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# Newsletter

## FROM THE BRIDGE

### Tony Musolino Commodore

The Summer Regatta on June 24th was a resounding success. There were seventeen boats entered across all fleets and after the regatta we had about 60 club members and guests join in for the festivities and race results announcements. Our Race Committee and Fleet Surgeon volunteers all did a great job in managing both aspects of our program and through their support, it made for a great day. A special thanks to RC volunteers, Vivienne Savage, Donna Freeman, David Livermore, Peter Manarino, Sue Edwards and Sharon Yu. They all did a super job for the sailors and Race Chair Rod Simenz, who was away on vacation with wife Audrey and family.

We are grateful to Fleet Surgeon Tami Nicklin, her sister Kim who was visiting from the Bay Area, Quartermaster Ed Rodriguez and

others for being sure that everyone had plenty of tasty burgers, hot dogs, beans and cold refreshments. Lots of help and I believe all member and guests were well taken care of. No one ever leaves hungry!

Arnold Christensen/Alia Ott sailed into first place in the One Design by scoring five points among the three Thistle competitors. With five competitors in the A fleet, Horst Weiler/Graham Newman (C-15) took first among others sailing Finn and Wayfarer. It was good to see Jack McCollum and daughter Katie out on the water sailing their Wayfarer.

Ced Fields sailing Condor solo in the B fleet took first place outfoxing Capri 14.2 sailors Randy Tiffany/daughter Holly and Robert  
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Our next regatta on August 19 will be LMVYC's 30th anniversary. Hope you've ordered your special tee shirts, or sweatshirts from R/C Chuck Seymour.

The club sabots are fully rigged and ready to sail. The boats and masts are conveniently located on the racks in the lake storage area. Everything else you will need, rudder, leeboard, main sheet and sail are located in a storage box next to the boats.

Be sure to record your use of a boat on the sign out sheet. The sabot can be rigged and launched in a few minutes, they are easy to sail and fast enough to be competitive with the Lake rental boats. If you are ready to go sabot sailing give me a call and I'll help you set up a boat. If you want sabot sailing instruction that can be arranged too.

The sabots are available for Wednesday evening races on a first come basis.

Rod Simenz  
949-462-0838



*Post-its from the Secretary*

Here are some changes for your roster. Take a moment and add them now.

New cell Phone #: Ron Miely - 949-514-5105

New email address: Steve Keller -

[skeller@tsocorp.com](mailto:skeller@tsocorp.com)

Addition for Peter Tietz: Marilyn Haehn, email

Our popular Friday evening sails and BBQ continue. Watch for the next flyer with details. And if you make a reservation for a place on the party boat and find you can't make it, PLEASE call and cancel. We've had to turn members away because the boat was fully booked and then "no shows" leave us with empty seats. All it takes is a phone call.

Please let me know if your email or telephone number changes so I can keep our roster up to date.

Stay cool!

*Audrey Simenz*



Van Pelt/Jr. Sailor Mike Stebbins who trailed close behind by one point respectively. Jr. Sailor Michele Yu joined as crew sailing with Tony Musolino. There was a great showing of sailors in the C Fleet. with Fleet Captain Peter Tietz strutting his stuff by scoring three bullets! Dominic Trevino, Jr Sailor Tetsuya Kashimura, and Steve Lash rounded up the competition. Check out the Club website at [www.lmvyc.org](http://www.lmvyc.org) for regatta results and fleets standings year to date.

Jr Staff Commodore Vivienne Savage returned home with husband Len after some extensive travel and graciously pitched in to help out on running the Wednesday Night Sunset Sail Program from the Party Boat. Vivienne is very adept at driving the boat, hooking up to the club mooring and managing the informal races. Likewise, Len Schupak has stepped in also to help, so anyone that is interested, can just meet at the Lake about 4:30pm and join in to help run the races. Our sailors thank Vivienne, Len, and Willi Hugelshofer who has been doing “whistle starts” when the Party Boat is not used for the races.

Friday Night Sunset Sail and BBQ programs are well underway thanks to Carol Contino, Tami Nicklin, Ed Rodriguez and Audrey Simenz. You all are receiving the Flyers which Audrey has been regularly releasing via e-mail, so take the opportunity to come out for an enjoyable Friday evening sailing, rafting up or kicking back on the Party Boat, and picnic style dining afterward. Lots of goodies to share, good conversation all the way around, and a great way to start a summer weekend.



On July 4th, Independence Day, new members Steve and Patty Lash represented the Club by joining other LMVA members who were out on the lake in their boats throughout the day and evening. For sure the Lash’s navy blue hull Capri 18 flying the American Flag, the LMVYC Burgee and other appropriate signals was noticeable to many. Steve and Patty told me they had a bit of a challenge getting their boat back to the storage yard due to the congestion at the LMVA parking lot, however overall they had a great experience.

Sunday, June 10th, Horst Weiler/Graham Newman (C15) Willi Hugelshofer (Finn) and Tony Musolino/Morrie Willkie trekked north (about a 180 mile roundtrip! to Westlake Village for the Westlake Yacht Club Annual Westlake Cup Regatta. After the traditional stop for breakfast at Coco’s we all arrived about the same time to rig, launch and gather for the Skippers Meeting. After overcoming an “out of reach jib



halyard and an in the drink shackle” at the dock while rigging, (Horst came to the rescue) Tony and Morrie were able to join in the Portsmouth rated four boat

competitions, which included Horst’s fellow C-15 fleet buddy Vincent Paternoster/Dan Gilboa (ABYC). WYC Race Chair Iva Holder ran some good races for the three starts



which included Lasers and Capri 18s. Vincent, Horst, and Willi finished 1,2,3 respectively with take home trophies. (Photos compliments of WYC Rear

Commodore Bob Amenta)

Sunday, August 19th, our Club will be celebrating its 30th Annual Regatta and a substantial turn out is expected. Good



news from several aspects. The A Fleet is growing with Ed Rodriguez just getting started with his recently purchased Finn and Steve Johnson already sailing his Finn in

the Fleet Championship Series Regattas. Peter Tietz has volunteered to take on the position of Fleet Captain for the Capri 14.2 keelboats. With many new members getting started in sailing through instructions from Horst Weiler, we expect some interesting competition in the C Fleet. The third Sabot should be ready by Regatta time, so whomever the entrants may be... Juniors/adults, suspense and history is in the making. Relying on great sailing conditions, the stage is set for quality race management by our Race Committee and fierce competition from sailors at all skills levels. The game will be on with One Design - Thistles programmed to start with the first warning signal at 1300 hours. This regatta marks the fifth of seven regattas scheduled for the Club’s Championship Series. The Western Round – Up BBQ after the Regatta is always a great draw thanks to Audrey and Rod Simenz through their culinary skills and hard work serving



up delicious ribs. Rear Commodore Chuck Seymour is the principle contact for club merchandise and by now you may have received information on how to order a Tee Shirt commemorating this event. Merchandise will be distributed at the Regatta and since Chuck will be away, he can use some help. Member volunteers are needed to support all aspects of this event, so please contact Race Chair Rod Simenz, Fleet Surgeon Tami Nicklin, Quartermaster Ed Rodriguez, and Rear Commodore Chuck Seymour. We all can look forward to an exciting program and at the end of the day, rack up another successful event.

Our programs have been running successfully and all those participating seemed to be having a lot of fun in the process. The weather has been great and placing things in perspective, our membership, programs, facilities and support from the LMVA, we could not ask for much more to enjoy our Club. Playing hard, volunteer support and camaraderie are among the hallmarks to our Club's legacy. We have many more events programmed for the remainder of the year, so come on out and enjoy all that LMVYC has to offer at beautiful Lake Mission Viejo. More details are in this Newsletter and on the club website. Thanks to Newsletter Editor Jack McCollum and Website Manager Roger Robison and Club Secretary Audrey Simenz for the coverage on what is happening within the Club.

Wishing you and your family members a great summer.

## LAKE SAFETY DAY

*Lake Mission Viejo Safety Day was held June 2nd, 2007 and many Yacht club members volunteered. Here is a report by VC Ron Meyer.*

The June gloom and chilly spring/summer day was warmed by the cheer of the LMVYC members who assisted the Lake Mission Viejo Safety Day. While attendance was higher in previous years, our members treated thirty seven new sail boat riders to a fun event and introduction both to sailing and the LMVYC. It is always rewarding to pass along a sport or activity you are sincerely interested in and

have spent much of your life enjoying.

Many of our LMVYC volunteers were treated to lunch and also won door prizes. My grandson as usual had a great time and Arnold



Christensen provided me with some great pictures of Christian (age 4) sailing away in one of the club's new Sabots while still on the trailer.

LMVYC members participating were Donna Freeman, Willie Hugelshofer, Steve and Patty Lash, Morrie Willkie, Jack McCollum and his Wayfarer, Rod Simenz, Bob Van Pelt, Frank Fournier, Tony Musolino and of course club photographer Arnold Christian.



LMVYC was promoting fun and adventure in a new sport to many that attended the Safety Day.

VC Ron Meyer



# The Ireland Venture going home again

Although I was born and grew up in Ireland and have gone back many times to visit, the children have never been. So almost a year ago Rod suggested it was about time I introduced them to Richard, my only remaining sibling, and the rest of the family there. I was one of five so there are lots of cousins, not to mention old school friends with whom I've kept in touch over the years. And so the planning began. Juggling dates around work schedules and a few graduations led us to the last week in June, although getting everyone to commit to a date was like herding cats! Rod and I went a week early to get in shape for the marathon sightseeing and festivities we'd planned.

Kinsale, in West Cork in the south of Ireland, is one of our favorite spots so we had the children, who I might add no longer fit that category, fly into Cork from LAX via Dublin. I met all eight of them there, three children, 1 spouse, and four grown-up grand children. With a soft Irish rain falling, we headed to the house in Kinsale. Right on the water, overlooking a small island in the bay occupied only by some grazing goats, it made a perfect spot for them to unwind from the marathon flight. I let them rest for a couple of hours, enjoying the incredible view of Kinsale Harbor and then it was off to a local pub for an early dinner. Being in a pub really made them feel they had arrived in Ireland. A chat with the locals led to plans extending late into the evening so Rod and I headed home leaving kids to taxi back later.

Kinsale is a lively small town with lots of great pubs and good restaurants, often one and the same. The old narrow streets are filled with interesting little linen and antique shops and the fresh fish cakes made daily at the many fish shops and pastries laden with heavy Irish cream and summer fruits on display at the bakeries, made for tough choices. Kinsale is also among the most historic towns in Ireland. In the 10th century the Vikings established a trading post there. By 1334 it was a thriving port town and in 1666 was

described as "one of the most significant harbours in Europe" trading in wine and salt, among other things. It was the first port of call for shipping from America and Europe. Needing defenses from the powerful Spanish navy, Charles Fort, named after King Charles of England, one of several major fortifications built in the 16th century defended the port from the seaward side and the ivy laden ruins are a nostalgic reminder of the past. The topography of the entrance to the harbor provided the fort with an almost perfect strategic location. Any intruders were sitting ducks, as the Spanish duly discovered in 1601 in the famous Battle of Kinsale when they tried to ally themselves with Ireland against the British and were trounced. Charles Fort was in use until 1922, when Ireland became a Free State. On long summer evenings (sunset is after 10 pm) nestled in the picturesque ruins, there are live summer concerts. What a perfect way to end a day. And right in the center of town the old church founded by St Multose in the 6th century lists all the rectors by name, from the 11th century, and has held services continuously for 1400 years!

But the days were slipping by so after two days we headed to Dublin. I'd planned we'd go by train so we turned in our rental cars and found our seats on the train, each name lit up on a strip above the seats. We enjoyed a leisurely lunch as we watched the landscape of rural Ireland change from the rugged hilly south to the plains of the east and enjoyed all the little train stations with their colorful hanging baskets overflowing with petunias in every imaginable color. And kids still wave at trains! By late afternoon we were in my hometown of Dublin, now a city of almost three million, and battling the traffic to get to our hotel on the north coast of Dublin.

My brother in law had arranged a gathering of the clan at his club so my group finally met their Irish cousins that evening, about twenty of them, (the little ones were saved for the next day!) It was an instant "comaile" with cameras flashing, hugging, laughter, and storytelling. I was watching the seeds of family and friendship being sown in front of my eyes and I could hardly believe, after all the years of wishing and dreaming, that it was

actually coming true. And all it took was my Rod to make it happen!

We were up early the next morning for “Mom’s day” This was a day I’d planned to give the family a tour of my Dublin, with a special itinerary. I’d arranged a small coach and a driver and as we left the hotel to visit my old neighborhood, Grant, our driver, pointed out the very, very, low tide which goes out for miles and which is a feature of Dublin Bay, and surprised everyone by telling them that the layout of Dublin port and harbor had been designed by Captain Bligh ...yes that one! He was a superb navigator and laid the design ground work for the present shipping lanes. Leaving the coast we went a little inland, no part of Dublin is far from the sea, to find the house where I was born: the house now over one hundred years old was still there, and no, no plaque! Continuing on I showed them where their great grandfather and grandfather had lived, the church my family had attended, and the house I’d grown up in, before heading to one of the most interesting places in Dublin, Glasnevin cemetery. This enormous cemetery is over 175 years old and there are one point two million people buried there. For quite a while that was more than the population of Dublin! Close to the entrance gate there is a tall tower, erected in 1862, which allowed the night watchman to restrain the medical students who entered after closing hours to excavate bodies for their study of anatomy. The Irish government is currently planning to spend over 250 million euro (that’s over \$400 million) to upgrade and restore it. It is “full” and only those with space in family plots can now be buried there. But what journey through Irish history it provides. Many Irish patriots and heroes, Daniel O’Connell, Michael Collins, Patrick Pearse; major political figures including Alfie O’Byrne, the first Jewish Lord mayor of Dublin; noted Irish playwrights James Joyce and Brendan Behan; and poet Gerald Manly Hopkins have been laid to rest there. One huge section is given over to the children who died in the cholera epidemics of 1849 and 1872. Can you imagine that and the potato famine as well. The graves in the cemetery, with wonderfully carved headstones, are so close together you have to walk

over some graves to reach the ones you wish to visit. We paid our respects to family members buried there and it gave me the opportunity to recount much of my family’s history and connection to the Irish cause for freedom. We were fortunate that day to have no rain because we must have walked miles. The afternoon brought us to Trinity College, founded by Queen Elisabeth 1 in 1592. One of my old school chums was a dean there and gave us a special tour including of course a peek at the Book of Kells, a lavishly illustrated copy of the four gospels written in Latin over 1,000 years ago and now displayed in dim light, with a page turned each day to minimize light damage to the parchment. The Vikings destroyed the monastery of Iona where it was written and killed sixty-eight of the monks, but the others were able to hide the manuscript and so now this treasure is viewed daily by hundreds of tourists who still marvel at the colors and the imaginative animals the scribes envisioned.

Rounding off our tour of Dublin we visited St Patrick’s cathedral where Jonathan Swift was Dean when he wrote Gulliver’s Travels.

After all this historical information the children were ready for some light relief and Dubliners are always good for a chuckle. Several years ago the city fathers commissioned several sculptures to enhance the streets of Dublin. Near Trinity College on fashionable Grafton Street there is a charming rendition of Molly Malone with her wheel barrow selling her “cockles and mussels, alive alive-o” as the song goes. It didn’t take Dubliners long to start referring to her as “the tart with the cart”. She was reputed to have sold other things at night. And in the middle of broad and leafy O’Connell Street and close to the river Liffey, which flows into the sea at Dublin Bay was placed a reclining bronze female figure, beautifully draped, on the edge of flowing water, a lovely fountain. The figure denoted Anna Livia, the ancient mythical name for the river Liffey. At the time there were civic issues about the cleanliness of the river as it flowed through Dublin and it didn’t take long for Dubliners to rename the monumental fountain as “the whoor in the sewer”. An Irish accent helps here!

The remaining days were spent exploring the shops in

Dublin and the very interesting Guinness factory. The brewery has been moved out of the city but I gather there is still got some free tasting of the black brew. The golfers in the group were thrilled to be invited to play at Old Portmarnock Golf Club, and were overwhelmed by the challenging links course. But it was a round they said they won't soon forget, played in that soft Irish rain!

All too soon it was over. The morning gatherings over breakfast and the sociable dinners with all of us around the table, enjoying each others company. It warmed the cockles of my heart, and will for years.

Audrey Simenz



# LMVYC INFO

## Flag Officers

Commodore:	Tony Musolino	457-0899
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## Officers

Race Chair	Rod Simenz	462-0838
Fleet Surgeon	Tami Nicklin	305-8578
Treasurer	Willi Hugelshofer	582-8350
Secretary	Audrey Simenz	462-0838
Port Captain	Horst Weiler	714-402-4439

## Commodore Appointees 2007

Jr. Commodore	Ataya Seyhun	951-6029
Website	Roger Robison	855-8094
Quartermaster	Ed Rodriguez	305-8578
Trophy Chair	Bob Van Pelt	488-2989
Measurer	Horst Weiler	714-402-4439
Sunshine Lady	Susan Marshall	454-1223
Newsletter	Jack McCollum	235-1699

## Fleet Captains

C-15	Horst Weiler	714-402-4439
Capri 14.2	Randy Tiffany	830-0826
Thistle	Ron Meyer	837-1197
Wayfarer	Frank Fournier	462-3282

## Regatta and Sailing Schedule

Midwinter Regatta	February 17
Opening Dayt Regatta	March 18
Thistle Invitational	March 31
Wednesday Night Sunset	
Sailing begins	April 4
Spring Regatta I	April 22
Spring Regatta II	May 20
Summer Regatta	June 24
Fri. Sunset Sail & BBQ	July 13
Fri. Sunset Sail & BBQ	August 3
LMVYC 30th Regatta	August 19
Fall Regatta	Sept. 23
LMVYC Fall Invatational	Oct. 6
Wed. Night Sailing Ends	Oct 10
Top Skippers Regatta	Oct. 21
Turkey Regatta	Nov. 11

## **RECIPROGALS**

- American Legion Yacht Club
- Anacapa Yacht Club
- Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club
- Balboa Basin Yacht Club
- Corsair Yacht Club
- Cortez Racing Associaton
- Dana West Yacht Club
- Fairwind Yacht Club
- Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club
- Marina Venice Yacht Club
- Marina Yacht Club of Long Beach
- Navy Yacht Club San Diego
- Pierpoint Bay Yacht Club
- Redondo Beach Yacht Club
- Santa Margarita Yacht Club of Camp Pendleton
- Shoreline Yacht Club. Long Beach