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### RYC/SSC DELTA DITCH RUN, 6/2

PHRF — 1) **Average White Boat**, Melges 24, Kent Pierce; 2) **Rufless2**, Melges 24, Rufus Sjoberg; 3) **Stewball**, Express 37, Bob Harford. (94 boats)

### MULTIHULL —

1) **Mama Tried**, Open 8.5 tri, Randy Miller. (18 boats)

CRUISING — 1) **Venga**, Alberg 30, Charles Cunningham. (22 boats)

Full results at [www.stocktonsc.org](http://www.stocktonsc.org)

### High Winds Test I-14 Nationals

Twelve International 14 teams, nearly all hailing from less breezy regions than the San Francisco Cityfront, faced three days of high winds against strong ebb, making just finishing a round a victory in the I-14 Nationals, held over Memorial Day Weekend, May 26-28, at St. Francis YC.

Terence Gleeson and J.P. Barnes of Southwestern Yacht Club in San Diego took first overall in eight rounds of racing. San Diego YC's Brad Ruetenik and Garrett Brown had firsts in five races but suffered an injury and ultimately finished second overall.

Racing commenced Saturday morning with two windward/leeward and reaching legs set northwest of Alcatraz Island. It quickly became clear that the fleet was widely diverse in terms of skill and comfort with the Bay's waves and current; however even the slower boats managed to stay upright as the wind built steadily into the afternoon. Then the fleet set out on the distance race, a 16-mile Bay tour including seven reaches across the Central Bay and back. Conditions got steadily tougher as the race progressed. Only three boats

### Berger/Stein Race #5 start off Catalina Island's Eagle Rock on June 10.

recorded finishes and each of them cap-sized at least once.

"The toughest day by far was the first day. We had two races on the north side of the Bay and then we did our class-required distance race," said Gleeson, "The wind came up and the course was set for a number of long reaches. Those can be very taxing on the crew, but we managed to hang on and won that race with only two other boats finishing behind us." Gleeson and Barnes finished with a course time of 2:12, spending a total of six hours racing on the first day.

"That really taxed us for Day 2, but we kept pressing through it. My crew J.P. Barnes was hanging tough and did a fantastic job," said Gleeson.

On Sunday and Monday, the fleet opted for the more common windward/leeward format, so the course was set up along the Cityfront. A big breeze filled in by afternoon, and most of the competitors spent considerable time righting their boats and were thoroughly exhausted. After two races in winds building to the high teens and choppy waves kicked up by a strong ebb, racing ended early with no complaints as "AP over A" was hoisted on the signal boat and the fleet headed for the club.

With similar conditions forecast for Monday, racing started an hour earlier than originally planned to catch more

flood current and the lighter morning breeze. The plan worked, and the fleet enjoyed three perfect windward/leeward two-lap races along the Cityfront. The combination of flat water, moderate winds and more experienced sailors saw max hiking up-

wind and high-speed planing with very few mishaps on the downwind legs.

Said Gleeson: "We did our best sailing on Day 3 when it mattered most and just absolutely loved sailing on the Cityfront course in what turned out to be champagne conditions."

Several fleet trophies were awarded Monday afternoon, including the Laflin/Arens Trophy, for the best finisher with a combined age of skipper and crew over 100 years old. It went to Rand Arnold and Gary Gremaux.

Katie Love-Gilmour and Daniel Roberts won the First Female Skipper Trophy and the Avenger's Trophy for the Best Finish with an Old Boat.

Terry Gleeson and J.P. Barnes, as winners of the Long-Distance Race, took home the President's Trophy, as well as the Founders' Trophy as the 2018 national champions.

— amanda witherell

### I-14 US NATIONALS, StFYC, 5/26-28 (8r, 1t)

1) Terence Gleeson/J.P. Barnes, SWYC, 13 points; 2) Brad Ruetenik/Garrett Brown, SDYC, 25; 3) Chad & Philipp Berner, 29. (11 boats)

Full results at [www.stfyc.com](http://www.stfyc.com)

### **39 Boats in Cat Harbor Layover**

On the weekend of June 9-10, Del Rey YC held its annual Cat Harbor layover race. This is a two-race event: The boats sail over from Marina del Rey to the backside of Catalina Island on Saturday

Full results at [www.calyachtclub.com](http://www.calyachtclub.com)

### MERCURY NORCAL SERIES, EYC (20r, 5t)

1) **Axon**, Doug Baird, 37 points; 2) **Fortran**, John Ravizza, 41; 3) **Stars**, Jim & Kathy Bradley, 44. (14 boats)

Full results at [www.encinal.org](http://www.encinal.org)

### HYDROFOIL PRO TOUR, StFYC, 6/7-10 (16r, 3t)

1) Nico Parlier, FRA, 20 points; 2) Johnny Heineken, USA, 24; 3) Guy Bridge, GBR, 26; 4) Titouan Galea, FRA, 60; 5) Connor Bainbridge, GBR, 60; 6) Joey Pasquali, USA, 92; 7) Florian Gruber, GER, 97; 8) Will Cyr, USA, 101; 9) Kai

## THE BOX SCORES

Calder, USA, 120; 10) Jean de Falbaire, MRI, 128. (50 boards)

GRAND MASTER — 1) William Morris, CAN, 187; 2) Amil Kabil, USA, 250; 3) Chip Wasson, USA, 281. (9 boards)

MASTER — 1) Nico Landauer, URU, 136.1; 2) Stefaans Viljoen, USA, 183; 3) Gabriel Wicke, GER, 234. (5 boards)

JUNIOR — 1) Daniela Moroz, USA, 136; 2) Toni Vodisek, SLO, 137; 3) Scott Whitehead,

AUS, 259. (3 boards)

YOUTH — 1) Guy Bridge. (1 board)

FEMALE — 1) Daniela Moroz; 2) Erika Heineken, USA, 354; 3) Kirstyn O'Brien, USA, 540. (4 boards)

### StFYC SF BAY CHALLENGE, 6/9

HYDROFOIL KITE — 1) Nico Parlier; 2) Titouan Galea; 3) Kai Calder. (33 boards)

WINDSURF — 1) Xavier Ferlet. (8 boards)

Full results at [www.stfyc.com](http://www.stfyc.com)

### EL TORO SR NATIONALS, 6/15-17 (5r, 1t)

1) Patrick Tara, 8 points; 2) Gordie Nash, 10; 3) Nick Nash, 11. (14 boats)