

Bull Session

news and comment of the El Toro Class
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This Sunday

Richmond Yacht Club Winter Series racing.

We probably be in Keller Cove again with other dinghy classes. The El Toro fleet did well in the open bay courses. El Toro Class is the biggest class but still in the starting sequence, starts, Last,,,???

Art Lang is leading the series with 29er Champion Neil Marcellini showing increasing speed to challenge Art. The wind forecast is again for North-East wind in the 2 to 6 knot range. But the upwind leg may be quite short because the flood will make the course a "long-down-wind-day".

LMSC Winter Series on Oakland's Lake Merritt was an "All Fred Day". Fred won three of the four races. No one was even close. He is lead in this series may be unbeatable! Next race day on the lake is Saturday, February 10th.

2018 Calendar

Winter Races

February 4, RYC #3
February 10, LMSC #2 Saturday
March 4, RYC
March 11, LMSC

Fremont Sailing Club

Spring: May 6
June 3
June 24
Summer: July 15
July 29
Aug 12
Fall: Aug 26
Sept 9
Sept 30

BullShip, April 7
RYC Big Dinghy, 21
Flight of the Bulls, May 12
Fremont Relays, May 20
(Ditch Run June 2)
Clear Lake Senior Nationals, June 14-15-17
(Friday start time 2 pm)
Stockton Sail Camp, June 24 to 30
Stockton Junior Nationals June 30
June 24, LMSC Mayors Cup
September 22, RYC Totally Dinghy
(if there is a "Saturday-Only" entry)
Cork Screw, October 13
EL Toro Stampede October 14, RYC
winter series start:
RYC, December 2,

National Championship Venues

- 2018 Clear Lake**
- 2019 Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii**
- 2020 Lake Yosemite**
- 2021 Half Moon Bay***
- 2022 Sequoia YC, Redwood City***
- 2023 Monterey Bay* *still to confirm**

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>,,,

The City of Richmond has commissioned and placed a metal sculpture of the El Toro in the launching ramp next to the old Richmond Yacht Club site at the foot of the Richmond Harbor. It is easily viewed from Cutting Boulevard.