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44th ANNUAL CAMELLIA CUP RESULTS

El Dorado Hills, CALIF. (April 11, 2010) – Paktun Shah of Carmel, Calif., sailed his Raven the best of 38 boats to win the 44th Annual Camellia Cup on Folsom Lake, today.

Anticipating heavy winds, the Folsom Lake Yacht Club ran four of the Cup's five planned races on Saturday in moderate breezes. The club was forced to abandon the final race on Sunday, due to winds that were gusting to 40 mph. However, four races were all Shah needed, with three first and one second place finishes, to win the Open Centerboard class and Camellia Cup regatta perpetual trophies.

Following the race, Shah said he considers the Camellia Cup to be one of the best run and most challenging regattas that he has sailed, crediting the difficult sailing conditions and high quality of competition as setting the annual Sacramento-area classic apart from other regattas. This is the second consecutive year that a Raven, a 50-year-old class, has won the regatta.

Top Keelboat in the regatta was won by a Santana 20 captained by Jason Crowson of El Dorado Hills who also won the Santana 20 class. Additional awards went to Craig Lee of El Dorado Hills for winning the Banshee class, to Mike Gillum of Loomis for winning the Day Sailer class, to Don Hare of Roseville for sailing the top Catalina 22 and to Scott Hefty of Carmichael as winning Cruiser.

Open Centerboard

1. Paktun Shah, Carmel, Raven, 5 points
2. Wade Hough, Palmero, Raven, 8 points
3. Dan Clark, Sacramento, Thistle, 16 points
4. Mark Dawson, Sacramento, Lido 14, 17 points
5. Mike Arrow, Brentwood, Thistle, 17 points
6. George Koch, Carmichael, Lido 14, 21 points
7. Bruce Ryhal, Granite Bay, International 14, 32 points

Catalina 22

1. Don Hare, Roseville, 8 points
2. Michael Rayfuse, Sacramento, 8 points
3. Dave Strain, El Dorado Hills, 13 points
4. Francis Samson, Fresno, 17 points
5. Steve Fargo, El Dorado Hills, 19 points
6. Lynn Buchanan, Nevada City, 19 points

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Day Sailer

1. Mike Gillum, Loomis, 6 points
2. Dave Keran, Fresno, 11 points
3. Dean Iwahashi, Fresno, 11 points
4. Steve Lowery, Santa Rosa, 15 points
5. Bill Fiock, Freemont, 20 points
6. Greg Adams, Redding, 21 points

Santana 20 (4 boats)

1. Jason Crowson, El Dorado Hills, 6 points
2. Todd Craig, Folsom, 11 points
3. Mark Erdrich, Elk Grove, 11 points
4. Adam Mazukiewicz, Tuolumne, 14 points
5. Charlie Wilson, Sacramento, 19 points
6. Nathan Duff, Georgetown, 26 points
7. Jarian Westfall, Sacramento, 28 points
8. Mark Werder, Folsom, 29 points

Cruiser

1. Scott Hefty, Carmichael, Catalina 25, 4 points

Banshee

1. Craig Lee, El Dorado Hills, 11 points
2. Charles Witcher, Sacramento, 13 points
3. Jerry Beaver, Elk Grove, 14 points
4. Pat Seidel, Granite Bay, 14 points
5. Bob Carl, Davis, 22 points
6. Tim Loomis, Fairfield, 23 points
7. Kerry Johnson, El Dorado Hills, 24 points
8. Bob Backer, El Dorado Hills, 26 points
9. Mack Bishop, Folsom, 35 points
10. Rob Cram, Roseville, 39 points

The Folsom Lake Yacht Club was established in 1957 and is located at Brown's Ravine on Folsom Lake (Green Valley Road). It conducts sailboat racing, instructional (adult, women, youth) programs, cruises and social events. More about the club is found at www.flyc.org.