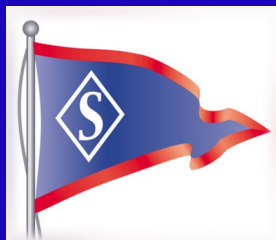


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NEWSLETTER

# Sportsmen Yacht Club



## Commodore Matt Tate

Ah, the smells and tastes of a great Crab Feed and Sportsmen does it like no other!! If you were there, you know what I am talking about. As per usual, our Club members out-did themselves again, and put on a GREAT feed.

I would like to take a couple of lines to THANK all those who helped put on this year's event. Thanks to Lonnie and Alice Gibson for arranging the order and picking up the crab; Albert Perez and his team for manning the kitchen crew; Liz Allen and Scott Jett for preparing and cooking the clam chowder; Denise Babo and Cynthia Perez for the salad and bread; my very own Marianne Tate for the pasta and Janet Buckley for the delicious cookies.

In addition to those just

named, I would also like to thank Ann English for keeping up with the reservations and Freda Lucido for designing the flyer and publicizing the event. Big THANK YOU'S to our Vice Commodore Robert Babo, Micheline Simpson, and Denise Babo, who made the rounds of local businesses to gather up donations and purchased several of the very nice raffle prizes that some of our lucky members and guests were able to win.

I would be remiss if I failed to also thank our Bar Manager, Bob Buckley, who orders all of the extra supplies needed for these events and who then arrives early and leaves late.

Another nice event we had last month was the

Valentine's Dinner hosted by Bill Jones and Marina Faconti; it was delicious! That weekend we also hosted the Delta Bayliner Club for a cruise-in and they were able to enjoy the dinner along with us. Several of them commented that they enjoyed themselves immensely and are looking forward to their next cruise-in to our Club.

As you can see, between the dinners, cruise-ins, and other happenings around our Club, the theme for 2017, "All Hands on Deck," is demonstrated each and every day.

My thanks to you all!

Hoping to see you either at the Club for this month's events (St. Patty's Day!!) or out on the water!



## Vice Commodore Robert Babo

We had our second Work Party of the year and the work on the Ship's Store is coming along nicely. I'd like to give a shout-out to Rudy Trautner, Dale Bauer, Paul Berg, Jason Turpin, Alice Gibson, Denise Babo & Miss Marianne Tate for their contribution on this project in February.

We had our first cruise-in with the great folks from

the Delta Bayliner Club; they were also here to enjoy our Valentine's Dinner by Billy & Marina. A great time was had by all and to complete the weekend we had the Commodore's breakfast prepared by our very own Commodore Matt Tate & First Lady Marianne Tate.

Our annual Crab Feed had a great turnout, with raffle prizes and lots of crab to

be had by all. What a great night! I'd like to thank the many people who worked behind the scenes with the planning and organizing, and the volunteers who bring it all together. Also, a special thanks to everyone who made baskets for the raffle and to the people who donated items.

A big shout-out to Dan at

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Happy  
St. Patrick's Day

## FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

PREPARED BY SERGE PELUSO



Limited to the first 60 reservations.  
Make your reservations ONLINE or  
contact Ann 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](mailto:newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org)  
or contact Freda Lucido at 228.3609

## Sportsmen YC's Upcoming Events

### March

- 3 Club Meeting
- 4 Work Party
- 17-19 Diablo YC Cruise-In
- 17 Game Night & Dinner
- 18 St. Patrick's Dinner
- 19 Commodore's Breakfast

View the complete  
2017 Calendar ONLINE!

### April

- 1 Opening Day  
(hosted by Sportsmen YC)
- 7 Club Meeting
- 8 Work Party
- 14 Game Night & Dinner
- 15 Easter Egg Hunt
- 21 Italian Night Dinner
- 28-30 Rio Vista Cruise-Out  
Golf, Spa Day, and  
Chili Cook-Off

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Dan's Delta Outdoors, Gary Noe from Mac's Old House, Angel Brown, Anne Macey, Micheline Simpson, Cynthia Perez, Marianne Tate and my wife, Denise, who did an amazing job. Also want to thank my brother-in-law, Albert Perez, for taking charge in the galley with the students from Antioch High School who helped serve the dinner.

With the month of February, we saw an incredible amount of RAIN. Our docks and grounds are evidence of the high water and its wrath. In past years, March has been our rain maker, so be prepared. Walk your dock and check your mooring lines. For those of you in Dry Storage, you should make sure your plugs are out so your boat will drain; check your tarps. Be ready because when the sun comes out the weeds will grow!

Hope to see you at the Club!

## Sportsmen YC's Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday  
April 15th

Details in the  
next  
Newsletter



This Month:  
Tuesday, March 7th  
7 p.m.

## Learn to Knit

Our very own Cindy Mammon is teaching knitting  
on the **first Tuesday of each month** at the Club!  
Bring your yarn and some knitting needles and  
you'll be knitting in no time!



## Rear Commodore Bobby Brown

Wow! February was busy! To start, one of the best Super Bowls ever played was watched by millions around, including Sportsmen. What's more exciting? The game? The commercials? Or the halftime show? Either way, it was a game for the record books. It's all history now and "Deflate Gate" can be put to rest. Tom Brady is at his peak and some could argue he is the best QB that has ever played the game. Congrats to the Pats!

Our Work Party went well, installing drywall and starting the joint taping process in the Club's store. Thank you Denise and Robert Babo, Elena Draper, Rudy Trautner, and others who helped with the process. It's really coming together nicely. Thank you to all who helped with making February a successful month.

A Celebration of Life for Chuck English was heartfelt and warming. The turnout of Sportsmen and roughly 16 fellow Clampers showing their love and respect was very humbling. I've only known Chuck for a very small window of his life, but from my experience with this man, he was a true Gentleman. Chuck was a service man, a father, a husband, and a Show Dog lover. He and Ann loved their Great Dane, Angel. Thank you, Chuck, for your service and humility towards your fellow Sportsmen. You will be missed.

The Crab Feed on the 25th was a success. I love how

Sportsmen come together and create this environment of family and friends, chowing down delicious crab in different ways. Are you a leg lover or a body picker? I love the bodies! Thank you, Lonnie Gibson, and all who helped crack and prepare the crab, clam chowder, salad, and pasta. Robert Babo put together some fantastic prizes that were raffled off including a flat screen!

We'll start March off with our monthly Club Meeting, followed by a Work Party. All Sportsmen, including Associate members, are encouraged to bring a determined attitude and upbeat outlook of an ongoing vision to help maximize the use of our Club.

We will welcome a cruise-in with Diablo YC on March 17th-19th, during our annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner. They have been coming to our Club for several years to participate in our St. Patrick's Day Dinner and we always love having them come. Let's show them the Sportsmen hospitality that keeps them coming every year! It's an awesome event bringing family, friends, and Sportsmen all together to socialize and compete in a drinking contest. Most importantly, the food! The Club cooks close to 300 pounds of corned beef along with traditional cabbage, carrots and potatoes.

We'll end the weekend with our Commodore's Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, the 19th. Commodore Matt and his fantastic wife, Marianne, serve up an awesome breakfast to help jump start your day.

All the details for our St. Patrick's weekend are on Page 6 of this Newsletter and are on our Website. We'd love to see you all there!

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## HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

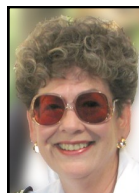
During the past month I was talking to several people about my last historical article in which I talked about the stained glass windows in our beloved ferry, the Sausalito.

Sandy Williams brought to mind the wooden seats that used to be throughout the top deck of our ferry. There are still some original ones in the Club office that are in pretty good shape. There are also some in the back, (harbor side) that were in pretty bad shape. Several years ago, Ken Williams made a pattern from one of them, (a decorated design made of drilled holes on wood), duplicated that pattern and they look great today.

You have probably passed them hundreds of times, but did you ever take a good look at them? Underneath the seats you can see where the life jackets were stored. These seats were not only throughout the ferry but they were also in the room which we now call the library and the wash room.

Bill Knorp, who is an expert on the history of the Bay Ferries, said when he was very young he would meet his friend Dr. Snead. They would run onto the Sausalito Ferry to get just the right seat by the window in the room which is now the library and they would sit by the "shaking board." It was the board between the windows and it would shake as the ferry traveled

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## PICYA NEWS

**DARLENE DAWSON**

### 2017 PICYA CALENDAR

Mar 6	Delegates' Meeting Benicia YC	Apr 3	Delegates' Meeting Pittsburg YC
Mar 18	Leadership Conference Martinez YC	Apr 23	100th Opening Day on the Bay

The PICYA Spring Leadership Conference is scheduled for Saturday, March 18th. It will be held at Martinez YC. All Club Officers (elected and appointed), Bar Managers, and interested members are welcome to attend. It begins at 8:00 a.m. with a continental breakfast and lunch will be served at noon. The cost is \$25. Please see me for more information if you're interested in attending this event.

It's with great sadness that Jane Parsons has resigned as a PICYA Delegate for our Club. At this time, she is not able to fulfill her duties. For more than 10 years, Jane has played a key role in keeping our record of perfect attendance by going to the monthly PICYA meetings as our Club representative. *Thank you, Jane, for your dedication and faithfulness.*

Several of our members have signed up to represent our Club at the 100th Opening Day on the Bay! We will be aboard the Committee Boat for a cruise and views of the spectacular parade. Tickets are still available. Please see me for more information.



# March Birthdays!

02 Jerry Redfern  
 02 Russ Abbott  
 04 Jacqueline Ridolfi  
 04 Len Adkerson  
 04 Robert Babo  
 05 Morris Lum  
 06 Louie Rocha  
 07 Ed Petersen  
 07 Joe Fray  
 07 Michelle Buchholz  
 10 Diane Essary  
 10 Jim Arnold  
 14 Sue Chinn  
 17 Dennis Higgins  
 17 Pat Goetsch  
 21 Albert Perez  
 23 Jason Turpin  
 23 Mark Anthony Tadiello  
 23 Paul Bernhardt  
 23 Rhonda Hanson  
 26 Rudy Trautner  
 27 Elsie Campo  
 27 Matt Tate  
 29 William Odum  
 30 Elaine Brown  
 30 Gary Abeyta  
 30 Janet Buckley  
 30 Jennifer Tate  
 30 Kathy Kaiwi



## 2017 Sportsmen YC Annual Fishing Derby Update (as of February 25, 2017)



We have 20 people entered so far in the 2017 Derby.

- \* There is \$275 total in this Derby so far.
- \* Rules are posted at the Club.
- \* Associates are welcome to participate in the Derby.
- \* Three categories: Strippers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.
- \* Cost is \$5.00 per category; you do not need to be entered in all categories.

**Catfish:** So far, there are no catfish on the board.

**Striped Bass:** So far, there are no striped bass caught.

**Sturgeon:** Bobby Brown holds 1st place right now with a 19# catch.

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

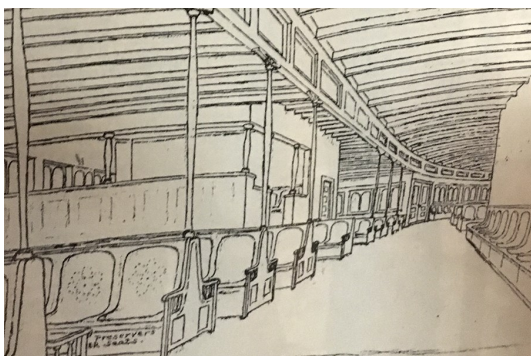


"Inflation is creeping up," a young man said to his friend. "Yesterday I ordered a \$25 steak in a restaurant and told them to put it on my American Express card—and it fit!"

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to Sausalito.

Below is a photo of the sketch drawn by Dr. Snead of what the seats on the Sausalito looked like in the early days.



Mark your calendars now...  
 Get your boats tuned up...  
 Make your RV reservations...  
 Dig out your favorite Chili Recipe...

Our Rio Vista Cruise-Out  
 is scheduled for  
 April 28th-30th

A Spa Day!  
 A Round of Golf!  
 Chili Cook-Off!



More Details in our April Newsletter



## March Game Night

Friday, March 17th

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Games begin immediately after dinner

**\$10 to play Bunco**

A Percentage of the Profits will go  
to Relay for Life

**Dinner Menu**

Baked Potato Bar

**\$6**

Make Reservations ONLINE  
or call Ann at 779-9330

Texas  
Hold 'Em

**\$11 to  
play**



## Ahoy, Matey!

Opening Day Boat Parade in Antioch  
*"Pirates of the San Joaquin River"*

**Saturday, April 1st**

Dinner Hosted by Sportsmen YC

### Dinner Menu

**BBQ Buffet  
of**

**BBQ Chicken & Smoked Tri-Tips  
Baked Beans, Salad, Fruit**

**\$15**

Please make your Dinner Reservations  
ONLINE ([www.sportsmenyc.org](http://www.sportsmenyc.org))  
or call Ann at 779-9330  
Reservations requested by March 26th

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 Sportsmen YC. Judges will be on the fishing pier at Sportsmen YC.

4:00 pm. BBQ Buffet at Sportsmen YC

Boat Parade awards ceremony following dinner.

For Parade Entry information, please contact Darlene Dawson at [ddawson@sportsmenyc.org](mailto:ddawson@sportsmenyc.org) or call 510-207-8498.

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To: Cynthia Perez  
for coordinating  
our Relay-for-Life  
Team!



# St. Patrick's Dinner

**Saturday, March 18th**

**6 p.m. Our Annual Beer Drinking Contest**

**7 p.m. Our Famous Corned Beef Dinner**

**Music & Dancing following Dinner**

**\$20**

**Make your reservations ONLINE  
or call Ann at 779-9330**

**Reservations requested by March 12th**

**Sunday morning, March 19th, from 9-10:30 a.m.**

**Our Commodore's Breakfast Buffet  
\$6**

Reservations for the Breakfast Buffet are not necessary.

*Our Friends  
from*



*Diablo YC  
are cruising-in  
for the  
weekend!*