

SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2004

FROM OUR COMMODORE DAVID SELVY



Well, the month of August kicked off with a cruise-in that actually began on the 31st of July with the Single Sailors Association and was followed

the same weekend by a Blue Gavel Meeting. Many thanks to **Chuck Carroll, Chris Stubberfield, Steve Nicholas and others** who helped out at the bar. **Bob & Cindy Art** joined **Hunny Bunny** in the galley with set-up and preparation for the guests.

Our **Vice Commodore Darlene Dawson** and (our calendar rescue squad leader) **Tess Stubberfield** went down to the gate and picked flowers and beautifully set the tables.

We had a great turnout from Single Sailors who wanted to buy everything we had in the display case and then all the wine we had at the bar. We had a great time, fed them BBQ'd tri-tips, with salad & beans. Our Club turnout was disappointing; however, we managed to break near even and they are certainly welcome back in the future.

Blue Gavel drained our liquor supply and then attacked the hors d'oeuvres we put out for them.

The Blue Gavel Ladies Auxiliary had the Commander of the Sea Scout Explorers (Girls Division) who gave a very up beat and positive introduction to their program and their vessel, the retired Navy shore patrol boat *Liberty*. She brought two bright eyed girl explorer scouts who gave a fine presentation. They are working toward several cruises next year and the girls do all the work and all the navigation. Very impressive. They are looking for support for their program in Rio Vista.

Fun bunch!

Thanks to **Neal Essary** and his crew, we had a very successful Poker Run. This was our 43rd annual Poker Run and every year it seems to get better. Thanks to all who make this event a success! You can read all the details on Page 4 of this Newsletter.

While the Poker Run was going on, I was operating the dredge with **Bob Art**. We were trying to suck up the old dead fishermen and hard luck cases that may have fallen into our harbor over the years. We ended up with a chunk of

foam cushion, a lot of gray tarp and a chunk or two of rope and fishing line. Anyway, when the evening sun set, Bob and I and our line crew of **Ed Elledge, Carl Swenson, Chuck Carroll, and Jim Dawson** were alone and everyone went home.... Bob, however, won one of the poker hands...some guys just have a knack for that stuff.

This dredging is really an experience that seems like fun. I think one could get to enjoy it, doing something that makes a difference. It really does. So sign up!!!!

Jim Dawson and all the Dredge Crews have been really making progress. He will have quite a good report coming up. You can also see some pictures throughout this Newsletter.

By the time you are reading this, the upcoming Picnic will be just around the corner. We have lots of family fun and good food lined up. Games, the kids splash pool and the bouncing room will be on tap as will beer and canned sodas. I have been assured that fresh oysters will once again be on the grill or just shucked—your choice.

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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

September

4-6 Labor Day Cruise-Out
10 Club Meeting
11 Annual Club Picnic
17-19 Cruise-Out to Caliente YC & Luau

October

1 Club Meeting
2-17 Down Bay Cruise
22-24 Discovery Bay YC Cruise-In
30 Halloween Party

November

3 Fishing Seminar
5 Club Meeting
6-7 Annual Fishing Derby
13 Work Party
25 Thanksgiving Potluck

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FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE DARLENE DAWSON

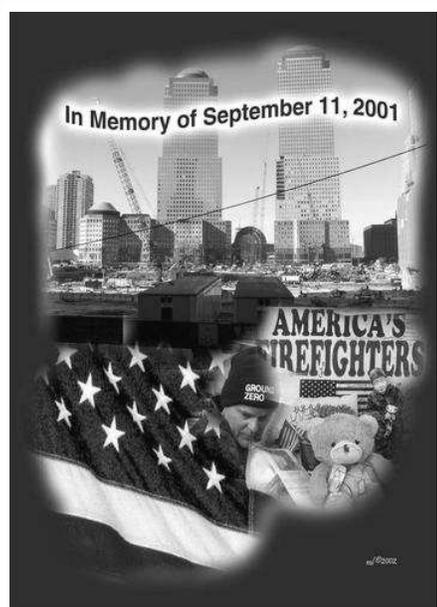


It is exciting to see the enthusiasm of our new associate members and to see so many who want to become a part of our Sportsmen family. This is also a

credit to our members who are inviting their friends to our Club and encouraging them to join. Let's keep it going!

As a reminder, we have some great "family" events coming up, starting with our Club Picnic on September 11th, then our Lighted Boat Parade and Kids with Santa Night both in December. These events are fun for kids and adults alike.

In observance of September 11, 2001, I would like to share the following with you:



May We Never Forget

Unsung Heroes

On the morning of 9/11, thousands of men and women on or near the waters of New York Harbor answered the U.S. Coast Guard's call for "All Available Boats." This spontaneous maritime effort was the largest wartime evacuation since Dunkirk in WWII.

Ferries, tugboats, inflatables, private vessels, and even the historic John J. Harvey answered the call. In one day, these vessels and their crews evacuated more than 300,000 people from Manhattan Island. They pumped water from the harbor to feed hoses, brought in needed supplies, rescued people in the water, and they ferried fire fighters, police, medical, and emergency service workers to Ground Zero.

These heroic and selfless maritime volunteers are just one more testimonial to the courage and strength of the American spirit.

Many thanks to **Tony Chapman** for sharing "All Available Boats" by **Mike Magee**, the source for my article.



Again this year, we will be encouraging support of the Make-A-Wish Foundation at our October General Meeting. Driftwood YC will be hosting a Cruise Day on Saturday, October 2nd. All donations are appreciated.

September Happy Birthday Wishes



- Sep 04 Debbi Chapman
- Sep 04 Dianne Chapman
- Sep 04 George Brayton
- Sep 06 Wyatt Hammer
- Sep 08 Bonnie White
- Sep 09 Greg Dawson
- Sep 09 Alexis Hammer
- Sep 10 Lawny Chapman
- Sep 11 Keith Hammer
- Sep 13 Gloria Batchelor
- Sep 13 Coco Lafrades
- Sep 14 Linda Palmer
- Sep 18 Sheron Lord
- Sep 19 Mickela Trinidad
- Sep 20 Joe Carrion
- Sep 21 Cindy Art
- Sep 21 Lori Wickman
- Sep 21 Mary Kinder
- Sep 21 Mike Hammer
- Sep 23 Dan Lively
- Sep 24 Ted Nicholson
- Sep 25 Steve Anderson
- Sep 26 Byron Nofrey
- Sep 27 Donald Heaton
- Sep 27 Larry Pacheco
- Sep 28 Shari Horton

Reminder!
When sending mail to the Club, please use our Post Office Box 518 Please do not send to our Wilbur Avenue address.



PICYA Report

Upcoming Events

- Sep 13 Delegates' Meeting at Pittsburg YC
- Sep 26 Wheelchair Regatta at Encinal YC
- Oct 4 Delegates' Meeting at Presidio YC

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month.
Flyer information is requested by the 15th.

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★ FROM OUR REAR COMMODORE
CHUCK CARROLL ★



Sometimes I just look at this Club and never stop being amazed. We take on projects that would cost us thousands of dollars to contract

out and we act almost as if it's child's play. **Jim and his crews** (I call them the **Dawson Gang**) have been working unbelievably hard. And Jimmy is really pushing the envelope this year trying to get as much mud out of our hole as possible in a month and a half.

I really do swell with pride when I see how many folks come out day after day and accomplish so much. And believe me it has not gone easy. Sometimes the Dawson Gang can't dredge for five minutes without clogging the thing with stuff such as tarps, carpets, plastic, tin, fire hose, bumper cove, balls of fishing line, rope, you name it, they seem to find it. And the pump and pump housing have had to be repaired several times this year because of damage from the above. I can't name everyone who has helped out this year, cause it's way too many. (Besides, anyone who ever comes out to the Club knows who you are.) It would be easier to list the members who haven't helped and that would be darn

few. As I write this letter we have completed dredging under Area 3 and have moved Areas 2 & 5 sheds over to dredge under them. I can tell you that it will be a long time before Area 3 ever sits on the bottom again, unless of course it sinks, which might happen if we don't finish getting floatation under it. Anyway, we will be dredging till the middle of September. The sign-up sheet is still on the door, and Jimmy checks it every day. That bunch doesn't believe in days off; please continue to volunteer.

I understand the Poker Run this year as a great time, sorry I missed out. (I was getting ready for my son's wedding the next day.) Our August 14th & 15th cruise-out was a bit of a mixed bag with some folks going to Outtrigger and some folks to Driftwood Saturday night. I was part of the Driftwood bunch and it was a lot of fun. Couple of different bands, great food, and a great time. Thanks to Driftwood Yacht Club for inviting us.

I especially enjoyed the last meeting as several of my good friends became associate family members: **Dave & Debra Beckert, Doug & Shari Horton, and Bob & Angelyn Williams.** *Please welcome them all.*

See you all at the next meeting, and don't forget the Club Picnic on September 11th.

HISTORIAN NOTES
KATHIE HAMMER



From a Sportsmen Bulletin dated September 1941, the following was reported:

"Our boat manager and his gang are building a substantial

bridge across the ell end of the harbor and a motor room will be built at the levee end of this bridge, this will provide another cabin space for someone and also allow large cruisers to back in and gas up at the visible gas pump which will be installed. The above improvements are just a few of the many projects that have been started, completed and paid for in the past two and one half years since we purchased the property and moved to our present location.

Just visualize the place as it was on March 1, 1939 and then look at it today. It sums up to hundreds of work days and thousands of dollars. We thank our hard working boat managers and the equally hard working members for all of the improvements."



Lonnie Gibson was nearly waist deep at times pulling water hyacinth from the berth areas.

Thank You to our "Dredge Feeders" & Helpers!
Our Dredge workers would get mighty hungry if it weren't for the members who are preparing lunches and dinners for them.
Thank you to Darlene Dawson, Kathy Larosee, Debbie Dawson, Arlyce Siino, Carol Hunter, Tony & Rosemary Russo, Tess Stubberfield, and Freda Lucido.
Please see Darlene if you can help out!

Visit Sportsmen YC's Website



- ...to view pictures of recent Club events
- ...Calendar information for the year
- ...lots of other Club related information & links

www.sportsmenyc.org

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Poker Run 2004 Highlights

Our 43rd Annual Poker Run was a great success. There were 726 hands sold, with 15 places awarded. The top prize was won by **Life Member Larry Pacheco**. *Congratulations, Larry!*

1st Place	Larry Pacheco (included Jess's Side Pool)
2nd Place	Ray Telles
3rd Place	Audrey Coach
4th Place	Bob Art
5th Place	Don Lucido

We had an excellent potluck dinner and awards presentation at 6:00 with about 73 people attending. Thanks to the following members for distribution of hands: The Rasmussens on *Morning Mist*, the Doolins on *Irish Lady*, the Andersons on *Delta Sol*, Dave MacDougall on the Club dock, and Larry Pacheco on the *Sausalito (the Big Boat)*.

There were 12 boats participating which was a terrific turnout considering our harbor was half closed due to dredging. Thanks to the Captains who were thoughtful enough to invite guests aboard their boats.

Thanks to the following people who pitched in and helped: Sandie Schneider—Awards, Belynda Zobb and Emmy Swenson—Set-up and Clean-up, Don Lucido—Hand preparation

We have been Chairperson of this event for the past 14 years, and this was the BEST—due to the great helpers and enthusiastic participation by our members!!

WE WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU!!!

Neal & Diane Essary

(Selvy's Article—Continued from Page 1)

Joe Stubberfield and his crew will man the grills, so please plan on coming and relaxing with your families and friends at the Sportsmen YC Ferry.

Remember the upcoming Cruise-Out September 17th-19, to the Luau at Caliente Isle Yacht Club. They are pulling out all the stops for us to enjoy ourselves and be well fed and entertained. There will be a Friday night soup-line dinner, on Saturday the Luau dinner with Kahlua Pig and all the fixings, and Sunday Breakfast. Drive-ins are welcome! The cruisers will have plenty of good stern-in room and some side ties will be available. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board, so sign up and come for the fun!!

Meeting night will be Friday before the picnic on Saturday so see you there!!

Uf-Dah!



Member Information Corner

- Barbara Chapman had surgery in early August. She is "moving slow but doing fine."
- Dee Pacheco was hospitalized in August. She is now home and feeling better.
- Sharon Worrell had eye surgery in July and says Bill is taking good care of her!
- *Tim Doolin, we're glad you're feeling better and thankful your test results were good news.*

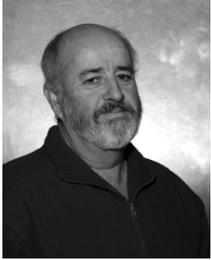
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**PORT CAPTAIN
COMMENTS
JIM DAWSON**



Great news for the month of September. Our dredging project is moving along very nicely and we are pretty much on schedule. Many

thanks to everyone who has been so faithful in coming out to help with this huge project. Some pictures of our work and fun are throughout this Newsletter.

And more good news is we did receive the final check from Mirant for our Gate Project. If all continues to go well, we expect to have our gate in operation soon.

Thanks to the Gibson's for the delicious pork loin dinner for the August Meeting

One of the pictures we're missing is of Associate Member Carl Swenson who was twice "dumped on" by the Dredge snorkel while he was trying to unclog it! Those who were there say he was covered with mud!

Dinner. It's really great to see our members working together to make our Club a great place to come to.

Just as a reminder, we need relief caretakers—so please keep signing up. The calendar is on our bulletin board and if you have any questions, come talk to me. Thanks to everyone who has been filling in.

I guess I'll say it again, even though I'm repeating myself: *Thanks to everyone who has made the Dredge Project a success.* It can't be emphasized enough how much it has been appreciated.



DREDGING NOTICE

Dredging will continue the first half of September.

Please see Harbor Captain Lonnie Gibson if you have questions regarding access to your boat.



YES!

**Dinner will be served
before our
September Meeting!**

Our Menu

**Something
Really Good
And
Plenty of It!**

**The price will
Be Very
Reasonable!**

We are limited to 50 reservations, so contact Audrey (686-1167) or Elaine (682-7585) as soon as possible

Come join us!

***A Reminder to
All Berth Holders***

Please maintain the areas around your berths. This includes pulling the weeds and disposing of trash around your berth. Your neighbors and fellow members will appreciate your efforts!

Thank You

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Welcome New Associate Members

Dave & Debra Beckert

2105 Silverado Drive
Antioch 94509
Phone: 706-9874

Doug & Shari Horton

3426 DiMaggio Way
Antioch 94509
Phone: 778-1680

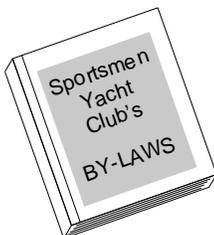
Bob & Angelyn Williams

4064 Montgomery Hill Drive
Antioch 94531
Phone: 207-9721

Invite your friends to join Sportsmen YC!



- **September 4-6** For the last several years, we have enjoyed the Labor Day weekend somewhere on the Delta—usually at Miner Slough. This year will probably be the same. More details at the August Club Meeting.
- **September 17-19** Join us for a Cruise-Out to Caliente YC. They are having a LUAU and a great weekend is planned for all!



ARTICLE IX

A. DISCIPLINE OF AN OFFICER OR DIRECTOR:

1. Any member, in good standing, may charge an Officer or

Director with misconduct or conduct detrimental to the welfare of the Club. Such member shall submit, in writing with signature affixed, to the Club Secretary a description of such alleged offense(s). Commodore shall immediately call a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, in Executive Session, to ascertain validity of charges. The accused Officer or Director shall be excused from all duties and meetings until said charges are resolved. If determined the complaint has merit the Board shall schedule a hearing. Ten (10) days prior to such hearing written notification shall be sent to accuser and accused of the nature of the complaint, date, time, place of hearing and invite each to appear before the Board of Directors. At the conclusion of the hearing Board shall render a decision.

Vote shall be by secret ballot. Removal from office shall require a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Upon written demand of the accused the matter shall be referred to the next General Membership Meeting for the Board's decision to be affirmed or overruled. To overrule the Board's action a Two-Third (2/3) majority of the eligible voting membership present shall be required. Accused Officer or Director may address the membership prior to vote. Vote shall be by secret ballot.

ARTICLE X

A. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

1. Election shall be held annually at the General Membership meeting in November and shall be for the following terms:

- a. Each Flag Officer position, one (1) year;
- b. Secretary and Treasurer, one (1) year.
- c. Directors, two (2) elected each calendar year for two (2) year terms.
- d. There shall be no restrictions as to how many terms a member may hold or

run for office.

2. All elections shall be by secret ballot. If there is more than one nominee to be elected for an office, the nominee must receive a majority vote to be elected. In the event of a tie vote, the deciding vote shall be cast by the Commodore or Acting Commodore.

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color on-line!**

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Thanks to our Dredge Team!



Thanks to Tim Lamb for taking these pictures. *Great job, Tim!*



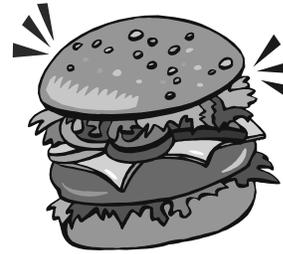
You Don't Want to Miss...

Saturday, September 11th

Starting at 11:00 a.m.

Annual Sportsmen Picnic

Plenty of food
& Lots of Fun
For the Whole Family!



Lotsof otherFamily
Eventsare scheduled
forthis year.

So,bring yourfamily
andcome supportand
enjoyYourClub!