



Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week

Long Beach and Alamitos Bay Yacht Clubs
June 27-29, 2014

The West Coast's largest keelboat regatta

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Ullman Sails LBRW \$50 early entry discount ends June 9

LONG BEACH, Calif.

Sixty boat owners who can't wait for summer have already entered Ullman Sails Long Beach Race Week scheduled for June 27-29, not just because they'll each save \$50 for beating the June 9 early entry discount deadline but to secure their places in the West Coast's largest keelboat regatta.

Click for the [regatta website](#) or to [enter online](#).

It's the 35th anniversary of the event, founded by the Long Beach Yacht Club in 1980. An independent sister regatta launched in 1985 by local sailor Bruce Golison and his family, with various sponsorships, raced on consecutive weeks as Long Beach became the center of inshore keelboat racing for Southern California.

When the Golison-led regatta was retired after 20 years in 2004, Long Beach YC elected to partner with the adjacent Alamitos Bay YC to carry on the Race Week tradition in its current and highly successful configuration.

The current namesake title sponsor---Dave Ullman himself---is a regular competitor and world champion in various classes. Several classes recognize Long Beach Race Week as their championship event of the year.

The regatta, which drew 156 boats in 18 classes on three race courses last year, has always featured shoreside revelry after each day's racing. Since the popular introduction of short arbitration settlements many years ago, the post-race activity is minimally interrupted by



**Alamitos Bay Yacht Club
and
Long Beach Yacht Club**
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Snapshots from 2013



tedious protest sessions suffered by other events.

After all, isn't the purpose of sailing to have fun?

That would include racing Catalina 37s, the same boats sailed by the world's best match racers in LBYC's Congressional Cup every year. All 11 have already been taken this year. Each one will be part of a three-boat variety competing for the Yacht Club Challenge Trophy.

For individual boats, the Golison Kent Family Trophy will be awarded to the crew with the most family members on board.

Also at stake:

- Farr 40 West Coast Championship;
- J/24 Western Regional Championship;
- J/70, J/80, J/105, J/109 and J/120 Southern California High Point Series;
- Viper 640 Pacific Coast Championship.

The Vipers have soared from near obscurity and stolen a corner of the show since they were introduced with six boats in 2009. They soared to 25 last year, and there already are 20 this year with a month to go.

Why all the excitement? Race on a Viper in this [video from 2012](#).

Jay Golison, a younger brother of Bruce, and his boat partner-tactician Steve Flam, another local veteran, are the defending Viper 640 champions. It didn't take them long to get the hang of it.

"Our first regatta was [this event] last year," Golison said.

Among the 156 boats, Golison, Flam and their crew were honored as one-design boat of the week after seizing the class victory by one point from a fellow ABYC member, Kevin Taugher.

Golison said, "After sailing Lasers for quite some time and being too small for a full-rig Laser, I wanted to get into a boat where I could be competitive in different breezes, and I also missed the camaraderie of sailing



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with people. That's when Steve and I hooked up.

"We thought it would be a good local boat for racing. There are hiking straps, whereas on the Etchells you lean out. We've really enjoyed it because of our windy venue here. They get up and plane in 10 knots of wind. They're a fun boat to sail."

So much so that it was no trouble for Jay to recruit his wife Jackie and daughter Marissa to fill in on Friday for regular third crew Shane Young, who won't be available the first day.

Golison and Flam also won the class last year at Huntington Lake and were third in the North Americans at Houston. The next NAs will be at ABYC Sept. 3-6.

"We're probably going to have 40 to 45 boats," Golison said. "There are guys coming from New York and Florida ... all the top guys are coming."

They wouldn't miss the racing ... or the parties.

The post-race parties will be Friday night at ABYC and Saturday night at LBYC. The Sunday trophy presentation and party will be at LBYC. A water taxi will offer transportation between the clubs across the bay on all three evenings.

[Early entries](#)

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2013 class winners

(7 races; no discards)

CATALINA 37 (10 boats)---DH3 Racing, David Hood, Long Beach YC, 10-3-1-1-1-4-1, 21.

VIPER 640 (25)---Jay Golison, ABYC, 1-4-1-3-3-1-4, 17.

FARR 40 (7)---Dark Star, Jeff Janov, California YC, 1-1-2-2-1-2-4, 13.

J/109 (7)---Sugar, Steve Croke, Long Beach YC, 2-2-1-1-1-3-2, 12.

J/105 (7)---Current Obsession 2, Gary Mozer, Long Beach YC, 1-1-1-1-1-1-8/DNC, 14.

J/70 (8)---Perseverance, Bennet Greenwald, San Diego YC, 1-1-2-5-1-1-1, 12.

J/80 (6)---Avet, Curt Johnson, California YC, 1-1-2-1-1-1-1, 8.

J/24 (5; sailing only 5 races)---Critter, James Baurley, Santa Monica Windjammers



YC, 6/DNC-6/DNC-1-1-1-2-1, 18.

J/120 (11; sailing only 5 races)---Caper, John Laun, San Diego YC, 12/DNC)-12/DNC-1-1-1-2-2, 31.

OLSON 30 (8)---Blue Star, Larry Spencer, Pacific Corinthian YC, 1-1-2-1-3-1-1, 10.

OPEN 5.70 (12)---Tony Festa, California YC, 2-4-8-1-1-2-1, 19.

PHRF-1 (4)---Double Trouble (J/125), Peter Krueger, St. Francis YC, 1-2-3-1-1-1-2, 11.

PHRF-2 (9)---Soozal (King 40), Daniel Woolery, Dana Point YC, 1-10/DNC-1-1-1-8/-2.8 redress-8/-2.8 redress, 19.6 points.

PHRF-3 (7)---Flyingfiche (1D35), Chris Wacker/Bob Zellmer, Long Beach YC, 2-3-1-1-1-1-5, 14.

PHRF-4 (11)---Rival (J/35), Dick Velthoen/David Boatner, Ventura YC, 1-1-2-2-5-1-2, 14.

RANDOM LEG 1 (8)---Medicine Man (Andrews 63), Bob Lane, LBYC, 4-1-1, 6.

RANDOM LEG 2 (7)---Gator, Thomas Wheatley, ABYC, 1-1-3, 5.

RANDOM LEG 3 (6)---Traveler (Express 37), Jack Mayer, Del Rey YC, 1-1-1, 3.

[Complete results](#)

[Hi-res 2013 photo gallery](#)



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The Ullman Sails group is made up of independently owned lofts that benefit from international collaboration of a network of experienced sailmakers, top designers and elite sailors.



Now even stronger, Ullman Sails recently joined forces with Jannie Reuvers Sails, one of the largest and most technologically advanced sail production facilities in the industry. This move means a bigger and more dynamic Ullman Sails group, adding three lofts in South Africa including a major manufacturing facility and state-of-the-art membrane plant in Cape Town. Jan Reuvers, owner of Jannie Reuvers Sails, also brings a talented team with extensive experience in super yacht and OEM markets. This exciting match means Ullman Sails can provide the same high quality sails and service now backed by more specialized expertise and leading production capabilities.



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falls on a Saturday, June 21, 2014.

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