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NEWSLETTER

# Sportsmen Yacht Club



## Commodore Matt Tate

Wow! It's sure been a busy first three months at our Club, and I hope that you've found the time to make it down to an event or two. I was just thinking that the next couple of months would start to slow down a bit, but then I took a look at our calendar of events for April and May!

Without going into all of the details (you can check that out in this newsletter or on our website!), we start off the month with the annual Opening Day on the Delta on April 1st. We, at Sportsmen, are the hosts this year. Hopefully we will see plenty of you out there kicking off a new boating season.

Towards the end of the month, we will have our annual Springtime Cruise-Out to Rio Vista along with

our highly anticipated Chili Cook-Off. This year there will also be a golf outing and a Rio Vista shopping excursion with lunch at Foster's Bighorn. So try and join us either by boat, RV or just drive in for the day. These two events are just the bookends to a pretty busy month at the Club, so please check out the Events Calendar on our website or this newsletter for all of the details.

I know that Vice Commodore Babo and Rear Commodore Brown have reviewed the events from March in their articles, so I will not repeat what they have to say. (I have to leave something for them to write about!) However, I would like to take this opportunity to say *Thank You* to everyone who is showing up for our

monthly Work Parties and coming to our Club during the week to work on projects.

Thank you for coming to our monthly General Membership Meetings. When you're talking to your friends and neighbors, why not mention our Club to them if you feel they would make good members and enjoy our Club?

Looking forward to seeing you at the Club or out on the Delta!!!



## Vice Commodore Robert Babo

The March Work Party had some big accomplishments. Russ Abbott and Don Wilson were in the Ship's Store working on the floor along with the trim; they returned mid-week to finish. Our Commodore and Dale Bauer installed the carpet the day of our Saint Patty's Day Party.

There were folks doing general cleaning and

much needed mowing and trimming of bushes and shrubs. Tony Chapman and Paul Berg took on the tumble weeds on the entry road; what a great job! I was working with a small group of Sportsmen changing out our lights to LEDs in the Dry Storage area, the launch ramp and Area 4. We were also able to fix one of the lights at the gate. We still have a few more lights to do, but

we just ran out of daylight. We will get the rest another day. I would like to thank Albert Perez not only for installing the lights but also acquiring them for a heck of a deal; thanks also to Jason Turpin, Rudy Trautner, Dave Newton and our in-house inspector Dan Gorman.

Our Saint Patty's Dinner was another great event

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## FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

PREPARED BY BRYAN & JENNIFER TATE



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

### 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

- 5 Club Meeting
- 5 Cinco de Mayo Dinner
- 6 Work Party
- 7 Mother-Daughter Tea
- 19-21 Hidden Harbor Cruise-In
- 19 Italian Night Dinner
- 20 Sportsmen YC's Team—  
Relay for Life Fundraiser at  
Freedom High

### May

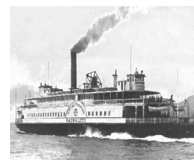
- 21 Commodore's Breakfast
- 26-29 Sportsmen Cruise-In to  
Sportsmen!
- 26 Game Night & Dinner
- 28 Commodore's Breakfast

View the complete  
2017 Calendar ONLINE!



## Italian Night Dinner

Friday, April 21st



The police are British,  
The chefs are Italian,  
The mechanics are German,  
The lovers are French,  
And it's all organized by the Swiss.

Please join us for Italian Night when our  
Italian Night Chef Goes Russian!

### Beef Stroganoff Dinner

Beef Stroganoff  
Salad Bar  
with assorted dressings  
Bread  
Dessert



\$15

Make your  
reservations ONLINE  
or call Ann, 779-9330



Albert Perez had a bird's eye view recently  
when he replaced some of the LED lights on  
our property.

We appreciate all the work done in and around  
our Ferry by fellow members who are willing to  
give up their own personal time to make our  
Club a better place for all!

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for our Club! Rear Commodore  
Bobby Brown and his mother-  
in-law, Virginia Somonian (aka  
Nana), were right on point  
with their homemade corned  
beef. This is the second year  
these two have brined and  
marinated beef brisket to  
produce a wonderful  
homemade Corned Beef  
Dinner. I would like to thank  
the many people who also  
worked to decorate, set  
tables, prepare food, bartend,  
etc. It takes a lot of  
volunteers to put this  
beautiful event together.  
Thank you to Kevin Wickman  
for his donations for the raffle,  
also Denice Babo for the  
lovely centerpieces she made.  
A big thank you to Tanisha,  
Brooklyn, & Olivia Camp,  
along with John Hartman,  
Boen Perez and Logan Brown  
for serving and cleaning up.  
We all like to see our  
Sportsmen kids getting  
involved.

With April upon us, it is also  
the start of spring.  
Sportsmen YC will be host for  
this year's Opening Day and  
dinner. If you haven't  
participated in a while, come  
on out enjoy a wonderful  
event. Our first cruise-out of  
the year to Rio Vista will be  
this month along with the  
annual Chili Cook-Off. Get  
your reservations made now  
to ensure you have a spot!



## Rear Commodore Bobby Brown

Sportsmen kicked off the month of March with a productive Work Party. LED lights were installed in place of our old worn out energy sucking dull lights. Man, what a difference! Thank you Robert Babo, Jason Turpin, Albert Perez, and all who contributed to the "lighter" side of the Club. The 4 AC units were lifted to the roof in mid-March and soon we can chill out! Thank you Andy Cortez, Floyd Simpson, Dale Bauer, for lifting the new AC units up into place on the roof. Thank you to all Sportsmen for working hard on our Ferry to make it what it is today.

March was a profitable month for our Club. Sportsmen Associates Jay and Samantha Lipisko tied the knot on Club grounds on March 11th which brought many family and friends to our Club. Congratulations Jay and Samantha! Sportsmen wish you well.

A celebration of life was also held at our Club for the wife of a well-loved Antioch HS teacher Chris Mathews that brought many wonderful faces.

Lastly, Sportsmen hosted Diablo YC during our annual St. Patty's Day Dinner. Awesome turn out! I'd like to say a very special thanks to Virginia Simonian, Albert Perez, Nick & Anne Macey, and my crew of servers, who helped put together an amazing dinner. All of these events whether

happy, exciting, or sometimes sad, bring people together and support our Club. Thank you!

Spring is here! April brings its own punch. Kicking the fourth month off is our Work Party on the 8th. Sportsmen are encouraged to bring their "A" game and help prepare for the summer get-togethers and events by polishing up our ferry.

- ◇ Game night with dinner is on the 14th.
- ◇ Bring the little ones down on the 15th to hop and hunt for eggs, full of bright colors and glitter.
- ◇ Come join us for Italian Night Dinner April 21st and get your fill of Beef Stroganoff.
- ◇ Lastly, we have the Rio Vista Cruise-Out on the 28th-30th.

Details for all of these events are in this Newsletter and on our Website. Don't miss all the fun! Come join us and support your Club!

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This Month:  
Tuesday, April 4th  
7 p.m.

### Learn to Knit

Thanks to our very own Cindy Mammon, many of our members are now knitting their own creations! Come join the fun!!



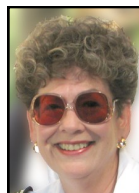
### HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

I found this old postcard recently in Sacramento and thought you would enjoy seeing it with a little more history of the Delta King.

The Delta King was built in Scotland in 1926. The five-story, 285 foot long steel framed sternwheeler was disassembled and shipped to Stockton, California, where it was reassembled. Sacramento got her first look at the luxury steamer in June 1927. Jazz bands entertained some 200 passengers on their overnight voyage between Sacramento and San Francisco.

The Delta King traveled along the Sacramento River between 1927 and 1941. After a long period of disuse, the King was brought to Sacramento in 1984, restored, and put to use as a floating hotel featuring shops, museums, and restaurants. She also has many conference rooms and a theatre.

With her grace and luxury on the waterfront of Old Sacramento she is now the pride of Sacramento.



### PICYA NEWS

**DARLENE DAWSON**

### 2017 PICYA CALENDAR

Apr 3	Delegates' Meeting Pittsburg YC	May 1	Delegates' Meeting Oyster Point YC
Apr 23	100th Opening Day on the Bay		

It was my privilege to introduce Morris Lum, our newest PICYA Delegate, at the March Delegates' Meeting at Benicia YC.

Morris attended the Spring Leadership Conference at Martinez YC where he volunteered to be on the PICYA Scholarship Committee. He's proving to be a real asset as our delegate. Having served in several capacities at Sacramento YC, he comes with enthusiasm and experience. *Thank you, Morris, for serving our Club.*

RBOC is opposing AB 71 (Chiu) unless the measure is amended to remove the provision that would eliminate the state tax deduction for mortgage interest on second homes. We will have more information at our next general meeting.

April 6th-9th is the Pacific Sail & Power Boat Show at the Craneway Pavilion and Marina Bay YC in Richmond. This year, PICYA will be hosting a hospitality suite at the show.

More information on the upcoming Boat Show and RBOC's opposition of AB 71 can be found on the PICYA website.



## April Birthdays!

Apr 01 Jeff Maples  
 Apr 02 Floyd Simpson  
 Apr 02 Pat Sebers  
 Apr 07 Dave DeCato  
 Apr 07 Donna Hendricks  
 Apr 07 Ricky Scannell  
 Apr 08 Audrey Coach  
 Apr 08 Bill Coach  
 Apr 08 Doug Horton  
 Apr 09 Ann Marie Alcorn  
 Apr 11 Erik Smith  
 Apr 11 Neal Draper  
 Apr 11 Tim Doolin  
 Apr 12 Arline Collins  
 Apr 13 Ferris Anthony  
 Apr 13 Patti Shaner  
 Apr 14 Micheline Simpson  
 Apr 16 Dwayne Larosee  
 Apr 18 Mary Wheeler  
 Apr 19 Heather Newton  
 Apr 20 Tom Arnold  
 Apr 22 Laurie Cooper  
 Apr 26 Samantha Lipisko  
 Apr 27 Casey Salva  
 Apr 27 Dolores Swart  
 Apr 28 Lillian Scampini  
 Apr 30 Gary Noe



## 2017 Sportsmen YC Annual Fishing Derby Update (as of March 20, 2017)



We have 22 people entered so far in the 2017 Derby.

- \* There is \$305 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



"Papa, are you growing taller all the time?"

"No, my child. Why do you ask?"

"Cause the top of your head is poking up through your hair."

## Sportsmen Yacht Club's Ladies' Royal Tea

A Formal Tea includes a selection of teas, sorbet, soup, salad, scones, savorys, sweets and a treat or two.

Dress up as little or as much as you like...

Dresses, Hats, Gloves

(Best Hat will win a special prize.)

This special day will include raffle prizes, a special bar cocktail, and non-alcoholic punch.

Come enjoy this "Royal" afternoon on the Sausalito.

Sunday, May 7th

1pm-3pm

\$25

Proceeds Benefit Relay for Life

Reservations ONLINE or call Ann at 779-9330

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

## Our Rio Vista Cruise-Out April 28th-30th



Golf

(four Tee Times on  
Saturday starting at 8 a.m.)

Downtown  
Rio Vista Shopping & Lunch



Chili Cook-Off  
starts around 4 p.m.

Appetizers and Finger Foods are Welcome!  
Bring your own beverages.  
Contact Rick Barton with questions.

## In Memory Of...



Dwayne Minick passed away on March 7, 2017, following a series of strokes. Dwayne and Virginia joined our Club in 1982 and loved fishing and boating on their boat named "No Ship." One of the main projects Dwayne helped with was the rebuilding of our ways. He owned a big welder and brought it to the Club for that project. Dwayne became a Life Member in 2007.

In the 1950s, Dwayne proudly served in the U.S. Army as a Sergeant. A longtime resident of Brentwood, he loved working in his yard and enjoyed golfing. He was known for his "one-liners" such as, "It is what it is." He was a manager at Dow Chemical until he retired.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Dwayne's family and friends.

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"Big Steve" Toms passed away on March 10, 2017, following a long illness. He joined our Club in 2005 and enjoyed helping at the Club wherever he saw a need. For many years you could find him, paintbrush in hand, painting all around the ferry. He was a very quiet man and when the a large group of people would come to the Club, he would quietly slip away. Known for driving his bright yellow pick-up truck, you always knew when Steve was at the Club. He had also owned a 22 foot Stingray boat that he had named "A. B. Hornut." It was painted bright yellow to match his truck. It was a sad day for him when he had to sell his boat. He had recently moved into a home in Antioch where he found his last days of happiness.

Our sincere condolences to Steve's family and friends.

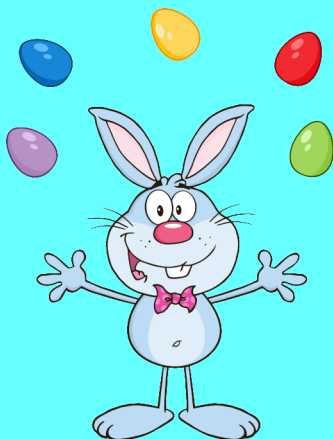
## Easter Egg Hunt Sportsmen YC

Saturday, April 15th

9 a.m. Pancake Breakfast

10 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

\$5 for Adults.....Kids Eat Free!



The  
Easter  
Bunny  
will be at  
the  
Breakfast!!

## April Game Night

Friday, April 14th

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Games begin immediately after dinner



Texas Hold 'Em  
\$11 to play

\$10 to play Bunco  
A Percentage of the Profits will  
go to Relay for Life



Dinner Menu

Soup & Salad

\$6

Make Reservations ONLINE  
or call Ann at 779-9330

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### FIRST CLASS MAIL



Morris Lum  
...for volunteering  
to serve as a  
PICYA Delegate!



# Ahoy, Matey!

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

Saturday, April 1st

Dinner Hosted by Sportsmen YC

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.

Awarding First, Second, & Third Places for "35-Feet and Under" and "36-Feet and Over" length vessels.

### 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