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Timothy O'Donnell, onboard the USS Hornet, is a relative newcomer to triathlon competitions.

World-Class Tri Guy

Ensign Makes Waves from Oakland

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Timothy O'Donnell walks into di Bartolo's Café in Jack London Square looking much like any other grad student on a sunny summer day in Oakland, wearing jeans, a tan Polo and flip-flops. A bit more clean-cut than the other kids attending the University of California at Berkeley, perhaps, but

other than that, you wouldn't know that he's an ensign in the U.S. Navy, or a world-class triathlete.

But less than a year removed from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, and in his first year studying ocean engineering at Berkeley through a special Navy graduate program, the 23 year ▶