

# Bull Session

*news and comment of the El Toro Class*  
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[www.eltoroyra.org](http://www.eltoroyra.org)

## Next Race this Sunday

Fremont's Lake Elizabeth is the place for Sunday's fun event The Fremont Relays. Entries are available on the El Toro web site or from Fremont Sailing Club. Vern is the contact,,vltntv1@comcast.net,,

10:am registration, 11:am lottery pick for starting position, 12:am Start

You will need a partner, for the **Fremont Relays**.

This is an El Toro race around Lake Elizabeth with four laps. Each member of the team sails two laps. The island will be part of the course. Show-up or entry can be done before arriving at the lake. This is a popular event with over two dozen teams usually sailing. Any combination of crew can be entered. Most common is the Senior-Junior Team and family members also make for fun entries. The team member not sailing can indulge in the lunch/brunch provided.

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The **Flight of the Bulls**, is owned by Art Lange. On this Foster City Lagoon course, it does not matter who or how big a lead anyone elts has, as Art will grind them down and finish first! This is Art's sixth year in a row win. Vaughn broke through a big clump of boats on the last beat to finish third. Fred was one of those boats and finished fourth. One thing learned Saturday is to not forget any of the parts to the boat. Centerboards and rudders are easy to leave at home. There was also a boom forgotten once before and fortunately some of us carry extra stuff to loan-out in situations as this. Full results on the el toro site,,eltoroyra.org,,

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## 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!

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**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](http://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](mailto:kelliecook@comcast.net),,and/or the regatta registration site,,[www.regattanetwork.com/event/9721](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/9721).

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**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,**

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- 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

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El Toro stories and video in archives:

- ,,[sailingscuttlebutt.com](http://sailingscuttlebutt.com),,
- ,,[pressure-drop.us](http://pressure-drop.us),,
- ,,[norcalsailing.com](http://norcalsailing.com),,

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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)