



LIPTON SERIES REGATTA HELD AT GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB

Here are the results of the Lipton Series held last weekend at the Golden Gate Y.C.

We had fourteen boats total (not good, but better than expected). Changing the format was a contributing factor, plus racing scheduling conflicts. PICYA Commodore Bill Needham and his wife Penny of St. Francis Y.C. Vice Commodore Reg Smith of Treasure Island, Rear Commodore Matthew Dean of Encinal (who was our PRO) Staff Commodore Tony Shaffer also of Encinal were part of our

Race Committee. On hand also we had our old stalwart Doug McVae of Richmond Y.C. Beverley Hoffman of Alameda Y.C. Patti Stauch Encinal Y.C. and of course Johnnie and myself, also of Encinal (as well as Meeks Bay)..

A huge thank you to all these folks, they did an outstanding job.

We had two J105s, Aquavit and Roxanne. Four Islander 36s, Captain Hooke, Zingara, Mai Pen Rai and Mischief, although Mischief cancelled out the last minute for illness.

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Commodores Comments *By Bill Needham*

Summer is in full swing and PICYA and its member clubs continue to have full calendars. There are races, social events, and fund-raisers that are happening in many of our clubs, all you have to do is look at the announcements papering the table at our monthly delegate's meetings. We were pleased to welcome our 105th member club at our last meeting, the Barbary Coast Boating Club, represented by their vice commodore Dave Philipp. We look forward to their participation. It's great to see all this activity in spite of economic tensions.

The PICYA sponsored Lipton Regatta was held this past weekend continuing a long-held tradition. There were fourteen boats competing in four classes on a beautiful, breezy Saturday and Sunday off the Race Deck of the Golden Gate Yacht Club. Many thanks go to Daphne Owen and her committee for all the hard work that went into this successful event. The excellence of the race committee, mostly from Encinal Yacht Club, put a smooth and professional touch which is greatly appreciated.

Next month there are two more PICYA sponsored races, the CHISPA and Youth Regattas. These are separate events and not to be confused although they are held on the same day and at the same location making it easy to do so. The CHISPA is open to all ages, one boat per club. Details and qualifications can be found in another article in the LOG. The Youth Regatta is especially important because we want to encourage our young sailors to participate so we have enthusiastic and experienced sailors to continue our sport. So come one and all, the location is Encinal Yacht Club and the date is August 29th, mark your calendars.

The last major event this fall is the WHEELCHAIR REGATTA, chaired, as always, by Staff Commodore Margot Brown, and to be held on Saturday, September 29th at Encinal Yacht Club. This is the thirteenth year for this event and each year it has grown and improved.

Our disabled veterans look forward to their outing each year and we want to make it a great day for them. PICYA's theme for this year is "Reach Out" and this is one of the more important ways that we do just that, help those who have given us so much and let them know we appreciate them. There are several ways to help: volunteer your boat and crew, be a helper on land or, if neither is possible, simply buy a shirt at the next delegate's meeting. In any case don't miss out on what has become a super "feel good day on the Bay."

To change the subject to one of continuous and considerable importance this year particularly, the political and physical threats to our sport. Thanks for holding up so well under this siege, our barrage of letters has been effective in saving the Department of Boating and Waterways so far but the tension continues, it's not over yet. We also have concerns over proposals to erect obstacles to waterways, limiting access to use of our delta. We will try to keep you updated on all these issues and others as they arise. Please "hang in there" with us and respond when requested, we are all in this together.

I have just a few housekeeping items to round out this column. One, please be sure you make your reservations for the delegate's meetings in a timely manner, our host clubs have limited space and need to make arrangements and plan dinner. Then, after the meeting don't forget to take pertinent information back to your clubs and be sure it is disseminated to the appropriate people, we can't get participation unless you publicize our events and concerns. This is your organization and it will only be as successful as the membership makes it. Thanks so much for all your work so far, it's been a great year.



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Three Express 27s (I certainly expected more) Opa! Shenanigans and Abigail Morgan. Five Olsen 25s Synchronicity, Samba, Shark in Blue Grass, Vivace and Avanti.

Talking to the racers at the after race party, we had positive feedback from all, with regard to the changes in format. Everyone agreed the change to One Design from PHRF was very good, although there are some naysayers (not racers) from clubs who would like to see things stay the way they were. They need to let go and move on!

Three races total, two Saturday and one Sunday. This may also change for 2010 to one day. The majority of racers believe having three on one day would be more enjoyable. We shall see!

Daphne, Regatta Chair

Submitted by Steve Smith, Half Moon Bay Y.C. one of our Olsen 25 racers on *Synchronicity*.

There was lots of wind and lots of chop, and fluky conditions at Blackaller buoy, the weather mark for all three races. Good broaching technique was demonstrated. The first two races appeared to be decided by proper choice of which side of the course on the run, with *Samba* winning by going furthest out on the first race and *Shark* going furthest in on the second to win overlapped with *Synchronicity* at the finish. Coming into the final race four boats were in contention for first place with a 2 point spread between first and forth. The finish order for the final race was established on the first weather leg, though it was exciting for the remaining 4 legs.

PICYA/WESTERN BOATING SAFETY GROUP SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship committee has received twenty four excellent applications. They are now tackling the big job of reading and reviewing all the applications. The committee will select four applicants to receive the scholarships. The scholarships will be awarded at the PICYA Awards Dinner at Encinal Yacht Club on November 2, 2009. Mark your calendars as this is always a wonderful event. Reservations for the evening will be on the web at www.picya.org.

OPENING DAY ON THE BAY 2010

The committee for Opening Day on the Bay 2010 has begun to meet. They have some exciting ideas for the event that you will be hearing about soon. If you are interested in serving on this exciting committee please contact Rear Commodore Linda Breninger, 916-771-5685 or lbreninger@surewest.net.

PICYA Meeting Dates:

Aug 3	San Joaquin Y C
Sep 14	Sausalito Y C
Oct 3 (Sat)	Tahoe Y C
Oct 24 (Sat)	Aeolian Y C Mgmt Conf.
Nov 2	Encinal Y C

\$5.746 Million in Loans for Boating Facilities Approved

SACRAMENTO—The California Boating and Waterways Commission (Commission) today approved \$5.746 million in boating facility improvement loans. The loan recipients are:

Santa Barbara Harbor — Santa Barbara County

The Commission approved a \$4,781,000 loan to the City of Santa Barbara Waterfront Department to fund improvements for the Marina One replacement project at the Santa Barbara Harbor. The project will be completed through 10 phases over a period of 11 years, cost approximately \$10,500,000 and will encompass the full replacement of the main head walk and fingers “A” – “P.” The requested loan is intended to fund the first four phases.

Glen Cove Marina – Solano County

The Commission approved a \$965,000 loan to Nima Gabbay, owner of Glen Cove Marina. Funds will be used to bring the marina’s public restrooms up to ADA access standards, dredge the harbor and marina slips to provide access for boaters and tenants, and add to the landscaping of the marina for better public use and access to the Bay Trail.

Grant and loan applications are submitted to the California Department of Boating and Waterways and funding for approved projects is derived from the taxes paid by boaters on the purchase of vessel gasoline and the repayment of principal and interest on department-made loans.

The department provides grants to a county, city, district or other public agency for the construction of small craft boating launching facilities and loans to local agencies for the construction of small craft harbors. These grants and loans require the consent of the seven-member Boating and Waterways Commission.

NOMINATIONS 2009 ANNUAL AWARDS

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Douglas Boswell Perpetual Trophy Yachtsman of the Year
Recognizes a person for outstanding distinguished service to yachting and is awarded to that person's yacht club, in honoring the selected individual

Condon Award
Awarded to a person for distinguished and selfless promotion of sailing, particularly, but not exclusively, to young people

Poseidon Award
Presented to a person who, without consideration of reward or recognition, has selflessly given of his or her time and effort for the greater good of the boating community

Nimitz Trophy
Awarded to a member club for having made the greatest advancement during the current year in promoting youth activities in yachting, including instruction in boat handling proficiency, seamanship, and safety

Jo Bates Memorial Delegate Award
To be nominated by a member of the Assembly of Delegates. The delegate who has best served in the image of Jo Bates for the greatest contribution of time and effort for the good of PICYA

Meritorious Service Award
The Safety Committee will recognize any boatsman or person, regardless of their affiliation, who has performed exceptional acts of rescue and aid in the saving of life and/or property in the age old tradition of the sea

Club Meritorious Service Award
Shall be awarded to the club identifying a person who receives the Meritorious Service Award

Public Service Award
Awarded to the yacht club having performed a community service effort

The completed nomination form and any supporting documentation should be mailed to:
S/C Vern Bendsen, Chair, PICYA Awards Committee Annual Awards 2009
P. O. Box 984, Suisun City, CA 94585

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS TO BE RECEIVED IS SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 Go to:
http://www.picya.org/BluePage/AwardForm_Info_2009.html
to fill out the form online.

“CHISPA”

PICYA SMALL BOAT PERPETUAL TROPHY

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Race open to ANY AGE!

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Go to www.picya.org for details

Welcome Aboard, Barbary Coast Boating Club!

By Duane Collins, P.I.C.Y.A. Staff Commodore

It is my pleasure to take this opportunity to introduce our newest member of the P.I.C.Y.A. family. At our July 13, 2009 Delegates Meeting held at the Sacramento Yacht Club, the delegates present voted unanimously to admit the Barbary Coast Boating Club into our fold. As chair of the P.I.C.Y.A. Membership Committee, this was my first club requesting membership in the P.I.C.Y.A. family of clubs. Working with B.C.B.C. Commodore Jeff Milkasian and Vice Commodore Dave Philipp, two very professional people, has been a wonderful experience for me. It was fun and educational for each of us as we worked our way through the process from application to

board approval and on to the final delegate's approval.

The Barbary Coast Boating Club was formed in 1982 and is based in Alameda. The B.C.B.C. has 53 members and their fleet consists of 22 power boats and 10 sailboats. The club is made up of a fun group of avid cruisers who in the past have visited many P.I.C.Y.A. member clubs and their enthusiasm is a breath of fresh air. The club is looking forward to participating in many of our upcoming P.I.C.Y.A. events and cruising into our member clubs this summer. Congratulations and welcome aboard, Barbary Coast!



Bill Needham, B.C.B.C. Vice Commodore Dave and Duane Collins



THIRTEENTH ANNUAL PICYA WHEELCHAIR REGATTA at Encinal Yacht Club September 26, 2009

Contact: Margot Brown at (510) 523-2098

or e-mail MJBjhb@aol.com.

Signup forms at: <http://www.picya.org/>



SBYC club house built in 1903 and still in active use

Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009 , 5PM to 10PM

At historic Vahl's Restaurant & Cocktail Lounge
1513 El Dorado, Alviso, CA 95002 (One block from the yacht club)

Please Join The South Bay Yacht Club

For tickets contact: Roy Hays at 408-265-3261 or
RoyLHays@aol.com

\$60/individual, \$100/couple, \$375 for a table of 8
Order tickets early, seating limited to 200

At Our Heritage Fundraiser

Proceeds to go toward building and dock upgrades and maintenance in anticipation of having additional water under our docks.
The South Bay Yacht Club is a Not For Profit Corporation.

Enjoy an evening of games of chance, good food & drink, raffles and auction which will include items for Yachtsmen, Sportsmen, Local History Buffs and their Guests



Big Lipton (Sir Thomas J. Lipton Perpetual Challenge)

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|------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| 1st. | Tim Russell | <i>Aquavit</i> | San Francisco Yacht Club |
| 2nd. | Charles James | <i>Roxanne</i> | Coyote Point Yacht Club |

Larry Knight Perpetual

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| 1st. | Tom Newton | <i>Captain Hooke</i> | Richmond Yacht Club |
| 2nd. | Jocelyn Swanson | <i>Zingara</i> | Coyote Point Yacht Club |
| 3rd. | Noble Brown | <i>Mai Pen Rai</i> | Vallejo Yacht Club |

Little Lipton (Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge)

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| 1st. | Tom Hintz | <i>Opa!</i> | St. Francis Yacht Club |
| 2nd. | Bill Moore | <i>Shenanigans</i> | San Francisco Yacht Club |
| 3rd. | Ron Kell | <i>Abigail Morgan</i> | Corinthian Yacht Club |

Admirals Cup

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| 1st. | Steve Smith | <i>Synchronicity</i> | Half Moon Bay Yacht Club |
| 2nd. | Bob Gardiner | <i>Samba</i> | Encinal Yacht Club |
| 3rd. | Falk Meissner | <i>Shark In Blue Grass</i> | Berkeley Yacht Club |
| 4th. | Mike Quinn | <i>Vivace</i> | Richmond Yacht Club |
| 5th. | Dennis Ronk | <i>Avanti</i> | Vallejo Yacht Club |



~Mangement Conference~
Save the Date!!!
October 24, 2009
Aeolian Yacht Club

Boating magazine runs a contest for clever boat names. The following names Reeled in the honors:

Brace Yourself (Owned by an Orthodontist)
Sir Osis of the River
Aqua Seltzer
Out to Launch
A lawyer's boat called ~ *Watertight Alibi*
Meals on Reels
The Merri Yot
and, from a landscape contractor, *Yard Buoy*.

Reasons to be grateful if you grew up speaking English:

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8) At the Army base, a bass was painted on the head of a bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- 18) After a number of Novocain injections, my jaw got number.
- 19) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- 20) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 21) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?
- 22) I spent last evening evening out a pile of dirt.

“CHISPA” REGATTA
Encinal Yacht Club
August 29, 2009
Competition to be held in
FINN class dinghies
Race open to ANY AGE!
One entry per PICYA club!

“BOAT FOR SALE”

Thibodaux marches up to Beaudreaux's front porch and wraps hard on the door and Beaudreaux opens it.
Thibodaux say, “Beaudreaux ! How long we ban frands?”
Beaudreaux say, “Well.....All our lives Thibodeaux”
Thibodaux say, “Why don't you told me you gotta boat?”
Beaudreaux say, “I ant gotta boat !”
Thibodaux say, “Da' sign say; “BOAT FOR SALE”.”
Beaudreaux say, “ OH-NO Thibodaux !”See dat old '72 ford pickem'up truck over-dare”
Thibodaux say, “yas, I see dat old pickem'up truck”
Beaudreaux say, “See dat '76 Cheverloet Ce-dan”
Thibodaux say, “yas, I see dat Ce-dan”
Beaudreaux say, “Well, dey boat for sale

Broken Glass

At the end of a particularly severe winter, we removed the protective covers from our cabin cruiser and found that the weight of the snow had broken the windshield. I drove to the local glass shop, where I paid \$110 for a replacement.

The owner asked if I'd like them to install it, but I said I could handle it myself.

I managed to climb up the ladder to the deck before dropping the glass. Sheepishly I returned to the shop. The owner showed no emotion as he cut the second glass.

When I saw another \$110 charge, I said, “I thought I might get a break on the second piece of glass.”

“I did give you a break,” he replied.

“How so?” I asked.

“I didn't laugh, did I?” he answered.

DECLARATION OF TRUST
“CHISPA”
PICYA SMALL BOAT
PERPETUAL TROPHY

**(Amended October 5, 1981, December 15, 1986,
February 17, 1992, November 15, 1993)**

THIS DECLARATION OF TRUST executed this day by the PACIFIC INTER-CLUB YACHT ASSOCIATION, a California non-profit corporation.

FIRST: The undersigned, desiring to encourage good fellowship and competitive spirit among its member clubs, and having acquired by purchase in 1974 the special trophy awarded by the Native Sons of California to the yacht “CHISPA” in the Fifth Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association Annual Regatta held in 1900, hereby establishes an award for sailboat racing to be known as the “PICYA SMALL BOAT PERPETUAL TROPHY”. This award shall be represented by the aforesaid trophy as a perpetual trophy and such keeper or annual trophies as may be selected by the Trustee.

SECOND: Title to the perpetual trophy shall be retained by the undersigned as trustee. When awarded to a club, the trophy may remain in its possession until such time as trustee has designated for its return. At that time it must be delivered to an officer or proper representative of the undersigned.

THIRD: This trophy shall be awarded to the winner of a race or series of races between sailboats belonging to members of clubs which are members of the Association, conducted in accordance with the following:

1. Races for this cup shall be under the jurisdiction of a Regatta Coordinator appointed by Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association Board of Directors. The Race Director shall be selected by the Regatta Coordinator, and the Race Committee shall be selected by the Race Director and Regatta Coordinator, all from PICYA member clubs. The decisions of the Race Committee shall be final, except for appeals from decisions on protests or requests for redress.

2. Said sailboats (no more than one to each club) shall have belonged to or been chartered by a club member thirty (30) days prior to the race.

3. The helmsperson and all members of the crew shall be properly enrolled members of the sponsoring Club under its customary membership procedure. The primary purpose of such enrollment shall have been other than participation in this contest. In the event a boat is chartered, the owner or representative may be on board, but shall act only as observer.

4. No more than one series of races shall be conducted in a calendar year. The date and course or courses shall be set by the Regatta Coordinator of the undersigned. In the event of cancellation, postponement or abandonment of the race, it may be rescheduled by the Race Committee.

5. The race or races shall be conducted in a class of sailboats under twenty (20) feet overall length designated by the Regatta

Coordinator. The designated class shall be announced by the Regatta Coordinator not later than the regular March meeting of the PICYA delegates.

6. A Notice of Regatta and entry forms will be sent by the Secretary of PICYA to member clubs. The boat name and helmsperson are to be declared on the entry form. List of crew must be supplied the Race Committee prior to the race.

7. The race shall be conducted under the class rules of the competing class on a boat-for-boat basis, and no handicaps shall be taken into account.

FOURTH: This declaration of trust may be amended by the Board of Directors of the undersigned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PACIFIC INTER-CLUB YACHT ASSOCIATION has executed these presents this 16th day of December, 1974

PACIFIC INTER-CLUB YACHT ASSOCIATION
ATTEST: BRUCE A. BLOCK, Secretary.

By T. GRANT MAPLE, President

Shrine Yacht Clubs Raft-up

Jim & Diana Jessie were our guests at the June raft-up at the Oakland Yacht Club. They circumnavigated the globe on a 7 year voyage on their 48' sailboat, the Nalu IV. After crossing to the East Coast from the Mediterranean they entered the St Lawrence Seaway into the Great Lakes. They dropped their mast and then cruised through the heartland of the US from the Great Lakes to New Orleans on all the major river systems. They returned to San Francisco Bay via the Panama Canal. Do they ever have the stories!

A few years later Jim and Diana circumnavigated the Pacific on Nalu IV. They stayed in the Philippines, China, Japan, Russia and Alaska before returning home again to San Francisco Bay.

Yacht club members from Asiya, Aahmes and Ben-Ali Temples were intrigued with Jim & Diana's recount of their adventures as they described their challenges at sea and their visit to many interesting cultures.

Our next raft-up will be Wednesday, Aug. 26, at the Oakland YC. Please join us!

The August raft-up will begin at Paradise Park Masonic Club (PPMC) in Santa Cruz around 1:00 with a tour of the remains of the California Powder Works. This is the site on which PPMC now occupies. The day will include wine and cheese at Hipsley's home," sailing on the 70 foot Chardonnay II during the Santa Cruz YC "Beer Can Races," and then eating and drinking at the Santa Cruz YC. Please let Pam know if you plan to sail on the Chardonnay. She has to make reservations and needs an accurate head count.

Contact Doug & Pam Hipsley at 831-429-9341 or pacifico1@juno.com for further information.

The Million Boat Float

By Bruce Connelley

The Fox is guarding the hen house!

Do any one of you care what happens to the California Delta Estuary? Our Governor has given marching orders to his appointees to lay out a plan to destroy the California Delta in order to extract more water out of a system that is already over tapped, to feed desert lands in the central valley for farming, and pump more water to southern California. Don't get me wrong, I have the utmost respect for our governor, but he is at the least extremely misguided on the direction to take in regards to the state water woes. I am not talking about the current drought. I am talking about the decade's long challenge this state has faced over water supply and how we go about creating more water for our ever increasing population.

In the past half dozen years or more, the ecosystem in the Delta as been in rapid descent. There have been many discussions, many studies as to how and why this has happened. There is no question there are many stressors on the Delta's environment, but the main stressor far above and beyond all has been the excessive pumping of water out of the Delta to the central valley and southern California. While pumping has increased, the ecosystem has decreased. It's as basic as that! It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out what the main cause of the problem is. The governor's appointees through the Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force, under the auspices of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP), claim to have the solution. The BDCP appears to have a very comprehensive conservation and restoration plan of the Delta, but underlining the plan is to put in

place a peripheral canal that will tap water from just below Sacramento, divert it *around* the Delta to the pumps in the south. What will happen when the state starts pumping up to 15,000 gallons per minute out of the river before it gets to the Delta and Bay Area? It will no less than turn the Delta into a muddy marsh and finally destroy the Delta ecosystem as we know it today.

I started with "The Fox is guarding the hen house." Let's take a look at the main players in this game. If you look at the top level of appointees, you have the

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governor from southern California whose legacy project is to solve, once and for all, the water supply issues of the state, particularly for the south.

Number two would be Mike Chrisman, Secretary of Natural Resources Agency and a farmer from the Central Valley.

Then you have Linda Adams who was instrumental in the beginnings of the now failed CALFED program after which she was the Secretary of Department of Water Resources (DWR) when they started accelerating the pumps into the SWP, and then was promoted to her current position as head of CAL/EPA.

Next, there's Lester Snow. Previously he was the head of CALFED, as it went down in smoke. To reward him, the governor appointed him to the head of DWR.

It sounds like one big happy family from southern California.

Also, for your information, the main steering committee for the BDCP is made up of the southern California water contractors.

What's wrong with this picture?

There have been many organizations that have been weighing in on the issue of the BDCP and the peripheral canal. Local governments have been playing the political game. Various fishery, environmental, and farming groups have been waging a battle to save the Delta, but the political force at the state capitol continues to press on.

Time is running out!

It's time for the people to come together and show our state legislators and the governor that we are concerned about our resources and will not sit by while they destroy the largest estuary on the entire west coast of both northern and southern America.

Over the past several months, there have been discussions about this subject at the Sportsmen YC and recently our Club has decided to take a stand and has authorized me to coordinate what I have coined "The Million Boat Float." The idea is to bring this issue to national attention and encourage as many boaters and water enthusiasts to participate in a floatation of boats from the Bay/Delta region up the Sacramento River to Sacramento and proceed to the capitol door steps and let our state government know we won't let them continue this charade.

Restoring the ecosystem of the Delta has to be priority number one. The are other means of creating water resources for this state other than destroying the Delta. I'm asking all of you, "***Are you willing to contribute to this process and participate?***"

YOUTH REGATTA

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San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron's : Skipper Saver Class

Dates: September 12 & 13

Contact People: David or Peggy Sieber

Email: skippersaver@siebercity.net

Voice: 209-339-1960

This weekend class held in the Delta with your boat will teach the First Mate how to handle the boat in an emergency.

Class designed for Power Boats.

Cost for Skipper and First Mate: \$80.

- Free docking for two nights (Friday & Saturday).

Docking: Stern-in at the SJDPS Island.

• Plan to come on Friday afternoon and get to know the instructors.

• Class starts at 8 A.M. on Saturday. Class covers anchoring, radio procedures, first aid, life jackets, knots & rules of the road on inland waters and at sea.

- Lunch Break

- Hands-on training with an instructor on your boat.

• 5 P.M. cocktails (BYOB) with other classmates and the instructors.

- 6:30 P.M: A great dinner supplied by the instructors.

• Certificates of Completion presented along with Skipper Saver coffee mugs.

- Sunday completion of class, if required.

Class is limited to the student and Skipper with no additional participants

RBOC FAN CLUB

The following PICYA clubs contributed to the on going support of Recreational Boaters of California in 2009:

Aahmes Shrine Yacht Club
Aeolian Yacht Club
Bay View Boat Club
Bel Marin Keys Yacht Club
Benicia Yacht Club
California Carver Club
Capital City Yacht Club
Classic Yacht Association
Delta Bayliner Club
Delta Marina Yacht Club
Discovery Bay Yacht Club
Dos Rios Yacht Club
Ebony Boat Club
Emeryville Yacht Club
Encinal Yacht Club
Floating Realty Yacht Club
International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians
Los Gatos Yacht Club
Mariposa Hunters Point Yacht Club
Meeks Bay Yacht Club
Oyster Point Yacht Club
Peninsula Yacht Club
Petaluma Yacht Club
Pittsburg Yacht Club
Point San Pablo Yacht Club
Richmond Yacht Club
River View Yacht Club
Sacramento Yacht Club
San Francisco Yacht Club
San Joaquin Yacht Club
San Jose Sailing Club
San Rafael Yacht Club
Santa Cruz Yacht Club
Sea Ray Boat Club
Sequoia Yacht Club
South Bay Yacht Club
South Lake Tahoe Yacht Club
Sportsmen Yacht Club
Tahoe Yacht Club
Tiburon Yacht Club
Treasure Island Yacht Club
Village West Yacht Club

And of course BoatU.S. for their contributions over the past 16 years. All of our legislative activity cannot be done without your members' financial support. Contributions may be presented as a club report at the next PICYA Delegates' Meeting or mailed directly to:

Linda Bendsen, 400 Marina Blvd., Suison City, CA 94585

CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 3 Delegates Dinner Meeting, San Joaquin Yacht Club
- 17 Board of Directors Meeting, Aeolian Yacht Club

SEPTEMBER

- 14 Delegates Dinner Meeting, Sausalito Yacht Club
- 21 Board of Directors Meeting, Aeolian Yacht Club
- 26 Wheelchair Regatta, Encinal Yacht Club

OCTOBER

- 3 Delegates Dinner Meeting, Tahoe Yacht Club
- 19 Board of Directors Meeting, Aeolian Yacht Club

PICYA'S WEB SITE
WWW.PICYA.ORG

Encinal Yacht Club

Celebrate Encinal Yacht Club's Christening of the *CAROL LOUISE*

Join EYC members in a celebration and christening of our new Race Committee Boat, a generous gift from Joseph and Carol Melino. This vessel provides our club with the platform necessary to continue its mission of supporting junior sailing, yachting and racing. Whether your interests are racing, cruising, or if you are a current or past member of EYC's Race Committee, drop by the Club and toast this milestone event.

Saturday, August 8th, 2009, 16:30 hours (4:30pm) the EYC docks

Refreshments provided

Contact: Staff Commodore Rich Pipkin
510 377-3269

Half Moon Bay YC

Come Visit Half Moon Bay YC over Labor Day Weekend (September 5-6) And Help Inaugurate Our New Clubhouse! Showers Available! Saturday evening BBQ and Movie Nite.

Sunday morning Bloody Marys and Continental Breakfast.

Sunday afternoon catered dinner followed by live music and dancing on the decks!

Paid in Advance Reservations required. Contact: laborday@hmbyc.org

Richmond Yacht Club

Aug 15-16: Tri-Island Race

Aug 22-23: Sarcoma Cup (benefit for Sarcoma cancer)

Aug 28-29: Mercury Nationals

Power Cruiser Association

Contact: Jack Praytor 209-526-5481

Aug 22 Ebony YC

Aug 29 Stockton YC

Sept 12 Benicia YC

Sept 19 San Leandro YC

Sept 26 San Rafael YC

Oct 3 Vallejo YC

Oct 10 Fall Delegates Meeting (TBD)

Nov 14 Change of Watch:

San Joaquin YC

The Aeolian YC is pleased to present:

US Coast Guard AUX "BOATING SAFELY" Class

When: Saturday August 22, 2009

Time: Registration begins at 8:00am, Class from 9:00am to 5:00pm

Cost: \$35 for materials, lunch and snacks for breaks or \$25 just materials

!!NOTE—Cut-off for registration is August 12, 2009.

Registration is limited to 30, so sign up early.

Contact: Sherri Armijo at 510-523-2586 or e-mail aeolianyc@aol.com to sign up!

Ceilidh Night

(Scottish Night)

Scottish Summer Party or "Ceilidh" (pronounced Kaley) at the club.

Saturday, August 8th, 2009, 6:30 pm
Registration and no-host bar.

A Scotch Whisky tasting - sponsored by Classic Malts and Johnnie Walker too.

7:00 pm buffet dinner and from 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm Scottish music and dancing.

Advanced Reservations required:

\$15 per person for the Ceilidh, \$5 per person for the Whisky tasting and \$20 for the meal.

No need to be Scottish to join the fun!

Interested in Volunteering
for
Opening Day On the Bay 2010?
Contact R. C. Linda Breninger
(916) 591-7687