

Bull Session

News and comment for the El Toro Class

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May 15th, this Sunday, **Fremont Relays** (team relay race) on Lake Elizabeth, Fremont

report:

FLIGHT OF THE BULLS IN FOSTER CITY One Challenging Day. Twelve El Toros started in strong and building winds of the Foster City Lagoon. The first leg went up wind up the East channel with winds from 1 to 14 knots with puffs actually coming straight down. Boats were challenged just to keep upright. Then after passing under two more bridges the wind built into the high teens. Four boats did not continue after re-passing the start/finish line. The intrepid continued into the main lagoon and on through the west reach and down the small south channel. From there only one boat broke down. In the main lagoon Art Lang found the wind shift that catapulted him in the lead to stay. Fred followed close behind but there were no more passing lanes available and the fleet finished in that order. What would it be if Art did not finish first as he has for half of a decade. (results on the website and next issue)

BullShipReport

From Nelda: "My first BullShip"

I participated in and finished the 2011 Bullship,, and loved it! It was my first completed race at the helm of any type of sail boat - ever!! The conditions in the main San Francisco Bay were much milder than I experience during my practice sailing in the average windy afternoons on Richardson Bay. Thanks to all who gave me the help and encouragement making it possible for me to experience this adventure. Nelda 16th overall.

The Fremont Sailing club has scheduled races for Sundays, 12:00 start, 11:30 skippers meeting, at Lake Elizabeth in the Central Park of Fremont.

May 15 Fremont Relays (team relay race)

May 22 (already scheduled for the SF Big Fleet race Senior '11 season championship series)

Additional Fremont Sailing Club Race days, all El Toro Racer are invited:

June 12 : July 17: July 31: August 21: September 11: September 25

2011 El Toro Racing Season

May 15, **Fremont Relays** FSC
May 22, Fremont Fleet Counter
June 18-19, Clear Lake Regional Championship
June 26, Lake Merritt Mayors Cup LMSC
August 12-13-14, National Championship, Santa Cruz YC
August 6-7, Pincrest Worlds
September 17-18, Total Dinghy RYC (Saturday counter)
October 2, Stampede, RYC
October 15, Cork Screw, Redwood City
November tbd, Running of the Bulls, Moss Landing
