

Water Fronts for Jan. 21

Deke Klatt has been a perpetual winner of the local J-24 fleet championship series. This year, he may have to work a bit harder for that honor.

On Sunday, Ryan Cox won the opening event of the 2010 racing season in the J-24 class, in a tie-breaker over Klatt. Cox garnered collegiate sailor of the year honors a few years back while attending Annapolis and he won the J-24 Mexican Nationals in 2008.

Cox took second to Klatt's first in the opening race Sunday of the first of three regattas to be hosted by Ventura Yacht Club. Cox then won the second race, while Klatt took second, and thus won the tie-breaker. A planned third race was abandoned because heavy rain started to fall and the wind dropped to a faint zephyr.

In the PHRF spinnaker class, Joe Joines prevailed in his Melges 24, Tunzagrunt II, while Randy Alcorn took the non-spinnaker class in his Cal 29, Out Patient.

Eleven boats turned out for the opening event of the 2010 season, with six in the J-24 class, two in PHRF spinnaker and three in non-spinnaker.

The J-24 Fleet 145 series continues on Feb. 20-21 when Channel Islands Yacht Club hosts the SCYA Midwinters.

The next regatta in the VYC series will be on April 18.

Results (corrected times):

Race 1.

J-24 Class: 1—Jaded, Deke Klatt, 17:51; 2—USA 3324, Ryan Cox, 18:01; 3—Commotion, Dave Witham, 20:02; 4—Blue J, Cecile Schwedes, 20:16; 5—Tortoise, Garrett Baum, 21:13; 6—Radio Flyer, Carlos Brea, 23:29.

PHRF spinnaker: 1—Tunzagrunt II, Melges 24, Joe Joines, 15:28; 2—Wahoo, Hobie 33, Alan Macnaughton, 22:06.

Non-spinnaker: 1—Out Patient, Cal 29, Randy Alcorn, 18:59; 2—R Escape, Catalina 320, Verne Haller, 21:07; Amor Del Mar, Lucho Rodriguez, DNF.

Race 2:

J-24 Class: 1—Cox, 1:05:32; 2—Klatt, 1:08:36; 3—Baum, 1:09:41; 4—Schwedes, 1:13:34; 5—Witham, 1:16:01; 6—Brea, 1:16:40.

PHRF spinnaker: 1—Tunzagrunt II, 48:36; 2—Wahoo, 55:24.

Non-spinnaker (one lap): 1—Out Patient, 37:28; 2—R Escape, 41:32; 3—Amor Del Mar, DNF.

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County High Point Standings:

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Upcoming sailboat races:

\* Sunday, Jan. 17, VYC Regatta Series 1. Hosted by Ventura Yacht Club, this is the first of three regattas for PHRF boats and J-24s. The other regattas will be sailed on April 18 and Sept. 12. The entry fee for the series is \$45. Entry for individual regattas is \$20. Three races are planned for each regatta, with skippers meetings at 8:30 and racing beginning at 11. Notice of race and entry form are available on the club's website at [Venturayachtclub.org](http://Venturayachtclub.org). For more information, contact Stan Whisenhunt at 659-1464 or e-mail him at [Swhisenhun@aol.com](mailto:Swhisenhun@aol.com).

\* Saturday, Feb. 13, PBYC Spring Series 1. This popular three race series is hosted by Pierpont Bay Yacht Club. The other races are on Feb. 27 and March 20. The skippers meeting for each race is at 8:30 a.m. and racing starts at 11 in the vicinity of the Mandalay buoy. All finishes will be in the Ventura Harbor entrance channel. Entry fee is \$90 for the series (\$80 for USSA members) or \$30 for individual races (\$25 for USSA members). For more information, contact Richard Countess at (818) 889-2669 or at [Rcountess@aol.com](mailto:Rcountess@aol.com).

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2010 ocean sailboat racing schedule:

Jan. 17, VYC PHRF & J-24 Regatta Series 1.

Jan. 23, VYC, SCYA Race Management Seminar

Feb. 13, PBYC, Spring Series 1

Feb. 20-21, CIYC, SCYA Midwinters, PHRF & J-24.

Feb. 27, PBYC, Spring Series 2  
 Feb. 28, PCYC, Racing Rules Seminar  
 March 13, AYC, St. Patrick's Day Race  
 March 14, PCYC, Regional Training Race  
 March 20, PBYC, Spring Series 3  
 March 27, PCYC, McCune Race, PacCorCup 1.  
 April 3, CIYC, Lady at Helm  
 April 18, VYC, PHRF & J-24 Regatta Series 2.  
 April 17-18, AYC, Channel Islands to Newport Beach  
 May 1, CIYC, Port Royal Regatta, PHRF & J-24.  
 May 5, AYC, Wet Wednesday Series begins (thru Sept. 29).  
 May 5, VYC, Wet Wednesday Series begins (thru Sept. 8).  
 May 8, PCYC, VCORC Random Leg, PacCorCup 2  
 May 15, PBYC/SBSC, Hardway Race (Island Series 1).  
 May 22, AYC, Anacapa to Port (Anacapa Series 1)  
 May 23, VYC, Commodore Classic  
 June 5, CIYC, Cooke Memorial Doublehanded Race  
 June 12, VYC, Governor's Cup (random leg)  
 June 13, CIYC, John Larson Memorial  
 June 19, AYC, Platform A Race (Anacapa Series 2)  
 June 26-27, CIYC, Channel Islands to Marina Del Rey  
 June 26, VSC, Frenchie's Rum Run  
 July 10-11, VYC, SailFest Regatta, PHRF & J-24s  
 July 17, PBYC, Milt Ingram Race (Island Series 2)  
 July 24, PCYC, Yachting Cup, PacCorCup 3  
 July 31, PCYC, McNish Classic Yacht Race  
 Aug. 7, AYC, Wes Golemon Memorial (Anacapa Series 3)  
 Aug. 14, CIYC, Underwood Memorial Regatta, PHRF & J-24s  
 Aug. 15, PCYC, TGIS Series 1  
 Aug. 21, PBYC, Tri Point Race (Island Series 3)  
 Aug. 29, PCYC, Rotten Ralph Race.  
 Sept. 4-6, AYC, Santa Barbara City Race  
 Sept. 5, PCYC, TGIS 2  
 Sept. 6, AYC, Tequila Derby  
 Sept. 11-12, VSC, Prison Break  
 Sept. 12, VYC, PHRF & J-24 Regatta Series 3  
 Sept. 18-19, VYC, S.B. Channel Challenge/Ventura Cup  
 Sept. 25, CIYC, VCMRF Charity Regatta  
 Oct. 3, VYC, Gal & Guy Series 1  
 Oct. 9, PBYC/AYC, Two Harbor Fall Series 1  
 Oct. 10, PBYC/VYC, Caregivers Sailathon  
 Oct. 17, PCYC, TGIS 3  
 Oct. 23, AYC/PBYC, Two Harbor Fall Series 2  
 Nov. 7, VYC, Gal & Guy Series 2 & 3  
 Nov. 13, AYC/PBYC, Two Harbor Fall Series 3  
 Nov. 14, PCYC, TGIS 4  
 Nov. 27, VSC, Wild Turkey Classic  
 Dec. 4, PBYC/AYC, Two Harbor Fall Series 4  
 Dec. 5, PCYC, TGIS 5

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