



Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club

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NEWSLETTER

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From the Editor

The new Capri 14.2 rental boats continue their popularity for day sailing and racing. In the last newsletter all of the yacht club members who helped rig the new boats were acknowledged—all but one that is. I spotted my error a few minutes after the newsletters were in the mail. Well, better late than never, so special thanks to Steve Gonsowski for his help with the boats and his key role in scheduling work sessions and lining up volunteers for each session.

Disclaimer!

Some of you alert sailors may have noticed the sail trim on the C15's featured on the last regatta flyer. The C15 fleet wanted to assure you they were just milling about between races. Speaking of trim, check out the near perfect trim of the hull fore and aft as well as athwartship in the picture on the front page of this newsletter.

Welcome to our newest family members:

T.J. and Corina Hendricks

Mid Summer Regatta 8 /1/ 99

The Mid Summer Regatta was a huge success on all counts. The weather was spectacular for picnicking, socializing and sun bathing. OK, maybe the wind wasn't ideal for racing, but I'd give it at least a C+.

After Commodore Roger Robison welcomed everyone to the Regatta he turned the skipper's meeting over to Jeremy Kivlen who got the racing activities underway, and manning the

race committee boat conducted the three races of the day. Jeremy's wife Barbara, and his mother visiting from New York, assisted him. Course selection was a challenge all day due to fickle winds. But the courses for each class and race worked out well and the three race series concluded in a timely fashion which allowed for a very pleasant post race lakeside picnic.

The turnout of 65 members and guests was the largest of any event that I've attended in my three years with the club. Guests included Jonna Yoon from the Big Island of Hawaii, Amanda Yang from Beijing, China, and Ryan Doherty from Fair Oaks, Ca.

Don Schaffner was the first person on the scene very early that Sunday morning as he got preparations started for the day. He was soon joined by Sue and Allen Edwards and Linda and they completed setups and got things organized for the social aspects of the day. Don then left to catch a plane for Ohio where he spent four days racing against forty - three other boats under ideal sailing conditions in the champion regatta for the Highlander class. The Highlander is a twenty foot planing boat by the same designer as the Thistle.

Race Results—

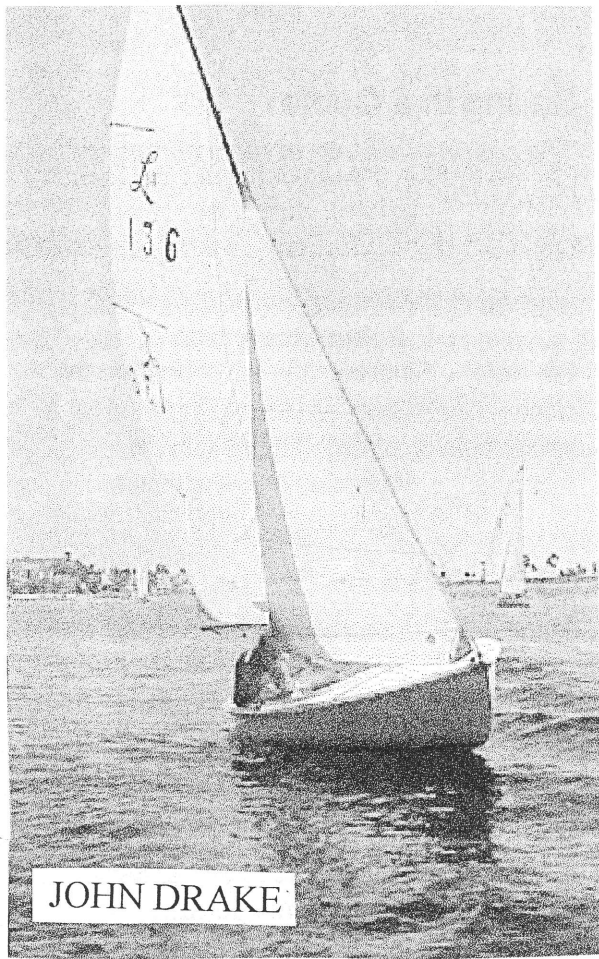
Twenty two entries ---

“A” Fleet-

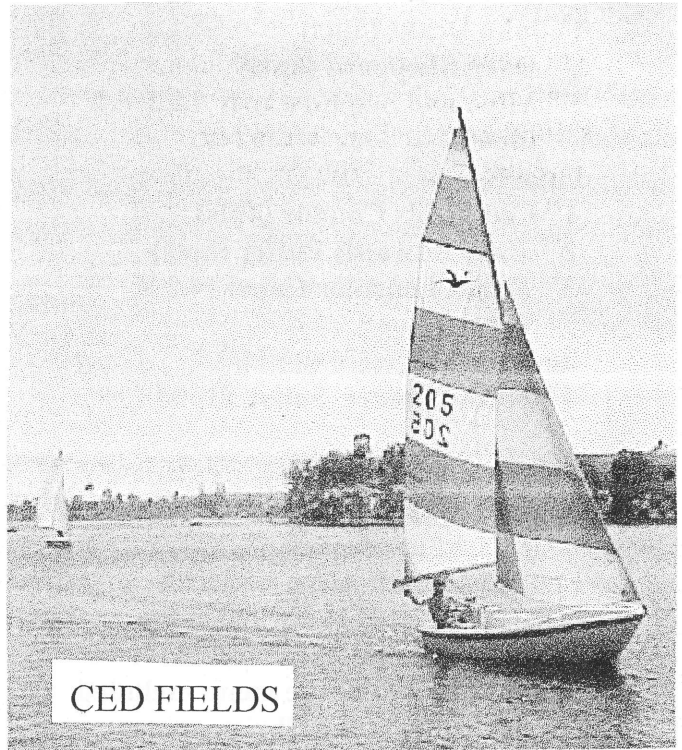
1st Arnold Christensen Thistle (4pts),

2nd Brett Tremaine Thistle (6pts)

3rd Willi Hugelshofer Finn (8pts)



JOHN DRAKE



CED FIELDS



THE EDWARDS

Lido 14 Fleet-

1st John Drake (5pts)

2nd Doug Sheppard (6pts)

3rd Allyn and Sue Edwards 14.2 c.b
(6pts)

Lake Boats-

1st Ced Fields Condor (4pts)

2nd Troy Edwards Puffer (6pts)

3rd Frank Fournier Capri 14.2 k.
(11pts)

Juniors-

1st Brian Wegner Sabot (3pts)

AFTER THE RACE

Len Savage and Allyn Edwards manned the grill and wielded the spatulas, cooking hamburgers for 60+ diners. The rest of the menu included fruit salad from the Christensens, bean salad from Ced Fields, Taco salad from Brian Wegner (and Mom!) and for dessert, Tara Robison shared her delicious birthday cake and ice cream with all of us. Many Happy Returns of the Day, Tara. Special thanks to Randy Tiffany for bringing smoked albacore with all the trimmings as a pre- race snack.

It was good to see so many people pitch in and help with the cleanup. About 15 or 20 people stayed on long after the dinner ended to enjoy the warm summer evening. It was just the right atmosphere for relaxing, socializing and rehashing the days racing highlights, strategies, right-of-way situations and a few low lights. i.e. Ask John Olson about some recommended safety precautions when lending assistance to a Thistle trying to leave the dock.

Sailing in a Quote

"To continue sailing in the company of people who are killing their boats with pinching reduces one's own speed to that of theirs and the longer you stay with them the longer you sail slowly."

Robin Steavenson

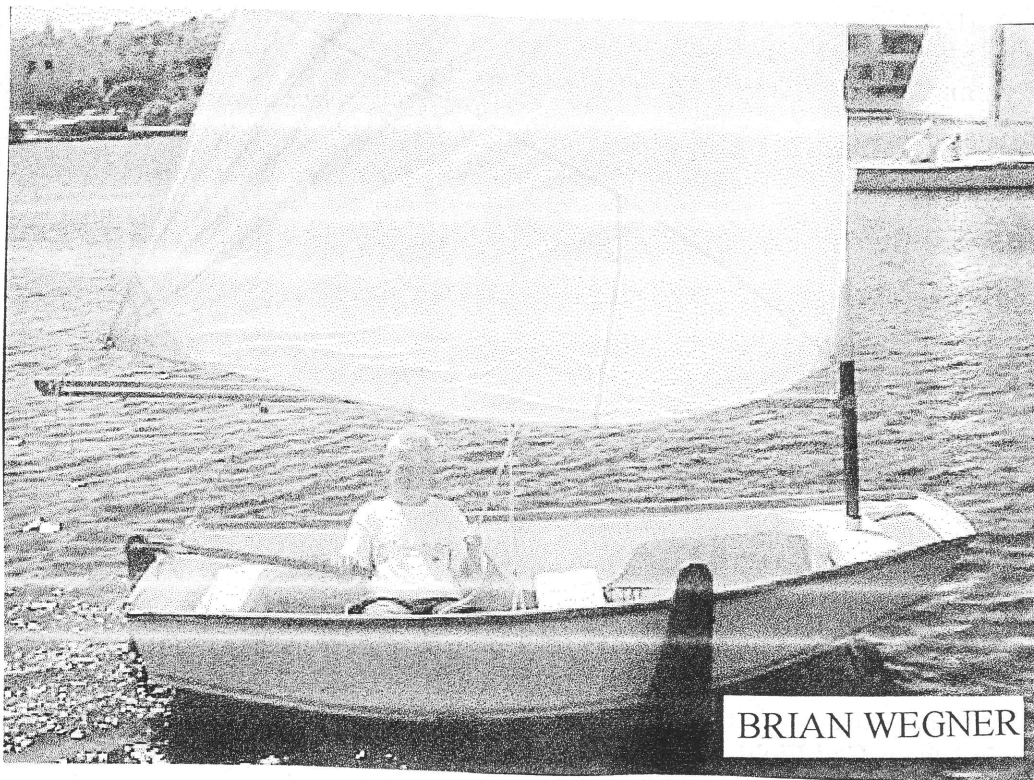
Ed. Note.--- Pinching: the act of heading the close – hauled boat so close to the wind (at a small angle of attack) that the forward movement is decreased below optimum.

"On the reaching leg the leeward side of the course provides the advantage of clear air with increasing boat speed owing to the progressively better sailing angle at the end of the leg and better opportunity for adjustment to wind variations - up in the lulls, down in the puffs."

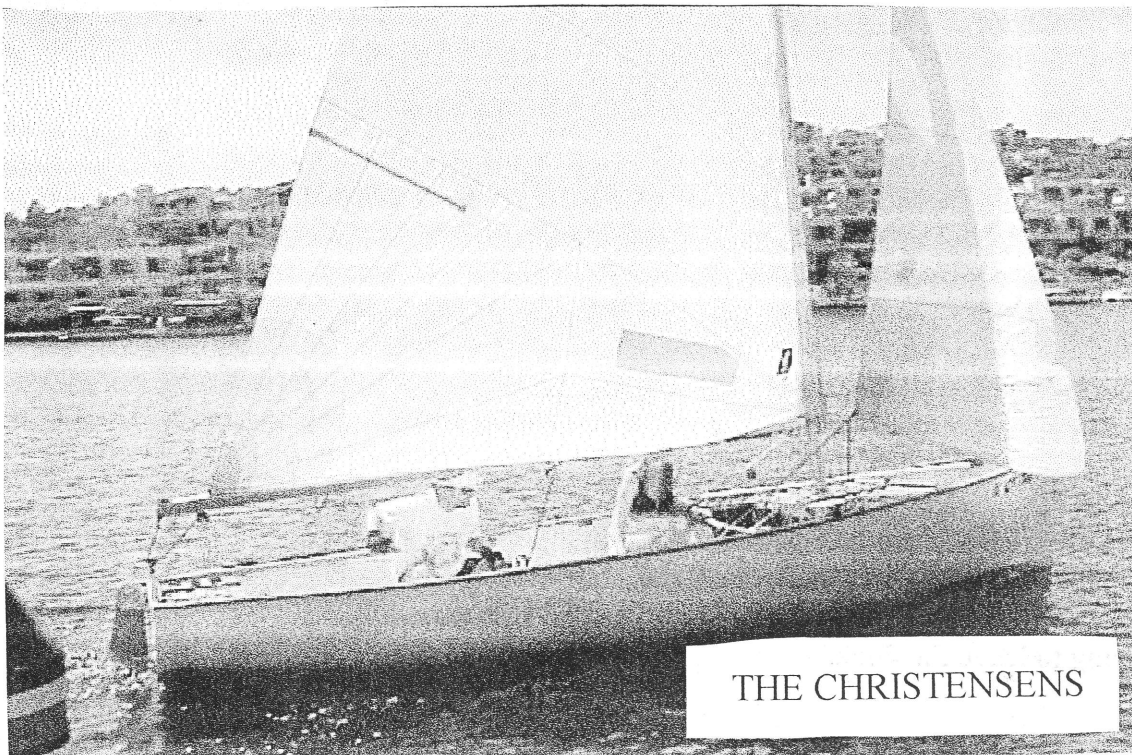
Stuart Walker

C15 FLEET NEWS

EXCERPT from C15 North American Assoc. Article in the August 1999 Issue of the Catalina Mainsheet Magazine.... *District J is already looking forward to hosting the C15 North American Championship Regatta in 2000. Three locations are being considered, Alamitos Bay, Big Bear Lake and Huntington Lake. In the meantime here is some information about our District and the people in it. The teams to beat in the Coast Cup series competition for the last few years have been Walt Prue/ Will Lynch and Joe O'Reilly/ Bob Anderson. Another team just below these top two is Horst Weiler and Graham Newman. Horst and Graham are probably the best team when racing on lakes. ... with great sailing conditions and many top sailors in the area the NAC Regatta 2000 should be a top notch event. -- Rod Simenz Ed.*



BRIAN WEGNER



THE CHRISTENSENS