



Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club

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"The primary goal of the Yacht Club is to provide social and competitive interaction opportunities for its members."

REGATTA REVISITED

The former college gymnastics team captain executed a perfect backflip in front of the judge's stand. The judges looked on appreciatively, but puzzled. The problem? The wrong sport and the wrong time!

In the second race of the April 25 regatta, Commodore Chris Davies and crew Milly Thomas were hiking out hard to hold their course in the heavy wind as they approached the finish line. Suddenly the hiking strap gave way, and Commodore Chris found himself taking a swim. Milly was left trying to hold the boat down alone and no one was at the tiller!

With the sudden pressure exerted on it by the disappearing skipper, the tiller extension had popped loose, and was in the drink along with the Commodore. The hard yank on the tiller caused the boat to change direction quickly, as did the boom! After a momentary hesitation, and a "Wha' happened!", Milly was able to leave the edge, and make her way to the back of the boat to take control before the boat capsized. The surprised Commodore surfaced just in time to see the boat circle around and head for him. He grabbed on, and yelled "Is this legal?" as they headed past the committee boat for a big finish. Race Committee members Tony Contino and Harry Shepherd applauded the grand performance, and gave him a perfect "10" for his performance, but only third place for the race! At the Commodore's expense, a lot of fun was had at the social hour which followed in the club house.

Colleen Dong and Crew Jeff Wilson found the opposite problem: with a lack of wind during one of the races, this dynamic duo "drifted" into the swimming area of the East Beach, before being thoroughly embarrassed by being rescued by the lifeguard!

As usual, Len Savage and Horst did a fantastic job of serving

COMING EVENTS

Wednesdays Sunset Sailing at the Lake, 5:30 pm
. . . Pizza and drinks in the Clubroom follow sailing, 8 pm

May 23 Spring Regatta III
May 26 Second Adult Sailing Class begins
May 27 Second Junior Sailing Class begins
June 27 Regatta IV

Watch for future details on a "Lady's Day" Regatta! Ladies at the helm only — while the men crew, run the race committee, and cook! Don't miss this one!

(Reminder: Non-lake members please notify us you plan to attend lake events so we can leave your name at the gate for guest entry.)

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delicious burgers and hotdogs, while everyone was serenaded by a Frank Sinatra sound-alike from the Mallorcas with a Karaoke machine turned up to full volume. (Who invited him, anyway?)



Don't miss the regatta on May 23rd. Registration at 11 am - 12 noon; Skipper's Meeting at 12:15 pm, and White Flag at 1 pm!

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FOR "SAIL" OR TRADE

For "Sail":

C-15, excellent condition. Newly painted with trailer. \$1200 or best offer. Call Peter Janes, 586-6414. Are you ever going to sell this boat?

Wanted:

Lido boats, sails, and trailers. Contact Mike, 855-4578, or Don, 582-1419.

•If you want to buy or sell a sailboat appropriate for the lake, the listing here is free.

WELCOME, MATES!

Welcome back, Becky Madden, who has immediately dusted off her sailing skills, and become a contender in the Blue Fleet racing. Becky was a student a couple of years back, and conquered the lake very quickly.

Also "Welcome back" Bill Bosemer, whose golf score is no doubt very low now! Between golf and skiing, Bill just hasn't had time to work in sailing and business too! Horst would say he has his "priorities" screwed up!

Welcome back Tony Contino, whose valuable assistance in the past has been missed. Tony immediately joined in to help with Race Committee and we welcome him warmly. You were missed, Tony!

Great to see John Jones actually sailing with the Wednesday night crew (and doing very well!). John has always been very active in the social part of the club, and it's great to see he actually knows more than one meaning for the word "port"!

Several new participants have contacted the Lake Association for details, and we welcome them and encourage them to join us! There's always room for you and your friends at the Yacht Club!

SAILING LESSONS

Sailing lessons have been going very well in both the Junior and Adult Divisions, according to Lesson Coordinator, Horst Weiler. Without a doubt, the kids are braver than the adults, but Horst reports no one has "flunked" the class yet!

Want to take or give lessons or be an instructor? Contact Horst Weiler, who is making a "backup" list for both.

T-SHIRTS

Good News! The LMVYC T-shirts are now in, and paid members will receive their "one per household" free shirts at the Regatta on May 23. If you haven't given us your shirt size, please contact Vivienne Savage immediately, or you may wind up with a pink one like Jim Lockwood's!

Come to think of it, we haven't seen Jim in that shirt! Maybe he looks so good Donna won't let him out of the house with it! How about it, Jim?

LIDO PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

For those of you into serious sailing, take heed! At the last Lido Board Meeting, a few by-law changes were approved by the board, and will be put to a vote by the general membership meeting held in August.

1. Tiller Extension Length - Proposed change is to no limit, allowing Lido owners to choose the best length for them. If in the future you see Don Schaffner standing at the bow of his boat (which he often does) with tiller in hand, you'll know its perfectly okay.

2. Membership Changes - Proposed addition to the wording to say that "an individual may not compete in a District or Class Championship as a guest". Locally, yes, but no "ringers" in the District or Championships competitions.

3. Racing Rules, Paragraph 1 - Except for District or Class Championships, if the same team races in every race, the individual registered as the skipper may trade places with the crew, providing the skipper is at the helm at least half the races, and the change is not made during the middle of the race. This will allow the wives of husband/wives teams their chance at the helm now and then for an entire race, but if anyone gets in trouble, you can't switch back in the middle of the race. Right, Mike and Michelle?

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATE!

Corrina Weiler, who many of you have known for years and who has grown up literally at the lake, will be graduating from University of California at Long Beach this year. She works at the lake part time as a life guard, and is well known by all. We join Horst and Caecelia in being proud of you, and wish you success in all your future endeavors as you complete your additional requirements for an elementary school special physical education credential.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

If you have misplaced your application form for membership in Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club, please call any officer to obtain a replacement, or check at the lake office.

Remember, for \$40 per year per household, you receive entry fees for all seven "official" regattas of the season, food and drink for you and your crew and families, flat-rate boat rental of \$5 per lake-sponsored event (including the sunset sails), an official LMVYC T-shirt, and an identification card.

Otherwise, it's \$8 per regatta (and normal rental rate for sunset sailing) which is still a whale of a deal for all the fun and all that food!

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