



# 2016 Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week Hosted by LBYC and ABYC

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **ULLMAN SAILS LONG BEACH RACE WEEK DELIVERS “BEAUTIFUL DAY ON THE WATER” – BUT A GOOD DAY TO STAY OUT OF THE WATER**

JUNE 25 2016, LONG BEACH, CA - - Shark Week

arrived a day early this year, muscling in on Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week (LBRW) with several great white sharks sighted off the peninsula this morning, prompting a marine safety advisory here. While the juvenile sharks (four to seven feet) fed in the shallows, there was another feeding frenzy going on offshore. On “A” course, the Race Committee was on their toes as nearly four dozen Farr 40s, Fast 50s, J/70s and J/120s converged on the finish line almost at once, in Race Three. It was a testament to the tight racing LBRW is known for, which has drawn sailors from up and down the Pacific Coast for more than 35 years.

In the Fast 50s division *Margaritaville* was outfoxed by Victor Wild's new TP52: they were in first and second place (respectively) at press time, pending a protest.

Competition was equally fierce in the Farr 40 division. *Temptress* was in second place after three races, until she retired due to a crew injury (not critical). Ray Godwin's team expects to return to the course tomorrow, to challenge *Insanity*, who tops the leaderboard.

The J/35 *Rival* remained unrivaled in PHRF B, with five bullets; *Relapse* enjoyed similar results in the Flying Tigers class. In the 16-boat Viper 640 fleet, Jeff Grange's *Venom* dominated, as they vie for the Pacific Coast Championship title. Also racing for Pacific Coast honors are the Schock 35s, with Robert Marcus' *Code Blue* leading the charge.

*Flojito y Cooperando* moved to the top of the leaderboard in J/70s, with all top 10 finishes; five points ahead of second place *Sugoi* – a Corinthian Class boat owned by Chris Raab and Dale Williams.

### **LONG BEACH RACE WEEK**

#### **is sponsored by:**

ULLMAN SAILS  
SWINERTON RENEWABLE  
ENERGY  
NOVAMAR INSURANCE  
DENISON YACHT SALES  
THE BOATHOUSE ON THE BAY  
LEGENDS SPORTS BAR  
AYRES HOTEL SEAL BEACH  
ANCHOR GLOVE CO.  
MOUNT GAY BARBADOS RUM  
US SAILING  
NAPLES RIB COMPANY  
GELSONS SUPER MARKET  
JOY SAILING  
Z BLOK  
PIRATES LAIR  
LONG BEACH PARKS,  
RECREATION & MARINE  
BRAINWARE

Random Leg participants enjoyed a 25-mile jaunt to Platform Eva and back. *Medicine Man* was at the head of "RL A" class, while *Shockwave* and *Gator* tied for first in "B."

In the Catalina 37 Nationals defending champion Dave Hood and his Long Beach Yacht Club Team clung to their lead by one point, holding off challenger Team Alamitos Bay Yacht Club.

Despite the clashes on the race course, competitors agreed on one thing: it was a beautiful day on the water, with cooling southwest breezes in the eight to 12 knot range. Skies were hazy and temperatures sublime – particularly as it grazed 100-degrees inland.

LBRW racing will continue tomorrow, Sunday June 26, for 120 yachts in 14 classes, beginning at 1155AM. Prize-giving will follow at approximately 5PM at Long Beach Yacht Club.

Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week had its origins in 1980 and is a perennial favorite of sailors up and down the coast, thanks to thrilling competition, warm hospitality, and parties that are lively and fun. Ullman Sails LBRW is hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club and Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. For more information and complete results, go to [www.lbrw.org](http://www.lbrw.org), visit Long Beach Race Week on Facebook, and follow online @lbraceweek #UllmanLBRW.

#### SCHEDULE

##### **Sunday June 26**

8:00-11:00am Buzz Barr coffee bar  
11:55am First warning  
5:00pm LBYC Prizegiving

END TEXT

**Media Contact:** Betsy Crowfoot  
805-729-6850 or [betsycrowfoot@gmail.com](mailto:betsycrowfoot@gmail.com)

**Long Beach Yacht Club** is located at 6201 E. Appian Way, Long Beach, CA 90803

**Alamitos Bay Yacht Club** is located at 7201 E. Ocean Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90803

**Boathouse on the Bay** is located at 190 No. Marina Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803

#### **Media Contacts:**

<b>Betsy Crowfoot</b> <b>Press Officer</b> (805) 729-6850 <a href="mailto:betsycrowfoot@gmail.com">betsycrowfoot@gmail.com</a>	<b>Co-Chair</b> <b>ABYC</b> Chuck Clay (562) 884-1569	<b>Co-Chair</b> <b>LBYC</b> Randy Beers (562) 884-8945	<b>Rick Roberts</b> <b>LBYC Waterfront Director</b> (562) 598-9401 <a href="mailto:rroberts@lbyc.org">rroberts@lbyc.org</a>
---	--	---	--