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Commodore's Corner, by Colleen Stobbe, Commodore

Welcome to the May edition of the Nautical News! I always enjoy reading all the articles that our members write sharing what's happening at Spreckels Lake. There is so much energy and enthusiasm! This month the article that most caught my eye was about a visit of kindergarteners and first graders. Check it out. Special thanks to David Green and his team!

Following this Commodore's Corner you will see a survey about Membership Forums. We really would like to hear from you. Please reply to Sam Bryan sambryan63@gmail.com with your responses. Thanks!

The next quarterly meeting with Dave Iribarne, Superintendent of Golden Gate Park, will be May 13 on Zoom. Joe Minafo will be joining me as our Liaison. Thanks, Joe! Not long ago Dave Iribarne emailed me to say that he thought that a contractor had been selected for the lake edge repair. On May 13 Joe and I will be asking Dave about the timeline for the repair and any other details we can uncover among other things. When the repair work happens I expect that there will be some disruption to model boating, but let's all hope that it doesn't interfere with the ODOM Nationals. We will keep you posted.

The next club meetings are in the clubhouse May 10. The Board will meet at 9:30am. In addition to regular club business toward the end of the Board meeting, the Board will have a discussion with members who joined the club recently (2023-2025). These new members have been asked to share how their entry into the SFMYC worked for them, what they would have liked, and questions they may have. We'd like to understand what's working and make improvements to how we support our newest members. Thanks to those new members who can come on May 10 to talk with the Board and thanks for the feedback from those who can't make it. You all are much appreciated, as are all of our valued members. You make the SFMYC!

On May 10 the Membership business meeting will begin 11:00am. Your participation in the stewardship of the club means everything. Thanks!

The Membership Forum that follows will feature “Freesail 101” (Everything you wanted to know about Freesailing and more). Surely you’ve been curious about how those boats really get from one end to the other (with or without side trips to the south shore). It will be fun! So, come for the Membership meeting and stay for the Forum and a lunch of sandwiches. Looking forward to seeing you on May 10 at the clubhouse.

Membership Survey

From Colleen Stobbe, Commodore

Members: We would like to get your feedback on the new format for meetings and to help plan future Forums that will interest more members and will encourage participation in club activities. We will use your feedback from this 5 question survey to support the process.

- ***If you attended any of the Forums, please provide your feedback on all the questions.***
- ***If you didn’t attend any Forums, please provide your feedback on questions 3 B.-5.***
- ***To Give Your Feedback Do NOT reply to this all member email. Instead...***
 - *Open a new email in your computer.*
 - *Address it to Sam Bryan at sambryan63@gmail.com*
 - *Subject: SFMYC Survey*
 - *Answer the questions in the body of your email to Sam.*
 - *Feel free to be as brief or expansive as you like.*
 - *Send.*

Thanks!

Forums Survey:

1. What have you liked about the Forums so far? (February, Blaine Russell. March, Wally Wahlander and Sam Bryan)
2. What did not work for you?
3. If you’re thinking “Wouldn’t it be wonderful if we could...”,
 - A. What changes would you like?
 - B. What topics would you like for future Forums?
4. Want to do a presentation or lead a discussion at a Forum?
Great! Just give us your name and you’ll be contacted.
5. Please share any other comments or questions.

CO2 Levels & Recommendations

by Peter Li - to Colleen Stobbe, commodore, March 8Th

My quick take is that the building ventilation looks better than I expected, and is fine for small groups, but still could use help for any larger meetings. More detailed thoughts / recommendations below. Notes:

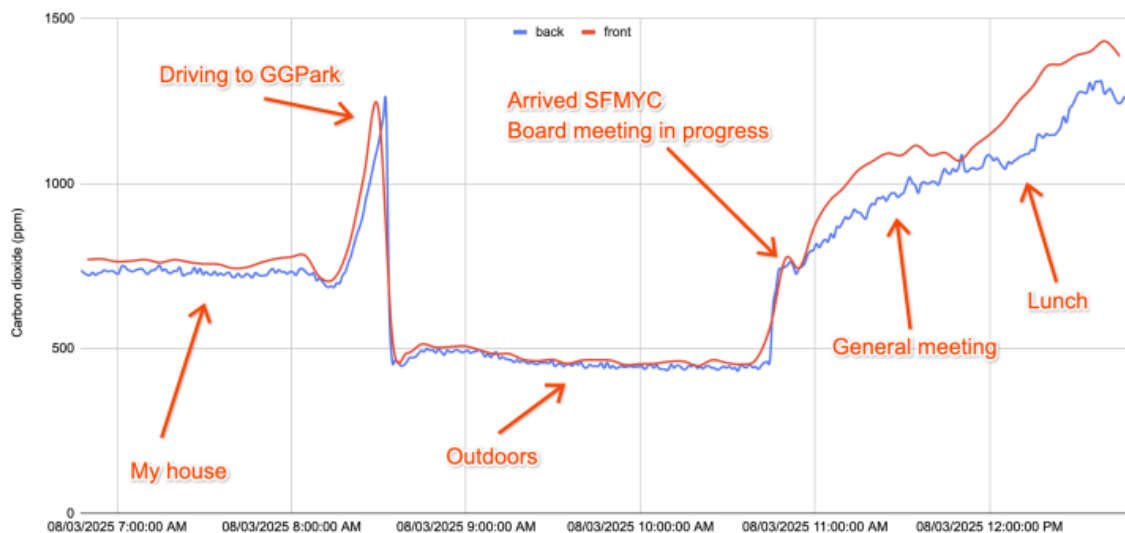
- Recall that outdoor ppm (parts per million) is around 500. For airborne respiratory illness purposes, indoor ppm below 800 is considered good, 800-1000 okay, above 1000 worth

thinking about mitigations. (As an aside, CO2 above 1200 ppm starts to cause other mild impacts such as drowsiness.)

- When I arrived and set up the equipment the board meeting was already ongoing, the front door was open but no windows were open that I'm aware of.
- CO2 ppm about 800 indicates that with just the door open, ventilation was adequate for the board meeting occupancy.
- When the general meeting started at 11, it got more crowded and CO2 ppm got to about 1000, still not too bad.
- When lunch started and there were more people moving around and talking, CO2 ppm got close to 1500, which is higher than we want to see.
- The CO2 will usually find some equilibrium rather than just continuing to increase, so I think ~800 was roughly stable for the board meeting, and ~1100 was roughly stable for the general meeting. In the lunch period I'm not sure we reached a new equilibrium before I packed things up, but at that point people were starting to move outside anyway.
- I ran the air purifier on level 2/3 from when I arrived until lunch. At lunch I turned it up to 3/3. I don't think the noise level was an issue at any point. At level 3/3 that air purifier is rated for 1000 sq ft, which is roughly the size of the room.
- The air purifier, while removing germs and other contaminants from the space, does not much affect CO2 levels (other than the added circulation from the intake fan). So that is partly why we could run the purifier and still get good data on CO2 from the space at the same time.
- I ran one monitor at the front of the room and one at the back of the meeting, middle of the room. (The monitor in the front of the room I forgot to set to log every minute, so it was only logging every 5 minutes hence the slightly less detailed red curve.)

Recommendations:

- Keeping the front door open is a good idea in general. If conditions (e.g. cold weather or wildfire smoke) require the door to be closed, air purifiers are a good idea. For larger meetings, opening some of the back windows would be a good idea if possible, and/or running air purifiers. The purifier I brought is rated for the room size and costs about \$150.
- Some limited further CO2 monitoring might be worthwhile, e.g. during bottle boat building in the main room and in the workshop. Or if there are ever smaller groups just in the library. The monitors I brought are a good product and cost about \$170. I borrowed them, but may buy one myself in which case I'd be happy to lend it whenever.



An annotated plot of CO2 monitoring from Saturday, March 8

Note: The Board, at the meeting of April 12th, approved for purchase a Coway air purifier that would be appropriate for the size of the clubhouse and would be quiet so as not to disrupt meetings.

Membership Report

by Mike Stobbe, Membership Secretary

There were three new members in the last month: Senior Member Jesse Beckman hails from Sausalito. He's interested in radiosailing and construction, but does not yet have a boat. He's known of Spreckels Lake for years, and has always admired the boats. Junior Member Russell Sui is a graduate of Kate Ettinger's bottleboat program, with both freesail and RC bottleboats. Russell lives in Walnut Creek. And Senior Member Sean Visser, of San Francisco, also introduced to the club by Kate Ettinger, is interested in model construction and freesailing. He does not yet have a boat, but has already participated in his first freesail race with Kate's boat. We welcome them to the SFMYC!

The current membership stands at 159 members. This includes 16 Life Members, 13 Associate Members, and 6 Junior Members. Last year on this date we had 152 members.

Club History



Model Steamboats Piloted by Radio

Under its own power, the Consultator II steams into position in front of its pilot who steers it by the radio he is holding. Why does he wear waders? Well, just in case something goes wrong out in "midocean"



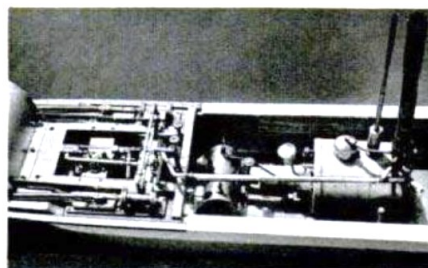
Popular Mechanics, January 1952: "Radio Waves Control Model Steamers ..."

from Mary Rose Cassa

The Consultator II is in a case in the Club house.



As real looking as the riverboat after which it is modeled, the Delta King is powered by a steam engine



Engine room of the Delta King with superstructure removed. Each part operates as the boat puffs along

Radio waves control the movements of a pair of model steamers that operate on steam just like the full-size originals. Members of the San Francisco Model Yacht Club, famous for its trophy-winning sailboats, are finding radio-controlled steamers even more exciting than sailers. An ocean-going tug, the Consultator II is 74 inches long and weighs 125 pounds. Its engines develop one third horsepower. Another

model is the Delta King, a scale model of a riverboat that once plied the upper San Francisco Bay. Radio signals give five elements of control; forward and backward, to port and starboard, and the whistle, which can be blown at any time. The operator simply presses a button and the boats respond. An antenna about two feet long and highly directional beams the signals from the control transmitter to the boats.

The Three Jennies – from The SSMA Journal

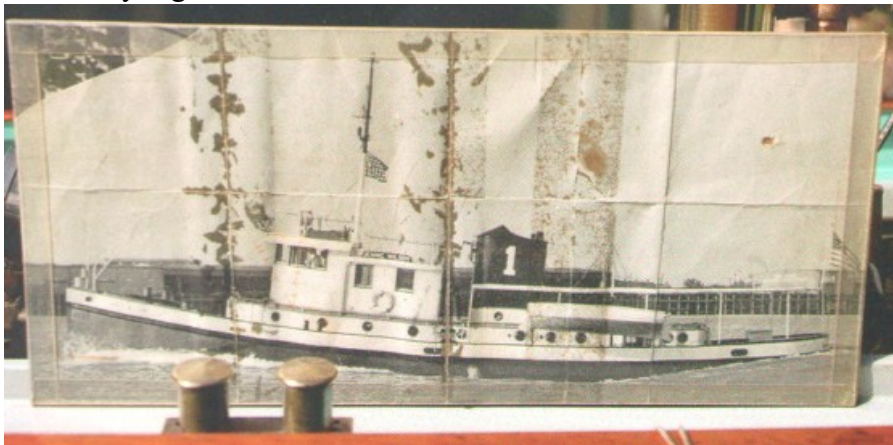
text & photos by Bob Heacock

The SSMA Journal is a nationally distributed magazine published quarterly by the Scale Ship Modelers Association of North America.. It features information about the activities of various model boat clubs, as well as articles about model boats and their builders.

Bob Heacock wrote an article for the magazine which is in the spring 2025 issue about the three RC tugboats of the "Jennie Wilson" class, which were built between 1949 and 1985. The article is reprinted here. His tug, the Frances C, is shown on the cover under way on Spreckels Lake.,

The Three Jennies

The story of the three Jennies begins at the shipyard of John H. Dialogue and son, at Camden, New Jersey, in 1878. The Mississippi River Bar Pilots Association had ordered a new pilot tug which was to be their first steel hull tug. Previously, they had used wooden, sail powered pilot cutters. Their new tug was 85 feet long, of 200 tons, and was powered by a coal-fired triple-expansion steam engine. She was named the “Jennie Wilson” after the wife of one of the pilots. No one knows what Jennie did to achieve such an honor. Maybe she baked great pies. The Jennie Wilson served the Bar Pilots until 1946, a period of 67 years until being replaced by a surplus U.S. Navy tug after World War II.



The Original Jennie Wilson

The job of a pilot tug was to take river pilots out to a station off the Mississippi river delta and transfer them to ocean-going ships approaching the river. Likewise, she also picked up the pilots from outgoing ships. In those days, the pilot was

transferred in a small rowboat rowed by a crew member----a hazardous undertaking in stormy weather. In this unretouched picture of the original Jennie Wilson, you can see the rowboat and davits behind the stack.

The models

There are three models of the Jennie Wilson, all built by members of the San Francisco Model Yacht Club. They were built by three different people over a span of thirty six years. Each one is a little different, reflecting the styles of their builders. They are all five feet long, 16 ½ breadth, and weigh around 60 pounds . The scale is about 1/15th. They were each built with a3/4” thick plywood keel, and there are fifteen ½” thick plywood frames. They were then planked with ½” wide pine planks. The hull was then sanded and fiberglassed.

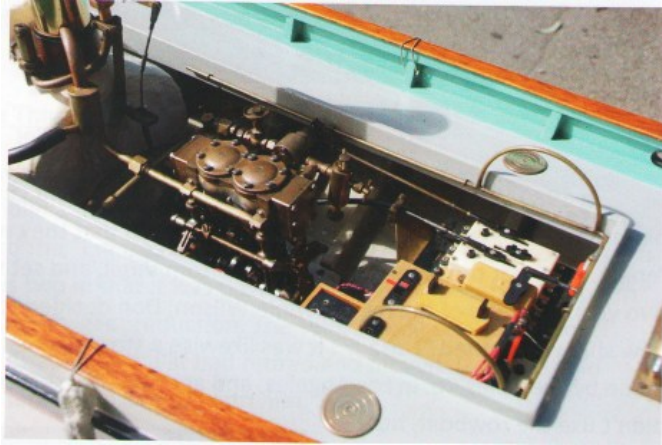
The First Model

Virgil Gustavino, one of the model yacht clubs premier boat builders, began the first Jennie in 1949. He wrote to the Bar Pilots Association and obtained the plans for the Jennie. He chose the unusual scale of 1/15th because it yielded a model of about five feet, which was not too difficult

to handle. It was powered by a butane fueled boiler and a Stuart Turner “Double Ten” steam engine.

Steam Plant of the Jennie Wilson

Virgil chose to build his as close to the full-size Jennie as possible, including the rowboat. Fortunately, he also made a series of templates of the hull frames, smokestack profile, measurements of the bridge and deckhouse, and many other critical details. Virgil’s “Jennie” is currently owned by long-time SFMYC member John Garis, who lives in Redwood City, California.



The Jennie’s Rowboat

Current owner John Garis with Virgil’s Jennie Wilson



The Second Model

In 1980, Don Cuicci, another one of the model yacht club’s most talented ship modelers, and his father Nello, who was a cabinetmaker, decided that they wanted to build another model of the Jennie. They got the plans and templates from Virgil, and set to work on a project that would take two years. Instead of the name Jennie Wilson, Don decided to name his after his mother, and the new ship was named “Luisa C”.



It was likewise a steam model, powered by a butane fueled boiler made by the Coles Co. in Los Angeles, and another Stuart Turner “Double Ten” steam engine. Don didn’t use the rowboat, but included more open hatch ventilators for better cooling of the machinery. Don and Nello’s miniature cabinetry make the Luisa an extraordinarily beautiful piece of “art you can play with”.

The steam plant of the Luisa C



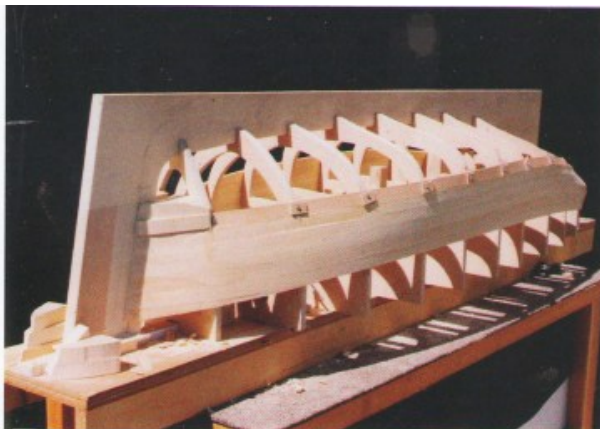
Plaque on the radio box of the Luisa C



Current owner Don Ciucci with the Luisa C

The Third Model

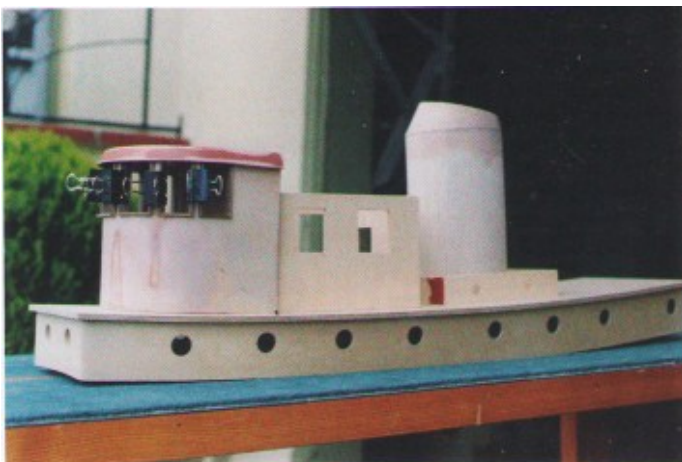
Pat Alasandro and his son Jim, who ran a hobby shop in San Francisco's Excelsior district, decided in 1985 that they wanted to build a third Jennie. They got the plans and templates from Don and set to work. Theirs was named the "Frances C", after Pat's mother. This new model was a significant departure from the previous two in that it was powered by a 12 volt Marx Hectaperm electric motor, with a three to one planetary gear reduction. The third Jennie was sailed on Spreckels Lake in the 1990,s, but then disappeared. Pat had retired and moved up to the gold country north of Sacramento and had taken all his boats with him.



Planking the hull of the Frances C



Building the hull of the Frances C



Building the deckhouse of the Frances C

Former SFMYC Commodore Bob Heacock had always admired the Jennies for their classic good looks and their ‘presence’ on the water. Neither John Garis or Don Ciucci were willing to part with theirs, and it seemed like Bob’s goal in acquiring one of the Jennies was not to be realized.

Then one day in the spring of 2014 a group of people were gathered around Don at Spreckels Lake. Don was showing a notebook of pictures of boats that a friend of his wanted to sell. There was a picture of a stylized fishing boat. No, Bob didn’t want that one. The next page was a picture of a gas powered cabin cruiser. Nope. Don turned the page again and Bob’s heart skipped a beat as he realized that here was the third Jennie, and it was for sale ! Bob immediately told Don, “Mark it sold”.

Don called Jim Alasandro and a week later Bob drove to Arnold, up in the Sierra foothills, to pick up the Frances C. Jim told Bob that he didn’t really have a good model boat lake, so he’d taken all the R/C gear out of the Frances and for fourteen years the Frances C had been a ‘model on the mantelpiece’. There was a bit of serendipity in all this, as “Frances” was also Bob’s mother’s middle name. So maybe it was ‘meant to be’.



Current owner Bob Heacock with the Frances C

Reunion

A few months later, Bob had the idea to get the three Jennies together for a photo shoot in front of the SFMYC clubhouse. On March 14, 2014, John Garis brought the original Jennie Wilson, Don brought the Luisa C, and Bob Brought the Frances C. It was truly a celebratory event. Now that they were together it was interesting to see how the three tugboats, while being built from the same plans and templates, had so much difference in color, style and detail of the builds.



The three tugboats and their owners together in front of the SFMYC clubhouse

Bob set to work adding all the details to the “Frances C” that make a model ‘come alive.’ He added a main mast on top of the bridge, with illuminated towing lights, red and green port and starboard lights, and an aft flag halyard mast, typical of tugboats of the period. He furnished the interior of the bridge with 3/32” cherry panels, and on the chart table there are some books, a coffee cup and a bottle of whiskey. Atop the wheelhouse there is a radio direction finder loop whose brass base was turned by John Garis. John also made three more brass bollards for a total of six. Bob also added a radio antenna, a smoke generator, fenders, and an opening engine room skylight, among other things.

Today, The “Frances C” is the only one of the trio still sailing, carrying on the tradition of the class. The other two have been retired for various reasons.

Jerry Pugh Bottle Class Relay

text & photo by Kate & the Bottle Class

Come cheer on the bottle boats at the Jerry Pugh Bottle Class Relay on Sunday, May 4th at 1pm, on the North Shore.

The bottle class relay will be the first sail for our newest bottle boats built during this winter's mentor sessions. We had 10 builders, including former Commodore Tony Marshall's great-grandson Santino, who is a new member of SFMYC.



2025 Bottle Yacht Builders: Austin and Fred, Levon and Rachel, Andromeda and Sean, Adlai and Nina, Santino, Henry and Peter, Patrick L., Marianne and Edmund, Jonathan, Tom and Jason, Kate B, Daniel, Patrick S., Russell and Jack, Ben, Kate E., Trevor, and Simon.

Master Freesail Mentor Ed Schoenstein updated the design for our freesail bottle boats. Master Innovation Mentor Norman Tuck made keel-fins for our new boats. Returning bottle class sailors

Nina Manzo, Adlai Manzo, Daniel Crosby, Peter Li, and Simon Li mentored our new builder families. Ed made a design that allowed our Freesail builders opportunities to experiment with their hull and rig designs. We're excited to see how these different boats sail.

Our Advanced RC builder crew started a video guide for "How to build the Advanced RC bottle boat" model designed by Dick Hunter. Returning bottle sailors Russell and Patrick Sui worked with Mentors Trevor Choy, Melissa Choy, and Jonathan Crosby to build the Advanced RC DHBB with prepared parts from a kit made by Master RC Mentor Wally Wahlander.

The Bottle Class Relay is named after Master Tech Mentor Jerry Pugh, who built both freesail and RC bottle boats using 3D printed parts. Jerry inspired our builders. This year, all new bottle boats include 3D printed parts. Thanks for the inspiration, Jerry!

The relay is a chance for our bottle class sailors to practice sailing the course that they'll sail at the bottle yacht regatta in November. Come join our bottle fun!

Freesail Squadron Reports

by Bernard Price, FSO

April saw lake levels return to near-normal allowing us to commence the season for the X and M class fleets, which is good news! There was some concern during March that the declining lake levels might have been a trend through the 2025 season in anticipation of upcoming lake shore repairs. Both fleets enjoyed a good turnout of skippers experiencing good conditions for sailing. I'm happy report that we have a new Freesailor in our Club, Sean Visser, who will be sailing X and M class yachts. Sean sailed his first race with Shadow during M Class Race 1 and had a great time!

The tree-line surrounding the lake continues to evolve. Noticeably missing now is the large tree that once stood on the north shore on the edge of Heartbreak Harbor. Several other trees along the same shore have been limbed and seem to have an uncertain future. These trees once provided a significant wind break. While the breeze at the lake still tends to be predominantly west-southwest, the changing north shore may be altering how we make adjustments to our boats mid-leg on the run to account for newly varying true wind-angles. No, no. That's not me getting it wrong much of the time lately!

During May, the X Boats race for the Tofte Cup on Saturday the 10th. The M Class will sail two season championship races, catching up on their delayed start- Race 2 will happen on Saturday May 17th and Race 3 will happen on Saturday may 31st.



M Class Race 1 Sunday, April 20th

by Bernard Price, Photos by Mike Stobbe

Jason Spiller & Bernard off to a good start.

At last, after what seemed to be a long delay, our M Class season got underway! We saw a healthy turnout of 6 skippers – it would have been more had I realized Easter was on the 20th this year during the planning process. My apologies to those who were unable to sail with us.



Sean Visser learns how Heartbreak Harbor got its name.

Joining us for his first race was Sean Visser sailing Shadow, a boat very kindly provided for his use by Kate Ettinger. Sean was unable to stay for the whole day and ultimately took a DNF but reviewing his scorecard he was making good progress, scoring points along the way.

Jason Spiller gets out of Heartbreak Harbor. Note the recently cut cypress tree behind him.



The wind for the day was steady by our lake's standards but as mentioned above, there are changes afoot in terms of from where and when it blows. I particularly found the decision point on vane adjustment on the runs to be challenging to pick correctly, sending my boat to the south shore just short of the finish line too often. Something for us all to note.



Rick Weiss ponders what adjustment to make.

With six skippers, we sailed 4 rounds, getting through them easily with no significant issue. Scores were relatively close with a tie between third and fourth places and only one point separating first from second.

A great day at the lake!

M Class Race 1 Results:

1st Rick Weiss, SF-145, *Lucky*

2nd Jason Spiller, SF-55, *Useless*

3rd Stephen Ma, SF-43, *Dart*

4th Bernard Price, SF-27, *Windsplay*

5th Mike Stobbe, SF-50, *Pocahontas*

DNF Sean Visser, SF-41, *Shadow*

Freesail X Class Race on April 12

text & photos by Jim Harvey

It was a very nice sunny, warm, and windy day on the Lake, but the wind varied from strong and gusty to very light. The water level was normal, allowing for smooth sailing up to the deck.

Paul Staiger, in good form with his fast, long water-lined yacht.

Paul Staiger was able to complete the competition after resurrecting his fallen shroud rigging, with the help of Mike Stobbe. With the often variable winds, it seemed to be a better day for the Braine control quadrants, but toward the end of the race the wind finally became strong and steady favoring the Vane control systems, giving Mike Stobbe with his Vane a win and final victory on both the run and beat against Jim Harvey and his Braine system.

The X boats are large and heavy, but I feel it is very satisfying and fun to sail them as they are



easily seen and very steady, and perhaps have a more realistic and authentic feel and personal “fantasy or imaginal bonding” when viewed from across the lake, when compared with the smaller sized yachts.

During a close beat, Jeff Stobbe appearing to direct his boat into the course of Jim Harvey’s, but all went well.



After all, sailing is partly a sport which includes an induced state of mental imaging and nautical euphoria, wouldn't you say?

Jason Spiller on a very smooth port to starboard

RC Sailing

ODOM Series Race # 2

text & stats by Tom MacDonald

The 2025 SFMYC ODOM Points Series continued with Race # 2 of the season on Tuesday, April 8. Sixteen club members came out to meet the opening bell for the day's racing, which went off efficiently under steady moderate wind conditions that made for fast competition. All eight schedule races were completed within about two and a half hours.

Dick Hunter continued his impressive domination of the ODOM fleet, winning all eight of the day's races. Jim Wondolleck had four second place finishes and claimed second place overall on the day. Dave Misunas rounded out the podium in third place.

Race # 3 of the season ODOM series is scheduled for Tuesday May 13. Meanwhile, ODOM practice racing continues on all other Tuesdays. First race is always at noon.

Reminder: The 2025 ODOM National Championship Regatta is coming up! It is scheduled to take place September 6-7 on Spreckels Lake under SFMYC sponsorship (w/ an inspection & practice day on Friday Sept 5). All ODOM sailors with current AMYA membership are eligible to participate, and SFMYC members who enter can claim a \$25 payment from the club toward their entry fee. For the Notice of Race and Entry Form, visit the AMYA website at:

<https://www.amyclubs.org/Homeimages/Regatta/10462.pdf>

ODOM Race #2 results:



SFMYC 2025 ODOM RACING SERIES

Race Day #2

04/09/24



Position	Sail #	Skipper	Score	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8
1	705	Dick Hunter	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	799	Jim Wondolleck	20	4	2	2	4	2	2	4	5
3	21	Dave Misunas	28	3	3	8	6	3	3	7	3
4	650	Bob Pinotti	35	5	11	3	2	7	5	11	2
5	798	Bob Gallagher	36	6	7	4	3	9	6	2	8
6	188	Bob Hyde	38	2	6	6	9	6	4	5	11
7	213	Dave Green	45	7	4	5	8	8	7	10	6
8	42	Jason Spiller	49	9	10	7	5	5	10	3	10
9	782	Eric Saxon	54	10	9	12	7	10	8	6	4
10	102	Nick Mulford	68	13	12	9	11	4	12	8	12
11	2	Jon Ely	69	8	13	11	10	11	13	9	7
12	64	Tom MacDonald	71	14	5	10	12	12	11	12	9
13	98	Mary Rose Cassa	81	12	8	15	13	13	9	13	13
14	564	Ed Gilbert	101	15	15	14	15	15	14	14	14
15	1	Joe Steiner	106	17dns	14	13	14	14	17dns	17dns	17dns
16	780	Ron Anderson	113	11	17dnf	17dns	17dns	17dns	17dns	17dns	17dns

Number of races held: 8
 Number of throw outs: 1
 Throw outs highlighted in grey

ODOM Season Standings:



SFMYC 2025 ODOM RACING SERIES



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5	782	Eric Saxon	78	4	5	2	4	2	5	6	6	10	9	12	7	10	8	6	4
6	213	Dave Green	87	9	9	5	3	4	8	4	10	7	4	5	8	8	7	10	6
7	2	Jon Ely	117	7	3	13	10	7	10	7	4	8	13	11	10	11	13	9	7
8	799	Jim Wondolleck	121	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	4	2	2	4	2	2	4	5
9	102	Nick Mulford	130	5	14	14	13	11	7	5	8	13	12	9	11	4	12	8	12
10	42	Jason Spiller	132	12	12	12	5	16dnf	16dns	16dns	16dns	9	10	7	5	5	10	3	10
11	64	Tom MacDonald	135	6	2	9	16dnf	10	12	12	13	14	5	10	12	12	11	12	9
12	188	Bob Hyde	145	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	2	6	6	9	6	4	5	11
13	580	Richard Ludt	150	3	7	4	9	9	6	3	7	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc
14	98	Mary Rose Cassa	154	11	13	8	12	6	11	13	12	12	8	15	13	13	9	13	13
15	1	Joe Steiner	175	13	11	7	8	12	13	11	11	17dns	14	13	14	14	17dns	17dns	17dns
16	11	Rob Yohai	189	14	10	11	11	13	9	10	9	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc
17	564	Ed Gilbert	212	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	15	15	14	15	15	14	14	14
18	780	Ron Anderson	224	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	16dnc	11	17dnf	17dns	17dns	17dns	17dns	17dns	17dns
19	99	John Martin	227	15	16dnf	16dnf	16dnf	16dns	16dns	16dns	14	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc	17dnc

Results thru April 8, 2025
 Number of races held: 16
 Number of throw outs: 2
 Throw outs highlighted in grey

Victoria Fleet – Racing April 9th

text & photos David Green, Victoria Fleet Captain

Jon Ely, Jim Forbes, Jack Hockel, Dick Hunter Mike Kelly, Mac Lowry, Dave Powel, Michael Fischer and a Victoria sailor I do not know and did not get his name sailing 873 raced today on a beautiful sunny day with a moderate westerly. Perfect for Victoria sailing.



Captains tweak their Victorias

The shifts and lulls appeared to be a little tamer today. I only sailed to a stop a few times, but each time multiple boats passed or gained on poor bobbing #75.

I did best when the boat started in clear air with speed, and then kept moving through the shifts and lulls. My other secret is to not get in a tangle at the windward mark. If I approached the mark in a crowd, my best roundings were when I

kept my speed up even if it required overstanding the mark so I could blast off down wind.

We were joined by new member Art and his wife. Art sailed a club Vic that lost her sail servo so I let him do a little sailing on my boat. We hope to see Arte next week so I can get his last name! Art is looking to buy a Victoria. Mr. 873 sailed Tony Dodson's old boat and wishes to donate it to the Victoria fleet.

Before the racing Dick Hunter, Jon Ely, my wife Ann and I hosted Saint Monica's first grade and kindergarten class. We gave the kids a little talk on how to sail a Victoria and retired to Turtle Cove for hands on sailing on our club Victorias. The class gave us a very nice 'Thank you' card with 16 individual drawings and a box of donuts! Next week is a counter for the 2025 club Victoria Racing series. See you there.



SFMYC 2025 VICTORIA RACING SERIES **V**

Race Day #2

04/16/25

Position	Sail #	Skipper	Score	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
1	75	David Green	8	2	1	4	2	1	2
2	189	Jon Ely	9	1	3	1	1	3	3
3	12	Mike Kelly	11	3	4	2	3	2	1
4	59	Wally Wahlander	17	4	2	3	4	4	4
5	50	Mac Lowry	26	7	5	5	5	6	5
6	505	David Klinger	30	5	6	6	6	7	7
7	0	David Powell	31	6	7	7	7	5	6

Number of races held: 6
 Number of throw outs: 1
 Throw outs highlighted in grey



SFMYC 2025 VICTORIA RACING SERIES



Position	Sail #	Skipper	Score	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	R12
1	189	Jon Ely	16	1	1	6	1	2	2	1	3	1	1	3	3
2	75	David Green	20	2	2	4	3	5	1	2	1	4	2	1	2
3	12	Mike Kelly	27	4	4	1	4	3	5	3	4	2	3	2	1
4	59	Wally Wahlander	32	3	3	5	5	1	4	4	2	3	4	4	4
5	50	Mac Lowry	47	5	7	8dnf	2	4	3	7	5	5	5	6	5
6	505	David Klinger	57	8dnf	5	2	8dnf	6	7	5	6	6	6	7	7
7	0	David Powell	58	6	6	3	6	7	6	6	7	7	7	5	6

Results thru April 16, 2025
 Number of races held: 12
 Number of throw outs: 2
 Throw outs highlighted in grey

Victoria Fleet - Visit From St. Monica Elementary School

by David Green, Victoria Fleet Captain

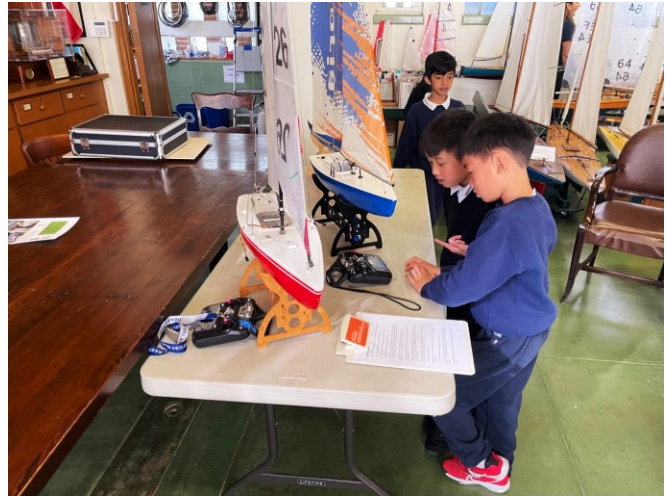
On April 9, before the usual Victoria fleet sailing on Wednesday, the fleet hosted a field trip visit from St Monica's Elementary School kindergarten and first grade class.

16 students accompanied by teachers and parents



They arrived at the clubhouse for a look-see and a short explanation on how wind moves sailboats through the water and how to control them with rudder and sails. At my request, prior to the class field trip class teacher Alexis explained clockwise and counterclockwise motion in an effort to improve student operation of the radio controller. The kids were exceptionally well behaved and interested in the sailboats and in sailing them. The most important point I made was to use the radio lanyard to avoid a donation to Davy Jones. When I asked who Davy was, one student replied "Davy Jones is Captain Jack Sparrow's enemy in the "Pirates of the Caribbean".

Kids ogling the boats



Hands-on sailing at Turtle cove



After the talk, club members Dick Hunter, Jon Ely, and I, ably assisted by my wife Ann, took four club Victorias to Turtle Cove for hands on sailing.

The weather was sunny and warm with light breezes, perfect for the outing.

Everyone had a great time and all the boats survived the experience.

The group brought doughnuts for us (which did not survive the Victoria racing later in the day) and presented us with a string of thank you cards, one from each student.



Dick Hunter, Jon Ely and David Green with students thank you cards



The class at the lake

Seven Santa Barbara Boats Raced Today – April 13th

photos by Michael Fischer



Six of the seven Santa Barbaras

Results race one and two:



SFMYC 2025 SANTA BARBARA Race Day #1 03/22/25

S/B

Position	Sail #	Skipper	Score	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
1	280	Ryan Schofield	7	1	2	2	1	2	1
2	1068	Michael Fischer	12	2	1	1	5	3	7dnf
3	1355	Jon Ely	15	3	3	3	3	5	3
4	1132	Jim Forbes	18	4	4	4	2	6	4
5	759	Jason Spiller	20	5	5	5	4	4	2
6	627	Ron Ulrich	26	7dnf	7dns	7dns	6	1	5

Number of races held: 6
Number of throw outs: 1
Throw outs highlighted in grey



SFMYC 2025 SANTA BARBARA

Race Day #2

04/13/25

S/B

Position	Sail #	Skipper	Score	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
1	1068	Michael Fischer	9	2	1	6	1	3	2
2	828	Elliot Aldrich	13	5	3	2	2	2	4
3	1041	Steve Ma	16	1	4	4	4	5	3
4	1132	Jim Forbes	17	6	6	1	3	1	6
5	1070	Rob Yohai	22	8dns	8dns	3	6	4	1
6	1355	Jon Ely	22	4	2	5	8dnf	6	5
7	759	Jason Spiller	27	3	5	7	5	7	7

Number of races held: 6 Number of throw outs: 1 Throw outs highlighted in grey
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SFMYC 2025 SANTA BARBARA RACING SERIES

S/B

Position	Sail #	Skipper	Score	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	R12
1	1068	Michael Fischer	21	2	1	1	5	3	7dnf	2	1	6	1	3	2
2	1132	Jim Forbes	35	4	4	4	2	6	4	6	6	1	3	1	6
3	1355	Jon Ely	36	3	3	3	3	5	3	4	2	5	8dnf	6	5
4	280	Ryan Schofield	41	1	2	2	1	2	1	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc
5	759	Jason Spiller	45	5	5	5	4	4	2	3	5	7	5	7	7
6	828	Elliot Aldrich	46	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	5	3	2	2	2	4
7	1041	Steve Ma	49	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	1	4	4	4	5	3
8	1070	Rob Yohai	56	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	7dnc	8dns	8dns	3	6	4	1
9	627	Ron Ulrich	65	7dnf	7dns	7dns	6	1	5	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc	8dnc

Results thru April 16, 2025 Number of races held: 12 Number of throw outs: 2 Throw outs highlighted in grey
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Power Squadron Report

by Jeff Raymond, PSO

Hello all,

Thanks for those who attended the Titanic Memorial Fun Run. It was small but formidable. The club Titanic lifeboat was towed around and all had a good day.

The future events will be themed fun runs as described earlier. Just in... there will be an additional fun run at the Casting Ponds, military, in September. Details will be emailed soon. The ponds are just down the road from Spreckels and parking is available.

Please try to attend the events this year as they are fun runs only with no competition between members as in previous years and all boats are welcome!!

Thanks for your continued club support!

Jeff Raymond, PSO

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