

news and comment of the El Toro Class September 2013 #492

On the same bay

"at the same time the wind at Richmond Yacht Club was blowing 8 from 120 magnetic and on San Francisco's City front the wind was blowing 18 from 220 magnetic. On the City Front the two fastest sailboats in the world where preparing for race 7 of the America's Cup while 18 El Toro's where preparing for the classes season championship 'counter' races to determine who will lead the class into the final days. On the city front they will be anticipating speeds of the foiling catamarans up to 50 knots but the fastest the 8' El Toro will ever go is maybe 4 knots. Nerves of steel are needed to sail catamarans and also to find a space of clear air on the starting line of the El Toro fleet. This day will determine if Fred Paxton or Dean Barker will have the momentum to finish the series with a win. There where two races for the Catamarans and 5 for the El Toros. After a long day on the race course, the results are posted.

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11500 Gordie Nash
                  RYC-CYC
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11649 Fred Paxton
                  R YC
                             14 3 3 1 1
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11783 Arthur Lange HPSC, FSC
                                      6 5 3
11815 John Pacholski SCYC
                             28 4 16 4 3 1
11767 Skip Shapiro
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11914 Hill Blackett III RYC
                              29 2 16 5 9 7
11746 Bruce Bradfute RYC
                              32 9 6 2 6 9
11714 Vickie Gilmour R YC
                              39 8 9 10 7 5
                             46 12 7 9 8 10
11918 james savattone SCYC
11765 Michael Marlett LMSC,RYC 47 10 8 11 10 8
11760 Chris Straub
                   R YC
                             48 5 4 7 16 16
211856 Peter Marlett LMSC,RYC
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10590 Mark Marlett LMSC
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     Ian Oleary BYC
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11858 Butch Michel new Zealand sailing club
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The RYC <u>El Toro Stampede</u>. Sunday October 6. Registration 9:30 am, Skippers meeting 10 am, first race 11 am. The usual 2 Stampede races, weight division races, Green Bottle/Soda 6-pac race at the end. If FATS is home it will be the committee boat. This is the oldest continuously run regatta of the Richmond Yacht Club. The perpetual trophy dates back to 1947.

<u> 2013 calendar</u>

El Toro Stampede October 6 Richmond YC Cork Screw October 19 Redwood City

El Toro 'Senior' National Championship Series locations 2014 Clear Lake, Saturday June 14th, Sunday 15th & Monday 16th

2015 Santa Cruz

2016 Pinecrest

2017 ?

Fremont Sailing Club sailing schedule:

Sep 8 – Fall

Sep 22 – Fall