### April 2018



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I would like to start with the Crab Feed we had in late February. What an awesome event! The Club participation has been just outstanding; we could not be happier to see people enjoying the abundance of crab and the super raffle. Denice and I took our first swing at clam chowder for 125 people and, from what we could tell, it was a home-run. Angel Brown and Ann Macey made the pasta for the event and it was fabulous; it was a fettucine with a wine butter sauce. I can't wait for next year. And let's not forget our Dessert Diva Janet Buckley. She has been making our Club desserts for over two years now and we, as a Club, can't thank you enough Janet! I want to thank all those who helped



us from decorating Friday night to Sunday clean-up. It was a wonderful time!

Then our next big event was St. Patty's Day. Another successful turnout with over 150 people in attendance. I would like to give a shout out to Tower Park YC for cruising-in and enjoying our Sportsmen hospitality. A special thank you to our Vice Commodore Bobby Brown for spearheading the St. Patty's Party. For the past three years, Bobby has taken beef brisket and made his own brine to create an excellent corned beef. Bobby has his crew who make it all happen: Angel Brown, Nick & Anne Macey, his mother-in-law Virginia (aka Nana), and several other Club members who help to make this a successful

### Commodore Robert Babo

event. April is upon us and the river will be calling us to come out and play. I can't wait for warmer days. Let's not forget we need All Hands on Deck these next couple of months at our Work Parties. I want to

remind you that we have a

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### Important Notice

On Page 4 of this Newsletter, information regarding one issue which the Board is recommending to our membership is posted. Please note: This issue was read as part of Board Meeting Minutes at the March General Membership Meeting. This item will be discussed and voted on by the members at the April Membership <u>General</u> Meeting. Newsletter Editor







lights in the downstairs and installed corridors sensors to save money. Have you seen the playroom lately? Most members don't have a good reason to peek inside, but the transformation makeover Cynthia Perez and Denice Babo have done looks fantastic! That room looks so much better; it deserves a look. We also experienced chaos in Areas 2 and 5 in which the docks

# Vice Commodore Bobby Brown

had broken loose. Jim Dawson and Bill Moore were able to wrangle these massive heavy dock platforms back into place safely before things got out of hand.

St. Patty's Day Dinner was a hit! Reviews from Tower Park YC were positive. The two week process was a lot of fun and I'm happy the way it turned out. This

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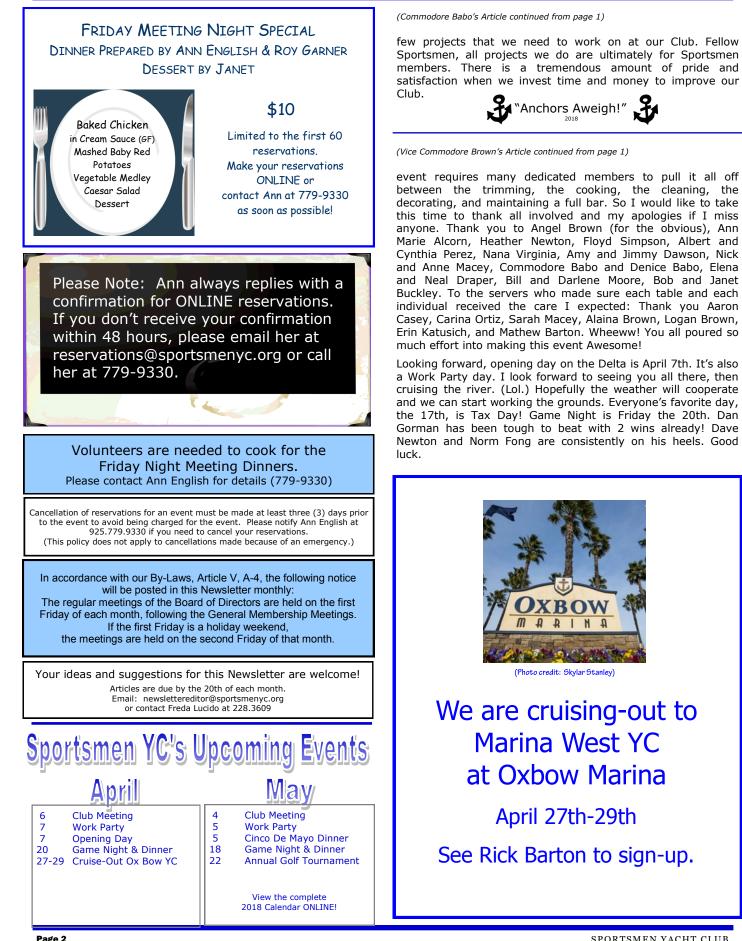
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SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB



# Rear Commodore

March turned out to be a busy month at Sportsmen YC! Again a lot of progress was made at our Saturday Work Party. On March 16th, we welcomed Tower Park YC for a three-day extravaganza that included the Friday Game Night, our awesome St. Patrick's Dinner on Saturday, and the requisite Commodore's Breakfast on Sunday.

Bobby Brown outdid himself once again putting on the St. Patrick's Dinner! His crew, including his mother-in-law, Virginia Simonian who was an invaluable member of the galley crew, did an outstanding job. The desserts, made by Ann Marie Alcorn and Janet Buckley topped-off the dinner. The DJ had the place rocking after dinner. (I'm sure Bobby will chime in with his thanks to the galley crew as well.)

Once again, our Past Commodore & his wife, Matt and Marianne Tate, prepared an excellent breakfast for our members and guests.

Folks, if you are not coming down to Sportsmen to participate in the great events our members are putting on, well, you are





In 1889, there was a ferry house in San Francisco. When they extended it by 250 feet, it had seven ferry slips, four devoted to Oakland, one to Alameda and two slips for Marin and the North Pacific Coast. The foot of Market Street had proven to be the best place for the Ferry Depot. It opened on Saturday, September 4, 1875.

It was the age of silver which prompted an influx of 262,000 people, mostly out of work immigrants leaving the East Coast depression. The population explosion meant more ferryboat riders. A nickel a ride is what they paid to ride the ferries to look for work. By 1884, receipts from ferry service totaled \$88,796.75, three times more than any other source. The ferry business long continued to be the Port Commission's biggest business on the waterfront.

In 1893, a proposal was made to the Port Commission for a new Ferry Building. Voters from all over California had to approve the \$600,000 bond to build a new Ferry Building in San Francisco. On November 8, 1892, by only 866 votes the bond passed.

The new Ferry building would stand tall and majestic at the foot of Market Street and be a welcoming tower to the world.



missing out on some of the greatest opportunities to enjoy your Club.

On April 7th, we will be participating in the Opening Day on the Delta which will be hosted this year by Bridge Marina YC. See our web site for reservations, or call Susan Coss at (925) 628-0468.

This year our Fleet Captain, Rick Barton, has arranged for our Spring Cruise-Out to Marina West YC at Oxbow Marina. The dates are April 27th through April 29th. See Rick to sign up for this event.

See you around the Club!





The 2018 theme for Opening Day on the Bay is "Nations on the Bay" which will be held on April 22nd, showcasing countries from around the world. This year's parade follows the World Forum of the International Council of Yacht Clubs. Participants in the conference will have individuals from China to Italy staying to be part of this annual tradition. This will be a spectacular day to participate in the parade.

We are looking forward to sharing a fun day on the Bay and are hoping to get one parade boat from every club to make this year a success. (Clubs are also encouraged to partner.)

If you don't have a boat, please join us for a wonderful day out on the Committee Boat. This year we are using Commodore Cruises out of Alameda. The Committee Boat offers spectacular views of the parade and San Francisco Bay. During the cruise, you will enjoy a continental breakfast and a fabulous sit-down lunch. We will also be having our annual Commodore/Flag/Staff Officers' photo on board, so please make sure your club is represented.

You do not have to be a yacht club member to participate on the Committee Boat ride. Photos from last year's parade are on the Scuttlebutt page of the Sportsmen website.



### Our By-Laws, Article XVII, Item 1 states:

These By-laws may be repealed, amended and additional provisions added thereto at any General Membership meeting by an affirmative vote of the majority of the eligible voting membership present. Notice of such proposed amendment to the By-laws shall be presented to the membership at the next regular General Membership meeting preceding the meeting at which the amendment will be voted upon. Such amendment shall be posted on the Club bulletin board for at least twenty-five (25) days and shall be set forth in full in the Club Bulletin.

### Notice of Proposed Change Regarding Payment of Dues

A portion of the Special Board Meeting Minutes, held on February 21, 2018, is quoted below (in red and italicized):

"A discussion was had regarding the payment of dues as this is an ongoing problem. Every quarter the Secretary and Treasurer spends a lot of time reminding our members that their dues are due and some people have gotten very testy or even rude about this matter. Dues are due the first of every quarter. It is the member's responsibility to stay on top of their dues not the boards. It has been proposed that we add our 'Rules and Regulations Attachment #1: Dues are to be paid within the first 30 days of the quarter, if the treasurer has not received the dues by then there will be a \$20.00 fee assessed.' A motion was made and seconded, motion carried."

You may also refer to the current By-Laws, Article IV, Item 2, and Article XIII, Item 3 for information on this matter.



# Friday, April 20th

6:30 p.m. Taco Bar, Rice, Beans, & Dessert
7:00 p.m. Poker
\$6 See Janet Buckley with guestions

## Calendar Reminder!

4S Try-Outs

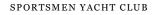
Saturday, June 16th Don Wilson will be announcing details soon. Mark your calendar now!!

# We need your help!

Our 4S Dinghy Race may be "High & Dry" unless we get a dinghy for the race.

If you have one we can borrow, please contact Don Wilson.

Thank you!





# **Annual Golf Tournament**

Tuesday, May 22nd Tee Time 9 a.m.

# **Lone Tree Golf Course**

Ladies & Gents are invited to participate

### **Club Members Only**

\$50 per person

**Organized by Dan Gorman** 

Pizza & Prizes at the Club after the Tournament



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Once during a debate, Abraham Lincoln was accused by Stephen Douglas of being two-faced. Without hesitation, Lincoln calmly replied, "I leave it to my audience...if I had two faces, would I be wearing this one?"

