



# The Nevada Yacht Club


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# THE REGATTA

- Special Points of Interest:**
- **Sail Training.**  
postponed until spring 2005
  - **Frostbite Series Race #1 of 3.** Sat. 4 Dec., 10:00 AM @ LMM
  - **Board Meeting.** Tues., 14 Dec. 6:30, Steve Smith's
  - **Frostbite Series Race #3 of 3.** Sat. 18 Dec.
  - **January General Meeting.** Fri., 21 January 2005, West Marine, 7:30 PM
  - **Winter Series Race #1 of 3.** Sun, 23 Jan, 9:00 AM @ LMM
  - **Winter Series Race #2 of 3.** Sun, 13 Feb. 9:00 AM @ LMM

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Contact Sherry Gerner  
 If you'd like to add something to the January newsletter.  
 Deadline is January 5.  
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## COMMODORE'S COLUMN

I would like to start off with a warm welcome to our new members who have recently joined the Nevada Yacht Club. Please join me in welcoming James & Jodi Dollinger, Bob & Joyce Lewis and Gordon Bagley a returning member.

I am sure you will enjoy being part of our club. We have some great socials and races planned for 2005. Whether you're new to the sport of sailing, or an experienced yachtsman, I'm sure you will enjoy the many activities we have scheduled for the year.

For all that attended our Installation Dinner at the Boulder Creek Golf Club, I want to thank you for your support. Everyone seemed to have had a great time. The food was excellent and Ray Vinole entertained us for the evening with some very fine saxophone music.

As your incoming Commodore I would like to mention how honored I am to have earned your confidence in allowing me to help lead the club in the coming year. I can assure you that I will help in whatever way I can to continue our club's mission in encouraging the sport of sailing to all.

Please plan to attend our general meetings held the third Friday of each month at the location announced in our newsletter. Your attendance helps in the camaraderie of all our members.

The Nevada Yacht Club wishes all our members and their families a safe and joyous holiday.

Thank you,

John D'Acunto  
 Your Commodore

Sailing Trivia\*

*The Water Club of Cork in Ireland was the world's first yacht club. It was formed around 1720 but records disappear in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century. It was reestablished as the Cork Yacht Club in 1828 and became The Royal Cork Yacht Club in 1830.*

\*from K-I-S-S Guide to Sailing by Steve Sleight

**From the Fleet Captain ~ Steve Smith**  
**Notice of Race**  
**Nevada Yacht Club Frost Bite Series**



**1. Venue**

Race #1 Saturday Dec. 4th 10 AM

Race #2 Saturday Dec. 11th 10 AM

Race #3 Saturday Dec. 18th 10 AM

Competitors meetings will be held on the patio of Lake Mead Marina.

**2. Rules**

This Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2001-2004 (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of PHRF and the Sailing Instructions (SI).

**3. Eligibility and Classes**

The races are open to all competitors with boats meeting the requirements of the Southern California PHRF by-laws. The classes will be split into Spinnaker A (PHRF 0-149), Spinnaker B (150 and above) and non-spin A (0-149) and non-spin B (150 and above). The rating system to be used for handicapping will be Southern California's PHRF. If you do not have a valid rating certificate from PHRF then see the Fleet Captain for a rating. Ratings will be taken from the Southern California PHRF handicaps. If Southern California PHRF does not have a rating for your specific boat then an average of the available PHRF ratings from all other regions will be used.

**4. Entries**

Entry forms can be filled out on the dock at the competitors' meeting before 10 AM on the day of the race. There is no charge for this series unless the majority of the participants at the first meeting chose to have awards for the series.

**5. Sailing Instructions**

Sailing Instructions for the series will be available at the competitors meeting before each race.

**6. Courses**

The courses to be sailed will be specified in the sailing instructions. In general they are closed courses of the windward/leeward or triangular type unless conditions allow the use of existing marks. Course diagrams will be available before each race.

**7. Scoring**

The Frost Bite Series is scheduled for a minimum of three races. At least one race must be sailed to constitute the series. The series will be scored using the RRS Appendix A Low Point System with the following designations and point assignments:

DSQ and DND = # of starters + 2

DNC and DNS = # of starters +1

DNF, OCS, and RET = # of starters

RDG = depends on the situation

ZEP = 20% penalty

If three races or less are sailed there will be no throw out race. If four or more races are sailed there will be one throw out.

**8. Prizes**

To be determined at first Skippers' meeting.

**9. Other Information**

Lake Mead and the surrounding area is designated a National Recreation Area and as such is subject to the rules and regulations of the National Park Service.

For more information call Steve Smith at 278-4229.

***This a Fun series with everyone invited, if you have never raced before, if you are looking to crew, if you are the fastest sailor ever, you are welcome, come play with us.***

January General Meeting

Friday

21 January 2005

7:30 p.m.

West Marine

252 E. Lake Mead Dr.

Henderson

(702) 567-1166

From the Cruising Captain:

Marcie Armstrong

The Desert Princess Cruise will be set on the 2005 calendar for February 13.

Contact Marcie early for reservations, because we will need to make a deposit.

If interested call or e-mail Marcie Armstrong (702) 896-0113, [marciarm@cox.net](mailto:marciarm@cox.net)

WOMEN'S SAILING CONVENTION

Submitted by Maribeth Clark

Friends,

As the Holidays approach we need to begin our planning for 2005 Women's Sailing Convention. The dates are Friday February 4th - Sunday February 6th.

If you are interested in joining us, or know of someone else who is, please let me know. I will be monitoring the SCYA website over the holidays and will blast a notice out when the reservation form hits the site!

Till then, Smooth Sailing!  
Beth, 702.286.4130

Volunteers Wanted

National Park Service Training Program.

The deck hand class is coming up. This is a good way to get involved as a volunteer and help the community. Contact Dave Armstrong for more information on this. (702) 896-0113, [captaindavid48@aol.com](mailto:captaindavid48@aol.com)

Leukemia Cup April 9 – 10, 2005

Floyd White is still looking for committee members. Volunteers to help with the races. All races will be on Lake Mead. 3 races on Saturday and 2 races on Sunday. There will need to be 5 boats for a race start in any division. Dave Armstrong has hotel rates he will send out. Tina Poulin, Auction Committee Chair, made a plea for auction items. Please contact her if you would like to help. [Tpoulin@jfdi.com](mailto:Tpoulin@jfdi.com) Or 332-9757.

Membership Chairperson

See any Board Member if you are interested in this very important position.

Race Committee

Can always use help with race committee. See Steve Smith, (702) 278-4229, [winsorknot@cox.net](mailto:winsorknot@cox.net)

Sail Training

Postponed until spring 2005.



Linda and Terry Shoemaker at the Savusavu Yacht Club in Fiji.

Thanks for sharing the NYC burgee with the Fijians!



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Happy Holidays!

