

# Bull Session

News and comment for the El Toro Class

February #410

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It is time for our little El Toro Class to pay for the 2012 Insurance policy. We will be sponsoring 4 separate and independent regattas this year without the paper connection to a yacht club. We can not ask the race committees, board of directors and any helpers to go un-covered.

Please pay your 2012 dues,,,go to the web site. All the information is there.

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The El Toro Class has made it onto the front cover page of norcalsailing.com The race report shows Michael Quinn racing his red El Toro. Mike is our class 'cover-boy'. There are pictures of the Juniors and two others of Senior El Toro Sailors.

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2011-2012 ROBINSON MEMORIAL MIDWINTER'S  
THIRD 2011-2012 ROBINSON MEMORIAL MIDWINTER REGATTA LAKE MERRITT  
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2012

Cool, cloudy. Moderate westerly breezes. Fifteen Toro skippers (7 seniors, 8 juniors) participated.

RC: Russ Klein, Peggy Darnall, and Marletts for offshore starts and finishes. Regatta room: Jim and Jackie Kearney.

For the three races it was mostly the John Pacholski and Art Lang show with the pair taking all the first and second place finishes. Walt Andrews and Art Lewis had moments of glory. Even the woodies sailed by Duncan Carter & James Savatore were remarkably competitive.

Russell Klein was very successful placing the marks in Lake Merritt's black-windless-holes. Somehow most El Toros made it into and out of these glassy spots.

The lake's deadly shifts, lulls and convergence zones caused more than a few sailors to scratch their heads in amassment. "What the bleep is going on here? Does John really know where the wind is? and why does Artie always have boat speed when there is no wind?" Lake Merritt at it's finest!!!

EL TORO SENIOR		R7	R8	R9	Points	Previous	Total	series
STARTERS R7-8-9		7	7	7	Today	Points	Points	Place
3899	Duncan Carter	7	7	7	6.00	6.00	12.00	12
11458	Art Lewis	3	5	3	16.00	36.25	52.25	3
11534	John Hege	dns	dns	Dns	0.00	20.00	20.00	9
11649	Fred Paxton	dns	dns	Dns	0.00	19.00	19.00	10
11650	John Dukat 0	4	4	5	14.00	27.00	41.00	4
11745	Walt Andrews	5	3	6	13.00	16.00	29.00	6
11746	Bruce Bradfute	dns	dns	Dns	0.00	22.00	22.00	7t
11768	Dave Vickland	dns	dns	Dns	0.00	22.00	22.00	7t
11783	Art Lange	1	2	2	22.25	46.50	68.75	1
11820	John Pacholski	2	1	1	23.50	28.50	52.00	2
11914	Buzz Blackett	dns	dns	Dns	0.00	16.25	16.25	11
11918	James Savattono	6	6	4	11.00	28.00	39.00	5

0 Sailed 1500 on the second day

EL TORO JUNIOR		R7	R8	R9	Points	Previous	Total	series
STARTERS R 7-8-9		8	8	8		Points	Points	Place
10659	Aidan Malmberg	8	7	8	7.00	18.00	25.00	8
10864	Mary Marlett 0	7	8	6	9.00	27.00	36.00	6t
11237	Peter Marlett	6	4	7	13.00	23.00	36.00	6t
11353	Olivia Beers	dns	dns	dns	0.00	13.00	13.00	9
11629	Cullen Eckert	dns	dns	dns	0.00	8.00	8.00	10
11711	Luke McCartney	3	2	5	20.00	42.25	62.25	4
11765	Michael Marlett	5	5	1	19.25	46.00	65.25	3
11793	Charlotte Lenz	2	3	2	23.00	48.25	71.25	2
11821	Thomas Samuels	1	1	4	24.50	55.00	79.50	1
11854	Josselyn Verutti	4	6	3	17.00	44.00	61.00	5

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We may have Juniors Sailing with us. There are only 4 cottages left for the June 16-17 weekend.

Our goal of filling-up the entire resort with sailors is almost done.

Now is the time to make cottage reservations for the Clear Lake Regatta. We fortunately will have another class sailing with us!!! We are trying to fill-up the resort with sailors!!!. There are many cottages. There is trailer parking, a small marina, a beach and swimming pool. The best way to get reservations is to call during business hours. The computer is a good way of seeing how nice this resort is but is not a good way of getting reservations. We have a race committee, powerboats and crash boats already.

June 16-17

707-995-5253

Clear Lake Cottages and Marina

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Richmond Midwinter's, March 4, all Sundays  
Lake Merritt Midwinter's, Sunday, March 11,,  
Fremont Sailing Club April 22 Lake Elizabeth

BullShip April 14 SF Bay  
Fremont Sailing Club May 6 Class Season Counter Lake Elizabeth  
Flight of the Bulls May 12 Foster City Lagoon  
Fremont Relay May 20 Lake Elizabeth  
Fremont Sailing Club June 3 Lake Elizabeth  
Clear Lake June 16-17 Clear Lake Cottages and Marina  
707-995-5253 call now  
Fremont Sailing Club June 24 Lake Elizabeth  
Fremont Sailing Club July 15 Lake Elizabeth  
Nationals, Pincrest Lake,,first week of August, 3-4-5  
Fremont Sailing Club August 12 Lake Elizabeth  
Richmond Stampede, October 7th RYC  
Cork Screw October 20 Redwood City