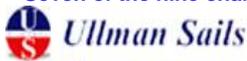




Seven of the nine chartered Catalina 37s approach the leeward gate, led by ABYC's class winner, dousing its spinnaker



Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week



Long Beach and Alamitos Bay Yacht Clubs

June 22-24, 2012

The West Coast's largest keelboat regatta

June 24, 2012

Sunday's weather: Wind 10-15 knots SW.

Stars share glory in a glorious Ullman LBRW weekend

LONG BEACH, Calif.

The stars were out under a clear blue sky for Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week through the weekend, but please don't ask Jeff Janov for his autograph.

As before, Janov's Dark Star dominated the Farr 40 class with six wins in seven races, and the humble skipper from Malibu was almost happy to surrender the glare of a sweep with a lone loss to Ray Godwin's Temptress in the first of Sunday's two windup races.

"They sailed really well," Janov said of his Long Beach rival. "This fleet is really tough. Anytime you do well it's very rewarding."

Three others completed their perfect weekends in the event co-hosted and organized by the Alamitos Bay and Long Beach Yacht Clubs: Larry Spencer's Blue Star in Olson 30s, Mark Surber's J/125, Derivative, in PHRF-2, and John Sangmeister's Morelli ProSail 40 catamaran in the Random Leg 1 class that explored the offshore wonders every day in daily races measuring from 18.5 to 27.5 nautical miles.



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Antony Chapman fights to control his Viper in Sunday's brisk breeze

Then there was Jim Sears, co-host of the CBS network daily show "The Doctors," who won the 15-boat Viper class but had to make a hard choice between skipping a couple of races Saturday or attending the Emmys awards affair in Hollywood that night. He found a substitute skipper and attended the Emmys, seeing as how he was nominated for two honors.

"We won the regatta but lost the Emmy to Regis Philbin," Sears said. "At first I was going to skip the Emmys. I love to sail. But I had to leave after the first race Saturday."

He has been sailing a Viper for only a year, finishing seventh here last year.

Gladstone's, the only multihull among 133 boats in 15 classes, won the Random Leg A-class title and outdid the lame I'll Have Another by scoring sailing's version of the Triple Crown. Rather than retiring to the barn after two runaway wins, the Morelli ProSail 40 catamaran returned Sunday in winds that followed the pattern of the three-day weekend: light to moderate early and building into the mid- to upper teens by mid-afternoon.

Bob Lane, whose Andrews 63, Medicine Man finished second in Random Leg with a 2-3-2 scoreline, said, "[Saturday] we led [Gladstone's] at the last mark [8.5 miles south off Newport Beach], but then they just blew away from us."

Mark Townsend, principal race officer for the big boat course, "They crossed the finish line doing about 20 knots."

Janov and others were pleased with the breeze.

"We love Long Beach," he said, voicing the common theme.

Surber, from Coronado YC down south: "It's the best sailing in Southern California. That's why we come up here."

It was his third title in the regatta, following Boat of the Week honors in 2009 and a Fast 40 victory in 2010.

Janov's crew was from an elite list of area veterans of both genders, including Dave Ullman, his title sponsor tactician, and Doug McLean, bow; Travis Wilson, mast; Michael Bradley, pit; Kelly Buchan, mid-bow; Kaytlin Hall, floater; Andrew Estcourt, spinnaker trimmer; Yumio Dornburg, jib trimmer, and Randy Smith, main sail.

"It was a very nice weekend," Janov said. "The crew work was spectacular, and they like the conditions."



After slow start, Gladstone's cat stalks the Random Leg fleet



Tempress (l.) leads Dark Star in the latter's only loss all weekend



Jim Sears (l.) lost this race to Drew Harper (r.) but won the Vipers ... almost as good as an Emmy



It was a perfect weekend of 7 wins for Larry Spencer's Olson 30

Godwin, whose Temptress finished third overall behind Viva La Vida co-skipped by Jeff Shaw and Bill Durant, said, "We had a good start---there had been some pretty bad ones—but the crew was great, and we had a good tactician in Dave Millett.

"Best of all, the whole weekend was back up to Long Beach weather after a couple of off years."

Co-host LBYC's Team 1 won the regatta's Yacht Club Challenge, combining Current Obsession's victory with a second place to defending champion ABYC in Catalina 37s and Temptress' third place in Farr 40s.

Newport Harbor YC was second, led by Taylor Grant's Columbia 32, eXigent, which also won the Golison & Kent Family Trophy with Grant's brother Larry and son Crosby on board.

Boats of the Day were Spencer's Blue Star on Friday, Janov's Dark Star on Saturday and Kenney's Mor Shenanigans on Sunday.

Team ABYC's chartered Catalina 37 was One-design Boat of the Week, while Steven C. Crooke's J/109, Sugar, was PHRF Boat of the Week.

Class winners

(7 races; no discards)

CATALINA 37 (9 boats)---Team ABYC, Chuck Clay, ABYC, 1-3-4-1-2-4-3, 18 points.

FARR 40 (7)---Dark Star, Jeff Janov, California YC, 1-1-1-1-1-2-1, 8.

J/105 (12)---Current Obsession, Gary Mozer, LBYC, 2-2-2-1-1-3-1, 13.

J/120 (8)---Caper, John Laun, San Diego YC, 1-2-1-1-1, 6.

J/80 (6)---Avet, Curt Johnson, California YC, 3-1-3-1-1-1-1, 11.

OLSON 30 (8)---Blue Star, Larry Spencer, Pacific Corinthian YC, 1-1-1-1-1-1-1, 7.

OPEN 5.70 (21)---Mor Shenanigans, Tracey Kenney, South Coast Corinthian YC, 3-1-5-2-1-1-1, 14.

PHRF-1 (6)---Margaritaville (Custom 52), Jay Steinbeck, Shoreline YC, 1-2-1-1-1-2-2, 10.

PHRF-2 (5)---Derivative (J/125), Mark Surber, Coronado YC, 1-1-1-1-1-1-1, 7.

PHRF-3 (8)---eXigent (Columbia 32), 1-6-1-1-1-4-1, 15.

PHRF-4 (8)---Tie between Lugano (40.7), Mark Stratton, South Bay Yacht Racing Club, 2-1-3-1-1-2-1, 11 (won tiebreaker vs. Rival (J-35), Dick Velthoen/David Boatner, Ventura YC, 1-2-1-2-2-1-2, 8).

PHRF-5 (8)---Sugar (J/109), Steven C. Crooke, LBYC, 1-3-1-1-1-4-1, 12.

VIPER 640 (15)---The F.N.G., James Sears, ABYC, 1-4-1-3-2-2-2, 15.

RANDOM LEG 1 (7)---Gladstone's Long Beach (Morelli ProSail 40 catamaran), John



Gary Mozer successfully defended his J/105 championship



Tracey Kenney won the last three Open 5.70 races in a runaway win

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Sangmeister, California YC, 1-1-1, 3.

RANDOM LEG 2 (5)---Victoire (40.7 monohull), Robert Atkins, LBYC, 1-2-1, 4.

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