

# SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2004



## FROM OUR COMMODORE DAVID SELVY



Hello & Happy New Year! The Lighted Boat Parade was a fun affair with a fair representation from Sportsmen and even a **Santa and Mrs. Claus** on **Jackie & Ken's** "Brandywine." It

was fun until on the return trip the sky opened up and the promised rain came and stayed long enough to make all the decorations sopping wet as well as **Santa and Mrs. Claus** who were visiting onboard. Ask me how I know...tell you later.

**Jim & Terry Arnold** brought his sail boat "Make Believe" in and was joined by **Carl & Pam Hamilton's** "Katrina."

The **Rear Commodore Darlene Dawson** appeared on scene with a severe cold and spent the cruise aboard "After Midnight" with her retinue of Club members, **Commodore Lonnie Gibson and wife Alice** and their son-in-law, **Robert**, and **Dave Davidson**. The long awaited appearance of "Miwok" with Captain **Keith Hammer** and his lovely wife, Club Historian **Kathie** and **Treasurer Freda Lucido** and husband **Don** aboard, was made and they made

the entire trip with the some 25+ boats to Humphrey's and back.

Escorted by **Bob McLean** and **Pat** in "Meandher" to home the next morning, was "Morning Mist" and her proud new owners **Carl & Elaine Rasmussen**. She is a beautiful Californian trawler, sister ship to "Miss Fitz" and "Brandywine," only she has a beautiful *Blue* color scheme!! A welcome christening was held and the rest of the week was spent with them shuttling the stuff to make life aboard more comfortable, between "Lazy Days," their other boat, and Morning Mist." Anybody interested in a nice boat, should contact Carl and discuss the merits of owning "Lazy Days."

**Santa's** visit replete with children running all over the ferry was a fun affair and our very own, "**Miss Kathie**" **Hammer**, kept all the little ones busy singing Christmas carols in preparation for the great bearded Master of Ceremonies. A wonderful evening tinkled with laughter and squeals as the little kids met their long anticipated guest. *Thanks for all the help, Kathie. And thanks to our very own Santa & Mrs. Claus* for traveling so far on such a dark and stormy night to bring such happiness to children at our Club.

The New Year is beginning with a Party hosted by out-going **Commodore Lonnie Gibson** and First Mate **Alice** at the Club, complete with special guests and surprises enough to make memories for all that will last for many years to come... and then again, enough to forget. It will promise to be fun.

We will be having the "Commodore's Night Gala" Installation of Officers and Dinner/Dance at the Ferry January 10th and reservations must be in, with payment, to **Elaine Rasmussen** or **Audrey Coach** by January 3rd. See you there!

There are "Special Rates" for Sportsmen YC guests who ask for them at Comfort Suites next to the Bridge on Bridgehead Road (behind Shell); \$79/king and \$89/2-queen size. So, instead of driving, stay safe there and come back to **Kathy's Galley** for Breakfast Sunday morning.

We are planning a terrific *Super Bowl Party* at the Ferry on Sunday the 25th of January with several TVs and finger food, potluck snack foods and your "special" recipe hot plates. There will be a ham to carve for sandwiches and all the trimmings. So break out your favorite snack or casserole and come and root your team on to victory with your

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## SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

### January

2 Club Meeting  
10 Installation Dinner  
25 Super Bowl Party

### February

6 Club Meeting  
7 Work Party  
14 Crab Feed  
28 Cruise-Out to Ebony Boat Club with Caliente & Driftwood YCs

### March

5 Club Meeting  
6 Work Party  
13 St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Martinez YC Cruise-In

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## FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE DARLENE DAWSON



Blustery weather, 20 gorgeous boats, and crowds of enthusiastic spectators, made this 15<sup>th</sup> Parade of Lighted Boats a memorable occasion. The parade was led by

Parade Marshall Chris Lauritzen, on the Contra Costa County Marine Patrol Boat. Chris has been a supporting participant of this event from its inception.

A big *thank you* to all of the following sponsors: **Behind the Scenes, Bridgehead Dry Dock, Casino Specialty Shops, Driftwood Marina, Lloyd's Holiday Harbor, River Marine Repair, and Worrell's Automotive.**

Also thanks to the seven boats from Sportsmen who started, participated, and finished the event under their own power:

Aloha-Sportsmen's guest, Richard Sutton  
Brandywine-Ken Corippo & Jackie Steele  
Eddie Drew - Jim & Darlene Dawson  
Four of a Kind - Chris & Nancy Yarbrough and Bob & Cindy Art  
Katrina - Carl & Pam Hamilton  
Make Believe - Jim & Terri Arnold  
Miwok - Keith & Kathie Hammer

Special thanks to my mentor "Kangaroo." Judging the boats were **Antioch Councilman Arnie**

**Simenson, Fred Goodwin** (member of Bridge Marina YC), **Thomas West** (owner of Antioch's Dragon's Lair), and **Richard Paulson** (member of Driftwood YC). **Georgine Schunk** and **Jane Parsons** chaired the parade. **Driftwood YC** hosted this year's event. *A special thanks to all who made our parade a success.* Thanks also to **Lonnie** for allowing me to represent Sportsmen in this "De-Liteful" event.

Winners were:

Best of Show Jim LaFond, BMYC

Over 35 feet

1st Place: Bill Price & Linda McDaniel, DYC

2nd Place: Pat & Chung Burke, BMYC

Under 35 feet

1st Place: Nick Rassushin, BMYC

2nd Place.: Keith & Kathie Hammer, SYC

Judges' First Award

Chris & Nancy Yarbrough  
and Bob & Cindy Art, SYC

Sail Boat Award

Jim & Terry Arnold, SYC

And now for some other news:

**The seawall is done!** Many thanks to all who worked so diligently on this monumental project.

To say 2003 was a busy year is an understatement. Just to name a few of our major projects, we saw the completion of Dredging Phase I, the Seawall, negotiations for a new fence, and financing and ground-breaking for a

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## January Happy Birthday Wishes



Jan 03 Richard Mello  
Jan 04 Jan Harrington  
Jan 05 Alma Wood  
Jan 09 Jerry Calhoun  
Jan 10 Carl Rasmussen  
Jan 10 Ray Murphy  
Jan 13 Ismael Ramirez  
Jan 14 Thom Dias  
Jan 15 Barbara Russo  
Jan 16 Darrell Lackey  
Jan 16 Don Lucido  
Jan 17 Borise Larson  
Jan 17 Chuck Carroll  
Jan 18 George Greer  
Jan 18 Kevin Wickman  
Jan 20 Bob Lenz  
Jan 20 Elaine Rasmussen  
Jan 21 Mardi Haines  
Jan 22 Vincent Rafanan  
Jan 23 Lou Zobb  
Jan 26 Belynda Zobb  
Jan 26 Ted Brown  
Jan 27 Ron York  
Jan 27 Tony Siino  
Jan 28 Ben Best  
Jan 28 Ruth Trombetta  
Jan 30 Arlyce Siino  
Jan 31 Max Wheeler



## PICYA Report

### Upcoming Events

Jan 24 Installation Dinner at the  
Holiday Inn, Emeryville

In accordance with our By-Laws, Article V, A-4, this notice will be posted in this Newsletter monthly:

The regular meetings of the Board of Directors are held on the first Friday of each month, following the General Membership Meetings. If the first Friday is a holiday weekend, the meetings are held on the second Friday of that month.

*Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month.  
Flyer information is requested by the 15th.*

*Send Newsletter information to:  
Freda Lucido  
e-mail lucidos@pacbell.net  
phone 228-3609*

## Reminder!



If you have a boat in our Harbor, a copy of your Boat Registration is due in January. Please place in Harbor Captain Lonnie Gibson's mailbox at the Club (Mailbox #48).

**HISTORIAN NOTES  
KATHIE HAMMER**



Even though our Christmas Party 2003 is history, many of us will have wonderful memories for many years to come.

Thanks to the generosity of the following people I was able to purchase Christmas stockings and many items to fill them. Thank You to **Chuck Carroll, Don & Freda Lucido, Barbara Chapman, Jackie Steel, Ken Corippo, Bert & Sandie Schneider, Al & Alma Wood, Greg & Debbie Dawson, John & Carol Hunter, Bill & Audrey Coach, Keith & Kathie Hammer.**

The ferry looked beautiful; you could see the children's eyes light up as they walked in. The food was delicious and there was plenty for all.

When I called the children up to sing, they all came up, with smiles on their faces ready to sing. We sang many songs and I read them *The Night Before Christmas*.

When Santa arrived the children found their families and excitedly went out to see **Mr. & Mrs. Santa** arrive by boat. Mr. & Mrs. Santa looked great and came in to greet each child and give them a stocking full of treats and a present. The children sang *Jingle Bells* to Mr. & Mrs. Santa much to their delight. Mr. & Mrs. Santa surprised **Freda, Kathie and Alice** with thank you gifts.

When it was time for Santa to go, the children followed him out to say good bye. It was a very exciting evening,

**THE LISTING OF 2004 OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND DELEGATES IS INSIDE THE FRONT COVER OF YOUR 2004 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY.**



**FROM OUR REAR COMMODORE  
CHUCK CARROLL**



Well, here I am... All of you who know me have always heard me say that I never wanted to go "through the chairs." I believe my comment was, "I'd do it if no one else would." But

when I realize how much I enjoy this Club and how I can sincerely say that I like every member, I'm actually looking forward to serving you as best I can. I'm really the kind of guy who's a lot more comfortable with a hammer or screwdriver in my hands and working with a **Joe Stubberfield** than with a pen and paper. But I've found you were quite patient with me as I served as Secretary and I hope I can live up to your expectations as Rear Commodore. I started visiting Sportsmen's YC in 1977. In those days I was always a guest of **Bert Schneider, Dick Noack, Walt Hoy, or Jim Dawson**. They would always take me and the boys out fishing (**Charlie and Mike** were 3 & 5 years old then). I also attended many of the Club functions and parties with them. In 1982, my Dad came out to meet Bert and I to

go fishing; he took one look around and said, "Son, what are you waiting for? Let's join this place." In fact, we went in the same day as **Past Commodore Ed Collins**. But the truth is most of my contributions to the Club were attending work parties and some events. Then **Lou & Belynda** really got me started with serving on committees (mostly as Gaming Chairman). It gave me an idea how much time and effort so many other members volunteer of themselves. Kinda makes you feel like it's the least you can do. As I look around at the folks serving on the Board next year, I'm really quite excited about 2004 and hope we have a real "barn burning year." To **Past Commodore Gibson**, "It was a real honor to serve as one of your officers." To **Commodore Selvy**, "Lets go get em! AHOOOORAH!" To my future boss, **Vice Commodore Darlene Dawson**, "You've always been a real 'sweetie' to be there every time I needed you." To the Directors, Committee Chairmen, and Delegates, "You are all truly professionals!" And to **Treasurer Freda Lucido**, "You are just an Angel. Thanks for your help and patience."

*A Happy Sportsmen's New Year to all!*

**Attention Sportsmen!  
Your 2004 Membership Directory  
should be included in this  
Newsletter. If you don't receive  
one, please call Freda Lucido at  
228-3609. Happy New Year!**

Visit Sportsmen YC's Website



- ...to view pictures of recent Club events
- ...Calendar information for the year
- ...lots of other Club related information & links

[www.sportsmenyc.org](http://www.sportsmenyc.org)

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friends at Sportsmen!!

Don't forget the Crab Feed being organized by **Pat Brown** on the 14th of February and **Herb Pekonen** again securing our succulent Dungeness Crabs from our coast fisheries. It is our advice to get your reservations and payment in to **Audrey Coach** or **Elaine Rasmussen** early, as the meals may again be limited to those counts at the cut off date of February 7th.

I would like to comment here on the importance of this simple request:

**Audrey and Elaine** work tirelessly to prepare the list of attendees to our events providing VERY needed counts to the organizers so that your club doesn't over extend or under buy for the event. When you don't send in advance payment, they have to sit out at the entry collecting your payments and often don't get to eat with their husbands because of it. The simple act of advance payment will enhance their participation and desire to serve in this very important role.

And while I am on a roll...(no pun intended).

When one doesn't make these reservations and just shows up expecting a meal, it causes the kitchen crew to try to make accommodations to feed them. I recall in the past that in some instances when this was done, some people who

paid were not served or were given slim portions. So please give this a thought and help us make the dining experience at the ferry one of pleasure for all, by simply making a call and sending in your advance payment. It is not only courteous it is you saving others missing out on their share of fun.

We are going to be extremely busy this year having fun with special events, cruise-outs, the ever necessary work parties and working together, because there is a lot to get done.

Join in and be prepared to laugh a lot...because it will be fun and funny.

Uf-Dah!  
Yer' Commodore Dave

Welcome  
New Associate Member  
**Vincent & Armí Fe Rafanan**  
1571 Peach Place  
Concord, CA 94518  
Phone: 691-1971  
Email: [vtrafanan@astound.net](mailto:vtrafanan@astound.net)

Dinner will be served  
before our  
January Meeting!

Commodore Selvy  
will prepare the meal and  
he's keeping the menu  
a secret...  
Really, he's just not had  
time to figure that part  
out yet!  
Come join us!



## Member Information Corner

- Ed Collins had surgery on Nov. 21st on his ankle. He won't be running any races anytime soon, but he says he is trying to behave!
- Lorri Doolin was hospitalized Dec. 16th due to a cat bite on her hand. Following surgery, she is now home and recovering.
- Tony Siino also had surgery on Nov. 14th and he is recovering.

## In Sympathy

*Loretta Kelley passed away in December. Loretta and her husband, Buster, joined Sportsmen in 1969. She was a former member of Lady Sailors.*

*Our sympathy to her family.*



Thanks to Lowe's for donating the Poinsettias that now adorn our newly completed seawall!

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new gate. Not to mention all the smaller improvements, emergency repairs, and constant maintenance of our Clubhouse and grounds.

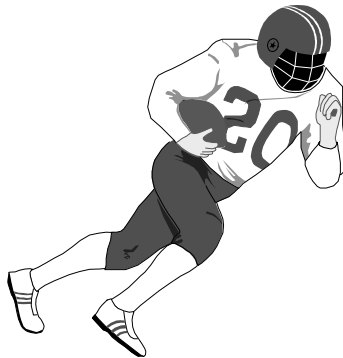
I look forward to keeping the momentum going in 2004.

# Super Bowl Party!

Sunday, January 25th

Pre-Game begins at 1:00 p.m.

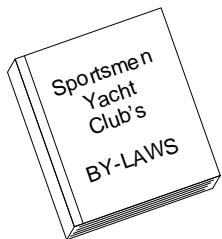
Kick-Off begins at 3:15 p.m.



See Neal Essary for our fun Sideline Activities!

Bring your favorite finger food to share

Ham with all the trimmings for making sandwiches will be provided



## MEMBERSHIP

1. The Club shall have five (5) classes of membership

- a. Associate
- b. Regular
- c. Family
- d. Life
- e. Honorary

2. Persons over the age of twenty-one (21), and of good moral character and who show a sincere interest in the purposes for which this Club was formed, shall be eligible for membership.

3. All proprietary rights and/or interests in the Club shall be vested in the Regular, Family, and Life Memberships. Associate members may not vote, hold office, nor apply for cabin or berth rights. Honorary members shall be eligible to participate in all social and recreational activities, but may not vote, hold office, nor apply for cabin or berth rights.

4. Associate Membership Applications:

- a. The applications of candidates for membership in the Club must be signed by two (2) Regular, Family, or Life members. The application signed by the applicant and the sponsoring members shall be presented to the Club secretary with the initiation fee, current quarterly dues and gate key deposit. It will then be forwarded to the Membership Committee for its action according to ARTICLE XII Section A 1-c.
  - b. After a thorough review of the Membership Committee's recommendation, the Board of Directors shall either approve or deny the applicant's request for membership.
5. Associate Membership:
- a. The approved applicant shall become an Associate Member upon approval by the Board of Directors.
  - b. The Associate Membership shall be for a period of six (6) months.
  - c. For due cause, the Associate Membership may be terminated at any time by the General Membership. Any fees or deposits paid in advance shall be refunded.
  - d. The Associate members **MUST** be reintroduced at the General Membership meeting preceding the General Membership meeting at which their membership is to be voted on.
  - e. At the termination of the probationary

period, the Associate Member shall be voted on by the eligible voting membership present at the General Membership meeting for Membership in the Club.

- f. A negative vote of twenty-five (25%) percent of the votes cast shall be required to reject the associate's request for membership.
- g. If Regular or Family Membership is denied the initiation fee, any dues paid in advance and gate key deposit shall be refunded.

6. Regular Membership:

- a. Shall enjoy all rights and/or privileges of the Club.

7. Family Membership:

- a. Shall consist of a husband and wife, who shall enjoy all rights and/or privileges of the Club.
- b. Shall have one undivided vote per membership, exercised by either member.
- c. A Regular Member wishing to transfer to Family Membership shall apply to the Board of Directors, for approval, and pay the difference between the initiation fee for Regular and Family Membership plus appropriate additional dues.

*(To be continued next month.)*

Editor's Note: John Hunter has suggested we run excerpts of our Club's By-Laws in our monthly Newsletters. So, here's our first article.  
Thanks for the suggestion, John!

# *Sportsmen Yacht Club*

## *2004 Calendar*

### January

2 Club Meeting  
 10 Installation Dinner/Dance  
 25 Super Bowl Party

### July

3-5 4th of July Cruise-Out  
 9 Club Meeting  
 10 Work Party  
 15-18 4S at Stockton YC  
 31-1 Cruise-In (Single Sailors YC)

### February

6 Club Meeting  
 7 Work Party  
 14 Crab Feed  
 28 Cruise-Out to Ebony BC

### August

1 Blue Gavel Luncheon  
 6 Club Meeting  
 7 Poker Run & Potluck  
 14-15 Cruise-Out

### March

5 Club Meeting  
 6 Work Party  
 13 St. Patrick's Dinner  
 & Martinez Cruise-In

### September

4-6 Labor Day Cruise-Out  
 10 Club Meeting  
 11 Club Picnic  
 17-19 Cruise-Out Luau at Caliente

### April

2 Club Meeting  
 3 Opening Day  
 10 Easter Egg Hunt & Brunch  
 24 Cruise-Out

### October

1 Club Meeting  
 2-17 Down Bay Cruise  
 30 Halloween Party

### May

7 Club Meeting  
 8 Work Party  
 8 Cinco de Mayo  
 28-31 Memorial Day Cruise-Out

### November

3 Fishing Seminar  
 5 Club Meeting  
 6-7 Annual Fishing Derby  
 13 Work Party  
 25 Thanksgiving Potluck

### June

4 Club Meeting  
 5 Work Party  
 12-13 Cruise-In & Western BBQ  
 19 4S Try-Outs

### December

3 Club Meeting  
 4 Lighted Boat Parade  
 18 Kids w/Santa & Potluck  
 31 New Year's Eve Party

This calendar schedule is subject to change. Please check your monthly Newsletter to review the most current calendar schedule.

# 2004 Commodore's Night Gala & Installation of Officers

Saturday, January 10th

5-6 p.m.

Cocktails

6 p.m.

Invocation & Dinner

## First Course

Tossed Mixed Green Salad with Del Cabo Sweet 100 Tomatoes  
Maui Red Onions, Shaved Carrots, and Julienne Red Cabbage  
With a House Made Fresh Herb, Basil Balsamic Dressing

## Main Course

Garlic and Herb Crusted Roast Prime Rib of Beef with a Natural Au Jus  
Baked Idaho Russet Potato with Sour Cream, Scallions, and Butter  
And a Garden Vegetable Medley

## Dessert

Double Chocolate Fudge Brownie with Candied Pecans  
and Carmel Sauce Ala Mode

7 p.m.

Greeting & Introduction of Past Commodores

Commodore Gibson's Comments

Swearing In of New Officers

Introduction of 2004 Flag & Board Officers

8 p.m.

Music by Romano Marchetti & His Orchestra

for your Dancing Pleasure

\$30 per person

Please send your checks  
in advance of the event

Contacts for Reservations

Audrey Coach, 686-1167

Elaine Rasmussen, 682-7585

Reservation Deadline is January 3rd

# **SportsmenYacht Club'sAnnual**

# **All You Can Eat Crab Feed**

**Saturday, February 14th**

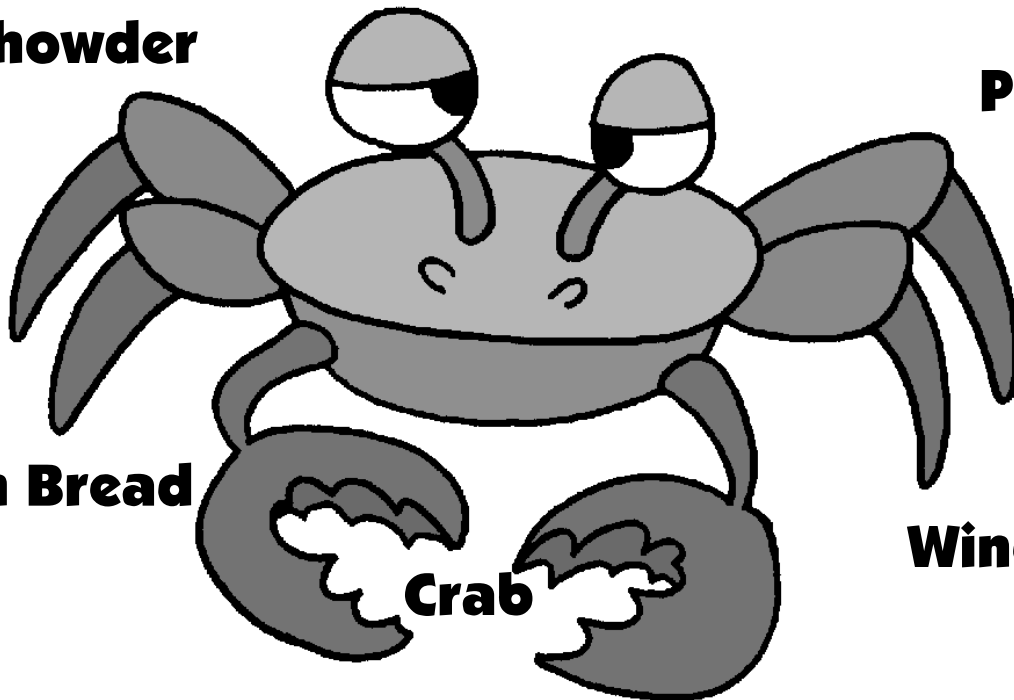
**Clam Chowder**

**Pasta**

**Salad**

**French Bread**

**Wine**



**Crab**

**Prepaid  
reservations for  
members and  
guests must be  
received by  
February 6th**

**\$30 per person**

**Dinner served  
At 7:00 p.m.**

**For Reservations  
Please Contact  
Elaine Rasmussen  
at 682-7585  
or  
Audrey Coach  
at 686-1167**