



cisa clinic 2008

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For more than thirty years, Alamitos Bay Yacht Club has been the home of the California International Sailing Association (CISA) Advanced Racing Clinic. This year was no different as 118 boys and girls from all over the United States, including Hawaii, were at ABYC from Saturday through Thursday, April 5-8, for three days of intensive training and a final-day regatta.

The instructors, too, are from all over the country and include many Olympic sailors, including medalists Kevin Burnham and Charlie McKee. Richard Feeny, formerly Youth Sailing Director at The San Francisco Yacht Club and a veteran CISA Clinic instructor, served as Clinic Director; other instructors included Mikee Anderson-Mitterling, Cameron Biehl, Molly Carapiet, Adam Deermount, Casey Hogan, Steve Hunt, Isabelle Kinsolving, Elizabeth Kratzig, Harry Legum, Zack Leonard, Andrew Lewis, John Pearce, Stan Schreyer, Genny Tulloch and US Sailing Team coach Skip Whyte.

The Clinic attendees are divided into six divisions, including Laser, Laser Radial, Club 420, International 420, CFJ and 29er. Three long days of rigging and drills both in the Bay and out in the ocean were finished up with debriefing sessions and dinner before an evening program. Speakers this year included US SAILING Olympic Sailing Committee chair Dean Brenner, who talked about the coming Olympic regatta and how to mount an Olympic campaign; Andrew Lewis, a CISA alum and instructor who talked about his experience as a member of the ABN AMRO 2 crew during the 2005-06 Volvo Ocean Race; and Julian Bethwaite, the Australian designer of the 49er and 29er who



CISA Class of 2008

talked about developments in the design and rig for the 29er and 29erXX.

Among the ABYC Junior members in the 2008 CISA Clinic was Cameron Summers, who took second in the final-day regatta in Lasers. Others included Ryan MacNaboe, A.J. Robinson and Alex Vaught in Radials; Sydney Bolger, Christopher Segerblom and Kayla McComb in I-420s and Jack Jorgensen and Samantha Gebb in Club 420s. Marissa Golison also participated as fill-in crew in multiple classes.



CISA instructor Charlie McKee, a two-time Olympic medalist, checks the coaches' fleet of chase boats

CISA, founded in 1971, supports amateur sailors by providing travel grants for regional, national and international competition and funds local sailing programs and racing clinics. ABYC members Chris Ericksen, Pete Melvin and Mike Van Dyke serve on the Board of Directors of CISA with such nationally known sailors as Robbie Haines, John Shadden, Peter Wells and JJ Isler. ABYC members Dave Crockett and Tom Shadden were among the founders of CISA; Thornton Hamlin, former member and Staff Commodore Gary Winterrowd and the late Chuck Kober all served as directors of CISA as well.

The CISA Clinic combines the hard work of both CISA and ABYC. ABYC Director Jon Robinson served as Board liaison for the Clinic and coordinated the efforts of ABYC volunteers including John Massey, Dave Myers, Mike Van Dyke and others. Kelly Whitlow and the ABYC Staff provided innumerable support functions to the Clinic, ranging from feeding the attendees and coaches, arranging meeting rooms and repairing whalers and equipment. Both Dave and Susie Crockett were on hand for the entire Clinic, giving support and sharing their experience with all involved.

Chris Ericksen

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save the date

Opening Day	May 3
Mother's Day Brunch	May 11
Membership Meeting	May 23
Memorial Day Regatta	May 24-25
Membership Meeting	June 20
Men's Day	June 21
Long Beach Race Week	June 27-29

commodore's comments



With Opening Day upon us, and with Wet Wednesdays and Pop Tops not far behind, the busy summer season is rapidly descending upon ABYC. Our calendar is filling up, if not full, and people are still trying to book sailing events, social events, parties, and banquets. We have three more Championship events coming up this summer, and boats will be coming in prior to some of these events to rig, launch and practice. To all this mayhem, add Long Beach Race Week, and well, you get the idea.

This is also the time of the year when ABYC just becomes a busier, noisier, more crowded venue. The boat yard is busy, dinghies are parked along the rail, and poachers bring in their boats and then try to gain free storage. The snack bar is busy, with people waiting in line for Kelly's Famous Bay

Burger.

Its easy to let tempers flare, and being crowded on the weekends tries everyone's patience as we look for an unused mule, move Lasers out of our way to get our keelboat into our space, or have to move cars when ours are buried, only to find that someone didn't leave their keys in the ignition!

Remember, ABYC is a place to come to relax, to kibitz with our friends, and to go sailing and enjoy our sport. Leave yourself just a little bit more time to get your boat in the water, and remember that the dock might be a bit crowded on these summer weekends. And when you're tying your boat up? Please let your boat hang off of just a bow line, vs. side tying your boat so that more boats can tie up along side yours.

Remember that we have rules in place to make our community work. Covering both the yard and the parking lot, please take a moment to dust off your roster and read through them, so as to familiarize yourself with what you may have forgotten over the winter. If you still have questions? See the office, and they'll be able to help you. And please, when parking in the yard? Leave your keys in the ignition so that others may move your car to unbury theirs.

All of these pesky rules were put in place for a reason, and the observance of all these rules makes it easier for everyone. So come down to ABYC, but remember to just chill out, be patient, and relax! We have great summer events planned both on and off the water, and your Board is tackling some issues all for the betterment of ABYC and its members. So come on down and enjoy, and if you need to chat and bend an ear? Mine are always available.

See you at the Club...Glenn

vice commodore's view



I can't believe it is already May! Spring has sprung and we are looking at Summer! Wednesday and Thursday sailing has started and life is good. The Club is ramping up and everything is great. I can feel our 13-18 knot Sou'Wester blowing in my hair! Come on baby, toss my hair! Woo hoo! SUMMER, SUMMER, SUMMER!

Opening Day is past and we are on our way.

House and Grounds:

Last Month I mentioned that Bob Bishop polished up the past Commodore's wall. Something I should also mention is that Ken Hodges spent a lot of time painting in the letters. The letters look great! Thanks Ken!

Dave Behr has also been doing a lot of things around the Club. Some of which includes replacing a cleat on the dock where the Whalers tie up and replacing the signal flares in the Whaler Boxes. He did this at his own expense! Thanks Dave!

Dave and Ken are fine examples of our friends around the Club not asking for thanks, but volunteering when needed. Thanks go out to everyone out there for doing what needs to be done.

Yard Czar Committee:

Yard issues come and go, but as a whole our yard is well organized and profitable. We are continuing to deal with issues like the sabot racks and where to assign different boats.

Unused boats in the yard continue to be a problem. If you would like us to help you dispose of an unused boat, let us know. Keeping boats used in the yard is critical to keeping the yard and Club vibrant. Just like gardening, constant attention is required to keep things growing and healthy.

Laser Nationals:

In August, we are having the Laser Nationals. It will be a big one with 120-150 boats. Believe it or not, Mark Townsend, Chuck Tripp, Vann Wilson and Steve Smith have done all of the ground work and built the foundation. This will be a first rate regatta! Please thank these guys for doing a great job!

See you around the Club. Go ABYC!

Merle

fleet captain's log



It is great to see the Racin' in the Basin Nirvana remote control sailboat fleet out with 9 boats competing into the evening...in fact it was still light out at 7:30 pm when it was time to start the April general membership meeting and I was asked by commodore Selvin to go retrieve vice commodore Asper and director DeLave (avid RCers) who were in the midst of a race. (Actually, I think Merle and Dan had it right and perhaps we should have moved the meeting to the launching ramp?).

Yes, the summer sailing season has arrived – go to abyc.org and look at our calendar (updated by club manager Kelly Whitlow) and you will see we are full of sailing opportunities. Please keep in mind that while you are racing, others are volunteering and we all need to pitch in to help with the various aspects of running a regatta: registration, chase boats, launch ramp, race committee, etc., so

please join me in thanking all of our wonderful volunteers and when you can spare a day insert yourself into the support side roster.

All of our individual fleet captains have been requested to nominate their class representatives for the ABYC club championships held on the morning of Opening Day (Saturday May 3rd). The winning team will claim the Kim Thompson Memorial Trophy and not only have bragging rights for a year, but since this is “the race for the space” we will see their name emblazoned on a custom blue plaque staked in the ground proclaiming a front row parking location reserved in their honor...come down early and watch the competition. All of the “Active” fleets in the club have been called to participate; this is one of the privileges of being a duty fleet at regattas and hosting a membership meeting.

On Saturday May 10th Eric McClure and his ABYC team will be sailing Eric's J-35 to defend the ASPBYC Walt Elliot Harbor Challenge. Doug McLean and Steve Flam won this event for ABYC last year and we have been challenged to defend. Good luck Eric, go ABYC!

We don't have an official challenge chairman this year at ABYC, but there are events on the calendars of other yacht clubs that our club could participate in. In addition to the annual US Sailing event championship there are a handful of assorted events, some invitational, some open. Please contact me if you are interested in representing the “blue over white” in one of these contests. Jon Robinson is coordinating the junior side challenge opportunities; please see his updates in the Sou'Wester.

Race Management Committee had our monthly meeting to recap the Finn Masters and other recent events. We have a well-oiled race management machine and it was great to have so many active sailors sitting around the table planning upcoming events and providing lessons learned. Mike Baumann, co-chair of RMC, has been working on an update to our website that will catalog all of the documents created over the years and provide an organized home for them that will be available to all future regatta chairpersons and other interested parties. I have seen the “beta site” and this is going to be a fantastic tool and incredible resource – thank you Mike!

And our “regatta online” team headed by Steve Kuritz is working out details so that online registration can be integrated into ABYC's working procedures. Most of you who have traveled to sail for ABYC in the last year have likely been exposed to some form of web based regatta registration system. And we have used various methods in a few of our

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own events, with mixed, but mostly positive results. There are a lot of advantages (and obstacles) to fully integrate the sign up, pay up, score correctly, etc. scenarios and this is a big job to tackle. Steve has met with several key members of the club who have experience in these issues to solicit input and his group is working hard behind the scenes to help ABYC smoothly transition into an internet based system.

The Laser fleet is very well organized to host the upcoming Memorial Day regatta – the traditional opening for boating season for many sailors across the country. Jorge Suarez is doing a great job as regatta chairman and is being supported by Steve Smith, Chuck Tripp, Vann Wilson, Jim Kirk (sounds like I'm reading off the winners at a trophy presentation doesn't it?) and many, many more members of our Laser group.

The Lasers are one of the strongest and largest fleets we have at ABYC. Our senior and junior members have had great success in far ranging competitions. The senior Lasers have literally competed all over the world in the last year with incredible results. The US Laser Nationals will be hosted by ABYC this August. Interest in Lasers has also been given a boost by the junior program classes we are now offering year 'round. We just might be looking back in the future and recalling 2008 as the "year of the Laser" at ABYC. Once the sabot rack project is complete we will be seeing how we can offer a storage solution to allow us to house even more Lasers – if you have ideas, opinions or suggestions on Laser storage please call me, send an email, or talk to me in person at the club.

It is my sincere hope that we have more than one of our new sabot racks up on display at Opening Day – so you can see first hand the simplicity, ruggedness and ease of operation. Bob Chubb, John Massey and Jon Robinson have been putting a lot of time and effort into the final phase which is the sourcing of materials and actual assembly of our ground cart "Chubby's". Though you may think that I have cried "wolf" before, next time you are at the club please make sure all of your sabot gear is labeled (or better yet secure your loose stuff in your locker or take it home). Be looking for an end week ABYC list serve announcement that the transition is taking place. Just think, sometime in the next couple of weeks your beloved sabot will have a new home...and you have no idea where it will be located – don't panic, we will be posting all of the assignments and be doing our best to notify everyone.

Contrary to what I reported last month in this column, Whaler 2, upon closer inspection, was deemed nothing more than a waterborne storage vessel of saltwater infested foam and delaminating fiberglass and so, without hesitation, offered as a sacrifice to the dumpster gods – drawn and quartered (to fit) we are sure that she is prowling a beautiful harbor no doubt rubbing gunwhales with some ancient Viking tender in the 'support boat afterworld'. This leaves us a 13' whaler short. Naturally we stripped off anything of value and have a nice outboard, steering console and assorted hardware left over. If you know of a suitable replacement whaler sitting unused at your neighbors dock (or your own) that we might be able to purchase at a reasonable price please let me know. A 13' or 17' whaler would be a nice – please let me know if you have insider information that will help us get our work boat fleet back up to full strength.

The "scoring shack" at the entrance to our basin has become newsworthy. Concerns about its safety have prompted the BOD to ask for the removal of the metal rungged dockside ladder so that the structure is inaccessible and secure to prevent entry. If you have an opinion on whether we should retrofit the shack or remove it please let your BOD know. The scoring shack and old bay barge are two ABYC icons whose glory days may well be behind us and whose future is uncertain.

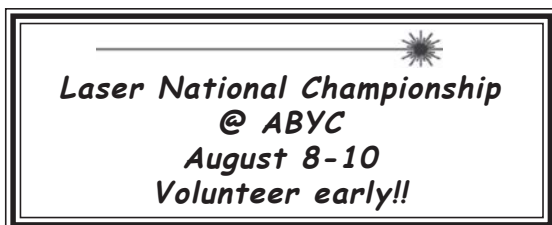
Come down to your yacht club, see your friends, launch your boat and cherish the sun and wind as it highlights the smile on your face.

See you on the waterfront!

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corona del mar to Cabo race

A number of ABYC members took part in the March race to Cabo sponsored by the Balboa Yacht Club. This was the fastest race to Cabo that anyone can remember with MAGNITUDE 80 finishing the 800 mile race in just under 2 and a half days. Those ABYC members participating and the name of their boats were MAGNITUDE 80 – Ernie Richau; MEDICINE MAN – Bob Lane and Jared Morford; FREE RANGE CHICKEN – Steve Moffett and Pat McCormick; FORTELEZA – Jerry Montgomery; MIGHTY TANGAROA – Bill Boyd, Rob Rice, Robert Rice, Scott Atwood; VALKYRIE – Doug Jorgensen.



Sou'Wester DEADLINE

May 23, 2008 is the deadline
for the June Sou'Wester.

from the pages of history

For more than forty years, ABYC's Olympic Classes Regatta has been an annual rite of spring. From its humble beginnings at the old clubhouse in the early Sixties to the years it became the nucleus about which the 1984 Olympic Regatta itself was organized, OCR has been there in fat years and lean. Naturally, the SOU'WESTER's of the past have covered OCR—as I'm sure it will in the fall, when the 2008 OCR is scheduled.

THIRTY YEARS AGO:

Al and Mary Smith were co-chairs of the wild-and-wooly 1978 ABYC OCR, according to the SOU'WESTER of May of that year. Driving rain and wind gusting over forty knots led to the abandonment of racing on the Saturday, but apparently not until many of the boats were out on the course; Commodore Bill Nicolai in his "Commodore's Comments" referred to the "spectacular sailing down the jetty" on Saturday, presumably of the returning boats.

Winners included a Who's Who of sailing both then and now. Dave Ullman was winner in 470's while the Star class was won by Tom Blackaller. The largest fleet was the Finn class, with 30 boats; Carl Buchan, recently a Laser World Champion, was winner. Robbie Haines was tops in the Soling class while the identified winner of the Tornado class was Mark Reynolds of St. Francis YC; this is presumably the same Mark Reynolds of San Diego who later was a two-time Olympic medalist in Stars.

Rules were in the news. Members were reminded to re-read the House and Yard Rules in advance of the busy summer season, notably the parking regulations. "Parking is for members' cars only," the article said. Apparently there was enough trouble over this that the Board was "discussing appropriate measures to deal with recurrent offenders."

The Easter Brunch article reported that the presence of "someone very special" was noted: Pauline Jacobson, "who originally conceived the Easter Brunch idea," apparently had passed away. While she was not there, a "unique lead glass trophy, which is a memorial to Pauline," was displayed; it was noted that "it will be used as the centerpiece for the buffet table in the years to follow. The trophy represents someone who truly loved ABYC," the article concluded. And so are traditions born.

Men's Day must have had more volunteers than sailors: the names of over 50 women were listed in the main article while the names of the winners were relegated to the Senior Sabot report; Sid Exley won the Heavyweight division and the perpetual trophy while Don Hodges was the lightweight division winner...Allan Rosenberg announced the new format for the 1978 Summer Sailing Program: two four-week sessions would replace the single eight-week program; Kris Cleveland and Todd Merrill were to be the instructors...among new members of ABYC was an independent junior named Michael Segerblom, a student at Rogers who sailed a Snipe and a Sabot...

TWENTY YEARS AGO:

The classes awarded to the winners of the Olympic Classes Regatta and the invited classes, complete with class insignia, graced the cover of the May, 1988 SOU'WESTER. The article waxed on about the event: "more Stars than in heaven, more Tornados than in Kansas, more Lasers than in 'Star Wars,'" it said (geez, who would write such stuff?). This was the first year that the Bixby Family Olympic Classes Trophy, a torch used in the 1984 relay of the Olympic flame, was awarded; it went to the Soling winner, judged to have been tops in the most competitive class.

As it was an Olympic year, there were more than 150 boats on three venues and plenty of Olympians on hand. They included former Olympic medalist Randy Smyth, winning in Tornados, and soon-to-be medalists Allison Jolly and Lynne Jewell, winning in women's 470. The top three medals in the Finn class went to Brian Ledbetter, Russ Silvestri and Lawrence Lemieux, in that order; both Ledbetter and Lemieux, the latter a Canadian, went to the 1988 Games in Korea that year, as did the third-place Tornado team of Pete Melvin and Pat Muglia and the Jolly/Jewell team. John Lovell, later a Tornado Olympian, placed second in the men's 470 class.

Spring Spruce Up was a successful event, judging from the two-page photo spread and accompanying article. Among things painted were PATIENCE and the Bay Barge—in both cases, the old ones—and the Quarterdeck; among the painters were Ray and Diane Gonzalez' children and the entire Snipe fleet. Nevertheless, Commodore Al Nelson reported in his "Commodore's Comments" that the demands of maintenance projects outstripped the volunteers to do them. "The Board of Directors recognizes these trends," he went on, "and has directed the club manager to increase the staff and realign some existing staff assignments to improve the situation."

A semi-regular article, "The Yard Ogre Speaks," reminded everyone that the masts on boats in the dinghy yard must be up, according to yard rules; he also reminded everyone that boats had to have up-to-date registration stickers or the boats would be impounded...Judy Mathias' regular article, "Driftwood," reported that ABYC's patio was portrayed as a waterfront "al fresco" restaurant in an episode of the TV series, "O'Hara"; she also reported that Keith Dodson was engaged...Ann Exley's "From the Pages of History" reprinted a report from the Finance Committee that estimated the annual fixed expenses of ABYC for 1930 would be \$300; annual dues were \$12 for "boat-owning" members, of which there were 20, and \$5.00 for the ten non-boat-owning members...

TEN YEARS AGO:

There was another great cover on the SOU'WESTER of May, 1998: a photo of a capsized 49er was accompanied by a caption saying that, "In an attempt to match Sea World's 'Swim with the Dolphins,' ABYC's own "Swim with the 49ers" would allow customers to "interact with these playful creatures in their natural habitat."

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Evidently the 1998 OCR was somewhat like that of 1968: according to regatta co-chairman Steve Flam in his report, the regatta “was on El Nino’s schedule” and Saturday’s races were abandoned. There were three courses laid, with Mark Townsend, Barney Flam and Mike Segerblom each serving as PRO on one of them. While the attendance was apparently low, plans were already under way to make the next year’s event a larger one; with several of the 1999 U.S. Olympic Trials set for San Francisco Bay, the regatta would be scheduled to get a “bounce” off those events.

Commodore Al Smith reported in his “Commodore’s Comments” that ABYC had been asked to host the 1999 Cal 20 NA’s and Melges 24 Worlds. He attributed this to ABYC’s “strong Race Management program” which he characterized as running “the finest small-boat regattas...on the Pacific Coast. Key to this success, he said, was the ABYC Race Management Committee, and that “no one is to be thanked more than Mark Townsend” for his years of chairing the RMC; “through his leadership our reputation is outstanding,” the Commodore concluded.

The first race of the 1998 Etchells Fleet Championship Series had been run back in late March by the father-and-son team of Mike and Andrew McDade; Stan Gibbs was leading the series, with Steve Moffett second...the Cal 20 fleet would hold its Fleet Championship Regatta would be held in May, but only members whose dues were paid (“hint, hint,” said the article’s author) could race...Jim Morford reported that over 300 had been served at the Easter Brunch; key volunteers included John McNaughton, Scott and Heather Meyer, Isabelle Lounsberry, Mark Townsend, Mary Smith, Barbara Conn, Stacy Conn, “Stacy’s friend Kelly” and two entire families, the Morfords (Jim, Toni, Jared and Brook) and the Henrys (Ron, Jori, Daniel and Nicholas)...

Chris Ericksen, Club Historian

the bay clogger (junior sailing)

A BYC Junior Sailing Thanks You!

The summer is nearly here and as spring wraps up, we have a moment to catch our breath in the junior sailing office and thank all the people who have helped us get the ABYC junior program running so strong and who continually strive to make it better and keep equipment maintained. Thank you to our Junior Advisory Board: Tom Newton, Marc Schryer Sr., Jon Robinson (also our board liaison), Latham Bell, Mark Golison, Chas Merrill, Jeff Merrill, John Massey, Bob Kirstine, Brad Bolger and our chair, Doug Jorgensen. All of these members put in a tremendous amount of heart, passion, and countless hours to help the junior program and the club. A special thanks goes out to Doug Jorgensen in the first year of his chairmanship as he has stepped up and seen so many projects through including the enhancement of our sabot trailers, the improvement of our junior coach boats, continued help with the design of the sabot racks and more. Furthermore, I’d like to thank our three board members who also serve on our JAB – Jeff Merrill, Jon Robinson, and John Massey – they are all invaluable to ABYC.

It is also important to note some other members as well (though the list is far too long to put everyone in this article – please know that every one of you who have helped is appreciated). A special thanks to the laser fleet for all their encouragement and donations and especially to Steve Landeau for donating his laser recently and to Chuck Tripp for his consistent sail donations. Thank you also to the brilliant designer, Bob Chubb has always been a great help in designing our racks and dollies. Of course our board of directors and race management always work extremely hard to make ABYC and the racing here amazing and the junior program truly appreciates that. Finally, our parent base is hands down one of the most involved and definitely one of the very best. I am thankful for all you do for our program and I speak on behalf of the program when I say thank you; it is truly appreciated!

Help Needed for the Junior Program!

In the same breath as thanking the membership and people who are so instrumental to our program, the junior program needs to ask for help for this summer. We are looking for housing for some of our out of town coaches and if you would be willing to house a coach from Ireland or South Carolina for the summer, or lend a bike to them for summer transportation, please contact Brad Schaupteter – junior director (contact info below).

Boats For Sale

If you have a sabot or laser you would like to sell, please email the info to jrprogram@abyc.org with “Boat for sale” in the subject line or call the junior office at (562) 434-9955 and we will try to find it a home with a junior or otherwise. Boats currently listed for sale through the junior program can be found online at the junior website on www.fleetracing.net (scroll to the bottom of the junior website home page and there is a link for boats for sale).

Summer Program

If you want to sign up a student for the ABYC Junior Sailing Program, you can find forms in the main office of ABYC or on the junior website at www.fleetracing.net. Again, we expect a very full program, so please register quickly. We will see you this summer!

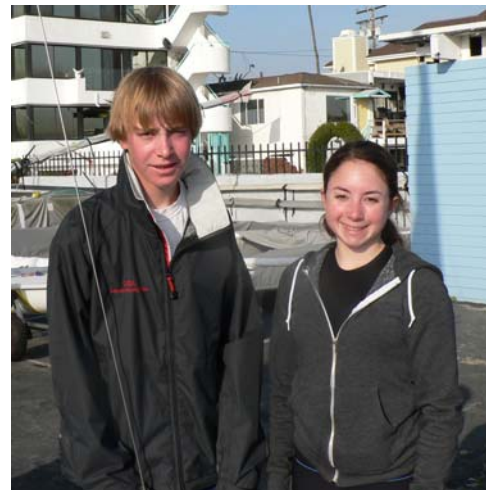
Brad Schaupteter, ABYC Junior Sailing Director

the cisa experience

Jorgensen family photos

Each year sailors make the annual trek to the CISA clinic, which took place April 5-8. CISA stands for the California International Sailing Association. CISA provides a clinic for America's top youth sailors ranging from ages 13 to 18.

The boats that are sailed are Lasers, Laser Radials, Club 420's, International 420's, CFJ's, and 29er's. It is hosted at our own ABYC. To participate in this clinic you must fill out complete an application. They make their selection out of sailing experience, regatta results, and attitude. This year sailors came as far away as the east coast to Hawaii! We had ten sailors representing ABYC. Cameron Summers in full-rigs, Alex Vaught, A.J. Robinson, and Ryan McNaboe in Laser Radials, Cameron Foresburg and J.P. Saunders in Club 420's, Sydney Bolger skippering International 420's, and Jack Jorgensen and Samantha Gebb in the CFJ. Marissa Golison took on the official role as the fill-in, for skippers who didn't have a crew.



Jack Jorgensen and Samantha Gebb

The CISA clinic is probably the most grueling sailing I will ever do. The coaches pushed us very hard and I think they each screamed "HIKE!" about 1,000 times. The day would start at 8:00 a.m. We would have a lecture then we would be out on the water at 10:00 to 12:30, have lunch, and then back on the water 1:30 to 5:00. That's about 6 hours on the water each day! After sailing we would have a debrief, dinner, and a presentation by a speaker. The speakers included Dean Brenner who spoke to us about his Olympic campaign experiences, Andrew Lewis, who talked to us about his experience on the Volvo Ocean Race aboard ABN AMRO 2 (VERY COOL!!!), and Julian Bethwaite, designer of the 29er and 49er, who talked to us about skiff history and design.



Sydney Bolger and crew Katlin Beavers (NHYC)

Each day the CISA clinic was treated to perfect winds of 8-15 knots. The coaching at this clinic was unbelievable. The room was filled with Olympians and world champion sailors. The coaching included Skip Whyte, Zack Leonard, Kevin Burnham, Elizabeth Kratzig, Steve Hunt, Isabelle Kinsolving, Molly Carapiet, Mikee Anderson-Mitterling, Andrew Lewis, John Pearce, Genny Tulloch, Stan Schreyer, Charlie McKee, Cameron Biehl, Adam Deermount, and Casey Hogan.

ABYC did an outstanding job hosting this event. The food was top notch and they never ran low. Thank you to all of the CISA volunteers that made this event possible, the mothers who served dinner and prepared snacks everyday, and the ABYC kitchen staff for the wonderful meals. I recommend anyone who is 13 to 18 with a decent sailing resume to apply to this clinic. I learned more at this clinic than I would have in a month of sailing on my own. It's amazing how much information you absorb in just four days.

Jack Jorgensen



Cameron Summers

spring gold cup a junior perspective

On March fifteenth and sixteenth sabot sailors competed in the Spring Gold Cup. Although Newport Harbor Yacht Club is known for its light wind, Sabot sailors did not experience the usual weather expected in Newport. Both days featured heavy winds with sailors battling to keep their small sabots upright and sailing smoothly. While sabot A sailors were able to sail six races with a throw out, sabot B sailors squeezed in only five, and all sabot C sailors did not sail enough races to complete a series.

March fifteenth, the first day of Spring Gold Cup was the windiest day. Conditions were rough enough that many A's capsized and only three B sailors finished the second race. Because they were the only B's to finish in that race, their overall scores had about a 25 point advantage by avoiding a DNF. Sunday was still windy, but the conditions were not as rough. In the end, Charlie Welsh from NHYC finished in fifth, I finished in fourth, Clayton Schluter SDYC finished third, Trevor Hecht MBYC in second and Nick Rasdal SDYC in first. Steven Hopkins, 7th overall, Matt McDermaid finishing 18th, and I all sailed in the B fleet for ABYC. Overall, this regatta taught me one thing, never give up, even if you flip, keep bailing your boat and always try to complete the race.

Elle Merrill - 8963

membership report

The days are getting longer, the weather is even getting better (which is actually pretty hard since we live here in Southern CA) and many of us are thinking that summer sailing is just around the corner. Well, it is, but you know what would make it even better, sponsoring a couple of new members, getting those ABYC dollars in your hands and enjoying the great food and drink at the Galley and some new ABYC merchandise all courtesy of ABYC and that fabulous membership program. That's the one where both you and the new member get \$250 worth of ABYC dollars to spend on food and merchandise. Plus the satisfaction of introducing a new member to a great sailing community known as Alamitos Bay Yacht Club.

As your membership chair, it's my responsibility to continually remind everyone that the 'life blood' of ABYC are its members and until we're at capacity we need to always be on the look out for that potential member who just hasn't realized it yet. Spring and summer are great times to introduce the club to friends, family and co-workers. Bring them down, buy them a beer at the Galley, introduce them around, the Club will do the rest. ABYC has been 'selling' itself for a long time and if we can just provide a bit of assistance the 'Club' will do the rest. If you'd like to have me provide a tour or answer questions about membership and how the process works, don't hesitate to ask.

Well, that's it for now. Hope to see everyone at Spring Spruce Up then on to Opening Day. Let's share the experience we all know as ABYC with others, bring those new members on board.

Ken Reiff



Jon Robinson presents burgee to the Alex Krause family as Glenn Selvin welcomes them

cal 20 champs July 11-13

The Cal 20 Class Association is pleased to announce the 2008 Cal 20 Class Championship hosted by ABYC and the Cal 20 Association July 11-13. We are really looking forward to this event and hope to get great participation turn out. We have just launched the new class website with a totally new look, class information, regatta schedules and upcoming events. Please log on to www.cal20.com and have a look!

The PRO for the regatta is Chris Erickson with the help of Doug Mclean helping to stimulate the fleet in hopes of getting a good turn out. Please spread the word and get your boat out on the water. If you need ANY help with ANYTHING please let me know and we can help you get ready. Our goal this year is to get about 40 boats on the starting line.

We have parties scheduled every night, cook your own BBQ and raffles all three days with great prizes from our sponsors. We even have an Ullman jib that will be auctioned off on Sunday during the trophy presentation, WOW how cool is that! We will also have press coverage all through out the regatta in the local paper by Rich Roberts; so tell your friends to keep an eye on the local paper!

So come on down to the club and enjoy the great camaraderie even if you are not sailing it will be a great event and fun for everyone.
See you there!

Chuck Clay, Cal 20 President, #26 Veintiseis

men's day

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails." *Mark Twain*

Come to Men's Day June 21st

Sabot races and Nirvana II class

Chili, Beer, Barbeque, Trophies and a fun day in the bay. See flyer next month for details

midwinters west

Mission Bay Yacht Club offered a great weekend of racing for the Laser Midwinter West. 129 sailors from Seattle to San Diego came to compete. Wind ranged from 6 to 15 knots with sunny skies and some rolling seas. The courses were trapezoids approximately 6 nm. The weather legs were 1.1 nm in length according the sailing instructions. According to the two ABYC competitors they seemed more like 2 nm legs and a total of 8 nm. 8 races were held over the three days.

The two competitors from ABYC were our youth sailors Cameron Summers and A.J. Robinson. Cameron sailed in the Full Rig fleet as an Open competitor. A.J. sailed in the Radial fleet as a Junior Competitor. Both youth had very good regattas. Cameron finished 14th out of 68 competitors and A.J. finished 15th out of 55 competitors. Both fleets were very competitive. The Radial fleet had only 1 point separating the 13th and the 16th finisher. ABYC can be very proud of our youth competitors and our Youth and Junior Program.

Jon Robinson

hails from the fleets

Lido Twilights, Baby!

Summer is fast approaching ABYC and that can only mean one thing: Lido Twilights are back! Everybody's welcomed to come join the party out on the bay. Our twilights are always kick-back-beer-can-races held every Wednesday evenings. Don't have a Lido? Barrow one! There are thirty in the boat yard!

Its {currently} official, fleet six is the largest lido fleet in the world! Yeah, baby! Let's keep this momentum going folks! I highly encourage all Lido sailors at the club to join the fleet {if you already have; thanks!}. This fleet is rocking and rolling!

In other news, fleet members have been doing some traveling around. The Harry Wood Memorial saw three ABYC members try their luck in Newport Beach. Stu/Erin Robertson finished second in the windy regatta while Dave/Jeanne Smith finished fifth followed by Mark Ryan/Travis. This was a fun, cheap regatta held on March 30. I recommend it to all Lido sailors.

Another great regatta was the Fleet Two Invitational held on April 5th. This took place in Marina Del Rey with four fleet members showing up to race. John Hauck/Wayne Aho finished a respectable 4th out of ten in the B fleet/ He even had a third place finish in race two. Way to go John! Dave/Jeanne Smith finished 11th overall in the A fleet while Mark Ryan/Richard Greenwood finished 4th. A big congrats goes out to Stu Robertson/Sarah Ryan for winning the regatta!

If your schedule can only allow you to do a handful out of town regatta's a year, fleet two has to be one of them! The last race of the regatta was a "fun" race in which both Lido A, B, and Lasers started together. When the first boat rounded the W mark, the whole fleet turns around and races downwind back to the club. Many teams had their crew skipper for this race. Such is the case for Sarah/Stu and Richard/Mark. As it turns out, the first Lido up to the W mark was skippered by Sarah Ryan! The first boat to finish back to the club was skippered by Richard Greenwood with Mark Ryan as crew! There was a big BBQ at the end of the day and everybody went home with a killer cool gift!

Hopefully, I'll see you there next year! Smooth sailing everyone!

Mark Ryan, Fleet Secretary

Galactic World Fleet Six Champ...Wrap-Up

As fast as it started, the biggest regatta of the year at ABYC came to an end. Saturday, April 19th was the big day in which 12 Lido teams showed up for Lido Fleet Championships. We had both an A and B fleet out on the water with both classes starting together. The racing was intense, especially in the top of the A fleet. After several races, it was easy to see that two teams had a chance of taking home the top prize: Mark/Sarah Ryan and Freddie/Fred Stevens. Both had several tacking duels throughout the day {and several run-ins!}. At the end of the day, both teams were tied with team Stevens winning on the tie-breaker. My congrats goes out to them for winning the regatta! Coming in third was Grant/Connor Hill. They even pulled off a bullet in the second race! Followed just a point behind him was Ross Nemeroff/Rob Rice. Coming up in fifth was our fleet Captain Don/Chris Taugher.

In the B fleet, long time Lido sailor Tracy Conn/Mark Sandifer pulled out a victory. Two points behind him was John Hauk/Steven Hopkins followed closely by Jim Drury/Bruce Wasson. For complete results, check out Lido14.org.

A big thanks goes out to Marc Schryer and Rob Rice for running the regatta. Captain Rob also took some sweet photos of the races, too. You can check them out from a link of the clubs website: ABYC.org. Also, a big thanks to Jon Robinson for setting the windward mark and being the whaler dude.

After the races, the fleet gathered at the club for dinner and a meeting. A Big thanks to Jesus for cooking the food. Jesus, you're the man, man! We're glad to report that our fleet is the largest in California with about 25 members! Now is the time to become fleet members if you haven't already done so. The fleet will be very active this year and you don't want to miss out on it!

Mark Ryan, Fleet Secretary



Syn er gism n. 1. the joint action of agents that, when taken together, increase each other's effectiveness. Still a little fuzzy on the whole idea? The Sabotier fleet has generated a little synergy of it's own over the past month with good attendance for our first Sabotier sailing lessons and also representation further a field from our very own Lee Berlinger who weathered the 405/5 Southbound to bring home the bacon from San Diego in the men's division at Mission Bay Yacht Club. Spring has sprung, the sabots are out in force and the best way to get better is time on the water.

Six smiling sabot sailors arrived to attend sailing lessons taught by our able bodied and well-loved Mark Ryan. The size of the group allowed for his personalized touch and the luxury of spontaneity in learning to a number of skill levels. And Mark being the charming guy that he is navigated through the first lesson with the class clamoring for more. It was agreed that once the lesson was over, six enthusiastic sailors knew how to sail around the bay just a little bit better. The next lesson will be on May 10th from 1:30 to 3:30 Grab a sabot if you have an interest in participating, \$30.00, a sabot and a good attitude required. It's really rather simple and there is fun to be had here!!!!



Senior Sabot Class

Lee Berlinger won the men's division against 8 other sailors in heavy air, choppy water and soggy bottoms at Mission Bay Yacht Club on April 12th. The regatta was sponsored by the Southern California Women's Sailing Association. SCWSA also sponsors 4 other races during the year, including Balboa Yacht Club's Little Old Ladies Regatta, which will be held this year on Wednesday, September 17. Also, Sunday, October 19, we will host the sailors at Alamitos Bay. And then again off to San Diego Yacht Club on Saturday, November 15 for the finale. Did someone say road trip? All this on top of twilights and our monthly regattas make for a full calendar.

Jennifer Kuritz our faithful leader has brought to the table unflinching attention to detail, a knack for assessing our needs as a fleet, and a sixth sense for adding just the right touches to make it all fun Having said that, she would like me to pass on the news that Sabot Twilights begin on Thursday May 1st continuing on through the summer, and the next Sabot Sunday is May 18th. We are in the planning stages for Men's Day. If you would like to volunteer, have innovative ideas or just a mere spark of an idea or were listening when we came up with our great new theme for the coming year (but now we can't remember what it was), we would love to have your assistance. Call Jennifer to volunteer. It will be fun; it's how we do things.

On a more practical but equally important note, Bobbie Ware has agreed to continue on through the rest of the year as our wine steward. The Sabotiers needn't go thirsty and shall I say, "Raise a glass to Bobby Ware" for being a good guy. Please come down and join us, get acquainted with the myriad of souls that make up the Sabotier Fleet and enjoy the sailing, the summer and our perfectly situated club.

Robin Townsend



ABYC Laser Fleet Volunteers Wanted

Summer 2008 will place extra demands on our fleet members and friends, as ABYC and our **Laser** Fleet host the Memorial Day Holiday Regatta May 24-25 and U.S. **Laser** National Championship Regatta August 7-10.

Please contact **Jorge Suarez** or **Steve Smith** for Memorial Day and **Chuck Tripp**, **Vann Wilson** or **Steve Smith** to offer services for the Nationals...Many Thanks to All!

Future ABYC **Laser** Fleet Activities

- ABYC 2008 Club Championship. 2007 ABYC **Laser** Fleet Champs; Jim Kirk & Cameron Summers compete for the Championship and coveted parking space. May 3rd.
- Cinco de Mayo Regatta & Area J Qualifier for U.S. SAILING Single-Handed Championship. Santa Barbara Sailing Club, May 3-4.
- ABYC **Laser** Fleet Races, May 17th.
- ABYC **Laser** Fleet hosts the ABYC Memorial Day Regatta, May 24-25.

Steven Smith, ABYC Laser Fleet Captain

hails from the fleets



Just lately I have been discussing the cynical statement, “no good deed goes unpunished.” Well, Jerry Montgomery is surely proves that wrong: on the combination of his performance at the most recent Etchells fleet regatta and his good deed of being PRO for the SCYA Midwinter Regatta in February, Jerry jumped into a strong lead in the 2008 Fleet Championship Series for the ABYC Etchells.

A total of ten boats were on hand for the April 12 regatta, which turned out to be an odd day, weatherwise: a weekend of offshore winds made for summerlike warmth and allowed the boats to sail out of the yacht-club basin on a beam reach. The race committee of Andrew and Alex Vaught and Cameron Summers, repeating their service from the January fleet regatta, managed to set the race course just on the edge of the transition zone between the offshore and the onshore. But it was not that hard to do: the winds swirled all over the Long Beach Outer Harbor, leading to some quick tacks and sail adjustments. Four races were sailed in the challenging conditions, a tribute to the hard work of the race committee.

Sailing with Bob Anderson and Grant Hill, Montgomery—the defending Fleet Champion—finished the day with half the points of his next closest rivals. And I say “rivals” as there were three teams tied on points for second place, and the fifth-place team was only two points behind that. Jerry did it by sailing fast and staying out of trouble, something about which the second- and third-place teams could not boast: Alan and Rich Vaught, who ended up in second place on the tiebreaker, and the team of Tad Palmer and Tom Corkett, Jr., who were in third, were involved in a second-race, three-boat melee at the leeward mark that led to minor damage to one boat, the withdrawal from the race of another and some post-race conversation about protests (none were filed). Here are the results for the day:

SKIPPER/CO-SKIPPERS	SAIL NO.	RACE 1	RACE 2	RACE 3	RACE 4	TOTALS
Montgomery	USA792	3	1	1	2	7
Vaught/Vaught	USA821	2	6	5	1	14
Corkett/Palmer	USA889	1	2	6	5	14
Barber/Newsome/Burdge	USA126	5	3	2	4	14
Carter/Ericksen	USA491	4	5	4	3	16
Bateman	USA143	6	4	7	8	25
Rice/Ureño	USA90	7	7	3	DNF/10	27
Wells/Hardy/Dooros	USA488	8	DNF/10	9	7	34
Chapman	USA1002	DNC/10	DNC/10	8	6	34

As part of the Fleet Championship Series, these scores went into the records for that event. With his average scores—which will be recalculated throughout the series—Jerry moves into a comfortable lead in the high-point scoring. The Corkett/Palmer team is second. Here are the totals as of now:

SKIPPER/CO-SKIPPERS	SAIL NO.	TOTALS
Montgomery	USA792	45.5
Corkett/Palmer	USA889	39
Barber/Newsome/Burdge	USA126	33
Carter/Ericksen	USA491	31
Vaught/Vaught	USA821	24
Bateman	USA143	24
Frost	USA669	21
Rice/Ureño	USA90	11
Chapman	USA1002	11
Dudley/Powell	USA531	5
Wells/Hardy/Dooros	USA488	5

The series continues this month as the first day of the ABYC Memorial Day Regatta becomes the next event. Here’s hoping there is as good a turnout for this regatta as there has been so far this year: in the two fleet regattas of the year we’ve had ten boats, and there were seven for the first day of Midwinters. And the chances of getting more out were improved by a decision reached at a fleet meeting held before the April regatta.

A few years ago, when the Fleet Championship Series included the Worlds Qualifier Series, the fleet began to strictly enforce class rules eliminating doublehanded teams or teams whose combined weight exceeded the class limit. The fleet agreed to allow doublehanded teams and to raise the maximum team weight from the 628.5 lbs. class limit to 700 lbs.

This month also means the start of the Seal Beach Yacht Club Pop Top Regatta. This summerlong series of Thursday-night races has become very popular for the Alamitos Bay Etchells, and SIBYC gives them a separate, one-design start. This year looks to be another year that’ll have a good turnout.

And this month means Opening Day, and the ABYC Club Championship Series. Current Fleet Champion Jerry Montgomery will represent the Etchells in the race for a trophy and a parking place. It’s been ten years since an Etchells fleet member was Club Champion; here’s hoping Jerry brings home a repeat. Tune in next month for the results.

Chris Ericksen



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juniors host membership meeting

Our Juniors hosted the April general membership meeting. One of the highlights of the year is when the juniors perform their turn of duty and host a general membership meeting. Typically this is an August event and the summer sailing program is in full stride, but this year the assignment was shifted and the juniors took on the month of April.



Jonn Merrill taking charge of the finances

Greeting members who arrived for dinner was Jonn Merrill - who had a smile and positive word for all entering the dinner line (and promised his dad he got those charge cards filled out and filed correctly).

Around the corner a "gaggle" (giggle?) of juniors were on station to serve up a famous Jesus Mexican dinner - carne asada, carnitas, tortillas, rice, beans and chicken tamales...with salsa and guacamole and fresh churros (a commodore Selvin favorite) for dessert.

The hard working juniors had a table to themselves to get their own dinner after

servicing the masses.

Junior vice commodore Laura Newton did an outstanding job of giving a wonderful PowerPoint presentation talking about the past, present and future of the ABYC junior program. Junior Director Brad Schaupter was instrumental (hey he's a musician) in preparing the evenings computer talk and is clearly

the driving force in taking our program to the highest level - thanks Brad! The assembled general membership meeting audience was

treated to a fantastic presentation complete with photos, graphs and highlights of an extraordinary number of accomplishments the juniors and the program have achieved. Laura also answered questions after her talk and was given a resounding round of applause at the conclusion.

Thank you Laura and all of the volunteer juniors for a job well done!

Jon Robinson and Jeff Merrill



Junior Vice Commodore, Laura Newton



Servers: Ginger & Bridet Luckey, Alex Newton, Elle Merrill and Savannah Robinson and friend.



Now it is their turn to enjoy dinner after serving

finn masters north american champs

Every so often I get to do something potentially fun, and when things work out like they are supposed to it's a real rush. On the last weekend in March I was privileged to serve as Co-Regatta Chair with Glen Selvin on the Finn Masters North American Championship.

The Regatta Principal Race Officer, Chris Erickson did his usual workman like job, and was assisted by the "A" list of supporting characters. Chas Merrill, Phil Toth and Dave Crockett manned the all important Weather mark position. Don Zinn, Don Reiman and Dave Kofahl were responsible for the thrill zone at the gate mark while Dave Myers and Santiago Reyero did the heavy lifting at the Start/Finish line. Scott Kraemer and I patrolled the course on the lookout for "stuff". On Patience Chris Erickson was ably assisted by Mark Schryer, Judy Mathias, Sharon Pearson and Jim Loeffler.

The Masters Finn sailors (40 years of age and older) are the mellowest and friendliest bunch you would want to meet. By and large they are interested in exacting boat preparation, socializing around supplies of adult beverage and getting the most out of their boats. Competiveness does not get in the way of really tight friendships within the group.

Finn sailors are very open to new members but getting in is neither easy nor cheap. For a "normal" sailor to get to the middle of the fleet, it will take a few thousand hours in the boat and regular visits to the gym. The Finn has 60% more sail area than the Laser full rig.

For this regatta the competitors started arriving the Monday for a three-day clinic put on by Darrel Peck. He is an Olympic caliber sailor and gives freely of his knowledge to help any Finn sailor that asks.

Friday was the first day of the regatta and PRO Chris Erickson sent the 33 entrants on three races in light winds. The early surprise was that ABYC's own Vann Wilson in a borrowed boat and with only a few hours in a Finn was in fourth place. It was looking as if all his thousands of hours and many many regattas in a Laser might have transferred to the Finn. Vann noted that the Finn is a heavy boat compared to the Laser and requires more strength and weight to get top performance. Vann is about 195 or so and that makes him heavy for the Laser but definitely light for the Finn. Some of the Finn sailors are over 250 and they do just fine.

The first race Saturday saw light winds again, however for the second race the breeze piped up to a bit over 12 knots and the fleet had a good workout. With five



Darrell Peck (Vancouver Lake SC), winner of the regatta

races completed after Saturday's two races, Darrel Peck had a good grip on first and Vann Wilson moved up to second with finishes of 2-3.

The weather forecast for Sunday was for winds in the high teens and twenties. The program called for two more races and PRO Chris Erickson had that "lets work these boys out" look in his eye. Sure enough when Patience got out on the course at about 1100 the wind was out of the Southwest and in the neighborhood of 14 knots and building. A few of the Finn sailors took a good look at the conditions and turned around and headed for the barn. Because of the conditions Chris decided to set a triangle windward leeward course. Finn sailors like planning reaches. The Finns completed the two reaches totaling 2.4 miles in 16 minutes. That's cooking! I was watching for some flips at the reach mark but everyone jibbed successfully. By the run the wind had piped up to the high teens and low twenties and a few of the sailors showed signs of weariness. It doesn't take much to capsize a Finn in 20 knots of breeze and occasional 6 foot seas. As you might imagine there were a few capsizes on that run.

At this point, I rather thought our not-so-young Finn Sailors had been beaten up enough but Chris Erickson decided to see what these boys were made of and for the last race of the program sent them on a two lap, four mile, windward leeward course. Sixteen Finns decided to give it a go while the rest of the Finns were either already at the dock or heading that way. I thought this race would finish Mister Lightweight Vann Wilson. He professed weariness, but started well and finished the race in second place. The story of this race, however was the multiple capsizes and inverted boats. Nobody died but there were some mighty tired Finn sailors back at the club after the racing. I was impressed that despite multiple capsizes there was minimal damage. In every case the sailors got back in their Finns and sailed away.

The top three in the regatta were Darrell Peck, Vann Wilson and Andrew Kern. Our club staff provided dinners Friday and Saturday and heavy snacks before trophies Sunday afternoon. Club Manager, Kelly remarked that these boys could really put away the groceries.

Bob Anderson



Bob Anderson presents Vann Wilson with his second place trophy

refurbishing charter boats

Refurbishing charter boats have been an annual event. This year is no exception. We were able to repair holes and varnish wood. Sanding, glassing, painting and general fun was the order of the day. We are to complete the refurbishing on April 19 & 20. Youth sailors Alex Vaught and Cameron Summers to perform the repairs joined Latham Bell and Jon Robinson.

We were able to maintain 12 boats in our fleet of charter boats. Two of the older boats were retired and two boats were pressed into service. The two retired boats that were beyond reasonable repair are slated to be destroyed. One boat was cut up as seen in the photos and the other will be seen at opening day for anyone to take a whack. \$5.00 will get you a minute of fun with the tool of your choice. This is a fund-raiser for the junior fund. Hope to see you there.

Jon Robinson

