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NEWSLETTER

# Sportsmen Yacht Club



## Commodore Bobby Brown

I would like to start with my deepest condolences to Larry Pacheco's family. Although I did not know Larry like most, a few nights at the card table allowed us to become friends. What little time I knew him, I could see he had a great sense of humor and he knew this Club more than most. Larry will truly be missed. More information about Larry and the contributions he made to our Club are featured on Page 4 of this Newsletter.

I would like to recognize Associate Clint Frost for taking on a couple of special projects at the Club. He cleaned out our supply room down stairs and fixed Kathie Hammer's plumbing in her cabin.

Thank you Bill Pato Jr. for

repairing our bench out on the northwest corner of the deck next to the booze elevator. Your carpentry skills are once again greatly appreciated. It looks great! Now all we need is a little paint.

Small projects like the bench are just as important as the bigger ones. If there is a small project you would like to see fixed, upgraded, or is a safety concern, please feel free to contact any Board member and we can assist.

Our 2019 Crab Feed Dinner was a hit! Robert & Denise Babo never disappoint and always come through. This well organized event is not done alone. The west galley was full of life as many members and associates helped prep. Anne Marie Alcorn, Jana

Minick, Clint and Jolene Frost, Albert and Cynthia Perez, Ashley Simpson, Heather and Dave Newton, Nick and Anne Macey, Floyd Simpson, Jenny Comages, Janet and Bob Buckley, Angel Brown, Marina Faconti, John Francisco, John McCauley, Byron Eggers and Pete Quealy all did a fantastic job. Our servers Logan, Alaina, Sarah, Carina, Erin, and Shyla did great serving the food trays and clean up. Thank you to all who donated baskets and other great prizes. The night was fabulous!

Our next event is St. Patty's Dinner. Get your reservations in online or call Ann sooner rather than later. I hope to see you all there!



## Vice Commodore Neal Draper

WOW! Once again Sportsmen Yacht Club members experienced a jam-packed fun February! The first weekend saw not only the usual Club meeting dinner and Work Party, but also a great Super Bowl Potluck! Kudos to Ross Cooper and new Associate Member Pete Quealy for a great Meeting Night Dinner of homemade stew, fresh baked bread, salad and

dessert. Sportsmen know how to eat well, and most importantly, cook well!

On a sad note, one of our very long-time members, Larry Pacheco, passed away February 17<sup>th</sup>. Larry was a true gentleman and strong supporter of Sportsmen Yacht Club. I had the honor of representing Sportsmen at Larry's funeral which was attended by eleven past

Commodores and many members. The funeral was followed by a gathering of family and friends at the Club where we were able to celebrate Larry's life and many contributions to Sportsmen Yacht Club. Larry will be greatly missed.

If you are reading a hard copy of this newsletter with your morning coffee and you are wondering how it got to

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Saturday, March 2nd

## FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

DINNER PREPARED BY  
SERGE PELUSO AND PETE QUEALY



**\$10**

Limited to the first 60  
reservations.

Make your reservations  
ONLINE or  
contact Ann at 779-9330  
as soon as possible!

Please Note: Ann always replies with a confirmation for ONLINE reservations. If you don't receive your confirmation within 48 hours, please email her at [reservations@sportsmenyc.org](mailto:reservations@sportsmenyc.org) or call her at 779-9330.

Volunteers are needed to cook for the  
2019 Friday Night Meeting Dinners.  
Please contact Ann 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

- 1 Club Meeting
- 2 Work Party
- 15 Game Night & Dinner
- 16 St. Patrick's Dinner

### April

- 5 Club Meeting
- 6 Work Party
- 6 Opening Day (hosted by Bridge Marina YC)
- 7 Spring Tea Party
- 19 Game Night & Dinner
- 20 Easter Egg Hunt
- 26-28 Cruise-Out (Destination TBD)

View the complete 2019 Calendar ONLINE!

## Welcome Associate Members



Tom Gaines

Sponsors: Darlene Moore, Ann English



John McCauley

Sponsors: Bobby Brown, Robert Babo

*(Vice Commodore's Article continued from page 1)*

your home? Well, here is how all that happens: Freda Lucido pulls together all the articles and Club information, which would seem to me to be a monumental task. If you have email, our Webmaster Don Lucido gets them on the Club's website so you can read it right away. There are some members who require a printed version, so after the it is printed, Cindy Kirk adds postage and takes them to the post office or places them in member mailboxes at the Club.

Did you know that Sportsmen Yacht Club has a Fishing Derby that kicks off in January and runs through December 31st? There are three categories: Striped Bass, Sturgeon, and Catfish, with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes awarded in each category. The buy-in is only \$5 per category. If you want to get in the derby, see Jim Dawson. And a big thanks to Jim for running the Derby for many years!

Diablo Yacht Club once again cruised in to Sportsmen Yacht Club for the Valentine's weekend. Thanks to our Valentine's Dinner chefs, Bob & Janet Buckley, Donna Fields and Darlene Moore who prepared one of the best pork loin dinners I have ever had. Sunday morning, members and guests feasted on Past Commodore Tate's Breakfast.

If you did not attend the Annual Crab Feed, you missed an awesome dinner. Thanks to Lonnie Gibson who once again picked up the crab for the dinner. Robert and Denise Babo and many members of their crew worked tirelessly to obtain raffle prizes, decorate the Ferry, prepare and serve the delicious meal and cleanup afterwards. Many of our new associates stepped up to help with this event.

If you are a new associate, remember the St. Patrick's dinner is coming up this month. It is also a huge event for our Club; Commodore Brown and Angel will need a lot of help. Don't forget to get your reservations in for the St. Patrick's Dinner on March 16<sup>th</sup>. As always, details of upcoming events are posted on the Website and on the Upcoming Events board by the galley.

Our monthly Work Parties have been extremely well attended. However, there is still a lot of work to be completed. If you cannot make a regular first Saturday Work Party, don't worry! You are welcome to check with a Flag Officer, the Port Captain, or the Harbor Captain for a project that needs to be done, and work on that project when you can.

See you around the Club!



## Rear Commodore Mike Minick

February was busy month with the rain holding out for the Work Party almost all day. We did experience a few showers and a whole lot of wind. The roof on the southeast side of Area 4 started peeling back a few rows from the extreme wind. Commodore Bobby Brown and Bill Moore to the rescue, climbing up there, rolling the metal sheets back and screwing them down! That being said, we still managed to get a few projects completed! Thanks to all who came out and especially to the kitchen crew for a wonderful lunch.

Our Super Bowl potluck party was a great event with a very good turnout and many appetizers and dishes to choose from. We also hosted a cruise-in last month with Diablo Yacht Club attending. This also coincided with Friday night's Game Night and the Valentine's Dinner on Saturday, which was delicious! Congratulations John Maniz on winning the poker tournament!

Our Crab Feed was very successful and I'm sure our Commodore has lots of details on this event.

On another note, we had some guests fishing on the pier last week and after they left, they called the Club around 7 p.m. to say they had forgotten some personal belongings in the pier shed and asked if they could come back and get them. I told them I would wait around for them to get back. I went out to the pier to get their belongings for them and I heard water gushing under the wooden walkway to the pier. After a little more investigation it was apparent that the 2" PVC water main to the RV area and behind the BBQ area had partially separated, pouring massive amounts of water back into the river. I was able to locate the shutoff valve, with the help of Rich Furlow and Bill Moore, and turned it off. I had actually noticed a decrease in water pressure in the bathroom and bar sink a couple days earlier, so I am thinking this was like this for a few days. Just a reminder for everyone to always keep their eyes and ears open for anything that might need attention!

If you are thinking of utilizing the Clubhouse or the BBQ area for any personal events, please let me know and fill out the proper paperwork so we can get it tentatively scheduled on the main online calendar until it is approved at the next Board meeting.

Congratulations to Dan Lynch for winning the wheel spin in February!

Thank you, have a safe Month!!



## HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

For the next two months, I would like to give you the history of the Levi Strauss & Company jeans. It seems appropriate since they were invented when our Ferry was bringing people from the gold fields to San Francisco for supplies.

May 20, 1873, was the day Levi Strauss and Jacob Davis received their patent for their riveted pants. In May, it will be 166 years since the San Francisco clothing company first made them.

The inventor of the blue jeans was Jacob Davis. Davis was a tailor living in Reno, Nevada, who began using rivets to make miners clothing more sturdy.

Davis wrote to his supplier, Levi Strauss in San Francisco in 1872, asking him for help to get a patent for his invention. Strauss paid \$68 for the patenting fee.

They were awarded the patent in 1873 and blue jeans were born. Originally called "waist overalls," they sold for \$3 a pair in 1873. Sales soared to the miners in California.

The original jeans had buttons for suspenders and a button fly. This was nothing new in the 1870s. The Levi's button changed over the years, from a silver style in the 1870s to a darker bronze color in the early 1900s and a hallowed out version to save materials during World War II. Also, the pocket rivet and crotch rivet were permanently removed during World War II.

In 1886, the two-horse leather patch was first used on overalls. It wasn't until the 1950s that the two-horse logo was no longer made of leather, but a less expensive heavy duty card stock.

More next month!



## PICYA NEWS DARLENE DAWSON

### 2019 PICYA CALENDAR

Mar 4	Delegates' Meeting Benicia YC (to be confirmed)	Apr 1	Delegates' Meeting Loch Lomond YC
Mar 16	Spring Leadership Conference—Martinez YC	Apr 28	Opening Day on the Bay

**Sunday, April 28, 2019**



The parade will be a fun display of boats decorated to depict various holidays from flag flying holidays, holiday celebrations, days to honor historic figures or commercially created calendar holidays. Join the parade with your vessel or join us on the Commodore Cruises P.I.C.Y.A. Committee Boat for a sit down lunch and narrated boat parade. (Non-yacht club members also welcome to attend.) See [www.picya.org](http://www.picya.org) for more information.

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## In Memory of Larry Pacheco



We are saddened to report the passing of Larry Pacheco, on February 17th, at the age of 92. Larry Melvin Pacheco was born on September 27, 1926. Larry and Dee joined our Club in 1971 and they quickly became involved in many aspects of our Club. In 2001, Larry and Dee became Life Members. Throughout the years, Larry served as a Director on the Board, Entertainment Chairman for Luau parties and other events, organizer for Super Bowl pools for many years, and a player for our Club in game events at annual 4S competitions. In later years, he and his son-in-law, Bob, were aces for the Gold Medal in Wii Bowling.

He was the second son; his older brother was Gil Pacheco; then came his sisters, Dolores (Swart) and Muriel (Telles). At the age of 4-1/2, his arm got caught in a washing machine wringer and, from that time on, he did not have the use of that arm. So, he had to teach himself to do everything with only his left arm and hand.

Larry and Dee married on November 16, 1946, and had three children, Melvin, Kathy (Kaiwi), and Gary. Larry was a truck driver for 38 years, a part of the Teamster's Union, until he retired in 1988. They purchased the only home they ever owned in 1960 on Hillsborough Drive in Concord and lived there until last year when he sold it to move up to Oregon to be with Kathy.

They owned a boat named *Lar-a-Dee* and Larry was well-known for often catching the winning catfish in our annual fishing derbies. Sometimes his catch was pretty small, but he learned early on to post it on the derby board because so often even the smallest catfish would win! Everyone else was trying to catch sturgeon or striped bass, so they didn't bother fishing for catfish.

Sportsmen Yacht Club was a family affair for Larry's family with his brother, sisters, and daughter all being members. He loved our Club and our members loved him. We will truly miss his presence.

Our heartfelt sympathy to all his family.

Editor's Note: The photo shown above is a glimpse of the fun Larry liked to have! He asked me to take this photo with his "trick tie" and then gave the biggest smile! (Freda Lucido)

### General Safety Inspection of Cabins

We will have a general safety inspection of cabins on Saturday, March 2nd, between 9 a.m.—Noon.

Please make sure Port Captain Dave Newton has a functional key to your cabin. If a key is not available, locks will be disabled and you will be responsible for replacing the locks.

### Opening Day Boat Parade (Antioch)

Saturday, April 6th

Our Theme:

"The Delta is Paradise—Stop the Tunnel!"

Hosted by Bridge Marina YC

More details as soon as available  
on our Website and in the April Newsletter.



Mark Your Calendar!

Easter Egg  
Hunt

Saturday, April 20th

Want to use the Club's Facilities for an event you're planning? Here are the steps:

1. Check date availability on the Club's calendar on our Website.
2. Complete the Contract for Use of Facilities form.
3. Submit to our Rear Commodore Mike Minick.





## Sportsmen YC

### 2019 Fishing Derby Update

(as of February 20, 2019)

We have 37 people entered so far in the Derby.

- \* There is \$545 total in this Derby so far.
- \* Rules are posted at the Club.
- \* Associates are welcome to participate in the Derby.
- \* Three categories: Stripers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.
- \* Cost is \$5.00 per category; you do not need to be entered in all categories.
- \* Awards for 2019 will be made in January 2020.

No fish have been registered yet!

Too bad "S.P." wasn't signed up in our Derby because we heard he caught a nice sturgeon the first weekend of February!

### Join the 2019 Derby NOW!

"Get signed up and paid before going fishing. Don't be like so many each year who catch before entering and miss out."

Jim Dawson

# March Birthdays!

01 Al Alcorn  
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  
15 Larry Hamilton



17 Dennis Higgins  
21 Albert Perez  
23 Jason Turpin  
23 Mark Anthony Tadiello  
23 Paul Bernhardt  
23 Rhonda Hanson  
26 Bud Dicristina  
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

SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB

## 2019 Spring Tea

Benefiting - Save-A-Life-Sister  
At Sutter Delta Medical Center

### APRIL 7, 2019

### 1PM - 3PM

### \$35

*This is a 6 course Royal Tea.  
Ticket Price Includes: Tea service, entry for Grand  
Prize drawing, tip for servers, plus a surprise or two.*

*Additional raffle tickets available for more prizes and  
baskets. Tickets - \$1 each.*

For Tickets or Reservations contact:  
Ann English (925) 779-9330 or email  
[reservations@sportsmenyc.org](mailto:reservations@sportsmenyc.org)

Checks made out to: **Sportsmen YC** can be mailed to:  
413 W. 8th Street, Antioch CA 94509

RESERVATION CUT OFF DATE IS: APRIL 3, 2019

## Game Night!



### Friday, March 15th

6:30 p.m. Pasta, garlic bread, salad, dessert

7:00 p.m. Poker & Other Games

\$7 See Janet Buckley with questions

Please make reservations **ONLINE** or call Ann.

Thank You!

### Do you have Unwanted/Unused Jewelry?

Audrey Kuppenbender is collecting donations for the Grab Bag event during the Spring Tea.

Bring your clean jewelry in a baggie to Audrey at the March General Membership Meeting. Please place your name on or in the bag so she can return it to you if she doesn't receive enough donations.

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# ST. PATRICK'S DINNER

SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH

6 P.M. OUR ANNUAL BEER DRINKING CONTEST

7 P.M. OUR FAMOUS CORNED BEEF DINNER

\$20

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS ONLINE  
OR CALL ANN AT 779-9330  
RESERVATIONS REQUESTED BY MARCH 10TH

