LAKE MISSION VIEJO YACHT CLUB

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From The Bridge:

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Mark Your Calendars!

- Spring Regatta I April 14.
- Wednesday Night Sunset Sail through October 30.
- Border Run volunteer opportunity April 6/7.
- Newport to Ensenada volunteer opportunity April 26.

Opening Day



We are now officially off and running for our 36th sailing season. Opening Day was, in my opinion, a success. It is a perfect way to start the season with many of our members attending the event. In addition to our members, we had several visiting dignitaries from other yacht clubs, the SCYA and AOCYC. We even had Mayor Rhonda Reardon attend this year. The Na-



tional Anthem sung by Jr. Commodore Alexandra Murdy was beautiful and the Eight Bells ceremony for Staff Commodore Vivienne Savage was poignant.

I want to thank everyone involved in making the event a success. Lots of people worked hard to ensure we had a great time, so it would be hard to name them all. Our club is self-operating so contributions from our members are crucial and they are appreciated. Your participation in events is required

from time to time so be ready when it is your turn. It is usually more fun than work anyway!



The highlight of the event was the presentation of the SCYA Rescue Award to MacKenna Waggener. Her seamanlike rounding of a sailboat to rescue a man overboard was heroic in the fact that she saved a life while protecting the lives of two passengers in the boat, all while being a novice sailor unfamiliar with the brand-new boat. I remember taking sailing lessons and when it

came time for the man overboard drill it was very tough and stressful just trying to pick up that floating jug let alone a real person. MacKenna performed magnificently when it was her turn. I hope I can do the same when and if it is mine. Great job MacKenna!

Opening Day Regatta

Congratulations to A Fleet winner Horst Weiler and C Fleet winner Tyler Peyatt. Yours truly won B fleet. I think it is the commodore's pass on Opening Day. Gloves are off for the next event, or so I understand. Thanks to the Race Committee for their good work in placing the marks and keeping track of the finishers.

Upcoming Events

Our next event will be here soon, so mark your calendars for April 14, our Spring Regatta I. This is our Chili Cook Off so start thinking about your entry now. Your hosts Tara and Roger Robison will Chair the Chili Cook Off so I want to thank them in advance. And, may the best chili win!

May has an early date for our Spring Regatta II. This is due to the 2013 Orange County International Triathlon at the lake on the normal date of this event. So, set your calendars for May 5, Cinco de Mayo! We need an Event Chair so if you have some great Mexican food recipes to show off, please volunteer to Chair the event.



Get out your cookbooks or go online, (<u>www.epicurious.com</u> is a great source)

You only need to make one batch, because everyone samples only a little of each chili.

Club winning Chili has been made by Italian, German, Aussie, Slovenian and English cooks – just think of the possibilities!

All entries are anonymous for the judging ... unless of course you win one of the three top prizes ... or you're offered bribes for your recipe and you decide to go public!

But Event Chairs Tara and Roger Robison will need to know how many pots of Chili there'll be - - -

> So please give them a call so they can plan – 949-855-8094 tlrobison@cox.net; rdrobison@cox.net

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Other Business

As a note of caution, during the last several months, we have had a few incidents where LMVYC members have had items stolen at the lake. A car was gone through in the parking lot and valuable items were taken. Items have been taken from our storage room refrigerator. One member may have had a wallet taken from her purse during Opening Day.

As comfortable as we are at the lake, there are elements of society who may take advantage of that comfort. Make sure you lock your car, windows up, and don't leave valuables in sight. Get a waterproof case and put your phone and keys in there while sailing. We are taking steps to better secure the storage room and I advise you to do the same with your valuables.

LMVYC 2013 Sailing & Events Schedule

Wednesday Night Sunset Sailing	Wed. Mar. 13	Informal Sailing starting approx. 4:30pm
(every week)		
Spring Regatta I	Sun. April 14	Food and beverages after sailing-Clubroom
Spring Regatta II	Sun. May 5	Food and beverages after sailing-Clubroom
Summer Regatta	Sun. June 23	Food and beverages after sailing-Clubroom
Friday Night Sunset Sails & BYO	Fri. July 5	Sail 4:30pm, Dinner 6:30-7pm-Club picnic
BBQ begins		area - Every Other Week
Balboa 13 Club Championship	Sun. July 28	Food and beverages after sailing-Clubroom
Junior Regatta I	Sun. Aug. 11	Food and beverages after sailing-picnic area
LMVYC 36th Annual Regatta	Sun. Aug. 18	Food and beverages after sailing-picnic area
Friday Night Sunset Sails & BYO	Fri. Aug. 30	Sail 4:30pm, Dinner 6:30-7pm-Club picnic
BBQ ends		area
Fall Regatta	Sun. Sep. 22	Food and beverages after sailing-picnic area
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	Wed. Oct. 30	Informal Sailing starting approx. 4:30pm
ends		
Wednesday Walk Around the Lake	Wed. Nov. 6	Meet at Market at the Lake at 6:00pm
begins		
Turkey Regatta followed by	Sun. Nov. 10	Annual Meeting 4:30pm-Clubroom. All
LMVYC Annual Meeting		members invited. Food and beverages.
Christmas Party & Parade of Lights	Sat. Dec. 7	4:00PM Admin Building
Installation 2014 Officers and Board	TBD	Location to be Determined
Members & Annual Awards Dinner		

Watch for Monthly Flyer by e-mail

LMVYC SPRING REGATTA 1

Sunday April 14.

2nd of 6 Regattas in the Fleet Championship Series

Race ... your own boat

Race ... an EXPO Lake boat - free to LMVYC members

Race ... a Club Naples Sabot - free to LMVYC members

Race ... a Club Balboa 13 – free to LMVYC members

SKIPPERS MEETING 12 NOON

Dockside at the RC Boat

Following the Regatta
Our Annual Chili Cook Off

RSVP to Tara or Roger if you're planning to attend 855-8094 or rdrobison@cox.net; tlrobison@cox.net



Salad and dessert are both taken care of, but Event Chairs Tara & Roger do need a few batches of cornbread as well as chili contestants -Let them know ASAP if you can help with chili or cornbread.

\$15 for non-members

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Catalina Expo Sailboats Are Here For You! By Randy Tiffany

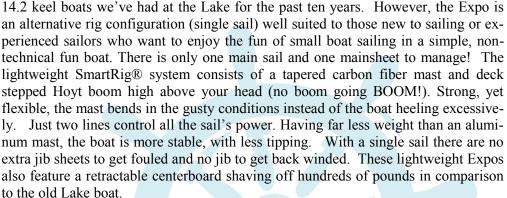


Imagine yourself with just a couple of extra hours on your hands one, warm, breezy, sunny Wednesday afternoon this spring or summer. What would you do with your free time? Mow the lawn? Wash the car? Play with your iPad? *Are you crazy?* There are new Catalina Expo sailboats at Lake Mission Viejo that are easy & FUN to sail! Best of all, they are FREE to LMVYC Members on Wednesday afternoons (after 3PM) and all day on LMVYC Regattas!





The Catalina Expo 14.2 is based on the Catalina





At the end of the day, just steer yourself back to LMVA Marina step off the Expo feeling refreshed and relaxed having spent some quality "me time" on the water at beautiful Lake Mission Viejo. Are you still not sure of yourself at the helm? Members new to sailing are encouraged to take a free lesson or two from our more knowledgeable old salts on Wednesdays.

The Expo 14.2 Challenge By Rod Simenz

The junior sailors have a race course they use to see who can sail it the fastest. You start by passing within one foot of mark #1 on starboard then pass marks #2 and "B" on port and return to mark #1 and pass it within one foot on port. Current record is 4:54 held by Jaden Talay. Give it a try and if you beat her time let me know. Meanwhile all the juniors will also be trying to lower the record.

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LMVYC to Crew in Americas Cup!

By Randy Tiffany

Oracle CEO Larry Ellison is undoubtedly concerned having lost \$8M in crashed sailboats in America's Cup training this past year. Mr. Ellison has reportedly contacted LMVYC Skipper Bob Van Pelt and expressed his inter-



est in using Bob's expert Reggae crew for the upcoming America's Cup Races in San Francisco. Stay tuned for more information on free accommodations and reserved seating for LMVYC Members making the trek to San Francisco to cheer on Bob & The Whalers!



Lake Mission Viejo To Be Emptied For Routine Maintenance Monday. By Randy Tiffany



Lake Management has asked that we remind LMVYC Members that the Lake will be closed for routine maintenance on Monday. The Lake will be completely drained for semi-annual bottom cleaning & repair. Members who have lost eyeglasses, sunglasses, keys, wallets and other valuables over the past year are urged to contact the Lake Operations Manager the following day to claim any of their recovered items at the Lake lost & found.





New bottom paint will be applied at Playa del Norte & Playa del Este beaches while the Lake is empty. Please contact the Lake Operations Manager if you have any preference of shade, color or decorative style you think will enhance the Lake experience. Perhaps dancing dolphins or giggling marlins?

The Lake will be refilled to normal level overnight and be fully staffed and operational Tuesday morning.



Kathy Stephan

If you work, what do you do?

I represent a skin care line, Apriori Beauty

How long have you been sailing? **Just learning**

What is your current boat? Capri 14.2K

What other hobbies do you have?

We have 2 dogs, Sophia (a yellow lab) and Lola (a teacup Chihuahua). I enjoy bowling, drinks out with girlfriends, networking and meeting new people.

Are you involved in other clubs or sailing organizations?
No other sailing organizations but I belong to LeTip of Saddleback, Fabulous Women of Orange County, and a women's Bible study at Saddleback Church.

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

Possibly next year as I learn more about the club.

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

We hope to attend all of the events. We enjoy meeting the members and learning more about sailing.

What is your favorite LMVYC event and why?

This is hard for me to answer since we have only experienced the Wednesday pizza and beer nights and the event on St. Patrick's day.



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84TH ANNUAL FEBRUARY 16-17 2013 SCYA MIDWINTER REGATTA



Best SCYA Midwinter Regatta Yet By Rod Simenz



On February 16 the yacht club was one of twenty five host venues for the 84th Annual Southern California Yachting Association Midwinter Regatta. It was the best midwinter regatta in the club's twelve year history of putting on the event



We have had more entries in the premussel quarantine days, but the fourteen boats that turned out this year enjoyed rare eighty degree weather and consistent good wind all afternoon. The racing competitors ranged from five years old to eighty two, demonstrating again that sailing is a sport for everyone. Class champions on the Lake for





the 2013 Midwinter Regatta were Shawn McGraw and crew Shane McGraw in Balboa 13's; Willi Hugelshofer in Portsmouth A; Frank Roberts in Portsmouth B and Tyler Peyatt in Naples Sabot. See the LMVYC website for complete race results. After the racing, all the day's participants convened in the Club room and enjoyed a meal that featured tasty home cooked French cuisine.





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Opening Day Regatta ...One year Later By Rod Simenz

By comparison opening day regatta 2013 was superior in all ways to opening day regatta 2012, but that's not saying much because if you remember the 2012 regatta never happened. A storm came through and the lifeguards closed the lake. March 17, 2013 on the other hand was a beautiful day with 22 boats competing, the most in quite a while. The problem was that there was wind and there was no wind; and there was wind here and no wind there. In the first race there was good wind on the left side of the course, in the second race the good wind was primarily on the right side and so it went. The winners in A and B fleet, with skill (and luck?) finished by as much as six, eight and even ten minutes ahead of the competition in the first two races. The



winds settled down and things tightened up in race three where Horst Weiler posted a third bullet for the day when he edged Mark Glackin by a mere 4 seconds and Willi Hugelshofer in his Finn corrected out by two seconds over Randy Tiffany sailing his Wayfarer.



This was an historic day at the lake as the new LMVA fleet of Expo 14.2s made its racing debut. It was decided to give the Expo 14.2 two different Portsmouth handicap numbers. The faster rating races with the B fleet and the slower rating races in the C fleet of the Fleet Championship Series. Willi and I put our heads together and came up with some initial handicap numbers for the



Expos. About the only thing we had to go on was a few Wednesday night races last summer when we had an Expo 14.2 demo boat at the lake. In head to head competition we learned that the Expo is a bit slower than the Capri 14.2 so we based our guesstimates on that. The opening day regatta normally would have given us a lot of data but the day was two freakish to be reliable. Then there also was the invalid data in the C fleet when the Expo 14.2s interpreted that the F in the X-F course stood for "finish" and sailed the wrong course for a while before they got the message.



Despite times of frustration there was lots of fun and exciting action. Tony Musolino and visitor Bill Moseley chased each other in Expo 14.2s in the B fleet. Tony beat Bill in the first race by 21 seconds and Bill bested Tony by 1 second in the second race. Tony then took the third race by a comfortable margin.

Some of the hottest competition took place in the C fleet. Four Expos sailed in this fleet along with three Sabots. Junior sailor Aidan Cornforth with dad Andrew as crew won the first race in an Expo 14.2. The Sabots dominated the second race with Tyler Peyatt , Ali Murdy and Bella Murdy finishing 1,2 and 3 with only an 8 second spread between I and 3. Some nice sailing there!

Congratulations to Eric Collins and Hannah for being the first Expo to finish in the second race. An Expo 14.2 also won race three, this time it was Julius Sighiartau and Nicole who won. In the Sabots, Bella and Tyler had another photo finish with Bella a few seconds in front this time. See the website for complete results.



A History about Racing Rules from the Historian Audrey Simenz

Man Invented the Slowest Form of Transportation - Sailboats - And then Decided to Race Them

"Sail boat racing began with two of our Neanderthal ancestors. They raised their bearskins over their heads in an attempt to get the log they were floating on to float faster than a Tyrannosaurs Rex could swim. They succeeded and a new sport was born.

The earliest competitions tended to be between national teams, (Mycenaeans vs. Troy Abductors, Norway Vikings vs. Europa Victims etc.) and were hard on competitors and ships. Contact between boats (grappling, hand- to- hand combat, ramming) was considered part of the game, and the losing team was required to host a pillage and burn party for the winners. This eventually evolved into the post race celebration party and remains with us today.

As we wandered the evolutionary path from Neanderthal to Napoleon to today the notion arose that allowing the losers to survive and rebuild could result in more frequent contests and celebration parties, thus the International Rules began to be accepted. First, boarding parties were outlawed; then Greek Fire, cannon broadsides, ramming etc. until we finally arrived at our current state of affairs where one can get into trouble for hurting a competitor's feelings. See DSQ'd.

In some ways this is probably just as well, since we no longer have the option of dragging our competitor's families and neighbors off to repair our boats. We thus find ourselves behooved to avoid those situations which could lead to "crackus fiberglasses" or "busted mastus", conditions cured only by the transfer of all our funds to the account of the Willy Satun Boatworks.

In fact this is what the Rules are all about; they are designed to allow large numbers of boats to sail at top speed in close company around a race course. On the race course, the assumption is that everyone knows the Rules and will react to the different situations that arise in the predictable way, according to the Rules. This assures safe and fair competition, makes tactical and strategic planning possible and gets everyone back to the dock safely for the post-race celebration".

This "history" is from a typed paper I found in my files. I have no idea where I got it or who wrote it. If anyone does know be sure to let me know so proper credit can be given.

Would I fool you about a bit of sailing history? Never!

Reciprocals as of 3/28/2013

Club Name	Address	Web Site	Tel
	555 North Harbor Drive		
Port Royal Yacht	Redondo Beach		
Club	CA 90277	<u>www.pryc.us</u>	310-372-3960
	1215 El Carmel Place		
Mission Bay	San Diego		
Yacht Club	CA 92109	<u>www.MBYC.org</u>	858-488-0501
0 11 01	PO Box 1174		
South Shore	Newport Beach	The state of the s	040 040 0400
Yacht Club	CA 92659	www.southshoreyc.org	949-646-3102
Object Note 1	386 Shoreline Drive South		
Shoreline Yacht	Long Beach		F00 40F 4000
Club	CA 90802	www.shorelineyachtclub.com	562-435-4093
Danie Daliet Valet	24399 Dana Drive		
Dana Point Yacht	Dana Point		040 400 0000
Club	CA 92629	www.dpyc.org	949-496-2900
	32123 W. Lindero Canyon		
The 10/10/10/10	Road		
The Westlake	Westlake Village	The state of the s	040 000 4000
Yacht Club	CA 91361	www.westlakeyc.org	818-889-4820
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Hollywood Yacht	Wilmington CA 90744	ununu halli vuon di vaahtali ih ava/	240 226 4552
Club		www.hollywoodyachtclub.org/	310-326-4553
Alamitas Day	7201 East Ocean Blvd.		
Alamitos Bay Yacht Club	Long Beach CA 90803-4551	www.abya.ara	562-434-9955
Yachi Club		www.abyc.org	562-434-9955
Dadanda Daaah	210 Yacht Club Way		
Redondo Beach	Redondo Beach	www.rodondohooobyoobtolub.org	240 274 4020
Yacht Club	CA 90277	www.redondobeachyachtclub.org	310-374-4838
Diarnant Day	1363 Spinnaker Dr. Venture		
Pierpont Bay		variation of the second	905 644 6670
Yacht Club	CA 93001	www.pbyc.org/	805-644-6672
Desifie Mariners	13915 Panay Way		
Pacific Mariners Yacht Club	Marina del Rey CA 90292	www.pacificmarinersyachtclub.org/	310-823-9717
Tachi Ciub		www.pacinicmannersyachtciub.org/	310-023-9/1/
Huntington Har	3821 Warner Avenue		
Huntington Har- bour Yacht Club	Huntington Beach CA 92649	MANAY boyc org/	562-592-2186
Dour Facili Ciub	UA 92049	www.hhyc.org/	002-092-2100

To see the latest list go to www.lmvyc.org and log on to the Members Only section.



LMVYC Merchandise By Tony Musolino, Merchandise Chair

Our yacht club traditionally has offered for sale merchandise featuring the LMVYC Burgee. Membership orders have generally been taken in advance since the club is not positioned to commit resources and carry inventory. There have been exceptions, such as the Club Burgee, and baseball style Cap.

Each year, merchandise has been offered to commemorate the Annual Regatta and this year, Sunday, August 18, our club will be celebrating its 36th anniversary. Allowing sufficient lead time for merchandise to be ordered by our two major suppliers who separately specialize in embroidery and silk-screen, the offerings for this event will be announced in late June or early July for accumulation and placement of orders by the third week of July.

Tee-shirts, Sweat Shirts, Polo Shirts, and Pull-overs are popular garments offered in the past; however there have been individual requests from members for more variety. Recognizing personal preferences and economic order quantities, it is appropriate to poll the membership which will help in positioning the club to offer merchandise which has broad appeal.

The club website, www.lmvyc.org reflects a "Merchandise" page which shows existing residual merchandise for sale. The inventory of baseball style Caps and Burgees which are considered commodity items are expected to be replenished when the minimum level is reached sometime this year. The baseball style Cap need not be of the same fabric or color; member input is encouraged. Sales of the custom designed women's Scarf and men's Tie are new merchandise items and have done well both in enhancing the attire of our members as well as the image of our club in the yachting community. Our thanks to the SCYA for their help with the supplier contact.

Items to consider: Broad brim hats, seasonal jackets, vests, bags-(duffel, tote).

I have followed up on inquiries from some of our sailors expressing interests in belts, such as nautical cotton web belts featuring the club burgee, full grain leather billet, and solid brass buckle. I have learned that the costs are prohibitive due to design set-up and minimum order quantities that are far beyond the demand of our existing membership. However, member interest in standard belts with webbing that features several interesting nautical designs can be satisfied through bulk purchase and like other items offered, requires member order in advance. Reference: www.skipjackmarinegallery.com click on: "The Sailors Locker", then click on: "Nautical Clothing and Accessories".



Another inquiry which I am awaiting some design and cost input on is an Auto license plate holder featuring LMVYC.

Please let me know your thoughts, before the next Newsletter is published so I can provide feedback on the poll and announce future merchandise offerings. We have a great club and serving our membership is inherent to our goals and objectives.



THAILAND--LAOS--CAMBODIA 2013

By Robert Van Pelt



I last visited SE Asia shortly after the tsunami in 2005 and was amazed at how cheap prices were for accommodations and food. Returning again in 2013 I was hoping for a similar experience but it was not to be. The economy has turned around and Chinese from the mainland are now free to travel. As a result prices, although quite reasonable, have more



than tripled in the resort areas of Thailand as well as the historic sites in Cambodia.



Being a budget minded traveler I quickly departed from trendy Phuket in southern Thailand to the smaller beach communities a few miles away from Krabi on the Andaman Sea. From there it is a short boat ride to the smaller Islands where I spent 3 weeks in advance of joining Maggie, my Australian sailing friend in Chiang Mai.

Since Maggie and I both prefer to travel the backwoods we departed Chiang Mai after just a few days and traveled up to the Golden Triangle region by bus to the small town of Chiang Kong on the Mekong River. From there we crossed the river by canoe into Laos where we secured passage on a sampan heading south. After 2 days of river travel we landed in Luangprabang, which is a former French colonial city now dominated by Buddhist monks who parade through the streets at day break to collect offerings from the locals. The city still has a French feel mostly due to the French architecture and sidewalk cafes. The city was never bombed during the Indochina wars so it is still pretty much intact and original.





Our initial plans were to head straight downriver to Vientiane, the capital of Laos, but on advice from the locals we traveled by bus up to Phonsavan in the mountains close to the border with Viet Nam. This area is famous for the Plane of Jars, which is an open field with stone vessels scattered about the hills by the 100's. It is believed that these ancient jars were used for burial purposes but there is no written record and there are differing explanations as to why and how they were built, not unlike Stonehenge in England. Unfortunately this area was heavily bombed by US forces during the Viet Nam War and unexploded ordinance continues to be a problem even today. The cluster bombs are the most deadly and numerous. Our Hmong guide lost 10

playmates while growing up in this area and his family had to resort to living in caves during the conflict as his village of Na Kam Peng was completely destroyed.

Leaving Phonsavan we traveled by bus filled with locals and the occasional chicken to Vientiane where we found a relatively nice hotel with a view of the Mekong River. This lively town is filled with interesting places to visit including art galleries, sidewalk cafes, shops and even the former CIA headquarters, which is open for inspection but now serves as a communist museum.



Since we were getting a little tired of bus travel, we elected to fly to Siem Reap, Cambodia to tour the famous temples of Angkor Wat. I was there 6 years ago but the city has totally changed due to large investments by China

in the roads and new upscale hotels. Tourists were everywhere and the prices have gone way up, but we did find a reasonable place for \$25 with a pool, A/C and breakfast. That's double what I paid during my last visit. We hired a private guide who spent the



next 2 days with us driving out to the various jungle temples in and around the Angkor Wat area. Fortunately some were pretty remote so we were able to get away from the guided tours, which concentrated on the main temples on paved roads close to town.



Since there are few flights within Cambodia we elected to travel by bus down to the coastal city of Sihanoukville on the Gulf of Thailand. This scenic city is one of my favorite coastal destinations in SE Asia as from here you can take daily dive boats out to a variety of island destinations, go ashore and stay as long as you like for a minimal charge. The accommodations are basic but very authentic Cambodian and I found the fresh seafood quite delicious. I chose to stay in this area for the remainder of my time while Maggie returned to Phnon Penh to tour the Presidential Palace, the foreign correspondence club, the former prison and of the course the infamous killing fields where approximately

25% of the entire Cambodian population was executed in the 1970's under the Pol Pot Regime. Although these were very dark days in the history of this country the population seems to have worked their way through it and now Cambodia has a healthy economy and is attracting foreign and domestic investment in a variety projects. If you are looking for an inexpensive tropical holiday in an authentic setting in a country that still has a little edge, I would highly recommend Cambodia. But you had better hurry, as it is only a matter of time before the secret gets out and they'll be selling times shares.

Snow Valley and Mammoth Ski Trips By Frank Roberts

Randy, Willi and I decided to do a day trip to Snow Valley after seeing a nice offer from Travelzoo. We purchased our tickets for one day of skiing and headed out.

I had not skied Snow Valley in at least 30 years. Pulling into the parking lot, it had not changed much since my last trip there. There sat the same building, same parking lot, pretty much the same lifts. After exchanging our vouchers for lift tickets,



we headed up the mountain for our first runs.

It was a bright and sunny day and the need for warm clothing was minimal. We skied several runs before having lunch. Since there were

very few people at the mountain, runs were frequent due to no lift lines. Just ski down, jump on the lift and do it again.

After skiing, we stopped for lunch and had some great sandwiches at a local restaurant.



So, with our tune up skiing trip done, we decided to make another trip to Mammoth Mountain. Randy researched several condos in the area and finally found one with two bedrooms, a loft and three bathrooms in the Snow Creek area.

We arrived at the condo on a Friday afternoon. What a beautiful place. It had a mountain lodge décor with vintage wood toboggans and skis decorating the upper walls. Fully furnished with flat screen TV's, a kitchen with all the dishes, pots and pans and a great big sectional sofa, we had all we needed for a great ski weekend.



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We met our friends, Rhonda and Patrick, at the Sierra Nevada Lodge where Ronda works as the general manager. After a nice tour of the property, we headed to the Rafters for a cocktail. The Rafters is an oldie but goodie restaurant that was opened many years ago by Jerry Buss, late owner of the Lakers.

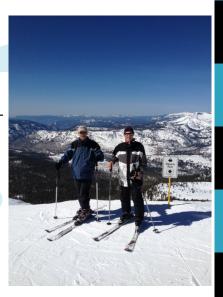
Then it was off to Jimmy's Taverna, a Greek restaurant next door to the Rafters. We were treated to a family style dining experience that started with roasted octopus, progressed to scallops, lamb chops, Greek style eggplant, all followed by some terrific desserts. The night finished off back at Rafters listening to live music from a wonderful blues band.

The next morning we headed to the slopes. The old, familiar runs at Mammoth were snow covered and not very crowded. We did mostly easy runs up until lunch. After lunch we hit some of the upper slopes and finished off the day traversing the mountain back to Canyon Lodge.



When we got back to the condo, Norma Tiffany had prepared a terrific Indian chicken recipe and rice. We chowed down and finished the evening watching TV and relaxing.

Sunday brought more sunshine and another full day of skiing. We met Norma and Anne at the Main Lodge during a break and spent some time soaking up the ski scene while watching some ski jumpers doing tricks on the high jumps.



Later that evening, Norma put the finishing touches on a pot of chili. We gobbled it while washing down with equal parts of beer, wine and champagne. Dinner was followed by games of Sequence, a cool card game played on a board. Partners try to get five cards in a line while opponents try to block. Norma and Willi emerged victors after three games.

Another good night of sleep was followed by a half day of skiing and then the long drive home. We are already talking about where we are going to stay next year.

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: swreed@reedbrownlaw.com







22555 Olympiad Road Mission Viejo, CA 92692

(949)770-1313 ext. 308 E-mail: commodore@lmvyc.org



Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club is located at 33 38' N 117 38W



Member of US Sailing



Member of Southern California Yachting Association



Member of Association of Orange Coast Yacht Clubs

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. Explore. 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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