



The Smoke Signal

Victoria Thunderbird Fleet Four

June 4, 2008



Fleet Champions Regatta Sunday June 15, 2008 Cadboro Bay

It is that special time of year again when we compete to see who will be the strongest bird in the fleet. Fleet #4 has three International champions, Duncan Stamper/Keith Provan, Vidas Stukas, and Bob Britten; and there are many who would like to take the trophy home to their nest and prove they are top bird. Can Scooter defend? Will Owl or Hocus stage a comeback? Or is there some other magic? Test your skill on June 15, 2008 on Cadboro Bay. Racing starts at 10 am with an objective of 5 races so don't forget to pack a lunch.

Contact John Edwards for more information: 519-0244
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Fleet Champions Regatta

Sunday June 15, 2008

Skipper's Meeting: 9:00 am
Start Time: 10:00 am

Fleet Champs BBQ Saturday June 14

Fleet #4 will hold its Fleets BBQ on Saturday June 14 at the Stukas' house at 1536 Vining Street Victoria.

All Fleet #4 members are welcome to the BBQ. Bring your own MEAT and Fleet #4 will provide salad, potatoes and dessert to accompany. Strawberry Short Cake by June.

Rendezvous at the Stukas' at 6:00 pm. Please bring your own plate, cutlery and glasses. This makes cleanup easy for everyone.



Wednesday Night Racing

The first series of Wednesday night races now complete. It has been a challenging series with many nights blowing nearly 20 knots and gusty conditions. John Booth was the over all champion for PHRF3. Click here to link to [results](#).

We had four T-birds out in total for series one - Leprechaun , Scooter, Cool Breeze and Sirocco If we get 5 t-birds out for a series we will be awarded our own prizes for the series.



Racing starts at 6:20 on Wednesday nights. Don't forget that every time you ride your bicycle to Wednesday racing you are eligible for a prize.

| Race Calendar | |
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| Wednesday June 11 | Wed PM B-2 |
| Sunday - Jun 15 | Thunderbird Fleet Champs |
| Wednesday June 18 | Wed PM B-3 |
| Wednesday June 25 | Wed PM B-4 |
| Wednesday July 2 | Wed PM B-5 |

Fledgling Member

The executive are pleased to welcome Ian Gable to Fleet #4. Ian brings new enthusiasm to the fleet and he is busy sprucing up Seahawk (1132). Please make Ian and Gabrielle welcome. Why not come to the BBQ and meet them in person.



50th Anniversary Celebration of the Thunderbird Sailboat 1958 - 2008

August 1 - 3 2008
Gig Harbor, Washington
Home of the Thunderbird

Join Fleet No. 1 and the Harbour History Museum in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Thunderbird

[Click here for the Registration Form \(pdf\)](#)

For information: Call Gary Davis, 360.692.1437

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2008 Thunderbird Fleet Four Executive

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Thunderbird Fleet Four Championship Regatta

June 15 2008

Notice of Race

- **Rules** – The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the respective class rules for eligible classes and by the sailing instructions (SI).
- **Eligibility** – "I.T.C.A. GOLD SEAL" for Thunderbirds Star Class Association Rules. Skippers shall be voting members of their class association. Each yacht required to carry minimum \$500,000.00 CDN third party insurance coverage.
- **Entry Fee** – \$10 / Thunderbird
- **Schedule of Events:**

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| 0830 Sunday | Registration, RVYC foreshore – forms & SI made available |
| 0900 Sunday | Skipper's Meeting, RVYC foreshore |
| 1000 Sunday | Racing warning signal, subsequent races to follow |
| 1800 Saturday | BBQ at Stukas' 1536 Vining Street. (BYO meat & drink, fleet to provide buns & salad, strawberry shortcake by June) |
- **Scoring** – LOW POINT scoring system. A minimum of three races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- **Prizes** – 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes awarded to Thunderbirds following last race on Sunday.

