

Sportsmen Yacht Club

Newsletter

September 2011

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT SPORTSMEN

Sept



- 9 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 12 Monday Night Football Begins (to be held weekly)
- 24 Annual Club Picnic**
- 17-18 Pittsburg YC Cruise-Out

Oct

- 7 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 8 Work Party
- 8-9 Fleet Week Cruise-Out
- 21 Bingo
- 21-23 Discovery Bay YC Cruise-In

Nov

- 2 Fishing Seminar
- 4 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 4-6 Weekend Fishing Derby
- 18 Bingo
- 19 Thanksgiving Dinner at Club



**COMMODORE
GARRY RIDOLFI**

Just four more months! Come on Silver. I must say the year has gone by fast. It's been fun, yet challenging. I am enjoying my time as your Commodore and want to thank everyone for your support. As the year starts to wind down, we start looking for new officers to take over. I hope we can get more new blood to take up some of the positions because it is a great experience.

As for the Club, we still have some issues that need to be addressed and hope we can chisel away at them at our next work party.

Several months ago, the Board made a decision to move forward with installing GFIs (Ground Fault Interrupters) in the harbor & docks. So far, about 2/3 of the work is complete. The Board decided to do this for everyone's safety and to meet code compliance. The GFI's are not for shore power but please use them for all your working needs in and around your boats. This is very limited power and should be used accordingly. We hope to have the rest of the harbor completed soon.

I want to thank Steve Jackman and Director Don Wilson for taking on this task. I know it wasn't easy but I am thankful you two were up to doing it for all of us and the safety of our club. I also want to thank all of our chairmen and board for their hard work and dedication to making our club a better place.

I am not sure if anyone has noticed, but we seem to have gained a new BBQ chef outside in the patio area. His name is Pat Sebers along with his new "Flying Pig" called the "Patamar" smoker. It's a cooking machine. It seems every time I am at the club, Pat is there cooking away! He does seem to have a problem with his machine and can't figure it out, so Sportsmen's members are on the receiving end of all of his mistakes! And he seems to be making them all the time. How convenient is that for us true BBQ lovers! Thanks Pat!

As you all have heard, Our Harbor Captain Lonnie Gibson has retired from his job at the state making all of them "teeth." I am sure he could care less if he ever sees another set again. Congratulations Lonnie. Just don't become a full time resident at your second home away from

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**VICE COMMODORE
RICKY SCANNELL**

Here we are again, another month down and four to go. My apologies for not having an article in the newsletter last month, I was out of town most of August on prior commitments.

I spent a week in Yountville at the Veterans home. While there, I was able to help the local Veterans, golf and watch the 16&17 year olds' National League Baseball championships. Our own Antioch American Legion's Post 161 was represented in the playoffs. The Veterans there were great, and the best part of it were the stories they want to tell. Having someone to talk to really lifted their spirits. I am already planning my return next year.

Upon returning to town, I drove over to the Point where I spent a few days relaxing and helping out the Shriner YC with their fundraiser. What a great turnout. We were able to increase last year's margin for a great cause. I would like to see Sportsmen YC cruise out to next year's fundraiser. Remember it's for the kids.

Congratulations, Lonnie Gibson, you've finally made it to retirement!

See you at the Club!

home. Go enjoy yourself. LOL!

Don't forget we have a cruise-out in September to Pittsburg YC, so hopefully we will see you there.

I also want to ask all of you to keep little Daniel Bernhardt in your prayers! He is a special little boy to all of us.



Our Country Round-Up Party was a lot of fun and a great success!

Thanks to Anita Hinds and the team of members who made this event a success!



**REAR COMMODORE
LOUIE ROCHA**

August 22nd was the first day of the school year. As principal of a high school, this marks the beginning of a new year. Parents are preparing their children for school, students are anxious to reunite with their classmates, and teachers are excited to meet their new students. This is an exciting time of the year!

As we approach fall, comes a new season of television programs, and the kick-off of the National Football League. For many sportsmen, this is the time to prepare for the upcoming hunting season. It's a time for optimism and great hope.

Are you ready for some football? Beginning Monday, September 12th, there will be Monday Night Football dinners at the Sportsmen YC. The steak dinners are prepared by Chuck and Ann English, Dave and Heather share some delicious duck treats, and Tammy serves as bartender for each game. Come on out for a delicious dinner, great party, and watch some exciting football with some rowdy football fans.

Best wishes on the new season!

Menu

September Meeting Dinner

Stuffed Rolls
Potato Salad
Corn
Fruit
Desert

Dinner Prepared by
Kathy and Bob Kaiwi

Dinners are \$10 per person

We are limited to 50 reservations,
so make your reservations on-line
or contact Ann English at 925.779.9330

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 @ 925.779.9330 if you need to cancel your reservations. (This policy does not apply to cancellations made because of an emergency.)

Are You Ready for Some Football?

**MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL
Steak Dinners**



Starts September 12th
Hosted by Chuck & Ann English

\$7.00 per person
Steaks cooked to order, potatoes, and salad
Served from start of game until half-time

Please reserve the Sunday prior to game day by calling
Ann at 925-779-9330 or
Use the sign-up sheet located by the registration book at
the front door at the Club

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.


Have ideas or suggestions for the newsletter?

Please send articles to: Terri Barton
Email: newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org
Newsletter articles are due by the 15th of each month


Have you submitted your ideas yet?

What should be painted on the side of the "Decorations" cargo van? Ideas are needed for a mural.

IDEAS needed !



Please submit your ideas and/or drawings to Joe Fray or Louie Rocha.
Phone numbers and e-mails are in the membership directory.



BREAKING FOR THE SUMMER

**Will resume play on
Friday, October 21st**



HISTORIAN'S NOTES
KATHIE HAMMER

As mentioned in last month's article, Keith and I are back from our adventure of being the Lighthouse Keepers for July 2011, at the Battery Point Lighthouse in Crescent City. It was a wonderful adventure. The lighthouse schedule varies from day to day because of tides. The hours of the lighthouse are from 10:00am to 4:00pm. However, because of tides, some days we were open for one hour and other days up to five hours. We were surprised on how many people came through for a tour. One day we had 165 visitors. We had visitors from all over the United States, Canada, Russia, Germany, the Czech Republic, Taiwan, and even Turkey. It was fun to share the history of the lighthouse with so many interested and interesting people. There was a wedding on the island while we were there and we hosted the winner of a raffle for a night's stay at the lighthouse. When you visit at low tide, you actually walk across the bottom of the ocean and then climb a hill. When the tide is in, we were isolated for at least six hours, which was actually nice because the island felt like it was all ours.

Yes, we found it was haunted with happy ghosts. In the book, "Lighthouse Ghosts, 13 Bona Fide Apparitions Standing Watch Over America's Shores," by Norma Elizabeth and Bruce Roberts, it has a whole chapter on Battery Point Lighthouse and yes, we had some ghost experiences; just ask us and we will tell you about them.

While we were there we had two pet seagulls; we understand they have been there for a while. We fed them morning and night and they ate out of our hands. If we were late they would come to the window and let us know they were waiting. On the last morning, they left a feather by the back door. We made sure the August Lighthouse Keepers would carry on feeding them.

I could go on and on about the sunrises and sunsets, the sounds of the ocean and the birds, and the lovely cool sunny weather. It was everything I hoped it would be and more. They have invited us back and I will be looking forward to returning to this lovely island with the Cape Cod Lighthouse with its happy ghosts!



PICYA Report
DARLENE DAWSON

2011 PICYA CALENDAR

Sep 12	Delegates Dinner and Meeting Presidio YC
Sept 24	Wheelchair Regatta Encinal YC
Oct 1	Delegates Dinner and Meeting Lake Tahoe YC
Oct 8	Make a Wish Cruise Driftwood YC

The Pacific Inter-Club Association was formed in San Francisco on May 12, 1896. The purpose of this association was to improve communication between yacht clubs, provide uniform racing rules and encourage yachting.

Three of the five Charter Clubs are in existence today: San Francisco YC (1869), Corinth YC (1886) and Encinal YC (1890).

The purpose of PICYA has grown over the years and so has its list of member clubs - now 107 (approx. 15,600 boating families).

RBOC

Protecting the rights and interests of recreational boaters in California before regional and state legislative and regulatory bodies has been the sole objective of Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) since 1968. National interests are pursued at the federal level by RBOC in partnership with BoatU.S.

Financial support of RBOC comes from contributions from members of yacht clubs of the Pacific Inter-Club Yachting Association and the Southern California Yachting Association and from individual boaters.

Professional advocates in Sacramento through the firm of Desmond & Desmond assures constant representation for RBOC at the Capitol and before regulatory boards.

President Linda Bendsen announced continuing lobbying efforts to protect the ability of boaters to utilize effective & affordable anti-fouling paints. RBOC Vice-President for



NEWS FROM
FLEET CAPTAIN
CYNTHIA PETERSEN

Ahoy there...

Just a quick reminder that the Club's next scheduled cruise-out is to Pittsburg YC the weekend of September 17/18th. Dinner Friday evening is available at the Club if you plan to arrive early. Dinner Saturday, Sept. 17th, is following an Asian theme and features Sweet and Sour Chicken & Shrimp, Rice, Green Beans, Green Salad, French Bread, and Dessert for \$20.

A number of members have been looking forward to this cruise, so please sign-up on the sign-up sheet posted on the card room door at the Club. Everyone is welcome to cruise-in either by boat or land-yacht, but our headcount for dinner is requested no later than September 6th. Please try and pin down your plans so you can sign-up no later than Labor Day (Monday, September 5th).

Thanks again, and hope you are all enjoying the summer as much as we are! See you at the Club or on the water...

**Sportsmen...
Have a great Labor Day
with your families.
Be Safe and Enjoy!**

Northern California Jack Michael testified on our behalf regarding SB623 before the Assembly of Environmental safety * Toxic Materials Committees. Senator Kehoe is planning to revise the bill and RBOC is monitoring this.

The Delta Protection Commission is conducting a mandated feasibility study for the development of a Delta National Heritage Area. RBOC found no navigable effects to boaters at the present.

Country Round-Up Fun



Thanks to Terri Barton and Don & Becky Wilson for taking pictures at this event.

To see more pictures, please go to the website: sportsmenyc.org and click on Pictures of Recent Events

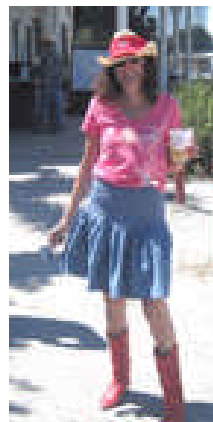


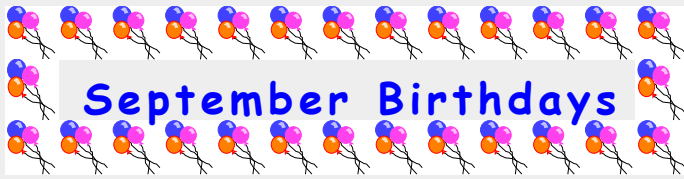
Best Potato Salad Winners:

1. Micheline Simpson
2. Dan Espinosa
3. Cindy Mammon

Best Ribs Winners:

1. Jason Turpin
2. Ann Marie Alcorn
3. Bob Gaines



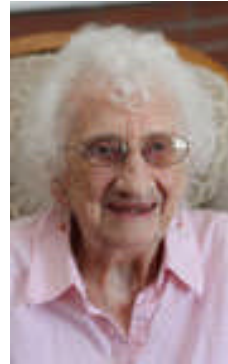


September Birthdays

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| Aug 28 Chris Green | Sep 17 Rob Horton |
| Aug 28 John Shaner | Sep 18 Sheron Lord |
| Aug 30 Diane Benson | Sep 18 Tammy Rocha |
| Aug 30 Elise Huard | Sep 21 Cindy Art |
| Aug 30 Mary Nerby | Sep 21 Jay Froman |
| Sep 03 Linda Muccianti | Sep 21 Lori Wickman |
| Sep 04 Dianne Chapman | Sep 21 Mary Kinder |
| Sep 04 George Brayton | Sep 21 Mike Hammer |
| Sep 06 Wyatt Hammer | Sep 23 Bruce Connelley |
| Sep 08 Bonnie White | Sep 23 Dan Lively |
| Sep 08 Randy Hyde | Sep 23 Mark Dickerson |
| Sep 09 Alexis Hammer | Sep 24 Gary Reopelle |
| Sep 09 Greg Dawson | Sep 24 Ted Nicholson |
| Sep 10 Lawny Chapman | Sep 25 Cynthia Petersen |
| Sep 11 Keith Hammer | Sep 25 Kay Power |
| Sep 13 Coco Lafrades | Sep 26 Byron Nofrey |
| Sep 13 Gloria Salas | Sep 27 Larry Pacheco |
| Sep 17 Charlie Carroll | Sep 29 Joe Carrion |



Happy 99th Birthday



*Elise Huard
celebrated
her 99th birthday
on August 30th!*

*We wish you a
very happy 100th
year, Elise!*

SAVE THE DATE



**Breast Cancer
Luncheon / Fundraiser**

**October 15, 2011
Tickets \$20.00**

For more information contact Becky Wilson
There will be a short meeting Sept. 9th after the Club meeting



All Members Invited Annual Club Picnic

Saturday, September 24th— Starts at Noon
Let's celebrate Sportsmen Yacht Club!

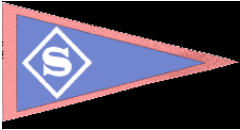
Please
Note
Date
Change!

- See new and old friends
- Eat lots of great food
- Relax with a great view of the river
- Best of all.....**
- It's Free for All Sportsmen Members**



Don't forget to bring a lawn chair

If you can, please come early to help get everything set up or stay to help with clean up!



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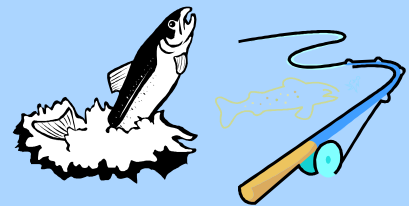
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3301 Wilbur Avenue, Antioch

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Sportsmen's Fishing Corner.....



This month's Fishing Buzz by William Odum:

The Bay has been getting some stripers and halibuts. Fish are out there if you get out.

I recently fished with my buddies Tmac and Captain Jeremy. We headed out past the Farallon Islands about 30 miles in search of Albacore tuna. The water temperature was 56 where we put in, went up to 57.6, then started dropping. Chasing tuna is hard work; we needed the warm water to move in but since it didn't warm, we came back and rock fished at the Farallon Islands. There we picked up a few legal lingcod and some rockfish.

Ran back into Muir Beach looking for Salmon, but none for us. Captain Jeremy went back out and caught limits up to 23 pounds on salmon. There are some nice salmon out there.



*If you have fishing or hunting tips or information and you don't mind sharing with other fellow sportsmen, please send articles to: Terri Barton
Email: newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org or the5bartons@comcast.net*