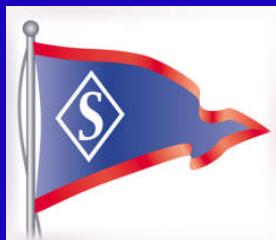


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NEWSLETTER

# Sportsmen Yacht Club



## Commodore Louie Rocha

As I write this letter, I am preparing for the 2013 Antioch High School Commencement Ceremony. I am amazed how quickly this school year has passed by. This will be my 13<sup>th</sup> graduation for which I am responsible. Each year I am honored to present the graduating class of seniors to our community to receive their high school diplomas. This milestone event is always a very special moment for the parents, family, and friends of the graduates. Congratulations to the graduates of 2013!

As we enter the month of June, we are at the mid-point of the year. This first half of the year has been an honor and

pleasure to serve as Commodore of the best yacht club on the river. I have enjoyed all of our Club events this year. The high participation of our members has resulted in outstanding social events with delicious meals, entertainment and dancing. The successful events have generated positive income that will support our historic ferry and our beautiful river front property. I want to thank all the members who have donated their time to plan and run the events. I feel very fortunate to have received so much support and help. We have a strong leadership team of officers, directors, captains, committee leaders and members.

Sportsmen YC is hosting a Father's Day event on Sunday, June 16th. Pat Sebers and company will be putting on an outstanding BBQ in the patio area. Members are welcome to come out and celebrate Father's Day with family and friends. Members who plan on attending should contribute a side dish to enhance the savory meat and delicious shell fish that will be served hot off of the grill. I look forward to celebrating this special day with my dad, father-in-law, and twin sons. I hope you are able to come out and honor our fathers.



## Vice Commodore Don Wilson

The first thought that came into my mind for this article was to mention that we are almost halfway through our year. I reconsidered because I'm sure everyone is aware of this fact, so I won't mention the obvious. I'm sure Commodore Rocha will point this out. If he does not, then Rear

Commodore Barton will probably state this in his article. It just doesn't make sense for all of us to point out something that everyone is aware of!

"Wow, can you believe it? We're almost half way through the year!"

Ok, after that feeble attempt at humor let's get down to business.

I was really pleased to see the turnout at the May meeting. We had plenty of voting members there to conduct our Club business and that is very important as we move forward. We are also having an increasing number of associate members and guests in attendance. Our Club is fortunate in that we

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## Friday Night Special

*Baked Rigatoni with Prosciutto  
In a Dechamel Sauce  
Green Sour Dough French Bread*

*Prepared by Rick & Anita Hinds  
\$10 per person*

June

Menu

Meeting Dinner

*Limited to the first 50 reservations,  
so make your reservations online or  
contact Ann English at 779-9330  
as soon as possible!*

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are attracting new members while other clubs around us are struggling to keep their membership numbers up.

By the time this article is published, we will have had our 4S Try-Outs and Chuck Carroll will have all the winning teams aligned and in place to make sure we maintain possession of "Our" coveted 4S Trophy.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our Commodore and Tammy Rocha for the successful Cinco de Mayo event. I was not able to attend but I understand a good time was had by all.

While we are on this subject, I would like to emphasize that the folks you, our members, voted into positions of leadership are functioning as a very well organized group. We always put the best interests of the Club in the forefront. The Commodore, his Board and appointed staff have my total support. We are very fortunate to have this fine group of people donating their time to a great Club such as ours.

I am proud to be a part of it. I want to thank everyone for their help.



Volunteers are needed to cook for the  
Friday Night Meeting Dinners.  
Please contact Becky Wilson for details (229.3121)

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

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Want the Recipe from a recent Meeting Night Dinner or event at the Club? We're creating a page on the Website just for recipes our members want to share! We'll send you the link in an email as soon as it's ready.

## Opening Day on the Bay 2013 Way to go Delta Power Boaters!



(Above)

Best Overall Boat US Ward Cleveland  
Memorial Award

Sacramento YC Vessel Knots and Bolts  
(Captain Chuck Lenert)



(Left)

2nd Place Power Series—Ebony BC Vessel Jenny Vee  
(Captain Frank and Carol White)

(Below)  
1st Place Power Series—  
OxBow YC Vessel  
Monarch  
(Captain Frank Louthan)



## Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC

### June

7 Club Meeting  
8 Work Party  
16 Father's Day Potluck

### July

5 Club Meeting  
12-14 4S at Sacramento YC

### August

2 Club Meeting  
3 Work Party  
10 50's Hot August Bash  
& Cruise-In



## Rear Commodore Rick Barton

As I near the midpoint of my year as Rear Commodore, I have been learning a lot about the workings of the Club. One of the things that shocked me is how much everything costs. We are very lucky to have so many skilled workers to keep our labor costs down, but the costs of materials and the hidden costs that seem to accompany every project we

undertake are enormous. One of my priorities when joining the board was to see that the Club maintains a healthy bank account. It turns out that this is not as easy as I thought, although we have managed to do a good job so far.

Another thing that soon became apparent is that a small percentage of the members of the Club do the vast majority of the work. There are two people I would like to single out this month: Port Captain Chuck Carroll and Harbor Captain Lonnie Gibson both put in an incredible amount of time making sure things run smoothly at the Club. I can't imagine what things would be like without their contributions. Make sure you thank them for their tireless work the next time you see them at the Club.

I have been thinking a lot about volleyball in the upcoming 4S. We will probably hold three or four practices. I have struggled in the past with people who show up at 4S and want to play volleyball. I don't think it is fair to the people who came out to practice and then lose playing time to people who just show up. On the other hand, I know all too well how hard it is to make Club functions for people who work and are involved in other activities. I talked to Chuck and he left it up to me to decide. If you would like to play volleyball at 4S, please talk to me. I will start a list and try to work something out to include as many people as I can.

Final note: My little league team finished the season 15-5 and are the number two seed in the playoffs. If we win our next two games, we will represent Antioch in the Bay Area "Tournament of Champions."



## HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

Did you ever stop to think what the San Francisco Bay must have looked like on a calm night with the many ferries quietly making their trips across the bay? At night, the ferryboats underway was a beautiful thing to see. The rows of windows that were lit up reflected on the surface of the water. The above decks were dark, only the navigation lights could be seen. The pilothouses were completely dark so the officers could see with the help of the moon and stars. They depended on the lighthouses, buoys and points along the shore to know where they were going. If the officer in charge saw an unidentified object on the surface of the water, he had a powerful search light on the roof of the pilothouse he could use.

To keep the glare away from the navigator's view as he steered the ferry over the bay waters, the cabin boy was there ready to close all of the blinds on the windows and doors of the forward cabin in order to be sure the foredeck was dark.



## A Chuckle for Your Day!

A farmer was driving along the road with a load of fertilizer. A little boy, playing in front of his house, saw him and called, "What do you got in your truck?"

"Fertilizer," the farmer replied. "What are you gonna do with it?" asked the little boy. "Put it on strawberries," answered the farmer. "You ought to live here," the little boy advised him. "We put sugar and cream on ours!"



## PICYA NEWS DARLENE DAWSON

### 2013 PICYA CALENDAR

Jun 3	Delegates' Meeting Vallejo YC	Aug 5	Delegates' Meeting Pittsburg YC
Jul 8	Delegates' Meeting Bridge Marina YC	Sep 9	Delegates' Meeting Oakland YC

Sportsmen YC wishes to extend our sincere sympathy to America's Cup challenger *Artemis Racing* and the family of Andrew Simpson who lost his life in a sailing accident on San Francisco Bay on Thursday, May 9th.

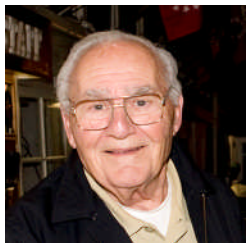
Perfect weather greeted approximately 300 people who boarded the committee boat *California Hornblower*. To the delight of onlookers, 120 vessels participated in "The Great Race" (the theme for Opening Day on The Bay). Vice Commodore Lenora Clark and her committee worked long and diligently to pull off an outstanding day for PICYA's flagship event of the year!

Jane and I attended the Opening Day on the Bay Awards Dinner at Oyster Point YC. After a delicious filet mignon meal, a Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to our Club for participation in sponsoring Opening Day on the San Francisco Bay ceremonies. Our Ship's Store donated clothing and Tammy Rocha donated wine from El Sol Winery in Livermore. This year the Hotel Nikko from San Francisco was also a generous donor for the event. *Thank you to our members who contributed on behalf of our Club!*

Congratulations to all participants and winners! The top three Power Boat winners were from Delta yacht clubs and are pictured on Page 2. For a complete list of all the winners, you may go to [www.picya.org](http://www.picya.org).

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## In Memory Of



*Chuck Trombetta passed away on April 24th. Chuck and Ruth joined our Club in 1985. He served as our Treasurer for seven years, from 1994 through 2000. His contributions to our Club were numerous and we will always be grateful for his dedication to our Club.*

*Our heartfelt sympathy to Ruth and their family.*



*Darrell Lackey passed away on May 4th. He and Yvonne joined our Club in 2003. He loved to fish and enjoyed being a part of such a great Club! In 2007, his illness prevented him from coming to the Club and our membership voted to make him an Honorary Member.*

*Our sincere sympathy to Yvonne and their family.*

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# Cinco de Mayo Highlights!



A festive evening  
+ great food  
+ fabulous music  
= Another Great Sportsmen Event!!



Mark your calendars!

# This year's 4S will be held on July 12-14

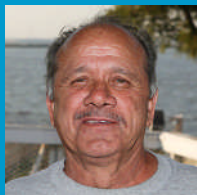


## at Sacramento YC

**Details  
At the  
June  
General  
Membership  
Meeting**



### Welcome New Member!

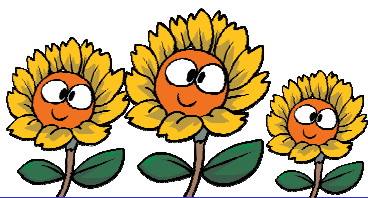


George & Dodie Lobao  
61 Oneida Street  
Oakley 94561  
679-0113



### Happy Birthday June Babies!

02 Scott Wigmore	21 Neal Essary
03 Al Fonseca	23 Tandy Chamberlain
03 Crystal Lund	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 John Hunter
10 Leroy Bloxsom	29 Nancy Basista
11 Dan Espinosa	29 Sharon Selvy
13 Kathy Lynch	30 Dan Gorman
15 Diane Curry	30 Deanna Draper
16 Ruth Holmes	30 Joan Idsoe
17 Terri Barton	



## Annual Scramble Golf Tournament Results

Congratulations to the Winners!

Jim Dawson  
Kenny Norris  
Garry Ridolfi  
Dave Taylor

Thanks to all participants

Illustrating  
"The  
Sportsmen  
Way"...



...Will  
someone  
tell Joe the  
tournament  
is over?

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# Father's Day BBQ!

**Sunday, June 16th**

**2:00 p.m.**

**Your  
Family  
and  
Friends  
Are  
Welcome!**

**Our BBQ Masters will be  
cooking the meat...**



**Just bring a side dish to  
share and enjoy the afternoon!**

**Reservations not necessary**