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Newsletter

FROM THE BRIDGE

Ron Meyer Commodore

Opening Day LMVYC 2008

I would like to extend my sincere work that you, the volunteers, appreciation for all of the assistance provide freely. It is easy to be the provided to make this a day to be Commo remembered. The honored guests dore including the Mayor Trish Kelly with were very impressed with the this kind of support by the member s and experienced officers around me. It looks like 2008 is going to be an ceremonies and brunch. The exciting, growing and fun filled updated clubroom was finished just year! in time!

Commodore I am only the spokesperson for all the efforts and



This is a humbling experience because as



The Club race after the Brunch conducted in cool windy conditions had a large turn out with some guests like the SEA continued on page 3..... Scouts

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Post-its from the Secretary

The Club “can do” attitude sure could be seen everywhere on Opening Day and during the preparations the day before: OD Chair Ed Rodriguez leaving his work on the sound system outside to come up and help arrange tables in the Clubroom; Michelle Asay helping to pin on endless yards of table skirts around the many buffet tables; and on Sunday, Quartermaster Randy Tiffany hauling tons of ice and refreshments around so no one would go thirsty; the army of Duty Officers who tackled their new responsibility with such enthusiasm. They showed up on time, eager and unflappable, and were “on duty” for their scheduled time ... some even volunteered for more! Way to go all. There’s no doubt that LMVYC has the right spirit!

Most members have already received their new LMVYC badge, if not it will be arriving any day now. S/C Roger Robison managed to get them made between multiple business trips and many thousands of flying miles, Thank you, Roger.

You will notice they come this year with two punched holes. One hole allows the badge to line up with your Lake badge as usual. But use the horizontal hole and bingo! You’ve got a name badge to be used at our Club events. We hope this will help all our members put the name with the face!

LMVYC has received an interesting invitation from S/C Roger Anderson of Laguna Woods Yacht Club. Any member who is interested in gathering up a few friends for an approximately three hour sail down at Dana Point should contact him (not me!) at (949) 461-0107. He and his crew can accommodate about

five or six people on board. The cost is \$12 per person. So call some friends, pack a lunch, and enjoy an ocean sail. Sounds like a fun way to spend an afternoon.

Long before April 20 we should all have recovered from Opening Day and be ready for our Spring Regatta 1 (2nd regatta in the Club championship series) and the Annual Chili Cook-Off, which follows the racing. The competition is always heated so dig out that secret recipe and let our fleet surgeons know you’ll be bringing the winner. Cathie at (949) 830-9615 or Marilyn at mgh852@yahoo.com

And get ready for all the activities planned for May. Check out Commodore Ron’s articles about the LMVA Camp Pendleton Marine Day on May 3 and our Club’s Leukemia Cup Regatta on May 31

--Audrey Simenz

An additional note from the Commodore...

The **Camp Pendleton US Marine Day** is coming to **LMVYC, Saturday May 3, 2008**

This is a special event being sponsored by the Lake Mission Viejo Association.

LMVYC members are being asked to volunteer to provide sail boat rides on the Lake boats, Club Balboa 13s, or your own boat. This is strictly an appreciation day of sailing for the Marines and their families. This isn’t a LMVYC event or race activity. Just a fun filled day of family activity.

Michelle Asay has volunteered and is the Chairperson for this US Marine event and will be coordinating directly with the Lake Association. Michelle will keep us posted and the details will be provided in the future. Feel free to contact Micelle at chelleiasay@cox.net or Ron Meyer at ronm@smwd.com if you want to participate.

being able to participate. We had excellent races to begin the season.

LMVYC/SCYA Membership Update March 3, 2008

The LMVYC was moved up and been granted Associate level status within the Southern California Yachting Association at the regularly scheduled meeting on Saturday March 8, 2008 which, was held at the American Legion Yacht Club with about eighty members present. I was there to receive the recognition accompanied by Junior Staff Commodore Tony, Rear Commodore Morrie, Staff Commodore/Secretary Audrey and Race Chair Rod. LMVYC is being recognized for its efforts both on and off the lake within the yachting community.

SCYA Midwinter's Regatta 2008: Held Saturday February 16th:

The SCYA annual Midwinter's regatta held annually the last few years on LMVYC was well received by LMVYC's guests from other SCYA members who attended our event. I was able to sail since the race committee was well attended. My grandson Christian (almost five) and I raced on one of the new donated Balboas...our first time. We raced in a fleet of four boats and had a great time with these special one design fast boats!! We were impressed.



Being on the lake for this event was truly memorable. The three races were sailed in three

different race situations so typical of LMV. I can identify them as follows: No Air, Too Much Air and Just Perfect Air.

The first race sailed in minimal to no air while the Balboas were in the second start and being light beat the faster boats in the first start to the weather mark! The



second race was sailed in extremely windy and gusty conditions that afforded two capsizes on the lake requiring rescue efforts by the life guard boats. My grandson asked a couple of times near the end of the second race if we could go home! During the break I spoke with fellow Balboa racer Peter Tietz. Since it was our first time racing Balboas we discussed handling and weather conditions and found out that he was seriously considering going home as well. Now Peter is both a successful lake boat sailor and races annually in the Newport to Ensenada race.

The third race was sailed in the most favorable wind conditions. Since the lake provided an exhilarating breeze but with a very easy to maintain helm; we were able to enjoy that final race. Even Christian didn't ask to go home during the Third race. Christian and I managed to finish first on the last race and he was thrilled to be there. Willi was behind us and finished second after he had finished first in the other two races. Christian was even giving Willi a hard time at the dinner after the race. Willi thought Christian had put him on notice!

If you want to experience the action of a fast sailing one design fleet check out the new club Balboas. In the normal mild to light wind conditions on the lake they will be very rewarding. See Morrie or Rod for more details on this new Fleet!!

See you on the Lake and at the next Event, the Annual Spring Regatta Chili Cook Off! I am already hungry!!!

Here is Tammy's contact information;

The Leukemia Cup is coming to LMVYC Saturday May 31, 2008

There are many ways to participate in the Leukemia Cup Fundraiser!

Your family, friends, coworkers, neighbors and or business associates may want to sponsor your boat or a lake boat you might use that day for a donation to the Leukemia Society. They may want to donate, sail as crew or skipper; that is why the race committee will utilize the reverse Portsmouth handicap system and relieve all of the start sequence challenge.

The trophies, food and drinks are being donated. Gift bags will also be provided for the Skippers. A silent auction will be available during that event. If you and your crew donate \$100 your boat name will appear on the So Cal Leukemia Cup regatta t-shirts at all the events!!

I am still organizing, and it is still in the works to provide a boat tour in Newport harbor with a Sunday Brunch out of the Balboa Yacht Club for the top three LMVYC donors/fund raisers on Sunday June 1, 2008.

The Leukemia society/Leukemia Cup also provides fundraising assistance, a place for advertisers and business to advertise and special awards for donors and fund raisers above and beyond the event on LMVYC. This is a regular event throughout the nation and Southern California.

The LMVYC contact for all of us is Tammy Sung who can provide you help and your own website for collecting donations. The LMVYC date is being listed on the Leukemia Website. She will be helping during LMVYC's event and will be with us at the next LMVYC event the Spring Regatta I Annual Chili Cook Off on Sunday April 20, 2008 to watch the racing, provide donation packets, sales items and answer questions.

Tammy Sung I Campaign Manager

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Ed Rodriguez is the Chairperson for the LMVYC Leukemia event and coordinating directly with Tammy. Feel free to contact any one of the three of us, please!

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's mission: *to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.*

About Leukemia Cup Regatta:

Since 1993, sailors across America have been raising more than just a sail to help save the lives of children and adults with leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma. By participating in The Leukemia Cup Regatta Series, chaired nationally by Gary Jobson, skippers and crew fundraise to win great prizes from national and local sponsors, as well as the Leukemia Cup. Contact Tammy Sung at 714.881.0610 x.334 to receive your very own Leukemia Cup Regatta packet (filled with everything and anything you'll need know about the program) and get started on your fundraising today!

Since the first Leukemia Cup Regatta took place in Orange County in 1997, more than \$1.1 million has been raised by the Orange County/Inland Empire Chapter. Both the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club (BCYC), located in Newport Beach, and the Dana West Yacht Club (DWYC), located in Dana Point, have hosted events each year. This year, Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club (LMVYC) will join

these two yacht clubs with an event of its own. Events range from a PHRF & One-Design Regatta and a Junior Regatta, to an Electric Boat Poker Run, special parties, and Cruise for a Cure. All events help bring local sailors, children and adults alike, together with other community members, to raise funds to help support the Society and its mission.

More than \$220,000 was raised through all of the 2007 Leukemia Cup Regatta events.

Our goal is to raise more than \$280,000 in 2008.

About fundraising:

Visit Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club's own online fundraising website to donate

<http://www.active.com/donate/leukemiacupors/lcrLYacht>

Start your own fundraising efforts with your own online fundraising website, contact Tammy Sung at tammy.sung@lls.org or 714.881.0610 x.334.

Do you want to learn more about the Leukemia Cup Regatta and how you can help? Visit us at www.leukemiacup.org/ocie or contact Tammy Sung at tammy.sung@lls.org or 714.881.0610 x.334 to receive [your informational packet and to get started!](#)

2008 Leukemia Cup Regatta Events

May 9, 2008: Electric Boat Poker Run (BCYC)

May 16, 2008: Junior Movie Night (BCYC)

May 18, 2008: Junior One-Design, PHRF & One-Design Leukemia Cup Regatta (BCYC)

May 31, 2008: Leukemia Cup Regatta (LMVYC)

TBA, 2008: Mystery Event (BCYC)

June 6, 2008: Mt. Gay Rum Reception & Kick-off Party, Leukemia Cup Regatta (DWYC)

June 7, 2008: Junior & PHRF Leukemia Cup Regatta (DWYC)

June 8, 2008: PHRF & One-Design Leukemia Cup Regatta, Reception & Awards Dinner (DWYC)

July 13, 2008: Cruise for a Cure – A sunset cruise featuring champagne, dinner, and auction with live entertainment around Newport Harbor (BCYC)

View from the Race Committee Boat

There we were, Audrey and I with veteran RC members Michelle Asay and Milly Thomas and new members Larry and Becky Berge and Stephanie Johnson. All with ringside seats for Opening Day races on a cool windy day. The 19 competing boats did not disappoint.

Allyn Edwards' Capri 14.2 beat Joe O'Reilly's Lido 14 by 12 seconds, with Randy Tiffany finishing 3 seconds after the Lido in the 1st race. Allyn went on to win B fleet with another 1st place in the 3rd race, this time 2 seconds ahead of Joe the Lido 14.

Ron Meyer won the Thistle class with two 1st place finishes with crew Ed Rodriguez doing some serious hiking, only his toes in the boat, and Ron's five year old grandson Christian manning his station perched in the very bow of the boat.

Michelle Yu and crew Dana Stebbins sailing a Balboa 13 dipped the rail under for a microsecond and scooped up 20 gallons of water in one gulp. This was followed by furious bailing but no capsizes. Well done. They finished third in "A" Class and 1st in Balboa One Design.

Horst Weiler and Steve Johnson battled for 1st in "A", Horst prevailed, but Steve scored a nice victory in the second race winning by 5 seconds.

Nine boats competed in the Capri 14.2 lake boats. That may

be a record. Frank Fournier edged out the visiting sea scouts by one point for 1st place for the day and David and



Donna Livermore placed 3rd overall.

The starts were chaotic with too many boats approaching the line on port tack with great speed and ending up playing tag with boats on starboard tack. It was pretty ugly,



unnecessary, and definitely not fun. Also there was some

boat damage. A reminder. The first rule of right of way is, A PORT TACK BOAT SHALL KEEP CLEAR OF A STARBOARD TACK BOAT. Also, if a port tack boat interferes with a starboard tack boat or makes contact, they have committed a foul and should get well clear of other boats and take a two turns penalty. The RC saw many fouls committed at the starting line and elsewhere but no one did any penalty turns.

Several boats including two Thistles had exciting finishes when they barely cleared the RC boat and its tackle. Did you know finishing a race is a two part event? By



definition a boat finishes when any part of her hull, or crew or equipment crosses the finish line. But , there is another provision. “A boat is racing from her

preparatory signal until she finishes and clears the finish line and marks.” Hint, the RC boat is a mark.

At the end of the day Morrie Willkie was spotted standing up in his Balboa 13 making reasonable speed dead down wind --- without a sail up. He was doing fine headed to North Beach but we were pretty sure he'd have a tough time making a left turn to get back to the dock so we called the life guards and requested they come out and offer him a tow. They did and Morrie accepted. Complete race results are posted on the club website.



From the Rear Commodore

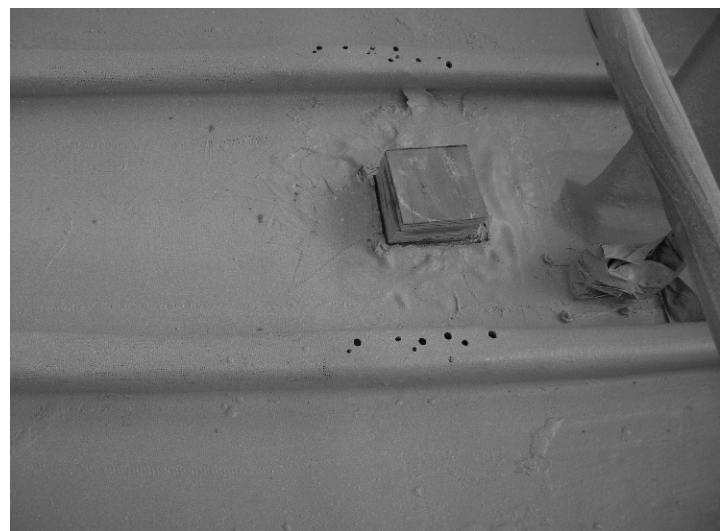
The Balboa 13 fleet is ready for club member usage. It does take a strong heart and a will to swim to sail these fast dinghy's, I know because I've been turtled twice now. Anyone wanting to try one, please let me know and I will

be glad to check you out on one. Our fleet has four yacht club owned boats available for club members and two that are personal member boats. These Balboa's are for the lake usage only and may not be removed to sail else where. We have a sign-out sheet available on the Sabot Storage Box, so please fill one out if using a Balboa. If you wish to sail a Balboa in one of our up and coming events, please call me to reserve one, they are on first come first serve basis.

Have fun and enjoy the sailing season that has finally arrived.

R/C Morrie Willkie > (949) 830-9615

Editor's note...Please check this space next time for an article on Randy Tiffany's Finn overhaul. Here are a few pics for you. You can take a guess at what you're looking at and we'll fill you in next time.



LMVYC INFO

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R/Commodore Morrie Wilkie
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Port Captain Peter Tietz

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Regatta and Sailing Schedule

Midwinter Regatta February 16
Opening Day Regatta March 30
Wednesday Night Sunset TBA
Sailing begins April 2
Spring Regatta I April 20
Spring Regatta II May 18
Summer Regatta June 22
Fri. Sunset Sail & BBQ July 11
Fri. Sunset Sail & BBQ August 29
LMVYC 31th Regatta August 17
Fall Regatta Sept. 21
LMVYC Fall Invatational Oct. 4
Wed. Night Sailing Ends Oct 8
Top Skippers Regatta Oct. 19
Turkey Regatta Nov. 9
Christmas Party & Parade Dec. 6

RECIPROCALs

- Alamitos Bay Yacht Club
- American Legion Yacht Club
- Anacapa Yacht Club
- Corsair Yacht Club
- Dana West Yacht Club
- Huntington Beach Yacht Club
- Marina Venice Yacht Club
- Marina Yacht Club of Long Beach
- Navy Yacht Club of San Diego
- Pierpoint Bay Yacht Club
- Redondo Beach Yacht Club
- Shoreline Yacht Club
- South Shore Yacht Club