

# Bull Session

news and comment of the El Toro Class  
May, 2013 #468

This Sunday, May 19, **Fremont Relays**, run by the Fremont Sailing Club. Lake Elisabeth is a great place to have a four lap relay event. Many seniors will be teaming up with Juniors. One of the mark roundings is a small Island.

The Start will be at 12 noon, sharp, but be there earlier for the "pulling of the number" for the dock space start. Registration begins at 10am. One boat, two sailors, four laps, five marks,,,good sailing.

## 2013 Flight of the Bulls

John Pacholski

It was actually a very pleasant day! The 11:00 start got the fleet going before any predicted heavy winds could build.

Moderate to light breezes and warm sunny weather this year. Thirteen seniors and one junior started. Thirteen sailors including junior Charlotte Lenz finished.

Play by play: Admiral Morrill commanded the start. Wind was coming down the channel making for a bit of jockeying before we got to the bridge. Fred found the one low spot on the other side of the bridge and hit bottom momentarily. Art Lange and John P. took advantage of light breeze going up the first channel and applied Steven's Creek training to gain 50 yard lead on the pack. Trip down and then back across Central Lake was pleasant with no whitecaps. Some time was spent on the rail, but not much. The race was completed in a little under three hours by most sailors. This year the course took us all the way down to Sea Cloud Park at the south east corner of Foster City. More than once residents hurried from their home to take pictures and greet the passing fleet. Residents were in turn greeted with compliments of their gardens that adorn the waterway - nice.

Art lead masterfully around all marks with a couple lead changes in between finishing 1st. John P finished 2nd. Gordie Nash 3rd. First junior to finish was Charlotte Lenz who agreed that it was a very long race. Full results s/b on ET website later this week.

Thanks to Greg Morrill who tailored his fishing boat all the way up from Morgan Hill to watch over us. Thanks to Kristen Lenz for GREAT lemon treats and brownies and scoring and thank you to Diane Pacholski for arranging the food and beverages. And thanks to all the participants that

made this a really fun regatta.

See you all next year, May 10, 2014 (the Saturday before Mother's Day) for the 44th running of the Flight of the Bulls Bob McKibben Memorial event! Mark your calendars and bring a friend.

Art Lange	HP /FSC
John Pacholski	HP/SCYC
Gordie Nash	RYC /CYC
Fred Paxton	RYC
Dennis Silva	LMSC
Tom Burden	SSS
Paul Zander	HPSC
Bruce Bradfute	RYC
Dave Groechel	HPSC
Charlotte Lenz	SCYC
James Savatone	SCYC
Ed Patterson	HPSC
Henry Faybusoviar	AYC
Oscar Koechlin	HPSC

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## **CLEAR LAKE REGATTA 2013** **NOTICE OF RACE**

El Toro Regional Championship  
DaySailor West Coast Championship  
Lido 14 District II Championship  
Windmill, invited class

June 15-16, 2013

Headquarters:

Clear Lake Cottages and Marina 13885 Lakeshore Dr. Clear Lake, CA 95422

<http://www.clearlakecottagesandmarina.com,,,707-995-5253,,,>

Sponsoring organization, The El Toro International Yacht Racing Association

1. Rules 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2012-2016.

2. Advertising

2.1 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The regatta is open to all members of the El Toro Class, DaySailor Class, Lido 14 Class and Windmill Class. Membership and adherence to class

rules will be the responsibility of the classes.

4. Entry Fee \$35 for the weekend of races, payable at check in.
5. Schedule:
  - 5.1 Regatta registration and check in will commence at 10:00 Saturday, 15 June, 2013 at the Clear Lake Cottages and Marina, 13885 Lakeshore Dr., Clear Lake, CA 95422.
  - 5.2 Registration and check in will close at 11:30, June 15, 2013.
  - 5.3 A skipper's meeting will be held at 11:30, noon, 15 June, at the Clear Lake Cottages and Marina. Participants should launch their boats and be ready to race prior to this meeting.
  - 5.4 Racing will start at 12:00 noon Saturday, Weather permitting, four or five races will be sailed on Saturday and two on Sunday. The first race on Saturday will commence immediately after the skipper's meeting. The first race on Sunday will commence at 10:30. One completed race will constitute a regatta.
6. Sailing Instructions will be distributed at check in. Two windward marks will be used. There may be a leeward gate used.
7. Venue
  - 7.1 Races will be conducted in the vicinity of the Clear Lake Cottages and Marina on Lower Lake, Clear Lake.
8. Races Courses.
  - 8.1 Courses will be published in the Sailing Instructions.
9. Scoring
  - 9.1 The Low Point System, Appendix A4, will be used to score races.
  - 9.2 A boat's worst race score will be thrown out if all six scheduled races are sailed.

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**The Notice of Race and Entry form for the 2013 El Toro National Championship Series to be held on Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii has been published. They are now on the class web site.**

**We now have entries being sent in. Plan now,,,more time to get your boat measured in,,,more time to complete your paperwork**

**This is your rare opportunities to race your sailboat in Paradise. This may not happen again! I really must stress the fact that this may be your only opportunity to sail Hawaii. It has been ten years since the class went to Hawaii. No joke. Be ready for a fleet of 20+ Senior and 40+ Juniors racing!**

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***2013 calendar***

Fremont Relays May 19, Lake Elizabeth

boat measuring day May tbd

El Toros built in Santa Cruz are invited to "Made in Santa Cruz Race Week" celebration.

Clear Lake Regatta June 15-16, Clear Lake, NOR on the web site

Mayors Cup June 22, Lake Merritt

packing the container to Hawaii July Oakland, Fred Paxton

National Championship August 6-7-8-9, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii

[NOR and Entry Forms,,,,available on the web site,,,eltoroyra.org,,,](http://eltoroyra.org)

Pinesrest Worlds August 24-25 Pincrest Lake

Totally Dinghy September 14-15 Richmond YC

El Toro Stampede October 6, Richmond YC

Cork Screw October 19, Redwood City

#### Fremont Sailing Club sailing schedule:

May 19th – Fremont Relay's

June 2 - Spring

June 23 – Summer

July 14 – Summer

July 28 - Summer

Aug 25 - Fall

Sep 8 – Fall

Sep 22 – Fall

**El Toro 'Senior' National Championship Series locations**

**2013 Hawaii**

**2014 Clear Lake**

**2015 Santa Cruz**

**2016 Pincrest**

**2017 ?**