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NEWSLETTER

Sportsmen Yacht Club



Commodore Matt Tate



HAPPY NEW
YEAR!!
Welcome to
2017
Fellow
Sportsmen!

I'm looking forward to a great new year at our wonderful Club, and I am so very proud and thankful that you have allowed me to serve as your Commodore for the year.

Before going any further, I would like to congratulate and thank our 2016 Commodore, Doug Horton, and his wife, Shari, for the splendid job they did. *Thanks, Doug!*

The Board and I have a full year of events and activities planned for the Club this year and hope you and your families will be able to join us as often as you are able. Please

check the Club's calendar on our website on a regular basis for any and all events and updates.

With the winter's cooler temps and shorter days upon us, it is hard to imagine spending much time on the Delta, but that is one of our main goals this year—getting out on the water as a Club and having some fun!

We have a new Fleet Captain this year, our very own PC Rick Barton. He is chomping at the bit, coming up with some new and exciting places to visit and other things to do. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please talk to Rick.

Having said that, I would like to thank our outgoing Fleet Captains, Carl and Elaine Rasmussen, for all

the years they have devoted to arranging these outings for our Club; I know there is a lot of effort expended in planning these trips away.

There is another change in the Club and on the Board, first of which would be to welcome our incoming Rear Commodore, Bobby Brown. He and his wife Angel have been members for a few years now and when he expressed an interest in pursuing a leadership role in our club, I was very pleased. I think he will bring some fresh new insight and ideas to our Club.

I would like to close with a final *Thank You* to all who have welcomed us and have become our friends since we joined this special

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Vice Commodore Robert Babo

Ahoy, fellow Sportsmen
and Happy New Year!



January will be kicking off the New Year with our monthly meeting and rolling right into our first Work Party. We, as a Club, need to come together and start new

projects for the year. I think repairs, painting, and general clean-up will be a good place to start. Our Grounds Keeper, Ron Allen, will always welcome your help! As would our Port Captain, Floyd Simpson, and our Harbor Captain, Bill Moore.

As you're making your New Year's resolutions make one that you will participate at Work Parties

this year!

We are thinking about a sign-up sheet for the Work Party lunches. This would give members another way to participate. If you don't cook, you could always run up and get pizza or Chinese. Remember, it's not what you do, it's that you come down and participate. Let's take pride in our Ferry! There

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FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

PREPARED BY DEBBIE BAUER, RON & LIZ ALLEN



Limited to the first 60 reservations.
Make your reservations **ONLINE** or
contact Ann at 779-9330
as soon as possible!

**Volunteers are needed to cook for the
Friday Night Meeting Dinners.**
Please contact Ann English for details (779-9330)

Cancellation of reservations for an event must be made at least three (3) days
prior to the event to avoid being charged for the event. Please notify Ann
English at 925.779.9330 if you need to cancel your reservations.
(This policy does not apply to cancellations made because of an emergency.)

In accordance with our By-Laws, Article V, A-4, the following 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.

Your ideas and suggestions for this Newsletter are welcome!

Articles are due by the 20th of each month.
Email: newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org
or contact Freda Lucido at 228.3609

Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC

January

- 3 Learn to Knit
- 6 Club Meeting
- 7 Work Party
- 9 College Football
Championship (MNF)
- 20 Game Night & Dinner
- 28 Installation Dinner

View the complete
2017 Calendar **ONLINE!**

February

- 2 Learn to Knit
- 3 Club Meeting
- 4 Work Party
- 5 Super Bowl Party
- 10-12 Delta Bayliner Cruise-In
- 10 Game Night & Dinner
- 11 Valentine's Dinner
- 25 Crab Feed

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Club. With all it has to offer and the confidence you have shown in me, I appreciate you allowing me to serve as your new Commodore.

Please reach out to me if you have any ideas or concerns that I may be able to help out with.

Marianne and I look forward to seeing you either at the Club or out on the Delta!

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are only 17 Work Parties until 4S is at Sportsmen Yacht Club!

I am looking forward to our Installation of Officers Dinner. This is always an eventful evening and it is great to see our Past Commodores and their significant others. If you ever wanted to know about the Club's history or past events, there are years of experience all at one table that night! They would love to tell you the stories and memories of their leadership years. Chef Paul will be in charge of the galley on this momentous evening and it will be an extraordinary dinner. Associate members, this is a special evening, so put on your jackets and ties and come and learn some history. Hope to see all of you there.

I would also like to congratulate Bobby Brown as the new Rear Commodore. The energy that Bobby and Angel have will be a great asset to our Club.

We have a lot of events planned this year. Please take a look at the calendar, circle some dates, and come join your fellow Sportsmen! You can always find the most up-to-date calendar information on our website.

**Your 2017 Club Directory
will be in your mailbox
by the January General Membership Meeting**

Cell Phone Numbers are in the back of the Directory



**This Month:
Tuesday, January 3rd
7 p.m.**

Learn to Knit

Our very own Cindy Mammon is teaching knitting
on the **first Tuesday of each month** at the Club!
Bring your yarn and some knitting needles and
you'll be knitting in no time!



**College Football
Championship
Monday, January 9th at the Club!!**

See the complete dinner menu options
ONLINE, then make your reservations
ONLINE or call Ann at 779-9330

Reservations requested by Noon on Monday



Rear Commodore Bobby Brown



Happy New Year, Sportsmen and Friends!

I would like to start out by saying thank you for the opportunity to serve Sportsmen YC and look forward to being your Rear Commodore. With not much experience of being an officer, I believe this is where I need to be. My wife, Angel, and I have two kids, Logan and Alaina, which most of you know by now and they are wonderful. All of you who know me, know I am a hard working individual who loves a challenge, finds a way to accomplish difficult tasks, pays attention to detail and can deliver on time. This Club means a great deal to me as I have met many wonderful friends and sincerely enjoy the company of so many. Those who don't know me, come say hello and give me a chance.

So many good things occurred in 2016. To start with, I had some awesome people helping put together a wonderful St. Patty's Day dinner in March. It was phenomenal! A special thanks goes out to my Nana, Ethan Horton, Anne Macey, Dave & Heather Newton, my wife, of course, Robert & Denise Babo, and all my young helpers who helped in a huge way. We couldn't have done it without all of their hard work. We had a great turn out and the Club made some decent \$\$\$\$. Now the pressure is on to give this Club an even better experience this year.

The 4S was a ton of fun. Angel and I parked the RV at Stockton YC and immediately started having a blast! Great friends and fun times are always in store when it comes to competing against our Club rivals. I look forward to this year's 4S in Sacramento and bringing home the trophy!

As Rear Commodore, I intend to be a sponge and soak up all available information from fellow members and officers to make a positive impact on this upcoming year and years to come at this Club.

Thanks everyone. Here's to another great year!



HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

This information is partly from an article in the Contra Costa times by Nilda Rego.

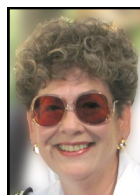
In 1892, a coal merchant, John I. Davie, and his colleagues leased a piece of property to build a wharf on the north side of the Oakland estuary. When the Southern Pacific Railroad heard about it, they served Davie with a notice saying he was trespassing. The Waterfront Company, which was owned by Southern Pacific Railroad, said they owned all Oakland waterfront. There was quite an uproar with over 100 men armed on each side of the estuary. One side was trying to install pilings, the other trying to stop them.

It turned out Southern Pacific feared the competition. It had controlled the ferry service on the San Francisco Bay for years and was charging 12 to 25 cents a ride, more than double what ferries were charging in other parts of the country.

Davie beat the railroad. He built a ferry in Alameda and called it the *Rosalie*. On July 5, 1893, the *Rosalie* made its debut carrying 2,800 passengers the first day. The service was from what is today known as Jack London Square to San Francisco. Everyone loved the *Rosalie* and Davie only charged a nickel for a one way trip. The ferry was so popular that Davie built another ferry and named it the *Alvira*.

This competition forced the Southern Pacific to lower its own rates to a nickel.

Davie gave up his ferry service after a few years. He went into politics and was elected mayor of Oakland five times.



PICYA NEWS

DARLENE DAWSON

2017 PICYA CALENDAR

Jan 28	Annual Commodore's Ball & Installation of Officers	Mar 6	Delegates' Meeting Benicia YC
Feb 6	Delegates' Meeting Coyote Point YC		

The Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA) was formed in San Francisco on May 12, 1896. The purpose of this association was to improve communication between yacht clubs, provide uniform racing rules, and encourage yachting.

Three of the five Charter Clubs are in existence today; San Francisco YC (1869), Corinthian YC (1886), and Encinal YC (1890).

The purpose of PICYA has grown over the years and so has its list of member clubs—over 100 clubs (approximately 15,600 boating families).

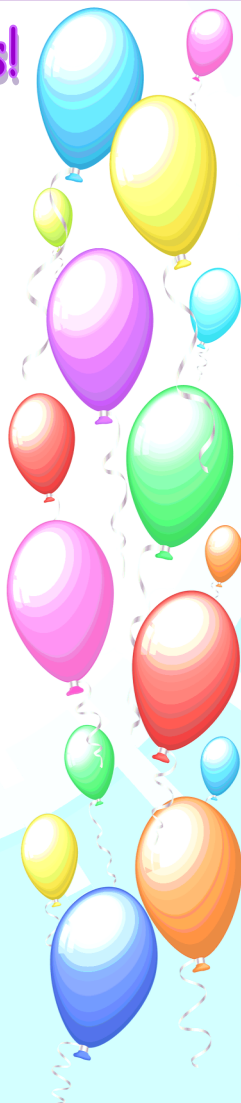
The 24th annual Commodores' Ball & Installation of Officers, honoring Linda Blue and the Officers and Directors for 2017, will be held at Sheraton Hotel in Petaluma on Saturday, January 28th. All PICYA members are invited. If you want to know more about this very special event, please contact me.

The first Delegates' Meeting for 2017 will be held February 6th at Coyote Point YC. If you've ever wondered what goes on at these meetings, why not plan to attend one this year? It's a great chance to see other yacht clubs and meet new friends.

Wishing You All a Prosperous 2017!

January Birthdays!

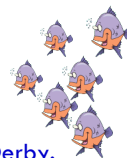
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 05 Alma Wood
 05 Ted Olsen
 09 Bob Williams
 10 Carl Rasmussen
 10 Ray Murphy
 12 Gina Moore
 12 Sarah Haynes
 13 Desiree LaFrades
 14 Thom Dias
 15 Kurt Chaisson
 16 Don Lucido
 17 Chuck Carroll
 18 George Greer
 18 Kevin Wickman
 20 Elaine Rasmussen
 20 Ross Cooper
 22 Liz Allen
 22 Nick Macey
 22 Vincent Rafanan
 23 Dan Lynch
 26 Belynda Zobb
 26 Serge Peluso
 26 Ted Brown
 27 Tony Siino
 28 Bill Pato
 28 Ruth Trombetta
 28 Tina Tapp
 30 Arlyce Siino
 30 Tabitha LaChance
 31 Max Wheeler



2016 Sportsmen Annual Fishing Derby Update (as of December 17, 2016)

We have 37 people entered in the 2016 Derby.

- * There is \$495 total in this Derby so far.
- * Rules are posted at the Club.
- * Associates are welcome to participate in the Derby.
- * Three categories: Strippers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.
- * Cost is \$5.00 per category.
- * For the Catfish category, Chris Yarbrough holds 1st Place with a 9 lb. 11 oz. whopper and he holds 2nd Place with a 5 lb. 10 oz. catch. Albert Perez has 3rd Place with a 2 lb. 2oz. catfish.
- * In the Striped Bass category, Jim Dawson holds all three places with a 38 lb. 12 oz. fish for 1st Place, 24 lb. 8 oz. for 2nd Place, and 19 lb. for 3rd Place.
- * For our Sturgeon category, Kenny Norris just took over 1st Place with a 59 lb. 8 oz. sturgeon. William Odum is in 2nd place with a 31 lb. catch, Rick Barton and Carl Rasmussen each weighed in a 27 pounder to tie for 3rd Place.



Get in the 2017 Derby!
Go out and catch some fish!
 Jim Dawson

January's Game & Family Movie Night

Friday, December 16th

Soup and Salad

6:30 p.m. \$5

Texas Hold'Em



In Memory Of

Vernette Pato passed away unexpectedly from a massive heart attack while sleeping on December 7, 2016. She was 71 years old. Bill & Vernetta have been members of our Club since 2005.

Bill & Vernetta met in a bowling alley and married on December 1, 1979, in Lake Tahoe. Vernetta loved to have her family around her—the more children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren the happier she was! She also loved to go to breakfast and dinner.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Bill and their family.



Mark Your Calendar!

Valentine's Day Dinner

Saturday

February 11th

Delta Bayliner
 Club
 is Cruising-In
 that Weekend!

Dinner Prepared
 by Billy and Crew
 Menu & Price will be our
 Website soon

27th Annual Lighted Boat Parade Results

Congratulations to the Winners

Best of Show

1st Place over 35 ft.

2nd Place over 35 ft.

1st Place under 35 ft.

2nd Place under 35 ft.

Ron & Gretchen Glenn

Bill & Darlene Moore

Kevin & Melissa Park

Matt & Marianne Tate

Jerry & Dorothy Smith

Dos Rios YC

Sportsmen YC

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Sportsmen YC

Bridge Marina YC

Thanks to everyone who participated and made this event a success!

Parade Marshall Chris Lauritzen, Lauritzen Yacht Harbor
Contra Costa County Marine Patrol

Judges Debbie Viera, William & Mary Chapman

Hosted by Bridge Marina YC

Other Participating Clubs: Dos Rios YC and Sportsmen YC

Parade Committee

Chair

Darlene Dawson

Wrenda Sabino

Dorothy Smith

Jim & Diane Azeltine

Freda Lucido

Sportsmen YC

Bridge Marina YC

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Sportsmen YC

Congratulations, Dan Gorman! Our 2016 Texas Hold'Em Champion!!

Dan Gorman is congratulated by Don Wilson for winning the 2016 Texas Hold'Em final tournament held in December. Each month's winners compete in December for the overall championship.

(Thanks to Commodore Matt Tate for the photo!)



Crab Feed

Saturday, February 25th
6:30 p.m.

Clam Chowder, Salad, Pasta, French Bread, Wine

We Hope to Have
Lots & Lots of Crab!!!

Price to be determined
Check the Website for updated information!

Do you have a question
about an upcoming event?

Need to make reservations?

Want to see pictures from recent events?

Go to our Website
for the latest information!

www.sportsmenyc.org

Thank you, Don, our Webmaster, for
keeping it up-to-date!

Superbowl 51

Come out to the Club

for the

Super Bowl Game!

Sunday, February 5th

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

Potluck & Finger Foods Welcome



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**Thank You
to our
Board Members
for serving our
Club so faithfully!**

Installation Dinner & Dance

Saturday, January 28, 2017

Our Theme: "All Hands On Deck!"

Cocktails at 5 p.m.

Dinner Served at 6 p.m.

*Installation of 2017 Officers Following Dinner
Dancing to the Music of Marcel Marchetti*

*Featuring Chef Paul's Filet Mignon Dinner
\$50*

*Make Your Reservations Online
or Call Ann at 779-9330*

Reservations Requested by January 21st