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Sportsmen Yacht Club

NEWSLETTER



Commodore Don Wilson

August was another busy month. After taking a short breath following our 4S event, we had two cruise-ins.

The first was our Luau on August 9th. We had a cruise-in with a group called the Delta Bay Marina Twigs. Along with those folks and a great turnout from our Club, the event was sold out at somewhere around 125 in attendance. If you are one of those who did not attend, you missed, in my opinion, one of our better events of the year. We cooked a pig in the ground and combined with authentic side dishes had a fantastic meal. In addition to a genuine Hawaiian cuisine, we had a group of entertainers that topped off the day. Our band, a group called Imua,

accompanied by as many as 10 dancers, put on a show to remember. When the dancers started their performance, it was observed by one bartending member that this was the first time he had observed a totally empty bar. I want to thank my good friends Tommy and Harry, in addition to their families for the efforts they put in to deliver a wonderfully cooked pig. Also I owe a debt of gratitude to Robert Babo and his family and friends who prepared all the side dishes we enjoyed. Robert also provided a referral for the entertainment after a couple of my attempts didn't work out. I need to acknowledge a couple of other contributors to the event. They are Kurt (Cage) and Michaela

Chaisson for donating the pig and Dave Newton for procuring and transporting it. There were a lot of people involved with the Luau and I want to express my thanks to all of them.

San Rafael YC cruised-in, with 6 boats and 15 or so people on August 16th. Chris Bravo, an associate member, and friends provided an outstanding meal for that Saturday night. We had a turnout of about 40 folks for dinner and had an enjoyable evening after that. I would like to thank Marci Hanley, from San Rafael YC, for organizing the members from her club to attend. We had a great time and, in my opinion, they are always welcome in our Club.

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Vice Commodore Rick Barton

My wife and I were having a hard time finding any open seats to sit at for dinner at the Luau. It was definitely a full house. We ended up at the very end table by the stage which couldn't have worked out better since we ended up with front row seats for the entertainment! Both the dancers and the band put on a great show. Later in the evening, we were sitting out on the deck

when I heard a great guitar solo being played. I went inside to watch and discovered that the solo was being played on an electric ukulele. Amazing! I conducted an informal survey of members throughout the night on whether or not we should do the Luau again next year. In the early hours, the vote was a close 50/50. By the end of the night, there seemed to be an

overwhelming endorsement that there has to be another Luau next year.

By the time you read this, SYC will have had its first raft-up since I joined the Club five years ago. As I sit writing this newsletter, I am very excited about this upcoming event. I really hope the turnout is good

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FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL
 PREPARED BY THE TRAUTNER, COMAGES, NORRIS,
 BROWN & MACEY FAMILIES
\$10 PER PERSON



Limited to the first 50 reservations.
 Make your reservations on-line or
 contact Ann English at 779-9330
 as soon as possible!

**Volunteers are needed to cook for the
 Friday Night Meeting Dinners.**
 Please contact Shari Horton for details (783-8424)

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

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As of this writing I am looking forward to the August raft-up
 cruise-out that Carl Rasmussen has organized.
 Becky and I thank you for your support!

Italian Night Dinner!



The September 19th Menu

We begin with Salad at 7:00 p.m.

Marina's Salad Bar with
 Homemade Blue Cheese Dressing
 Crown Roast of Pork with Apple Sausage
 Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Dessert

\$13.50 per person

Prepared by
 Chef Billy Jones

Make reservations On-Line
 or contact Marina at 759-2764

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and everyone has a good time. Hopefully, this too can become
 an annual event for the Club. Everything that happens at the
 Club of course depends on member participation but I'm really
 hoping that this event is successful.



Commodore Wilson
 surprised Becky with a
 special name badge he had
 made for her. It reads:

Becky Wilson
 First Lady 2014

*Becky, we certainly agree
 you have earned it!*

Commodore Wilson
 noted this idea was
 shared with him by
 Past Commodore Zobb.



Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC

September

5	Club Meeting
6	Club Picnic
12-14	Treasure Island YC Cruise-In
19	Italian Night Dinner
19	Richmond YC Cruise-In
20	Work Party
26-28	Rio Vista Cruise-Out & Clam Chowder Cook-Off

October

3	Club Meeting (Board Nominations)
4	Work Party
11	Breast Cancer Fundraiser Luncheon
24	Italian Night—Mystery Dinner

November

5	Fishing Seminar & Pre-Derby Dinner
7	Club Meeting—2015 Board Elections
7-9	Fishing Derby
11	Veteran's Day Dinner & Meat Loaf Cook-Off
21	Italian Night Dinner



Rear Commodore Doug Horton

I am in Colorado with family because my brother is gravely ill at the time this article is being written. The friendships from fellow Club members are most important at difficult times like this and knowing you are in their thoughts and prayers is comforting.

The Luau in August was a great event and my kudos to Commodore Wilson for coordinating the whole day.

We have several events coming up in September, including our annual Picnic, so be sure to come out and enjoy the Club. We will need lots of help at the Picnic and, once again, it's a great way to get to know Club members a little better. A lot of hands makes for less work for everyone.

Have a great month!

Quack-Quack!



PICYA NEWS

DARLENE DAWSON

2014 PICYA CALENDAR

Sept 8	Delegates' Meeting Oakland YC	Oct 6	Delegates' Meeting Discovery Bay YC
Sep 27	Wheelchair Regatta Encinal YC	Oct 18	Management Conference

18th Annual PICYA Wheelchair Regatta September 27th

This event will once again provide veterans, many confined to wheelchairs, with the rare opportunity to experience a power boat cruise on the Oakland Estuary and San Francisco Bay. On their return, they will be treated to a picnic luncheon and entertainment on the grounds of the beautiful Encinal YC. Most of our honored guests are U.S. veterans residing in Northern California VA homes and hospitals. In order to make this event successful, power boat skippers/owners are needed to donate their time and boat to host guests aboard their vessel. Volunteers from each of our PICYA member clubs will make this a most memorable day for our guests and for those donating their assistance as well. Many volunteers are also needed ashore to assist in welcoming, boarding guests, preparing and serving lunch. If you can assist with this rewarding community service project, please contact me.

Jane attended the August Delegates' Meeting at Sacramento YC. After a delicious dinner, there was much discussion about the very successful mini conference at Elkhorn YC.

Pittsburg YC will be hosting the annual Make-A-Wish event on October 4th. For further information, please contact me.



Veterans being honored at Wheelchair Regatta 2013

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good standing to 97. Our income from these 97 members is not sufficient to maintain the Club for the years 1934 and 1935; therefore, it has become necessary for our Board to pass on to you, for your consideration their findings and recommendations, i.e. that the Club dues be raised to \$1.00 per month or \$12.00 yearly."

FOR "THE HISTORY OF SPORTSMEN" PART VII, SEE THE OCTOBER 2014 NEWSLETTER.



HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

As promised, I would like to give you "THE HISTORY OF SPORTSMEN" Part VI:

"Early construction problems were met and handled by Sportsmen, Inc. members in the traditional style that has been one of their characteristics throughout the years. By way of example, let us remind you of the sand dunes that had to be combated on a sojourn to the Club House. This presented quite a problem when it came to packing lumber for construction. This situation gave rise to water transportation. The members hauled lumber from the Antioch Lumber Co. to the Club House via the "Pelican." The "Pelican" was a sturdy old double ender owned by the Club and utilized to solve many of the Club's transportation problems. (The "Pelican" became the property of Sportsmen, Inc. when it was abandoned by D. Ted Werner. It was later raffled off and won by John Cunha.) Those many members who assisted in the piping-in of water and those who participated in the piano parade, the shifty sand dunes at the old leased site will hold many a calloused memory.

All was not peaches and cream with Sportsmen, Inc. They were having real trials and tribulations. The Club was under investigation for a possible tax deficiency of \$1,061. As if this was not enough, a reading of one of the bulletins of 1934 tells another tale of woe for the already harassed Board of Directors. We quote, "Being that the Board of Directors have cancelled forty-seven memberships at their last meeting for nonpayment of dues and with fifty one members behind in their past quarter dues, it has become very necessary in order to maintain the assets of Sportsmen, Inc. which are now very valuable to its members, that the Club House at Antioch be completed before the winter sets in and that our obligations be met at once. If the fifty one members that are behind in first years quarter are not paid within the next week, they also would be dropped, leaving the members in

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Monday Night Football Begins September 8th!



Past Commodore Rex Cook (1990) was awarded his Life Member award by Commodore Wilson at the August 2014 General Membership Meeting. *Congratulations, Rex, and thank you for all you've done at Sportsmen YC!*

September Birthdays!

04 Dianne Chapman
 04 George Brayton
 06 Wyatt Hammer
 08 Bonnie White
 09 Alexis Hammer
 09 Greg Dawson
 09 Stephan Shelton
 10 Lawny Chapman
 10 Yong Garner
 11 Keith Hammer
 13 Coco Lafrades
 13 Gloria Salas
 14 Julie Shelton
 17 Charlie Carroll
 17 Rob Horton
 18 Darlene Moore
 18 Sheron Lord
 18 Tammy Rocha
 19 Michelle Skuija
 21 Cindy Art
 21 Lori Wickman
 21 Mike Hammer
 22 Roger Lund
 23 Dan Lively
 23 Mark Dickerson
 24 Gary Reopelle
 24 Ted Nicholson
 25 Cynthia Petersen
 25 Kay Power
 26 Byron Nofrey
 27 Larry Pacheco
 28 Romie Noe
 28 Shari Horton
 29 Joe Carrion



Breast Cancer Fundraiser Luncheon

October 11th

11:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

**Want to decorate your table?
 Contact Becky Wilson at 383-1310**

Menu Details Coming Soon!

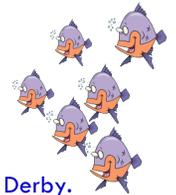
\$20 per person

**Interested vendors
 should contact
 Ann English
 at 779-9330**



2014 Sportsmen Annual Fishing Derby Update (as of August 20th)

- * 66 people entered in the 2014 Derby.
- * There is \$940 total so far in this Derby.
- * Rules are posted at the Club.
- * Associates are welcome to participate in the Derby.
- * Three categories: Stripers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.
- * Cost is \$5.00 per category.
- * To date, Dave Newton has a 72 pound sturgeon on the board, Bill Pato caught a 34 pounder to secure 2nd place, and Dan Lively is now 3rd place with a 32 pound sturgeon.
- * To date, Dale Bauer is in first place with a 16 pound striper, Harry Parker is in second with 14.25 pounder (Jim says, "They're really thick now that Harry caught that one!!"), Gabe Comages is in third with a 13 pounder, and Dale Bauer also has an 8 pound striper in fourth place.
- * For the Catfish category, Ed Salmon holds 1st with a 7 pounder, Ed has second with a 5.25 pounder, Bob Brown has third place with a 1 lb. 6 oz., Bob Brown and John Hunter are tied for 4th place with 1 lb. 4 oz. catfish.



Go out and catch one bigger!

Jim Dawson

Murder Mystery Dinner

"The Auction"



The Baroness is dead! Police suspect foul play...

Baroness Audry von Munchen died in very peculiar circumstances last week. Police revealed today that the baroness was found dead in her bed by her maid, Miss Linda Lovelace, at breakfast one morning. An inquiry into the death has been set up and is being led by Inspector Clu d'Eau—a bumbling idiot who, it has been suggested, could not organize a drinks party in a brewery. It is believed the Baroness did not die from natural causes and the police are already describing the incident as a 'suspicious death.'

Following the suspicious death of Baroness Audry von Muchen, the estate and fabulous von Muchen relics are to be auctioned off to the highest bidder. In the absence of a legal heir, it looks like all the proceeds will go to her favorite charity—unless a claimant comes forward at the last moment. What is the truth behind the Baroness' death?

There is only one way to find out!!!

IT'S A MEAL TO DIE FOR!

Menu
&
Price



Shrimp Fettuccine
with Vodka Cream Sauce
Marina's Salad Bar
Dessert
\$22.50 per person

You are invited!!! Friday, October 24th
The Evening Begins at 6:00 p.m.

Go online to make your dinner reservations,
or contact Marina at 759-2764 or email her at
marinafaconti@gmail.com

To play a character part in "The Auction" contact Marianne Tate at
848-6875 or email her at mtcabsales@comcast.net

Please make your reservations ASAP!

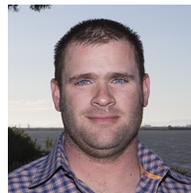


Welcome New Associates!

Note: Addresses & Phone Numbers are purposely omitted from the web version of the newsletter.



Michael & Samantha Caputo



John & Casi Continente



Morris Lum



Mike & Michelle Skuija



RIO VISTA CRUISE-OUT & CLAM CHOWDER COOK-OFF



September 26th-28th
Cruise up in your boat,
bring your RV,
or just come for the day!



Treasure Island YC Cruise-In September 12th—14th

Taco Bar on September 13th at 6:30 p.m.
\$ 12.50 per person

Make reservations online or call Ann English at 779-9330
Reservations Requested by September 7th

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Sportsmen YC's Annual Picnic

Saturday, September 6th

This year we're having a Ribs Cook-Off!

Eating begins at 3:00 p.m.

Menu
BBQ Ribs
Potato Salad
Beans
Fruit Salad
Dessert

Hot Dogs for the Kids!

This event is free to all Club members, their spouses, and children under 18 years old.

Guests 12 years and over: \$10
Guests under 12 years: \$5
Kids under 5 years are free



Contestants in the Ribs Cook-Off supply their own Rack of Ribs.
The Club will supply ribs for the dinner