

SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2003



FROM OUR COMMODORE

LONNIE GIBSON



This past month some of our Club members cruised up to Ebony Boat Club. Some arrived on Friday, the rest of us on Saturday morning.

We had 10 boats in all from Sportsmen. The cruise itself was very relaxing, water calm with clear skies. An hour and a half after leaving the berth, we arrived at Ebony with a dock full of help to tie us up.

When the MeandHer was sterning in, the line was thrown with a slight miss of some kind. A second later, "SPLASH!" "Oh no," everybody said – Our very own **Mr. Rasmussen** had lost his balance and rolled into the water!

I can only say to Carl, "*Thanks for the starting of a wonderful boating season.*" He had not only blessed the opening of our cruising season, he also got the first and only bath of the day. While Carl changed, the rest of the boats were tied up.

The folks at Ebony were fantastic and so was the food. Everyone was talking the next day after we arrived back at our Club about how delicious the BBQ'd ribs and chicken were the night before. One of the members from Ebony owns a restaurant in the Sacramento area called *A Touch of Class*. If you ever get a chance to visit this restaurant, it will be worth your while.

On the return trip, I was honored with a chance to skipper the Eddie Drew to the Antioch Bridge. It was a great day for a

boat ride—the weather perfect.

All in all a great weekend for a cruise-out. Thanks to everyone who made it such a success.

Just a few reminders:

- Opening Day is April 12th at 12:30 p.m.
- Please call either **Elaine** or **Audrey** if you plan to attend our Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch on the 19th.

Details on both of these events are inside this Newsletter.

Kathy Larosee will be cooking the Birthday Dinner on April 26th. We know from the dinner she and **Paul** prepared for the March meeting night that it is sure to be delicious. Please contact **Maggie Murphy** if you plan to attend.

~~~Safe boating!~~~

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE COMING EVENTS!

### April

- 4 Club Meeting
- 5 Work Party
- 12 Opening Day
- 19 Easter Brunch & Egg Hunt
- 26 Birthday dinner

### May

- 2 Club Meeting
- 3 Work Party
- 17 Birthday Dinner/Cinco de Mayo
- 24-26 Memorial Day Cruise-Out

### June

- 6 Club Meeting
- 7 Work Party
- 20-21 4S Try-Outs
- 28 Birthday Dinner

# SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE  
**DAVE SELVY**



It's already April! How quickly the month of March passed by. First, I told you I was going to get into trouble attempting to name all the crab crackers... One left off the list was one of the folks who went to get the crabs with **Herb Pekonen** and then helped with the cracking...**Neal Essary**, I apologize.

The March Work Party was very well attended. We have accomplished getting the horseshoe pits cleaned out with the very able help of **Burt Schneider** and **Lonnie Gibson**. Meanwhile the crew at the Area 3 slips has managed to get the sheds out of the water and now they are drying out. In one place the entire shed wall was splitting. More floatation is needed before we move to the Area 2 & Area 4 sheds. **Bob McLean** set up his laser and shot and staked the area of the detention pond and is getting ready for the heavy equipment to begin cutting and building the dam. **Carl Hamilton's** crew literally raised the floor under the lower men's head. The outer skin of the ferry was removed because of the severe dry rot. The men's head was also repaired.

The lunch prepared by **Sharon (Hunny Bunny) Selvy, Elaine Rasmussen and Audrey Coach** (her recipe) was a fabulous minestrone soup and the leftover tri-tips made for some very creative sandwiches and then fresh fruit!

In accordance with our By-Laws, Article V, A-4, this 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.

Way to go, ladies, and *thank you*.

The ferry turned into a wee bit of the tip of Eire for our St. Patrick's Dinner on the 15th. **Chef Paul** and crew treated us to some sensational corned beef that you could cut with a fork and all the veggies had a very subtle flavor. All of that was started with an unbelievable spinach salad. *Thank you Paul!* **Diane** and the kids were there for the day and had a fun time. We hope to see them at Uncle Bob's Easter Egg Hunt next month. We were very glad to have so many members step up and help with the serving and clearing chores.

The Beer drinking contest was to have been with "green" beer. As chance seemed to sneak up on us, we had a surplus of a certain German beer in a green can that has been in the cooler waiting for a certain un-named columnist for a certain un-named Delta and Bay Area Yacht magazine to come by and enjoy. Being that beer has a half life and the other half of that life has come and gone, we decided to use it in the beer drinking contest with the remainder being the prize for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places. The winners were for the ladies, 1<sup>st</sup> **Lee (just call me Irish) Fitzgerald**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Terry (it makes my nose tickle) Arnold** and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Jackie (how'd Lee do that?) Steele**. The winners for the gentlemen were 1<sup>st</sup> **Robert (pipe line) Lozier**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Bob (dribbler) Seavers** and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Chris (becha can't do it again) Colivas**. There were two 12 packs of the "green cans" sitting on the bar Sunday morning so we may still have a couple of cans left for him, if the Delta Denizen decides to drop in on our dwelling.

Don't forget **Chef Paul** has agreed to once again grace our kitchen. Lobster dinner for Friday meeting night!! The neighbors may get the wrong idea about our workingman's YC.

"Be there and be square."



*Just to  
Let You  
Know...*

- **Ed Collins** had shoulder surgery on March 10th. He won't be getting into a wrestling match soon, but he is recovering and doing well.
- **Kay Millicam** also had surgery on March 10th. She is now home and doing much better.



- Apr 04 Paul Olsson
- Apr 05 Dave Dunlap
- Apr 05 Sheryl MacDougall
- Apr 07 Dave DeCato
- Apr 07 Donna Hendricks
- Apr 08 Audrey Coach
- Apr 08 Bill Coach
- Apr 11 Tim Doolin
- Apr 12 Arline Collins
- Apr 12 LeeAnn Olivieri
- Apr 15 Ileana Rocha
- Apr 16 Bert Schneider
- Apr 18 Mary Wheeler
- Apr 22 Steve Olivieri
- Apr 23 Al Fries
- Apr 27 Dolores Swart
- Apr 28 Lillian Scampini

The April  
 Birthday Dinner Party  
 is on the 26th

*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  
DARLENE DAWSON**



Our Opening Day Parade will be held on April 12th. The Contra Costa Sheriff's Department, Marine Division, will lead the parade followed by Commodore

**Winky Scannell**

from Driftwood YC. She will be joined by Commodores' vessels from Pittsburg YC, Sportsmen YC, Diablo YC, and Aahmes Shrine YC plus all the other participants. The U.S. Coast Guard auxiliary vessel skippered by **Larry Draper** will be our safety vessel and will close the parade. A Dinner and Awards Ceremony will follow at 1730 hours at Driftwood YC. The charge will be \$12 and will defray the cost of plaques and trophies. For further details on the parade and the dinner menu, please see the flyer in this Newsletter.

*Many thanks* to all who participated in the RBOC letter writing campaign to stop the California Department of Boating & Waterways from being merged with the Department of Parks and Recreation. My article last month informed you the

Department of Parks and Recreation had borrowed \$26 million from the Department of Boating & Waterways. Remember I said, "We all need to keep our eye on this loan and make sure the payback doesn't slip through the cracks." Need I say more?

Please note a correction to the last paragraph of my article last month:

ABC Investigator Robert Farrar gave the definition of a guest: A guest is someone you invite to your Club, not someone who shows up.

He also reminded everyone that our Club and bartender are responsible if we allow anyone to drive drunk. Cut the drunk off or be prepared to drive them home.



**PICYA Report**

Upcoming Events

- April 7th—Delta Marina YC Delegates Meeting
- April 27th—Opening Day on the Bay

**HISTORIAN NOTES  
KATHIE HAMMER**



On February 22, 2003, our Club had visitors — **Don & Karen Thoz.**

Don is the son of **Joe Thoz,** Sportsmen's 1938 Commodore. They came to the Bay Area to visit friends

and took a chance to come by to visit the Sausalito. They said they have wanted to visit us for years.

Don was nine years old when the Sausalito came to the Wilbur Avenue site. I showed them the Ferry and the museum which they really enjoyed. He had many stories about the early days. He said he could remember taking a row boat and rowing completely around the ferry. He said he made money on rainy days by rowing members to their cars that were parked out by the road because of flooding. He remembered the cabin his family had and took pictures of it. He was surprised that the ferry looked so good and was especially impressed with the cement deck on the North end of the ferry. He told a story about a member who was talking to him on the upper deck on the South end of the ferry. He said though he was nine years old, he remembers this like it happened yesterday. He said the man seemed very tall and had his foot up on the railing. As the man was talking he sneezed and with the sneeze the man's teeth flew out of his mouth. The man in one clean swipe caught his teeth in mid air! We invited him to the birthday dinner, but they had to get on the road. He said he will look through his father's things for artifacts for the museum.

**Have a Trailer in Dry Storage?**



**The trailers in our Dry Storage area will be relocated after April 1st. Please make sure your trailers and tires are in operable condition. If you will need to have your trailer accessible within the next 9 months, please contact Carl Rasmussen right away. You can reach Carl at 682-7585 or 766-6675 if you have questions.**

**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)



# SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

Calendar

Note!

The date

for the

4S Weekend

has been set

for

July 17-20

This year's

theme is

"Sutter's

Gold

Rush"



## Revenue Committee Report

Jim Dawson, Chairman

March was our third meeting night dinner with pork chops prepared by **Paul & Kathy**. The meal was delicious and the Club again made a nice profit. *Thank you, Paul & Kathy!*

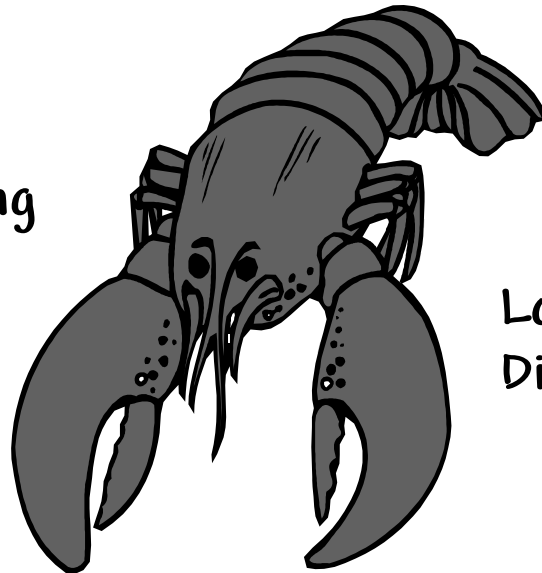
By the time of this printing, our April meeting night dinner will probably be

sold out. The April dinner is LOBSTER prepared by **Chef Paul**. Just in case you haven't made your reservations, you can call Audrey or Elaine to see if you can still get in.

Our May meeting night dinner will be fish prepared by **John & Carol**. If John and Carol cook fish half as well as they catch them, it will be fantastic! The May dinner price will be in the next Newsletter and will be limited again to 50 persons.

Dinner will be served  
before the  
April General Meeting  
Friday, April 4th

Chef  
Paul  
serving



Lobster  
Dinner

\$15.00 per person

Dinner served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Limited to the first 100 dinners sold

Please Make Reservations By Contacting  
Elaine Rasmussen, Audrey Coach,  
or Jim Dawson

*Welcome*

*New Associate Members*

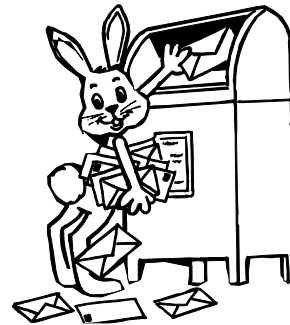
Martin & Jill Wibbenhorst

3350 Barmouth Drive  
Antioch, CA 94509

Phone: 754-3534

Email: martinwibbenhorst@justice.com

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
HAVE YOUR  
NEWSLETTER  
DELIVERED  
TO YOUR  
MAILBOX AT  
THE CLUB  
INSTEAD OF  
MAILED TO  
YOU



(THEREBY SAVING THE  
CLUB THE COST OF  
POSTAGE)  
PLEASE CONTACT  
FREDA LUCIDO  
AT 228-3609 OR  
LUCIDOS@PACBELL.NET



**Dredging Project**  
We need your  
commitment now for  
dredge operators, crew  
members, observers, and  
galley workers to  
prepare sandwiches for  
our crews.

There's something  
everyone can do to help  
out!

Contact Carl Rasmussen  
at  
682-7585 or 766-6675  
if you have questions or  
need to sign up!

Saturday, April 19th

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



**Our Menu**

|                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Bunny Fritatas | Porky Pig Ham |
| Ducky Pancakes | Fresh Fruit   |
| Orange Juice   | Milk          |
| Coffee         |               |



**Sportsmen YC's  
6th 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,  
Please Contact  
Audrey at 686-1167  
or  
Elaine at 682-7585

# Antioch-Pittsburg Opening Day Parade

Hosted by Driftwood Yacht Club

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

Radio Channel: 68

Saturday, April 12th

*Hawaiian Theme*

The Dinner & Awards Ceremony will be held at Driftwood YC at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. The dinner price is \$12 per person.

The presentation of awards and plaques will follow the dinner.

Dinner Menu

Tri-Tip  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Vegetables  
Tossed Salad  
Bread & Butter  
Dessert