



The Lazy Sheet



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by John Robinson (Editor)

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Welcome one and all to yet another edition of the Lazy Sheet. While sitting in my darkened closet enjoying a cold 6-pack of my most favorite beverage, listening to Boyz II Men, and writing this-here newsletter I could imagine one and all looking suprised at each other and asking..."Where in the heck is this month's newsletter !!!!!" Well, rest assured that it is in fact...on time PLUS it covers not one but two...yes...TWO regatta's! The reason being that this time around we had regatta's almost back-to-back. Since this IS the "Lazy Sheet" and I AM the lazy editor I just took it upon myself to combine both club functions into ONE bonus edition.

The first annual "LMVYC Chili Cook-Off" was, I think, a HUGE success !! Hats go off to Don and Linda Schaffner, although if the truth be known, I think that Linda is the "brains" of the duo.

Afterall, who could think that Don could pull off something so well planned and organized and successful to boot ?? All kidding aside, the Schaffner's did do a grand job and I know that I speak for all of us when I say that I am sincerely looking forward to next year's chili cook-off. I received an E-mail note from "Ducks1010" that said that this year's winner (John Drake) doesn't want to reveal his recipe because he may want to enter again next year. He does make his own chili powder. He selects his own choice of peppers and grinds them himself. He will be the one to beat next year for sure! As I see it, I think that every one of the chili entrants was first place. In fact, I voted 7 times and each time cast a 1st place to a different pot of chili !

In other news: We have made contact with our "Mystery Poet" once again (and just in time, I might add....the last of the prose received in early February is contained in this newsletter). All I have to say is: If you HAVEN'T been targeted by the poet....hang in there because he (or she) is at it again with some pretty funny lines.

So..without further ado...sit back, open up a 6-pack of your favorite beverage (one can at a time) and read-on dear friends. I really do appreciate your kind words regarding my efforts...this is a fun job to have (sort of reminds me of a Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn story about paintin' a fence....) Enjoy !!

From the Cutting Board

Rod and Audrey Simenz
aka food and beverage managers

It was a dark and stormy night last January at Commodore Roger Robison's staff meeting and Audrey and I were soliciting ideas and volunteers for the club house dinners served after the regattas. Port Captain, Don Schaffner spoke up and allowed as he made a terrific chili, he offered to take on the responsibility for the April 19th dinner. It only took Vice Commodore Jeremy Kivlen two seconds before he spoke up and said "Well the Kivlens prepare a chili that's hard to beat", and the Chili Contest

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Commodore's Corner

It's Been a Spicy Spring Already !!

The 1998 sailing season is off to a great start. The Commodore's Brunch and Opening Day Regatta was a tasty success and on Sunday, April 19th the club held its second event. The club celebrated a record turnout of entries with 19 boats for Spring Regatta I. The Lido fleet was the class winner with five entries. Following the racing, Don and Linda Schaffner played host to the second event of the day: the First Annual Lake Missin Viejo Yacht Club Chile Cook-off. The club members judged eight Chile receipts. The results of the sailing and Chile contest can be found in the newsletter but this great turnout adds excitement to the coming events this year. The Cinco-de-Mayo regatta was last weekend and those of you that sailed understand the word "WIND". The fourteen boats that braved the lake and strong breeze had a lot of fun. As with every event, each of them would not be a success unless each of the members had a great time and the responses I've received each of the Sundays was that we are meeting our goal.

A key to any endeavor in life is to keep improving what we are doing. Resting on our laurels causes us to become stale and lose interest. I feel that it is important for our club to try new ideas. I hope that each of our members feel free to make suggestions for events, awards, and menu items. If we can keep the momentum up, the events this summer should prove to be both fun and exciting. The goals of the Mission Viejo Yacht Club is to provide a fun outing for it's members and friendly competition to improve our sailing skills.

If you still have not been out to sail with us, mark your calendar for our next event: Spring Regatta II the last Sunday in May.

Roger Robison
1998 Commodore

From the Cutting Board

(cont.)

was on! Word got out and soon other members wanted to submit their chili in the competition, and the rest is history.

The hugely successful event was run by Don and Linda Schaffner. Great chili's were provided by John Drake, Sue Edwards, Doug Sheppard, Randy Tiffany, Caecilia Weiler, the Kivlen's and the Schaffners. Vivienne Savage filled out the menu with a "non-chili" dish so there was sure to be something to every one's taste. Don and Linda also provided ballots, tallied the votes and awarded ribbons to the winners as well as potted jalapeno plants to all participants.

The voting was close, and for first place, actually ended in a tie, which sent Don searching for people who hadn't voted. The tie was broken and John Drake took 1st place honors, followed by Caecilia Weiler, 2nd place, and Doug Sheppard 3rd place. At one point I counted fifty four "judges" in various stages of sampling, savoring, voting on the chili and just basically having a great time. A few good natured comments were heard, like "Wait until next year"! So it looks as if the Club has started another tradition.

Hoket on foniks werked fur me

The more you complain, the longer God lets you live.

Cinco-de-Mayo Regatta Day----

Sue, Allyn and Troy got an early start on Sunday morning decorating the club with banners, streamers, flags, sombreros, and even a pinata (compliments of the Olson's) to get us all in the mood for our Cinco-de-Mayo celebration. Sue had great Mexican dips and spreads for the break between races, and then afterwards provided a great buffet Mexican dinner. Grand job, Sue and Allyn--and many thanks to all of you who made the cleanup so easy. A number of you asked for recipes--look for them in subsequent issues of the Lazy Sheet.

May 31 will be the Spring Regatta II. Dinner on that day will feature barbecued ribs. If you plan to attend, your fleet surgeons would really appreciate a phone call to facilitate planning the operation !! Rod or Audrey at 462-0838.

Received by E-mail:
Some New State Mottos.....
Arizona; But It's a Dry Heat
Arkansas; Litterasy Ain't Everthing
California; As Seen on TV
Delaware; We Really Do Like the
Chemicals in our Water
Illinois; Please Don't Pronounce the "S"
Indiana; 2 Billion Years.....
Tidal Wave Free
Kentucky; Five Million People, Fifteen
Last Names

A record turn-out !!

We should take time out to pat our collective selves on the back as there were 19 boats sailing in the Spring I regatta !! Although not an "all time record" it is the most well attended race is recent memory.

Cinco-de-Mayo Regatta Report

Steady winds of 10 to 15 knots with occasionally stronger gusts were served up for the racers. Vice Commodore Jeremy Kivlen and his race committee crew put on three excellent races. The competition was sailed in four classes: A, B, Lido, and Lake Boat.

The stronger than usual winds caused three authentic capsizes and quite a few almosts. The boats and crews survived without any serious consequences.

The Lido's, the B's, and the Lake Boats, including novices, all sailed their posted courses. However, the entire A fleet played follow the leader in the 3rd race with the result that they all scored a DNF for sailing the wrong course and consequently crossing the finish line from the wrong direction. We will get to see the video taken from the Race Committee boat won't we ???

reported by: "anonymous"

(Editor's note:)

We might have been able to view the video of that last race, however....it was loaned to a member who's video player unfortunately "ATE" the tape...right DON ????

It Don' Git No Bedder Den Dis !

by Ol' Smoky-Joe
(with apologies to Uncle Remus)

An by 'n by de day of de big race and food fest did come. All de ladies and mens were at de lake in dere liddle boats wid de sails jest-a flutterin' in de breezes. Dere were all sorts of goin's on's. Of course ol' Mister Wind, well, he was as shifty as always and Mister Lake he wadn't about to gib up any o' his secrets. Ol' Brear Lucky Puff he was jest a wait'n at de start line wid Brear Willie and Brear Horst talk'n trash as dey sailed past in dere liddle boats. De Lido fleet was a-chompin' at de bit to git a good start too as dey swooped in an' out of de rest of de boats tryin' hard not to be gittin' in de way so's as not to git runned over.

Den de horn blew and de flag it did go up de pole an' de race did start. I neber hear'd so much commotion or seen so much confusion all happen'n at de same time! Ol' Brear Lucky Puff he was a' headin' out like he was a' goin' to a fire wid Brear Willie and Brear Horst right behind. Some of de mens an' ladies in de boats were tryin' hard to keep up. Eachbody did think dat dey had de best way to git to de mark afor ennybody else. Of course Ol' Mister Wind, he was bein' jest plain grumpy. He would blow dis way and dat way and back again dis way an' a couple of times he eben wouldn't blow a'tall which made de mens in de liddle boats very not happy but made Mister Lake laff outloud.

Buy by 'n by all of de boats and all of de mens and all of de ladies did finally come 'cross de start line which by now was de ending line. Dey all head'd for de docks laughin' and chucklin. Den after all o' de liddle boats were put away, all of de mens and all of de ladies an' all of de chilren got togedder for de big contest to see who could make de bestest chili. Dere was som mighty fine eatin' goin' on, I do say ! Den, as de sun was goin' down Ol' Brear Lucky Puff and Brear Willie and Brear Horst an' all o' de odder mens dey did agree **DAT IT DON' GIT NO BEDDER DEN DIS !!**

Congratulations goes out to Horst Weiler as he currently holds the 2nd place slot in C-15 District "J" Coast Cup. Believe me when I say that the competition is fierce !! Now....if Graham can only keep "skipper" INSIDE the boat !!!!!

Ships Stores

For sale: AMF "Puffer" 12 1/2' complete with main and jib sails and trailer. Boat and trailer have current registration. Boat is Lake approved.

\$ 850.00 Call Allyn or Sue Edwards 582-9106 (hm) 758-0500 x4590 (wk)

You know you're a Californian when: The fastest part of your commute is down your driveway.

Your monthly house payment exceeds your annual income.

Poet's Corner

Here is the last of original prose offered by the "Mystery Poet". Don't fret...I've received another batch this week !

Milly Milly with sails so frilly
How does your Lido go ?
Wouldn't be nilly if you'd beat
Willie,
Horst and the other foe ?

Handsome Doug
in his Lido tug
fondling new Ullman furls
His shorts so dare
he's almost bare
the eye of all the girls.

I saw a Condor a sailing
the laughter on board a wailing
they only drink wine
and have a good time
if you're not same, you're failing.

With Horst on wind a jam'n
on traps his crew's a ham'n
but in a hole
he'd sell his sole
for a missile
of a Thistle.



A Fun Time for All

Those of you participating in the Cinco-de-Mayo regatta must admit that it was one of the better races so far. The wind behaved well enough during all three races to allow the Race Committee (headed by Jeremy Kivlen and assisted by Sue Edwards, Hillary Robison, and John Robinson) to come up with some interesting and fun courses. What was more interesting, however, were some of the courses sailed by a couple of the skippers who will remain nameless....Right Don ??

Sailing is a lot like flying...you learn something (or should at least) everytime you do it. This is true for watching as well. You are able to learn by watching others. In fact I think that the race committee learned that A:) A skipper MIGHT listen to the crew once in a while...especially if the crew KNOWS the course to sail (right Don ?) and B:) A skipper should never, ever, not even THINK of dancing the Mexican Hat Dance while on a run to the "A" mark ! (right Randy ?).

Startling Facts:

by Harvey Mackay

A happy customer usually tells three other people. An unhappy one tells 11.

Twenty-eight percent of Americans go to a library at least monthly; 27 percent never go at all.

Managers spend from 25 percent to 80 percent of their time in meetings. And 53 percent of this time is unproductive.

Life crises can have long-term positive effects on life. Over 87 percent of people studied said crises such as death, illness, breakups and divorce gave them a more positive meaning in life.

In an average lifetime you'll spend fours years traveling in cars and six months waiting for red lights to turn green.

Events to Come

May 31 Spring Regatta II: Skipper's Meeting at Noon with first race beginning about 1 p.m. The featured meal will be RIB's !! If you have had ribs at one of after-race dinners then you KNOW what good food is all about... if you are a new member, then you've got a treat in store for you. Please be sure to contact our Fleet Surgeon's (aka food and beverage managers) Rod or Audrey Simenz at 462-0838 to help them plan for the meal.

June 28 Reverse Portsmouth: Good ol' fashion Bar-B-Q (burgers and dogs) hosted by yours truly. We'll see about getting the big grill out under the trees by the fishing area. This was a success last year and we'll do what we can to make it so this year.

Also: Don't forget about the Sunset Series races on Wednesday's at 6:00 p.m. (they used to be called "Beer-Can Regatta's" but I think that everyone that used to sail a beer can sold them and bought Lido's.) Of course, it goes without saying that the race isn't over until everyone leaves the Pizza Parlor.

Office Humor sent to me via E-mail:

I thought my Boss was a jerk, so I quit to work for myself. My new Boss is a jerk too...but at least I respect him.

Quote from the Boss: "I didn't say it was your fault. I said I was going to blame it on you."

"E-mail is NOT to be used to pass on information or data. It should be used only for company business."

My Boss said to me, "What you see as a glass ceiling, I see as a protective barrier."

A motivational sign at work: "The beatings will continue until morale improves."

Spring Regatta I Results

A Fleet: 1st Place: Willie Hugelshofer (151)
2nd Place: Matt Beattie (13)
3rd Place: John Austin (810)
4th Place: Roger Robison (3538)
5th Place: Ken and Cathy Boullion (3366)
6th Place: Don and Linda Schaffner (2357)
7th Place: Brett Tremain (3040)

B Fleet: 1st Place: Allyn and Sue Edwards (4430)
2nd Place: Ced Fields/Vivienne Savage (205)
3rd Place: John Olson (21)
4th Place: Mike Farina (GL17)

Lido Fleet: 1st Place: Audrey and Rod Simenz (6026)
2nd Place: Doug Sheppard/Diana Malthouse (345)
3rd Place: Arnold Christesen/Robin Kivlen (4136)
4th Place: John Drake/Dean Cole (136)
5th Place: Milly Thomas (955)

Lake Fleet: 1st Place: Graham and Matt Newman
2nd Place: Ron and Luann Meyer
3rd Place: Randy Tiffany/Norma

Cinco-de-Mayo Regatta Results

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2nd Place: Brett and Corinne Termaine
3rd Place: Matt Beattie
4th Place: Roger and Tara Robison

Lido Fleet 1st Place: Audrey and Rod Simenz
2nd Place: Arnold Christensen
3rd Place: Millie Thomas/Bud&Sue Nelson
4th Place: Allyn and Troy Edwards
5th Place: John Drake

B Fleet 1st Place: Ced Fields
2nd Place: John Olson

Lake Fleet 1st Place: Ron and Luann Meyer
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