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long beach junior perspective



Team ABYC Juniors Win Catalina 37 Nationals!

A couple of months ago Kevin Brown decided that he wanted to sail a Catalina 37 for Long Beach Race Week. He set out right away to recruit the ABYC junior sailors if they could help him out. The crew consisted of half adults and half juniors: Kevin Brown, Kevin Taugher, Pete Melvin, Brooke Jolly, Kristy Lenehan, Dave Schack, Chuck Clay, and six juniors: Mason Kaplan, Christina Van Dyke, Jake Zieba, Luke Melvin, Thomas Dobson and me. Once he assembled all of his junior crew he had us come down to practice on the Catalina 37 before the regatta started the next day.



In that one short practice Kevin's son Garret, who was filling in for him, was able to teach us a remarkable number of useful tips and tricks that would come in handy for the future days. He assigned us all different jobs and tasks to be in charge of so we could make the boat operate smoothly for the upcoming regatta.

On Friday, the first day of racing, the wind was blowing hard. We sailed out to the course early so that we could get more practice in. As the day went on our teamwork began to gel and we were getting more confident in ourselves. Our scores consisted of a second and a fifth in a fleet with eleven boats. With those two scores we were right behind first place comfortably sitting in second.

There was less wind on Saturday which made everything easier including going through our maneuvers which was proving to be the most difficult part of Friday.

We had three races on Saturday which we placed first twice and fourth in the other. With these scores we moved up into first place overall with the second-place team only 3 points behind us.

Sunday was a very intense day on the race course for us because we knew that the other teams would be especially focused on beating us. That said we had to battle through the first race to get a fifth. We added up all of the teams' points and realized that there was a three-way tie for first place. The Race was on! After a chaotic start where two boats collided, luckily not us, we were off to the races. Unfortunately, we were trailing one of the boats that we were tied with for the majority of the race. As the end of the race neared we were closing in on the lead boat. Suddenly we gybed to gain the upper hand on our opponents and realized they started going back up wind. We were certain we sailed the correct course and got the horn as we crossed the line confirming our victory. It was very exciting and everyone was cheering and high fiving each other.

Speaking for all of the juniors I would like to thank Commodore Brown for giving us the opportunity to win a national title and learn how to sail a large boat which was a new experience for most of us.

Jack Taugher

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4th of July Regatta	July 7
Laser North Americans	July 12 - 15
Happy Hour	July 6,13,27
Membership Meeting	July 20
Happy Hour	August 3,10,17,30
Ukelele Lessons	August 7, 21
New Member Party/Pine Block Regatta	August 11
Membership Meeting	August 24
Catalina Cruise	August 24-26

[Full ABYC Calendar](#)

manager's corner



Well it's that time of the year again! Summer is in full swing- we've got our Junior Program kicking off and a bunch of other fun events coming up this month, including the much-anticipated annual "Big Bang on the Bay" show! This year, we're inviting members to come on down and bring their own picnic and beverages. That's right, the bar won't be open this year, so please be sure to plan accordingly! A lot of members don't realize this, but when the club bar is open, you must purchase alcoholic beverages from the bar- with the exception of wine or champagne, of which you can bring in for a \$5 corkage fee. Last year, most people weren't aware of this rule and brought their own beverages, rendering the club bar somewhat useless. Thus, the decision was made to nix the bar this time around, and let the members enjoy the club

like they would on any other holiday when the club isn't open. So don't forget to pack a cooler when you come down for the Big Bang, and enjoy the show!

Tori

commodore's compass



July is upon on us and surprise, surprise, there is a lot going on at ABYC! This past weekend I had the pleasure of racing a Catalina 37 with a great team of adults and juniors in Long Beach Race Week. Our "ABYC Junior" team came was victorious winning the Catalina 37 National Championship. As usual it was very tight racing at the top of the fleet. The championship was being decided on the last jibe, of last downwind leg, of the last race. We were under pressure but we kept our cool and when luck came our way we seized the moment.

The ABYC Junior team consisted of Brooke Jolly, Kristy Lenehan, Pete Melvin, David Schack, Kevin Taugher, Thomas Dobson, Mason Kaplan, Luke Melvin, Jack Taugher, Christina Van Dyke and Jake Zieba. Chuck Clay filled in for Dave Schack on Saturday and provided his usual high level of enthusiasm. Thank you all for your good attitudes and dedication to the team! I also want to thank Craig Ramsey for recruiting the Junior crew, and Garrett Brown for leading the practice session leading up to the race.

Jack Taugher is also writing an article on our experience. It will be interesting to hear the Junior perspective. I just hope that Jack doesn't get his commodore in trouble!

By the time you read this article several other events will have taken place or will be in progress. On June 30th we have the Latham Bell Dinghy Challenge with Big Bang on the Bay right on its heels. Then the following weekend we have our 4th of July Regatta, which of course is July 7th, which leads us into the Laser North American Championships the following week.

As you can see ABYC is going to be extremely busy during July with hundreds of people attending Big Bang and the Laser N/As. This is the perfect time to come down to the club to help with an event, or just to hangout in our blissful "backyard". I hope to see you all at the club sometime this Summer!

Kevin

vice verses



From a race management and logistics stand point LBRW was a huge success. From a competition standpoint it was a huge success as well. What a great weekend for ABYC! Our committed race management team and logistics team did another outstanding job. Our Friday Night Party was great-thanks to SAC for helping out so much. LBRW is huge undertaking that takes months to plan. This coming year we will be treating LBRW in a similar fashion to our ABYC regattas and try to spread the responsibilities around a bit more. If you are interested in learning more about how you can help out let me know.

The Laser NAs are fast approaching. We will be hosting some early arrivals and also providing space for some charter boats that will be arriving early the first week of July. Our team will be employing a similar temporary boat storage system as what we did last year for 29er Worlds. Until the beach is available for use (July 11th), boats will be stored in the East Yard and tucked between large boat trailers. Thanks to Pat McCormick for heading this up.

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The Club looks great. We are blessed to have such an awesome location. The landscaping which was completed during Spring Spruce Up is really starting to take shape.

In recent walks around the yard I've noticed several instances where gear, parts and pieces and an outboard engine are being stored behind or under trailers/dollies. These constitute a violation of the yard rules and need to be resolved. As a reminder, we have a healthy waiting list for Lidos and small dinghies. If you are not using your boat in accordance with the Yard Rules (a minimum of twice a year) please strongly consider vacating your space in order to allow members who use their boats frequently a space in the yard.

Dave Schack

Got Sails?

The Juniors are collecting old sails to recycle into duffle bags and other gear. Clean out your boat and garage! Simply drop off your old sails in the designated collection bin in the junior room.

Sou'Wester DEADLINE

July 21, 2018 is the deadline
for the June Sou'Wester.

Help us to Help you!

Please keep your e-mail address current with abyc.secretary@gmail.com to receive all of the weekly news and events. Thank you.

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It's Summer Time at ABYC. The kids are all in their boats, the parents are enjoying the Patio and the rest of us are heading to the island. I have included a few pictures below of the Summer Kick Off Party, the Two Harbors Memorial Day traveling happy hour and the families at the first Tuesday night BBQ.

Hope you all have a fun summer and enjoy all the club has to offer.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Big Bang on the bay.

Stephen Mueller



fleet captain's log



As of the last publication it is hard to say what is new. Seems that I try to make sure you all know what I am up to. Maybe I do not share everything with everyone, primarily if it only concerns someone I "have to" share that information with.

We are in the middle of plenty of projects, bar, plumbing replacement, new main hoist as well as trying to make sure we keep the members coming around by having nice events that SAC is so good at presenting, thanks to all of you. If you have questions about a project or event we have plenty of people involved that could answer questions.

On the fleet front, we are trying to be more diligent about checking out whalers using check out/in sheets and damage reports in which the "mailbox" for that is on the patio side of the

Quarterdeck.

I cannot remember if I mentioned an issue with the keys for Patience. Well we got down to one key and it got misplaced one day. Confusion ensued before finding it but the scare came to the front. I was looking for a way to change the lock with a newer style. I was looking for one that was going to be a plug-and-play but only found one that was going to be "close". I mentioned this to a couple of people who were rather disappointed to see the skeleton key lock go away. That is part of the perceived charm. I looked harder to find someone who could copy skeleton keys and found a company to do it. Now we have backups, Yeah!

Later, *Dan DeLave*

the bay clogger

June has been a fantastic Month for ABYC! The Juniors have been anticipating the Summer Program along with all of their coaches! We had a fantastic Summer Kickoff Barbecue and Information Night on June 20th; new parents met each other as well as those who were returning. Junior sailors played games and kept everything lively. This summer is going to be one for the books! Stay tuned for next month. I'm sure there will be some exciting stories to be told!

Sail on!

Craig Ramsay, Director of Sailing Programs



membership report

We had a very successful Open House June 9th with close to 100 people coming down the peninsula to see what we're all about. With such a diverse group of visitors with varying interests, we were able to connect with those that seemed a good fit for our culture and focus. Ultimately we had a solid group of genuinely interested folks who were given tours of the club by several members including Rich Ferdon, Dave Shack, Yon Carpenter, Jon Robinson, Rob Stropky, and myself. Our multi talented Commodore Kevin Brown worked the barbeque the entire time feeding all guests and members while my wife Oriana checked everyone in. We also want to give a special thanks to Dominic Meo and Chris Cunningham of the Tempest feet for giving what seemed like non-stop bay tours in one of their beautiful boats. When it was all said and done, we had eleven new membership applications with many more inquiries and even more contact info that we will hopefully convert to new memberships.

Membership numbers are trending up with a significant number of posted applications from the Open House. For June we welcome new regular member Tom Corcoran, Matthieu Marfaing, and Pete Frazer along with junior member Reef Settlemire. Approved for 30 day posting are regular member applicants Anne Walker, Kevin Obrien, Cheryl Koll, John Peyton, Patty Ann McKinnon, Babette Benken, and Lance Cunningham along with junior member applicants Andrew Ingham and Erik Hou.

Coming August 11th is the New Member Party and Pine Block Regatta. This will be another great day at the club so please come down to meet the new members and try your luck with the Pine Block boats. Contact Rebecca Moffett for more information about the Pine Block Regatta.

Mike Shea, Membership Director

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catalina cruise

Mark your calendars for the 2018 ABYC Catalina Cruise August 24, 25, and 26 .

We will be voyaging to Two Harbors. Plans for this year include an appetizer dingy raft up, group bar b q, frisbee golf and ukulele sing along.

If you don't own a boat find a friend with one, charter one, rent a campsite or check in with the Banning House or Two Harbors for lodging opportunities.

Normally ABYC is The place to be, but on August 24, 25 and 26 Two Harbors will the place to be.

Hope to see you there!

Pat McCormick

2018 Catalina Cruise Chairman



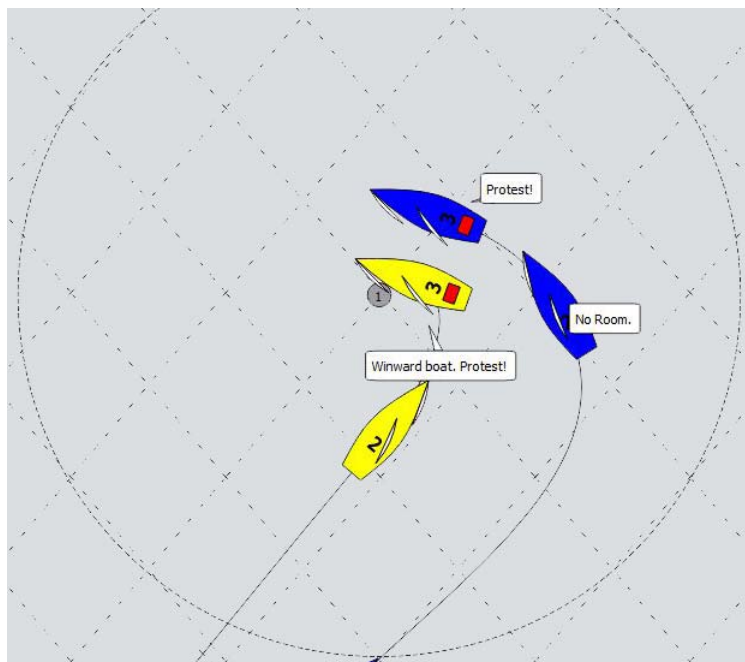
racing rules quiz #43

Answer on page 12

Yellow and Blue are approaching the windward mark which they are required to leave to port. They are close-hauled on port tack sailing parallel courses. Blue was clear ahead when she reached the zone. Blue was a boat length to leeward and one and a half boat lengths ahead of Yellow. Blue sails a half boat length passed the starboard lay line to the weather mark and tacks onto starboard.

Blue hails "No Room". Yellow tacks onto starboard inside Blue and establishes an inside overlap. Yellow hails "Windward boat keep clear". Blue bears away. Yellow bears away to avoid Blue and hits the mark.

Neither boat takes a penalty. Both boats protest.



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burgee presentations



Pat Bixby presents Burgee from Royal Cartagena Yacht Club, Spain



Mike Shea presents Burgee from Real Club Nautica Barcelona, Spain

It is with great sadness that I must announce the passing of ABYC Staff Commodore Norma Clapp. Norma went Home on Wednesday, June 20th in the early morning hours, surrounded by loved ones and family.

Norma and Dan joined ABYC in 1977. Norma served as Commodore in 1991. ABYC was an integral, positive part of the couple's life for decades.

Per family, one of Norma's biggest "sailing triumphs" was winning the Commodore's Challenge Cup, a trophy usually given to men. Like everything else Norma did, she was always out in front, paving a way for others. Her big personality and even bigger smile will not be forgotten.

The family suggests memorial contributions be sent to the Long Beach Children's Clinic, supported by the LB Charity Regatta, which Norma administered for years, or to the ABYC Junior Sailing Program.

On behalf of the club membership, I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the entire Clapp family.

Commodore Kevin Brown

Mack Mills 1925-2018

Mack Mills, a long time member of ABYC passed away peacefully on May 26, 2018. A retired Los Angeles Firefighter, his greatest passion was sailing. His first sailing experiences started around the age of 8 on his Father's 45 ft. ketch rig participating in cruising and races to Catalina out of LA Yacht club. He continued to participate in the sport he loved racing a Day Sailor, Lido14, Coronado 25 and retired racing at age 87 from the boat he loved most, his Naples Sabot.

He passed on his passion for sailing - putting his 3 daughters in the summer Sabot program as soon as the family moved to Long Beach in 1963 - sailing continues to be an enjoyable part of their lives. His, granddaughter, Sydney Bolger, grew up in the ABYC junior program and took her families passion for sailing all the way to World Cup Racing and an Olympic campaign in the international 470.

Mack had his own "unique" way of doing just about everything. Thinking out of the box is an understatement of his personality and resulted in several innovations for sailboat rigging and projects around the house. His sabot rigging was so unusual that when his granddaughter borrowed his sabot for her first ABYC summer program and it came time for the instructors to teach class on rigging the sabot, they took one look at her boat and told her she was on her own - she needed her Grandpa to show her the ropes on that boat. The notion of doing anything in a conventional way was not how Mack saw the world.

ABYC was such an important part of Mack's and my Mom, Betty's life - they cherished the wonderful friendships made at the club and the camaraderie of racing out of ABYC. It's heartbreaking to have to say good-bye to that era.

The family will be honoring Mack's wishes of no public memorial. His surviving family of 3 daughters and their husbands, 7 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren will host a private celebration of life in his honor. We will miss him dearly.

Sharon Bolger



Mack passing along the family sailing tradition



Mack sailing his favorite boat

long beach race week

Tom Walker photos

The old adage “things get better with time” was so poignant for this year Long Beach Race Week! It is so amazing how well this event comes together welcoming 136 boats from 51 yacht clubs and 4 countries is truly amazing.

As you all know this does not happen very easily and it takes over a 100 volunteers from **ABYC** and **LBYC**. Doing the heaving lifting from the **ABYC** side was **Jennifer** and **Steve Kuritz** along with **Gordy Palmer** for organizing the on the water volunteers and making sure that all of the gear was ready to go and **Steve** as **PRO** on Bravo course, **Mark** and **Robin Townsend**, **Mark** as **PRO** on Alpha course and **Robin** organizing the very difficult task of getting all of the volunteer lunches from Gelson's, housing umpires AND going out on a whaler...whew! I had a great team helping on the “shore side” helping with parking of trailers, hanging banners, and making sure that all of the sailors got out of the water on Sunday and on their way, I want to give a shout out to **Alex** and **Barbara Cross**, **Pat McCormick**, **SC Chuck Harden**, **Director Mike Shea**, **Brent Ward**, **Phil Soma**, **Yon Carpenter**, **George** and **Maggie Caddle** and **Byrce Hans**, thank you so much for helping make this one of the best regattas on the West Coast!

One of the highlights of this year was the **Team ABYC Juniors** that **Commodore Kevin Brown** assembled for the the Catalina 37 Fleet. It came down to a 3 way tie for the last race with **Team ABYC Juniors** winning the last race and taking the regatta and crowned as the **2018 Catalina 37 National Champion!** On board to help guide this rocket ship was junior sailors **Luke Melvin**, **Christina Van Dyke**, **Jack Taugher**, **Mason Kaplan**, **Thomas Dobson** and **Jake Zieba**, all of them sailed their brains out for the win. Chaperoning the Juniors were **Commodore Brown**, **Pete Melvin**, **Kevin Taugher**, **Kristy Lenehan**, **Brooke Jolly**, **VC Dave Schack** and yours truly. As Co-Chair of the event I could not be prouder of this team and what we accomplished for **ABYC**...oh yeah did I mention we won the Yacht Club Challenge as well!

I would also like to recognize **Dana Bell** and her team for organizing the food and selling of the drink tickets for approximately 500 people that came over to party, eat and dance to the live music. **Commodore Brown** had some fun throwing Mount Gay hats and giveaways from the balcony, which is always a crowd pleaser. It is always entertaining watching people go crazy over those hats, hopefully no one was hurt!

I have often and will continue to say this; and I will say it again...

ABYC is **THE** place to **BE**...

Cheers,

Chuck Clay



long beach race week

Tom Walker photos



lbrw abyc party

Kathy Robinson photos





Saturday, August 11th – 1:30 pm



2018 Annual Pine Block Championship Regatta

Plan for a fun afternoon & evening with old & new friends. We are the first event for the ABYC New Member Appreciation Party!



Come one, come all...we have boats available for newcomers!

Registration begins at **1:30 pm** ~ race instructions at **1:50 pm**

Everyone is invited to the New Member BBQ at 6:00, Bar opens at 5:00
See the flyer in the Weekly Reader & Sou'wester

Recommended gear: beach chair, hat, waders, sun screen, water shoes and towel

\$15. Entry fee for each sailor ~ Four Champions will be crowned!

If you are not going to use your boat, we can loan it to a new member for the day. If you no longer are involved with the Pine Block Fleet, please bring your boat to the ABYC club office so it can be used on race day.

Regatta Chair: Rebecca Moffett – Cell 562.756.0045 / email becca.25@hotmail.com



ABYC

New Member BBQ

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 2018

BAR OPENS 5:00 PM – DINNER 6:00 PM
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

MENU

GRILL YOUR OWN RIBEYE
POTATO SALAD
FRUIT SALAD
DESSERT

PINE BLOCK CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

1:30 PM ON THE BEACH
2:00 PM FIRST RACE
NEW MEMBERS INVITED
LOANER BOATS MAY
BE AVAILABLE.
CALL REBECCA MOFFETT
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New Members FREE — Existing Members \$15.00 Child \$7.00

After August 16 Adults \$20.00 Child \$10.00

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us sailing youth champs

ABYC Juniors Excel at US Youth Sailing Championships:
ABYC was represented by 3 sailors competing last week at the US Youth Champs in Wrightsville Beach, NC. Roxy and Charlie Snyder competed in the 29er class and Joseph Hou in the Laser class. After a tragic loss of their mast on the pre-race day, the Snyder sisters showed a lot of character to rebound and finish out the event strongly. For their determination and spirit they were awarded the Dave Perry Sportsmanship trophy (see pic and article below). If anyone knows these girls you know they have a lot of fight and never give up.

Joseph Hou continued his winning streak, handily winning the Laser Full Rig fleet (Last year Joseph won the Laser Radial Fleet). Joseph is on the US Youth Development Team and represents ABYC and NHYC. Joseph will be attending Yale in the Fall. Also recent LB Poly High School graduate from CBYC, Cameron Feves placed 3rd place in the Laser Full Rig Fleet.

Congratulations to all of these sailors and all of us at ABYC should be proud of these young sailors.



To Alamitos Bay Sailing Foundation: My sister and I want to thank you so much for your help and financial support to give us the opportunity to travel to North Carolina and compete in Youth Champs. At this regatta we ran into a big issue. On the practice day (day before the regatta) it was blowing about 20 knots with big swells. When coming in we capsized, and while riding the boat up our mast snapped. The reason for snapping our mast is still undetermined. Due to breaking our mast my sister and I were unable to sail the first day but were able to find a mast and compete the rest of the week against the top youth 29er sailors in the U.S. With a day of racing taken from us, we were left with results that showed hard work through only 6/10 races. Voted by the coaches, judges, and sailors we were award the sportsmanship award.

Sincerely,

Roxy and Charley Snyder



rules answer #43

...from page 6

Rule 10 – Opposite Tacks

Rule 11 – On the Same Tack, Overlapped

Rule 13 – While Tacking

Rule 15 – Acquiring Right of Way Rule 18.2 – Giving Mark Room Rule 18.3 – Tacking in the Zone Rule 31 – Touching a Mark

Rule 64.1 – Penalties and Exoneration

At position 1 Yellow is clear astern at the time Blue reached and is required to give Blue mark room under the second sentence of rule 18.2(b).

When Blue passed through head to wind, just before position 2, Rule 18.2(b) ceased to apply, per Rule 18.2(c). At position 2 Yellow and Blue are now approaching the marks on opposite tacks. Between position 2 and 3, when Yellow tacks she becomes subject to Rule 13 in the zone and at that point Rule

18.3 begins to apply. Yellow completed her tack without causing Blue to take avoiding action, so did not break Rule 13. Once Yellow is on a close-hauled course she becomes the right-of-way boat under Rule 11. Blue has room to keep clear, so Yellow complies with Rule 15. Yellow does not cause Blue to sail above close hauled nor prevent her from passing the mark on the required side, so does not break Rule 18.3. Because Rule 18.3 applied, Rule 18.2(a) did not and therefore, Yellow is not entitled to mark room, but Blue is required by Rule 11 to keep clear. At position 3, Blue by bearing away breaks Rule 11 and in doing so compelled Yellow to touch the mark and break Rule 31.

Yellow is exonerated for breaking Rule 31 under Rule 64.1(c). Blue is disqualified for breaking Rule 11.

Mark Townsend

summer kick off

Club ABYC Summer Kick-Off Just a teeny bit in advance of the actual summer solstice SAC (the ABYC Social Advisory Committee) took advantage of a pleasantly warm Friday night to declare that summer had arrived. Friday nights at ABYC are always a nice way to start the weekend. And, if you gather in the Patio, throw in some smooth music by Eric Ross, do a little decorating (thanks to Michelle Ward, one of our newest members!), light the fire pit and turn Steve Mueller loose at the BBQ with some help from Sam & Dana Bell you have a real Party! Steve marinated the chicken overnight in buttermilk (and a few other secret ingredients) while Dana concocted a huge Napa cabbage salad, slathered lots of French bread with butter, and sliced up six big Costco apple pies for the feast. Reservations for Friday night dinners haven't worked out that well. Not having a clue as to how many would drop by, but not wanting anyone to go hungry we bought and prepared for 60 – quite a few more than our normal Friday night dinners. Wrong! Dinners sold out in 30 minutes. Still, the party went on and all seemed to have a pretty darn good time.

Dana Bell



pine block regatta

The Pine Block Regatta will be once again held in the shallow of the bay off 69th Place next to ABYC on August 11 at 1:30.

Competitors arrive at 1:30 to test the waters for the 4 different championships – Ladies, Juniors, Grand Masters and Open.

The Pine Block boat is a 12" long sailing sloop that was designed by ABYC's Robert Chubb many years ago to humor the Keel Boat Fleet when they were on their sailing excursions to other ports. Bob made over 50 Pine Block boats. If you have one, bring it down to the races or leave it at the club office for another generation of block heads to sail.

Sailors and non-sailors alike of all ages are invited to sail a Pine Block boat. Don't have a boat, no problem, we have 3 boats needing adoption and the many racers share their boats.

The annual meeting and trophy presentation takes place in the patio after the races. Members are welcome to join the New Members for their BBQ after the meeting.

There is a "grill" your own ribeye along with other menu items provided by the club for a small fee....please check out the flier.

hails from the fleets



Cal 20's had the honor of being the duty fleet for the Memorial Day Regatta. We would like to thank all the volunteers (Cal 20 sailors and other volunteers) for their help in staging a fun and successful regatta. Special thanks to our Cal 20 lead coordinator Jeff Ives for making sure all the volunteers were at the right place at the right time.

Most Cal 20 sailing has been focused on the LBYC hosted Wet Wednesday series. We are seeing up to a dozen Cal 20's on the line making for fun beer can racing. Upcoming regattas in July include the ABYC 4th of July Regatta and the So. Cal. Champs on July 14 hosted by Cabrillo Beach YC. CBYC has really seen a strong Cal 20 resurgence the past two years and they are getting 12 – 15 boats out racing on a regular basis. We are bringing back the So. Cal High Point Series with the first stop at CBYC on July 14, the second stop at King Harbor YC on Sept. 8/9, and final stop at ABYC at our Turkey Day Regatta in November. The goal is to encourage Cal 20's to sail at these different venues and help build the class here in So. Cal.

Our big regatta of the year will be the Cal 20 Class Championships hosted by Shoreline YC of Long Beach on August 3 -5. Once again, we are expecting more than 30 Cal 20's on the line making this one of the biggest one design keel boat regattas on the West Coast. The Class Champs will offer Gold, Silver, and Bronze fleets for different experience and skill levels. SYC hosts great social events on shore in Shoreline Marina and we store our boats there making this an easy "road trip" regatta (without the hassle of trailering our boats). We will likely hold our annual measurements and some practice racing at ABYC the weekend prior to the championships.

Enjoy your Summer and join us for a sail on a Cal 20!

Todd Smith



Racing action at last year's Class Championships at CBYC. Make sure to join the action this year at Shoreline YC of Long Beach.

Memorial Day Regatta was a great success this year. The weather was perfect and the sailors had fantastic conditions here in Long Beach. We had Finns, Laser Radial, Laser Standard, F-18, Lido A & B, Optimist, Portsmouth, Sabot, and Tempest. Quite the potpourri of yachts numbering about 120 in all. The **Cal 20 Fleet** had the duty for this one with Fleet Captain **Steve George** and Board Liaison **Rob Stropky** handling the legwork. Big thanks to them and all the volunteers including Chief Judge **Ron Wood** and his protest bunch, Outside PRO **Gordie Palmer** and his stellar crew, Bay PRO **Martyn Bookwalter** and his outstanding group, and everybody on shore from trophies to dinner to General Manager **Tori** and her excellent team. It is unbelievable how many moving parts go into organizing and executing an event such as this and amazing to watch how it all comes together.

See ya at the next holiday regatta!

Jeff Ives



The ramp crew

hails from the fleets

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Lido Love

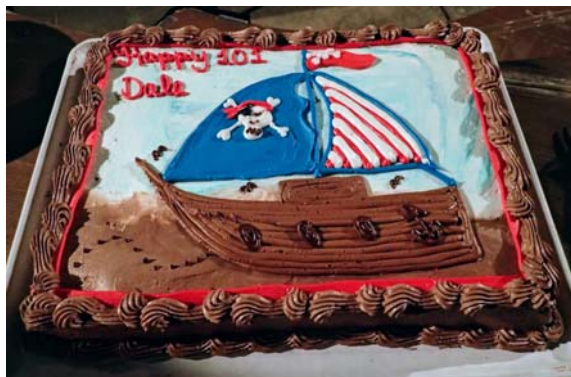


Twilight racing continues to be THE racing for summer evenings at ABYC, with great turn outs on the race course, and dinners on shore that are just as great as the racing! That, along with summer evenings that have made SoCal such a gem of a place to live, and you get just absolutely fantastic Thursday evenings.

One particular Thursday evening, on the 7th, was made particularly special with the big birthday celebration for Dale Berkhist, the founder of Fleet Six, who came down with his wife and his caretaker to join us for dinner, a round of happy birthday singing, and a big birthday cake for dessert! For being 101, he sure does get around! Maybe we need to charter him a Lido! It really was great to have Dale join us, who wrote in afterwards, thankful for the recognition, and thankful for the appreciation of Fleet Six's history. Any time, Dale, any time!

And we're doing something a little bit different this summer on the social, after racing side of things. What we're doing this summer, and so far it's had rave reviews, is having fleet members host a dinner in lieu of opening the Galley. Dana has

fed us numerous times with everything from burgers to ribs, Alan Cunningham went to Restuarante de Cosco, and we all had wonderful lasagna. Another night, Lynn and Pat brought down some bbq brisket and pastrami, and now Lori Van Skyhock has promised us her killer chowder and brats, and Kathy Robinson is boasting that she's going to make us all some of her famous chili. So if you'd like to host an evening's dinner, we'd love to have you! We budget for food costs to stay around \$200, which with 40 hungry sailors and their friends, equates to \$5/head. Simply turn in your receipts to Bill Moore, our fleet Treasurer at dinner, and he usually cuts you a check on the spot! So, it's no money out of pocket, and you get all the accolades of cooking what you cook best! Please let Ken Reiff, the Fleet Captain, know if you'd like to host a dinner. He can be reached at kenreiff@gmail.com.



And finally, a reminder that High Sierra regatta and the Class Championships are coming up in July, with Huntington Lake Being July 7th and 8th. Monday is a drive up day to Encinal Yacht Club, and then the Class Championships are July 10th, 11th, and 12th. Start making your plans now! For Huntington Lake, many of us are staying at the Lakeshore, and they do still have openings.

Glenn Selvin



Senior Sabot Nationals were put on by Newport Harbor Yacht Club June 9 and 10. ABYC was represented by Kathy Reed and Cynthia Heavrin, both sailing in the Sabot Masters Fleet.

Conditions were sunny and warm, with challenging wind shifts and tides. Top rated tough intense competition prevailed with numerous lead changes in every race, with the exception of the first place position which was dominated by Scott Finkboner. At the end of the first day of racing Betty Becker, Jerelyn Biehl, and Cynthia Heavrin were all separated by 1 point vying for the 2nd place position. Kathy Reed had an unfortunate capsizing approaching the finish line on the last race Saturday, caused by a crash tack in a questionable situation, which put her lower in the standings. Sunday didn't disappoint and brought the same shifty winds and tough competition. Kathy Reed started the day strong finishing in 2nd place in the first race. There were many lead changes in every race, fighting for the 2nd place position. When the dust settled after 2 days of sailing, 6 races (and 1 throw out), the results were 1st place to Scott Finkboner with 5 points, 2nd place to Betty Becker on a tie breaker with 15 points, Jerlyn Biehl 3rd place with 15 points, ABYC's Kathy Reed trophied in 4th place with 19 points ahead of SDYC's July McPherson who had 20 points. Cynthia Heavrin struggled on the 2nd day, had a few moments of glory rounding the windward mark in 2nd place in one race but ended up in 6th place overall. It was great competition and fun sailing in Newport Harbor. Nancy Mellon who recently celebrated her 90th birthday took 1st place in the Grand Masters division, and Danny North finished in 1st place in the Senior division.

Kathy Weisample





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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 - RAFT-UP

3:00 pm Raft-up Begins

5:00 Bar Opens

6:00 pm Bring Your Own Picnic (BBQ will be Lit)

6:00 pm "Panjive" Steel Drums

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - FAMILY PARTY

8:00 am Breakfast Specials

10:00 am Treasure Hunt/Games For All Ages
or Family Fun on the Beach

5:00 Bar Opens

6:00 pm Polynesian Pig Roast

6:00 pm Happy Endings Dance Band

7:30 pm "Tupua" South Seas Entertainment
& Fire Dance

8:00-9:30 pm Dance Band Continues



"Panjive" Steel Drum Entertainment

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"Happy Ending Band"

