



Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club

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SUMMER FUN CONTINUES WITH "FAMILY FUN REGATTA" ON JULY 24!!

If you've been waiting for a sailing event that requires no special talent, offers no prizes (except the fun of competing), leaves you with nothing but warm memories at the end of the day, and takes advantage of sun, sky and sailing—wait no more! The Family Fun Regatta is your kind of event, and it's all happening at the lake on Sunday, July 24!

Featuring such crazy activities as a "Treasure Hunt", "Sponge Race", and a "Sail-Swim-Run Triathlon", this event is sure to be a winner. This activity, unparalleled at the lake, is a brainchild of the club offers, and it's purpose is "absolutely nothing" except to encourage people to bring their families out and join us for an afternoon of fun. According to Bob Milner, Race Committee Chairman, one race will involve picking up a "treasure" at different points along the course, each with an unknown value. The winner is not necessarily the one with the most "treasures", but the one with the highest value treasure. And only Bob will know the value before the race! The sponge race may be familiar to those of you who have sailed for a while. The loser will be the ones who have the sponge in their boat as they cross the finish line. The triathlon will not require special skills. Teams of sailors will sail to East Beach, dock, swim to the platform to receive their checkpoint validation before they return to the boat and sail back across the water. Anyway, you get the idea—no special skills required here, just the desire to have fun!

Festivities begin with sign-in at 11 am to noon; Skipper's Meeting will be at 12:15 pm with Bob Milner explaining the "rules" of each race and issuing any necessary supplies. Joe Sperber, Fleet Surgeon, and his committee will make sure everyone has plenty of food and drink during and after the event. Free to Yacht Club Members, and \$10 per family for non-members, this is a very inexpensive day. Where else can you spend a fun-filled day and eat for \$10?? Be sure to bring along your camera to document this day for the relatives!

Call any of the board members if you have a question. Whether or not you enter the events, you will want to be on hand to enjoy the fun!

Willi Hugelshofer and his "Flying Finn" have been a familiar sight for many years and are often seen on the lake. Students soon discover Willi can sail as fast backwards as they can forward!



MAY REGATTA RESULTS

Sixteen boats entered: 6 A-Fleet, 4 B-Fleet, 6 C-Class

A Fleet Results:

1. John Austin
2. Willi Hugelshofer
3. Don Schaffner/Linda Schaffner

B Fleet Results:

1. Chris Davies
2. Ced Fields
3. Joe Sperber

C Fleet Results:

1. Joe Sperber
2. Jean Kanjanavaikoon
3. Scott Williams/Paula Williams

JUNE REGATTA RESULTS

Thirteen Boats entered: 6 A-Class, 4 B-Class, 6 C-Class

A Fleet Results:

1. Don Schaffner/Linda Schaffner
2. John Austin
3. Willi Hugelshofer

B Fleet Results:

1. Ced Fields
2. Becky Madden
3. Harts Hobbs

C Fleet Results:

1. Rosemary Davis
2. Milly Davies
3. Peter Stoneberg

THIS AND THAT

We asked for the "bear" facts about the recent C-15 outing to Huntington Lake, and the information we received was "bearly" believable. Horst had warned the group about large furry animals in the area who might attempt to take their food at night. The first night they put it up in a tree, but as there were no problems, didn't bother the next night. That night, they lost their food to a furry visitor who managed to make them all run for cover. It was every man and woman on their own, as they scrambled to find a safe place. Jeff found the best one first—inside the truck. He locked the doors to keep the visitor out, and in so doing, also kept out his fellow campers! Their largest complaint, however, was that most of them were unable to sleep because a loud rhythmic familiar sound kept all of them awake. Apparently the noise emanated from the area of Jeff's bunk, and although no one else could catch a wink, Jeff managed to sleep like a log! There won't be a waiting line forming to share rooms with Jeff in the future! How do you do it, Colleen?

Lake Mission Viejo has been well represented in the Coast Cup Series the last few years, as our local sailors have done well in competition all over Southern California, and the Arizona area. Bob Milner is hotly pursuing the first place trophy in the C-15 "B" class; The Dong/Wilson crew are giving him a run for the money!

Colleen Dong and Jeff Wilson also made the news with their "skipper overboard" routine at Big Bear! The article said the crewman recovered quickly, and made a perfect figure eight pickup, after Colleen somehow managed to fall in the water during one of her maneuvers in the heavy wind. A recent article in the "Mainsheet" featured the March C-15 regatta at the lake. This nationwide publication was read by some of Bob Milner's college friends who razzed him about the centerboard incident on his first outing in his newly purchased boat! It's a small world all right!

The board is entertaining an idea for exchange of burgees for those Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club members who have the opportunity to receive burgees from other clubs during their travels. Stay tuned for further details. Preliminary thoughts are that burgees may be purchased for members use. If you donate another club's burgee, you will receive a "free" one in return. In that way you will only be out the cost of the initial burgee. Ideally, you will purchase two; one to keep, and one to trade. See Secretary Vivienne Savage if you would be interested in participating.

Dieter Himmler joined us for sailing and/or pizza recently. He has been spending a lot of time in Europe. Our condolences on the passing of his mother. Peter Janes had Casey out for a sail last week—looks like he'll be a good crewman one of these days!

There has been some interest in "Open Class" sailing within the group. After discussion at the recent board meeting, Race Committee Chairman Bob Milner recommended we continue to "sail for fun" on the lake and not concentrate on "scores." This was unanimously agreed. Those serious boat-owners and sailors who like the thrill of competition are encouraged to continue to sail with us, and also to join class competitions for their boats off the lake as well to satisfy their competitive natures.

Mark your calendar now for the Annual Christmas Party/Installation of Officers Dinner, tentatively set for December 10, 8 - 10 pm at the lake.

OCEAN SAILING CANCELED

The ocean sail from Dana Point to Newport and back has been canceled. No new date has been calendared at this time. We'll keep you posted!

ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nomination of Officers.....October
Election of Officers..... November
Installation of Officers..... December

If you are interested in serving your club, please contact any current officer for details.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesdays, 5 - 7:30 pm...Sunset Sailing
Pizza at Roundtable, LaPaz & Marguerite follows.
Exceptions announced prior week.

July 24, noon.....Family Fun Regatta
August 21 Summer Regatta I
September 18.....Summer Regatta II

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