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Commodore's Log

Commodore's Log – Sailing has to be the greatest sport in the world! The sport can take you to a point well beyond the imagination. You can be part of that picture postcard. Best of all you meet people from all walks of life. We will soon gather with old and new sailing friends from across the Western United States to celebrate the FYC, 51st High Sierra Regatta.

Arguably, the best vantage point is from the inside of a structure that floats, better known as a sailboat. It is the adrenaline pumping as two vessels moving at max hull speed pass within inches of each other. It is the feel of your vessel lifting and accelerating as the wind picks up. It is the feel of the sheet in your hand and the sound of the spinning winch. It is the thrill of the one-minute countdown as you approach the starting line with ten other boats jockeying for that one best spot.

Yet, much can be learned by taking a step back. *I realized that improving my sailing skill required a more panoramic view.*

I have personally enjoyed being on Race Committee because of the different perspective that it provides. The play-by-play, the let's see if they tack, who is that way out there. The headsail is too tight or loose. More rake. Let's not forget about the time spent telling stories with other members of the Fleet. Last weekend I was in a canoe on Huntington Lake when a familiar 20'something passed by. It gave me a new look at sail shape, trim, and boat balance. I watched the orchestrated hoist and jibe. From my removed position, my observations will transfer to making my sailboat more efficient.

As the High Sierra Regatta approaches we need more volunteers to do a wide variety of tasks necessary to make this event as great as many have come to expect. Please call Phil M. and volunteer some of your time to make this a great event. FYC is a floating structure and all of us skippers make up the hands that move her forward. Let's make sure the 51st High Sierra Regatta, is an undisputed success.

Good luck at the High Sierra Regatta! May your sails be full, and your passage safe!

Kevin E. Fabino — Commodore

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Schedule of Events

Saturday

10:00 AM Skippers Meeting
11:00 AM 1st Race

Sunday

11:00 AM 4th Race

Attend the skippers meeting on the beach adjacent to the ramp for complete Huntington Lake FYC Sailing Instructions and Course Sheets

NOTE: All docks on the lake are private
Keep the launch ramp clear

EVENING SERIES 2004**BEST 4 OF 6****PHRF STANDINGS EVENING SERIES**

SAIL NO.	CLASS	BOAT	SKIPPER	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	TOTAL POINTS	Place
87742	PHRF	Olsen 25	Nat Gildersleeve	1	1	2	1	2	DNC	5	1
273	PHRF	Santana 21	Tim Philips	DNC	DNC	3	3	3	3	12	2
858	PHRF	Santana 21R	Bruce Marion	2	DNF	4	DNC	DSQ	1	15	3
220	PHRF	Ranger 22	Eric Sullivan	3	DSQ	DNC	DNC	4	2	17	4
1022	PHRF	J24	Pat Bradley	DNC	DNC	DNC	1	1	DNF	18	5
90	PHRF	Santana 22	Kevin Fabino	DNF	DSQ	1	DNC	DNC	4	21	6
87699	PHRF	Olsen 25	Phil Minnehan	DNC	DNC	DNC	2	DNC	DNC	26	7

SJ 21 STANDINGS EVENING SERIES

SAIL NO.	CLASS	BOAT	SKIPPER	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	TOTAL POINTS	Place
1032	SJ21	San Juan	Bill Parsons	3	1	1	2	2	1	5	1
503	SJ21	San Juan	Jerry Hansen	1	DNC	DNC	1	1	3	6	2
324	SJ21	San Juan	Skeen Skjellerup	4	3	2	3	3	DNC	11	3
2000	SJ21	San Juan	Rich Kahn	2	DSQ	DNC	DNC	DNC	2	20	4
500	SJ21	San Juan	Kirk Thornburn	DNC	DSQ	3	DNF	DNC	5	24	5
320	SJ21	San Juan	Charlie Betts	DNF	2	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	26	6
130	SJ21	San Juan	Ruth Barcus	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	4	28	7

DAY SAILER STANDINGS EVENING SERIES

SAIL NO.	CLASS	BOAT	SKIPPER	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	TOTAL POINTS	Place
3879		Day Sailer	Dean Iwahashi	1	2	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	11	1
316		Day Sailer	Dave Keran	3	1	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	12	2
571		Day Sailer	Mark Davis	2	DNF	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	14	3

OPEN CLASSES EVENING SERIES

SAIL NO.	CLASS	BOAT	SKIPPER	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6		
1022		J24	Pat Bradley	1	1	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	0	
501		Santana 22	Lynn Osborn	DNF	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	0	

OPEN CLASS DID NOT MADE FLEET. MUST HAVE MIN. OF 3 BOATS IN 1 EVENING SERIES RACE.

GUESTS/NON-MEMBERS EVENING SERIES

SAIL NO.	CLASS	BOAT	SKIPPER	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6		
15354		Catalina 22	Not A Member	*							
77024		Santana 525	Not A Member			*		*			
623		E25	Not A Member				*				
9017		Catalina 22	Not A Member	*	*	*		*	*		

* Participated / UNABLE TO IDENTIFY BOAT

Spring Series 2004

PHRF FLEET

Sail Num	Boat	Name	Rating	R1	R2	R3	TOTAL	FINISH
28449	Santana 20	Bob Harper	222	1	1	1	3	1
220	Ranger 22	Eric Sullivan	216	3	2	2	7	2
858	Santana 21R	Bruce Marion	228	4	3	4	11	3
90	Santana 22	Kevin Fabino	234	5	4	3	12	4
273	Santana 21R	Tim Philips	264	2	8	8	18	5
100	Santana 525	Mike O'Kelley	186	6	8	8	22	6
539	Cal 25	Tim Kahn	222	8	8	8	24	7

OPEN FLEET

Sail Num	Boat	Name	Rating	R1	R2	R3	TOTAL	FINISH
324	San Juan 21	Steen Skjellerup	240	2	2	2	6	1
2000	San Juan 21	Richard Kahn	240	1	1	6	8	2
1032	San Juan 21	Bill Parsons	240	4	3	1	8	3
265	McGregor 26	Larry Misner	216	5	4	3	12	4
826	Catalina 22	Eric Pfister	270	3	6	6	15	5

Congratulations!
FYC Sailors do it again!
Lake Yosemite Regatta

1st Place Bob Harper Santana 20
2nd Place Dan Bandy Santana 20

SAN JUAN "Scuttlebut"

As we began another month into our spring sailing, we hope everyone is especially enjoyed our beautiful winds for our Evening Series! SJ Fleet enjoyed serving on the Race Committee for our May 19th evening race those being Casey Aalto, Don & Vernice Morgan, Fred Ilchert, Arnie Aalto & Audrey. Thanks, you guys!!!! The SJ's will also be serving for the Bricker Series at Huntington Lake. We want to thank Charlie & Eileen Betts, in advance, for getting our Race Committee together for that week-end.

We have our Nationals coming up July 9th through July 11th & we have quite a few sailors planing to make the trip to Coos Bay, Oregon. Due to these Nationals our fleet will race in the second week-end of the High Sierra Regatta instead of the first.



Bill & Chris Parsons are in charge of the Moonlight Sail on Millerton on June 5th so we hope alot of sailors will come out for that. Those moonlight sails are always a fun time of being together....even if the winds are light!!! Our thanks to Bill & Chris for arranging this evening sail.

Scott & Ruth Barcus hosted our annual Sq Dance & Potluck at their home in the foothills on April 18th. This is always a very special time for our fleet & this year the old Coronado 25 Fleet joined in for the festivities which made it even more special. Lewis & Ruth Wag- oner took charge of the Coronados' with rsvp's & food & of course, Ruth & Scott received rsvp's from the SJ's. We had a great turn out as usual, (over 40 people), wonderful weather, beautiful setting, delicious food, & everyone enjoyed visiting, eating & dancing to the "calling" of our favorite square dance couple, Don & Elsie Hoff. Don & Elsie are like "old friends" & we so enjoy their company for this annual get-together. We thank Scott & Ruth for opening their home, their beautiful yard & their hearts to all of us each year. We all know the work involved in preparing & cleaning up so "thank you, thank you"!!!!

We have a new little female sailor that has come into the world of Jerry & Carol Hansen. Her name is Megan Caroline Parks & she arrived on May 8th. Her parents are Ed & Heidi Parks & she has two sisters & one brother that welcomed her into the family!!! This in- creases the Hansen immediate family to 26!!!!

Guess that's it for this issue....happy sailing everyone & may the best winds always be where you are!!!!

Carol Hansen, Feet Editor

High Sierra Regatta Volunteers Still Needed !

Thanks! Phil Minnehan - Chairman 2004 High Sierra Regatta

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Day Sailer Fleet 31 -WINGERS AND BEAKERS

On Saturday May 22, 2004 members of Fresno Yacht Club's Day Sailer and San Juan 21 Fleets met in Winchell Cove for the Second Annual DS/SJ Team Race Challenge. Again, beautiful weather prevailed even if winds were tardy for the challenge's first three races.

After a few fits and starts consisting of late Wave Runner-towed Day Sailers from the main ramp, supply-hauling parking lot to dock and starting clock/signal flag issues racing got under way.

It was decided the first three-race go-around would be sailed in San Juans. Each fleet's representative drew sail numbers; participating skippers and boats were then paired. Dave Keran put it best explaining rules, "The only restriction being a skipper could NOT sail his/her own boat. With a spirit of camaraderie, boat owners rigged their boats and gave the challenging skippers and crew quick lessons on **which** line controlled **what**."



San Juan Fleet Skippers and Crew sailed the following boats:

324 Ruth Barcus, Bill Parsons, and (?) Reneau
1032 Steen Skjellerup, Arne Aalto, and Roger Kruta
2000 Vern Dettman and Jorgen Clausen

Day Sailer Skippers and Crew sailed the following San Juan 21's:

130 Dean Iwahashi, Marty Tidyman, and Carolyn Davis
320 Tom Tidyman, Deborah Reitz, and Alan Kawakami
966 Dave Keran and Mark Davis

The Race Committee learned lessons early; Dorothy Iwahashi cannot count down, Susan Kawakami cannot add and Rhonda Myers **can DO everything**.

This year's outcome was not the routing the San Juan's handed the Day Sailers last year by taking firsts in all three races. This year they were only able to do it twice. Day Sailers, Dean and Dave especially, embraced the true spirit of "team-racing." There was a particular exciting finish in race three resulting in Dean and Ruth having an on water clarifying-of-procedure discussion which resulted in Dean re-finishing fifth, not second, place.



Lunch break was declared and barbeques miraculously appeared. Polish sausages and hotdogs were grilled and served with a good assortment of salsa, dips, chips, salads and desserts. The food-hit of the party was Carolyn's **big** fresh fruit salad.

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Since some of the racers had time constraints, lunch was rushed to move on to the Day Sailer portion of the challenge. Numbers were draw and the education process began again with the Day Sailer skippers doing the tutorial.

San Juan Skippers and Crews sailed the following Day Sailers:

316 Steen Skjellerup and Arne Aalto
598 Ruth Barcus, Bill Parsons/Reneau
3879 Jorgen Clausen and Roger Kruta

Day Sailer Skippers and Crew sailed the following boats:

571 Dean Iwahashi and Deborah Reitz
1831 Dave Keran and Carolyn **"we don't need no stinking watch"** Davis
14087 Tom Tidyman and Mark Davis

The Winchell Cove resident wind made an appearance for centerboard racing giving moveable-ballast lessons to some of the San Juan skippers and crews. Much to their credit and reflexes, there were no mishaps. Unfortunately there was little time for tactics and team racing with only "up and back" courses. The Day Sailers blossomed with the winds taking 1 and 2 finishes in the first two races and 1,2 and 3 in the third race.



After the points were tallied, checked and re-checked the Day Sailers were named victors in the 2004 Challenge redeeming themselves after last year's loss by 4-points to the San Juans (61 to 65). This year's point spread of SJ-69 to DS-57 went a long way to ease last year's sting. Trophies were provided through Dorothy's excellent acquisition skills and a spending budget of "0."

Sunday DS Co-Fleet Captain Dave addressed the troops in an e-mail, "Your execution of the Second Annual DS/SJ Challenge was a rousing success. Things went a bit long but next year we can shorten the windward/leeward course. Adding the second mark did create some interesting tactical and boat handling situations that an 'up and back' course does not. Too bad we got pushed for time in the DS portion of the racing, that leeward mark may have been interesting... Dean and I are open to suggestions concerning improvements for next year."



The DS'ers and the SJ'ers have plenty of time to make a good thing even better for next year's Challenge.

And finally, this year Fleet 31 figured out the meaning of "team-racing."

Respectfully submitted by Susan Kawakami

2004 FRESNO YACHT CLUB ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

	<u>DATE</u>		<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>R/C</u>
	19	Sat	General Meeting	TBD	Huntington	
	19	Sat	Bricker Series #1, #2, #3	11:00am	Huntington	SJ21
	20	Sun	Bricker Series #4, #5	11:00am	Huntington	SJ21
July	9&10	Thu-Sat	San Juan 21 Nationals		Coos Bay, OR	
	10&11	Sat/Sun	High Sierra Regatta	11:00am	Huntington	PHRF Fleet
	17&18	Sat/Sun	High Sierra Regatta	11:00am	Huntington	TBA
	24&25	Sat/Sun	S22 Nationals		Alameda	EYC
	31	Sat	Single Handed Handicap	10:30am	Huntington	S22
	31	Sat	Original PHRF Hummer Cup	1:30pm	Huntington	PHRF Fleet
Aug	4	Wed	Wednesday Fun Race #1	6:45pm	Millerton	SJ21 Rabbit
	7	Sat	Catalina 22 Invitational		Merced	Lk. Yosemite SA
	11	Wed	Wednesday Fun Race #2	6:45pm	Millerton	SJ21 Rabbit
	12,13,14	Thr-Sun	Santana 20 Nationals		Long Beach	Alamitos BayYC
	18	Wed	Wednesday Fun Race #3	6:45pm	Millerton	SJ21 Rabbit
	21	Sat	Fall Series #1, #2, #3	11:00am	Huntington	Cat 22
	25	Wed	Wednesday Fun Race #4	6:45pm	Millerton	SJ21 Rabbit
Sep	3	Fri	Windjammers		SF/Santa Cruz	Windjammers
	4	Sat	Jazz Cup		San Francisco	SBYC/BenYC
	10	Fri	General Meeting	7:00pm	Farm Bureau	
	11&12	Sat/Sun	Day Sillers		San Francisco	Sequoia YC
	16-19	Thu-Sun	Big Boat Series		San Francisco	StFYC
Oct	9	Sat	Heizenrader Hcp	3:00pm	Millerton	S20
	16&17	Sat/Sun	Vallejo 1/2		San Francisco	SSS
	30&31	Sat/Sun	Great Pumpkin		San Francisco	RYC
Nov	12	Fri	General Meeting	7:00pm	Farm Bureau	
Dec	16	Thu	Awards Banquet	6:30pm	TBD	

2004 HIGH SIERRA RAGATTA

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