# SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS AT SPORTSMEN

July

- 3-5 4th of July Cruise-Out
- 10 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 11 Work Party
- 17-19 4S at Sacramento YC

#### August

- 1-2 50's Bash / Clubs Cruising-In
  - 7 Club Meeting & Dinner
  - 8 Work Party

#### September

- 4-7 Labor Day Cruise Out
- 11 Club Dinner & Meeting
- 12 Club Picnic
- 19 Work Party



#### COMMODORE STEVE MARTINEZ "DIRTY STEVIE MARTINI"

June was a fun month, we had some nice parties, great Work Parties, good dinners. My thanks go out to everyone who cooked, worked, and most of all to everyone who came to the Club with family or friends and just enjoyed what this great place has to offer.

Plans for our 50's Bash are coming along and we have a lot of enthusiasm from contestants for the Ribs Cook-Off Contest. I hope you have August 1st marked on your calendars and are planning to come! See the flyer in this newsletter for details.

I know the other members also have articles with good things to say so I'll let them have at it. Thanks to everyone.



# Have a Safe & Happy 4th of July!



### VICE COMMODORE CHARLIE KATUSICH

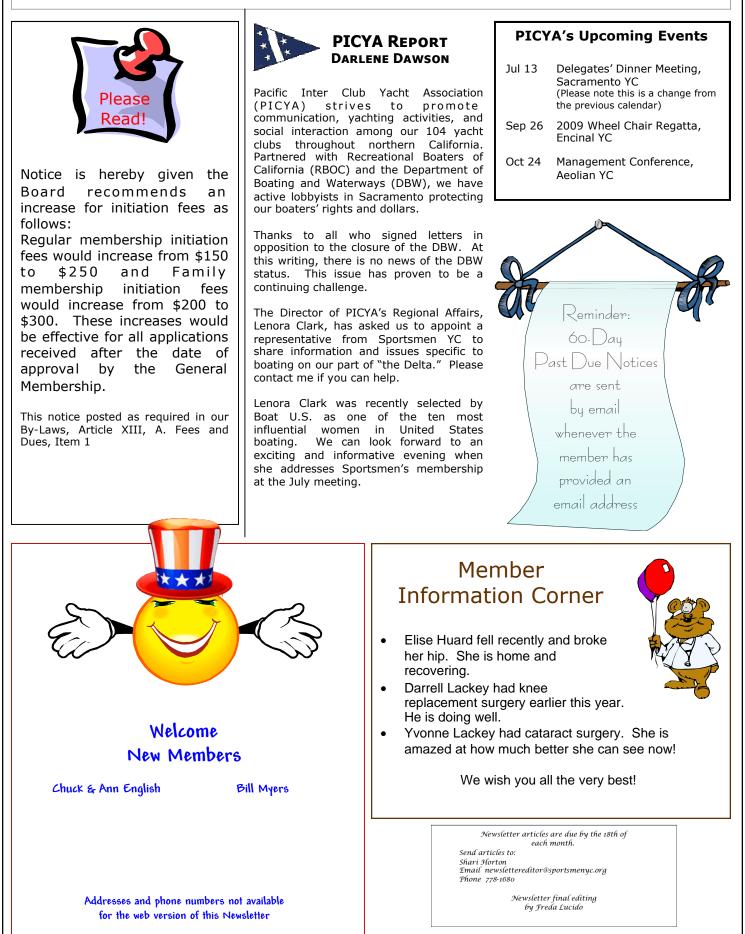
Hello Fellow Sportsmen, Chuck Carroll filling in for Charlie Katusich again. Charlie is such a nice guy it's sometimes hard to understand just how ill he is because he covers it so well. He has been out and about a little bit lately which is good, but please remember to keep him in your thoughts and prayers. If you want to help out in some way, you might check with Al Alcorn or Jim Dawson. They might be able to tell you if Charlie or his family needs a hand with anything.

As many of you have heard by now, I've been in communication with the commodores of Stockton and San Joaquin YCs about the omission of several 4S games that Sacramento left out of the competition this year. Mainly: Backgammon, darts, dominoes, liar's dice, pinochle and the new snake game. These clubs, as well as many of our own members, expressed a disappointment in the games' elimination. I've also spoken with the Gaming Chairman at Sacramento and he said he would try to get some if not all these games back on the list. I'm trying to get them to tell us before our tryouts on the 27th. I also understand that our Commodore ran into the Sacramento Commodore at Caliente YC the other day and took advantage of the opportunity to chat with him a bit about the situation.

Sportsmen had another outstanding Work Party in June. Between the last three Work Parties, we have installed and pulled nearly 4000 feet of wire, cable, and pipe. We have eliminated all the splices on our communication and surveillance cables, have installed new phones in the caretaker's trailer and relief caretaker's cabin, and built a main distribution frame in the Club office. A

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#### NEWS FROM FLEET CAPTAIN JACKIE STEELE "JACKIE OH!"

Huh? What? Yep, I've been passed by again with family problems and Lord knows what else, for crying out loud. I barely have a suntan on my face! Ewwww! The boating season is in full swing and somehow I MISSED IT thus far.

July presents some amazing events, the first of which is Baron Hilton's Fourth of July Fireworks at Mandeville, which are remarkable!!! Please try to join us at Three River Reach to witness this incredible event. This is an easy-going, um, do-nothing event until the fireworks start. What an exciting boating season, eh?

Later this month we have the everpopular 4S Event at Sacramento YC that culminates with rapacious challenges of skill and word-smithing, and raucous cheering coupled with a few guffaws...and topped by the winning team. Yep, folks, it gets ugly at times, but the sporting mood is allayed by adult beverages and all seems to be in good spirits!

(Katusich-Carroll's Article continued from page 1) special thanks to Al Alcorn and crew for keeping our grounds in great shape, to Kelly Basista for keeping the sprinkler system repaired, and Russ Lord for getting the ovens in our galleys working again.

We had a terrific crew on Saturday and even Charlie Katusich was able to stop by for a minute and survey the situation. I would like to thank and recognize all who came out:

Jim Arnold, Tom Arnold, Ann Marie Alcorn, Pat Bown, George Brayton,



HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

With many new members to our Club, I would like to tell the history of the 4S Cruise weekend. On July 17-19, Sacramento YC will host the 56<sup>th</sup> 4S cruise.

The 4S started in 1953 when four yacht clubs (Sacramento, San Joaquin, Sacramento, and Sportsmen) got together for an 'Over The Bottom' race. The host club would serve sandwiches at the end of the race. This event has changed a great deal in 56 years. Now it is a three day event with games, food, entertainment and fun!

In 1986, Sportsmen YC donated a perpetual trophy which is still in use today, with a few minor repairs here and there. In 1994 Sportsmen started the tradition of presenting medals to all the game winners.

The 4S is a wonderful event where old friendships are renewed and new friendships are made. It is a weekend like no other all year. We promise you will have a great time.

Blair Camp, Lonnie Chapman, Ed Elledge,

Chuck English, Joe Fray, Lonnie Gibson,

Dennis Higgins, Rick Hinds, Mike Hoskins,

Bob & Shirley Karr, Jerry and his son

Jerry Kent, Tim Lamb, Dr. Dan Lively, Don & Freda Lucido, Bill Myers, Steve

Martinez, Steve Nicholas, William & Kelly

Odom, Harry Parker, Bill Pato, Cynthia

Wigmore, and Gary Abeyta for making

Scott

Peterson, Chris Stubberfield,

Hope to see everyone there.

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#### PORT CAPTAIN'S COMMENTS JIM DAWSON

Many thanks to Mike and Paulet Hoskins, George Greer and Ed Elledge for caretaking during the month of May.

Thus far, I have had the vector folks out three times trapping the illusive mosquito. The first trapping netted 40 or so, while the second trapping only captured 1. The vector folks treated Mirant to the west and San Joaquin Harbor to the east. I explained to the vector tech that the second trapping was a very windy 24 hours and it seemed to me that those little insects don't fly well during those types of conditions. The vector tech said he would do a third testing which he has completed. This test was during a nice day and evening and again captured many mosquitoes. The vector tech again examined the area and found three or four cells of them at the north end of Kie-Con. The tech is 95% sure this was the problem, but after a few days he will return to trap again. Thanks to everyone's patience while we try to get a handle on this problem.

About 25 years ago, Sportsmen YC was a men's club with a women's auxiliary. I served on a committee which made a motion to change the By-Laws to include family membership. The motion changed Sportsmen YC to what we have today which consists of regular memberships and family memberships. Everything we do revolves around this concept. This takes me to the fantastic golf tournament Joe Fray put together last month and it was very well received by all those who played in it. When it was all men, I really did not think about it, but when the trophy was put on display in the men's room on the upper deck, I asked myself if this was to hide it from the female members. After a few days, the trophy disappeared and no one that I've talked to now seems to know where it went. obviously don't know the answer, I would recommend that if you to are curious, just ask Joe.



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July's **Meeting Dinner** Menu



**BBQ** Chicken Corn Salad Rolls

Meal Prepared By: Joe Fray and the HOOK Rats

#### Come join us!

We are limited to 50 reservations, so make your reservations on-line or contact Cindy Mammon (625-0590) as soon as possible





Commodore Martinez congratulated John & Helen Torres at the June General Membership Meeting. They were awarded a Life Membership of Sportsmen YC.

## **Additional Information**

### for the 50's Bash

- July 31 **Friday evening BBQ Chicken Dinner** \$15.00 per person (Kids 6-12 are \$7.00 each) (Kids under 6 are free)
- Aug 2 **Sunday Breakfast** \$8.00 per person (Kids 6-12 are \$4.00 each) (Kids under 6 are free)

See the last page of this Newsletter for the 50's **Bash Flyer. You can make your reservations** online at www.sportsmenyc.org as part of the 50's Bash reservations. You may also call Cindy Mammon at 625-0590.



### **4S at Sacramento YC**

**July 17-19th A Reservations Form was enclosed in your June Newsletter** and is also available at the Club Sign-In Desk





Shuffleboard **No-Limit Hold-Em** Pool Horseshoes Volleyball **Bocce Ball Trivial Pursuit** Cribbage **Scrabble** Horseshoes **Blind Dinghy Races** 





Wii—Bowling (Recently changed) **Ping Pong Puzzle (as a tie-breaker)** 

Sacramento YC will have dock space for those coming by boat and it is limited, so availability will be on a reservations basis. Please call Port Captain Chuck Lenert at 916-371-5058.

Please get your reservations in as early as possible!



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or call Lonnie at 925-439-5420. We will monitor Channel 68.

