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ENCINAL YACHT CLUB



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Soundings Interview

REBECCA HINDEN

**Express 27 “Bombora”
2018 Pacific Cup Entry**

EYC member Rebecca Hinden is skippering her Express 27 “Bombora” in the 2018 Pacific Cup Race, which starts the week of July 9th, going from San Francisco Bay to Kaneohe Bay in Oahu, Hawaii. Hinden, 34, a Bay Area native, keeps her bright red boat in the EYC boat yard. Her day job when she’s not sailing or surfing is free lance photography, which allows her the flexibility to do some long distance ocean racing. She’s a ball of fire, you might see her at the top of her mast, or working foredeck on the Grand Prix ocean racer California Condor. She’s already got three PAC Cup’s under her belt, but this will be her first on a small boat. I was lucky to catch her in a calmer moment by phone, when she was stuck inside by the rain while visiting family in Seattle.

BN: So you’re sailing over 2,000 miles of open ocean with two other people on a 27 foot boat. Are you crazy?

REBECCA: Absolutely!

BN: Thought so. Anyway, tell us a little about your sailing background.

REBECCA: Well, my first real sailing experience was with my Dad (Bob Hinden, also an EYC member). We did the Pacific Cup in 2008 on his Valiant 42. It was a blast. The weather was great, we caught lots of fish, and I was hooked! After that, Kame Richards of Pineapple Sails took me racing with him and his crew on the Estuary beer can races, and that’s how I learned about racing. He’s the best teacher ever. Since then, I’ve just tried to move up on different boats and improve whenever I can.

BN: Who’s going with you?

REBECCA: I’ve got two crew, Zach Judkins and Scott Davidson. We’ve raced with each other a bunch. They’re both solid crew, and we all love to drive, which is important in a long race. Zach’s done two PAC Cup’s on Elan, an Express 37. Seems he’s always at the helm when things get crazy — I wonder what that means? Scott’s from Toronto originally. He likes to chase powder when he’s not sailing. He’s always smiling, even when he’s all beat up and soaking wet. They both work at Sun Power too, which has been a big help figuring out how to fill our power needs — we don’t need a ton of power, but we’ll be using solar panels for recharging. They’re good at wiring and electronics, which always helps. Our motto is “loose, fun and fast”, we like to laugh a lot!

From EYC President Bill Nork

BN: Talk about your boat a little bit.

REBECCA: She's a great boat, was my Mom's (Maryanne, also an EYC member), and she passed her on to me. Bombora is an Australian term that means "big wave that breaks far out at sea". We're hoping to be surfing down a lot of those on the way! We'll be hand steering the whole way, no autopilots. We hope that gives us an advantage over boats steering with autopilots — we think we can steer faster than a machine, especially when we're surfing. We're pretty much keeping the boat in stock condition, no asymmetrical or mast head spinnakers. I like to think that we're sailing her as Carl Schumacher (the late, great designer) intended her to be sailed.



BN: How about electronics and other gear?

REBECCA: We're trying to keep it pretty simple. We'll have a laptop with chart plotter software, and single sideband radio, which receives but doesn't transmit, so we can listen in to the Race committee and other boats. We've got a Sat Phone. We have the Tak Tik instruments which run on their own solar cells. We will also have AIS receive capability on the handheld VHF. Other than that, just the running lights powered by a 100 watt solar panel. The boat will have a YB tracking device, and if folks want to follow us and the race, they can go to the Pacific Cup website, and follow Bombora and see how we're doing each day. Oh, and a life raft (laughs).

BN: What's on the menu?

REBECCA: Ugh — all freeze dried food, and about 15 gallons of water per person. That's about it.

BN: How about your sail inventory?

REBECCA: We'll, main and class jib plus storm sails. Then of course the most important sails, the kites (spinnakers). We've got three pretty new ones, and two pretty old ones that are backups. You can never have enough. In the last PAC Cup race in 2016, which was very windy, we blew up a lot of them. In fact, if any one reading this has a spare kite or two that would work on an Express 27, we'd be grateful!

From EYC President Bill Nork

BN: Let's talk about the competition and strategy.

REBECCA: Sure. There should be a lot of boats in our class — at least seven Express 27's that I know of now. Our biggest strategic decision has to do with number of crew. Some boats will sail double handed with only two crew, and some will take three. We're going with three, which is more weight, but as I said, we think we can steer faster, handle the boat better and fly kites longer than a double handed boat. We'll find out at the end which idea is faster, so we're hoping for some good wind to keep our boat planing. Also, sailing with three is a lot more fun. Sailing with two is like two people single handing, one sleeps while the other one drives. In terms of tuneup racing and practice, we hope to do the offshore YRA series in the Spring, and then the Coastal Cup which is actually three separate races going down the Coast: San Francisco to Monterey, Monterey to Santa Barbara, and Santa Barbara to LA. Then we truck the boat back here and get ready to head West. The real strategy about the course management, where to sail and that type of thing is all secret!

BN: Who are some of the marine professionals who have been helping you get the boat ready? What kind of work are you having to do?

REBECCA: WOW! There have been so many people who have really been an integral part of this campaign. Of course my Mom and Dad have always been there for me. They're not sailing in the Pac Cup this year, but they're still very involved in the race. Mom's in charge of the trophies, and Dad's one of the measures. John Hansen of Pacific Rigging (also an EYC member) was inspecting the rig and found a cracked wedge which he fixed — that could have turned in to a big problem! Giles Combrisson of GC Rigging has been doing some bulkhead repair and great fiberglass work for us, he's at the Sugar Barge over in Richmond. Eric Steinberg at Farallon Electronics across the street from Svensen's set up our Sat Phone and communications and Steve Hutchinson at Hutchinson Marine has been doing our woodwork. I know I mentioned that Kame at Pineapple Sails taught me how to race, and he's also been a great help with my sail inventory (Kame is also an EYC member). I wouldn't say we're doing this on a shoestring, but I am funding myself and it all adds up quickly. These folks have all helped me to try to keep the costs under control. We've still got a long "to do" list, but we're ONLY about three weeks behind! (Laughs again even harder)



BN: What are you looking forward to most about the race?

REBECCA: That's easy! When you're done with the race, the greeting committee at the Kaneohe Yacht Club meets you at the dock with a fabulous flower lei and a tray of fresh mai tai's, no matter what time of day or night it is. They call it getting lei'd and tray'd and I can't wait!

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From EYC Long Range Planning Committee Chair David Dury

What is the Long Range Planning Committee?

By David Dury

The Long Range Planning Committee (**LRP**) is one of the standing committees of the Club. Its charter is to address issues of strategic, multi-year importance to the Club. The Board of EYC is responsible for the tactical, day-to-day management of the club and addresses issues that generally relate to topics of immediate or relatively near term impact. LRP focuses on topics that will either take several years to plan and implement, or which could impact the long-term viability of the Club if not addressed effectively.

These issues tend to take several years to address, and it is important for continuity to have members on the committee for many years. I have been chairman of the committee for over 5 years, and a member the committee for several years before that. Although we rotate a new member in and one out almost every year, the average tenure of the current committee members is about 5 years. The various standing committees of the club are the backbone of the club, and provide the continuity that is necessary for the long-term viability of the Club.

The LRP Committee is responsible for:

- Major capital improvement projects
- Long-term issues related to the building, docks, grounds, etc.
- Insurance and tax issues, beyond simply paying this year's bill.
- Developing and maintaining a Long Range Plan vision for the club.
- Reviewing and monitoring actions and proposals that could impact the Direction of the club as a yacht club.
- Merger, acquisitions, etc. activity

Several years ago we developed a **Strategic Long Range Plan** for the Club; a blueprint of what we would like the club to look like some years into the future. This is reviewed with the Board every year or two, to make sure that the tactical decisions being made by the Board fit in with the Long Range direction.

In recent years we also arranged for the purchase of the three parking lots between the Club and the apartment house—previously we owned none of the parking lots.

Our current project list consists of, among other items:

1. **Re-write of the EYC By Law's.** The current By Laws are at least 30 years old, and in several areas do not reflect the way the club currently does business. We will present the new draft to the Board later this year, and then go to the membership for approval.
2. **Docks.** We are developing two sets of plans for completely remodeling the docks. One is to simply replace the current configuration, and the other is to reduce the size of the "U" and make 10-12 berths for rent by club member. The rent from these berths would provide income for the club, but reduce space for cruise-ins or club member boats coming in for a short stay. The proposals will also be presented to the entire membership for a vote, hopefully later this year. There are regulatory requirements which may effect the timing of such a project, but a vote will be held before any final decision is made.

Current members of the committee are myself, Carol Blackburn, Sam Benson, Peter Darbee, Rodney Pimentel, Jim Vickers, Chuck Wetteroth, and Bill Nork (the current Board President is a member for the year he/she is President). Linda Bendsen is Committee Secretary.

From EYC Sailing Foundation Mike Gorman

?? DID YOU KNOW ??

The **Encinal Junior Sailing** program is actually a department of the yacht club and NOT run by the Foundation. The Junior Sailing program supervised by our Executive Director **Mike Scott** and our parent adviser **Barb Grove** is one of the largest financial departments of the club. Barb is backed up by her co-advisor **Niels Glaser** and Board of Directors liaison **Grace Hess**.

A detailed budget and financial tracking keep us aware that the junior sailing department is a positive or at least break even department for the Yacht club. Junior staff are employees of the yacht club and boats are owned by the yacht club.

Revenues exceed expenses each year. We are very fortunate that our **EYC Junior Sailing** program is one of the only programs in the country that is self sufficient. Most yacht clubs subsidize their juniors programs.



The **Encinal Sailing Foundation** is a 501c3 public benefit charitable corporation. It exists to further sailing in Northern California with a primary emphasis on youth sailing. The Foundation receives donations and grant and uses those funds to support junior programs thru equipment grants and youth scholarships.

The Foundation does not supervise or direct the activities of Junior sailing. I serve as **President of the Encinal Sailing Foundation** along with two other Directors, **Niels Glaser** and **Paul delle Cese**.

Please contact me for any further information.
Mike Gorman 510-457-6552



From EYC Junior Sailing Mike Scott



The winter lull is over, and **Encinal Junior Sailing** is proceeding at full speed into the spring and summer seasons! Our February was a little busier than usual (which is just the way we like it) this year, as we hosted the Winter BAYS #3 Regatta, attended Nor Cal Regattas #3 and #4, attended the Golden Bear (PCISA #4) Regatta, and hosted the legendary Dave Perry for an evening discussion on "Tactics in Crowds," all on top of our already packed and growing practice schedule. Sailors are pushing hard to finish strong in their various winter seasons, and are getting stoked for the chance to get to use spring as a training and planning period for the summer racing season.

The month started with a bang as we hosted the third event in the 2017-2018 Winter BAYS series. Our regatta was a smashing and very exciting success, with over 120 sailors participating from EYC and other Bay Area clubs. We were extra thrilled to be able to run our advanced fleets (C420, 29er, Laser Radial, Opti Champ) on an outside course in the South Bay. A huge thanks to Theo Rohr and all of the other volunteers who helped out on both of our courses to provide some excellent, safe, and windy racing, as well as our meal prep, clothing sale, and registration desk volunteers - this event would have been impossible without everyone's hard work! Our Opti Race and Green Fleet teams had an excellent event, with Race Team getting to test out some very crispy new race sails and Green Fleet bringing in some new talent for their first event ever! Congratulations to **Michael Lively** and **Simon Boeger** for their 1st overall in the C420 fleet and to **Dylan Wondolleck** for his 1st overall in the Opti Champ fleet! Encinal sailors did well in all fleets, and results from this event can be found by [clicking here](#).

Our high school teams also had a busy month, with several participating in Nor Cal #3 and #4 at Treasure Island Sailing Center (TISC) on February 17-18 and again at TISC the next weekend for the Golden Bear (PCISA #4) Regatta! A huge shout out goes out to all teams for racing hard and representing their schools and



Encinal YC well in some puffy, challenging conditions. Scores for all high school events may be found by [clicking here](#). Congratulations to **Acalanes**, **Athenian**, and **College Park** teams for finishing 3rd, 4th, and 5th overall, respectively, in the Silver Fleet (14 teams) at Nor Cal #3! Congratulations to **College Park** team for finishing 11th overall (29 teams) in the Silver Fleet at Golden Bear, and an extra special shoutout to **Ryter Ullrich** and **Haley Rasilla** from **Campolindo** who finished 9th in A Division, also in Silver Fleet at Golden Bear. Keep it up Silver Fleet teams, can't wait to see you competing in Gold!

From EYC Junior Sailing Mike Scott




The timing seems appropriate that, just as we were getting stoked on our recent racing, we were visited by the legendary Dave Perry! Dave graciously linked up with us, and through the support of the Encinal Foundation, the Club, and the Junior Program, he was able to conduct an evening lecture for sailors of all ages regarding “Tactics in Crowds.” Dozens of our sailors were present, and we can’t be more thankful that they were able to meet and obtain some knowledge from one of the best in the sport.


Don’t forget that our Junior Sailing Open House ([click here](#)) is happening on Sunday, March 4! This is one of the most important events of the year as we show off our program, our club, the beautiful estuary, and all that this incredible community and sport have to offer! Boat rides and other fun activities abound, so don’t be shy! Spread the word and we hope to see you there!

Michael Scott
Youth Sailing Director



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EYC CRUISE CALENDAR

Cruise

Dates

Leader(s)

Treasure Island Cruise	March 30 - April 1	Dave & Susan Sherrill
Vallejo/Napa River/Napa YC Cruise	April 12 - 15	TBD
Benicia Cruise	May 18 - 20	Chuck & Edie Hero
Dingy Pub Crawl	May 27	Dave & Susan Sherrill
Marin Cruise	June 8 - 10	Jim & Jen Vickers
EYC 4th of July Cruise In	July 2 - 6	No Host (Contact Port Captain)
Sausalito Cruise	July 20 - 22	Neil & Carol Weinberg
Delta Daze	Aug 4 - Aug 11	Ed Lecco
Half Moon Bay Cruise	Aug 31 - Sep 3	Bill Nork
Santa Cruz Cruise	Sep 3 - Sep 9	Bill Nork & Ed Lecco
China Camp Cruise	Oct 5 - 7	Ed Lecco
Commodore's Cruise	TBD	Commodore Chris Anderson

EYC Easter Cruise Out Treasure Island YC

Easter Cruise Out to Treasure Island Yacht Club March 30 - April 1, 2018

It's time for our first cruise out of the year, and you are all cordially invited to the **Easter at Treasure Island** commentator out! We were unable to secure slips this year as a group because of the deterioration of the docks, so this is an **anchor out** cruise out. That said, we may be able to "request" up to 4 slips for boats under 36 feet on Sunday, March 25th, but please be aware that the docks are in very bad condition (unsafe for wobbly sailors and small children). In addition, the slips are "first-come, first-served", so they are not guaranteed for a Saturday arrival. If you are still interested in a slip, please let me know a.s.a.p., and I will put you on the list.

For cruisers arriving on Friday night, there will be a dinghy raft up and cocktail party (weather permitting) in the anchorage to start off this fun weekend. Your Saturday plans might include wine tasting at the Winery Collective, beer tasting at the Woods Island Club, bocce ball, corn hole, and Easter egg decorating all located next to TIYC. Or you might choose to spend a quiet day on the hook reading that novel you have had sitting on the shelf for the last few months. It's up to you!

TIYC is very excited to welcome us to their club again this year on Saturday evening. Their clubhouse has two bars and a nice loft area to relax in with a cocktail and a view of the Bay. They will be providing a "Pirate Dinner" burger barbeque for everyone following our potluck happy hour hors d'oeuvres. We will also have a potluck Easter brunch on Sunday morning at the club. The cost for this weekend of fun will be a mere \$25 per person (\$15 for kids).

If you would like to join us for this cruise out, please email Susan at susan.sherrill@yahoo.com Hope to see you for Easter on Treasure Island!

Captain Dave and Susan Sherrill - TI Cruise Leaders

From EYC Vice Commodore Theo Rhor



Here it comes! Spring is almost upon us-- the daylight is flooding back to our latitude along with plenty of breeze to fill our sails. The Bay and Estuary are spectacular places to be on these beautiful Spring days. We have lots of events lined up and I want to just highlight a few:

I'm excited to announce that this year we've planned to run an enhanced small boat series with 7 races throughout the spring and summer. We're calling it the Small Boat Solar Series and you can sign up with a couple on clicks on Encinal.org. This is open to all one design classes under 18 feet.

We are hoping to get everyone who has a boat and everybody that has been longing to give dingy sailing a try to jump in and enjoy some friendly competition.

Spring Twilight Series starts less than three weeks. Our Friday evenings are just about to get more festive with boats battling for a spot on the start line right in front of the club and burgers and craft brewed beer on the deck after the race. I've been busy filling kegs to get ready for the upcoming estuary action so get your boats tuned up and ready to rescue "Bob" the beer keg.

What I'm really excited about is this year's 57th annual running of the Ron Byrne Estuary Cup on Sunday April 8th. This is an annual club regatta - all EYC members are invited to participate! Rules are: Boats owned by Encinal Yacht Club members or Byrne family members; the skipper and 25% of the crew must be members of Encinal Yacht Club or Byrne family members. This is a regatta that we can all have fun at so mark it on your calendar and get your boat registered. What better way can you think of spending a day on the Bay with lots of friends and fellow members. We might even need to fill the cup up this year with ketchup. Oh and there will definitely be Estuary IPA flowing after the race.

Lastly, the all new EYC Paddle Club is starting up this month! Open to all levels of experience or interest, the EYC Paddle Club is looking for folks who'd like to get out on the Estuary for casual group-paddles, estuary excursions and maybe even some SUP/Kayak regattas. Don't have your own SUP/kayak yet? No problem! We're figuring out ways to share/borrow and expand our paddling community. Have some ideas? We want to hear them! Have some equipment you'd like to donate or share? We'd love it, thanks! Much more to come... please look for a flyer in this month's Soundings and in upcoming in Signal Flag emails.

See you on the water,
Theo

From EYC Rear Commodore Ted Floyd



Hello from the Race Deck

I wanted to update you on a couple of our race series, **2017-18 Jack Frost** and the **Ron Byrne Estuary Cup**.

We just wrapped up the final race day of the **2017-18 Jack Frost Series** completing five days of scheduled racing over the last five months. We saw nearly every type of sailing condition during the series from a hailing blustery weather driven 20 knots to sunny light and variable breezes while fighting strong currents. These changing race day conditions tested the competitors throughout the series requiring them to stay on top of every shift. Saturdays days racing began with moderate breeze out of the SW and clocked around to a strong breeze from the NNW. Racers in all divisions finished 2 races in to complete the series in near ideal wind conditions following the northerly shift.

Congratulations to the Jack Frost first place finishers in each division:

Class Flag A	Hendrik Bruhns - WYSIWYG
Class Flag C	Stephen Douglass - RENAISSANCE OF TAHOE(spinnaker)
Class Flag C	Sheldon Haynie - LIONESS(non-spinnaker)
Class Flag D	Steve Smith - SYNCHRONICITY
Class Flag E	Jan Grygier / Lindsey Jennings - CARLOS

Encinal Yacht Club sailboat owners should be looking to enter their boats in the up coming **Ron Byrne Estuary Cup on April 8th**. This EYC race will allow you to sail with fellow club members in relatively short sprint out around Alcatraz and back to the club to then celebrate and recount your rounding with crew and friends.. This race is great for sailors of all levels and if you need help finding crew or getting your boat to the starting line, please reach out to the flag. We maybe able to help you **Get The Boat Out!**

I'd like to finish by thanking all of the Race Committee volunteers for helping put on what was a great series this year as well as the racers who came out to compete and were often rewarded with very good winter sailing conditions.

Regards, T. Floyd
Rear Commodore EYC



EYC General Manager/COO

Rigo Headley



This month we have a few events ranging from **Jack Frost Race** to an **EYC Cruise –Out to Treasure Island Y.C.** for you to choose from. Mark your calendars for March 3rd at the EYC Race Committee will be hosting this month's Jack Frost Race #5. Also on March 3rd, The Mercury Fleet will be kicking off their first race with the EYC Mercury Series Race #1. March 17th, EYC on the water activities continue with the 2018 Spring Equinox Small Boat Invitational Race.

EYC will be hosting the **Alameda Chamber of Commerce** for their monthly evening mixer on Wednesday March 14th, 2018 5:30pm-7:30pm. The Alameda Chamber of Commerce is encouraging all local Alameda businesses to “stop by on your way home from work for a chance to mix, mingle, and benefit from your business exposure to other local business owners.” If you are a local business owner and/or know of a local business owner that may benefit from attending the chamber mixer; come on by and enjoy the live music and complimentary appetizers fireside in our EYC Lounge. This event is great exposure for our club within the Alameda community!

St. Patrick's Day Celebration Saturday March 17th, 2018! Wear your green and “Eat, Drink & Be Irish.” There will be Irish drink specials in the bar such as Guinness Beer, Irish Coffee & Jameson Whiskey as well as Irish Themed menu items throughout the day featuring traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage and other regional side dishes. “More good luck will come your way if you celebrate St. Patty's Day at EYC!”

Our Live Music in the Lounge Series has something a special treat in store for you. On Friday, March 23rd, 2018 Live Music in the Lounge will be featuring Anthony Lincoln & his Retroz Band! EYC Member Anthony Lincoln and his Retroz Band will take the stage and smooth the lounge with your classic Soulful R&B favorites, ranging from Isley Brothers to Commodores. Music starts at 6:30pm. Dinner reservations are HIGHLY recommended for this evening!

EYC Cruising Fleet will be hosting a Cruise-Out to Treasure Island Yacht Club March 30th – April 1st, 2018. The EYC Cruising Fleet certainly knows how to have great times with great friends! Contact Cruise Captain Ed Lecco if you would like to have additional info on the Treasure Island Cruise-Out and/or to be added to the 2018 Cruising Fleet email list. Ed's email address: edlecco925@gmail.com

EYC Easter Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt will be taking place **April 1st, 2018**. Bring your family to the Easter Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt. It's a traditional event at EYC and always a family favorite! A wonderful brunch menu will be offered in two seating's: 10:30am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-2:30pm and Easter Egg Hunt at 12 noon for the kids. This is always an enjoyable family day at EYC!

Member Contact Information Needed

If you or your spouse is currently not receiving our weekly email updates (Signal Flag), evites to EYC events, membership statements, and any other club communications, please contact Member Services Coordinator Dawn Calvin at 510-522-3272 or admin@encinal.org . Dawn will be happy to update your contact information and you to the mailing list.

See you along the docks....

EYC Paddle Club

Lisa Rohr



EYC Paddle Club

It's new! Join us!



Do you love to paddle? Want to try? Own a kayak/SUP? Interested in sharing one? Let's get together and build our own paddle community. We are starting monthly group paddle adventures right **now!** We will be planning all sorts of fun events for new and experienced paddlers in the upcoming weeks.

- **March 17 @ 1230: St. PADDLES's Day Group Paddle** - Nothing says "Erin gOAR bragh" like St. Patrick's Day on the estuary! Get your Irish on for a festive paddle around Gov't Island ...then back to the club for the St. Pat's party!
- **April 14 @ 10am: "Taxes Schmaxes" April Group Paddle** - Why think about Tax Day when you can think about the sweet new EYC Paddle Club?

Look for upcoming group paddles each month on the 2nd Saturday. We want to hear what sorts of events interest you--stay tuned for a signup/survey!

In the mean time, send questions to: lisa.rohr@mac.com



EYC Jack Frost Races Margaret Fago

Encinal Yacht Club Jack Frost Midwinters March 3

Saturday March 3 **Encinal Yachts Club's Jack Frost** lived up to its name. On the coldest race day this season, the racers were greeted with a hail storm on the way out to the course. **Santana 22 Meliki's skipper Deb Fehr** laughed about sailing back and forth under the bay bridge to keep from getting pounded by the hail "which hurt". The rainy squall lines moved through and the wind stayed up.

First race of the day, #9 of the series, started with a south wind blowing 10- 15. The last fleet. E, crossed the start line as Division A had rounded the windward mark and popped up spinnakers, then stalled in the dying wind. **Red Cloud** (single race entry) **Tactician, Kevin Clark**, looked out and noticed a wind line to the west. Dropping the chute they worked their way toward it catching the west breeze ahead of **Azure** and most of the rest of the fleet...the downwind leg had become upwind with a 180 degree wind shift and freshening breeze. **Wysiwyg** found the shifts and sailed in for another first place in div A in the once around, "windward" - "leeward turned to windward" course. Division C spinnaker, **Renaissance** on **Tahoe** and non spinnaker, **Lioness**, won by braving the cold and coming out racing as only one boat in each group made it to the start. Olsen 25, **Shark in Blue Grass** grabbed first over **Synchronicity** in race nine. **Zingaro** pulled into first place ahead of **Carlos** in the Santana 22's tightly contested fleet of 6.



The rain showers pulled away and the sun came out before the 2nd race, # 10, of the series started with a 5-10 knot westerly which filled to 15+ by the second lap around the course. **Wysiwyg**,



skippered by **Hendrik Bruhns** clinched her Division A series first place by winning the second race ahead of **Azure** who held onto her series second place with a second in race 10. **Synchronicity** kept her series lead secure with a first in the final race of the series. In the hotly contested Santana 22 fleet, even with 2 second place finishes, to **Zingaro's** 2 first places for the day, **Carlos**, with skippers **Jan Grygier** and **Lindsey Jennings**, was able to easily keep her lead for the series.

Full results can be found at http://www.encinal.org/pageResource/racing/2017_raceDocs/jackFrost.php

EYC Jack Frost Race Photos By Fred Fago



EYC Calendar

 EYC 2018 March						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
FEB 25 	26	27	28	MARCH 1 1st Thursday Buffet	2	3 Jack Frost Race Series # 5 Mercury Series Race # 1
4 Jr. Sailing Open House 1-4 PM	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 5:30-7 PM Alameda Chamber of Commerce Mixer	15 6pm Flag Meeting 7pm Board Meeting	16	17 Spring Equinox Small Boat Invitational St. Patrick's Party 5:30 PM
18	19	20	21	22	23 Friday Night Live Music 6:30-9:30PM	24
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