. It's simple, easy to understand, and makes it easier for a novice to have fun. Have oral protests. No forms, no formalities. Require that a protest flag is flown, and the other party is notified of the incident and the rule. Then have the hearing immediately, and get it over with like we do at most college regattas. Then people can get back to socializing.

Don't let people cheat (on kinetics, class rules, etc.). If they do, protest them. If they persist, invite them to leave the fleet.

Invite novices (skippers and crews) to sail with the experts in the fleet. It is still the best way to help newcomers learn to become good sailors quickly.

Keep it light on the water. Hail "good job" when someone gets you on the race course; make a big deal about a novice doing well on a leg, or in a race, by giving them a big cheer on the water. Encourage the race committee to be helpful.

DON'T race when the weather is cold, rainy, or extremely rough and windy. Have a seminar and party on shore instead.

DO race when there isn't much wind. This is when the novices are most likely to do well, and have fun. So what if it's a crapshoot? As long as it's an even shorter than usual course, and as long as it isn't broiling hot, it's fun.

Keep a good fleet captain on. Don't change fleet captains every year or two just because "you should pass it around." Most good fleet captains are good because they like to do it. Most bad ones are bad because they don't want to do it. If you have a good one who's willing to stay – keep 'em! Only change when someone wants out, or isn't very good.

Find something to do for spouses and kids who don't like to race. Lots of spouses love to do race committee work, but don't like to sail. Then you'll be including the whole family.

Get some publicity. Make the necessary arrangements with the local paper for the results to be published, if only as a box score, after each race. Recognition turns everybody on and brings in new fleet members.

Do a charity regatta or cruise. It's amazing how this brings the fleet together! Everyone rallies around a cause. Collect the entry fees and give them to the local heart fund, cancer drive, or whatever. Gets good ink for the fleet and club, too. Or have a public sailing day where members of the fleet take anyone who comes down to the docks out sailing, in return for a small donation to a local charity. That'll get great ink as a dual public service, and it is a good way to interest newcomers. But most important, it is social – and fun. That's what makes one-design sailing fun, and it's what will make any fleet grow.

Article excerpted from Sailing World, February 1987.

2007 456 Spring	Sail Number	Race 4 Fin.	Race 4 Points	Race 5 Fin.	Race 5 Points	Race 6 Fin.	Race 6 Points	456 Tot	Position
LIDO									
Skipper / Crew									
Jim and Sarah Mackey	4284	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1
Jim Lechner	4491	2	2	2	2	2	2	6	2
Butch and Joey	6166	DNS	5	DNS	5	DNS	5	15	3
Dan Markey	432	DNS	5	DNS	5	RAF	4	14	4
El Toro									
Skipper									
Fred Paxton		1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1
Art Lange		2	2	2	2	2	2	6	2
Art Lewis	11458	DNS	5	3	3	DNF	4	12	3
Pete Blasberg		DNS	5	DNF	5	DNS	5	15	4
FJ									
Skipper / Crew									
Lager + Phyliss	4097	1	1	3	3	3	3	7	1
Vern Tucker + Crew	4195	DNS	6	2	2	1	1	9	2
Allan Wyckoff	KA70	4	4	1	1	5	5	10	3
O'Hara + Davis	3756	3	3	5	5	2	2	10	4
Niel Van der Plas + Crew	3288	2	2	4	4	4	4	10	5
Open Class									
Race clock start times		NA		NA		NA			
Skipper + Crew / Boat Class									
Claude + Kathleen Turner / Windrider		NA	1	NA	1	NA	1	3	1
Roy Jordan / Sunfish	48439	RC		RC		RC			



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2007 Fleet Box
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Thank you for renewing!

Total 45 members

Coming Events:

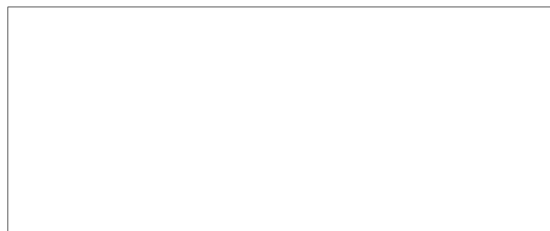
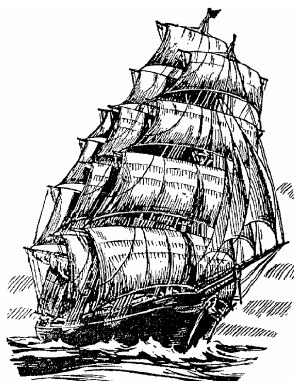
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