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Commodore's Log

Oh dear wind genie, make it blow like stink, make fast sailing, don't let anything break, and keep me safe! Or should I say – Gentleman, fill your sails! Anyway you slice it, with the Opening Series the racing season has begun. From my vantage point (RC) there seemed to be some pretty good racing. Congratulations to all the sailors.

Recently, a friend and I were talking about sailing. I was saying that I loved working on my boat, but was ready to get back on the water. I couldn't wait for the next big blow to dawn my foulies and enjoy the ride. Then, I heard something that was shocking! My friend said, "You are such a Newbie." We laughed! Then I thought – HEY! I read Latitude 38 and know of such references. Of course, I have already passed that stage in my sailing adventures.

Once over the shell shock, I was flattered. At the core of my comments was a passion for sailing. Sailing can invoke that proverbial kid in a candy shop feeling. It can spark unbridled excitement. It's a desire to challenge, and be challenged in all kinds of conditions. It's that smile that comes to your face when you learning something new, figuring out how something works, or making your boat go a little bit faster. It's that passion shining through those labors of love we pour over our boats (bottoms, painting, rigging, lines, etc.). It's the hours spent selecting just the right equipment. It's an avenue to spark friendships that last years and span many miles. A peaceful sail can make things right in the world. So please, call me a newbie?

Lastly, discussion continues with the Millerton Lake Concessionaire. There have been several new developments that will be shared at the next General Membership Meeting. I hope to see you there.

May your sails be full and your passage safe!

Sincerely,
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March 12th GENERAL MEETING

WHERE: Farm Bureau Office
1274 W. Hedges, Fresno

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

March 8th BOARD MEETING

WHERE: World Sports Cafe
WHEN: 6:30PM



Membership Cards Available
at the General Meeting

SANTANA 20 FLEET NEWS. . .

The Santana 20 Fleet is gearing up for a new season. At least two of us are planning to visit Lake Folsom outside of Sacramento the first weekend in April for the Camellia Cup. Several other boats from other fleets in our club are also planning to attend this annual regatta. If you have any interest in learning more about an S20, contact any one of us in the fleet or check out the fleet website (www.s20.org). Most of us are often looking for crew and can probably arrange a ride for you on one of these fun boats.

Bob Harper
Fleet Captain



51st Annual High Sierra Regatta

It's that time again!

Time for you to do something for the club!

I have heard many times the question of what does the club do for ME. What the club is going to do for YOU this year is to let you get involved, helping put on one of the biggest and best inland regattas in the US! Most clubs have workdays where all the members of the club are expected to show up and help out. Well these are OUR workdays!



The success of the High Sierra Regatta depends upon the efforts of individual members. From helping at the launch ramp, working at the tent or race committee, to picking up the trash on the beach each morning. It all has to be done! What's in it for YOU? The free High Sierra T-Shirt is great, but the thanks you receive from the participants, and knowing that you helped put on the best, all volunteer staffed regatta is the biggest reward!

Sign Up Sheet

Duty	Weekend 1	Weekend 2
Co Chairman		
Race Committee		
Chase Boat 1 & Crew		
Chase Boat 2 & Crew		
Chase Boat 3 & Crew		
Tent (registration, sales, trophies, etc) (4 persons)		
Pre-Registration Friday Night		
Tent Set up/Tent Take Down		
Set up/Take Down PA System		
Set up/Take Down Race Committee Equipment		
Race Scoring		
Stake Boat		
Launch Ramp Traffic Control (3 persons)		
Pre Race - Entries, Mailings, Trophies, Hauling		
Other		

Thanks!

Phil Minnehan - Chairman 2004 High Sierra Regatta
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2004 FRESNO YACHT CLUB ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

	<u>DATE</u>		<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>R/C</u>
Mar	12	Fri	General Meeting	7:00pm	Farm Bureau	
	13	Sat	Crescent Moon	9:00am	Millerton	PHRF Fleet
	13&14	Sat/Sun	Big Daddy		San Francisco	RYC
	27	Sat	Sweetheart	1:00pm	Millerton	SJ21
Apr	3&4	Sat/Sun	Camellia Cup		Folsom Lake	FLYC
	9	Fri	General Meeting	7:00pm	Farm Bureau	
	17	Sat	Opening Series #1, #2, #3	11:00am	Millerton	Victory
	21	Wed	Evening #1	6:45pm	Millerton	Victory
	28	Wed	Evening #2	6:45pm	Millerton	S20
May	1	Sat	Spring Series #1, #2, #3	11:00am	Millerton	Centerboard
	5	Wed	Evening #3	6:45pm	Millerton	Centerboard
	12	Wed	Evening #4	6:45pm	Millerton	PHRF Fleet
	14	Fri	General Meeting	7:00pm	Farm Bureau	
	15&16	Sat/Sun	LYSA Regatta		Merced	Lk. Yosemite SA
	19	Wed	Evening #5	6:45pm	Millerton	SJ21
	26	Wed	Evening #6	6:45pm	Millerton	PHRF Fleet
Jun	5	Sat	Delta Ditch Run		San Francisco	RYC/SSC
	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&8	Sat/Sun	Victory Nationals			
	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 Sailers		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	