

The Main Sheet

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Commodore's Message

With half of 2007 behind us, summer activities at Huntington are now in full swing with the High Sierra Regatta rapidly approaching July 7-8 and 14-15. Please consider helping out this year as our club puts on this regatta strictly through the use of volunteers. To volunteer to help, send a message to info@fresnoyachtclub.org.

As for our club races, this past spring we raced at Millerton Lake using Portsmouth ratings for an all keel class in addition to the traditional fleets, thus permitting all keel boats to participate even if there were insufficient boats for their respective fleet. Then, at Huntington recently, we saw increased participation compared to the past few years in the recent Bricker Series with over twenty boats racing. For all our club races, we envision a similar usage of Portsmouth for a centerboard class, should at least three centerboard boats of different types participate. So, consider joining us in our club races with your Lido, Laser, Force 5, Daysailer, or other centerboarder.

Elsewhere in this Mainsheet are descriptions of two important items that are planned as topics for discussion at our September meeting on September 13 at the Farm Bureau: (1) development of support for youth activities and (2) replacement of the kayot with restructuring of courses at Millerton. Both are important items, so please try to attend our September meeting.

Supporting Youth Developments

Recently, Bob Harper, acting in the dual role of FYC Commodore and Fresno State faculty member, has had some discussions with some students from Fresno State and officials associated with Sea Scouts/Venture Crews with the Boy Scouts (BSA) concerning the possibility of partnering to support youth activities related to boating and sailing. Generally, the discussions center around the creation of a Boating Club at Fresno State which would have support and endorsement from our yacht club and which would in turn support youth activities of BSA Sea Scouts/Venture Crews. FYC would not serve as the sponsor of the clubs but instead would offer support and endorsement as an affiliate, providing resources including our expertise and usage of some of our equipment like our lasers. Participating youths can also become youth members of our club. Our Board has endorsed pursuing this type of partnership, and we plan to have some representatives at our September meeting to talk about developments in this arena

Kayot Replacement/Millerton Race Courses

Those of you who have recently participated as part of race committee at Millerton know what bad shape the kayot is in, and the Board is faced with the dilemma of continuing to patch it up and keep it moored at the marina or replacing it, and along with the idea of replacement considering alternatives such as dry storage.

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Thursday September 13th GENERAL MEETING

WHERE: Farm Bureau Office
1274 W. Hedges, Fresno

NO HOST BAR: 6:30 PM
GENERAL MEETING: 7:00 PM

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Siran Erysiam & Erick Brengelman
Lido 14 #3998 "Victoria"

Alan & Cheryl Garrison
San Juan 21 #679

Conrad & Kristine Jimenez
Victory 21 #437 "Wind Wolf"

Robert & Salley Maly
Hatteras "Fantasea"

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McGreggor 26 #3234 "Getaway"

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Kayot Replacement (continued from pg 1)

After considerable discussion, the Board has elected to investigate the possibility of replacing the kayot with a more reliable vessel along with plans to dry store it and launch it when needed. Not only does this possibility save considerably in mooring fees, stopping in Friant to pick up a boat, launch it at the ramp, and get on station is arguably easier and more efficient than driving to the marina, carrying stuff to the slip, and motoring quite a distance at 5 mph to get on station. In conjunction with the potential replacement, consideration of the required maintenance of marks at Millerton and race courses arose. Also under consideration, then, is the use of inflatable marks that are set on race days as needed. At this point, please understand that the Board in investigating these possibilities and fully understands that such important decisions need to be made by the general membership. Therefore, initial general membership discussions of these possibilities is planned for the September meeting, so please plan to attend so you can voice your views.

Bob Harper

July	7-8	Sat/Sun	High Sierra Regatta	11:00am	Huntington	PHRF Fleet
	14-15	Sat/Sun	High Sierra Regatta	11:00am	Huntington	Day Sailers
	19-21	Thur-Sat	San Juan 21 Nationals		Huntington	
	22-24	Sun-Tue	Swift Solo Championships		Huntington	
	28-29	Sat-Sun	Mercury Regatta		Huntington	
	29-31	Sun-Tue	Mercury Nationals		Huntington	
Aug	4	Sat	Single Handed Handicap	10:30am	Huntington	S. Sherry
	4	Sat	Fun Reverse PHRF Race	1:30pm	Huntington	FYC Board
	4-5	Sat-Sun	Millimeter Nationals		Huntington	
	18	Sat	Fall Series #1, #2, #3	11:00am	Huntington	T. Phillips
Sept	13	Thur	General Meeting	7:00pm	Farm Bureau	
	22	Sat	Heizenrader Hcp	11:00am	Millerton	L. Wagoner
Oct	11	Thur	Dinner Meeting	6:30pm	T.B.D.	
Nov	8	Thur	General Meeting - Election of Officers	7:00pm	Farm Bureau	
Dec	TBD		Awards Banquet	6:30pm	T.B.D.	

Calendared events subject to change. Check www.fresnoyachtclub.org for latest schedule.

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