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LAKE MISSION VIEJO YACHT CLUB

From The Bridge....December 2016

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2016 sure went by fast. It seems we just had our installation banquet and here we are with a new slate of officers elected and ready to serve in 2017. I think our members are to be congratulated for electing a fine slate of officers this year. Commodore Elect Mark Glackin and his crew will do a great job in 2017.



2016 was a fun year with some close regattas and some competitive Corinthian racing. Regattas were well attended and our stand-out juniors competed nicely off the lake and brought some good exposure to our club. As usual, post regatta food and fun were outstanding. Thanks to all the Event Chairs and cleanup crews. Our club is grateful for your hard work and creativity.

I want to thank all of my officers and appointees who stepped up this year and kept the club humming along. Our 2016 nominating committee had to go into overtime to set a slate and they did a terrific job. I especially want to thank Kevin Peyatt for his hard work and dedication as Quartermaster in providing beverages, ice and supplies. It is a long way up those stairs hauling heavy supplies.

I also want to thank Guy Heaton for his hard work at Race Chair. After taking over for Rod Simenz, Guy has done a great job being proactive and creative in his approach. His extensive sailing capabilities have proved valuable to him in his new position and are a benefit to all of us.

Also, don't forget we still meet for pizza and refreshments 7PM at Round Table Pizza on Marguerite and La Paz. Those of you wishing to burn a few calories first can join us on our Walk Around the Lake. We leave the parking lot at Los Lagos and Marguerite at 6PM and do a spirited walk. After one three mile lap, we head to Pizza.

So, thanks again for your support and I hope to see you at the Christmas Party on December 3 and the Officer Installation and Awards Banquet on January 8 as we celebrate the year and get ready for 2017. Fair winds and following seas.

Frank Roberts

Frank Robert

Commodore 2016

Mark Your Calendars!

- ◆ Boat Decorating 9:00 am
December 3
- ◆ Holiday Party 5:00 pm
December 3
- ◆ Installation and Awards Dinner January 8
- ◆ Tun Up Regatta January 22
- ◆ SCYA MidWinter Regatta
February 18
- ◆ Opening Day March 19



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Junior Regatta 2 October 2, 2016

by Rod simenz



Thanks to team captains, Karl Ponti, Ezugo Ononye, Lisa Ponti, Cheyenne Stegall and Nicole Sighiartau for sailing with many of our newest juniors as their crew and giving them the opportunity to experience racing in a regatta. It was a day of good wind and close competition, all in good fun as it's meant to be. All teams sailed Expo 14.2s. Junior Commodore Karl Ponti with Maycie Pugh as crew placed first in three of the five races and that was good for first overall. Sam Sahagian and his captain Ezugo Ononye sailed into second place over all, just one point ahead of Nicole and her crew of Ryan Ikeda and McKenna Pugh. Cheyenne sailed with twins Mandy and Liberty Hansen and ended up tied with Lisa Ponti and her crew Vivian Ikeda.



After the races, all the competitors, family and friends enjoyed pizza, salad, brownies and ice cream. Thanks to Daniela and the Lara, Ikeda, Ononye and Stegall families for their part in making Junior Regatta II a big success.



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It's the clubs good fortune!

Submitted by Rod Simenz

What is?



To have a good size group of dedicate members that do a lot for the club behind the scenes. A case in point is Staff Commodore John Olson who just keeps on turning out wood working projects for the club. Check out the picture that shows some of his latest effort. More bases and staffs for the yacht club burgee collection displayed on the walls of the club room. I haven't counted, but there must be at least 75 burgees there, and now thanks to John we have another twenty four bases and staffs, so keep collecting burgees when you travel.

Also in the picture are some beautiful wood Sabot lee-board handles. These are his own design, unlike the traditional bronze handles these float and that's a real benefit to the junior program! John's current project is making replacement Sabot booms for two of the club owned Sabots. Thanks John.

Progress

Submitted by Christian Davoodian

This year I had the opportunity to sail with the high school sailing club at Dana Point Yacht Club where I have been able to sail on the ocean regularly and advance my skills.

I started sailing on Lake Mission Viejo when I had just turned ten. Mr. Simenz took me out on the Lake in a C-14 to teach me the basics and then I went on to learn to sail in a sabot and compete in many races as a junior.

Since that time I have sailed various boats including Expos to C-14s and even Balboas. However, I decided to expand my knowledge of sailing to the open ocean. The first time I got into a CFJ on the ocean was an eye opening experience. It made me realize how much I had to learn. I was exposed to new terms, new techniques, and new competition. I can personally tell you that starting on a line in the ocean with 40 other boats is an experience you will never forget. The ocean is full of challenging obstacles like kelp and seaweed not to mention the waves.

I have gone to amazing yacht clubs from BCYC and Newport Harbor to Cal Yacht Club in Marina del Rey, and each one of them has a different set of conditions. When our group sailed at one Regatta in Newport we motored over to the skippers meeting together since we launched our boats out of Newport





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Progress Cont.



Sea Base for the races. I continue to meet new and interesting people everywhere I go.

Although my sailing experience has grown, I continue to learn new things everyday on the ocean. I can say that my time on Mission Viejo Lake is invaluable.

The constantly shifting winds on the lake make

for tough and ever challenging sailing. It is always said amongst the sailors at LMVYC that if you can sail well here, you can sail well anywhere. I look forward to many more years of sailing ahead of me here on Lake Mission Viejo and new adventures as I plan for college and beyond.



Turkey Regatta 2016

Submitted By Vice Commodore Mark Glackin

Ever head out from home, on your way to a competition, and have your loved one say, "Whatever you do, don't win." It is still unclear how I could target 2nd place. Having the misfortune of winning the Turkey Regatta twice in recent years, my wife was discouraging this sort of repeat performance. She is an excellent cook. However, something about having to cook a turkey for an early December Christmas party (shortly after an always outstanding Thanksgiving feast) does not thrill her. I could not promise that I would not try my best to win every race. If you are unfamiliar with the Turkey Regatta turkey tradition, ask one of the club officers. There's a booby prize element that they don't tell you about until after you win.

It was a beautiful day. Warmer than usual, the wind seemed light and variable as we left the dock after the skippers' meeting (I know, surprise, surprise). It piped up a bit for the start and we were off, headed to "E" mark in the western cove, south of the restaurants. The committee boat mooring seems to have been moved a bit further south than usual. This actually gives us clearer air on the starting line but makes for a short upwind leg to "E" when the wind is WSW. All of this combined for a lot of traffic at the first mark. Slipping around the mark first, I heard hails of right-of-way, barks of frustration, and the thunking of fiberglass hulls. Not looking back, I knew there were some penalty turns happening. We pulled away from the pack. After multiple legs (the race committee sent us twice-around on a few races that day) we finished ahead of Ron Meyer and Arnold Christensen in the other Thistles of the day. Our lead may have been good enough to beat the rest of the fleet on corrected time.



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Turkey Regatta Cont.

Per usual, the wind shifted and waxed and waned throughout the day. "Never give up" is certainly a well-known phrase for serious pursuits of life and death but on a lighter note, you should live by that motto racing on Lake Mission Viejo. Connor and I were leading the second race – the whole race. But then, somehow found a strange hole. Going up wind you usually get the fresh breeze first. Remarkably, the fresh breeze was slotting past us to bring the fleet closer. In the last 100 yards Arnold closed the gap and beat us by one second being the first to cross the line. Even though finishing instantly after Arnold, we knew that second place would not be ours on corrected time. It was a very competitive day all around. If you look at finishes among Thistles only, we traded places all day, each getting a 1st, 2nd and a 3rd.

Guy Heaton, sailing in a Balboa 13, took home the Turkey, finishing first in A Fleet. Peter Tietz stole first in B Fleet, edging out Emmet Rixford by one point. Nicole Sighiartau was first in C fleet. For all of those C-Fleeters that didn't race that day, 3rd place was up for grabs. There were only two competitors!

When the boats were put away, food and beverages consumed, it appeared that, with finishes of 1, 5, 5 I somehow ended up with what my wife was rooting for, not first.

Annual Meeting

After the Turkey regatta and before the outstanding turkey dinner provided by the event chair and duty officers, the members in attendance had the opportunity elect the officers that will lead the Club into the year 2017. The nominating committee of Jr. S/C Jeff Murdy, S/C Sudrey Simenz and S/C Tony Musolino worked very hard to find the right group of individuals to continue move the club forward. The membership elected the following people to office in 2017:

Mark Glackin — Commodore
Emmett Rixford — Vice Commodore
Andrew Cornforth — Rear Commodore
Frank Roberts — Jr Staff Commodore
Frank Fournier — Port Captain
Arnold Christensen — Treasurer
Mia Ishikawa — Secretary
Guy Heaton — Race Chair
Rod Simenz — Fleet Captain
Yasemin Talay — Hospitality Chair

The membership thanks all of the new officers for the hard work and countless hours that they will put in over their terms to continue the great traditions that this Club now enjoys. They will need lots of help so when you notice something needs doing please respond by saying "what can I do to help". We will also need help on all the appointed positions so if there is something that interests you please contact one of the new bridge officers,



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Scary time at Lido Isle YC

By Rod Simenz



About 65 juniors showed up at the LIYC Halloween regatta on October 28 and 29. Most were in scary costumes and competed for prizes on the first day. Nicole Sighiartau and Jaden Talay wore costumes but didn't win anything. Things weren't as scary on the water as Nicole started slow but ended with finishes of 2,2,1, 1 to place second in Sabot C 2 class that had 16 entries. Jaden was third in the RS Tera class with 8 entries. Ezugo Ononye joined Jaden in the RS Tera class and placed second, one point ahead of her. This marked the fourth year of our juniors participation in this regatta with award winning performances. Photo shows Jaden about to cross the finish line in first place.

Nicole Sighiartau moves up to Sabot C1

By Rod Simenz



Congratulations to Nicole for her big win at Mission Bay YC regatta sailed November 5 and 6. She faced 20 tough competitors in the Sabot C2 class, mostly from local area yacht clubs like San Diego , Southwestern, Coronado, Navy and Mission Bay along with a few from Newport Harbor. They sailed 10 races over two days and she won comfortably with a six point lead over the second place boat. The win at this major regatta means Nicole automatically moves up to the Sabot C1 class in accordance with The International Naples Sabot Association class rules. Note the perpetual trophy presented by MBYC is almost as big as Nicole.



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Annual Hors d'oeuvres & Dessert Potluck Christmas Party
In the LMVA Boardroom - 2nd fl. Administration Building
Saturday December 3, 2016 at 5:00 pm

All Members with last name A-L please bring a dessert – plated.
Members with last name M- Z please bring an appetizer- plated.
It will really help if you stay with your category, this helps balance the menu And if you're bringing a nonmember guest please cover with food for them.

Questions? Contact Party Chairs,
Vicki Rixford 949-830-8009 or Rixfords@cox.net:

Audrey Simenz 949-462-0838 or audrey.d.s@outlook.com

Appetizers served at 5:00 pm
Don't forget to bring your favorite beverage!

Followed by the Boat Parade of Lights at 6:00 pm Led by the
Club's "Schooner"

Be sure to dress warmly to ride the Club schooner or the Club's two party boats
And then . . . around 7:00 pm

Back to the Boardroom after the Parade for Dessert & Coffee

In keeping with the season we are also having the annual CHOC Toy Drive
CHOC Toy Run



Please bring a new, unwrapped toy

Toy Wish List

CHOC gladly accepts new toys for using with our patients. Durable, cleanable toys are most useful in the hospital setting. Please see the list of acceptable items for your donations on the flyer.



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Need Some Holiday Cheer



Cant decide of what to give for Christmas, Hanukkah, Bodhi, Winter Solstics, Id Al-Adha or for a birthday than you will want to check out the items that are available exclusively through LMVYC. How about a throwback logo sew/iron patch that is sure to improve the look of your favorite sailing gear. Through the month of December they are buy one for \$5.00 and get one free or \$2.50 each.



Ties \$25.00



Scarves \$27.00



Caps \$10. 00



Burgees \$23.00



Decals \$2.00

All of these items are currently in stock, but hurry they will go fast. Contact R/C Emmet Rixford rixfords@cox.net to place your order.

Awards & Installation Dinner

Regattas for the year are over plan on being at the Amazing Grapes on January 8th to see who gets the trophy's and to witness the installation of the new officers. Watch for your invitation and get your reservations in early. This will be a very popular event and a great opportunity to thank those individuals that have made this year a success.



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SCYA MidWinter Regatta

The Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA) Midwinter Regatta is one of the Nation's largest sailing competitions offering more than 25 venues with over 600 competing boats, 100 classes and more than 2,500 sailors. The regatta will be held in 2017 on February 11 and 12, and Feb 18 and 19.

The two-weekend format, stretching from San Diego to the Channel Islands, was well received last year and will be repeated in 2017 for this 88th annual winter sailing tradition. The multiple date choices enable host yacht clubs to select the best fit for racers wishing to compete. Visit <http://scyamidwinterregatta.org> for an up-to-date list of Midwinter race venues taking place up and down the coast.

Marlyn Dinon, race chair, has been working closely with SCYA member clubs to ensure all sailors have a wide selection of races. Racing for One Design, PHRF handicap rated classes, Cruisers, Dinghy racers, R/C Model boaters and Predicted Log will allow participants to test their skills against some of the finest competitors in Southern California. "The 2017 Midwinter encourages both the seasoned skipper and the novice. "All types of boats are welcome, and participation is open to non-yacht club members at some venues," Dinon added.

The SCYA, participating host clubs, and the regatta's commercial sponsors work hard to showcase what they have to offer the recreational boating and yachting community, making sure everyone has a great time.

The SCYA, celebrating its 96th year, was created in 1921 with the goal to provide communications, educational and organizational resources to the yachting community in Southern California, Arizona and Nevada.

To find out more about the 2017 Midwinter Regatta visit the website: scyamidwinterregatta.org/ or contact Marlyn Dinon at service@scya.org

Southern California Yachting Association

SCYA has been serving the yachting community since 1921. Their mission is to provide educational opportunities, coordinate efforts between yacht clubs, provide an avenue for communication and celebrate special achievements in yachting. Our club is an active member of SCYA with 3 of our members having served as the MidWinter Regatta Race Chair (the largest regatta in the country) and S/C Morrie Wilkie serving as Commodore in 2014. Frank Roberts continues our contribution by chairing the MidWinter Regatta in 2019.

Check out the new SCYA website SCYA.org to see what they have to offer the yachting community and keep informed by signing up for their newsletter on the site.



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Classifieds

Sailing Art:



Carl Paez member has been creating local and sailing art that is now available at shows and through his web site artbycarlp.net. Check out what is available or have him possibly do a custom piece for you.

C 14.2 Available Westlake Village



This race ready 14.2 is available from a member of the WLYC. It is race ready and the trailer maybe available. Contact Ross Ellena 805 371 4851 for more information. Lets keep the B Fleet active.

On the Market again

1970 Olympic Class Finn and 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





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Up Coming Events

Event	Month	Date
Tune Up Regatta	January	Sunday 22
Midwinter Regatta	February	Sunday 19
Opening Day	March	Sunday 19
Spring Regatta 1	April	Sunday 23
Spring Regatta 2	May	Sunday 21
Summer Regatta	June	Sunday 25
Team Challenge Regatta	July	Sunday 16
Junior Regatta 1	August	Sunday 13
LMVYC 40th Annual Regatta	August	Sunday 27
Fall Regatta	September	Sunday 24
Junior Regatta 2	October	Sunday 8
Commodore Mark's Spooky Night Sail	October	Saturday 14
Top Skipper	October	Sunday 22
Turkey Regatta/Annual Meeting	November	Sunday 12
Christmas Party/Parade of Lights	December	Saturday 2

Here are the dates of the scheduled events for the year. Check for updates in your mail box and on the website LMVYC.org.

Membership in Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club

Membership is open to all members of the Lake Mission Viejo Association. A membership application along with dues information can be found at LMVYC.org. Lake Mission Viejo yacht Club conducts monthly regattas throughout the year. Other sailing opportunities include informal pick-up regattas on Wednesday evenings followed by gatherings at Round Table pizza and summer raft ups with a BYO BBQ in July and August.

No Boat? No Problem LMVYC has Sabots, Balboa 13's and Expo 14.2 boats available for your sailing pleasure. Free lessons are also available by appointment throughout the summer.

In the true sense of Corinthian sailing, our goal at LMVYC is to promote sailing, to exchange good fellowship, and to introduce non-boat owning sailors young and old to the sport of sailing. Share this news & invitation to Join LMVYC with a friend.

