

SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2003



FROM OUR COMMODORE LONNIE GIBSON



I cannot begin to thank all who were involved in the Installation Dinner that **Chef Paul** put on. A very big *Thank You!* If

you missed it, WOW, what a dinner.

We served 50 dinners at our first Meeting Night Dinner. Nice turn-out; **Paul & Winky Scannell** cooked up the meals.

Trella did the January Birthday Dinner which was also good. She is still looking for someone to do the February Birthday Dinner. It doesn't have to be fancy; just give it your best.

For those of you who have stepped up and volunteered for

the Birthday Dinners and Meeting Night Dinners: *Thank You, for without you it would indeed be difficult.*

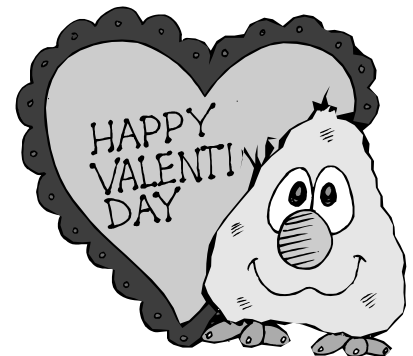
This month we have our Crab Feed going on. If you don't have your tickets, I suggest you call **Audrey** or **Elaine** and make your reservations. **Belynda** is heading this again; I'm sure she would like to know how many are coming.

St. Patrick's is right around the corner too, so you might as well make those reservations too. I'm hoping to get an answer from **Chef Paul** about this event. If you could help, please let me know.

I have decided to save on some expenses and not to hire music for the St. Patrick's event and maybe others, unless I get some feedback on this subject.

To close I will say this, *Happy Birthday to those of you born in February! Fellas—Don't forget Valentine's Day.*

Safe Boating!



Reminder: Section I, Item 5 of our General Rules and Regulations: "Guests are prohibited from the Clubhouse or grounds unless the sponsoring Club member is present." Please make sure you are at the Club if you are expecting guests.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE COMING EVENTS!

February

- 4 Harbor Committee Meeting
- 7 Dinner Served Prior to Club Meeting
- 7 Club Meeting
- 8 Work Party
- 15 Crab Feed
- 22 February Birthday Dinner

March

- 7 Club Meeting
- 8 Work Party
- 15 St. Patrick's Dinner
- 29 Birthday Dinner

April

- 4 Club Meeting
- 5 Work Party
- 12 Opening Day
- 19 Easter Brunch & Egg Hunt
- 26 Birthday dinner

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FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE DAVE SELVY



The New Year was greeted at the Ferry with an 80 plus crowd dining on Salmon and Prime Rib that was a m p l e a n d d e l i c i o u s . The caterers, Ivy & Mason Creations, were skillful and the flavors were delightful. Many thanks to those who helped with the serving and clean-up.

The music was fabulous AND the dance floor was full and busy long into the morning. Hunny Bunny was introduced to Miss Fitz's personal skinny and tall dance partner and while the evening rocked on they danced with him into the wee hours of the morning. Some say there is a picture or two that she may be willing to buy (negatives also).

We were feted at a sensational Commodores' Night hosted by **Commodore Lonnie Gibson and wife Alice** and assisted by many of our members' talented hands. The Ferry was so pretty in her lights and snowflakes. Our very own **Chef Paul** prepared a fabulous Prime Rib Dinner with al dente asparagus and carrots, accompanied with mashed potatoes from heaven.

2002 Commodore Lou and Belynda Zobb handed out gifts and mementos

of a very active year to their fellow officers and friends who helped pilot our Club through the often times of fun and different waters. The capper was the wooden "toy" - a replica of our Ferry - that was handmade by a friend of the Zobbs. They are really works of art. Lou then put every guy on "the list" by giving a most beautiful necklace to his beloved Belynda for her tireless work assisting him through his year as Commodore. She gazed through tear-filled eyes at it, and was heard to say later; "...I guess this takes care of not getting a new car this year."

The *Romano Marchetti Band* played and we danced. Those guys knew every song asked for and the party wailed on until the last liars dice game at3 AM!! We so enjoyed ourselves and felt honored to be surrounded with a family like this.

Breakfast on Sunday in **Trella's** Galley was just what the doctor ordered. Speaking of doctors, it was nice to see **Dan and Sherry Lively**, following her recent foot surgery. She is now her up and on her feet. They have had a very active last year and maybe they will slow down a bit and enjoy their new home and the Club this year.

Our Super Bowl party will be over by the time you read this and I will go down with a prediction...**Raiders over the Bucs by 6.** (I hope this is not the kiss of

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*Just to
Let You
Know...*

- **Sherry Lively** had foot surgery in December and is doing well.
- **Tony Russo** had surgery on December 30th. He's home now and doing better every day!



- Feb 03 Chuck Kotecki
- Feb 04 Barbara Chapman
- Feb 05 Chad Dunlap
- Feb 07 Bob Saunders
- Feb 07 Rosie Fernandez
- Feb 07 Virginia Minick
- Feb 08 Jean Sieben
- Feb 10 Chuck Trombetta
- Feb 11 Michael Carroll
- Feb 12 Amy Hammer
- Feb 14 Dorothy Welch
- Feb 14 Evonne Sterud
- Feb 15 Tim Lamb
- Feb 16 Tess Stubberfield
- Feb 16 Bob Wallen
- Feb 16 Victor Campo
- Feb 18 Carol Lawhorn
- Feb 18 Ken Corippo
- Feb 21 Bert Landes
- Feb 23 Winky Scannell
- Feb 28 Lita Masters

The February
Birthday Dinner Party
is on the 22nd

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.

**If you can help as
Relief Caretaker,
please check the calendar
at the Club and sign up!
Questions?
Call Dave MacDougal
Port Captain
437-1180**

*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*



**FROM OUR REAR COMMODORE
DARLENE DAWSON**



Remember AB2362? Well, its in effect now but thanks to RBOC the objective of safe, clean waterways will be achieved without every Tom, Dick, and Harry boarding your boat with or without you being there. THE LAW NOW GIVES ONLY KNOWLEDGEABLE state or local peace officers who reasonably suspect a vessel is discharging in a discharge area narrowly prescribed authority to board a vessel, if the owner or operator is aboard, for the limited purpose of inspecting the marine sanitation device and placing a dye tablet in the holding tank.

In its original form, AB2362 would have established new misdemeanor crimes for boats considered unseaworthy or a hazard to navigation and for failure to correct a deficiency that makes a boat unseaworthy without defining these terms. It would also have been a misdemeanor to sleep aboard for more than 3 nights in a 7 day period without

obtaining a permit.

Please join Jim and me in including a \$10 donation to RBOC with your Club dues this year.

Note: RBOC - Recreational Boaters of California - is a non-profit organization of 18 volunteer directors and 2 professional lobbyists who work with lawmakers to promote recreational boaters interests and protect us from adverse laws. You may visit their web site at www.rbo.org.



PICYA Report

Upcoming Events

- February 3rd: Delegates Meeting at Discovery Bay YC
- February 22nd: Leadership Conference at Pittsburg YC
- March 3rd: Delegates Meeting at San Rafael YC
- April 7th: Delegates Meeting at Delta Marina YC
- April 27th: Opening Day on the Bay—The theme is “The American Spirit—Stars and Stripes Forever”

**HISTORIAN NOTES
KATHIE HAMMER**



Our Museum would not exist without you. I appreciate it so much when you are traveling that you look for artifacts from the old Ferry days whenever possible. When some of our members recently took a three month trip, their eyes were always open to see what was available.

When they were in Vermont, they visited the Shelburne Museum, where the historic Steamboat, "Ticonderoga," has been designated as a historical monument. I received the book **Ticonderoga**, by Richard Strum, and the following letter which I would like to share with you:

To Kathie, the Keeper of our History and our Museum. In the Ticonderoga we have seen the powerful engine and touched her walking beam. These things made us think of the Sausalito and you. Enjoy this small tale of historical significance.

A gift to you from Muriel Telles and Jean Novinger.

I am also happy to say I received the book **Tales of the Mississippi, a history of the Steamboat**, by Ray Samuel, Leonard v. Huber and Warren C. Ogden. This book was a gift from Delores Swart and Bud Chappell. They bought the book while visiting New Orleans in December.

A sincere thank you to all of you.



To All Renters in Dry Storage

Soon after the first of April, we plan to begin building the containment pond for dredging spoils for our dredging project. The trailers in our Dry Storage area will be relocated. Please make sure your trailers and tires are in operable condition. Please contact Carl Rasmussen at 682-7585 if you have questions.

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

**Harbor Committee Meeting
Tuesday
February 4th
at 7:00 p.m.**

All members are welcome to attend.

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(Selvy's article continued from page 2) death).

The February meeting night will be started with a dinner that yours truly will be preparing. If the weather cooperates, we will serve Tri-Tips Santa Maria style. If it is raining, we'll have Beef Stroganoff. (Both of these are Selvy family specialty dishes.) **Winky Scannell** is going to help with scalloped potatoes...mmmm. She provided the great Meat Loaf for the January meeting night and I believe the leftovers amounted to napkins and memories. These meals are being offered to help add a few ducats to the treasury. We have set the price for the February dinner at \$7 per person. Please contact **Elaine Rasmussen** or **Audrey Coach** for reservations. Remember...this is limited to 50 meals. When they are sold, they are sold.

This month we have our first work party of the year (February 8th). The Work Party Wish List is on the Board Room Door. Read it and if you think you'd like to lend a hand with one or two of these tasks...come'on down. Hunny Bunny will be fixing lunch and I have it on good authority you will enjoy it.

There will be a mystery club cruising in on the 1st weekend of February and if you're around please come to the ferry and join fun. I am not mentioning them by name so we don't give it away...but trust me folks, these people are fun!!

Last but not least, we have our Annual Crab Feed the 15th of February and the seats are going fast for the crustaceans. \$30 per person and reservations will be full soon so call **Elaine** or **Audrey** as soon as you can so you don't miss out. Crab Crackers get down to the fishing pier Saturday morning to help crack the crabs. This is a fun event and you won't want to miss it.

Information Updates

New Phone Number for Dave MacDougal
437-1180

New Address for Ted Nicholson
124 Campbell Avenue
Antioch, CA 94509



Revenue Committee Report

Jim Dawson, Chairman

We had our first Meeting Night Dinner in January. **Paul and Winky** prepared a fantastic meat loaf dinner with corn, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, and bread. We had set the dinner for a maximum of 50 dinners and we had 51 for dinner. The dinner netted exactly \$300 and we made an additional \$51 with the raffle. Thanks to **Dave MacDougal** for his donation of the raffle prizes, **Darlene** for the set up of tables and salad, **Alice, Lonnie, Dave** and **Lee** for serving and clean up, **Lou** for cleaning the dishes and **Audrey** and **Elaine** for reservations.

Dave Selvy is doing February's meeting night dinner with Tri-Tip in good weather or Beef Stroganoff in foul weather. Either way it will be a great meal for only \$7. Again we are limiting the amount of dinners to 50.

Paul and Kathy are doing the March dinner. I will have the menu in next month's newsletter, but we all know it will be great.

The April Meeting Night Dinner will be prepared by **Chef Paul** and will be LOBSTER for only \$15 (not a misprint) for only \$15. Paul wants to maximize the profit to the Club and is willing to do 100 dinners. Please get your reservations in early for the March and April dinners. Contact Elaine or Audrey with your reservations.

I regret to say we only have four months left for any of our members to choose from to do a Meeting Night Dinner: they are August, October, November and December. Please call me and let me know which of these months you would like to prepare your favorite meal!

Thanks to **John Hunter** for his note regarding procedures which we will discuss at our next revenue/procedures meeting. Once again, if you have any input for the committee, please contact Dick, Pat, Vic or Jim.



Dinner will be served before the February General Meeting Friday, February 7th

Weather permitting: Tri-Tip (Santa Maria BBQ Style)
Foul Weather: Beef Stroganoff on Buttered Egg Noodles
Either meal includes vegetables, salad, & rolls

\$7.00 per person

Dinner served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Limited to the first 50 dinners sold

Please Make Reservations By Contacting
Elaine Rasmussen, Audrey Coach,
or Jim Dawson

THE 2003 SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB'S ANNUAL FISHING DERBY IS UNDERWAY!

Neal or Diane Essary will collect your entry fee for this year's Annual Fishing Derby, which runs from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2003. This year's fee is \$15.00 and covers all three (3) categories.

- ◆ All entry fees MUST be paid to Neal or Diane Essary at least 24 hours prior to weighing in any fish in the 2003 Fishing Derby.
- ◆ If you are going to fish at all this year, PLEASE enter the Derby AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. If you don't see us at the Club, mail a check (made out to Neal Essary) to:

Neal Essary
360 Kingston Avenue
Martinez, CA 94553

- ◆ No entries will be taken by phone.

We would like to thank all the participants in last year's Fishing Derby and to congratulate all the winners. Let's try and get some new winners this year!

Thank you,
Neal & Diane Essary

RESULTS OF THE 2001 SPORTSMEN YC ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

STRIPED BASS	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		DATE CAUGHT	PRIZE WON
1st Place	Jim Dawson	27 lbs.	14 oz.	03-Feb-02	\$87.00
2nd Place	Jim Dawson	24 lbs.	8 oz.	Unknown	\$53.00
3rd Place	Steve Nicholas (II)	20 lbs.	8 oz.	02-Nov-02	\$35.00
4th Place	Chuck Carroll	15 lbs.	12 oz.	Unknown	Paid 2003 Entry Fee

STURGEON	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		DATE CAUGHT	PRIZE WON
1st Place	Steve Nicholas (II)	99 lbs.	0 oz.	24-May-02	\$87.00
2nd Place	John Hunter	80 lbs.	4 oz.	17-May-02	\$53.00
3rd Place	Carol Hunter	74 lbs.	8 oz.	08-Jan-02	\$35.00
4th Place	Paul Larosee	65 lbs.	4 oz.	24-Feb-02	Paid 2003 Entry Fee

CATFISH	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		DATE	PRIZE WON
1st Place	Chris Yarbrough	6 lbs.	12 oz.	25-Apr-02	\$87.00
2nd Place	Jim Dawson	6 lbs.	8 oz.	07-Aug-02	\$53.00
3rd Place	Elvis Lawhorn	6 lbs.	3 oz.	01-Jul-02	\$35.00
4th Place	Steve Fernandezn	5 lbs.	11 oz.	03-Nov-02	Paid 2003 Entry Fee

2003 Sportsmen Yacht Club Annual Fishing Derby Rules

1. Entry fee(s) must be paid to Neal or Diane Essary at least 24 HOURS PRIOR TO WEIGHING IN ANY FISH.
2. The entry fee is \$5.00 per category (Striped Bass, Sturgeon, or Catfish). The fee for all three (3) categories is \$15.00.
3. If no fish are entered for a category, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th places will be awarded to entrants in that category and will be determined by a drawing.
4. The entry fee will cover a member, their spouse, their children to age 18, and their grandchildren to age 18.
5. This derby is open to our Regular, Family, Associate, Lifetime, and Honorary members.
6. Any Associate member turned down for membership will have their entry fee refunded.
7. One person may win all four (4) places and all three (3) categories.
8. All participants must adhere to all California Sport Fishing Regulations to qualify for prizes.
9. To be fair and equal to all participants, the fish being entered must be weighed in at the Sportsmen Yacht Club scales and witnessed by a Sportsmen member or by our Club Caretaker. The results must be posted and initialed on the appropriate weight-in sheet.
10. Prizes:

1st Place	50% of money received in that category
2nd Place	30% of money received in that category
3rd Place	20% of money received in that category
4th Place	Prepaid entry fee in that category for the 2003 Derby
11. This derby begins January 1, 2003, and ends December 31, 2003, at midnight.
12. All prize money will be awarded at our Regular Membership Meeting on January 2, 2004.

Good
Luck!



Neal & Diane
Essary

Sportsmen's
Crab Feed

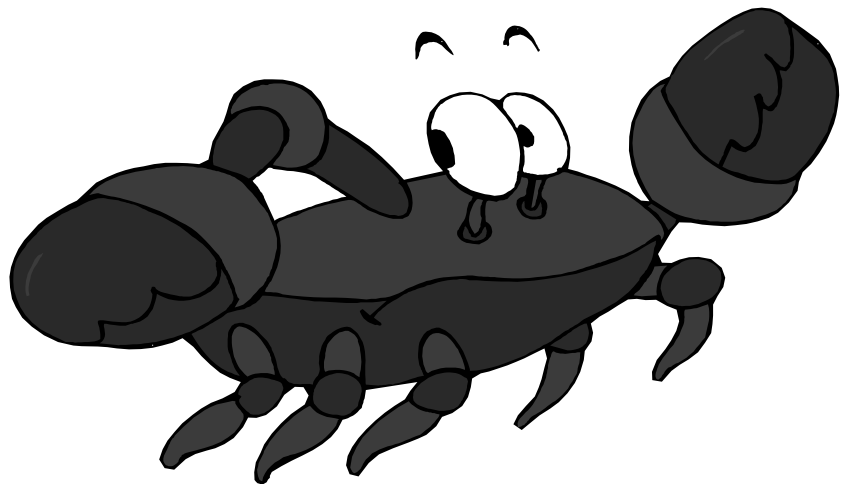
Saturday, February 15th
7:00 p.m.

All You Can Eat

Clam Chowder, French Bread,
Salad, Crab, Pasta, Wine
\$30.00 per person

Prepaid reservations for members and guests
must be received by February 9th

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



St Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday, March 15th

6:15 p.m. Beer
Drinking
Contest

7:00 p.m. Corned Beef
&
Cabbage
Dinner

\$12.50 per person



Send Prepaid Reservations To

Audrey Coach
2400 Sun View Place
Concord, CA 94520

Elaine Rasmussen
3700 Hillsborough Drive
Concord, CA 94520

or

Phone: 686-1167

Phone: 682-7585

Saturday, April 19th

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Our Menu

Bunny Fritatas Porky Pig Ham
Ducky Pancakes Fresh Fruit
Orange Juice Milk
Coffee



Sportsmen YC's 6th Annual Uncle Bob's Easter Egg Hunt & Brunch

Don't Forget!
Bring Hard Boiled Eggs for
Your Children to Color

\$6 Ages 13-Adult
\$4 Ages 6-12
Children Under
6 Are Free

For Reservations,
Please Contact
Audrey at 686-1167
or
Elaine at 682-7585



NCPCA Report

The 2003 NCPCA Year is about to begin. Are you ready for it??? Well, you'd better be, 'cause there's lots of fun and excitement coming and you don't want to miss a thing this year.

FIRST OFF, there's the Fun and Frolic Cruise-Out March 8 to OxBow YC. This is a trip just to get the season off to a good start by enjoying all that your boat has to offer in supplying the where-with-all for both social and competitive games, meeting new people, and just plain having fun. If the entertainment director has his way, everyone will be involved in some part of the activities. So, circle March 8 on your new 2003 calendar if you haven't already.

NEXT there will be a March 15 Novice Contest hosted by Bridge

Marina YC. This is where all the "old-timers" are asked to either invite interested club members aboard their boat -- or volunteer their services aboard the novice's craft and help them in any way you can in learning how to chart, time, and run this navigational contest. As usual, it starts with a pre-race seminar and then an actual Over-the-Bottom Contest, followed by showing all participants how the race committee calculates the winners of the contest.

Since the phrase "power boat" has many interpretations, NCPCA has determined that a qualified power or sail boat must meet the following requirements:

- Inboard power plant
- Permanent head
- Permanent galley
- Permanent bunks
- Operates at a speed of 5 to 10 knots

The minimum amount and kind of equipment is as follows:

- Compass
- NOAA chart for the given course (this will be provided)
- A clock or stop watch
- Contestant Numbers (these will be provided)
- Course Instructions (these will be provided)

NOW IF YOU want to add some excitement to your life, just pick up the phone and call either the new NCPCA Commodore, Betty Gordon at 408-745-0189 (bbgord@juno.com) or SYC's delegates:

Barbara Chapman
Tony Chapman
Dave De Cato

Have Fun!