

Blaine Dodds Racing Clinic

Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club and Beach

Clinic June 30 to July 1, 2016

Notice of Clinic

(Followed by a 3-Day Monterey Bay Regatta)

Enrollment

Open to Division 3 prior to March 1st, after which Open Enrollment commences and all Divisions may enter. 16 teams total may sail for the duration of the 2-day Clinic.

Invited to Clinic

Hobie 16s' are invited to the event (other boats may be considered). Please refer to Blaine's extensive Resume starting in the middle page 2 of this Notice.

Itinerary

The Clinic will be tailored to the group with on the water coaching and on land chalk talks and discussion. Expect full 9am to 6pm days and all are encouraged to debrief and mingle together after coaching each day. An evening meal will be planned at a local restaurant, the cost to be covered by individual teams and not by registration fees.

Accommodations

-The Monterey Bay Lodge: Located across the street from beach and boats at
55 Camino Aquajito
Monterey CA 93940
United States

Average Pricing:

\$196/night for 2 Queens single room

\$156/night for 1 Queen single room

\$176/night for 1 King single room

-RV camping is available at the Monterey County Fair Grounds.

Please note that numerous other hotels and accommodations are also available within the city.

Docking and Parking

Usual Monterey State Beach and parking situation will be in effect. The parking lot is situated next to the beach side where we launch. Trailers are rolled onto beachfront from parking lot located near Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club. You may leave your trailers on the beach. *Please refer to the **map** on the last page of this Notice.* You will need to pay for parking each day, and we are allowed to park cars in the locations indicated.

Registration Information

Lead Coordinator: Paul Hess

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Co-Coordinator: Sarah Kraft

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Instructions: Email (to Lead Coordinator) Name, Crew, Boat Type & Division to register. First come first serve based on priority, spot secured once both information AND check reaches Kim Zimmer at address below. For further question please contact Paul Hess or Sarah Kraft.

Checks Payable to:

Hobie Division 3

Send to:

Attn: Kim Zimmer

719 Oranewood Dr.

Fremont, CA 94536

United States

Cost: \$280/team for 2 total of days

Hobie Autobiography: A Personal Note from Blaine Dodds

I was born and raised on the East Cape Coast of South Africa.

My father purchased a Hobie 14 in the 1970's. This was an era of surf, sailing, sun and just having fun.

I remember sailing out through huge waves and surfing them in again. If you did not master the art of boat handling very quickly, you were bound to break a mast.

During my teen years I started competitive racing, there was a very strong Hobie 14 fleet. I grew accustomed to sailing in adverse weather conditions with high winds and big seas, chop and currents.

I was fortunate at this time to sail almost every Saturday and Sunday, giving me an excellent grounding for my racing career later on.

In 1978 I joined the SA navy, based in Cape Town. They were very lenient and gave me time off to follow my Hobie dreams. Those were the years that I started racing Hobie 16's with Shaun Ferry as my crew.

I started competing internationally and got a taste of the real Hobie way of life, meeting up with friends at exotic places and generally having fun on and off the water.

In Virgin Islands and Tahiti, we achieved two 2nd positions. Shaun and I were very satisfied and encouraged with these results.

After completing my Navy training I moved to Plettenberg Bay and joined my parents business. I married the love of my life "June" and started my family.

From 1990 – 2002 Steve Arnold was my crew. We honed our skills together and competed successfully all over the world in the Hobie 16's.

We attended 9 World events achieving a 1st, two 2^{nd's} and the remainder under 10th position.

When my daughter Roxanne turned 13 yrs old she became my permanent Hobie 16 crew and she still is today.

Together we won numerous Hobie 16 SA Nationals, competed in four World Championships and excelled mainly in the Masters Category obtaining two 1^{st's} & two 2^{nds}. This was a very special time of my life as it afforded me time to bond with my young daughter.

In 2004 I started sailing Hobie Tigers with my son Peter. Winning eight SA Nationals, competing in four World Championships and placing 2nd, 3rd and 9th in the process. We also enjoyed competing in International Raids winning all of them so far. It has been a privilege to share these special times with my son as I had done with my daughter.

During the last 45 years of sailing competitively, I am very thankful to my various crews for their friendship, fun and hard work during all these events. Namely Shaun Ferry, Steve Arnold, my daughter Roxanne and son Peter and especially my lovely wife June, the Pit crew for support keeping the family together, seeing to meals and of course the beers.

SA Hobie 14 Nationals 1st x 13 times

SA Hobie 16 Nationals 1st x 18 times

SA Hobie Tiger Nationals 1st x 9 times

Podium Positions in Worlds

<u>CATEGORIES</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>	<u>PODIUM POSITIONS</u>	<u>MASTER POSITIONS</u>
Hobie 14	5	1, 2	
Hobie 16	13	1, 2, 2, 2, 2	1,1 & 2, 2
Hobie Tiger	4	2, 3	

