

58th Annual Bullship Race April 30, 2011

The day began as predicted with moderate northerly winds and ended with moderate easterlies, not as predicted and earlier than forecast offshore breezes. Skippers enjoyed once again the hospitality of Sausalito Yacht Club, our launching point.

Thirty-four Toros signed on and thirty-two started under the watchful eye of Grand Admiral John Amen, with the safety checkin provided by Gary Hartsock and Peggy Darnall, as ever. Cowships aplenty, under Cowship Admiral John Fraser, had a largely uneventful day.

After a fair start the fleet split into two divisions: one sailing above the finish line, and the rest sailing at or below the finish line. The winners went above the line. The at-or-below skippers were saved from ignominy by the unexpected early offshore easterlies. First skipper in finished in 46 minutes, one minute later than the record.

Admiral John Fraser received the Cowship Award, and Registrar Paul Flowerman the Founders' Award.

The order of finishes, with awards won, is as follows:

Place	Sail No.	Skipper	Club	Other Awards	Prior Wins
1	11816	John Liebenberg	RYC		
2	11676	Will Paxton	RYC		1
3	11918	James Savatone	SCYC	First Woody	
4	11783	Art Lange	HPSC/FSC		1
5	11868	Paul Zander	HPSC		
6	11800	Dennis Silva	LMSC	First LMSC	3
7	11371	Ed Patterson	HPSC		
8	11820	Max Fraser	SCYC/RYC		1
9	11914	Hill "Buzz" Blackett	RYC		
10	11791	Mark Miller	HPSC		
11	11710	Charles Barthrop	SkiffSF		
12	11820	John Pacholski	HPSC		
13	3899	Duncan Carter	LMSC	El Viejo	
14	11708	Tony Su	HPSC	First Maiden	
15	11714	Vickie Gilmour	RYC/LMSC	First Woman	1
16	11298	Nelda Osborne	--		
17	10371	Frank Healy	LMSC (NS)	First Clyde	
18	11666	John Amen	RYC/LMSC		1
19	11792	Christophe Caron	FSC		
20	10590	Mark Marlett	LMSC		
21	6284	Sherry Smith	--		
22	11767	Skip Shapiro	RYC		1
23	11760	Chris Straub	RYC		1
24	10072	John Russell	--		
25	11391	Bob Hrubes	SOBYC		
26	11353	John Marlett	LMSC/SCYC		
27	10452	Christine Neville	--		
28	11552	Ryan Nelson	--		
29	11649	Fred Paxton	RYC		
30	11505	Chris Nash	RYC		
31	2957	Ronald Simpson	--		
32	11746	Bruce Bradfute DNF	RYC		
33	11410	Pete Blasberg DNS	FSC		
34	237	Ron Romaine DNS	--		