2016



# oortsmen Yacht



# Commodore **Doug Horton**

Well hello everybody!

The weekend of February 12<sup>th</sup>, we had the Delta Bayliner Club cruise-in. It started off with a packed house for game night and soup and salad for dinner. On the 13<sup>th</sup>, we celebrated Valentine's Day with a wonderful dinner Lobster Ravioli, prepared by Billy Jones and Marina Faconti.

We had our Crab Feed on the February 20th. The turnout was a little low: however, the food was great! We had some background music and the ambiance was wonderful. The raffle went well and we had some wonderful prizes. I would like to personally thank and apologize to Roger & Crystal Lund; they did a great job putting this together and I dropped the ball once or twice on them. So thank you! People who put in a lot of time and effort also need to be thanked are: Dave & Heather Newton, Shawn Newton, Neal & Elena Draper, Bob & lanet Buckley, Robert Bobo (by getting his hands a little wet doing dishes). I would also like to make a special thank you to John & Sylvia Birdsell for doing the correct Sportsmen way as an Associate; they had dinner and then thev stepped up and helped in the galley. We need to see MORE ASSOCIATES doing

On Sunday, the 21st, Chuck Carroll (our Gaming Chairman) and I went to Stockton YC to go over all the rules for the 4S games starting on July 14th. The games will run through July 17<sup>th</sup>. They are starting the games early this year on Thursday (the 14th); they will be hosting a Family Feud Night (which is a knock-off of the TV show). The meeting was informative and, if you have never been to one of the 4S Games, you need to plan to go this year. Our 4S try-outs are Saturday, June 25th, at our Club. Games such as Darts, Horseshoes, Shuffleboard, Pool, Pinochle, Cribbage, Liar's Dice are among just some of the games. In case you did not know, this will be the 63rd annual 4S with Sportsmen, San Joaquin, Sacramento, and Stockton YCs. It is a very competitive BUT fun time.

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# **Vice Commodore Matt Tate**

another February was wonderful, event filled month at the Club, with Game Night, our Valentine's Dinner, the Delta Bayliner Cruise-In, and, topping it all off, our annual Crab Feed. Crab Feed was a nice night with lots of great eats as usual, hosted by our Commodore Doug and his wife Shari. Thanks to everyone who helped put on the Crab Feed. One of

the benefits of our membership is the camaraderie that we all enjoy at these various events, so I encourage all to make an effort to join us at the Club to participate in them. While enjoying the dinner, it occurred to me what a wonderful Club we all enjoy and how thankful we are to be a part of such a great group of family and friends.

In the spirit of this year's theme of "We Are A Family," I had the pleasure of inviting my brother Bryan and his wife Jennifer, to become associate members. have been after them for some time to join, as I feel they will be great members, but in true Sportsmen-like fashion, they indicated that they would like to wait until

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# FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

PREPARED BY RON & LIZ ALLEN AND JANET BUCKLEY \$10 PER PERSON



Limited to the first 60 reservations. Make your reservations ONLINE or contact Ann English 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

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**Ulli Stephens** 



**Bryan & Jennifer Tate** 

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On another note, I would like to get some people out while it is springtime to start hauling wintertime trash (tree limbs, shrubs, tumbleweeds, etc.). Anyone willing to use their truck to pull the dump trailer would be greatly appreciated. Hope to see you all on March 5th for Work Party. We need to for St. Patty's Day and summertime

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duck season ended! This way, they could participate more in all of our events and Saturday Work Parties as associate On that same night, the Board also had the pleasure of voting in Ulli Stephens as an associate member. It has been nice seeing these three new members around the Club helping out and enjoying what the Club has to offer. As you see these and all of our other new associate members, please take a moment to introduce yourself.

Another benefit of our membership is our ability to visit other yacht clubs. Since joining, Marianne and I have had the pleasure of visiting several of these clubs while travelling. They are many and varied, and allow us to gain some insight into what the other clubs are up to and what we may want to bring back to SYC. I won't bore you with all of the unpleasant details, but as I write this, Marianne and I are sitting at the Lahaina YC, overlooking the ocean toward Lanai and watching the humpback whales cavorting in the warm waters of Hawaii. Please note however, this is all being done in the interest of exploring what aspects of the LYC that we can bring back to our Club!

Mahalo and looking forward to seeing you all either at the Club or out on the Delta.

# Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC

# March

- Club Meeting Work Party
- 11-13 Delta Marina YC Cruise-In
- Friday Night Roasted Chicken Dinner 11
- Breakfast by Billy 12
- 12 Saturday Night Lasagna Dinner
- 18-20 Diablo YC Cruise-In
- Game Night & Dinner 18
- 19 St. Patrick's Day Dinner

- Club Meeting
- Breakfast by Billy Work Party
- Opening Day
- 22 Game Night & Dinner
- 29-1 Rio Vista Cruise-Out
- Cook-Off at Rio Vista

- Rio Vista Cruise-Out continues
- 6 Club Meeting
- 7 Breakfast by Billy
- 7 Work Party
- Kentucky Derby Party
- Game Night & Dinner 20

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# Rear Commodore Robert Babo

Where is the time going? We are now in March! February was a busy month with the kick-off of the Super Bowl Party. Then, the cruise-in with our friends from Delta Bayliner Club, was a great time; the Valentine Dinner was a perfect cap for the weekend. The annual Antioch High School Fishing Derby had a great turnout, with the Club's own William Odum catching a nice sturgeon. The annual Crab Feed was fun with plenty of crab for all; the clam chowder was prepared by Dave & Heather, our 2014 Rio Vista clam chowder cook-off winners.

March will be another busy month with two yacht clubs cruising-in: Delta Marina YC on the 11-13<sup>th</sup> and Diablo YC will be here the 18-20<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up to help out; we can always use help with cruise-ins. To our Associate members: This is a great time to shine!

Let's not forget that Game Night will be the 18<sup>th</sup>. Poker has become a big part of the evening, with every Poker winner from each Game Night added to compete at the end-of-the-year big poker tournament.

The annual St. Patrick's Dinner will be another fun-filled night with a beer drinking contest, dancing, and, oh yes, the corned beef!

I hope to see you at the Club!





# HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

In the early days, many people who lived in San Francisco would go up Telegraph Hill to Coit Tower to watch the beautiful Delta King go through her paces. With its twin ship, the Delta Queen, these sternwheeler ferryboats linked San Francisco with the California capital at Sacramento. The ferries operated at night, leaving either city at 6:30pm and arriving at their destination the following morning at 5:30 am. Built in Stockton from parts prefabricated on the Clyde in Scotland, they operated from 1927 to 1940. After retirement as a ferry, the Delta King was drafted into the military service in WWII serving as a floating dormitory in Alaska. Today, it offers a rather more luxurious accommodation as a floating hotel in Sacramento's Old Town.







# **2016 PICYA CALENDAR**

Mar 7 Delegates' Meeting Benicia YC Apr 4

Delegates' Meeting Pittsburg YC

Mar 25 Leadership Conference Apr 24 Martinez YC

Opening Day on the Bay

Jane attended the first PICYA meeting of 2016 at Coyote Point YC. After a delicious dinner, including cream puffs for dessert, Commodore Schoenwisner announced his theme for 2016 "Success Comes in Cans—I Can, You Can, We Can." His intention is to bring people together to succeed.

He provided a schedule of events. Delegates were invited to add specific events and to suggest events they would like to see happen. Commodore Schoenwisner reported his major goals for 2016 were to increase contributions to RBOC and to encourage more boats on the water for PICYA events.

Vice Commodore Blue announced the theme for Opening Day on the Bay, "Heroes on the San Francisco Bay." Flyers were provided. All vessels are welcome to register for the parade. For more information, please contact me.

Rear Commodore Bumpus announced the Leadership Conference will be held on March 25th at Martinez YC. There is a wealth of information provided at this conference and any Club member is eligible to attend. The cost is \$25 per person and includes conference materials, continental breakfast, and lunch. Anyone interested in attending, please see me.



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# 2016 Sportsmen Annual Fishing Derby Update (as of January 20, 2016)

We have 32 people entered in the 2016 Derby.

- There is \$435 total in this Derby so far.
- Rules are posted at the Club.
- Associates are welcome to participate in the Derb
- Three categories: Stripers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.
- Cost is \$5.00 per category.
- There are no entries of fish caught in the Catfish category.
- There are no entries for the Striped Bass category.
- For our Sturgeon category, William Odum is in 1st place with a 31 pounder and Bill Pato Jr. is in 2nd place with a 26.75 pound sturgeon!

Get in the Derby! Go out and catch some fish!

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# Game Night

Friday, March 18th

Soup & Salad 6:30 p.m.

Reservations ONLINE or call Ann at 779-9330





# ening Day Boat Parade in Antioch Hosted by Bridge Marina YC

Saturday, April 2nd

2016 Theme: "Monkeying Around on the Delta" Celebrating the 2016 Chinese calendar's Year of the Monkey

11:00 a.m.—The BMYC clubhouse opens for cocktails and appetizers. 12:30 p.m.—Parade boats assemble at the south end of the Antioch Bridge 1:00 p.m.—Boat Parade begins and travels west to the Riverview Lodge and returns to BMYC clubhouse. Judges will be on the fishing pier, adjacent to the Riverview Lodge and at the BMYC clubhouse.

5:00 p.m.—Dinner served at BMYC Clubhouse

6:00 p.m.—Boat Parade awards ceremony

For parade entry information, please contact Fleet Captain Wrenda Sabino at allstarws@comcast.net or 925.516.2385.

For parade dinner reservations, please contact Vice Commodore Jim Davi at captianjim@comcast.net or 925.698.6856



\$15

Reservations are required

Awarding First, Second, & Third Places for "35-Feet and Under" and "36-Feet and Over" length categories Plus Best of Show Award

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# We Welcome...



March 11th-13tl





# Come Join Us!

Friday Night Roasted Chicken Dinner—March 11th—6:30 p.m. with Mashed Potatoes, Salad, & Dessert \$10

Saturday Morning Breakfast by Billy—March 12th—9-11 a.m.— Eggs to Order, Hash Browns, Sausage or Bacon, Toast or Biscuits & Gravy \$10

Saturday Night Scott's Homemade Lasagna Dinner—March 12th 6:30 p.m.—with Salad & Dessert \$12

Sunday Morning Continental Breakfast—March 13th

Reservations for the dinners can be made ONLINE or call Ann at 779-9330

# Mark Your Calendars... for Our Rio Vista Cruise-Out!!



April 29th-May 1st at the Delta Marina Come by Boat...by RV...by Car For the Weekend...or just come on Saturday

Join us around Noon on Saturday, April 30th, with Finger-Foods to Share 1:30 p.m. Scavenger Hunt Join in the Chili Cook-Off

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Dust Off Your Derby Hats! Kentucky Derby Day

Saturday May 7th

(More details ONLINE soon)



# The "411" for Breakfasts by Billy

Menu: Eggs to Order, Hash Browns, Bacon or Sausage, Biscuits with Gravy or Toast, Coffee and Juice

\$10

NOTE: This breakfast is served once a month, so check the Club calendar ONLINE for the date it will be served that month.

Reservations are requested but not required and can be made ONLINE or call Ann at 779-9330.

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# St. Patrick's Dinner



Our Friends from



Díablo YC are cruísing-in for the

weekend!

# Saturday, March 19th

6:00 p.m. Our Annual Beer Drinking Contest7:00 p.m. Our Famous Corned Beef Dinner

**Music & Dancing following Dinner** 



Make your reservations
ONLINE
or call
Ann at 779-9330

\$25

Reservations by March 13th

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