

## News and comments for the El Toro Class January 2009 #285

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This Sunday, a great weather day is forecast and it is **Lake Merritt Mid-Winter's** last Series race day.

Should be a big fleet with boats showing up from all over the place.

There should be a big Senior and Junior fleet.

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The next El Toro regatta will be Richmond Yacht Club's "Big Dinghy" Regatta, March 28th and 29th.

This dinghy regatta will follow the same style of the clubs "Big Daddy" Regatta for keel boats.

Saturday will be three + races for El Toro's with the races held in Keller Cove. El Toro's will be on the same line as the Bytes, Snipes, and other classes. One long 'Around the Island' race for Sunday. This will be the reverse Portsmouth handicap start.

Fred and others have pointed out that this sailing area is most similar to Kaneohe Bay that any other dinghy sailing area in the bay.

My plan is to anchor the <u>new</u> "Arena" in Keller Cove for the El Toro Class to use as a staging platform. If the wind is too light or too heavy "Arena" will be our classes' personal rescue powerboat, tow-boat, lunch storage and clothing staging boat. There is a new swim-platform and tie-up eyes on the stern that will make it very easy for you and your El Toro.

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It is time to register for the **<u>BullShip Race</u>**,,,get your entry on-line from the El Toro web site or request a printed copy for the registration, Paul Flowerman.

April 18th, Saturday

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## 2009 Calendar

LMSC MidWinters March 8 Oakland

Big-Dinghy March 28-29 RYC

BullShip April 18 Sausalito-SF

Fremont April 26 Spring 123

Pinto Lake May 3 Santa Cruz

Fremont May 3 Spring 456

Flight of the Bulls May 9 Foster City

Fremont Relays May 17 Fremont

Fremont May 31 Spring 789

Fremont June 21 Summer 234

Fremont June 28 Summer 456

Lake Merritt July 5 Oakland

Fremont July 26 Summer 789

Nationals August 3---6 Lake Tahoe

Worlds August 15-16 Pinecrest

Fremont August 23 Fall 123

Fremont September 13 Fall 456

Fremont September 27 Fall 789

Total-Dinghy September 19-20 RYC

Moss Landing

Stampeede October 4 RYC

Cork Screw October 17 Redwood City

RYC MidWinters December 6 Richmond First of '09-'10