

GEORGE DORNIS APPRECIATION DAY

The Helmsmen MYC declared October 10th to be George Dornis Appreciation Day, and hosted a gathering at El Dorado Park in Long Beach, California, to honor George for his contributions to model yachting. George has been a member of the club and a true friend of the Helmsmen skippers for many years. In addition to the Helmsmen, a like number of skippers from the Orange County Model Sailing Club in Irvine, where George also sails, came up to participate.

After carefully preserving the secret from him for several weeks, George's wife Ruby and several of his relatives brought him to the pond, where he was surprised to find over two dozen skippers awaiting his arrival. Helmsmen Commodore Hugh Richards welcomed George and explained why the group was assembled. Past Commodore Don Dixon then presented George with a plaque expressing everyone's appreciation, and Vice Commodore Bill Herrera presented him with an embroidered jacket.

Following the presentations, a fun sail regatta was held featuring George's boats – Soling One Meters and V32s. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate to the extent desired, with high temperatures and light, shifting breezes, and the sailing was lackluster and slow, necessitating reducing the planned number of heats from six per class to four each. However, the sailing was secondary to the main reason for the event, and everyone was happy to be able to turn out to show our gratitude to George, and to wish him well.

As the purpose of the event was a tribute to George, no trophies or prizes were awarded, and everyone sailed solely for fun and "bragging rights". Other than Chris Hansen, who competed in both classes, the skippers were divided into the locals for the Soling One Meters and the Orange County visitors for the V32s. The day's results are shown in the charts below.

Photos courtesy of Hugh Richards and Dennis Sharp.....Thank you for the photos, Skippers!

SOLING ONE METER RESULTS

Pos.	Name	Sail #	1	2	3	4	Total
1	Bob Richmond	931	0.75	3	2	3	8.75
2	Eric Conn	2222	6	0.75	3	4	13.75
3	Mike Schachter	70	4	5	7	0.75	16.75
4	Bob Patterson	61	3	2	6	6	17
5	Don Broker	921	2	12	5	2	21
6	Don Dixon	1982	11	8	0.75	5	24.75
7	Dennis Sharp	46	14	4	4	8	30
8	John McAleer	1686	7	6	8	10	31
9	John Brennan	2326	13	7	9	7	36
10	Don Marshall	94	5	9	11	11	36
11	Hugh Richards	245	8	11	12	9	40
12	Chris Hansen	88	10	10	10	12	42
13	Dean Maurry	2293	9	15	13	13	50
14	Tom Watson	26	12	15	17	17	61

V32 Results

Pos.	Name	Sail #	1	2	3	4	Total
1	Don Frakes	4358	3	3	0.75	0.75	7.5
2	Pete Kruse	4642	2	6	2	2	12
3	Bill Ostic	6011	7	9	3	5	24
4	Dave Endert	2776	9	10	6		25
5	Rick DeShane	5934	4	12	4	8	28
6	Herb Trumpoldt	5745	13	5	5	6	29
7	Don Richtenburg	6013	6	13	8	4	31
8	Fred Bock	5094	0.75	4	15	15	34.75
9	Bert Hawkins	865	10	11	7	7	35
10	Chris Hansen	04	5	2	15	15	37
11	Larry Kroenig	4727	11	8	9	9	37
12	Davd Radell	4831	12	0.75	15	15	42.75
13	Glenn Krumbine	964	8	7	15	15	45

