

Bull Session

news and comment of the El Toro Class
April, 2015 #542
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Fremont's Lake Elizabeth, May 3rd had a lot of El Toro's going fast. Art, Vaughn, Fred and Tony were the leaders. Results available on the ETIYRA website.

This weekend the **San Mateo Bridge** will be **closed!!!** This bridge closing will make traffic jams on the San Francisco Bay Bridge. Add extra time to get to Foster City and getting home after sailing.

Next Race-This Saturday

The **Flight of the Bulls**, Foster City. **May 9th**. There will be a Special invitation after the race. Kurt and Kelly Lahr have invited the El Toro Fleet to a "Post Race Party" at their Foster City home. You will be sailing past the house during the race! Plan time to join your fellow competitors at Kurt's house. This is the 45th Flight of the Bulls. Charts to the house will be available at the skippers meeting, 10:30 with start at 11:00. We will be staging at the launching ramp just off the main street next to the bridge. NOR and directions are available on the El Toro web site,,eltoroyra.org,,

Remember, Foster City is on the western-end of the San Mateo Bridge

May 17th, you will need a partner, for the **Fremont Relays**.

This is an El Toro race around Lake Elizabeth with four legs sailed twice by each member of the team. Entries can be done before arriving at the lake. Entries are available from Fremont Sailing Club and the El Toro web site.

Sails for the Santa Cruz Nationals

The class rules for the sail state a few things that need to be followed. New sails may need to be measured at the Nationals. Here is what the class measurer will be looking for: (short synopsis)

headboard of 4.5 inches at 90 degrees
corner patches and reinforcements not to exceed 12"
two battens, equally spaced
no sail aft of a straight line connecting the head, battens and clew
leach of 12'2"
girths of 42" and 72"
etc.

Refer to the class sail plan for the full details of this measurement rule.

Sails that show up in Santa Cruz that do not meet class rules will not be "Grandfathered-in". Either make sure your sail is legal and/or bring more than one. Work with your sail maker to make sure the sail measures-in!

El Toro 2015 North American Championship
Santa Cruz, California

All the Series information, NOR, **entry instructions** and welcoming letter is now on the class website,,eltoroyra.org,,It is also time to enter this event. Santa Cruz Yacht Club is a "World Class" regatta club. The planning is easier when they know, sooner rather than later, who is registered. If you have any trouble call Kelli,,831-428-2875, email her,,kelliecook@comcast.net,,and/or the regatta registration site,,www.regattanetwork.com/event/9721.

2015 Senior and Junior North American Championship Santa Cruz

July 21, official practice day with RC, gathering upstairs
July 22, three races, Big Boat bear Can & BBQ
July 23, three races, annual meeting and dinner
July 24, two races, trophy presentation and BBQ

2015 Schedule,

Flight of the Bulls	May 9	special barbeque after
Fremont Relays	May 17	
Clear Lake	June 20-21	
Mayors Cup	June 28	
Sail Camp SSC	July 12 - 18	
Santa Cruz Nationals	July 21-24	
Pine Crest Lake	August 15-16	
Fun Regatta SCYC	August	
Totally Dinghy RYC	September 19	
Stampede RYC	October 11	
Cork Screw	October 24	

National Championship Venues

2015 Santa Cruz
2016 Pinecrest
2017 Alameda Sailing Center
2018 Lake Yosemite
2019 Kaneohe Bay
2020 Clear Lake

El Toro stories and video in archives:

,,sailingscuttlebutt.com,,
,,pressure-drop.us,,
,,norcalsailing.com,,

CHANGES in life

CorkScrew , Sequoya Yacht Club's regatta will be **October 24th**, so it coincides with their year-end barbeque and party, This race is not as "High-Tide" dependent as it has been in the past (not October 18th)