

Bull Session

news and comment of the El Toro Class

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Please check dates. Fred has moved the Nationals at Pinecrest up one day. New dates, August 2-3-4, that will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Friday the 5th is an off day and then Pinecrest Worlds Saturday 6-7.

This makes reservation day for camp sites, Tuesday February 2nd.

(six months in advance)

New this year,,

The **Junior Season Championship** Series in Northern California will end with the El Toro Stampede held at Richmond Yacht Club on October 9th.

Juniors, there will be a season trophy presentation. The El Toro Stampede is the oldest continuously sailed regatta of Richmond yacht Club.

Each El Toro Sailor needs to get a free copy of Latitude 38's Season Schedule. Your El Toro Class has an ad with the dates of the Senior and Junior Series and a picture of four generations of El Toro sailors all with the same last names.

This coming Sunday, a week from today,,

RYC Winter Series #3 will be **Sunday, February 7th.**

Then Lake Merritt SC the week after on **Saturday,** February 13
Fred Paxton has taken the lead in the Lake Merritt Series by only one point over John Pacholski

For all El Toro Sailors.

The biggest sailing regatta in North America with over 350 boats registered was held yesterday, January 30. John Ducat, Nick and Chris Nash, Will Paxton, and many others sailed the course counter clockwise. ??? This race is a "Tour-de-Bay". The course needs to sail around Chrisy Fields mark, Red Rock in North Bay and Yerba Buena Island in either way. These are the three marks or islands with the Golden Gate, Richmond-San Rafael and San Francisco Oakland Bridges are closest to, 3 bridges. The other way, clockwise is the direction Bizz Blacket sailed. He may have been as well as second in his class and less than the 30th boat to finish, top 10 %.

When the final results are posted we will report on finishes.

2016 Schedule, so far

- March 26** BullShip
- April 9** Big Dinghy, Saturday RYC
- May 7** Flight of the Bulls
- May 15** Fremont Relays
- June 18-19** Clear Lake
- June 26,** Mayors Cup, Lake Meritt S C
- August 2-4** Pinecrest National Championship Series
- August 6-7** Pinecrest Worlds
- September 24** Totally Dinghy, RYC
- October 9** El Toro Stampede, RYC
- October 22,** Cork Screw, Redwood City

Fremont Sailing Club dates.

- May 1 and 22
- June 12 and 26
- July 10 and 24
- Aug 14 and 28
- Sept 11

winter series continues

LMSC

February 13-SATURDAY

March 13-SUNDAY

RYC

February 7-Sunday **next event**

March 6-Sunday

National Championship Venues

- 2016 Pinecrest, August 2-3-4
Pinecrest Worlds 6-7
- 2017 Alameda Sailing Center
- 2018 Lake Yosemite
- 2019 Kaneohe Bay
- 2020 Clear Lake

There is a great drone video of the El Toro fleet racing on Clear Lake taken by Chris Twirbutt, a professional drone-camera guy. It can be found on the El Toro web site, Norcalsailing.com and the Scuttlebut web site. It is very worth watching two or three times!

Try,,,<http://vimeo.com/131362498>,,,