

Water Fronts for Sept. 9

Out Patient and XS were winners over the weekend in Anacapa Yacht Club's Santa Barbara City Race. Another winner was Superluminal, which took top honors in Monday's Tequila Derby.

Strong winds and choppy seas prevailed on Saturday, giving the nine boat fleet a fast ride to Santa Barbara. On Monday, the conditions were just the opposite - flat seas and little wind - as the boats took almost twice as much time to sail leg two. XS sailed from Mandalay Bay to Santa Barbara on Saturday in just 4 hours, 15 minutes, 53 seconds. On Monday, the fastest boat, Superluminal, took 7 hours, 19 minutes, 45 seconds, to sail to Ventura.

Randy Alcorn's Cal 29, Out Patient, was the winner in the non-spinnaker class in the two-leg Santa Barbara City Race and also was the winner of Monday's Santa Barbara to Ventura Tequila Derby race.

Gene Beville's Mull 30, XS, was the spinnaker winner in the Santa Barbara City Race, while Jerzy Poprawskis's FT 10, Superluminal, took top honors in the slow Tequila Derby race to Ventura on Monday.

Results:

Santa Barbara City Race:

Spinnaker Class: 1-XS, Gene Beville (1-2); 2-Superluminal, Jerzy Poprawski (3-1); 3-Ruckus, Eric Schlaggeter (2-dnf).

Non-spinnaker: 1-Out Patient, Randy Alcorn (1-1); 2-Alcyone Gary Goodman (3-2); 3-Fusee, Harry Krum (2-dnf); 4-Amor del Mar (4-3); 5-Amoeba (dnf-dnf).

Tequila Derby:

Spinnaker class: 1-Superluminal, 6:57:50; 2-XS, 7:22:42; dnf-Ruckus.

Non-spinnaker: 1-Out Patient, 7:29:15; 2-Alcyone, 8:29:01; 3-Amor del Mar, 8:37:01; dnf-Fusee.

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PK Edwards of Ventura Yacht Club skippered his Catalina 42, Wind Dancer, to class victory in the 39-mile Labor Day race from Long Beach to Dana Point. The race was co-hosted by Shoreline, Dana West and Dana Point yacht clubs.

Edwards won the PHRF C class, which had 5 boats. He placed fourth overall in the 40-boat PHRF fleet.

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Doug Fajardo sailed his Catalina 27, Flying Carpet, to victory Sunday in Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club's TGIS race. Taking second was Sprit Decision, with Pacific Shredder third. Primo did not finish. The four boats sailed an 8.1 mile course.

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County High Point Standings:

Out Patient, Cal 29, Randy Alcorn, 147; Angry Hillbillies, Olson 30, Moore & Klatt, 101; XS, Mull 30, Gene Beville, 79; Breezy, Catalina 27, Chris Johnston, 74; Tortoise, J-24, Whisenhunt & Baum, 72; Majic Dragon, J-22, Mike Hopper, 51; Velero, Islander 29, Brent Swanson, 51; Jaded, J-24, Deke Klatt, 45; Colt 45, Tripp 40, Dan Chepley, 39; R Escape, Catalina 320, Verne Haller, 38; Pangea, J-30, Mike Leary & Dena Mercer, 38; Paradise Found, C&C 37, Jim Albert, 37; Funatic, Choate 48, Rod Abbott, 35; Perfect Balance, Olson 30, Richard Sharpe, 32; Zuma Jay, Cal 25, Kevin Dickmann, 30; Quiet Times, Hunter 37, Tom Warshauer, 28; Rival, J-35, Velthoen & Boatner, 26; Superluminal 21; Wimpy 20, Honukai 20, Senior Advantage 19, Sunny Girl 19, Zoarcas 19, Double Down 17, Uhambo 17, The Source 17, Afterburner 16, No Regrets 16, Maine Squeeze 15, Fusee 15, Superstition 15.

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Upcoming sailboat races:

* Sunday, Sept. 12, VYC Regatta. This three-race regatta is for J-24s and PHRF spinnaker and non-spinnaker boats. It will serve as a tune-up for the Santa Barbara Channel Challenge/Ventura Cup the following weekend. Entry fee is \$20 for boats which have not entered the series. The skippers meeting is at 8:30. Racing begins at 11 a.m. in the vicinity of the Mandalay Buoy or the Ventura Harbor Whistle buoy, depending on entries. For more information, contact Race Chair Stan Whisenhunt at 659-1464 or email him at Swhisenhun@aol.com.

* Saturday, Sunday, Sept. 18-19, Santa Barbara Channel Challenge. Hosted by Ventura Yacht Club, this event also includes the Ventura Cup team competition. The regatta will have two buoy races on Saturday and an offshore random leg race on Sunday. The skippers meeting will be at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 18. Racing starts at noon both days. The regatta scores double points in the County High Point Standings and is part of the Association of Santa Barbara

Channel High Point Series. Entry fee is \$50 until Sept. 10, and then \$75 thereafter. Entry forms and sailing instructions are available on www.venturayachtclub.org web site. For more information, contact Stan Whisenhunt at 659-1464 or e-mail him at Swhisenhun@aol.com.

* Sunday, Oct. 3, Gal & Guy Series 1. Hosted by Ventura Yacht Club, this popular series gives the ladies a chance to take the helm. A female must drive and a male must do the crew work. The second and third races in the series will be on Sunday, Nov. 7. The entry fee for the series is \$50. Fee for individual races is \$20. The skippers meeting will be at 10 a.m. Racing will start at noon. For more information, contact VYC race chair Stan Whisenhunt at 659-1464 or e-mail him at Swhisenhun@aol.com.

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2010 ocean sailboat racing schedule:

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 (Double points).

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