



Windjammer



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March Madness at the Lake!

Join the fun and games at the Lake Elizabeth Community Center on March 20 for a general meeting. The Fremont Sailing Club Executive Board is hosting a potluck evening with a raffle. Bring that white elephant gift or something boat-related and your favorite recipe made to serve eight. Families welcome!

Time: 5:00 PM—8:00 PM
Fremont Community Center
40204 Paseo Padre Parkway
(first traffic light south of Stevenson)

Need further information? Call Helga at (510)656-4289.

February 22 Fun at the Lake

Yes the work day at the lake is here again! Many projects made easier with hopefully many hands. Following is the task list. Choose what you would like to help with and contact Sidney Lee at 831-439-3852.

- * Review the contents of the locker for things that are no longer needed, remove or toss.
- * Review boats that are to be dumped. Check on the condition of the Sunfish and catamaran to see if they are salvageable. The FJ and Banshee are trash but we should check for useful parts. I think that we should save any many trailers as possible.

COF El Toros

- * Check cleat screws on masts. John recalls that there was at least one mast that had a loose cleat.

COF Toppers

- * Check and fix the daggerboard trunks as necessary.
- * Clean boats. Perhaps the COF pressure washer can be used.

COF Capris

- * Clean boats. Perhaps the COF pressure washer can be used.
- * Main sail batten. John Christman is providing the materials.

At least we do not need to paint the markers this year!

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FJUS www.sailing.org/fj
El Toro www.eltoroyra.org

Send *Windjammer* Material to:

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By the first Tuesday of the month.

Fremont Sailing Club Treasurer's Report

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$5,919.38
Bank of The West		
Savings	\$3918.38	
Checking	\$2,001.00	
JANUARY INCOME		\$288.92
Membership	\$ 288.00	
Interest (Savings)	\$ 0.83	
Interest (Checking)	\$ 0.09	
JANUARY EXPENSES		\$213.80
General meeting	\$ 400.00	
U.S. Sailing	\$ 100.00	
FSC Website development	\$ 95.00	
ENDING BALANCE		<u>\$5,573.30</u>
Savings*	\$3,919.21	
Checking*	\$1654.09	

* matches bank statement

Respectfully submitted, Hans Wolff

Reminder:

Membership is due before March 1. You don't want to miss out on any of the fun this summer!

Send the enclosed membership form to Helga or bring the February 20 work day at the lake.

Dinghy Captain's Question Corner



SHORES; WINDWARD AND LEEWARD

When possible, especially with any breeze, sail towards the windward shore.

That is where the wind blows from the shore towards the water. Sailing into a windy leeward shore will drive the boat onto the beach--hard on smooth

bottoms. Getting off a lee shore requires turning the boat around--usually scraping the rudder and requires a brave swimmer to push the boat into deep water and keep it from yawing. When docking, keep the boat into the wind.

Commodore's Log, a Potpourri of Thoughts

FIRST: GENERAL MEETING Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 20th**, the FSC's first general meeting for 2004. I would pray that everyone is able to attend this potluck dinner. The board has taken suggestion from the membership for this social event and meeting, to kick off the 2004 season with a vengeance. This is a family event to bring the whole family to. I would suggest that you bring enough groceries for your family and then bring a little more. (This way you can add ballast to your competitors and give yourself an extra edge in those light winds.)

SECOND: For those that missed it, this year's crew appreciation breakfast at El Torito's was a smashing success. Jack Navarra hosted a wonderful time. I was able to snap some Kodak moments of the event catching the group in mid bite or mid sentence as this social gathering was well attended.

THIRD: As I am pressing these keys to offer a written glimpse of hope and good sailing for the coming year, I am finding it is difficult to do. When we have received many many inches of rain, freezing mornings, and nothing but looming dark skies over the coast range, it is hard to imagine a day when I am sailing slathered in sunscreen to keep from broiling. Regardless, in just a few short months the 2004 racing season will be upon us. Here are a few things you may wish to think about as we prepare for the next year:

Was there a project that you wanted to complete on your boat? Do you need (or want) a new set of sails? Are all of your lines in good repair? Have you checked the fittings to ensure that there is no undue wear that needs replacement? Is there a ding in the hull that needs repair? (With a warmer weekend to cure the resin of course.) Is there a book you have been wanting to read to learn a trick or two for nailing that perfect start? Have you looked at the Internet and downloaded the suggestions that the national winners have written for tuning your boat and made these changes? Now is the time to complete these things to be prepared.

FOURTH: For those who wish, there is still winter dingy sailing/racing going on. The first weekend of the month is RYC midwinter's. The second weekend is Lake Merrit, Oakland. Most every weekend there is racing with Jim Mackey at Shoreline. I have been a slave to the work ethic lately and was lamenting to the bride that I miss being in my boat!

FIFTH: In 1597, Bacon quoted that "Knowledge is Power". Along these lines I offer you this, nailing that perfect start is comprised of a great many fine details, faultless positioning, explicit strategy, precise timing, hours of tiller time, and a little luck. However, to have a good start, one only needs to be aware of the conditions that are reasonably present at that time, what will reasonably happen in the next 3-5 minutes, and to be crossing the line within 10 seconds after the starting flag. Similarly, a good race committee does not need to be perfect either. They can have a good start and have complete races by knowing the major pitfalls to avoid, being observant of the conditions present at that time, and what the wind conditions will reasonably be present in the next 20 minutes. We all need to remember that there is a wide range of ages, skill levels, and diversity of crafts that we have and there must be compromises. It is impossible to please all of the people all of the time. Please volunteer for the Race Committee duties and don't be fearful of the starting line. Plan for a good start and race, rather than a perfect one. I will back you if there are complaints and we'll let the discontents work the flags the next race.

SIXTH: Kathleen Turner has made business cards for the club. I am encouraging members to carry one with them. The goal is when you have hunted down a prospective new member, you will have a card with the club information handy to give them. Hopefully you can think of those that are in your local, business, church, (fill in locations here) that you can encourage someone to come and take lessons or bring their boat out of mothballs to again come to race days.

SEVENTH: What a very lucky man I am to have the life I am living, the friends that I have, and to have returned to sailing. Is the glass half full or half empty? I choose every day to see what I have and I am grateful for it. I hope to see all of you on the water soon and if this is not possible, I will see you on March 20th at the community center hall at the lake for the 2004 first general meeting and potluck.

Fair sailing to you
Greg Morrill

Fremont Sailing Club Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday February 3, 2004

Board Members Present:

Greg Morrill, Helga Wolff, Hans Wolff, Tom Federico, Jack Navarra, John Christman, Sidney Lee, Kathleen Turner, Roy Jordan and Vern Tucker

Commodore Morrill called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours.

The minutes of the January meeting, were approved as corrected. The Windjammer showed that the Crew Appreciation Breakfast was to be held on January 25th, instead of the 18th.

Membership Chairs Report:

Helga reported that as of the meeting 25 members had renewed for 2004. At the March Board meeting, Helga will have a list of those members who want the Windjammer by e-mail and those who prefer "snail mail."

Treasurer's Report:

See elsewhere in this Windjammer for the Audited and Final 2003 reports, and the January 2004 report. Hans presented the budget for 2004. The board approved the budget, however it did not approve the purchasing of a Commodore's Hat for \$300.00. The final approved budget will be presented at the March board meeting.

Editor's Report:

Kathleen presented Business Cards to the Board. All members will have an opportunity to obtain some of the cards to pass out to people who have boats and or showing an interest in the Club. They have a place for the member to sign and how to contact the club.

Kathleen also passed out a spread sheet with each members name on it, and a separate column after name for different interest and activities the member can commit to. Fleet Captains will circulate to their fleets.

Race Captain's Report:

Presented the schedule for 2004. The schedule through May will be published in the Windjammer.

Discussed race courses, and how to handle the novice sailor. Separate starts, same start with a different course. John indicated that we must have separate starts. Will be worked out later and the RC will be instructed on how to handle on race days. It was also agreed that the fleets must help each other with the special events. The Lido Fleet agreed to help the Toros' for the Fremont Relays and the Toros' will help the Lidos' with their Districts.

El Toro Report:

The February pot luck meeting will be at the home of Nancy and Vern Tucker on February 21, 2004. Tom said the Toro Fleet will help members obtain boats and partners for the Fremont Relays. For other El Toro news see elsewhere in the Windjammer.

Lido Report:

See elsewhere in the Windjammer.

Commodore's Report:

See elsewhere in the Windjammer

Vice Commodore's Report:

Greg (as spokesperson for the V.C) presented a flyer for the sailing classes. The flyer will be sent to various publications.

Kathleen said she would make a sailing class flyer for the Bulletin Board at the lake.

Port Captain's Report:

Sidney announced there will be a work day on February 22, 2004.

Old Business:

Tom Federico has secured the room at the Community Center for the FSC General Meeting to be held on March 20, 2004 @5:00 PM. This will be a pot-luck for all club members.

John reported on his conversation with Phil Hagmann with the City of Fremont.

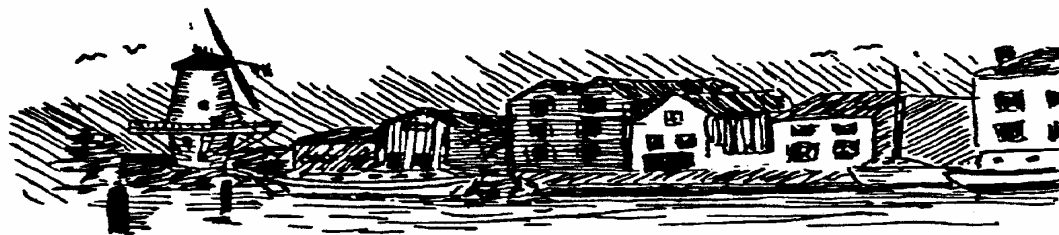
Season Passes- Although each pass is for one boat, the FSC members passes will be marked as a FSC member and they will be allowed to launch one boat per day. Need not be the same class boat each day. i.e. FJ one day and Toro the next day.

Crash Boat - The COF has the primary responsibility for rescues on the lake. Our RC in the scow will have a radio that will allow them to keep in touch with the patrol boat. The COF recognizes that all of our people may not be able to physically rescue a capsized boat. The club will train the COF staff on how to rescue a sail boat.

Sailing class students using COF Boats- Current registered class members will be allowed to use the COF boats in our regattas. They must check in to the city with a FSC member that is known to the city. i.e. Ian, John, Vern etc.

The club will assist the COF in getting rid of the several impounded boats in the boat yard.

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Fleet News

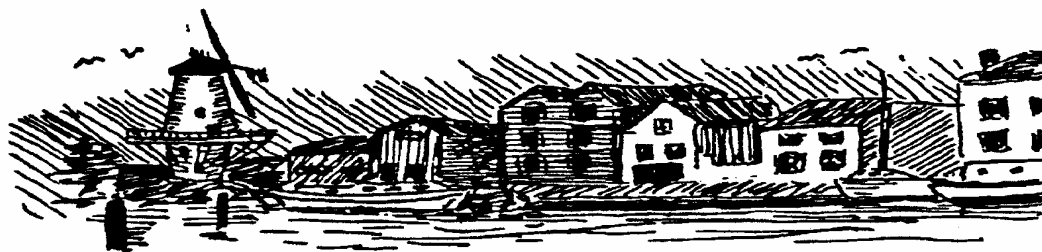


El Toro Fleet Report

Ahoy El Toro Sailors. Our Fleet meeting will be at home of Nancy and Vern Tucker on February 21 at 7 P M. Our Social Chairman, Pete Blasberg will be contacting you with food assignments and directions to the Tuckers. I hope to see you there as we are finalizing our schedule for this year and have some things to go over, such as Race Committee assignments, we need 4 people on 3 race days, the March 20th FSC General meeting, the Fremont Relay Regatta and the FSC Race schedule. I will be contacting you about the March 20th FSC General meeting, from 5 till 8:30 P M at the Fremont

Community Center, right by Lake Liz. I would like to have 100% attendance from our El Toro Fleet. It will be a Club Pot Luck Dinner for our member families. Bring your kids and meet the other families in our Club and please renew your membership, as the cut off date for renewal is February 29th. See you on the 21st.

Submitted by Tom Federico



Lido Fleet report

LAKE MERRIT

The sailing at Lake Merritt is a lot of fun. We had three Lidos at the January Regatta (Jack Navarra, Jim Mackey, and Morie Oberg). Harold Ho and Sarah crewed for Jim Mackey. There were also a large group of El Toros, and several other types of sailboats. I hope that we see more boats at the next two regattas. This is a good opportunity to sharpen your sailing skills before our races at Lake Elizabeth starts.

CREW APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

19 people attended the Crew appreciation breakfast at El Toritos. We all enjoyed the food and I couldn't think of a better way to start the New Year off.

Lido 2004 Planning Meeting & Pot Luck February 21.

Place: Chuck & Karen St.Denis

Address: 820 Pheland court Pleasanton **Phone Number** (408) 263-5690

Phone Karen for your food assignment.

This is the time of year that we need to decide what

activities we want to put on our Calendar. Do you want to have a cruise, treasure hunt, Lido tune-up, etc? I am also putting together a Lido Sailing Packet that I will hand out at the meeting.

Let's help Sidney Lee, there is going to be a **Work Day** on February 22.

FREMONT SAILING CLUB MARCH MEETING

Put March 20th on your calendar for the General Meeting. This is going to be a potluck and club meeting. Please take advantage of this opportunity so that we can bring everyone together for a fun evening. Details to follow.

ubmitted by Jack Navarra



Ready, Set, Go! Race Calendar

Schedule of FSC Regattas and General Meetings

Date	Day	Event
Mar 20	3rd Sat	GENERAL CLUB MEETING
Apr 18	3rd Sun	FSC Rules Seminar presented by John Christman (Tent.)
May 2	1st Sun	FSC Spring Series 1, 2, 3, RC=FJ
May 23	4th Sun	FSC Spring Series 4, 5, 6, RC=Lido
Jun 13	2nd Sun	FSC Spring 7, 8, 9 BBQ, Invitational RC & BBQ = ET
Jun 27	4th Sun	FSC Summer Series 1, 2, 3, RC=Lido
Jul 18	3rd Sun	FSC Summer 4, 5, 6 RC=ET
Aug 15	3rd Sun	FSC Summer 7, 8, 9, BBQ RC & BBQ = FJ GENERAL CLUB MEETING
Sep 12	2nd Sun	FSC Fall 1, 2, 3 RC = ET
Sep 19	3rd Su	FSC Fall 4, 5, 6, Invitational, BBQ RC & BBQ = LIDO GENERAL CLUB MEETING
Oct 3	1st Sun	FSC Fall 7, 8, 9, RC=FJ

Fremont Sailing Club 2004 schedule - (as of 3 February, 2004)

SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Event	Reference
Feb 22	4th Sun	FSC Work Day #1	ours
Mar 2	1st Tue	FSC Board Meeting	Ours
Mar 6	1st Sat	RYC Sail a Small Boat Day	RYC Web
Mar 7	1st Sun	RYC Midwinter RYC Web	
Mar 14	2nd Sun	LMSC Midwinter	LMSC NOR
Mar 28	4th Sun	FSC Work Day #2	ours

Submitted by Roy Jordan

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New Business:

Discussed the Pot Luck General Meeting scheduled for March 20th. Each member attending should bring a wrapped "white elephant" for a gift exchange.

Tom, Jack and Helga volunteered to be the steering committee for the Club Pot Luck. They also will be looking for and or "drafting" volunteers to help.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 20:56 hours.

The next Board meeting will be held at the Fremont Main Library on Tuesday March 2, 2004 @ 19:00 hours.

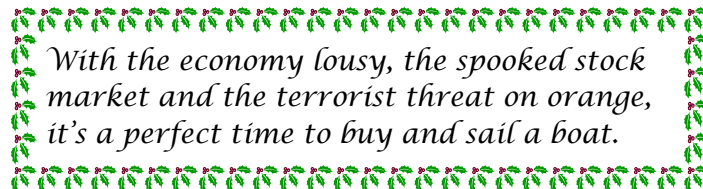
Respectfully submitted,
Vern Tucker, Secretary.

C l a s s i f i e d

The following list may not include all used boats, currently for sale. Buyers are urged to contact Fleet Captains for information on used boats. Ads will run for three months, only, unless additional time is requested.

For Sale

El Toro- Sailnetics Super neat, really great shape. Price negotiable if you are willing to participate in Lake Elizabeth regattas. Yellow and white and has flotation. Call Chuck St. Denis 408-263-5690 or email fslido@aol.com



Wanted

Sailors and boats for the new OPEN group. Any small boat may now join in the fun. Dust off your boat and have some fun this year! Questions? Email Claude Turner at n2racing@comcast.net or call 408-736-7264.



El Toro Self-rescuing, fiberglass, very inexpensive. Brigid is getting ready to race her sister. Call Jim Mackey (650) 856-1122 or email: jim@mackeys.com



Fremont Sailing Club Membership Form

Last Name: _____ First Name _____
Last Name: _____ First Name _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____ Please deliver my Windjammer by (Check one):
E-mail: _____ e-mail or snail mail
Is there a change in any of the above information from your previous form? Y / N

Children under 17 years of age

Name: _____ Birth date: _____
Name: _____ Birth date: _____
Name: _____ Birth date: _____

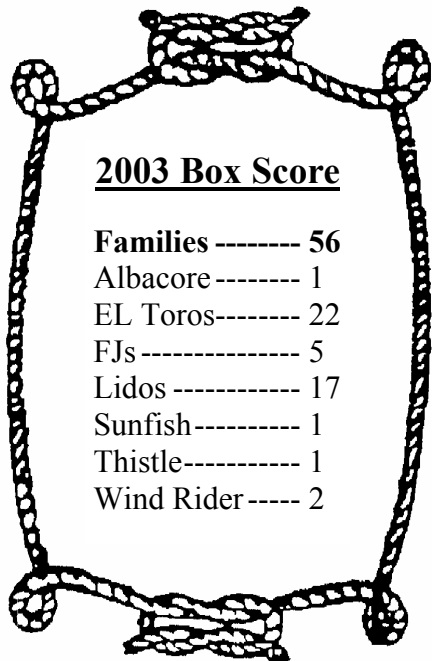
Boat #1: Class _____ Sail # _____ Boat #2: Class _____ Sail # _____
Boat #3: Class _____ Sail # _____ Boat #4: Class _____ Sail # _____

I am willing to help with at least one of the following:
___ Race Committee ___ Club barbecue ___ Teach sailing ___ Plan a cruise ___ Assist with sailing class
___ Plan a regatta ___ Repair/clean marks/equipment ___ A non-racing event ___ Other _____

Please, fill out this form completely, (even if you have supplied the information previously). Mail this form and a check to: Helga Wolff, P.O. Box 793, Fremont, CA 94537.

Make checks payable to: Fremont Sailing Club. The annual membership fee is \$36.00.

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Coming Events:

Work Day, Feb. 22

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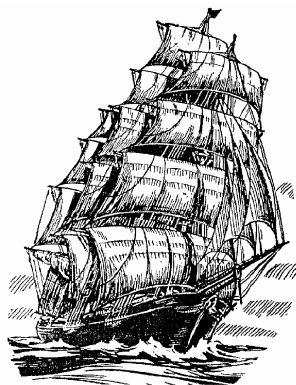
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Fair skies and good sailing to:

