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LAKE MISSION VIEJO YACHT CLUB

October 2013

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Summer sure has flown by. Regattas, Sunset Sailing, concerts at the lake, motorcycle races, America's Cup and all the other fun things done in these few short months. As our sailing season draws to a close, let's go over the most recent events.

Jr. Regatta I

Rod Simenz's junior program is in full swing. The Jr. Regatta I was an exciting event that brought juniors together for some spirited racing. The invitational brought juniors from Dana West Yacht Club to Lake Mission Viejo for a



wonderful day of sailing. If you missed it, please join us on October 6th for Junior Regatta II. It will be smaller in scale, but just as fun. Come on out and cheer the juniors on. Special thanks to Guy Heaton for coming out and helping make the event a success.



36th Annual Regatta

Our 36th Annual Regatta turnout was big and the weather was terrific. The event featured the debut of our new shirts featuring the Expo rental boats. The shirt was designed by Carl Paez, one of our newest members and an avid sailor out of Dana Point. Racing was exciting and the dinner prepared by Julius

Sighiartau and Daniela Radu. Daniela's parents made homemade sausages that were a perfect blend of meat and garlic then grilled to perfection. Thanks for a delicious dinner! Julius and his daughter, Nicole, sail regularly on the lake with Nicole expertly skippering the Expo.



Mark Your Calendars!

- Wednesday Night Sunset Sail through October 30.
- Junior Regatta II - October 6.
- Team Challenge Regatta - October 12.
- Top Skipper Championship - October 20.
- Turkey Regatta and Annual Meeting - November 10.



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Fall Regatta

Shifty winds made the course fun to sail and the competition was stiff. We had a good turnout of sailors including a nice



contingent of juniors. After sailing we enjoyed an Oktoberfest feast of specially made sausages procured and grilled by our own Horst Weiler with help from TJ and Caecilia. Two kinds of sauerkraut, potato



salad and dessert kept the party going. This is always a special event.

America's Cup

If you watched any of the America's Cup races, you got a feel for sailing competition at its highest level. 72 foot catamarans powered by 13 story tall wings raced across San Francisco Bay at speeds close to 50 MPH. Teams of 11 men sailed the boats that were probably on the verge of being uncontrollable at times.

The America's Cup is won by the first team to win 9 races and after several days of racing, Oracle Team USA found themselves down 8 to 1. Only one win separated Emirates Team New Zealand from taking the Cup home with them. See the rest of the story later on in our Newsletter.



In October, our Junior Regatta, Team Challenge and Top Skipper are limited events. Our next big event is the Turkey Regatta and Annual Membership Meeting scheduled for November 10th. It is the last Series race and our last sailing event of 2013. Be there for the fun and to elect your new LMVYC team.

Happy Sailing,

Frank Roberts
Commodore



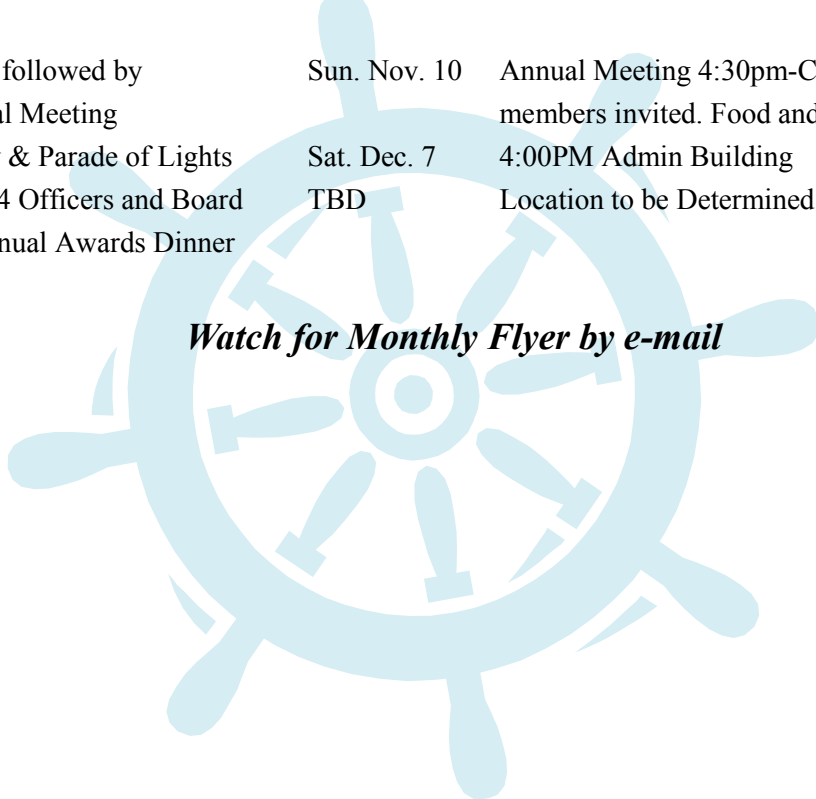
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LMVYC 2013 Sailing & Events Schedule

Junior Regatta II	Sun. Oct. 6	Food and beverages after sailing-picnic area
Team Challenge Regatta	Sat. Oct. 12	Pancake Breakfast before Regatta-Clubroom
Top Skipper Championship	Sun. Oct. 20	By Invitation of the Commodore
Wednesday Night Sunset Sailing ends	Wed. Oct. 30	Informal Sailing starting approx. 4:30pm
Wednesday Walk Around the Lake begins	Wed. Nov. 6	Meet at Market at the Lake at 6:00pm
Turkey Regatta followed by LMVYC Annual Meeting	Sun. Nov. 10	Annual Meeting 4:30pm-Clubroom. All members invited. Food and beverages.
Christmas Party & Parade of Lights	Sat. Dec. 7	4:00PM Admin Building
Installation 2014 Officers and Board Members & Annual Awards Dinner	TBD	Location to be Determined

Watch for Monthly Flyer by e-mail





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David & Meike Spargur

If you work, what do you do?

I make and play with Electronic printer-like devices at Datamax-O'Neil (same as Dmitry Bozko and Guy Heaton)

How long have you been sailing?

Ever since the late 70s when my brother would bring me to crew for Wet Wednesday/Salty Saturday races in Santa Barbara. But nothing beats racing one-design and skippering every week!

What is your current boat?

I have a classic Lido-14 in "dry dock" and 2 kayaks.

If no boat, what is your dream boat?

A Vestas Sailrocket 2 or perhaps an AC72 complete with a Powerball win for the maintenance fund.

What other hobbies do you have?

I enjoy kayaking and hiking with Meike, making gadgets, my dobsonian telescope, photography.

Are you involved in other clubs or sailing organizations?

Just LMVYC for sailing.

Have you thought of serving the club as an officer, race committee volunteer or other position?

Maybe as part of a crew to get those Expo hulls cleaned up?

How many LMVYC events do you plan to attend this year?

As many Wednesday races and regattas as I can . . .

What is your favorite LMVYC event and why?

I love the Wednesday races for inspiring strategy and gadget ideas.





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LMVYC Regatta Reports By Rod Simenz

Record Setting Junior Regatta

Twenty five junior sailors competed in two classes of boats at the Second Annual Junior Invitational Regatta, August 8. Dana West Yacht Club brought eleven juniors, ages 11 to 17 to race with our LMVYC junior sailors. The DWYC junior team was led by Ted Olsen, Director and Junior Sailing Chair of that club.

Races were held off of East Beach dock using a set of special courses designed for the event. The location provided ideal viewing of the races by parents and coaches. Many of the juniors took advantage of the opportunity to go for a swim and cool off between races. Wind shifts were treacherous, Nevertheless, the competition was hot with many of the races ending in photo finishes or just seconds apart. Among the best performances of the day was the sharp sailing by the youngest sailor Lisa Ponti, just nine years old. Lisa won her class, a group of 11 and 12 year olds. Tyler Peyatt posted all first place finishes to win Sabot A and an all girl crew of Bella Murdy, Lisa Ponti and Cheyenne Stegal won the Expo 14.2 class. LMVA took delivery of ten new Expo 14.2 sail boats in March of this year and this was the first time they were raced in a junior regatta at the lake.

A crowd of sixty, including skippers, crew, parents, relatives and race committee members enjoyed a lively lakeside BBQ picnic after the races. Thanks to Kathleen Davoodian and all her helpers for serving up a tasty meal.

This was the largest junior sailing event held at the lake to date and reflects growing interest in competitive junior sailing.

A few days after the regatta Ted Olsen wrote in an email; "I'd like to thank you and your race committee for a wonderful day of sailing. You treated us so well we are blessed to have been invited to sail with you. Thanks again for your hospitality."

Rod Simenz



36th Annual Regatta, August 18, 2013

Fitting the occasion there was a huge turnout for the day. A crowd of twenty three boats raced, largest number of the year, and a crowd of 75 members participated in the celebration held after the races.

The Sailing Wind for the races was decent at times, but then it would go very light and try the patience of every sailor on the course. Willi Hugelshofer and junior sailor Aidan Cornforth each scored three bullets for the day. Willi sailed his Finn in A fleet and Aidan skippered an Expo 14.2 with dad Andrew as crew in C fleet. There were three different winners in B fleet. Jeff Buchman and Peter Tietz each won a race in their Capri 14.2s and Guy Heaton won one race in an Expo 14.2. Jeff posted the best score for the day in B fleet.

Some highlight close finishes were Randy Tiffany and Frank Fournier in a Wayfarer only 3 seconds behind Willi in race #1, A fleet, junior Nicole Sighiartau and dad Julius only three seconds behind Aidan in race #1 C fleet, and Ali Murdy in a Sabot just four seconds behind Aidan in race #2 C fleet. Check LMVYC.org for complete results and series standing.





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The Celebration The 36th Annual Regatta finished with a Romanian style BBQ hosted by Event Chairs Daniela and Julius Sighiartau. Daniela's parents made, with their own specially designed kitchen tool the Mititea and then barbecued the traditional meat rolls for us, accompanied by some very tasty non-traditional American potato salads - thank you Edwards and Peter Tietz and Marilyn. Wonderful! We are so fortunate to have many different nationalities represented among our members - makes for some great after regatta food. A toast to Daniela and Julius for broadening our food horizons with such delicious food! We finished the dinner with a special cake to honor our oldest - and proud of it - member, Ced Fields. Rod and Audrey Simenz



Fall Regatta and Oktoberfest 9/22/13

Twenty one boats competed in a fairly steady breeze with alternating gusts and lulls to make it interesting and a fun day of sailing. Willi Hugelshofer posted two more firsts to his series score in A Fleet. Due to a timer glitch for the A Fleet in race #1 only two races were scored for A Fleet. There will be a makeup race sailed at the Turkey Regatta. Frank Roberts won two races in B and the best score for the day in that fleet.

Aidan Cornforth in an Expo 14.2 and Bella Murdy in a Sabot finished the day in a tie score. The tie breaker rule awarded Aidan first and Bella second for the day.

Docking in the windy conditions at East Beach for the afternoon break turned problematic. All twenty one boats sought to dock on the leeward side but that side became over crowded so a few boats docked on the leeward side of the fishing dock. The current lake rule is boats are not allowed to dock at the fishing dock and they were made to move.

Docking on the windward side of the boat dock proved pretty hazardous in the gusts. This is an ongoing problem and has been brought to the attention of lake management.

Once again Caecilia and Horst Weiler prepared a rousing Oktoberfest for members after the Fall Regatta. We enjoyed bratwurst, German potato salad, and red cabbage. T.J manned the grill with Horst and Graham Newman. Caecilia, Jane and Carina kept the polka music going while running around making sure everyone was eating enough. It wasn't a problem! Delicious German chocolate cakes baked by our commodore Frank Roberts and also Gail Reavis, with apple pies from the Coyne's for dessert. Not to be overlooked was a birthday cake decorated with racing Expo 14.2s to celebrate Rod Simenz and Frank Fournier's entry into a new decade.



But it wasn't over yet - encouraged by the music we soon had some impromptu polka dancing - don't know who enjoyed it more - the dancers or the spectators!

Audrey and Rod Simenz





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Transpac 2013 By Frank Fournier

Roland Fournier, my son got to experience, once in a lifetime for many sailors, the Point Fermin to Waikiki Hawaii TRANSPAC Race.

Preparation for this type of open ocean racing is something that many people are totally unaware.

Weeks of refitting, cleaning, improving all aspects of a sailboat plus maintenance of sails, lots of safety and navigation equipment, etc. It seems almost like a never ending job.

Don't forget oneself. Oceangoing clothes. Not cheap. Approximately 1800 dollars each person. You must keep dry and warm until you meet the tropical air which is not until several days later.

Start of TRANSPAC 7/11/ 2013 Boat VARUNA a Rodgers 46 all Carbon fiber including rigging (shrouds). Varuna in the foreground. had an excellent port tack start.



In the background black hull also is Bretwalda from Detroit, does well in light air. A port tack start off Pt. Fermin is quite unusual for the Transpac. It was a light air day and it took to well past midnight to pass Catalina Island. However, weather finally improved after a day or so to more normal conditions.

Two days later was the start of the largest and fastest boats. The staggered start allows all boats to finish roughly at the same time to be able to party together.



Steady flow with favorable trade winds. Everyone now are close to broad reaching up and down the rhumb line. Many tack downwind three or four hours to find more breeze 18-25 kts. It gets boring at times with only 10-15 kts. or less of wind. You are constantly searching for more favorable wind for your position. GPS navigation and other CAD systems are nearly indispensable in this modern day of sailing the Seas.

They were quite fortunate that they had not encountered any bad weather. They did see in the distance some rainbows but always far away. The sunrises behind the boat were spectacular as were the sunsets in front of them. 2200 miles to go with only the Ocean in between. There were no mountains or high rises as obstructions. Difficult to imagine unless you are actually there.

This was ten days of intense sailing. 24hrs.changing sails day or night according to the wind and weather conditions. Each member worked (sailed) 4hrs on 4hrs off every day. Grabbing a little freeze dried food, sounds boring but you get used to it, especially if that's all there is. Lots of time to learn about each other and oneself.

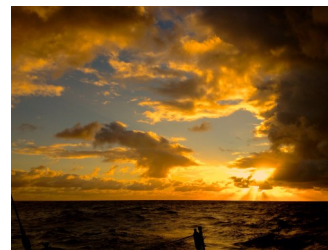
About half way to the islands they encountered debris floating from the Japanese disaster, which is also beginning to land on Alaskan shores. Fortunately none of the racers sustained any major damage.

Finally , sighting of Diamond Head in the distance meant they were soon to finish.

The finish line is between Diamond Head and the buoy offshore.

Now party time. An elegant welcome to the Skippers and Crew of all the participants.

Lei's, Mai Tai's served in a hollowed out pineapple plus all the fanfare that one can imagine after such a long and arduous journey. Their boat finished 3rd. In their class.





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2013 DPYC CHARITY REGATTA

By Bob Van Pelt

Every September the weekend after Labor Day the Dana Point Yacht Club hosts the annual Richard Henry Dana Charity Regatta in conjunction with the Tall Ships Festival. This race is open to all vessels with a valid PHRF Certificate and membership in a SCYC recognized yacht club. Thanks to the ongoing efforts of some of our members LMVYC is eligible to participate.

This year seven of our adult members and one junior raced on both days aboard two PHRF boats and one Sabot. The winds were light and variable on Saturday which favored Reggae a light weight Capri 22 which easily corrected over the two first place finishers and well ahead of the remaining fleet.

On Sunday however the wind was much stronger which presented a challenge as all of the boats were much larger than Reggae including a Catalina 40, a Santana 39 and Cecelia, a very competitive Santana 30. At the start Cecelia jumped out to an early lead and stayed on the left side of the course all the way to the lay line. The rest of the fleet including Reggae went to right which we all thought was favored. Cecelia rounded first well ahead of the entire fleet and stayed ahead all the way to the next mark which was a run. Reggae, being a light boat, sails well dead down wind and we closed the gap on the leading boats. We were in fourth place at the next mark. Going back up the wind increased and it was very shifty so we tacked at every opportunity and eventually passed Cecelia and closed in on the two lead boats who owed us time due to their faster rating. In the end Reggae beat the Catalina 40 boat for boat by seven seconds and corrected over the first place finisher by 45 seconds, this after 2 hours of racing. When all the numbers came in Reggae captured first place overall for the second year in a row with an all LMVYC crew which was noted at the awards ceremony.



Overall Group 2

1	REGGAE	2.00	1	1
2	SUGARLIPS	5.00	2	3
2	AUTUMN MOON	5.00	3	2
4	ELIZABETH	8.00	4	4
5	CECILIA	10.00	5	5
6	SANCHA	15.00	9q	6
7	WHY KNOT	16.00	9f	7
8	ANTHEM	18.00	9s	9s



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34th America's Cup

By Frank Roberts



Anne and I decided to make the trip to San Francisco to watch the first weekend of America's Cup racing. After walking from our hotel to Pier 29, the America's Cup Park, we toured the facility and its exhibits. We took in the sights and sounds while learning how the AC72's were made, how they sailed and how the competitors dressed for the event. Helmet, chest protector, air bottle, flotation device, high top shoes and a wet suit type uniform keeps them safe from the elements and afloat in case of a man overboard situation. After touring the pier, we walked a few miles to the Marina Green where a second site to view the races was set up. International teams were setting up their Skiffs for racing later on that day.



Day one of the races, we set up our chairs at Marina Green. The site allows for almost a complete view of the course. Race number one start went to the Kiwis as they rounded mark one and went on to win the first three races of the weekend. Bad start for Oracle Team USA who started the event at minus two due to penalties incurred during the AC45 World Series races in 2012. Day two found us at pier 29 to watch the opening ceremony where the teams are introduced after walking through the cheering crowds. Kiwis ruled the roost and it felt like were at a New Zealand home game. Emirates Team New Zealand won race three and Team Oracle USA won race four by seven seconds to get their first win.



During this second day of racing, the America's Cup trophy was on display. We went up to view it and I was surprised how close you could get. It was a bright day and the silver cup gleamed with all the engravings of past winners. Attendants told of its history and pointed out the first engraving done in 1851 when the schooner America won it for the first time.

The next few weeks found Oracle Team USA down eight races to one with the first team to win nine races winning the Regatta. In what could be argued as the biggest comeback in sports history, Oracle Team USA rolled off eight straight victories to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat and successfully defend the Cup. A few LMVYC members watched the final races at Frank Fournier's place.



Count me in as the first in line to go watch the races in three years.



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Wounded Warrior Regatta By Peter Tietz

For 17 years Dana West Yacht Club has held a very successful charity event. This year's event on June 7 through 9th was for the benefit of the Wounded Warrior Project. Several of the LMVYC sailors entered the racing held off of Dana Point.

Bob Van Pelt entered the always hard to beat Catalina 22 Reggae with crew of Tony Musolino and Bill Yount. LMVYC members Frank Roberts, Ron Meyer and Peter Tietz crewed on board a Catalina 27 Elisabeth skippered by a first time charity racer Carl Paez. Nine boats were in the cruising class C which included the LMVYC members. The conditions on both days were typical for the harbor area with light winds at the start of both days and slowly building. Bob and his crew with many years local knowledge of the condition around the harbor finished the series with 2 seconds and a first putting him in second place overall. The group on board Elisabeth narrowly missed out on 4th place overall.



As always it was a fun event starting with breakfast for all the racers on both days, a silent auction dinner and dancing Saturday and the awards ceremony on Sunday. Best of all this event benefitted the Wounded Warrior Project. I encourage LMVYC members to see how they can become involved with activities off the lake and take advantage of what other clubs are offering.

Class C

1	Cecelia	2.00	1	(2)	1
2	Reggae	3.00	(2)	1	2
3	SANCHA	6.00	3	3	(4)
4	Elizabeth	7.00	(4)	4	3
5	Waterlemon	10.00	5	(10s)	5
6	Mr Blue Sky	11.00	6	5	(7)
7	Well Heeled	13.00	7	6	(10s)
8	Second Wind	16.00	(10s)	10s	6
9	Dulcinea	18.00	(10f)	10s	8



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Thursday Farkles Regatta

By Willi Hugelshofer

For a few years now I have been crewing on Bob Van Pelt's Capri 22 for the Thursday afternoon Farkles regatta outside Dana Point. Over time, a few more LMVYC members have joined in the fun and are participating on various boats and more recently, we had a couple of new LMVYC members who joined our club to allow them to race in more official regattas which require membership in an SCYA sanctioned club.

The Farkles race is not an official yacht club Race. It started about 20 years ago by a sailor named Hilding Johnson. It just kept going without really anyone "organizing" it. To keep things simple, the race is a pursuit race with the starting time based on length of course and each boat's base RLG PHRF rating. It is based on the honor system and no RC is required. In theory, with the staggered start times, all boats should finish at the same time but obviously, the faster (or luckier) boats finish earlier. It has continued to spread by word-of-mouth. We use DPYC's bar for the get-together after the race, so many do associate the race with the DPYC.



The course for the day is called over the radio on channel 68 by the winning skipper of the previous Thursday race. If that captain is not there, or available, the second place boat does the honors. The course is usually somewhat dependent on wind conditions, whereas on windy days they tend to be longer and on light-wind days much shorter. We operate on established handicaps based on PHRF ratings, whereby slower boats start before 2:00 PM, and much faster or larger boats start later, as late as 25 minutes after 2:00 PM. Spinnakers are not allowed during the race but we use the base PHRF without adding the non-spin offset. The 2 pm start is for Catalina 30's with a PHRF handicap of 192. On Bob's Capri 22 with a rating of 210 we start between 2 or 3 minutes before 2:00 PM depending on the length of the course.

The total sailboat count varies, but on a good day we have 20 or more sailboats participating.

The course is announced over channel 68 typically around 1:40 pm, for example: **G/As/W/B/C/Finish at Red Nun, 8.8 miles**. These obscure set of letters define the various buoys we will use that particular day. DPYC has produced a set of coordinates (longitude and latitude) that precisely define the geometric location of each named buoy.

There are basically three starting lines, all leaving the green buoy **G** to starboard within 2 boat lengths:

- Harbor jetty entrance for starting to the east (towards buoy **C** or **B**)

- Headlands for starting to the south (towards buoy **A**)

- Two houses on the hill for starting to the west (Whistle buoy)

The finish is always at the red nun just outside Dana Point harbor. The boat that gets to within 2 boat lengths leaving the red nun to starboard has the bragging rights at the DPYC bar!

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<http://lmvyc.org/2013/OfftheLake/Thursday%20races-%20rev%20B.pdf>



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Classified Ads

FOR SALE

1970 Olympic Class FINN & Zeiman Trailer



Olympic Class Finn with spars used in 1972 Olympics for sale! Fresh paint, new control lines & racing cleats, three sails including VICTORY racing sail. Ready for racing! Make offer!

Randy.tiffany@cox.net (949)830-3577

Capri-14.2 for Sale.



Must see!! Bristol condition. Ready to race. Two suits of sails. Trailer. New blue canvas cover. New running rigging. Boat has been dried stored and covered always.

Price: \$2,100.00, including trailer. Call Steve – 626-449-4521 x 228 or email to:

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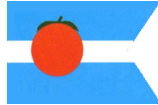
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*Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed
by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you
did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the
safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Ex-
plore. Dream. Discover.*

--Mark Twain



Membership in Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club

Membership in the Club is unrestricted but access to the Lake requires membership in the Lake Mission Viejo Association or admission as a guest of an Association member. A Membership Application along with dues information can be found inside this newsletter.

Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club conducts monthly Regattas from March through November. Other sailing opportunities exist throughout the year including sailing Invitationals, informal "pick up" races on Wednesday evenings followed by informal get-together at Round Table Pizza and summer "raft ups" followed by BYO-BBQs in July & August. See our 2013 Sailing Schedule inside for details.

In the true sense of Corinthian sailing, our goal at LMVYC is to promote sailing, to encourage good fellowship among yachtsmen afloat and ashore, and to introduce non-boat owning amateur sailors young and old to the sport of sailing. Informal sailing lessons are provided free of charge to new members.

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