



Sportsmen Yacht Club

Newsletter

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- 1 Club Meeting & Dinner
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- 15 Bingo
- 22 Ball Game Outing - A's vs. Giants
- 23 4S Try-Outs



- 6 Club Meeting & Dinner
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- 13-15 4S at Stockton YC
- 20 Bingo



- 3 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 4 Work Party
- 11 Poker Run—50's Bash & Rib Cook Off
Floating Realty YC Cruise-In
- 17 Bingo



**COMMODORE
RICKY SCANNELL**

Thanks to Floyd and his crew for all their hard work on the east side of the Ferry. Chuck Carroll has details in his article, and I want all of you who have worked so hard to know how much you are appreciated!

If anyone can help Dave Moore with replacement of the south decks, please let Chuck know. Thanks to all who are working on this project!

We are looking for someone to step up to run our Ship's Stores and someone to be our Events Chairperson for the remainder of this year. If you're interested, please contact me.

We had three Club events in May that need to be mentioned. First, the Cinco de Mayo was an enjoyable dinner and evening thanks to Dan Espinosa and his crew. Their enchiladas, rice, and beans were a real hit! Following the dinner, we watched the boxing matches. In my opinion, it's always more fun to watch a game or, in this case boxing matches, with a group of people at the Club. We never lack for enthusiasm for a sports event at the Club!

The next Club event in May was the Golf Tournament, organized by Joe Fray. This has become an annual event and is a lot of fun for all who participated. Thanks, Joe, for pulling this together!

We have been having Bingo on the third Friday night of each month, and it is always a lot of fun to come out for this event! There are hot dogs and nachos for a very nominal fee and then everyone settles in for a few games of Bingo. I would encourage you to come join us! Details are always in the newsletter.

Besides these Club sponsored events, there were several member events that were held at the Club. One was Louie Rocha's 9th annual Antioch High School Fishing Derby and our members were invited to join in. It was a great day to be on the water and the BBQ in the evening was enjoyed by all.

Another member sponsored event coming up in June is the Friends of NRA dinner scheduled for June 16th. If you're interested in supporting this organization, please see me to purchase your ticket.



**VICE COMMODORE
LOUIE ROCHA**

Kudos to the Sportsmen who have been repairing the east side of the Ferry and those who have started the south deck project. Thanks to their hard work, we are well on our way toward meeting the time lines established with our insurance carrier.

Recently, a member reported a safety hazard at the bottom of our stairs. Chuck English immediately went into action by repairing the damaged area just before an event was scheduled to begin. His prompt response to the safety and care for others highlights the importance of volunteer service to the Club.

It is important that we all do our part to contribute to this wonderful Club that we share. Take time to help out on tasks such as bartending, cooking, cleaning, and/or working on repairs to the ferry. I encourage you to express your appreciation to the SYC members who serve you as volunteers.

On Friday, June 22nd, we are planning a field trip to the Oakland Coliseum to watch the Giants play the A's. Tickets are limited to the first 20 members who sign up at the SYC Bar. Hope you are able to join us!



V.C. Louie Rocha hooked the 3rd place sturgeon in the Antioch H.S. Fishing Derby. Congratulations, Louie!



**REAR COMMODORE
DON WILSON**

Wow, what a weekend! I just returned from the Club after a busy couple of days. To start with, Bingo was Friday night. We have a few loyal regulars that are always present and it makes the effort worthwhile. This month we actually came out on the plus side. A lot of folks are missing out on a good time.

The next morning was the AHS 9th annual Fishing Derby. We met for breakfast at 6:00 a.m. and that began a very enjoyable day. I want to take this opportunity to thank Louie Rocha for bringing this event to our Club. We had a great BBQ at the end of the day, thanks to the winners of the Derby as they were able to catch our dinner.

During the above event, my son and I came back to the Club for lunch as we were fishing in the area. We enjoyed a great lunch thanks to Roger Mammon and the Lower Sherman Island Duck Hunters Association. (I hope I got that name right.) They had, I believe, a very good turnout for lunch and fundraising.

To top off the day, David and Desli had a birthday celebration for David at the Club Saturday night. It appears every one had a good time. This illustrates how our Club can be used for multiple events if planned properly.

It has been a very busy time for our Club this month and certain members should be recognized for their efforts. I want to thank Joe Fray for another successful golf tournament.

Cinco de Mayo was a hit because of Dan Espinosa's special enchiladas. We also enjoyed great boxing matches that evening at no expense to the Club as we passed the hat to pay for it. Great idea, thanks to Rick Scannell.

The Club has been having Work Parties almost on a daily basis. We need to thank Chuck Carroll and all the folks who were involved.



**Have a
Save and Fun
Summer!!!**

Have ideas or suggestions for the newsletter?

Please send articles to: Terri Barton 925-757-1475
Email: newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org
Newsletter articles are due by the 15th of the month
Newsletter final editing by: Freda Lucido

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.

Menu

June Meeting Dinner

BBQ Sampler
Chicken, Ribs, Brisket
and Pulled Pork,
Potato Salad
Cole Slow
Baked Beans

Dinner Prepared by
Billy, Marina and Adam

Dinners are \$10 per person

We are limited to 50 reservations,
so make your reservations on-line
or contact Ann English at 925.779.9330
as soon as possible

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 @ 925.779.9330 if you need to cancel your reservations. (This policy does not apply to cancellations made because of an emergency.)



Gather your friends and head to SYC
for Friday Night Bingo FUN

June 15 / July 20 / August 17

6 pm Bingo Cards on Sale

7 pm Let the Games Begin

Dinner Menu

\$10.00 for 4 Cards
\$2.00 for Each Extra Card
10 Games Played

Chili Cheese Dog \$3.50
Hot Dog \$3.00
Bowl of Chili \$1.00
Nachos \$1.00
Complimentary Cookies



HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

On Opening Day, Keith and I went to the Club to clean the museum and open it for visitors. A friend of Lou Zobb came by for a visit to see the Ferry and museum. When Lou arrived, his friend, Rod Plaisted, had already had a tour of the Ferry and came down to the museum.

What a very interesting man! I didn't ask him his exact age, but he is a World War II Vet. He was in the Naval Air as a young man. He proudly talked about his grandfather who was a master ship builder at the Fulton Ship Yard. His grandfather's name was George Washington Douglas. He told me how he showed him to caulk a wooden vessel in 1929.

He told me stories of when he was 13 years old and he rode the ferry to the 1939 World's Fair at Treasure Island. He would board the ferry with his best friend at the end of Black Diamond Boulevard on "Pittsburg Day." He remembers seeing Benny Goodman, Gene Cupa (the famous drum player), Harry James and his orchestra, and Lionel Hampton. He would board the ferry to come home at 5:30.

Rod has always been interested in the railroads, so much so that he built his own railroad in his backyard. He calls his railroad the Clayton & Bay Point Railway Co. He is the Chairman, President, and Chief Operating Officer.

He also told me a bit of railroad history. The Sacramento Northern Railway (S.N.R.) had four parlor cars, but the 'Moraga' was the only one with an open gated vestibule at the trailing end. He liked it so much, he built a 30 inch gauge model in his Concord backyard.

The S.N.R. ran from San Francisco to Chico by way of Sacramento. The 'Moraga' was an extra fare car that ran with several electric coaches with the 'Comet' drum on the rear.

We really enjoyed visiting with Rod, I am sure he has many other stories he could tell.



Editor's Note: Kathie Hammer is retiring from the John Knox Co-Op Preschool after serving as their Director for 40 years! Our Congratulations to Kathie and we hope she enjoys her retirement.



PICYA Report DARLENE DAWSON

2012 PICYA CALENDAR

- Jun 4 Delegates' Meeting
Solano YC
- Jun 30 Cut-off for Scholarship
submittals
- Jul 9 Delegates' Meeting
Bridge Marina YC
- Aug 6 Delegates' Meeting
Stockton YC

Opening Day on the Bay

was blessed with gorgeous weather and beautifully decorated boats. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all who participated.



For a complete list of winners, go to www.picya.org.

Western Boating Safety Group Scholarship Program 2012

The Western Boating Safety Group and the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA) have joined together to offer three (3) \$2,500 scholarships. These scholarships are for students whose parents, grandparents or guardian are members of a yacht club that belongs to PICYA. (Relatives of PICYA Board Members or Scholarship Committee Members are not eligible.)

Applying for the scholarship is simple. There are four things you need to provide. The deadline is June 30, 2012. If you would like more information on this scholarship program, please go to the following link:
www.picya.org/scholarships-2012.html

Eddie Jo Mack, Ebony Boat Club is this year's Chair. Her phone is: 925-828-6870; email is ejmack2001@yahoo.com

You can also contact me at 510-207-8498.



NEWS FROM FLEET CAPTAIN DARLENE DAWSON

Regarding last month's list of winners for our Opening Day Parade, I would like to make a correction:



1st Place under 35 feet: *Nauti Neaki*, owned by Jerry & Dorothy Smith, Driftwood YC.

2nd Place under 35 feet: *Delta Rover*, owned by Caley & Sonja Johnston, Driftwood YC.

Kudos to our Opening Day on the Delta judges! The vessel they selected as the Best Overall winner for our parade was also selected as Best of Parade at the Opening Day on the Bay Parade hosted by PICYA! A picture is posted in the PICYA Report of this Newsletter.

Our annual 4S Cruise is coming up soon! It will be held on July 13th-15th. This year's event will be the 59th annual 4S cruise for our clubs! Stockton YC will be hosting this year's event and they always do a great job. Don't miss this opportunity to make new acquaintances and renew old friendships.



WW II vet, Rod Plaisted, presented a picture to Kathie Hammer, our Club Historian, at the May General Membership Meeting.

Kathie wrote about Mr. Plaisted's love of ferry boats and railroads in her article.
(Thanks to Don Wilson for this photo.)

June Birthdays

02 Scott Wigmore	23 Tandy Chamberlain
03 Al Fonseca	24 Anita Hinds
03 Gilbert Olvera	26 Russell Lord
04 Crystal Peedle	27 Jessica Larosee
06 Danette Sarancha	28 Carolyn Hetzell
07 Margaret Murphy	28 Rosemary Russo
08 Helen Hill	29 Isaac Barrett
11 Dan Espinosa	29 John Hunter
12 Rod Kreiss	29 Nancy Basista
13 Kathy Lynch	29 Sharon Selvy
15 Diane Curry	30 Dan Gorman
16 Ruth Holmes	30 Deanna Draper
17 Terri Barton	30 Joan Idsoe
21 Neal Essary	

Sportsmen offers Barbara's Galley

*Open for
Breakfast
Saturdays and
Sundays
at 7:30 am*



Baseball Game Outing

Oakland Coliseum

Friday, June 22, 2012

Game Time: 7:0pm

Tickets: \$15.00/person



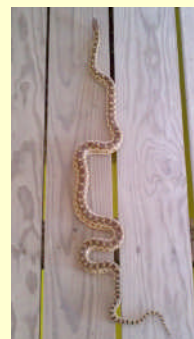
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Sign up sheet at the bar

An Uninvited Guest to Area 4

Carl Rasmussen captured a photo of this uninvited guest wandering the docks of Area 4 one morning in May. Just another reminder to keep your hatches buttoned up so you don't give these types of guests a place to make their home on your boat!!!



4S Try-Outs

Saturday, June 23rd



Starting at 10:00 a.m., we will compete for representation for our Club. There are a lot of games this year, so we need anyone interested in representing our Club to show up! The 4S games competition will be held on Saturday, July 14th, at Stockton YC.

Some of the games are: Backgammon, Cribbage, Dominoes, Golf Ball Chipping, Horseshoes, Liar's Dice, Pinochle, Texas Hold'Em, Wii Bowling, Volleyball, and several other games.

Delta
FRIENDS OF NRA.ORG
Fundraising for the Future of the Shooting Sports

**Saturday, June 16th, 6:00 p.m.
at Sportsmen YC**

**Dinner Tickets \$60.00 each
Dinner Packages Available**

**See flyer posted at the Club
or Ricky Scannell for more information**

Work Party Report for April & May....by Chuck Carroll

Remember back in the day when we would have a Work Party on the first Saturday of the month? Well, there are a lot of us who have been having them more often than that. Sportsmen YC has had 30 work parties in the last two months and May isn't over yet (that's gotta be a club record!). The east side seems like it moves at a snail's pace but that's because there are hours and hours of work for every foot you get done. Believe it or not, we can actually see the light at the end of the tunnel now and the progress is generating some excitement. Floyd Simpson has been cracking the whip and his two sidekicks, Kurt Chaisson and Bill Pato, keep applying the pressure. I think Chuck English has the distinction of making every work party on this project so far. As you know, this project started four years ago with the construction of new under shoring beneath the ferry. Remember what a muddy mess that was? I think just about every member in the Club has helped with this project at one point or another. But there has been some real key players that have a ton of hours into the task lately and the Club owes them a big THANKS! Here's a list of some but not all: Rod Kreiss, Bob Karr, Jim Hill, Lonnie Gibson, Bill Pato Jr.,

Tino Abon, Mike Hoskins, Brian Tapp, Brian Tapp Jr., Ken Norris, Jeff Maples, Jason Turpin, Don Wilson, Randy Hyde, Dan Espinosa, Tim Lamb, Jerry Kent Jr., Dennis Higgins, Doug Horton, Ethan Horton, Steven Peedle, Dr. Dan Lively, Kevin Wickman, and a special thanks to Kathy Harvey who came out and put in one hell of a day (we need to call her more often).

Spring cleanup has been terrific around here with the likes of Randy Hyde, Shirley Karr, Dave Selvy, Scott Wigmore, Len Adkerson, John Perryman, Dan Lynch, Kevin Wickman, Al Alcorn, Dan Espinosa, Bob Karr, Joe Fray, Rick Hinds, Doug Horton, Ethan Horton, and Robert Jones. We have seven acres here and it doesn't just happen! Grounds maintenance is a very important part of our Club.

Scott Jett took on the project of getting the storage van done. It is now cleaned out, insulated, has vents, roof fans, power, lights, been leveled and painted. Whew! Scott wants to thank all who helped: Rex Cook, Chuck English, Dan Espinosa, Joe Fray, Lonnie Gibson, Doug Horton, Mike Hoskins, Bob Karr, Jerry Kent Jr., Tim Lamb, Frank MacCallister, Dr. Dan, Ken Norris, Harry Parker, Bill Pato, Bill Pato

Jr., Bob Williams, and Scott Wigmore.

Dave Moore has begun the difficult task of replacing the south deck and hopes to complete it in 90 days. Don't know everyone who's contributed to that project so far but there's still much to do and we need your help. As of now, thanks to Casey Curry, Joe Fray, Mike Hoskins, Roger Mammon, Gary Noe, Harry Parker, and Dave's buddies.

Thanks to Gene Buchholz for repairing picnic tables, Russ Lord for his appliance repairs, Harry Parker and Joe Fray for refinishing the back bar (Joe, I think you're back in good graces with Tammy), Mike Hoskins and Bob Karr for repairing the bad bar sink, and thanks to Scott Wigmore, Nick Wigmore, Tina Tapp, Chef Paul, Becky Wilson, Jim Arnold, Marina Faconti, Jim Dawson, Sandy Shaw, John Hunter, Jerry Fitzgerald, and all the other valuable Sportsmen who help wherever they're needed.

And not to forget the folks who keep the troops fed and happy - a big thanks, to Pat Sebers, Bill Jones, Micheline Simpson, Winky Scannell, Chef Paul, Darlene Dawson, and Dan Espinosa.

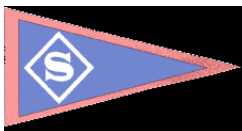


Thank you to Don Wilson & Freda Lucido for these photos.



*Thank You
to all our
members
who have
helped
at our
Work
Parties!*





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GOLF TOURNAMENT RESULTS

for the May 15th Tournament
held at the Bethel Island Golf Club

...and the WINNERS are:

Winning Team - 1st place

Mike Hammer
Zack Hammer
Rick Scannell
John Hunter



Par 3 Winners

Zack Hammer
Rick Scannell
Steve Jackman

Long Drive - Rick Scannell

Congratulations to All!

The 59th Annual 4S This year at Stockton YC July 12th-15th with the Games Competition on Saturday, July 14th

**A complete agenda, list of all the
games, and the Registration Form is
available on our website.**

**Registration Forms may also be
picked up at the Club near the sign-
in desk. Early Bird packages are
available and are due by June 30th.
All reservations must be received
by July 6th.**

We hope to see you there!!!