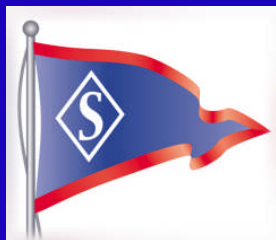


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NEWSLETTER

Sportsmen Yacht Club



Commodore Louie Rocha

I want to thank our members who participated in the 4S at Sacramento YC and thanks also to the members who came out and cheered them on in each of the games. It was a great time to experience the fellowship among the yacht clubs that make up the 4S. Special thanks to Chuck Carroll for coordinating the individual and team competitions. We had a great showing, winning most of the gold medals in the various competitions. Although we came up just 8 points shy of first place, our individual and team players did an outstanding job! We host the 4S event next year, so we will need to call upon our members to come out and participate in the games so that we can win the 4S

Championship and retain the 4S trophy to be displayed in its rightful place. Throughout the games, it became very clear that we have a rivalry with the Sacramento YC. Upon winning the competition, the members of Sacramento danced to the song "Celebration." Next year, we will be sure to have a special song prepared for our very own celebration when Chuck Carroll accepts the 2014 4S Championship Trophy!

In advance of hosting 4S next year, there will be a number of projects to the ferry and grounds that will need to be completed. It will take a team effort by our members to complete the projects in time for the significant annual event. Chuck Carroll will be leading the charge to make

the needed improvements at our Work Parties. Your help and support will be greatly appreciated!

On July 19th, Tammy and I celebrated our 27th wedding anniversary at the Sportsmen. [See picture on Page 3.] We attended the Italian Dinner Night provided by Bill Jones and his cooking team. The salad, garlic bread, spaghetti and meatballs, were delicious! Tammy and I were treated to our very own table for two, with gift bottles of wine and a wedding anniversary cake as dessert. The table setting reminded me of a scene from the movie, "Lady and the Tramp". I guess it is not a mystery of who the tramp was! Tammy and I have

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Vice Commodore Don Wilson

The topic this month has to be about the recent trip to the Sacramento YC for the 60th anniversary of the 4S Games.

Let me start by saying that we had a blast! I'm sure everyone knows that we left the Trophy in Sacramento. Little do they know that this is just a loan so they will polish it up for us so that we can display it in all its glory

next year. You don't think I'm obsessing about this do you? Seriously, we gave it a good run this year and it was quite a scramble at times to plug people into games because of a multitude of reasons. Chuck Carroll probably had a few more gray hairs by the end of the weekend. Is that possible? I'm going to put this out there: "Yes, I was the first one out in the Liars Dice Game!" Hard to

believe isn't it? Sacramento YC has a beautiful facility and treated us very well. I'm amazed at the amount of work it takes to put on these games. For those members who could not attend, you missed a memorable event. This is the opportunity to make new friends and revisit old ones.

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50's Hot August Bash



Friday Night Special

*BBQ Chicken, Corn on the Cobb (Brentwood)
Salad, French Bread*

Prepared by the Hook Rats

\$10 per person

Menu

*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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celebrated our special day at various locations during the past 27 years, but the special Italian Dinner Night in our honor ranks as one of the best that we will cherish for years to come.

On Friday, August 9th, we are kicking off a cruise-in of the Floating Realty YC with Italian Dinner Night. The dinner will sell out, so it is important to RSVP in advance by contacting Marina Faconti. On Saturday, we will have our Hot August 50's Car Show and Ribs Cook-Off. The car show and cook-off will take place in the afternoon. Please inform Chuck Carroll or me if you are interested in participating in either contest so we can provide you with the guidelines. Pat Sebers will be cooking a delicious BBQ Ribs Dinner, followed by live music provided by a 50's band, "Tuck and Roll." The dinner and dance is just \$15 per person. I expect a big turnout, so I recommend that you RSVP in advance by contacting Ann English.

Recently there has been discussion about the importance for our members to be responsible for their family members and guests at the Club. It is important for Club members to be responsible for the behavior of their guests and to assist with cleaning/maintaining our facilities. Sportsmen YC is a unique Club where each of our members have a shared ownership. It is very important that we take responsibility for the upkeep and maintenance of the ferry and grounds so that when other members use our facilities that it is well maintained.

It's great to be Sportsmen!



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I was very pleased to see quite a few new members and associate members attending. These folks are starting their own new friendships and this is how our Club thrives and moves forward.

We had a great showing in the games and only came up short by 8 points. I think Sacramento had to put forth a great effort to prevail. No problem, the trophy will be all polished next year when it returns to its rightful owner!

Thanks to all who attended and to all who participated.

One thing I know for sure, those folks from the other clubs know when the Sportsmen YC comes on board!

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

Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC

Monday Night Football!!!

Starting September 9th



Details at General
Membership Meetings

August

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

September

- 6 Club Meeting
- 7 Club Picnic
- 21 Rio Vista Cruise-Out
& Chili Cook-Off

October

- 4 Club Meeting
(Board Nominations)
- 5 Work Party
- 12 Breast Cancer Fundraiser
- 26 Halloween Party & Dance
- 30 Pre-Derby Dinner & Fishing
Seminar



Rear Commodore Rick Barton

The 4S weekend in Sacramento was a wonderful experience for my wife and I. I'm saying 4S weekend because the event is so much more than the competition for the trophy. I do love volleyball and we had a great match with Sacramento splitting the first two games before losing by two points in the final

game. But there were many highlights to the trip. The bottom line is I love boating. I love going places on my boat. I love enjoying the friendship of the many people I have met at Sportsmen YC. I love meeting new people from other yacht clubs. I would love to see our yacht club swing back a little bit towards doing more boating. I discussed this with just about anyone who would listen at 4S and the response was overwhelmingly positive but there were two negative worth mentioning.

One was the price of fuel. I fully realize the current cost of fuel is high and it takes a lot of fuel to fill up a large yacht. However, most of the people I talked to were more than willing to incur the cost if we plan some cruise-outs. Many Club members thought it would be good to keep trips fairly local which would encourage more boat owners to join. I also realize that if we were to plan say four cruise-outs in a season not everyone would be able to attend all of them but if the majority of the boat owners attended one or two they would all be great trips.

The second negative I heard from several people is that cruise-ins make money for the club but cruise-outs don't. I can't argue the logic of this point. If we start having more cruise-ins it would definitely be good for our bottom line. But I also believe that if we start doing cruise-outs to other yacht clubs they will become more willing to visit ours. So where do you stand on this issue? If we start planning some cruise-outs would you be willing to participate? How many? How far? Don and I did a lot of talking about next year and I know I want to do some cruise-outs my year. I'd like to hear your opinion.



HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

As the ferries traveled the Bay on their regular routes, they were always followed by flocks of sea gulls that looked at the ferries as a constant food source. I learned recently the ferries dumped all of their garbage into the Bay, so the seagulls would gulp it down as fast as it hit the water. Of course the passengers also enjoyed feeding the birds and would bring food from home or buy it on the ferry. They liked to throw it in the air and watch the seagulls catch it. Some of the seagulls had been injured and by their different traits the passengers named them. Every ferry on the Bay was followed by "Peg Leg Pete," the seagull that had lost a leg in a fight with another bird. "Peg Leg Pete" was known by all of the commuters young and old. There were probably many birds that fit many descriptions.

Earle Ennis, a well known writer of the column "Ferry Tales" in the San Francisco Chronicle kept writing for several weeks even after the ferries stopped operating. He wrote at length about what would the seagulls do without the ferry boats for food.



PICYA NEWS DARLENE DAWSON

2013 PICYA CALENDAR

Aug 5	Delegates' Meeting Pittsburg YC	Sep 28	Wheelchair Regatta Encinal YC
Sep 9	Delegates' Meeting Oakland YC (Regatta Awards)	Oct 5	Delegates' Meeting Tahoe YC

PICYA Regional Affairs Committee

PICYA clubs are divided into five regional areas in order to facilitate communication and allow clubs with similar situations to work together for their common interest. Each area has several members that are appointed according to the area where they reside. This group serves PICYA and RBOC through meetings, development of phone trees, email blasts, and provides communication between all the regions. (More about this committee next month.)

California Coastal Cleanup Day—September 21st

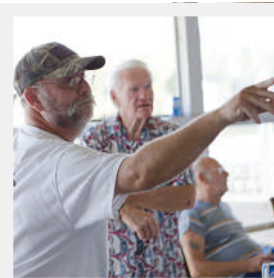
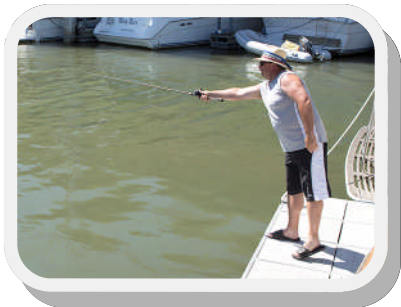
This is an annual beach and inland waterway cleanup and is the state's largest volunteer event. Why are beach cleanups important? California's coast and waterways have historically been collecting spots for accumulations of trash and debris. If not removed, this debris can be harmful and even fatal to marine wildlife, can damage our state's economy, and can even become a human health hazard. Coastal Cleanup Day is a great way for families, students, service groups, and neighbors to join together to take care of our fragile marine environment, show community support for our shared natural resources, learn about the impacts of marine debris, how we can prevent them, and have fun!

For more information on all the PICYA News, you may go to the PICYA link on our Club's website (Related Links).

*Commodore Louie and
Tammy celebrated their
27th Wedding
Anniversary
on Friday, July 19th.
They were surprised with a
special "Table for Two"
dinner and a cake!!*



4S 2013 at Sacramento YC!



Congratulations!



The Martinez Bulldogs 12U Pony Baseball Team, recently went to Cooperstown, New York. Wyatt Hammer, son of Mike and Amy Hammer, led his team by batting an amazing .714 with six home runs!! Great job, Wyatt!

*You never know what fun will be "had" at the
Rio Vista Cruise-Out
and Chili Cook-Off!
Mark your calendars for
September 21st
Details at the next General Membership
Meeting and September Newsletter*

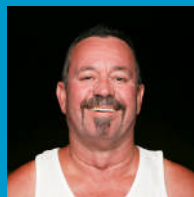




Happy Birthday August Babies!

Aug 01 Marina Faconti	Aug 15 Charlie Carroll
Aug 02 Brett Horton	Aug 18 Dave Newton
Aug 02 Jean Novinger	Aug 21 Jim Dawson
Aug 02 Marty Whetham	Aug 21 Muriel Telles
Aug 02 Michelle Smith	Aug 21 Paulet Hoskins
Aug 02 Vernetta Pato	Aug 22 Karen Kreiss
Aug 03 Steve Fernandez	Aug 23 Zachary Hammer
Aug 04 Betty Olvera	Aug 24 Michelle Tranate
Aug 07 Ivan Hendricks	Aug 27 Jay Smith
Aug 09 Pat Brown	Aug 27 Jim Hill
Aug 11 Dave Millecam	Aug 27 Yupa Garrett
Aug 11 Jill Smith	Aug 28 Chris Green
Aug 11 Tony Russo	Aug 28 John Shaner
Aug 12 Shelly Bowes	Aug 30 Diane Benson
Aug 14 Debbie Dawson	Aug 30 Dodie Lobao
Aug 14 Ken Carver	Aug 30 Elise Huard
Aug 14 Robert Jones	Aug 30 Mary Nerby
	Aug 31 Angel Brown

Welcome New Members!



Tim Coffman



Bill & Jill Smith

(Addresses and phone numbers removed from Web version.)

Invite your friends and family to be a part
of Sportsmen YC!

Annual Club Picnic



Saturday, September 7th

Starts at Noon

Members are FREE Guests are \$5.00 each

Reservations are Requested

(so we know how many to plan for)

Please call Ann English at 779-9330

or make your Reservations on-line



Breast Cancer Fundraiser

Plans are underway for this
Fundraiser Event on October 12th
Do You...

- ♦ Have a Donation?
- ♦ Want to Decorate a Table?
- ♦ Vendor Suggestions?

Contact Becky Wilson
229-3121



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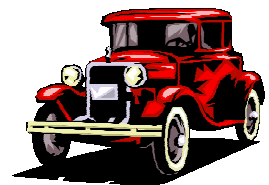
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FIRST CLASS MAIL



50's Hot August Bash

Saturday, August 10th



- 2:00 p.m. Car Show 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Places Awarded
- 4:00 p.m. BBQ Ribs Judging
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans, Potatoes, Salad, Garlic Bread
\$15.00 per person
Please make reservations online or with Ann English (925-779-9330)
- 8:00 p.m. Dancing Live 50's Music by the Tuck & Roll Band

Hot Dogs & Draft Beer will be available from Noon-3:00 p.m. in the BBQ Patio area on Saturday
Friday night (August 9th), Lasagna Dinner will be served. Contact Marina for details and reservations.