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UPCOMING EVENTS AT SPORTSMEN

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

October

- 2 Club Dinner & Meeting
- 3 Work Party
- 17-18 Discovery Bay YC & Diablo YC Cruise In



COMMODORE STEVE MARTINEZ "Dirty Stevie Martini"

Hello Everybody! Just in case you have not heard, Sportsmen YC is the CHAMP of the 4S AGAIN. For those who were not able to make it, I am sorry because it was one of the best events I think I have ever been to and I will tell you why! The members of Sportsmen were not to be denied; they came together as ONE; it was the best showing of what this Club is possible of doing. We won so much GOLD and SILVER we had to get an Armored Truck to bring it home! In fact, that is all we WON, it was the first time in 4S history that a club has won nothing but GOLD and SILVER. So to everyone: "Job Well Done and Thank You Very Much!"

Now, moving on to other great jobs well done: First, hats off to everyone who had anything to do with the west side of the Ferry. It looks outstanding!!!!! I will let Chuck Carroll do all the naming of names, but from where the

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Commodore sits, "JOB WELL DONE!!!"

For the month of August, we have a very, very big event coming up on the first weekend, the 50's BASH & Ribs Cook-off. I see it becoming one the Club's major events.

The year has been going by quickly for me as Commodore, so I want to thank all of YOU for making it a privilege to be your Commodore for the last 6 months.

Rock-n-Roll!





VICE COMMODORE CHARLIE KATUSICH

Chuck Carroll filling in again for Charlie Katusich on Work Party Report. Charlie has been getting around a little more lately and I understand that he has been able to work a little. I will sure be glad when we see him full time around here again.

We had two work parties in July, one on the 11th and another on the 12th. During the week, Chuck English pressure washed the entire west side in preparation for the painting. On July 11th we took on the massive job of getting the west side of the Ferry painted. We rented a 45 foot boom to operate from and Brian Tapp hung on that platform all day spraying away. The rest of the guys in spray's way working all day were Tom Arnold, Rick Barton, Ed Elledge, Joe Fray, Scott Jett, Bob Karr, Tim Lamb, Don Lucido, Roger Mammon, Steve Martinez, Russell Morgan, Harry Parker, Garry Ridolfi, John Shaner (poor John ended up the same color as the ferry), Dave Selvy, Floyd Simpson, and Scott Wigmore.

Al Alcorn had a good crew working all over our seven acres: Len Adkerson, Dan Perryman, John Perryman, Tony Chapman, Casey Curry, and Ed Peterson. Jim Arnold, Blair Camp, Lonnie Gibson, Dennis Higgins & Chris Stubberfield completed the tough job of getting Area 2 secured to the pilling.

Thank you, Mike Hoskins, for addressing those plumbing problems on the Ferry and to Steve Jackman and his son Sean who pulled a bunch of aquarium grass out of the harbor.

Upstairs we had a terrific crew of ladies doing everything from office work to refinishing the bar; they were Shirley Karr, Paulet Hoskins, Lynn London, Freda Lucido, Michelin Simpson & Cynthia Peterson.

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This article is somewhat unique in that I am revising my July article that was lost in cyberspace while e-mailing it to the editor for editing. Therefore, it will contain items from late June & July; August & September, as the last two months, are combined. The June meeting was rather quiet with the exception of the motion by Garry Ridolfi to vote in Dave MacDougall becoming an honorary member. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Welcome back, Dave. I cannot discuss a meeting without mentioning the meeting dinner. As usual it was great; it was prepared by Steve Jackman and friends. I think we are getting spoiled, as well as a little heavier by our dinners and desserts.

The following day Chuck Carroll supervised a large Work Party that accomplished a great deal. Chuck knows how to get things done! The last event Shirley and I attended that Saturday was the Ebony Boat Club, Wine and Jazz event. A group of Sportsmen members, led by Jim and Darlene Dawson caravanned to the Ebony clubhouse late in the afternoon.

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PICYA REPORT DARLENE DAWSON

Congratulations Barbary Coast YC! With a unanimous vote at the last PICYA meeting, they became our 105th member club. Also, at the last meeting, we presented RBOC with our annual check supporting their diligent work to recreational boaters.

In the continuing fight against the closure of the Department of Boating and Waterways, we delivered over 80 signed letters to the "Big 5." If you haven't already signed one of these, please do so and leave your signed letter at the sign-in desk at the Club. I will be happy to mail them. Let's keep writing; it really makes a difference. At this writing, I have no word on the ethanol increase for our newest invasive species, Asian Kelp.

Bruce Connelley presented The Million Boat Float to PICYA. They immediately shot out emails. Two nights later, we had 49 interested parties attend the first planning meeting at our Club. Representatives from Supervisor Glover's office and Senator DeSaulnier's office also attended. Sacramento and Andreas Cove YCs were the first to volunteer their services for this monumental task. If others follow their lead, this vision will become a reality. You can go online to get the latest information at: www.millionboatfloat.org

In her Regional Affairs Report, Lenora

PICYA's	Upcoming	Events
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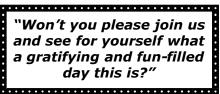
Aug 3	Delegates Dinner & Meeting at the San Joaquin YC
Sep 9	Delegates Dinner & Meeting at the Sausalito YC
Sep 26	2009 Wheel Chair Regatta, Encinal YC
Oct 3 (Sat)	Delegates Dinner & Meeting at Tahoe YC
Oct 24	Management Conference, Aeolian YC

Clark reiterated the importance of The Million Boat Float and thanked Bruce for his vision. She also reported that RBOC is taking a strong stand to keep our waterways open.

Wheelchair Regatta

September 26, 2009, at Encinal YC

Please ioin in supporting the 13th annual Wheelchair Regatta chaired by Staff



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HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

On June 10th, I had the pleasure of taking Ethan Horton's fourth grade class from the Cornerstone Christian School, in Antioch, through our Ferry and Museum.

Forty boys and girls arrived by bus for a field trip to our historic Sausalito. I met two of their teachers and several parent chaperones. When they arrived we had them sit in chairs and I was able to tell them about the history of our Ferry and asked them to close their eyes and pretend they were out in the middle of the San Francisco Bay on a foggy afternoon; I asked them to raise their hands if they could hear the fog horns and the bells rung by hand so the ferries wouldn't collide. They all raised their hands.

I asked if they knew who was President in 1894; how many of you could answer that? They all knew it was Grover Cleveland and that he was President for two terms, from 1885-1889 and 1893-1897. What a smart class.

They asked many wonderful questions and were very interested in everything about our Ferry and her history. I found it very rewarding to be able to share so much history and have them be so involved.

Next, we divided them into groups of 10 children. I took one group through the museum and Keith took one through our cabin, then we traded. The other groups were shown the upstairs by Commodore Steve and Doug Horton.

The children were very well behaved; it was a pleasure to show them around and share history.

After their tours, Doug and Shari served hotdogs, chips and juice drinks. It was a great day had by all.



PORT CAPTAIN'S COMMENTS JIM DAWSON

Thanks to Ed Elledge, Mike & Paulet Hoskins, Natalie Greer, and Alice Gibson for relief caretaking in July. Thanks to Chuck Carroll and his crew for all the accomplishments on the west side of the Ferry. For anyone who hasn't been to the Club recently, the west side is shored up and freshly painted. All the pipes and conduit have been re-attached.

Anyone who missed the 4S in Sacramento missed a great time. The trip by boat was a bit long (due to having such a slow boat) and other than the heat, it was a nice ride. It took 8 hours to get there, but under 6 hours to get back. Sacramento had good food and booze. The bar normally closed by 12:30, so our contestants got much needed sleep. Due to Commodore Bob Lygren's keen wit and funny quotes, a great time was had by all. All the events were exciting, but the horseshoes proved to be the most competitive. It was exciting to watch with Sportsmen losing the first set and then rallying back for the gold. Volleyball resulted in a couple minor injuries (no broken bones) but one could tell with both the above events, the heat was a factor. Dr. Dan stayed busy.

With the heat lingering around for the next couple months, be sure to drink plenty of water while working around the Club and elsewhere so you don't get dehydrated. Rumor has it that an insufficient consumption of water can lead to serious health risks. I don't believe the ice in our drinks nor beer can take its place! Have a great summer.



NEWS FROM FLEET CAPTAIN JACKIE STEELE "JACKIE OH!"

Ye Olde' salts love to stay at sea and often become angry when ashore. Well, this Olde' salty dawg is finally out of the hospital, back on shore and can only be hopeful ye olde' "Jackie Oh!" is still a-floating and seaworthy. I'll be back onboard soon and we'll catch up and do some fishing and lying about the ones that "got away."

Our August schedule starts off with a blast from our favored yachtsmen (and yachtswomen) with a cruise-in by San Rafael, Floating Realty and Caliente Isle YCs, as well as some drive-ins from other nearby clubs. Good food, friendships, laughter, and elbow bending at the bar are sure to be fun with these folks. To further help the gaiety along, we will rev up for our 50's Bash. Bring your hot rod car or motorcycle, poodle skirts and James Dean look-alike attire (though I think most of our guys already wear t-shirt and blue jeans....hummm) and get ready to rock & roll!! Bring a healthy appetite also, as our first ribs cook-off is drawing lots of entries and will accompany the standard fare picnic vittles.

It will take us the best part of September to crawl around and recover from the 50's Bash, so we will start with a "Geez, where do ya wanna cruise to this Labor Day weekend?" That' pretty darned exciting eh? The rest of the month some single day running around on the river, but otherwise we are looking to do a Work Party to get ready for our popular Club Picnic.

Enjoy all our events and I'll see you on the river!

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us and see for yourself what a gratifying and fun-filled day this

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Don't forget to bring a lawn chair If you can, come early to help get everything set-up or stay late to help with clean-up



NCPCA REPORT BARBARA CHAPMAN TONY CHAPMAN DAVE DE CATO

We are done with the first three contests of our season. Our attendance is down but we are looking forward to the fall contest and an increase in participation.

To date, we have Peter Paradis from SJYC in 1^{st} place, followed by Ken Whitham from SJYC in 2^{nd} , with Ricky Stebbins from OxBow YC in 3^{rd} , followed by Chuck Dickinson from Bridge Marina YC in 4^{th} .

We will be having a seminar at Driftwood YC on Saturday, August 8^{th} at 9:00am for all who are interest in

joining us for the Ebony contest on August 22^{nd} . Come and join us for breakfast and a seminar and then join us for the contest.

We are looking forward to seeing you on the water and continue to have a great summer.



The event was a lot of fun; lots of conversation and wine with the Ebony members. The next event at the Sportsmen YC was the annual 4th of July party sponsored by Bill Worrell. I am told this was the 15th consecutive year that Lou Zobb and Joe Stubberfield have barbecued the meat for this party. Other members brought favorite dishes adding to the ribs, tri-tip and oysters, creating a mountain of food. A great event in spite of the 30mph winds that evening.

Now on to the 4S event held at Sacramento YC. I am sure Chuck Carroll will provide all of the details, as he is still bursting with pride on how well our teams performed. There were a total of fourteen Gold medals to be won; Sportsmen competitors took home nine Gold and five Silver Medals and the First Place Trophy. Congratulations to all involved in this event.

Our next event will be the 50's Bash on August 1st, with a BBQ chicken dinner on July 31st for those who want to attend and and Sunday Breakfast on August 2nd. In addition to the people that will drive their cars and RV's to this event, as least three yacht clubs will be there. Once again, the veteran skills of our Harbor Master Lonnie Gibson will be tested. I cannot wait.

I would like to thank Doug Horton for donating two huge cutting boards to the Club. They were needed. I would also like to thank Floyd Simpson for a boat ride to Mayberry Slough to collect cattails so Shirley could make the center pieces for the July dinner meeting.

I guarantee that was first for both of us.

After getting up a ton of old paint off the bar, Shirley Karr has been voted the "Best stripper in the Club" Kudos for William & Kelly Odom who keep the bar well stocked with cold water and everyone's favorite beer for the Work Parties. A great lunch was prepared by Rich & Ruth Holmes.

On July 12th, we worked on adding two more sub panels to the ferry; one upstairs and one downstairs. We were a couple of parts short of finishing, but the work is well underway and should be completed at the next Work Party. I would like to thank Steve Jackman and his crew: Blair Camp, Art Nowak, Mike Carroll, Ed Elledge, Lonnie Gibson, Mike Hoskins, and Floyd Simpson. And thanks to Barbara Wigmore for making lunch for us.

Again, thanks to all of you who make these Work Parties; it's truly what makes Sportsmen the super place that it is.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 4S WINNERS!

Thank You, Sacramento, for a terrific 4S Cruise this year! As usual you were a super host. From what I saw, every club had a wonderful time. I saw lots of members from every club visiting other members at their tables during meals. In every event, there was a lot of handshaking and wishing their competitors well and it seemed camaraderie was at an all time high!

We had a great turnout from Sportsmen and a great showing from lots of our new members. In fact, three of our medals were won by brand new members, and I would like to thank them for their efforts and bringing their families to this event.

> BLIND DINGHY RACE GOLD MEDAL FREDA LUCIDO/JOHN SHANER

BOCCE BALL GOLD MEDAL TED NICHOLSON/TONY SIINO

CRIBBAGE GOLD MEDAL KEITH & KATHIE HAMMER

DARTS GOLD MEDAL JAY SMITH/SCOTT WOOD

HORSESHOES GOLD MEDAL DENNIS HIGGINS/LONNIE GIBSON

> LIARS' DICE GOLD MEDAL CHUCK CARROLL

PING PONG SILVER MEDAL ED SALMON Now as Gaming Chairman I humbly (but very proudly) announce that Sportsmen YC brought home the 4S Trophy again this year! There were 14 medal events and Sportsmen took 9 golds and 5 silvers! The awards are listed below.

From as far back as anyone can remember, this is the highest score ever in a 4S competition. Though very likely never to be repeated, it was fun to be a small part of it. Thank you, all Sportsmen, for your competitive spirit and always living up to the name <u>Sportsmen</u>!

Chuck Carroll Games Chairman

> POKER GOLD MEDAL TONY CHAPMAN/DR. DAN LIVELY

> > POOL SILVER MEDAL BRIAN & TINA TAPP

SCRABBLE SILVER MEDAL ELAINE RASMUSSEN

SHUFFLEBOARD GOLD MEDAL RAY & MURIEL TELLES

SNAKE GAME GOLD MEDAL STEVE MARTINEZ/RICK SCANNELL

TRIVIAL PURSUIT SILVER MEDAL DR. DAN & SHERRY LIVELY

VOLLEYBALL SILVER MEDAL DIANE CURRY, ALICE GIBSON, SHERRY LIVELY, WINKY SCANNELL, BILL MYERS, DAN PERRYMAN, AND GARRY RIDOLFI

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.

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