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NEWSLETTER

# Sportsmen Yacht Club



## Commodore Bobby Brown

Happy New Year everyone! I'm hoping all members had a wonderful time with friends and family. I spent quality time with mine and took a few extra days off to enjoy not working. Now that the holidays are behind us, we're going to hit 2019 runnin'!

With all of the holiday functions behind us and our 2019 Installation Dinner on the horizon, I'd like to start the year's first Work Party following meeting night with a Clubhouse deep cleaning. All decorations need to be put away in their place out in our conex box which may require a little organization in itself. Lights in and around our Ferry put away, and a good basic clean-up. There's plenty to do and I

look forward to everyone pitching in to help.

Our next major event is, of course, our Installation Dinner, January 19th. You all are in for a treat. Fabulous food, wine, and dancing are just a portion of the fun we will have. Please make your reservations online or call Ann as soon as possible; reservations must be received by Friday, January 11th. It is a special night as we recognize our Past Commodores and swear in the 2019 Board.

I'm very excited to be your Commodore. My wife could be a little more excited, and she is my rock and is behind me 100%. Thank you, Angel Brown, for taking on this journey full of challenges with me. I love you! We will put our

best foot forward and do what it takes to make 2019 a memorable one. There may be a time I might need to lean on a few of you. The support Angel and I have to make this year fun and rewarding is a good feeling.

The Board and I have an awesome year planned out. Check our website for upcoming events, dinners, prices, and other cool things your fellow members are planning. It's a helpful tool and it's there just for you! There are, from time to time, updates on or about specific dates, so check it often.

As most of you know by now, our new Rear Commodore is Mike Minick. The Board and I are proud to have him. He brings great ideas to the table and we already know he's a hard worker. He has

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## Vice Commodore Neal Draper

Happy New Year Fellow Sportsmen! I would like to thank the members for allowing me to serve as your Rear Commodore for 2018. Being a member of Sportsmen Yacht Club has been a fun and rewarding experience for both Elena and me. I hope to be able to make a positive contribution to the Club for the upcoming year as your 2019 Vice Commodore.

I want to thank our out-going Commodore, Robert Babo, our out-going Secretary, Darlene Moore, and our out-going Director, Ron Allen, for their service to the Club. The past year was truly great because of the time and effort you spent in your positions on the Board.

Keeping the yacht club functioning takes the combined talents and

abilities of many members, and much was accomplished during 2018. However, I can say that the 2019 Board has a long list of projects we would like to work on for the upcoming year.

I want to encourage all Sportsmen members and their families to attend as many monthly meetings, work parties, and scheduled events as they can. There

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Saturday, January 5th

## FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

DINNER PREPARED BY  
JOHN FRANCISCO & CREW



**\$10**

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

Please Note: Ann always replies with a confirmation for ONLINE reservations. If you don't receive your confirmation within 48 hours, please email her at [reservations@sportsmenyc.org](mailto:reservations@sportsmenyc.org) or call her at 779-9330.

Volunteers are needed to cook for the 2019 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](mailto:newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org)  
or contact Freda Lucido at 228.3609

## Sportsmen YC's Upcoming Events

### January

- 4 Club Meeting
- 5 Work Party
- 7 College Football National Championships
- 18 Game Night & Dinner
- 19 Installation of Officers Dinner & Dance

View the complete 2019 Calendar ONLINE!

### February

- 1 Club Meeting
- 2 Work Party
- 3 Super Bowl Party
- 8 Game Night
- 8-10 Delta Bayliner & Diablo YCs Cruise-In
- 9 Valentine's Day Dinner
- 10 Commodores' Breakfast
- 23 Annual Crab Feed

## Welcome Associate Member



Candice Rowlett

Sponsors: Joan Idsoe, Lillie Smith

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been a great asset to this Club already and wants to dig his heels in deeper. Along with our returning Board members Heather, Bob, Floyd, Marianne and, of course, my buddy Neal, I am proud to also have our new members Rich Holmes (as Secretary) and Dan Gorman (as Director). Both are very sharp and eager to share their ideas and talents. Please extend your support to these individuals who want to step up and make a difference.

By the way, Dan won our 2018 Poker Championship. Congratulations Dan!

One of the tasks for our Rear Commodore, which we started in 2018, is to review requests for club rentals. If you would like to rent the club for a private function, fill out the proper form and get it to Mike.

We are here to enjoy our facility with friends and our goal is you can do the same.

Here's to a wonderful 2019! Salute!



Commodore Babo and Becky Wilson, our 2018 Chair for the Breast Cancer Luncheon, presented Victoria Caldeira, from Sutter Health, a check for \$5,400 for Breast Cancer Research. Victoria informed our membership the money raised would be matched by an anonymous donor to total \$10,800. Thanks to Becky, her crew, and all our members who donated to this very worthy cause.



## College Football National Championship Monday Night Football

January 7th

Your Choice of  
**Burgers**  
**Loaded Baked Potatoes**  
**Caesar Salad**



## Rear Commodore Mike Minick

Happy New Year Fellow Sportsmen!!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support in getting elected as the Rear Commodore! It is truly an honor and I appreciate all of the support. As Assistant Bar Manager under Bob Buckley, I have had the pleasure of getting to know quite a few of the members and enjoy the stories of the past.

Just a small note about me. My wife Jana and I joined Sportsmen last year. We have two boys, Jason 33 and Ryan 31 and were blessed with twin grandsons. My sponsors were Rich Furlow and William Odem. My parents, Dwayne and Virginia Minick, were Life Members of Sportsmen and enjoyed many years here with many of you. My Dad passed away in 2017 and my Mom in 2007. We have since taken ownership of their boat "NO SHIP" and, after putting in many hours and elbow grease, she is up and running.

I am looking forward to serving as the Rear Commodore and

helping Bobby and Neal out as much as possible. With the large amount of past experience and knowledge that this Club possesses, this should be an easy task!!

Thanks again!!

## Game Night!



### Friday, January 18th

6:30 p.m. Your choice of soups: French Onion, Broccoli, or Tuscan Chicken Stew (GF)  
7:00 p.m. Poker & Other Games  
\$7 See Janet Buckley with questions

Please make reservations ONLINE or call Ann.

Thank You!



### HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

Happy New Year to everyone! It is always exciting to start a new year, especially after the busy month of December. You might have time to do things you enjoy!

For those of you who enjoy history and reading, I have three books I would like to recommend. In these three books, the Golden Gate and Bay bridges come to life.

The first book is titled, "*High Steel: Building the Bridges Across the Bay.*" This book is about both bridges that were built during the Great Depression. It is filled with wonderful black and white photos taken in the 1930s. It was put together by Richard Dillon, Thomas Moulin and Don DeNevi. Erected at approximately the same time, the bridges solved a century's old transportation problem.

The second book is titled, "*The Ferry Building: Witness to a Century of Change 1898-1998.*" It is written by Nancy Olmsted. In the book, she interviews many long time residents and also has a collection of wonderful photographs. She documents 100 years of parades and funeral processions in San Francisco. She also talks about 100 years of victory parades, protest marches, earthquakes, fires, and celebrations.

The third book is a more contemporary story of Northern California titled, "*Bay Area Backroads*" (San Francisco Chronicle Books). Like the TV series, it talks about day trips, weekend getaways and other adventures in Northern California that we can all enjoy.

There is a great picture of the original San Francisco Bay Bridge being built in our museum. Stop by the next time the Museum is open to revisit our Ferry's history or learn of it for the first time!



### PICYA NEWS

DARLENE DAWSON

#### 2019 PICYA CALENDAR

Jan 26	Commodores' Ball Sheraton, San Rafael	Mar 4	Delegates' Meeting Benicia YC
Feb 4	Delegates' Meeting Sequoia YC		

The Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA) was formed in San Francisco on May 12, 1896, to improve communications between yacht clubs, provide uniform racing rules, and encourage yachting. From the five charter clubs, today there are over 100 member clubs in northern California with a combined membership of approximately 16,000 boating families. Each club is allowed to have three delegates to work together as representatives for their club which then ensures the duties of the delegates are shared. The monthly Delegates' Dinner-Meetings are the primary source of information flow between the clubs.

Some of the Delegates' responsibilities are: keeping the Club's membership informed of regional and local boating affairs, facilitate the Club's participation in PICYA events (i.e. the Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta for veterans), attend monthly Delegates' Meetings at various clubs throughout northern California, ensure the Club's participation in community service projects, and respond to RBOC Call-to-Arms.

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Thank you to Winston Bumpus and the PICYA Board for a job well-done in 2018.

PICYA's Annual Ball & Installation of Officers will honor William Gargan and the Officers and Directors for 2019. Congratulations and best wishes for a successful year!

# 29th Annual Lighted Boat Parade Results

## Congratulations to the Winners

**Best of Show**  
**1st Place**  
**2nd Place**

**Ken & Nan Johnston**  
**Matt & Marianne Tate**  
**Dave & Heather Newton**

**Bridge Marina YC**  
**Sportsmen YC**  
**Sportsmen YC**

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

**Special Thanks for their generous donations to:  
Hotel Nikko San Francisco and Mac's Old House**

Parade Marshall Chris Lauritzen, Lauritzen Yacht Harbor  
Committee Boat Captain Jim Dawson

Judges Debbie Viera, Diane Gibson-Gray, and Ken Gray

Dinner Hosted by Bridge Marina YC  
On-Water Photography by Freda Lucido

### Parade Committee

Chair	Darlene Dawson	Sportsmen YC
Chair-Emeritus	Georgine Shunk	Bridge Marina YC
	Freda Lucido	Sportsmen YC
	Nan Johnston	Bridge Marina YC

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are many places to find out what is going on every month at Sportsmen. There is always information in the monthly Newsletter (thanks to Freda Lucido, our Newsletter Editor), complete and up-to-date information can be found and reservations made on our Website (thanks to Don Lucido, our Webmaster) and a three-month list on the Event Board by the Galley (thanks to Denise Babo). The members of Sportsmen Yacht Club are the primary asset of the Club and I firmly believe the members are what make this Club truly great.

I would like to thank Bob and Janet Buckley for all their hard work this past year. Bob is not only one of our Directors on the Board, but also our Bar Manager. That is a job at which he truly excels. And everyone knows Janet is our "Dessert Queen." In addition, they constantly step up and help in many ways. To Bob and Janet I say, *Thank you for all you do for Sportsmen!*

Another couple who go above and beyond for Sportsmen Yacht Club are Gary and Donna Fields. Donna is always willing to step in to help wherever needed. She organizes a food drive for local veterans and helps us to see the needs in our community. Gary can often be found in the galley practicing his craft as a chef and is also willing to help wherever needed. To Gary and Donna I say, *Thank you for all you do for Sportsmen and our community!*

While we are on the subject of the Kids with Santa Night, a huge thanks to Santa and Mrs. Claus and our Elves for making this night so special for so many of our kids! You are creating memories they will never forget, as witnessed by some adults who are now bringing their children to this event because they cherish it from their childhood. *Thanks to Jim and Darlene Dawson* for bringing Santa in to Sportsmen on their boat. The kids (and the adults) loved it! I don't know how many years you have been bringing Santa to our Club, but I know this tradition goes way back!

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Christmas with Santa is one of the largest events that Sportsmen puts on for members and their families.

To Alice Gibson and Freda Lucido, *thank you* for getting Santa's "room" all set up each year. Our stage becomes a very special place for Santa and the kids. Freda has also been taking photos of the kids with Santa for the past 25+ years. Families often use her photos to create their Christmas cards.

Kathie Hammer has kept our kids settled while waiting for Santa for over 25 years too. She reads them Christmas stories and leads them in Christmas songs while Keith Hammer keeps tabs on when Santa will arrive. The children especially love when Kathie brings out the bells to ring while singing "Jingle Bells!" *Thank you, Kathie, for all you do—including overseeing our Museum!*

Darlene Dawson serves as Chair for our Lighted Boat Parade each year. Darlene arranges for the Parade Marshall and the judges who come from the community, makes sure all participants have their assigned numbers to display during the parade, and oversees the prizes awarded to the winners. It is truly an event enjoyed by many people in Antioch. *Thank you, Darlene!*

Four years ago, Ann English had a vision of the Ferry all decorated for Christmas. So, she organized a Christmas Decorating Contest! Now, each year our members come together to share their talents and make our Ferry reflect Christmas in every corner. Thank you, Ann, for all you do for our Club at Christmas—as well as throughout the year with Event Reservations and Meeting Night Dinners.

There are so many more members who constantly step up and contribute their time and talents to Sportsmen Yacht Club. I could go on for a while and probably fill up the whole Newsletter! But, I'll refrain and just try to call attention to a few members each month. In the spirit of the Holidays, I'm going to call it "The Nice List," so stay tuned!

See you around the Club!



## Sportsmen YC 2018 Fishing Derby Update (as of December 20, 2018)

We have 41 people entered so far in the Derby.

- \* There is \$570 total in this Derby so far.
- \* Rules are posted at the Club.
- \* Associates are welcome to participate in the Derby.
- \* Three categories: Stripers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.
- \* Cost is \$5.00 per category; you do not need to be entered in all categories.

**Catfish:** Kenny Norris, 1st Place, 11lb. 15oz.  
Ed Salmon, 2nd Place, 1 lb. 6 oz.  
Dave Newton, 3rd Place, 11lb. 3oz.

**Striped Bass:** Jim Dawson, 1st Place, 25 lb. 9 oz.  
Jim Dawson, 2nd Place, 21 lb. 7 oz.  
Jim Dawson, 3rd Place, 20 lb. 14 oz.

**Sturgeon:** Chris Shelton, 1st Place, 27lb.12 oz.  
Jerry Kent Sr., 2nd Place, 26 lb. 8 oz.

Awards for 2018 will be made in January.  
Join the 2019 Derby in January because you have  
to get in before your go out!

Jim Dawson

# January Birthdays!

Jan 01 Harry Parker  
Jan 05 Alma Wood  
Jan 05 Ted Olsen  
Jan 09 Bob Williams  
Jan 10 Carl Rasmussen  
Jan 12 Gina Moore  
Jan 12 Sarah Haynes  
Jan 13 Desiree LaFrades  
Jan 14 Thom Dias  
Jan 15 Kurt Chaisson  
Jan 16 Don Lucido  
Jan 17 Chuck Carroll  
Jan 18 George Greer  
Jan 18 Kevin Wickman  
Jan 20 Elaine Rasmussen



Jan 20 Ross Cooper  
Jan 22 Liz Allen  
Jan 22 Nick Macey  
Jan 22 Vincent Rafanan  
Jan 23 Dan Lynch  
Jan 26 Belynda Zobb  
Jan 26 Serge Peluso  
Jan 26 Ted Brown  
Jan 27 Tony Siino  
Jan 28 Bill Pato  
Jan 28 Ruth Trombetta  
Jan 28 Tina Tapp  
Jan 30 Arlyce Siino  
Jan 30 Tabitha LaChance  
Jan 31 Max Wheeler



## Super Bowl 53

Let's Party!!!

Sunday, February 3rd

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

Potluck & Finger Foods Welcome

(Reservations Not Required)



## Valentine's Day Dinner

Saturday, February 9th

Delta Bayliner Club will be cruising-in that  
weekend!

Menu & Details will be on our Website soon



Look for your 2019 Club Directory  
in your Mailbox at the Club  
by the  
January General Membership Meeting!

# Crab Feed



Saturday, February 23rd. 6:30 p.m.

Clam Chowder, Salad, Pasta,  
French Bread

We hope to have lots & lots of Crab!  
Check website for up-to-date information

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*Installation of Officers Dinner & Dance*

*Saturday, January 19, 2019*

*Cocktails at 5:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Dancing following the Evening's Events*

*The Evening's Menu: Lobster Bisque Soup, Wedge Shrimp Louie Salad,*

*Grilled Filet Mignon with Port Wine Sauce,*

*Served with Wild Mushroom Risotto and Roasted Seasonal Vegetables*

*Dessert: Brown Butter Almond Cake Topped with Poached Pear and Chocolate Almond Bark*

*\$55.00*

*Black & White Attire Encouraged But Not Required*

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

*Reservations must be received no later than Friday, January 11, 2019*

