

# SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2004



## FROM OUR COMMODORE DAVID SELVY



The February Meeting Night Dinner was a huge success with Chuck Carroll's buddy, Doug Horton's, baked chicken

with all the trimmings! Why this guy is not a member is beyond me. Hey Chuck, make him an offer he can't refuse. We made some money and the food was great!

Participate in these dinners! They are great fun and a terrific way to add needed money to the treasury for the projects we need to finish this year.

The Work Party was well attended and **Rear Commodore Carroll** will have a lot to report about the things accomplished, and who got them done. We had a nice lunch of lasagna and salad with rolls, prepared by **Vice Commodore Dawson**. The weather held off

long enough for the work to be done and I have to say that what I observed was nothing short of hard work by a dedicated bunch of Sportsmen. *Thank you all for your hard work.* We got a great start on the entry gate, the paint locker was completely reorganized and all the items were separated and grouped into bins. The old paint was hauled to a recycler, the harbor was worked on, and light fixtures were repaired or replaced. Compliments to **Lonnie, Jim, and Chuck** for their relentless work and to **Tony and Lawny Chapman** with the help of their crews in getting the new gate started. **Alice Gibson and Dave Davidson** got the bar up to snuff and ready for the Crab Feed held the 14th of February.

We had a full house of avid crab eaters for the Annual Crab Feed. **Herb Pekonen** was joined by **Neal Essary** to go to "Crab Land" and load and deliver the VERY BEST crab I have EVER

eaten!! *"Herb, you are truly "King Crab!"*

We met Saturday morning at 8:30 to crack crab and were treated to one of **Charlie Carroll's** famous Bloody Mary's mixed with a few itinerate morsels of crab meat which made for a nice break during the cracking chores. We were finished with the 550 pounds of crab in record time and were able to take a bit of a rest before we had to move to the larger task of getting the final preparations for the dinner done.

On that subject...**Pat and Ted Brown**; what can I say? They absolutely pulled out all the stops and prepared one of the best and well thought-out crab feeds ever! Pat's clam chowder and spaghetti marinara were spectacular and all of the leftovers were sold!! She started prep-cooking last Wednesday and the result was a completely satisfied, Ferry full of

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## SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

### March

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

### April

2 Club Meeting  
3 Opening Day Parade  
& Benicia YC Cruise-In  
10 Uncle Bob's Easter Egg Hunt &  
Brunch  
24 Cruise-Out (To Be Announced)

### May

7 Club Meeting  
8 Work Party (a.m.)  
& Cinco de Mayo Party (p.m.)  
28-31 Memorial Day Cruise-Out

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## FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE DARLENE DAWSON



As **Commodore Selvy** has already expressed in his article, a big thanks to **Doug Horton** for preparing the February Meeting Dinner.

At February's meeting, it was decided not to include INC on the sign that is to be replaced on Wilbur Avenue. In place of INC, there will be a Sportsmen YC burgee. The Board was to recommend which design to use for the sign and below is their choice:



February's Work Party was very well attended with several major projects being tackled. Kudos to all who worked so long and hard. I know **Rear Commodore Carroll** will elaborate on the who's and what's. I served the last lunch at 5:30 p.m. Now, you probably think I was predictably slow—Not true! We had a crew who worked that late!

If **Commodore Selvy** can still write after eating all that crab at our Annual Crab Feed, I'm sure he will more than expound on that deliciously successful event. "Thanks, Pat, Ted, Herb, and crews. You out-did yourselves again this year."

The day after the Crab Feed, Jim and I had the pleasure of accompanying **Tony Chapman** to Newport Beach where he took possession of his King

Kat 27 foot Baha Cruiser. After a thorough once-over, she was launched and we had an exhilarating cruise. Returning to Back Bay Harbor at sunset, we pulled her out of the water and towed her to Erik & Jean Sieben's home for an evening of rest and relaxation. On the way home, we stopped for fuel in Button Willow. While stretching my legs, I heard a familiar voice say, "Hey, lady, what are you doing here?" It was **Jerry & Doris Calhoun** returning from their trip. **Gary & Carol Hager** were across the street at another station. *It is a small world!*

While I was having a weekend of enjoyment, I missed a call from Maggie Murphy, our Sunshine Lady. She needed a ride to the doctor. When she couldn't reach me at home, she called the Club. Dwayne Minick walked in just in time to answer the phone and Maggie's call for assistance. What a great example of how our Club takes care of their own.

Hope to see you all at the St. Patrick's Day Dinner.

(Please see Page 4 for the PICYA Report prepared by Vice Commodore Dawson.)



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(May the road rise with you.)

March  
Happy  
Birthday  
Wishes



- Mar 02 Bill Carr
- Mar 02 Jerry Redfern
- Mar 02 Virginia Noack
- Mar 10 Diane Essary
- Mar 10 Jim Arnold
- Mar 10 Kelly Dunbar
- Mar 14 Ellie Landes
- Mar 15 Betty Fraser
- Mar 15 Steve Nicholas
- Mar 16 Frank Reece
- Mar 16 Joe Ortiz
- Mar 21 Joe Stubberfield
- Mar 23 Paul Bernhardt
- Mar 25 Jeffrey Dunbar
- Mar 26 Cole Dunlap
- Mar 26 Brian Shropshire
- Mar 27 Elsie Campo
- Mar 30 Elaine Brown
- Mar 30 Eva Zwemmer



Recreational Boaters of California is a non-profit organization that has been protecting the rights of California boaters since 1968. Funds donated to

RBOC pay for lobbyists in Sacramento, operating the Sacramento office, and travel expenses for directors. All RBOC directors pay for their own meals and donate all of their time.

Some examples of the way RBOC has benefited recreational boaters was by stopping the increase of boat registration, the collection of the illegal duck stamp tax, boat operator license, live-aboard permits, the Department of Parks and Recreation from taking money from the Department of Boating and Waterways. Recently, they have also been instrumental in obtaining an extension of time to study the effect of copper-bottom paint on water quality.

Those of you who know us, know that we are very frugal and we don't donate unless we know the agency works for us. Please join Jim and me in supporting RBOC, with a suggested donation of \$15. Supporting RBOC is as simple as putting a check in Treasurer Lucido's box at the Club. Please mark your envelope or check as an RBOC donation.

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  
CHUCK CARROLL



Well, all I can say about our first Work Party for '04 is WOW! There were "go getters" all over the place. I have to admit I was a little afraid of members suffering from "burn-out" from last year's dredging, but Sportsmen turned out with a mission to accomplish.

We literally had families of workers. The **Chapman's, Carroll's, Dawson's, Gibson's, Lucido's, Larosee's, Selvy's**. As always when you do this sort of listing, you forget to name the most important contributors, so please forgive me. **Jim Dawson** got a great deal done inside the ferry as well as outside. **Dick Noack** had a crew working with him, sorting out the supply room; **Ron Russo** stayed at it all day. Thanks, **Carl Hamilton**, for shoring up the broken beam. **Dave MacDougall** had a crew helping him with the tool room. It's the most organized I've seen it in my 21 years with the Club. The ferry decks were cleaned, the roof was repaired in several places, and **Paul Larosee** checked our paint supply and nearly 50 gallons of old paint and chemicals were hauled off to the recycle center by several members. **Ed Collins** and a couple of buddies stayed busy all day making endless runs for supplies. **Lonnie Gibson** had guys busy all over the harbor. There was work done on the berths, lights were repaired, the new ramp that **Dr. Dan** made was carried to the south end of Area 3, the wood and trash there was stacked and hauled off, **Chris Yarbrough** repaired some fingers in Area 4. The dry storage was cleaned

up in several areas and trailers were moved.

**Darrell Lackey** has really done an outstanding job on the grounds so far. The new gate has started going in with the underground pipes and new track in place. With all the hard work that was done, we still had guys out there pouring concrete at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. **Jim Dawson** had a crew pick up the dolly over at **Zeb's** that was put under the dredge trailer, "It Fits!" This will save us money in the future by allowing us to move the dredge without having to rent a truck. We had guys like **Dave Davidson, Jim Arnold, Tim Lamb, Tim Nerby, Chuck Kotecki, Bert Schneider, Chris Stubberfield, Steve Nicholas, & Joe Ortiz** (who hung in there working even though he was sick). They helped out in more places than I could keep track of. A special thanks to the **Chapman brothers** for taking the responsibility of getting the gate track in, and to **Chuck Larosee** for bringing his work truck to get the track welded up and for using his connections to get our concrete. Just want to say if we can continue to get an army of volunteers like this for every Club Work Party, we'll accomplish more goals than we had hoped for. *Thanks one and all!*

After that, we had our crab cracking party and Crab Feed the next weekend, which was nothing but fun and great food. Thanks to **Herb Pekonen, Pat Brown, &** all the others who made the feed such a great meal. This truly is one of the best events we do. And speaking of great events, don't forget about the St.

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HISTORIAN NOTES  
KATHIE HAMMER



In case you haven't had time to follow a recent event, I would like to share it with you.

The brand new *Queen Mary 2* made her maiden voyage

on January 14th. Her cruise was from South Hampton, England, to Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Her length is 1,132 feet, width 134 feet, height 236 feet. Her normal cruising speed is 29.6 knots (33 mph). The *Queen Mary 2* is a transatlantic ocean liner, not to be confused with a cruise ship. She is the fourth ship of royalty.

The first *Queen Mary* began service in 1936; she retired in 1967 and is presently a hotel/museum in Long Beach, California.

The first *Queen Elizabeth* began service in 1946; she retired in 1968. She was moored in Fort Lauderdale as an attraction, but it was not successful. She was sold in 1970 and renamed *Seawise University*, went to Hong Kong for extensive refitting but burned and capsized in 1972. She was then cut up for scrap.

The *Queen Elizabeth 2* began service in 1969; she made her last transatlantic runs in 2003. After completing her current world cruise, she will make cruises in European waters.

In 2002, we had the pleasure of sailing on the *Queen Elizabeth 2* and dining with **Captain Ronald Warwick**. At that time, he told us about the *Queen Mary 2*. Captain Warwick is now the Admiral of the *Queen Mary 2*.

*(Carroll's article continued from previous column.)*

Patty's Day Party coming up on the 13th. Commodore Selvy tells me he's expecting between 8 & 18 boats from Martinez YC to come to the party. See you at the next Meeting & Work Party.

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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(Selvy's Article—Continued from Page 1)

members and guests. *Thank you Pat and Ted* and to your crew, "Cudos!!"

The list of folks taking part in this effort, as I have it, are:

- **Herb Pekonen, Neal Essary** - crab procurement
- **Dave MacDougall, Bob Art, Paul Larosee, Vince Ranfanan, Ed Elledge, Lonnie Gibson and Dave Davidson** – Set Up
- **Neal Essary, Tim Lamb, Paul Larosee, Chuck Carroll, Charlie Carroll, Bert Schneider, Walt Hoy, Bob Art, Mike Carroll** – Crackers of the Crab
- **Ken & Tina Selvy, Bob & Cindy Art, Greg Dawson, Ted and Pat's family, Lonnie Gibson, Darlene Dawson, and Hunny Bunny** – final mixing and food prep, serving and general laughs. Crazy as it was... we did have fun (and THAT is the idea here).
- **Dave MacDougall, Alice Gibson, Chris Stubberfield, Vince Rafanan, and Dave Davidson**, - bar tending

AND then...when it was time to clean up. **Pat** asked for a few good hands to help and most of the above jumped in but, more to the point, **Helen Torres** dove into the kitchen with our surrogate dad, **Emery Megel**, and washed dishes, with help from **Bob and Cindy Art** again, doing the pots and pans. **Lonnie Gibson** and the **Torres clan**, helped me with the chairs and clearing of the tables and putting them away. *Thanks, guys!!* ...And again, to my dear sweet **Hunny Bunny, Sharon, Thank you, Baby!!**

The end of February, **Fleet Captain Lawny Chapman** planned our first cruise-out to San Joaquin YC and he said folks from Caliente Isle and Driftwood Yacht Clubs would join us. By the time this is being read, that trip will be over and we will be getting ready for our next Meeting Night, the 6th of March. We will be having another Work Party that following Saturday, March 7th. Please keep up the great attendance.

Remember the **St. Patrick's**

**Dinner** on Saturday, March 13th. We will have **Charlie Carroll** doing breakfast for our guests from **Martinez YC**. I understand from their **Fleet Captain Mike Trancschel** that we will be hosting 10 or more of these fine folks' boats. We are still looking for some of you to sign up as volunteers, to help serve and set-up. Please step up for this as being this is our first cruise-in, we will need all the help we can get. There will be a raffle and we could use some gifts for the table as well as someone to operate the raffle.

**Lawny's** second Cruise-Out to **Solano YC** is scheduled for March 27th. The April Meeting will be followed by a cruise-in from **Benicia Yacht Club**; they will be joining us for the Opening Day Cruise to Pittsburg and back, and then for dinner at the Ferry. As of this writing, it is not confirmed, but I believe **BYC's Sam Treece** and I will have the long awaited "Oso-Buco Cook Off". Should be a hoot, so mark your calendar.

More Fun!



## PICYA Report

In a hope to provide a more personal and direct contact with PICYA and member clubs, Commodore Vern Bendson has assigned each PICYA director several yacht clubs. Delegates will be able to directly contact their assigned PICYA director with problems or questions.

Congratulations to:  
Bay Area Multihull Association (BAMA)

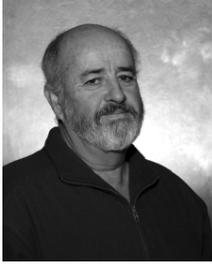
was accepted as an associate member of PICYA. BAMA is primarily a racing association that has been in existence for approximately 25 years. It boasts 50 members who have recently decided to get more involved in cruising. BAMA would be the 100<sup>th</sup> club in the PICYA.

Our own neighbor and friend, Larry Draper, from Driftwood YC, received PICYA's 2004 Silver Star Award. This award is presented for diligent service to PICYA and the recreational boating community.

## Upcoming Events

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| 3/1  | Delegates' Meeting at Driftwood YC                   |
| 4/5  | Delegates' Meeting at Richmond YC                    |
| 4/25 | Opening Day on the Bay<br>Theme: Follow Your Rainbow |

**PORT CAPTAIN  
COMMENTS  
JIM DAWSON**



We have had many cabin changes this year. Please join me in welcoming **Lawny & Debbi Chapman** to Cabin 25 and **Darrell & Yvonne Lackey** to Cabin

35. These cabins were awarded after many cabin transfers. I want to thank everyone who transferred so the new folks could get their cabins. This has generated income for our Club. We still have one empty cabin. Thanks to everyone who has given me a cabin key for our lock box. At this printing, we are current except for one cabin key.

The Tool Room has been changed and **Dave MacDougall** and crew did a great job! You can now find the tools you need. **Dick Noack** and crew performed miracles in the supply room downstairs. Junk was disposed of, old paint hauled off, roof supporting beam stabilized, and the room is now orderly. You can finally walk into each of these rooms without hard hats and safety toe shoes!

Thanks to **Tony Chapman** and crew, all the railing is in for the new gate. The

light poles, gate, and posts will be completed soon. The decking at the south end of the lower deck has deteriorated at an alarming rate. We will be replacing much of this area with lapped 2x6s that **Tony Chapman** so generously donated to the Club a couple of months ago. *Thanks, Tony.*

Thanks to **Freda** for taking pictures on Saturday to update our members' boat pictures upstairs. I was so nervous when **Darlene** and I took out our boat—I was afraid Freda didn't have fast enough film to capture the real boat! All the pictures of every boat were absolutely fantastic.

Thanks to **George Brayton** and his fellow card players for the donations of two space heaters (one for the Office and one for the Board Room). They also donated \$50 towards the eight new cue sticks that **Chuck** purchased for the pool table.

**Bed, Bath & Beyond** made us a great deal on some new bath mats for our lower deck showers, so we now have these available for members & guests using our facilities.

Last, but certainly not least, I want to thank **Chuck Carroll** and his friend, **Doug Horton**, for a fantastic Meeting Night Dinner in February. Details of our March Meeting Dinner are in the next column. Please make your reservations early as only 50 dinners will be served.

**YES!**  
Dinner will be served  
before our  
March Meeting!

**A Surprise  
Menu  
Prepared by  
John & Carol  
Hunter**

**\$7.50 per person**

We are limited to 50  
reservations, so contact  
**Audrey (686-1167)** or  
**Elaine (682-7585)**  
as soon as possible

**Come join us!**



**Member  
Information Corner**

- **Audrey Coach** is recovering from shingles. *We wish you a speedy recovery, Audrey!*
- **Maggie Murphy** has been under the weather. *We hope you're feeling better soon, Maggie!*
- **Rosemary Russo** is scheduled for surgery on March 11th. She is receiving a live liver transplant and her son is the donor. *You're both in our prayers, Rosemary.*

- **Sharon Selvy** had eye surgery on February 26th. *We're glad to hear the surgery was such a success, Sharon!*
- **Jeanette Silva** had hip replacement surgery on February 9th. *She is doing well. We look forward to seeing you at the Club, Jeanette!*

Cards are always appreciated by our fellow members. It's a great "pick-me-up" and lets them know you're thinking about them.



**More  
Boat  
Pictures  
Will Be  
Taken...**

**Saturday  
March 13th  
From 1:00-3:00 p.m.**  
Please contact Freda if you need  
other arrangements

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## Address Update

Chuck Carroll II (Charlie)  
1828 Holland Drive  
Walnut Creek, 94597

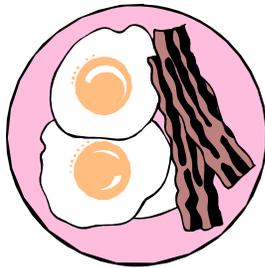
Phone: 787-6635 (same)



## Congratulations!

- To Tony & Dianne Chapman on their new boat. Her name is Kiara.
- To Vince & Armi Rafanan who recently christened their boat. Her name is D'Vin Sea

## Thank You!



...To all who  
Are supporting  
Kathy's Galley!

Kathy Larosee



### ARTICLE IV

#### MEMBERSHIP TERMINATION:

1. On the death of a member.
2. Any member ninety (90) days in arrears shall automatically forfeit any and all rights to membership and will automatically be terminated. The Club Secretary shall notify the member when dues and/or other obligations are sixty (60) days delinquent. However, upon written application and the payment of delinquent dues and other obligations, the Board of Directors, by two thirds (2/3) vote, may at their discretion and upon such terms as they may prescribe, reinstate said member. See Article XIII A-3.
3. Any member who may be adjudged guilty of any of the following may be reprimanded, fined, suspended or expelled from the club:
  - a. Refusal to comply with the Club Rules and Regulations and By-Laws.

- b. Any misconduct or act calculated to impair the good name of the Club.
- c. Being cited for a violation of California Department of Fish and Game laws on Club property.

4. Should the Board of Directors receive a written complaint from a Club member in regards to a violation of Article IV A-3 a, b or c, the Directors shall immediately call for preliminary review to ascertain the validity of the alleged offense. The accused member will not participate in this initial review of the charges. If the majority of the Board Members decide to recommend a formal hearing, the Commodore will then call a special meeting of the Board of Directors, in Executive Session, to examine the charges and hear the accused. At least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled hearing, the accused will be notified in writing that a complaint has been filed, the nature of the complaint and the time and place of the hearing. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board of Directors will render a decision. Their vote will be by secret ballot.

5. Termination or expulsion shall require the unanimous vote of the Board of Directors. A reprimand or fine shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors. Upon written demand of the accused, the matter shall then be referred to the General Membership who will, at the next General Membership meeting, overrule or affirm the decision of the Board of Directors. To overrule the Board of Directors decision, a majority vote of the eligible voting membership present shall be required. Accused member may attend this meeting and address the membership prior to vote. The vote will be by secret ballot.

*(Sections of our Club's By-Laws are being printed monthly. If you need a complete copy of our By-Laws, please contact Vice Commodore Dawson or Treasurer Freda Lucido.)*

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color on-line!  
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# St. Patrick's Day Party

Saturday  
March 13th



\$12.50  
Per Person

6:15 p.m. Beer Drinking  
Contest

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



Martinez YC will be cruising-in  
for this event

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: 682-7585

# Opening Day

Hosted by Pittsburg Yacht Club

## & Benicia YC Cruise - In

Saturday, April 3rd

Our Theme: *Follow Your Rainbow*

Meet at 12:30 p.m.  
East of the Antioch  
Bridge near Buoy 16

Radio Channel: 68

An afternoon Reception will be held at Pittsburg YC after which we will cruise back to our Club with our guests, Benicia YC, for dinner and events.

### Dinner Menu

"Oso-Buco"  
(Braised Lamb & Beef  
Shanks in Marinara  
Sauce over Pasta)  
Tossed Green Salad  
French Bread

Please contact Audrey (686-1167) or  
Elaine (682-7585) to make your reservations!

\$14.00 per person

Saturday, April 10th

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

### Our Menu

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



Sportsmen YC's  
7th 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,  
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