

Sportsmen Yacht Club Newsletter

February



COMMODORE SHERRY LIVELY



Wow! What an incredible evening we had for our Installation Dinner. I was so touched by the wonderful turn-out of friends and family, not only my personal family but our Club family. From the very first cocktail to the very last dance, the night was spectacular and one I will cherish forever. I not only officially became your Commodore that night, but on a personal note my youngest daughter Melissa got engaged! So it was a very exciting night for our whole family.

Kathie Hammer gave such an inspirational invocation. It was an honor having **Charlie Carroll** present the colors and **Master Sergeant Bob Williams** lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Past **Commodore Chuck Carroll** did such a wonderful presentation and his Thank You's were so heartfelt, many Club members commented to me afterward how touched they were. *Great job Chuck!*

Our dinner was delicious and I owe my niece, Rachel

Thompson, a big Thank You for being our assistant Chef and organizing the servers. Our servers were Cassie Moody (Friend of Lucido's), Mookie Camp (Gibson's granddaughter), Jake and Wyatt Curry, Tess Stubberfield, and Katarina Weddle (Sebers granddaughter). Associate **Tino Abon** and Associate **Brian Hope**, as well as Brian's son, Michael, helped with clean up. They all did such a terrific job and we love having all the kids around! It brings such life to the Club. **Ann Marie Alcorn** made our wonderful dessert; it was so good that even the caterer asked for the recipe. I want to thank **Barbara Wigmore** for the use of her galley.

My daughter, Amanda Bordley, jumped in at the last minute to be photographer. Thank you so much, Mandy.

As I said Installation Night, putting on a function like this takes a lot of time and hard work. So again to the Galley Crew I say, "Thank You." To the Bar Crew, Associates **Janet** and **Tino**

Abon, Brian Hope, Charlie Katusich, I say, "Thank You."

To **Lonnie & Alice Gibson, Paul & Kathy Larosee**, what can I say? "Thank You" just isn't enough. You are such help and support to me and I will always be grateful.

Dave MacDougall, Dave Davidson, Don & Freda Lucido, Darlene Dawson, Doug Horton, Scott Wood, Chris Stubberfield, Joe Stubberfield, Muriel Telles, Dave Newton, Heather Jones, Gary Abeyta, Terri Arnold, Elaine Rasmussen, Audrey Coach, Casey Curry and **Pat Sebers** and so many more...From the bottom of my heart, "Thank You." I am so fortunate to have you all as friends.

And last, but certainly not least, to my right hand, my love, my strength my husband, **Dr. Dan**, "Thank you for holding me up, stitching me up, pushing on, and being there when I need support."

And here comes February! We have much to look forward to—the meeting on

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*Happy Valentine's Day!
February 14th*

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www.sportsmenyc.org



VICE COMMODORE CASEY CURRY



Newsletter time again. I want to thank the many people who showed up for our January Work Party.

A lot was accomplished. We are considering building a new trellis for the BBQ

area. Of course, this will have to be brought up before the Board and membership before proceeding. I am willing to get estimates for material and have a few ideas. Let me know your ideas.

Let me take this opportunity to recognize the following people for

their hard work in January: **Gary Abeyta, Tino & Janet Abon, Len Adkerson, Jim Arnold, Bob Art, Dave Bower, Pat Bown, Chuck Carroll, Mike Carroll, Tandy Chamberlain, Lawnay Chapman, Bill Coach, Ed Collins, Dave Davidson,**

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REAR COMMODORE PAT SEBERS



January was a month of hellos, goodbyes, good times, and a great Work Party turnout.

I am looking forward to working with all of you as the year progresses, especially my two new bosses, **Vice Commodore Casey Curry** and our new **Commodore Sherry** 'can't take a bad picture' **Lively**.

The Installation Dinner was fantastic! Excellent ceremony, excellent food – superior service at our table provided by Casey's boys, **Wyatt and Jake**, and of course my granddaughter, **Katarina Weddle**.

I am glad the goodbyes only

mean sitting on the other side of the gavel. **Chuck Carroll** is a great man with a quick mind – fun to argue with as well. Spirited discussions with 'family' are important.

I want to thank **Dave Newton** and **Heather Jones** for responding to the library shelving fix and broken window repair on the last Work Party. We will get back to the Area 2 dock on the next Work Party. Simple repairs always seem to be fraught with un-anticipated problems.

Get your crab cracking mallets out; it is Crab Feed time again! I don't know which is better, the 'missed' crabmeat morsels left on the cracking table, or the Bloody Marys made by the infamous **Tim Nerby**. I hope to see you all there!

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the 2nd, Work Party the 3rd, and Super Bowl Sunday Party the 4th! Now that's a busy weekend. The following Saturday, February 10th, is our big annual Crab Feed. On the 24th, we have a cruise-out to Willow Berm. Sounds like "Jackie Oh" has a lot of fun planned and you won't want to miss it.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all a lot in February. Sounds like Sportsmen will have a real good time in February.

All Aboard!

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Paul Davis, Jim Dawson, Tim Doolin, Ed Elledge, Bob Garrett, Lonnie & Alice Gibson, George Greer, Natalie Greer, Dennis Higgins, Brian & Paula Hope, Doug & Shari Horton, Joan & Ted Idsoe, Charlie Katusich, Tim Lamb, Paul & Kathy Larosee, Dan Lively, Don Lucido, Dave MacDougall, Steve Martinez, Duane Minick, John Mucciatti, Harry Parker, Bill Pato, Bill Pato Jr. Dan Perryman, John Perryman, Bert Schneider, Pat Sebers, Dave Selvy, Chris

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We have some great cooks in this Club!

Contact Doug Horton right away to get your name in for the month you would most like to cook a Meeting Night Dinner!

From now on, the meeting night dinners will be \$10.00 per person unless stated otherwise.



Dinner will be served before
our February Meeting!

Our Menu

Lasagna

Salad

Garlic Bread

\$10.00 per person

by

Tino & Janet Abon

We are limited to 50 reservations,

so contact Audrey Coach,

Elaine Rasmussen, or

make your reservations

on-line as soon as possible

Come join us!



In Memory Of

Edith Crisp passed away in September 2006. She and her husband, Art, joined the Club in the 70s and enjoyed the potlucks held on the lower deck on weekends during the summer. Edith was a member of the Lady Sailors group and Art was instrumental in spearheading the deck on the lower level on the south end of our Ferry in 1976.

Our sincere sympathy to her family.

Sportsmen Yacht Club's Annual

All You Can Eat Crab Feed

Saturday, February 10th

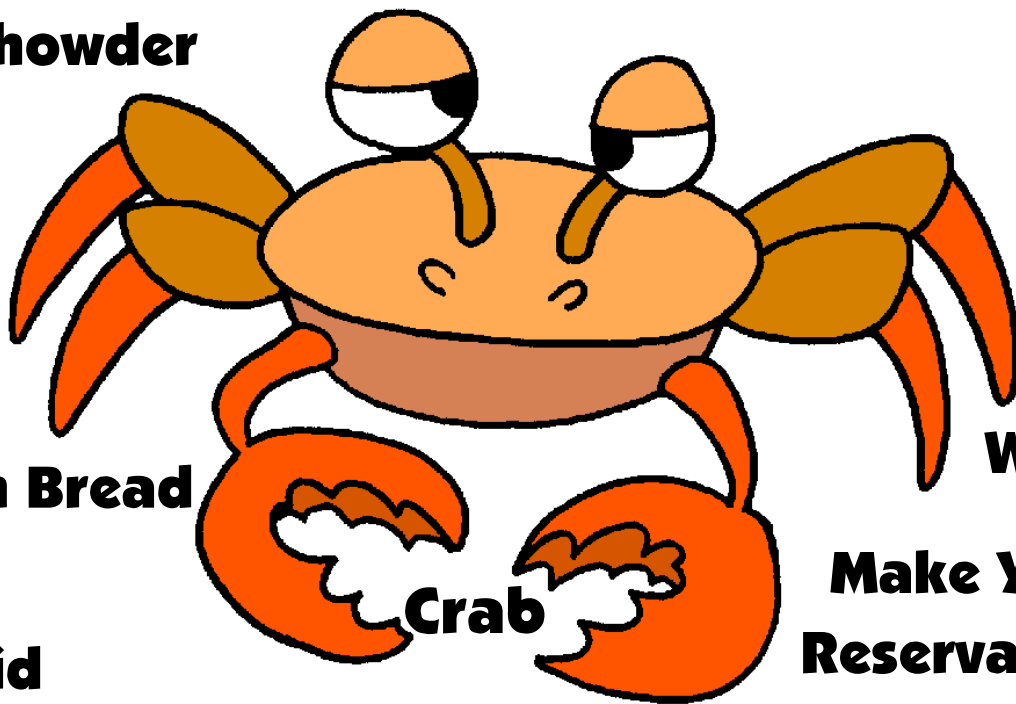
Clam Chowder

Pasta

Salad

Wine

French Bread



Crab

**Make Your
Reservations**

**Prepaid
reservations
for members
and guests
must be
received by
February 5th**

\$30 per person

**On-line
or Contact
Elaine Rasmussen
at 766-6675
or
Audrey Coach
at 686-1167**

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



February Birthdays!

- 03 Chuck Kotecki
- 04 Barbara Chapman
- 04 Bill Pato Jr.
- 07 Bob Saunders
- 07 Nate Cordova
- 07 Rosie Fernandez
- 07 Virginia Minick
- 08 Jason Knox
- 08 Jean Sieben
- 10 Chuck Trombetta
- 10 Sharon Goldsmith
- 11 Michael Carroll
- 12 Amy Hammer
- 13 Susan Wood
- 14 Dorothy Welch
- 14 Sharon Higgins
- 15 Tim Lamb
- 16 Victor Campo
- 16 Tess Stubberfield
- 18 Carol Lawhorn
- 18 Ken Corippo
- 20 John Muccianti
- 21 Bert Landes
- 23 Winky Scannell
- 24 Lenny Adkerson
- 25 Gene Buchholz
- 29 Dan Perryman

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Stubberfield, Joe Stubberfield, Mike Transchel, Maxine Veloz, Rick Walker, Bob Williams, Chris Yarbrough, Lou Zobb.

As usual, I probably forgot someone. If so, please let me know and I will make the correction.

See you at the next Work Party.

Safe Boating!

FLEET CAPTAIN JACKIE STEELE



"Avast me hearty mates and be ready to hoist sails!"

The first 2007 cruise out/rendezvous will be a short hop up river to the elegant Willow Berm Marina in Isleton, located on the Mokelumne River. We have reserved the guest dock for our event and I am thrilled to have you enjoy the nicest marina in the Delta! Our hosting marina features 30 amp service and water at the guest dock, with fuel and pump out station as you depart; BBQ and lawn areas; marina chandlery & helpful harbormaster; heated restrooms with hot showers; clubhouse with large screen TV, fully equipped kitchen, complete gym work out room, private tanning room, books and video movies...all in a fabulous private enclave with 24 hour security. Willow Berm also treats its guests to a continental champagne brunch each weekend. This will surely spoil you for the rest of the year!

Reservations are required.

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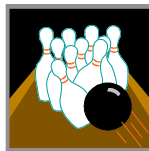
HISTORIAN NOTES KATHIE HAMMER



All the San Francisco Bay Ferryboats were equipped with iron whistles, but some were more spectacular than others. The City of San Rafael was exceptional in that she had two whistles that did not match. Going to San Quentin, her whistle was a toot from a thin whistle. Richmond bound, she had double tone from a stubby one.

The Berkeley was a beautiful boat and her whistle was a class all by itself. The whistle started with a hiss of escaping steam, and then the sound progressed tentatively hovering between a wheeze and a snore, until it finally reached its magnificent toot.

The Diesels arrived on the Bay in the 1920's with large air horns mounted on their pilot houses. They were loud and dependable, but did nothing for the character of the boats.



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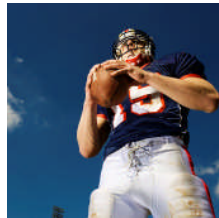


Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month.

Flyer information is requested by the 15th.

Send Newsletter information to:
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e-mail deshorton@sbcglobal.net
phone 778-1680

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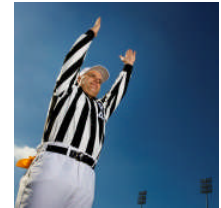
Bowl

See Neal Essary for our
Fun Sideline Activities!
Bring your favorite
finger food to share

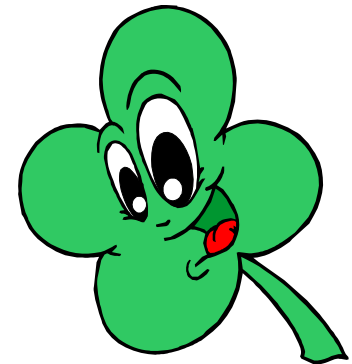
Roast & Turkey with all the
trimmings for making sandwiches
will be provided

Sunday, February 4th
Pre-Game begins at 1:00 p.m.
Kick-Off begins at 3:15 p.m.

Party!!!



St. Patrick's Day Party



Saturday, March 17th

\$20.00
Per Person

6:15 p.m.

Beer Drinking Contest

7:00 p.m.

Corned Beef
& Cabbage Dinner

9:00 p.m.

Music for Dancing by
Watergate DJ



Make Your Reservations On-Line or
Send Your Prepaid Reservations to

Audrey Coach
2400 Sun View Place
Concord, CA 94520

or

Elaine Rasmussen
3700 Hillsborough Dr.
Concord, CA 94520

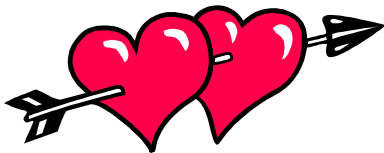
Phone: 686-1167

Phone: 766-6675

Welcome
New Associate Member!

Rod Kreiss
3325 Canim Court
Antioch 94509

Phone: 706-1787



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Jim & Robin McCoy
3604 East 3908 North
Kimberly, ID 83341

CELL PHONE CORRECTION
For Casey Curry
783-7075

If you did not receive the
2007 Directory, please call
Freda Lucido



Reminder!
1st Quarter
Dues are
now due!

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Please see **Fleet Captain Jackie Steele** for a reservation form and additional details. Our theme is "Dueling Dockside Blenders." Please plan to bring your very best "adult blended beverage" recipe to share with your shipmates and dock mates! The "Dueling Dockside Blenders" event begins promptly at noon, Saturday, February 24th, with prizes awarded for



tastiest, most 'unique,' most colorful, most 'gawd-awful,' etc. (Yes, you get the picture - we are here for no other reason than to have fun!) Other activities are planned - don't miss out !!!!

For our "Land Slough" travelers, check in at the harbormaster's office and with your parking pass, you are free to join us on the guest dock for the festivities.

Your Fleet Captain will provide you with driving directions, both on and off-water, time tables of specific events and confirmation of amenities for your

convenience.

May you have fair winds and calm seas as you journey to Cruise Out #1 !!!!

Jackie Oh!

(PSST! I have it on good authority that you'll also want to clear your calendar for the March 23-25 cruise out! It's a "Mystery Cruise" and Treasure Hunt! Oh my!....Details next month, but save the date!)



PORT CAPTAIN
COMMENTS

JIM DAWSON



We are looking for relief caretakers for this year.

Please check the calendar located on the bulletin board above the shuffleboard and sign up for the days you can do it.

Contact me if you have questions regarding the duties of relief caretaker.



Member Information Corner

- Commodore Sherry Lively cut her index finger and ended up getting 7 stitches! She's on the mend with her finger bandaged but it doesn't seem to be slowing her down too much!
- Chuck Larosee had his gall bladder removed and he's feeling much better now!
- Rod Miller had neck surgery on January 19th. He is home recovering and will be in a neck brace for a few months.
- Sandy Williams was hospitalized recently for pancreatitis. She is back home now and feeling much better!

We wish you all speedy recoveries and hope you heal quickly!



PICYA Report

Larry Draper

On January 27th we attended the 15th Annual Commodore's Ball and Installation of Officers. Incoming Commodore, **Duane Collins**, has chosen "the Spirit of Camaraderie" as his theme for the year.

We were invited to attend the change of watch at Treasure Island YC on Jan 6th. It was announced at the meeting that Treasure Island has installed a "dinghy dock" in their marina. Now it is easier for boaters cruising-in to take advantage of the club.

We will attend the February meeting at Berkeley YC. The regional meeting for IOBG (International Order of Blue Gavel) will be held February 1-4 in Charleston South Carolina. We will be attending that as well.



Our Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch is right around the corner!

Mark your calendars now for April 7th.

Start rounding up your kids and grandkids, neighbors' kids— whoever you can find!

THE GHOST OF THE SAUSALITO



So I got sloshed and missed the publication date for the January bulletin...Francine was down and yep, ghosts can get buzzed...When did this place turn into Nirvana? I have not seen this many happy faces since the day they retired this old boat

when I was a line handler on the ferry. The Christmas season brought out the best in all of you and 2006 was no exception. I noticed the lighted boats were all "loaded" with friends and families and from the racket around here you all had a grand time. *Lois Lane* got hammered, so says her husband "Dog Slayer," recent of Colorado woodlands fame. They were seen at Driftwood and she was a bit catatonic.

There were over 20 boats out there and were all "decked out." The sheriff's boat busted a poacher or rum runner that ran between Misty Dawn...and "way past Midnight" something. He had no lights- and he ran into the too-keys to hide from the "brass-badgers." He was last seen standing on his bow..waving his arms to the Sheriff who kept telling him; "stand away from boat."

The skipper of "Way Past.." well that skipper "Cady-man" lost his generator and went dark too, just before they got to Riverview where the judges were, so he didn't get judged. He lost his lights and was complaining?? It seems that the motorcycle and rider on the pointy end lost compression and zipped out into the neither land and his wife the "Esther Williams" of the harbor said, "it was a good thing cause the generator was stinking up my cabin." ...Meanwhile, "Misty in the Morning" (or something like that) garnered an award. First Prize in his & her (you know who did the work) class. I would like to thank the hairy individual who thought it was cute to leave my space full of leftover decorations...and returning my head stone was a nice touch. "Bones" had a birthday a while back and used it. Thanks for giving it back. But I digress...The parade party wound down to the stalwart dice players and Cat and I went to bed to the "rattle-rattle thump...ha-ha-ha." Look out 4S...these guys are getting good.

You had a *Lively* (no pun intended) boys night out with a babe from the DFG here to explain why it was a good idea to turn your boat into planters and buy kayaks that you could pack around to the various lakes ("reservoirs" replacing those nasty sloughs) that DFG was backing the

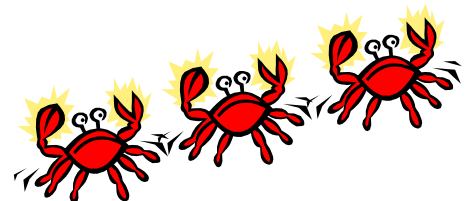
construction of. This idea may have some work to do before it happens. It seems the Southland hasn't heard of desalination plants yet so they think it is still ok to steal other folks water. Well it's starting to sound a lot like the Barbary Coast lives again. Lock & Load.

Santa was here without Mrs. Claus and assisted with two cuties, who rounded up the kiddies, he interviewed each and every one of them. The Hammer lady had them all warmed up with the singing and giggles. Fun Stuff. New Year's Eve was fun and nobody hurt themselves. I did notice the Steel Torpedo Boat in Area 1 settling a little low in the water and so did her skipper. They had a little pushing around to get past the new Commodore's boat and down to the ways. But with the able help of the 'tool time' guy Dredge Chief, they got her up out of the water and safe. ...Now if the boat was full of cork....

Well, I again did my annual "cat walk" last night. It is when I get all gooey eyed. The dumb cat and I curl up to keep warm near the pointy end of the ferry and look at the stars. Did you know what a treasure you have, both in this boat and the land? But, not only that, there is you. You people. You are the heart of the ferry and I for one want to let you know, like any large group of like minded folks there are differences of opinion, but unlike that of a political assemblage, you treat each other like brothers and sisters, grandmas and grandpas. A family...I love it. I just wanted to say that. It is nice.

Chu..Charles...(you don't mind if I take the formal here) What a year! This Club has accomplished everything from a multi-use lawn to a fire pit on the point, reconstruction of the storage areas in the back and new dock power points. It was said by better deck hands than I, "The ship that runs well, with a crew that is motivated to the good will of all, is led by her Captain. If they made port - that is the mission. If they did it in style, that is their Captain." Good job Chuck. ...Cat & I salute you. And to the "Lively one," ...big shoes to fill. You and your flag will do it and more...with a "touch of class," I might add. Nice dinner by the way.

Happy New Year, to all of you "Sportsmen" who have managed to exemplify the definition of the word by your actions. St. Peter says I have to stick around a little while longer, so "sea" ya at the Crab Feed.



THE 2007 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, 2007, through December 31, 2007. 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 2007 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:
- ◆ No entries will be taken by phone.
- ◆ The Fishing Derby rules are posted at the Club.

Neal Essary
360 Kingston Avenue
Martinez, CA 94553
Phone: 228-7337

We would like to thank all the participants in last year's Fishing Derby and to congratulate all the winners. We have lots of new members, so let's try and get some new winners this year!

Good luck to everyone!

Thank you,

Neal & Diane Essary

RESULTS OF THE 2006 SPORTSMEN YC ANNUAL FISHING DERBY				
STRIPED BASS	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		PRIZE WON
1st Place	Steve Fernandez	25 lbs	12 ozs	\$82
2nd Place	Bob Art	25 lbs	0 ozs	\$50
3rd Place	Jim Dawson	22 lbs	8 ozs	\$33
4th Place	Steve Fernandez	22 lbs	6 ozs	Paid 2007 Entry Fee
STURGEON	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		PRIZE WON
1st Place	Jim Dawson	30 lbs	0 ozs	\$75
2nd Place	Steve Fernandez	Won by	drawing	\$45
3rd Place	Rob Horton	Won by	drawing	\$30
4th Place	Jackie Steele	Won by	drawing	Paid 2007 Entry Fee
CATFISH	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		PRIZE WON
1st Place	Dennis Higgins	7 lbs	6 ozs	\$77
2nd Place	Chris Yarbrough	6 lbs	12 ozs	\$47
3rd Place	Bob Williams	2 lbs	12 ozs	\$31
4th Place	Chuck Kotecki	Won by	drawing	Paid 2006 Entry Fee