

Water Fronts for March 3

It's called the Spring Series but maybe host Pierpont Bay Yacht Club ought to rename it the Winter Series.

The second race of the sailboat racing series was held Saturday in stormy conditions in which only nine of the 23 entered boats turned out and only four boats finished the race. High winds made for rough going.

Race Chair John Thawley contends that the toughest conditions of all were on the rockin' and rollin' race committee boat which was anchored in wind-chopped waters off the Mandalay Buoy. But fortunately, Thawley and crew got to return to the harbor after starting the race, leaving the reduced fleet to contend with the nasty conditions.

Angry Hillbillis, co-skippered by Paul Moore and Deke Klatt won the spinnaker class in Moore's Olson 30, Angry Hillbillies. They sailed the 20.2 mile course in just 2 hours, 53 minutes, 51 seconds.

Only one boat in the non-spinnaker class completed the 16.2 mile course. Tom Warshauer was the non-spinnaker sole survivor, with an elapsed time of 3 hours, 23 minutes, 45 seconds.

Only one boat showed up for the multi-hull class and Gary Kahler's Drei was disqualified for being over early.

Spinnaker class: 1-Angry Hillbillies, Moore & Klatt, 2:21:32; 2-XS, Gene & Geno Beville, 2:35:58; 3-Second Chance, Phil Sauer, 2:56:08; dnf-Majic Dragon.

Non-spinnaker: 1-Quiet Times, Tom Warshauer, 2:52:58; dnf-Flying Carpet, Pacific Shredder, Velero.

Multi-hulls: dsq-Drei.

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Eric Schlageter and George Moll and their crew will be unveiling a hot new sport boat named Misfit on Saturday, March 12, as part of a fund-raising effort for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The event will be at Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club from 5 to 9 p.m. A \$50 donation to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is required for admission. Beer, wine and numerous appetizers will be served. Schlageter and Moll have raised \$6,200 toward their goal of \$10,000 for the Society.

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Ventura County High Point Standings (Score best 10 races): Quiet Times, Hunter 37, TomWarshauer, 16; Rival, J-35, Velthoen & Boatner, 16; Velero, Islander 29, Brent Swanson, 16; Jaded, J-24, Deke Klatt, 14; XS, Mull 30, Gene & Geno Beville, 13; Angry Hillbillies, Olson 30, Moore & Klatt, 10; Breezy, Catalina 27, Chris Johnston, 10; Majic Dragon J-22, Mike Hopper, 9; Tortoise, J-24, Whisenhunt & Baum, 9; Fusee 8, Sunrise 7, Paradise Found 7, Zuma Jay 7, Out Patient 6, Moore Fun 5, Tuxedo Junction 5, Flying Carpet 4, Rumbylowe 4, Double Down 4.

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* Saturday, March 19, Spring Series 23. Hosted by Pierpont Bay Yacht Club, this is the last in a three race series. The entry fee for individual races is \$30 (\$25 for U.S. Sailing members). The skippers meeting is at 8:30 a.m. and racing begins at 11 a.m. in the vicinity of the Mandalay buoy. For more information, contact Race Chair John Thawley at 218-8792 or e-mail him at jthawleydj@verizon.net.

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2011 ocean sailboat racing schedule

March 12, AYC, St. Patrick's Day Race

March 13, PCYC/AYC, TGIS Spring Series 3.

March 19, PBYC, Spring Series 3

March 26, PCYC, McCune Race, PacCorCup 1

April 9, AYC, Channel Islands to Newport Beach

April 9, VYC, PHRF & J-24 regatta (J-24 Series)

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