



Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club

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COMMODORE'S CORNER



SPORTSMANSHIP!

*S*ailing on Lake Mission Viejo doesn't require a law degree to decipher the rules -- it requires only good sportsmanship and a willingness to learn!

*T*he philosophy of the club at Lake Mission Viejo, has become more amiable as it has evolved. Current members believe that knowledge of sailing rules was never meant to be used as a "tool" in racing, with the winning sailor being the one who could spout the most rules. As sailors become more experienced, they should learn **AND OBSERVE** basic rules.

*H*ard-core racers in our group are encouraged to join a fleet that travels around Southern California, and use our lake sailing an opportunity to hone their skills and "have fun" with the sport!

We promote "friendly" sailing -- our group recognizes that the primary value of the club is to foster friendships and opportunities for fun-filled memories. Winning is secondary.

*S*o don't let your insecurity or lack of experience rob you of the fun of making friends and improving your skills. Newcomers: Come learn the rules "on the water" and have some fun in the process! And Old-timers: Keep giving them a little "extra leeway" on the rules, okay?

See you at the lake,

Milly Davies

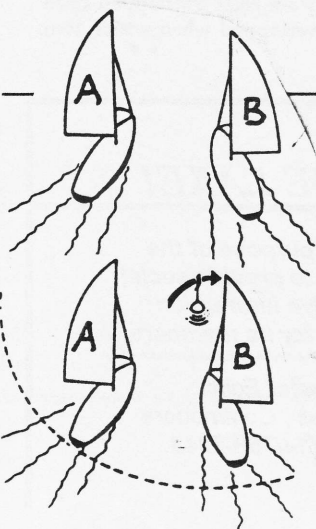
Tactics:

Situation:

A & B on opposite tacks in open water and within 2 boatlengths of a buoy.

Question:

Are A & B "overlapped"?



"REVERSE PORTSMOUTH" REGATTA SLATED FOR JUNE 30!!

All hands on deck for the festivities of Sunday, June 30! The Regatta, a first of its kind for Lake Mission Viejo, features a handicap-type race that pits sailor against sailor, and not boat against boat. All craft of similar class will start together, with the "slowest" boats off the mark first, and "fastest" boat types leaving last. Starts will be staggered according to a sequence agreed by Race Committee Willi Hugelshofer and Horst Weiler, loosely based on the Portsmouth rating system. The simple object of the regatta is to pass each boat in front of you, and the first boat over the finish line is the winner! This should make for a close finish, and guarantee some lively conversation over the hamburger barbecue planned for the after-sail activity by Fleet Surgeon Len Savage and his able crew of helpers.

All instructions will be given and all your concerns addressed at the skipper's meeting, so plan ahead to have your boat in the water and be ready to ask your questions at the 12:30 Skipper's Meeting. It is very important that you hear the instructions, as it is possible there will be only one long race during the afternoon. Start time will be determined by the amount of wind, and may be delayed until 1:30.

If this event is as popular on our lake as it has been at Kings Harbor and other areas where it has received enthusiastic response, it will become a yearly event. For this season, however, the Board has voted that the results will not be scored in the contest for Top Skipper. So plan to be on hand and enjoy this history-making day in beautiful Mission Viejo! Just like the kid in the cereal commercial: "Try it, you'll like it!"

WEILER AND KIVLEN WIN MEMORIAL WEEKEND REGATTA

On the nicest day of the holiday weekend, with winds in the cove, and "holes" in the middle for an interesting change, Horst Weiler and Graham Newman, edged out Willi Hugelshofer to take first place in the regatta. Roger Robison and his rotating crew (Trevor for races 1 and 2, and Colleen, who jumped ship from the Committee boat to crew for Roger the third race) came in third in the A-Fleet. Race Committee Jeff Wilson and Colleen Dong sent the boats all over the lake, but they still found their way back to the new start/finish line location: Marker number 2.

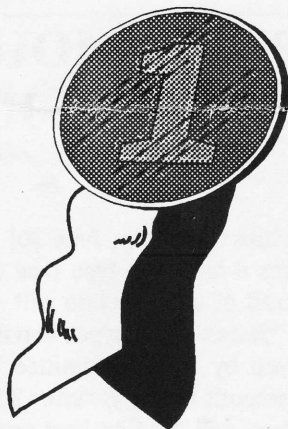
B-fleet winners were Robin and Jeremy Kivlen in first place, Ced Fields and Vivienne Savage took second, and Milly Davies and Barbara Kivlen were the third place "show" category. They finished the last race with a "jury-rigged" gooseneck which broke on a sudden wind-shift and jibe during the last race, but still finished the race!

Jean Kanjanavaikoon and Nate Osborne sailed the idle "Orient Express". 1995 Students Ken and Cathy Boullion show marked improvement on each outing, and even managed to edge out Roger Robison on one race in their C-15! Kevin Bawler, former ocean sailor, and Sharon McCormack joined in part of the festivities, and will be mixing it up at the top with his evident skill of reading the wind -- a much-needed talent on Lake Mission Viejo! (Continued on page two)

NEW LIDO DESIGNED

Schock boats are in the process of redesigning the Lido to celebrate 50 years of boat building. The new design will be available direct from Schock to Lido 14 Association members initially, then sold through distributors. Main differences seen were that the new model will feature a flush ridgeless easier-to-hike deck, single mold inner liner and deck bonded to the hull to form one piece. It also features stainless steel off-the-shelf hardware, and wrap around seating with full backs. (What, no stereo?) The new model will be unveiled to the public at the Long Beach Boat Show on October 11, and will sell for \$3,995.

JEAN K. TAKES HONORS



Our heartiest "Atta girl" to Jean Kanjanavaikoon, our outstanding Junior Sailor as well as scholar! In the recent Academic Decathlon, Jean's team at Capo Valley High won the Regional competition, and Jean won several individual honors as well. Way to go, Jean! We're so proud of you!

May Regatta Results (Continued from Page One)

A miniature red, white and yellow small-scaled tugboat (yes...we said tugboat!) added some fun to the day and it navigated among the sailors threatening to hose them down with its fully operating firehose.

The smell of garlic bread and lasagna cooked up by Fleet Surgeon Len Savage and his helpers greeted the sailors at the dock at the end of the final race that saw ten boats off the mark. Linda Schaffner provided strawberries dipped in white chocolate for a gourmet treat. The sailors had a good time hashing over the events of the day in a room decorated in festive colors in honor of the Memorial Day Holiday.

One protest was filed. New members Daniel and Joyce Bak complained that the top was missing off the "F" buoy, and they had to go all over the lake before locating it. According to Daniel, everyone just kept saying "Follow Me...!"

THIS 'n THAT!

Willi was truly caught off-guard at the surprise birthday party thrown in honor of the "big one" by wife Suzanne. Understand Willi's daughter was in on the plot, and kept him busy with moving her from college in Claremont until the coast was clear.

Those who missed sailing in San Diego Bay on Saturday of Father's Day weekend, missed a perfect day! Bud and Sue Nelson, Santa Margarita sailing club out of Oceanside hosted the event and imported picture perfect weather, steady winds, and excellent bagels and coffee at the start the day! With more ladies aboard than men, everyone had an "equal opportunity" to grind, navigate, or tie up the 36 foot Catalina cruiser. After a leisurely start, the group wound its way to the San Diego Yacht Club for lunch and viewing of a new boat christening. Vivienne, at the helm, was tempted to head off to Hawaii immediately, but decided to postpone til she returned from a vacation previously planned with Len to visit Montreal.

You may see a familiar face if you pop into West Marine in Dana Point! Don Schaffner, who could write books on sailing and radio-controlled boats, is learning all the ins and outs of "stinkpotting" and EPURBS, etc. In his new sales position at this retail marine outlet which services all types of boats and yes, even fishermen, at their location on PCH, Don will be the answer to a prayer for those of us who go in the door unsure of what we need, hoping the sales person will figure it out for us. Stop by and see him when you're in the area.

We knew it would happen someday! Roger Robison in Agrippina I finally beat Horst in his new boat, Agrippina II. Roger had the "help" of the sailing instructor at Westlake Village who filled in when Roger's crew cancelled for the C-15 Regatta there. Roger (wisely) decided to let the instructor man the helm, and spent his time picking up pointers while crewing.

We're told the Westlake Village group does it up good! The start line for the C-15 regatta is in the third floor bar of their clubhouse which is right on the water! Roger heard the 6-minute warning, set his watch, finished his beer, then hopped in the boat to meet the rest at the start line! What a way to sail! We must ALL plan to attend next year and see how its done when its done right!

In May, Milly happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time and her Honda was totaled when she became the middle car in a freeway rear-ender accident. It was also the same day the car was broken into in a "secure" parking structure! Talk about having a bad day! Milly thinks her luck may be changing for the better though! She won two tickets to the sold-out Garth Brooks concert in San Diego. She's tooling around town now in new wheels!

Don's radio-controlled boat club is growing and growing! Had a call recently from a new resident of Mission Viejo with five R.C. boats who was absolutely thrilled with finding some competition. You can catch the R.C. group at the lake almost every weekend.

June Allyson's 14' Lido is for sale. Comes with one set of sails and a trailer for \$1600. Sorry, it's not autographed! If anyone is interested, call Robert Reilly at 805/251-7494 for more details. Marleen Chesley's Lido is still looking for love at a "reasonable" price. Call her at 714/457-1728.

Quiz Answer: In open water they are NOT overlapped since they are on different tacks but they ARE overlapped when within two boat lengths of a downwind buoy.

REMINDER: NO GLASS CONTAINERS ALLOWED AT THE LAKE!

1996 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Remember : Save the last Sunday of each Month
for Yacht Club activities!**

Wednesdays, 5 - 8 pm.....Sunset Sailing
8 :15 pm:Roundtable Pizza, LaPaz/Marguerite
June 30, 12:30 pm....."Reverse Portsmouth Start" Regatta
July 28, 12:30 pm.....Summer Regatta I



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

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