



## RIPS TIDINGS

DAY THREE MONDAY August 17, 2009

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### DIVISION 1 -- Joyride

An interesting day indeed.....particularly Race 1! The only race I have ever experience in which I intentionally sailed past the port side of the weather mark and came back downwind just to get around the mark in such huge current. Swish went deep into the vineyard bay to escape the current and were looking very good until we realized they were anchoring to take a break at the vineyard. After the leeward mark, we followed Bumpercar into the point and they showed us where the rock is...ouch. Yet, somehow, PeePee managed to walk on water and sail right over it.

Cheers to all for another great day of one-design racing!

### Division 2 – Mystik

Day three and things are improving on Mystik!

New boat and new "all Canadian crew and one separatist"! Italian, German, French, Spanish and Irish spoken on board. We are slowly perfecting our "Esperanto" and getting our signals straight. Thing are really falling into place, our very fit crewmember "Karin" was spared a third trip up the mast today, unlike the last two days.

Race 1 was a killer at the windward mark. There was a distinct lack of oxygen which encouraged ever increasing erratic behavior in a circular motion.

Between races, some provocative, "guy on guy sunscreen application", was observed on Green Bladder, by RF. (not that there is anything wrong with that).

Race 2 Smooth sailing and thanks to master Yoda for showing us the way.

We were all geared up for a third race, full sails and bundles of enthusiasm, when the AP flag took all the fun out of it.

We already for tomorrow, by Thursday we will be unbeatable.

Thanks to our dedicated and patient crew.



### Division 3 – Dirty Dog

It's all about the party!

The morning started off father early for the Martin Fleet, at least it felt so on the heels of a great 242 party courtesy of Maptown.com. Festivities included some smooth guitar playing by 242 guest tactician Simon preceded by a one man skinny dip with not enough H2O and followed by a spontaneous floor show courtesy of the "Wicked Crew". Arrival at the boats found hooligans had been out modifying boat names including Blaader, Dog Style, and Funky Town.

Out on the race course, the crews on some of the back rankers were seriously considering stepping off for some rock climbing while the second race was spot on with a tighter finish for all.

Past Martin Master, Alex Foley, had height and unfathomable speed today as he flew above the whole fleet in his plane.

### DIVISION 4 – NO REPORT

