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Sportsmen Yacht Club

NEWSLETTER



Commodore Robert Babo

Ahoy Fellow Sportsmen!

I would like to start off by saying *Thank You to our Sportsmen*. The 4S games were a huge success! The number of members who jumped in and helped was Awesome! Denice and I along with Cynthia Perez started working on 4S in December 2017, as there were so many details to figure out. I believe that helped make this a smooth event. Seven months of planning crammed into four days—what a blur!

With the first Work Party in January, our Flag Officers and Directors were a very cohesive group, with a vision of 4S, and were ready to get the Ferry and her grounds looking great. Along side were many members coming down to take pride in Our Club. Clean up was

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at the top of the list, along with the new guest dock which was one of our big items. We were able to squeeze in the sewer covers along with grading, poured concrete and grade around the fire pit and RV area, grade the entire Dry Storage Area. Oh, and a few of us found some time to build a Bocce Court - LOL! Meanwhile our Harbor Captain Bill Moore took apart the old dock

and salvaged what he could and then built these two foot wide docks that he tied up to Area 2 docks, so our guests had a safe dock to tie-up to and also walk on as they departed their vessels. Just a note, most of these vessels were 42' to 52' all down in Areas 2 and 3—*Amazing job, Bill.*

As for the actual event, we could not have asked for

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Vice Commodore Bobby Brown

We did it! The Sportsmen have pulled off a very successful 4S. With the help from so many, great reviews were heard around the Club. Some say the Club has never looked better, the hospitality to others was at its peak, competition was fun, and meals were well prepared.

I'd like to thank our Commodore Robert and

his wife Denice Babo for a well thought-out plan and thank all the members who helped execute the plan. We have been planning and preparing for months, so when the clubs started arriving, there was never a moment we didn't have enough help. The camaraderie I saw throughout the Club and helping each other whether it was cooking, bartending, selling drink tickets,

registration, decorating, setting up for games, or clean up, we had each other's back. This is what it's all about folks!

Congratulations to Sacramento YC for winning gold. They have proven year after year to be hard to beat. Congratulations to all of our competitors who placed and played. We, as Sportsmen, have nothing to

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Due to time constraints after the 4S, this Newsletter contains Commodore Articles and limited information only. Please see our Website for other event updates.

FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL



\$10

Limited to the first 60 reservations.
Make your reservations ONLINE or contact Ann at 779-9330 as soon as possible!

We need cooks for the August and October Meeting Night Dinners!

Volunteers are needed to cook for the Friday Night Meeting Dinners.
Please contact Ann English for details (779-9330)

Please Note: Ann always replies with a confirmation for ONLINE reservations. If you don't receive your confirmation within 48 hours, please email her at reservations@sportsmenyc.org or call her at 779-9330.

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

Sportsmen YC's Upcoming Events

August

3 Club Meeting
4 Work Party
10-12 Westgate Landing
Regional Park Cruise-Out
17 Game Night & Dinner
17-19 Solano YC Cruise-In

September

7 Club Meeting
8 Club Picnic
14 Game Night
21-23 Marina West YC Cruise-In
28-30 Rio Vista Cruise-Out
29 Wheel Chair Regatta
(Encinal YC)

View the complete 2018 Calendar ONLINE!

August Birthdays!

01 Bryan Tate
01 Marina Faconti
02 Marty Whetham
02 Michelle Smith
04 Betty Olvera
07 Ivan Hendricks
09 Pat Brown
11 Jill Smith
11 Tony Russo
12 Shelly Bowes
13 Jana Minick
14 Debbie Dawson
14 Ken Carver
14 Robert Jones
15 Charlie Carroll
17 Cynthia Perez
18 Dave Newton
21 Jim Dawson
21 Muriel Telles
22 Karen Kreiss
24 Michelle Tranate
27 Chris Bravo
27 Jay Smith
28 Chris Green
28 John Shaner
29 Shane LaChance
30 Diane Benson
30 Dodie Lobao
31 Janene Francisco



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anything smoother, starting with Thursday Night Taco Bar through the Saturday Night Dinner. All the teams that took on the challenge of preparing meals did an excellent job, with praises from our guests on every meal! There are just too many people to thank as we had members helping with everything and anything.

On to the games and our Gaming Commissioner Don Wilson. What can I say? With all the prior planning and meetings, along with the constant communications of the rules helped with any protest. I would like to say there were none; it was stress free and many people said this was the "Friendliest" 4S games they had been a part of in years.

I need to acknowledge that in the last seven months, there were two men who stood by me on any weekend or any night after work. Whenever I needed help, they were there. *Thank You Bobby Brown & Matt Tate*—Commodores till the end! That's not to count out Mike Minick, Bob Buckley, Dale Bauer, Jason Turpin, Roy Gardner, Roger Lund and so many others who have made this an amazing year.

But there is one thing that was not a blur and that would be my wife, Denise Babo. Without her planning, dedication, decorations, flowers, planning meals, attention to details, special little gifts of appreciation, along with designing our 4S logo, *I (we) can't thank her enough! I love You & Thank You!*

Now it's 4US!





Rear Commodore Neal Draper

As I sat down to write my August newsletter article, I could not help reflecting on what I feel were the four most enjoyable days I have spent at Sportsmen YC. The 4S Games! If you did not participate you missed a fantastic fun-filled four days.

As I was having breakfast Sunday morning, a member from one of the other yacht clubs told me this was the best 4S event he has been to and he had been to 25 events. Enough said!

A lot of the success we had putting on this event is credited to our Commodore and his wife, Robert and Denice Babo. I cannot thank them enough for all the hard work they put in to make the 4S Games a success. Trying to keep track of where Bobby Brown was at any given moment was such a challenge; we had to hang a radio on him! He was a blur most of the time. A huge thank you goes to Bobby and Angel Brown for everything they did to make this event great.

I would probably take some heat if I didn't thank my wife, Elena Draper. If she wasn't selling in the Ships Store, she was in the Galley helping out. *Thanks, Babe!*

Also a huge thank you goes out to Don Wilson, our Games Chairman. Even though we did not win back the trophy, we put up a heck of a fight. I know after the Saturday morning

games, Sacramento was seriously worried about losing the trophy.

Another huge thank you has to go to Mike Minick and Rich Furlow for running the bar, and all the members who volunteered their time to tend one of the three bars during the event. We sold over 5,000 drink tickets for the four days.

Our Harbor Captain, Bill Moore, managed to shoe-horn in all the visiting boats without any incidents, including some in the 58' to 64' range. *Well done, Bill!*

I could go on and on naming members who helped. So, to the many, many members who prepared and cooked meals, cleaned up, helped decorate the Ferry and grounds, participated in and judged the games, and often jumped in to help without being asked, *Well Done and Thank You!*

An incredible amount of work took place this entire year to get the Club looking better than it has ever looked. We received so many compliments from members and guests alike on how good the Club looks. If you are one of the many members who spent countless hours getting the Club ready, *Well Done and Thank You!* But, if you are one of the many members who forgot this is a working yacht club and just sit at the bar and drink, please see if you can work it into your schedule to help keep the Club looking great. I know a lot of the older members or folks with medical problems can no longer keep up with us younger guys, so I'm not talking to you. I'm talking to the folks who are a couple of days younger than me who can at least come down to the once-a-month Saturday Work Parties and help, whatever your ability or skills. Enough said!

See you around the Club!

Cruise-Out

After the 4S, come out and relax!

August 10th-12th

Westgate Landing Regional Park

15799 N. Glasscock Road, Lodi

North of Highway 12 near Terminous

\$20 Docking Fee Boat Launch Available
Camping, RVs Welcome \$20 per night

Make Your Reservations by July 20th
Call 209-953-8800

Otherwise, First-Come, First Served
Questions? Call Rick Barton at 890-3223

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complain about. Most games were won by a very slim margin. Although I really thought this was the year we would pull it off, I was disappointed and very proud. Proud to be representing Sportsmen. We put up a great fight, had a wonderful time, met some new friends and caught up with ol' friends.

I cannot say thank you enough to all who helped pull this off. You know who you are. There are too many to list and that is a good thing! There are pictures posted on the Sportsmen Facebook page and our Website will have photos also. San Joaquin will be hosting next year and, if we stick together as we did this year, I believe we can win. Thank you everybody, and I'll see you all soon!

Thank You, Sportsmen, for a great 4S!



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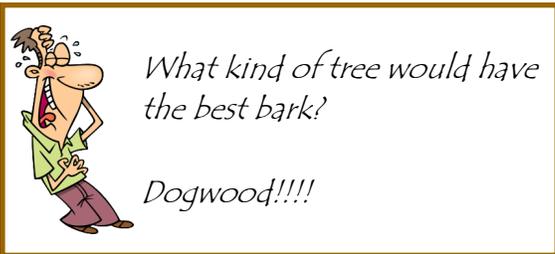
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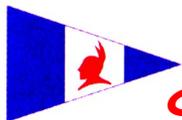
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Hot August Days are Coming



We Welcome
Solano Yacht Club

August 17th-19th

Details on the August 18th Dinner will be posted on
the Website as soon as available

Game Night

Friday, August 17th

Philly Cheesesteak
Sandwiches, Salad, and
Brownies

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
Games begin at 7 p.m.

Details will be posted on our Website as soon as they are
available. Enjoy Your Club and Stay Cool !!!