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Little Ships Fleet Races May & June

This month and last month are filled with LSFYC racing (LSFYC Offshore Series Race No.1 & Reach to the Beach Race) that has been a part of the club's activities for years. It's always an opportunity for members to get out and exercise their skills and boats. More on this inside...



Racers charging through the start line of the LSFYC Offshore Series Race No. 1

Happy Father's Day to all...

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Vice Commodore's Report Chris Layne



What's up little shippers!

First and foremost I would like to personally thank Scott Scarbrough for his help this past weekend for our Reach to the Beach race. Ginger and I, along with **Lara Arambula**, husband Lou with daughter and PRO **Dick Martin** had an amazing time aboard the *Finley T*!! On behalf of the entire Board of Directors and Flag offi-

cers, thank you Scott for making our race a great success!

With that being said "HEY YOUUU GUYYYYSSS" it's racing season! I encourage each and every one of you to come out and support your club. We are making a big effort to make our after race functions a fun and prosperous event. Come out to the club house, meet the boat crews, and enjoy some food and drinks. It's a lot of fun, and you never know when you might get asked to crew!!! (See page 4 for more).

Lastly, I need everyone to keep their eyes open for emails coming from Little Ships. We are working on some fun events this summer. And as you know we have been throwing some impromptu parties and potlucks such as on May 19 Friday at the shed with Little Shippers bringing snacks and goodies to share. Stay tuned for another one. This is a great way to get together in the yachting community and have some fun!!!

Cheers,

Chris Layne

LSFYC Acting Commodore

Vice Commodore



Rear Commodore Report



Hello Little Shippers!...

The month of May was a busy one for our family outside of LSFYC. The first week we were in Salt Lake City to celebrate our youngest daughter Lucia's graduation from The University of Utah where she majored in Kinesiology and minored in Documentary Film making.

We had a great trip with some extended family. Salt Lake is a beautiful city with so much to do and see. Then we came home, packed and headed out the next week for our first family vacation in years. We spent a few days in Miami and drove down to Key West, the most southern city in the contiguous United States. While there we hopped on a sip 'n sail sunset cruise aboard a large catamaran. It was great to be out on the water and the weather was perfect. Then we set out on a 7 day cruise to the Western Caribbean.

Our ports of call were Cococay in the Bahamas, Cozumel and Costa Maya in Mexico and lastly Roatan, Honduras. We were aboard the Royal Caribbean ship called *Harmony of the Seas*. Built in 2016, it's the 4th largest cruise ship in the world! We had an awesome time! It was smooth sailing and perfect weather the whole week. We got lucky! We kept so busy both on board, where we climbed, surfed, played mini golf and countless trivia games, saw a different show every night and sang our hearts out at the piano bar, and in port where we snorkeled, rented golf carts, zip lined, held a sloth, went ATV riding and rented jet skis. (see photos page 6.)

This cruise did not disappoint and I hope we can plan another one in the near future. Now back to reality and also back to hitting up a few of the events planned for June with LSFYC! Summer is almost here! Enjoy the sunny days ahead everyone.

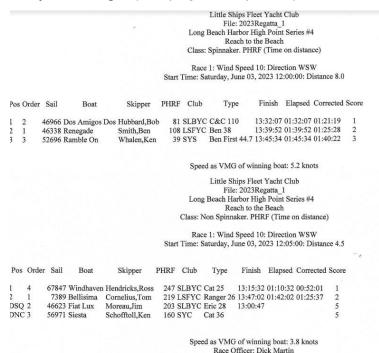
"The fishermen know that the sea is dangerous and the storm terrible, but they have never found these dangers sufficient reason for remaining ashore." -Vincent Van Gogh

Lara Arambula LSFYC Rear Commodore "Carpe Diem"

Fleet Captain Report Chris Layne



This past Saturday June 3 was Long Beach Harbor Hi Point Series race #4 Reach to the Beach hosted by LSFYC. Again thanks to Scott Scarbrough for the use of his boat and to the LSFYC crew aboard. Thanks also to S/C **Tom Cornelius** on Belissima and S/C **Ben Smith** on Renegade as entries. See below for results. The race was followed by a great after race trophy presentation and food fest hosted by yours truly and Ginger (see page 7 for photos).



Last May 13 was the LSFYC Offshore Race No. 1, with S/C **Frank Franco** as Committee boat skipper with PRO **Dick Martin, Bill Ives** and S/C **Roy Queen** as crew. The race was followed by a trophy presentation and the inaugural super tasty food fest prepared by yours truly and Ginger. The 20 mile round trip race took almost 5 hours to complete due to light winds. However, S/C **Ben Smith** on *Renegade* and Bob Hubbard on Dos *Amigos Dos* (SLBYC) stuck to it to the finish with Bob taking 1st Place. The next Offshore Race No. 2 is on **August 5.**

The next LSFYC LBHHP Series # 5 is **July 15** Beat the Heat Race. This is an opportunity for you to volunteer as Committee Boat crew and see what this racing is all about!





I love shells so when I found this red abalone shell I about jumped out of my skin! I felt such joy that it was as if every fiber of my being was smiling. The shell belonged to my Uncle Sam, a deep sea diver.

One day I found myself pulling a very old cardboard box from up high in this dark and musty closet. I took the box home and set it on the kitchen floor along with many other boxes. I was tired from all the work I'd done so off to sleep I went. As I made my morning coffee I pulled some dusty old news papers out of that box. They were heavy and felt like stacked shells. My heart began to race. There was a shell much like this and when I lifted it up this was what I saw! I gasped in shock at how amazing it was! The shell was a host to two other life forms and they grew around it's holes as not to be to much a nuisance to the giant 23-30 year old red abalone.

They lived as one in a sense and in my eyes they tend to compliment one another. This photo doesn't do it justice. It's difficult to believe it sat in the dark unseen for so many years.



FAMILY & VACATION PHOTOS

By Lara Arambula

Photos from Utah graduation, Florida trip and Caribbean Cruise...

















LSFYC RACING & AFTER RACE PHOTOS







Reach to Beach Committee boat crew and entries







After race trophy presentation & food fest with racers discussing the course and the winners: A class and non spin





Served from inside the shed, some of the super tasty dish items prepared by Chris Layne included chicken, beef, rice, beans, salads, burritos, followed by ice cream dessert! A nice change from the usual burgers on the grill and an incentive for the racers to return for the next race!



Race Officer Dick Martin checking that the proper race flags are flying for Reach to the Beach

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2023 LSFYC Bridge

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