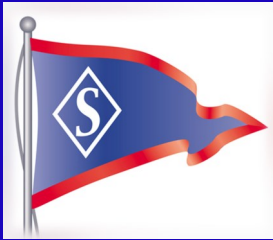


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NEWSLETTER

Sportsmen Yacht Club



Commodore Doug Horton

Hello everyone...

As I write this article, Diablo YC is cruising out of our harbor, going home, following a great St. Patty's Day celebration. I've got to tell you, it was one of the best parties we have ever had. There were around 170 people; Bobby Brown, Robert & Denice Babo, Floyd & Micheline Simpson, and the rest of the crew did a wonderful job. They actually brined the beef brisket themselves. We could not find corned beef at a decent price, so Bobby, Robert, and Denice started the week prior to the event creating the delicious flavor. Thanks to Audrey Kuppenbender for the wonderful Irish Soda Bread.

The previous weekend we had Bridge Marina YC in

for a cruise-in. This was a great time; they had a party in the theme for "Sailor Night." Shari and I did the Baked Chicken on Friday night and Scott Jett made his homemade Lasagna on Saturday night.

By the time you read this, Easter will have come and gone. Roy Garner will have had an Easter Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt. I would like to thank him for doing this event. Also, would like to thank Bob and Janet Buckley for taking on all the work to cover the event with coverage at the bar and thanks to Janet for all the wonderful desserts.

There are a lot more events coming up this year. I appreciate everyone getting involved and participating to

support our Club. There is much work to be done, and there are many memories to be made and fun to be had!

There are a few things I would like to address for future Work Parties; I would like to finish separating the wood that Floyd Simpson got for us, have someone check out the fishing pier and see what we can do about replacing the deck.

Thanks to everyone who has worked on the docks and ramps this year. Your participation to get repairs made at our Club and harbor make a huge difference and make our Club a better place for everyone.

Quack, Quack!



Vice Commodore Matt Tate

Greetings! Spring is HERE!

February was a great month weather-wise, but March brought some much needed rain to northern California, which is filling our reservoirs and our river as well, so caution is the word of the day when venturing out on the our Delta to catch those big ones. Watch out for all of that debris in the river!

We had another great month at the Club, with several events enjoyed by our members, and a couple of great cruise-ins as well.

Starting off the month of March, we had our General Meeting, with a delicious dinner provided by the Ron & Liz Allen and crew. The next day's Work Party was well attended, despite the weather.

Our trees were pruned by

Bill Haynes, and the pruning debris was disposed of thanks to Tim Lamb (and his chipper), Al Alcorn and lots of other helpers. The ramp at the east end of Area 1 was re-secured thanks to the help of our new associate, (and my brother!) Bryan Tate.

John Shaner, Dale Bauer, Don Wilson, and Russ Abbott repaired the dock

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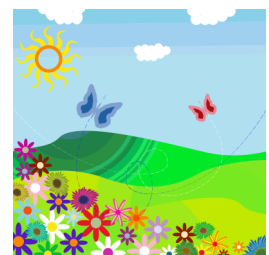
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FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

PREPARED BY FERRIS ANTHONY & RICK BARTON

\$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

Welcome New Associate!



Serge Peluso



Our Friends from
Solano YC
will be Cruising-In
May 20th-22nd



(Tate's article continued from Page 1)

on area 5. Another new associate, Serge Peluso straightened
out our supply room and assisted in the completion of the hand
rail on the north deck.

It was a pleasure hosting Delta Marina YC with a chicken
dinner provided by our very own Commodore, Doug Horton
and family. What a delicious meal! Diablo YC was our next
guest, which coincided with our annual St. Patrick's gala; DYC
has attended the last few of our St. Pat's festivities, and they
help to make this a great event. We had a huge turnout—
Sold Out!

I would like to thank Commodore Doug and Shari Horton,
Bobby Brown, Robert Babo, Gary Abeyta, the Nick & Anne
Macey, and Micheline Simpson for helping with the cooking,
decorations, setup, and prep; also, special thanks to Becky
Wilson, Audrey Kuppenbender and Janet Buckley for their great
baked goods. Cheers to the families and membership
volunteers who helped to make this Club event such a
success...the food, by the way was awesome!!! Lawny & Lisa
Chapman rocked the ship with the music! Last, but not least,
thanks to Freda Lucido for being our club photographer and
documenting these great events!

Hoping to see you all either at the Club or out on the Delta!

Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC

April

- 1 Club Meeting
- 2 Work Party
- 2 Opening Day
- 8 Paint Nite
- 22 Game Night & Dinner
- 28 Annual Golf Tournament
- 29-1 Rio Vista Cruise-Out
- 30 Chili Cook-Off at Rio Vista

May

- 1 Rio Vista Cruise-Out continues
- 6 Club Meeting
- 7 Work Party
- 7 Kentucky Derby Party
- 20 Game Night & Dinner
- 20-22 Solano YC Cruise-In

June

- 3 Club Meeting
- 4 Work Party
- 10-12 Cruise-Out to Ebony Boat Club
- 17 Game Night & Dinner
- 25 4S Try-Outs



Rear Commodore Robert Babo

Well, March had turned out to be a busy month with a cruise-in from Delta Marina YC and Diablo YC. We had a big turn-out for the St. Patrick's Dinner. I would like to thank Bobby Brown and his mother-in-law, "Nana" (Virginia), for taking charge of the corned beef. We tried something different this year; we "made" our corned beef from scratch. Bobby got the beef brisket and we placed it in brining bags for a week. There were several other people who jumped in to help in the typical Sportsmen way: Nick & Anne Macey, Gary Abeyta, Denice Babo, Becky Wilson, Heather Newton, and Angel Brown. I would like to say a special thanks to the Bob & Janet Buckley—Bob behind the bar and Janet with her amazing St. Patrick's themed dessert for 170 people. Thanks continue to Lawny & Lisa Chapman, our DJs, and to Micheline Simpson from making the brine, mid-week turning of the

beef, decorating, and whatever needed to be done, to Shari Horton with decorations, Audrey Kuppenbender who made the Irish Soda Bread, and to Ann English who handled the reservations for our sell-out crowd. I would also like to thank the associate members who pitched in: Russ & Donna Abbott, Ulli Stephens, Ferris Anthony, Serge Peluso, and to the kids who helped serve and clean up. I know I'm forgetting someone or something but a big thank you to all.

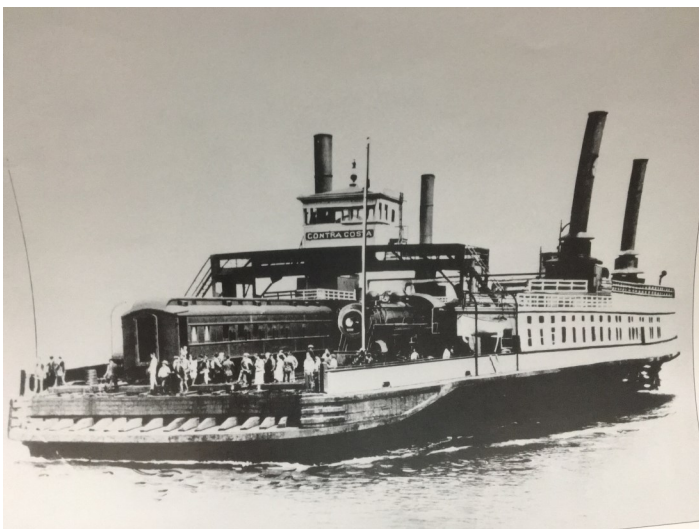
Our cruise-out to Rio Vista is coming up this month. This is a great event with the Chili Cook-Off and Scavenger Hunt, so be sure to contact Carl Rasmussen to make your reservations if you are going by boat. If you're heading up there with an RV, please contact the Delta Marina, Rio Vista, to make your reservations.

April is the beginning of spring and we need to get off those stools and get out there and enjoy!



HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

The ferry boat *Contra Costa* was built in 1914 at the Southern Pacific yard in Oakland and was eventually dismantled in 1930. The *Contra Costa* was known at the time as the largest ferry in the world. She carried passengers and railway cars across the Carquinez Strait between Port Costa and Benicia where the Sacramento River meets the northern part of San Francisco Bay. Open at both ends, the ship's deck had rails that linked directly with a railroad track at both terminals, allowing trains to roll directly on board or off. Below is a photo of what the trains looked like when on board.



PICYA NEWS

DARLENE DAWSON

2016 PICYA CALENDAR

Apr 4	Delegates' Meeting Pittsburg YC	May 2	Delegates' Meeting Oyster Point YC
Apr 24	Opening Day on the Bay	June 6	Delegates' Meeting Stockton YC

Jane Parsons joined Sportsmen YC in 2005. In October 2008, she became our newest PICYA Delegate. At that time, this is what I wrote: "A more gracious or well-known lady in the local and yachting community would be hard, if not impossible, to find. An Antioch resident for many years, Jane retired as Antioch's City Treasurer after 21 years of service. She is a Past Commodore of Driftwood YC and Past President of the Soroptimist International of Antioch. Currently, Jane is serving as Antioch's Chamber of Commerce Ambassador and is a committee member of Holiday De-Lites." A recent article in the *Contra Costa Times* honored Jane as a 2015 Citizen of the Year for Lifetime Achievement. She is now the longest serving member of the Antioch Chamber's Ambassadors, supporting Chamber mixers, ribbon cuttings, and more. To quote Diane Gibson Gray, Antioch School Trustee and Director of the Arts and Cultural Foundation, "She is one of those rare individuals who serves quietly and always has a smile and wonderful attitude." Congratulations, Jane!



Jane Parsons
Named Antioch
Citizen of the Year
for 2015

Don't forget Opening Day on the Bay—Sunday, April 24th. According to the Yachting Registry, PICYA has opened the yachting season with a parade of boats, large and small, for 99 years. This year's theme, "Heroes on the Bay," can be depicted by our Grand Marshall Captain Gregory Stump, US Coast Guard Captain of the Port of San Francisco.

April Birthdays!

- 01 Jeff Maples
- 02 Floyd Simpson
- 02 Pat Sebers
- 07 Dave DeCato
- 07 Donna Hendricks
- 07 Ricky Scannell
- 08 Audrey Coach
- 08 Bill Coach
- 08 Doug Horton
- 09 Ann Marie Alcorn
- 11 Erik Smith
- 11 Neal Draper
- 11 Tim Doolin
- 12 Arline Collins
- 13 Cleona Butler
- 13 Ferris Anthony
- 13 Patti Shaner
- 14 Micheline Simpson
- 16 Dwayne Larosee
- 16 Sandie Schneider
- 18 Denise Stroer
- 18 Mary Wheeler
- 19 Heather Newton
- 20 Tom Arnold
- 22 Laurie Cooper
- 27 Casey Salva
- 27 Dolores Swart
- 28 Lillian Scampini
- 30 Gary Noe



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

We have 33 people entered in the 2016 Derby.

- * There is \$450 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.
- * For the Catfish category, Albert Perez has 1st place with a 2.125 pounder and 2nd place with 1.25 pounder.
- * There are no entries for the Striped Bass category.
- * For our Sturgeon category, William Odum is in 1st place with a 31 pounder, Rick Barton weighed in a 27 pounder to take 2nd place, and Bill Pato Jr. now holds 3rd place with a 26.75 pound sturgeon!



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



Game Night

Friday, April 22nd

Soup & Salad

6:30 p.m. \$5

Reservations ONLINE
or call Ann at 779-9330



Opening Day Boat Parade in Antioch

Saturday, April 2nd

Hosted by Bridge Marina YC

2016 Theme: "Monkeying Around on the Delta"

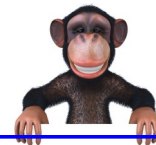
Celebrating the 2016 Chinese calendar's Year of the Monkey

- 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



Dinner Menu

Baked Chicken Quarters
Potato, Vegetable,
Salad & Dessert

\$15

Reservations are required

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



Come! Bring a Friend!
Friday, April 8th, 7 p.m.

Paint Nite

Here is the link to buy your tickets:
<https://www.paintnite.com/events/1061454.html>

Tickets are \$45.

If we sell 35 tickets or more, we get \$15 per ticket back for the Sportsmen Restoration Fund



We will be painting Swans & Cattails
Don't know how to paint? Kevin Pride, the artist/instructor, will show you exactly what to do.

If you would like, please bring an appetizer.
Come early (5:30 or 6:00) to share!

Don Your Derby Hats!
Kentucky Derby Day
Saturday, May 7th, Starting at Noon

Bring a dish to share or a finger food. There will be a Hat Contest! Enjoy a Mint Julep while watching the races. Games during the afternoon "Sportsmen-Style"



Yep, those Mint Juleps do it every time. Joe was caught trying to win the hat contest in 2014!! Better go back to golf, Joe!!!!

Annual Golf Tournament
Thursday, April 28th Tee Time 9:30 a.m.
Lone Tree Golf Course



This year, our Hole-In-One Ace is organizing this event!
Thanks, Dan!

A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board outside the Board Room door.
For information, rules, or questions, please contact Dan Gorman at 813-1753

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Bob Buckley
...for all you do as our
Bar Manager!

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

On Saturday evening,
a very special surprise!