



PHRF-1 class leader David Bassett-Parkins' Emirage II crew leaps into action to set their spinnaker.



## Acura presents Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week

Long Beach and Alamitos Bay Yacht Clubs  
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### Weather report

Saturday's conditions: Wind 8-17 knots SW; high-temperature 78F.  
Sunday's forecast: Wind 10k W; high temperature 81F.

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### LONG BEACH, Calif.

The nice thing about racing when Acura presents Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week is that there's always next year. David Voss has been racing his Farr 40, Piranha---the one with the distinctivyl mean fish face on the spinnaker---in the event for many years but never broke through to first place until last year.

"Until then we had been second at Long Beach more times than I know," he said. "There's been some heartbreaking years."

But after recovering from a protest setback Friday, he scored a steady string of 4-2-2 finishes Saturday to move back into first place by one point over a familiar rival, Ray Godwin's Temptress, as Day 1 leader Jeff Janov's Dark Star essentially slipped out of contention in the eight-boat fleet.

With two of the seven races remaining Sunday for the 135 boats in 18 classes, Voss said, "Now we'll just be trying to sail conservatively."

Another marquee battle finds David Bassett-Parkins' 1D48, Emirage II, with a two-point lead in PHRF-1 over Chris Hemans' IMS 40, Entropy, the Ullman Sails Inshore Championship leader in the Fast 40 group, with Mark Surber's J/125, Derivative, another point back.



Mako (r.) leads Schock 35s



Bowman Roger O'Connor, 17, at work on his dad's boat Lucky



Whoever wins, the organizing Alamitos Bay and Long Beach Yacht Clubs couldn't be more pleased with the conditions that have delivered the celebrated Long Beach sea breeze to test the competitors with winds ranging from 8 knots at the outset to the high-teens---17 knots Saturday---by late afternoon.

Bassett-Parkins said, "It's gone from 8 to 11 and 17 and we've adjusted. All the guys have been with me a long time. We've practiced, and the boat is set up just right."

Emirage II has finished first in all five races but scored 2-4-3-1-2 because it's giving handicap time to every other boat.

"We can't cover everybody," Bassett-Parkins said, "so all we can do is to keep pushing hard no matter how far ahead we are."

One problem is that Emirage II also has to deal with the Farr 40s who are starting five minutes earlier.

"We sail right into their fleet," Bassett-Parkins said. The regatta is the climactic event of the Ullman Sails Inshore Championship Series, following Ahmanson Cup at Newport Beach, Yachting Cup at San Diego and Cal Race Week at Marina del Rey. Longenecker firmed up his lead in the Sport/Sprit division.

## Class leaders

(after 5 or 7 races)

### Alpha course

PHRF-1 (10 boats)---Emirage II (1D48), David Bassett-Parkins, Alamitos Bay YC, 2-4-3-1-2, 12 points.

PHRF-2 (9)---Comanche (Catalina 30), Tim Kernan, Alamitos Bay YC, 1-4-1-2-4, 12.

J/120 (10)---Tie between Caper, John Laun, San Diego YC, DNC-DNC-4-2-2, and CC Rider, Chuck Nichols, SDYC, DNC-DNC-2-3-3, 30.

FARR 30 (6)---Frequent Flyer, Garrett Woodworth, New York YC, 1-3-1-2-1, 8.

FARR 40 (8)---Piranha, David Voss, California YC, 1-5-4-2-2, 14.

FLYING TIGER 10 (5)---Mile High Klub, Payson & Philip Infelise, Newport Harbor YC, 1-1-1-2-1, 6.

### Bravo course

PHRF-3 (8)---Cahoots (Etchells), Bruce Golison, Alamitos Bay YC, 1-1-2-3-2, 8.

J/105 (13)---Current Obsession, Gary Mozer, Long Beach YC, 4-1-2-1-1, 9.

J/109 (5)---Electra, Thomas Brott, Seal Beach YC, 1-1-1-1-2, 6.

J/29 (5)---Sedona, Bruce Lotz, Dana Point YC, 1-1-1-1-2., 6.

J/180 (8)---Fired Up, Gary Kamins, Cal YC, 4-1-6-1-2, 14.

SCHOCK 35 (7)---Code Blue, Bob Marcus/Bruce Bennett, Alamitos Bay and

## J/105s thrived in the big winds



Farr 40 Temptress leads Far Niente as wind picks up



Local legend Barney Flam, 80, with son Steve as tactician, remains a strong competitor in the J/105 fleet



It's follow the leader downwind

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Seal Beach & YCs, 2-1, 3.

**Charlie course**

J/24 (7)---Take Five, Susan Taylor, Cal YC, 1-1-2-4-6, 14.

CAL 25 (4)---Jane's Addiction, Steve & Jane Horst, Bahia Corinthian YC, 2-1-1-1-1, 6.

CATALINA 37 (3)---Team ABYC, Chuck Clay, Alamilos Bay YC, 1-2-1-1-2, 7.

OPEN 5.7 (11)---Il havic, Rich Festa, Cal YC, 2-1-2-1-1, 7.

VIPER 640 (6)---Boom Slang, Drew Harper, South Beach YC, 3-3-2-1-1, 10.

RANDOM LEG (10)---It's OK, Andrews 40, 2-2, 4.

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