July 2014



# **ortsmen Yacht**





June was a very busy month.

I will start out by saying if vou were not at the June meeting then this will be of particular interest to you. On July 11<sup>th</sup>, we will have a token General Membership Meeting in the Board Room. We are doing this because our By-Laws require it. We are having the meeting in the Board Room because we will have three other clubs in and around our clubhouse. We cannot meet the quorum requirements in that small room so the meeting will convene and adjourn immediately. All Club business will be carried over to the August 2014 meeting.

This is the latest news on annexation the issue. LAFCO decided to give the City of Antioch nine months to a year to clean up some unresolved items that prevented their attempts to annex our area. They indicated the process will start over somewhere around June 2015. We can take a breather on this issue but our efforts will have to be even stronger when this comes around next year. If you run across Jim and Darlene Dawson, tell them thanks for their special efforts in this endeavor.

We had two cruise-ins since our last newsletter. The first was our Memorial Dav Members' Cruise-in on May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. It was a lot of fun for the limited turnout we had. That weekend is very busy for a lot of our members but I think it is important that we provide an event on that weekend for our

# Commodore **Don Wilson**

members who don't leave town. We also had a lowkey weekday cruise-in by the Small Craft Cruisers Club on June  $9^{th}$  and  $10^{th}$ . We had a dozen or more small sail boats and a couple of row boats stop over on their Delta cruise.

I mention this recognizing that the Friends of the NRA Dinner is not a Club event, but it was again a successful evening. Doug, Shari, Ethan Horton and crew did an outstanding iob and made a few bucks for the Club along the way. You will notice, if Doug takes off his hat, there is a little less hair than before the event.

The 4S Try-Outs are behind us; great turnout! Thanks to Chuck Carroll, it went pretty smooth. Also

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It seemed a long way off back in January but 4S is right around the corner. WE had a great Try-Out day on June 21st. I really enjoyed playing backgammon with Dr. had Dan. We three incredibly close and exciting games. We still need players for volleyball. Even though there will only be two people playing, we will need some subs to give

people rest periods. Jason and I are the only players right now. Where are the lady volleyball players? I need one more man and three women to play.

Even though there were a few doubters, the Club is looking fantastic. We have gotten a lot of work done in a very short time. I want to thank everyone who has pitched in and helped. There are too many names

# Vice Commodore **Rick Barton**

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to list and I don't want to miss anyone so I'll just send a blanket thank you. There is one name I will go ahead and mention. I think he is too busy thanking other people but needs some recognition. Our Commodore, Don Wilson, has put an incredible amount of time and energy into this Club. He is the epitome of someone who leads by example. One day (Continued on Page 2)

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Luau August 9th



# Roasted Pig Dinner Hawaiian Cuisine and Special Entertainment

# Caliente Isle YC Cruise-In that weekend!

\$20 per person Make reservations online or contact Ann English at 779-9330

Time and details will be announced in the next Newsletter

Volunteers are needed to cook for the Friday Night Meeting Dinners. Please contact Shari Horton for details (783-8424)

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 (Wilson's Article Continued from Page 1)

thanks to Larry Pacheco for making the 4S Try-Out sign up board (it took him 3 weeks to make it if you didn't know).

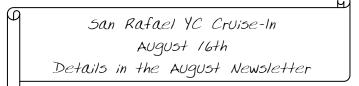
Last, but not least, the "old girl" has a new smile if you look at her from the north. I usually try not to name members for their efforts at the Club for fear of leaving someone out of the list, but I'm going to make an exception in this case. Special thanks to Bob Karr for his extraordinary efforts of late. I have to give Floyd Simpson equal billing as well. It is also noted that Dale Bauer was always there to lend a hand. Many thanks to all the rest of our members who have worked so hard to make our Club what it is today.

P.S. Please attend our 4S Event. We host every four years. Let's make this a special one.

Italian Night Dinner!				
Prepared by Chef Billy Jones	The July 18th Menu We begin with Salad at 7:00 p.m.			
	Marina's Salad Bar with Assorted Dressings Penne with Tomato & Eggplant Cream Sauce Bread Dessert			
	\$13.50 per person			
	Make reservations on-line or contact Marina at 759-2764			

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he will be with briefcase talking to the city council about annexation and the next day he has on the kneepads and hammer in hand, working on the deck. I truly believe he is doing a great job this year. Actually, the entire Board and all of the committee chair people are doing a wonderful job. I feel very proud right now to be a member of the Sportsmen YC. And I'll be even more proud when we return that trophy to its rightful home on July 12<sup>th</sup>!



Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC					
July	August	<u>September</u>			
54S Work Party11Club Meeting11-134S - Hosted by Sportsmen18Italian Night Dinner	1Club Meeting8Italian Night Dinner8-10Caliente YC Cruise-In9Luau16San Rafael Cruise-In23-24Decker Island Raft-Up Cruise-Out	<ul> <li>5 Club Meeting</li> <li>6 Club Picnic</li> <li>12-14 Treasure Island YC Cruise-In</li> <li>19 Italian Night Dinner</li> <li>20 Richmond YC Cruise-In</li> <li>20 Work Party</li> <li>26-28 Rio Vista Cruise-Out &amp; Clam Chowder Cook-Off</li> </ul>			



Hello! WOW what a month June was! Billy has been working his butt off and I want everyone to know and appreciate this. Every time I walk into the Club in the morning, Billy and Marina are as busy as can be. On that note, I would like to apologize to Marina for not getting all the cardboard out for the recycling; however, we did have did have one hell of an NRA dinner this year. From what I understand, the dinner was a great success and the bar did very well too.

Now, as Rear Commodore, we all know 4S is just days away; we need all hands on deck! We need everyone who can to show up, now and during 4S, to prepare and work through the whole event. We need servers and help in the Galley. I am very proud of this Club and, at 4S, I want all of our guests to see it!

The north deck looks awesome thanks to Bob, Donnie, Floyd, Dale, Matt, Casey, Harry, Bill Jr, and all the others; but most of all the armchair direction of Joe Fray.

I am however going to express my gratitude to this Club for letting us have our NRA event on this old girl. I know every guest we have aboard for this event is in awe and feels privileged to be aboard.

And speaking of dedicated Club members, I would like to thank our grounds keeper, Gary Fields, for going above and beyond, in keeping our ground presentable and for greening up the dry areas for 4S. He has done an AWESOME job!

Quack-Quack!





I would like to continue the History of Sportsmen from a bulletin dated May 1975.

The day established for the moving operation in 1939 proved to be a stormy, windy day.

Not to be daunted by the fates of nature, Mr. Cook employed the services of the tug boat "Fighting Bob" to assist the prearranged tow boat "Rover." Mr. Cook and his son mounted the decks of the "Sausalito" and gave the signal to move out. To many observers who saw this procession from the beach, it must have appeared as a funeral procession for the immortal "Sausalito." In effect, it was just the opposite. It represented the birth of a new era for the gallant ship, a fitting crown for a turbulent career she had established.

The "Fighting Bob" abandoned the tow when calmer water was reached past Point Richmond. The tug boat "Rover" completed the tow by leading the bouncing and bobbing "Sausalito" to the new site in the near record time of six hours.

The Sausalito arrived at her home on a low tide and the expected docking crew had run into difficulty in procuring the necessary tie-off cable. Needless to say, they were very conspicuous by their absence leaving the "Sausalito" and crew without berthing accommodations. She laid to, high and dry, waiting for high tide. By the time high tide had come in, the crew was taking a well deserved nap and the ferry boat was adrift. By the time the Skipper on the "Rover" was awakened, she had drifted well up stream toward the Antioch Bridge. The "Rover" went steaming in hot pursuit and secured a tow line on the wandering ferry. With much tugging and conjoling, the "Sausalito" reluctantly held to and slipped into her new berth without further incidents.

Little time was lost in converting the "Sausalito" into a livable clubhouse. Space was allotted and individual members began to convert the allotted space into weekend cabins.

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July 26 Mini-Regional Sept 8 Delegates' Meeting Affairs Conference Oakland YC

Jane and I attended the June Delegates' Meeting at Bridge Marina YC. Commodore Jim Azeltine and crew did a great job serving a delicious dinner. Everyone received a paper from Commodore Clark entitled "Perspectives" that highlights the year's activities thus far and is available online in its entirety.

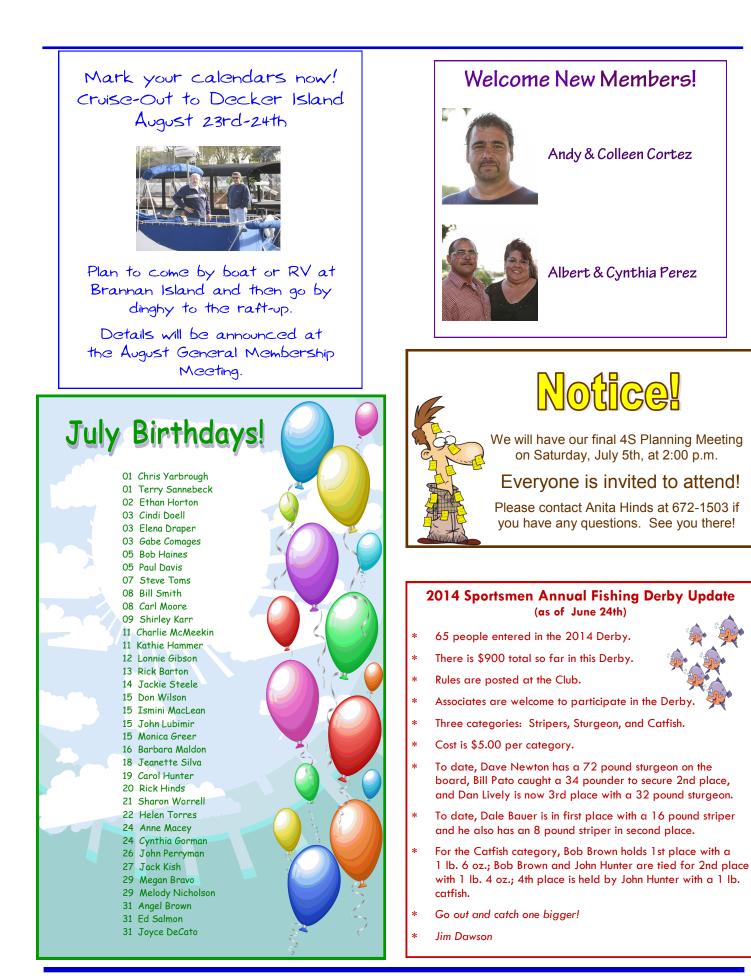
Rear Commodore Erich Schoenwisner presented the Benham Trophy to Vice Commodore Robert Willis from Ebony BC. He reminded delegates of the upcoming mini conference on July 26th at Elkhorn YC in Moss Landing.

Jr. Staff Commodore Fred Rutledge presented Vice Commodore Liz Allison with the Staff Commodore's Award for her efforts organizing Opening Day 2014.

Doug Hipsley reminded Delegates to begin preparing nominations for the annual awards. The deadline is September 30th.

Director David Camp reported that, in the past, Western Safety Boating Group has sponsored three \$2500 scholarships. This year they are sponsoring only one. Personal and Club donations are being encouraged.

At the July Delegates' Meeting, there will be a guest speaker who will provide information on the Commissioning of the Aircraft Carrier USS AMERICA. Captain Bob Hall, the ship's Commanding Officer, describes her thus: USS AMERICA (LHA6) will be the fourth U.S. Navy vessel named after our (Continued on page 5)



2014 4S Cruise Time Schedule					
Thursday, July 10		Saturday, July 12			
Check-In	5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Breakfast	7:30 - 9:00 a.m.		
Happy Hour	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Check-In	8:00 a.m Noon		
Taco Bar Dinner	6:30 p.m.	Opening Ceremony	9:30 a.m.		
		Morning Games Begin	10:30 a.m.		
<u>Friday, July 11</u>		Lunch	Noon - 1:30 p.m.		
Clubhouse Bar Opens	7:30 a.m.	Games	2:00 p.m.		
Breakfast	8:00 - 10:00 a.m.	Museum	5:00 - 7:00 p.m.		
Check-In	Noon - 6:30 p.m.	Cocktails (No Host)	5:00 p.m.		
Lunch	12:30 - 2:00 p.m.	Beef Brisket Dinner	6:00 p.m.		
Museum	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Raffle	7:45 p.m.		
Cocktails - No Host	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Games Awards	8:15 p.m.		
Shuffleboard Competition	6:00 p.m.	Music	following awards		
Pork Tenderloin Dinner	7:00 p.m.				
Entertainment	8:00 p.m.	<u>Sunday, July 13</u>			
		Breakfast	8:00 - 10:00 a.m.		
		Closing Ceremonies	10:30 a.m.		

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country and will showcase the strength, resolve, and commitment of a great nation. She is characterized as an aviation-centric amphibious salt ship designed to operate the U.S. Marine Corps next generation of aircraft, the MV-22 Osprey, and F-35B Joint Strike Fighter and to support the Marines across the full spectrum of military operations. AMERICA'S MOTTO: "Bello Vel Pace Paratus" translates to "Prepared in War or Peace" representing the capability of this awesome warship to strike mightily in wartime, be a deterrent in peacetime, and to lead humanitarian and disaster response efforts in times of need. AMERICA will be a flagship for 21st century operations.

# **RBOC Update**

Copper bottom paint remains a hot topic and a chance to

comment has been extended to July 28th.

A broad coalition of stakeholders met in Washington, D.C., to discuss the ethanol problem. All agreed ethanol is not working and it is not a good plan. At the time it was originally passed, they knew it would increase greenhouse gases; however the original plan was to reduce dependence on foreign oil and create jobs. We are now making more ethanol than we can use. There is no decision on this issue so far.





# In Memory Of

Steve Fernandez passed away June 17, 2014, following a brief illness. Steve joined our Club in 1981 and married the love of his life, Rosalyn (Rosie) Dickinson in 1987. They loved boating, fishing, and coming to Club events for many years. In 2011, Steve became a Life Member of our Club.

Steve was always willing to help and he could build, fix, or make anything from almost nothing. He retired from Sunshine Biscuit after 39 years, working there as a Supervisor.

He loved spending time with his family which included three daughters, a stepson, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Steve was truly one of those special people who always had a smile and a willingness to give to others.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Rosie and their family during this difficult time.

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There is still room for You! Volunteers needed to sign-up for bartending, dining set-up, clean-up, and lots of other tasks. A sign-up poster is at the Club. Plan to come and have fun!!!

4S Registration Forms are available Online and at the Club

# 2014 45 at Sportsmen YC! July 11th-13th

# Representing Sportsmen will be:

Dan Lively - Backgammon, John Hunter & Ted Nicholson - Bocce Ball/Lawn Ball, Casey Curry & Dave Newton - Casting Contest, Pudge Hanson & Marianne Tate - Cribbage, Ron Allen & Hoss Honsinger -Darts, Angel Brown & Freda Lucido - Dominoes, Nick Macey & Floyd Simpson - Horseshoes, Rhonda Hanson & Matt Tate - Liar's Dice, Chris & Nancy Yarbrough - Pinochle, Jim Dawson & Tina Tapp - Pool, Anne Macey - Scrabble, Muriel & Ray Telles - Shuffleboard, Rick Hinds & Micheline Simpson - Snakes, Bob Brown & Kenny Norris - Texas Hold 'Em, Bob Kaiwi & Larry Pacheco - Wii Bowling, Players TBD - Volleyball (2-Man Teams, Coed)

Note: The Friday Evening Competition (Shuffleboard) will begin at 6:00 p.m. The Morning Games are shown in RED and will begin at 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Games shown in BLUE will begin at 2:00 p.m.

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Time Schedules