

Pacific Coast Championship  
Mission Bay Yacht Club (MBYC) – Fleet 194  
San Diego, California  
November 19–20, 1026

Pos	Sail#	Skipper	Crew	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
1	15456	Bob Martin		1	1	1	(2)	1	1	5
2	15530	Joel Humphrey	Molly Hopkins and Mark Allen	2	4	3	(7)	3	2	14
3	13742	Larry Schmitz		3	3	2	3	(4)	4	15
4	15475	Coppens, Jeff		4	2	4	(5)	2	5	17
5	15282	Steve Ross		(7)	6	6	1	5	3	21
6	13938	Merlin Green		6	7	(9)	4	6	6	29
7	14233	Jerry Neuburger		5	5	5	(10 DNC)	10 DNC	10 DNC	35
8	15213	Bill Lane		(9)	8	8	6	8	7	37
9	7606	Howard Macken		8	9	7	8	7	(10 DNC)	39

For the first time in several years, the Pacific Coast Championship was raced at Mission Bay Yacht Club (MBYC). This event has had some very notable past winners: Carl Eichenlaub, Lowell North and current Lightning sailors Jeff Coppens and Howard Macken.

Saturday’s conditions were perfect. 8-10 knots of breeze, sunny skies and warm temperatures. And we essentially had the entire Bay all to ourselves. The day’s racing concluded with a Lightning dinner on the MBYC patio. Everyone barbequed their own meat and Fleet 194 provided salads, bread and desert. And the bar was open so that people could enjoy MBYC’s famous Mai Tais. It was a great time of socializing and many remarked that it was just a perfect day. Racing continued on Sunday, with lighter, shiftier winds. We even had a few rain drops (yes, it does happen in San Diego). The day concluded with trophies, which included free turkeys for skippers and crews of the top three finishers!

Special thanks to the boats and crews that traveled to this regatta: Jerry Neuburger (Vancouver, WA), Joel Humphrey (Phoenix, AZ) and Jeff Coppens (Las Vegas, NV). And many thanks to North Sails for their support of this event as well.



Champions: Team Martin



Runner-Ups: Team Humphrey



2nd Runner-ups: Team Schmitz

