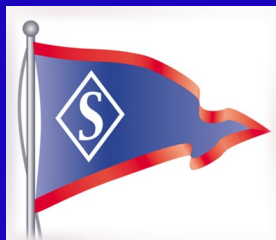


September
2019



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NEWSLETTER

Sportsmen Yacht Club



Commodore Bobby Brown

I would like to start by saying the August Work Party was awesome! We had, once again, a great turnout. Weeds around the Club were knocked down, trees were trimmed.

Area 4 docks were re-racked. What that means is this: the wind, current and waves have slowly made the docks a parallelogram. Vertical dock supports start to lean. Thank you, Marty, for bringing cables and come-alongs to pull the uprights back to plumb. Marty, Robert, Neal, Nate, Alaina, and Albert all helped contribute to this sophisticated process. Once completed, new lighting and wiring (already approved) will commence.

Secondly, I'd like to thank Roger Lund, Roy Garner, John McCauley and friends for rejuvenating the men's upstairs restroom. They

tore out the floor that was plagued with leaky urinals, removed the rotten vanity and then started to restore. New tile installed and new plumbing parts replaced. It looks and smells much better. Thank you guys!

September is packed with fun events. Our annual Club Picnic will be held on the 7th. This year's picnic is a carnival theme. Games, cotton candy, popcorn, and I hear there will be face painting. Get your reservations in sooner than later!

Marina West will be cruising-in the weekend of the 20th-22th. Commodore John Romero and his club showed the Sportsmen a wonderful time back in April and we look forward to seeing them again.

The Rio Vista Delta Marina Cruise-Out and Wheelchair Regatta at Encinal Yacht

Club are both at the end of the month. The 2019 Wheelchair Regatta will be Saturday, September 28th. This amazing event is aimed at getting veterans, who may not otherwise have a day out, a great day on the water and a delicious BBQ, honoring them for their service to our nation. Plenty of fun things to do, should have great weather, and great people.

Go Sportsmen!



Vice Commodore Neal Draper

August turned out to be a fairly quiet month for Sportsmen Yacht Club. A few boats enjoyed a raft-up at Decker Island, until the wind picked up and made for a rough anchor out. The Solano Yacht Club Cruise-In this year, unfortunately, was only able to muster two boats with four members. This resulted in most of the weekend festivities being canceled. However, we still held Game Night on Friday the 16th. A huge

thank you to Bob and Janet Buckley for the excellent meal of chicken teriyaki, steamed rice, corn and pie.

September, however, is shaping up to be a very busy month. We kick-off the month with the regular monthly dinner meeting on September 6th, followed by the Annual Club Picnic on Saturday September 7th. This is probably the most widely attended Sportsmen event at the Club. Come on down and enjoy the Tri-

Tips, salads, and baked beans. For all you football fans, Monday Night Football starts again on Monday September 9th.

During the weekend of September 20th through the 22nd, we will again host Marina West Yacht Club. Game Night will be on the 20th followed by our Annual Rib Cook-Off on Saturday the 21st and the Commodore's Breakfast on Sunday the 22nd. The Rib

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Annual Club Picnic

No more
Work Parties
Until 2020!

FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

THIS MONTH'S DINNER PREPARED BY
ROY GARNER AND CREW



\$10

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

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.

Volunteers are needed to cook for the
2019 Friday Night Meeting Dinners.
Please contact Ann for details (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

September

6 Club Meeting & Dinner
7 Club Picnic
20 Game Night & Dinner
20-22 Marina West YC Cruise-In
21 Dinner with Marina West YC
22 Commodore's Breakfast
27-29 Rio Vista Cruise-Out
28 Wheelchair Regatta at Encinal YC

MNF every Monday starting September 9th

October

4 Club Meeting & Dinner
11 Game Night & Dinner
11-13 Discovery Bay Cruise-In
12 Dinner with Discovery Bay
13 Commodore's Breakfast
26 Halloween Party

View the complete 2019 Calendar ONLINE!



Game Night!



Friday, September 20th

6:30 p.m. King Ranch Casserole, Salad, Dessert
7:00 p.m. Poker & Other Games
\$7 See Janet Buckley with questions

Please make reservations by Thursday, August 15th.
Reservations can be made ONLINE or call Ann.
Thank You!

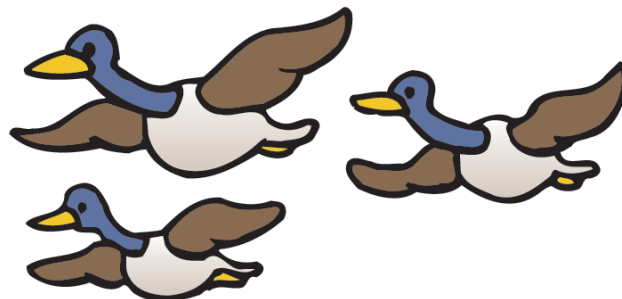
(Vice Commodore's Article continued from Page 1)

Cook-Off is open to all members of Sportsmen Yacht Club and this year we have opened up participation in the event to members of Marina West Yacht Club. I expect the competition to be fierce, so grab some ribs and get ready to BBQ!

If that isn't enough fun for Sportsmen members, we will be making our usual cruise-out to Delta Marina at Rio Vista. This is a great place to cruise to, with an excellent marina and grounds. We usually hold our Chili Cook-Off during this cruise as well.

As you can see, there is always something going on at Sportsmen Yacht Club! If you are not coming down and participating in these events, you are missing out on some great comradery and some great food.

See you around the Club!



Monday Night Football!

Every Monday
Beginning September 9th



Your Choice of
Burgers
Loaded Baked Potatoes
Caesar Salad

Food Reservations must be in by
Noon on the Monday of the Game



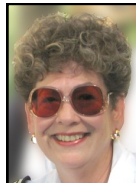
Rear Commodore Mike Minick

August has been a fairly busy month for the Club. There was quite a bit of work accomplished during the Work Party, including straightening out the roof on Area 4, clearing out weeds, and a lot of general clean-up, especially around the BBQ area. Thanks Ginny and Elena!! This help is greatly appreciated by all, and definitely makes a noticeable difference when coming to OUR Club! As always, this work can be done anytime, not just during the scheduled Work Parties! Keep up the great work! If you see an area that needs attention or that you would like to see cleaned up, let one of the directors or officers know so we can address it.

There was also a raft-out to Decker Island. Unfortunately, I couldn't participate this time but I heard it was a great time. I am looking forward to our annual Club Picnic on Saturday, September 7th, It's always a great time to hang out, catch up with other members that you haven't seen for awhile, and eat some delicious BBQ lunch! We also have Monday Night Football starting back up so come on down and take advantage of all our Club has to offer!

Many thanks to Roger Lund and Roy Garner for the relentless work in the upstairs men's restroom remodel. Thanks also to John McCauley for helping with the plumbing fixtures. it looks FANTASTIC!!

Hope to see everyone at the picnic!



PICYA NEWS

DARLENE DAWSON

2019 PICYA CALENDAR

Sep 7	Delegates' Meeting Richmond YC	Oct 5	Fall Management Conference South Beach YC
Sep 21	Coastal Cleanup Day	Oct 12	Delegates' Meeting Tahoe YC
Sep 28	Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta Encinal YA		

Margo Brown Wheelchair Regatta

Twenty-three years ago, Staff Commodore Margo Brown had a vision. That vision has become a combined effort by PICYA, a number of member yacht clubs, their vessels and members to honor the men and women who have served our country. Guests are treated to a cruise of the Oakland Estuary or San Francisco Bay, a relaxing day on the beautiful grounds of Encinal Yacht Club, enjoying lunch and listening to music. Man and woman power is provided by the U.S. Coast Guard volunteers and members of the International Association of Firefighters. They literally lift veterans onboard the vessels.

The Wheelchair Regatta is a tremendous undertaking that could not happen without the support and dedication of the planners, donors, and "doers."

After Midnight (Jim and I) plan to attend this year as we volunteer our boat representing Sportsmen YC. I encourage you to consider volunteering your boat. If you are not able to volunteer your boat, there are many shore-side opportunities available (example: Freda Lucido has volunteered as Photographer for the past four years). Your efforts will be much appreciated and rewarding. Please contact me if you have questions and want to contribute to this great cause.



HISTORIAN'S NOTES

KATHIE HAMMER

(Continued from last month's article about how the Armed Forces got their songs.)



The U.S. Army – Founded on June 14, 1775, is the oldest branch of the U.S. Armed Forces. The Army has a long history of many songs. In the early days, these songs were often played by buglers or fife and drum corps. The Army's official song, "The Army Goes Rolling Along," was not composed until the early twentieth century. It was written by First Lieutenant Edmund L. Gerber when he was stationed in the Philippines. He had been watching men move caissons, carts for carrying artillery ammunition, and heard the Commanders shout, "Come on, Keep 'em rolling!" Inspired by these shouts he penned several stanzas and along with some of his fellow Lieutenants, he came up with a melody for his song, which he called "The Caissons Go Rolling Along." The song became so popular among the troops that the Army commissioned John Philip Sousa to transform it into a march in 1917. It wasn't until thirty eight years later that the Army adopted it as their official song.

Because they could not offer a prize for a songwriting contest, Liberty magazine stepped up and agreed to hold a contest on behalf of the corps to create a fight song that would speak of the unique tasks they performed. The winning submission was from Robert MacArthur Crawford. The song was called "The Army Air Corps March" and made its public debut in 1939. When the U.S. Air Force was established as a separate branch of the armed forces in 1947, Crawford's song was renamed the U.S. Air Force Song. You might recognize it by its first line: "Off we go into the wild blue yonder."

Upbeat and spirited, it is no wonder these songs are some of the most recognizable songs in America.





Sportsmen YC

2019 Fishing Derby Update

(as of August 20, 2019)

We have 42 people entered so far in the Derby.

- * There is \$605 total in this Derby so far.
- * 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; you do not need to be entered in all categories.
- * Awards for 2019 will be made in January 2020.

Sturgeon: Ed Salmon, 1st Place, 57# 12 oz.
Jennifer (Bryan) Tate, 2nd Place, 46# 12 oz.
Gabe Comages, 3rd Place, 44# 3 oz.

Striped Bass: Dale Bauer, 1st Place, 6# 0 oz.
Bryan Tate, 2nd Place, 2# 5 oz.
(No other Stripers have been posted for 2019)

Catfish: Bryan Tate, 1st Place, 2#
Bryan Tate, 2nd Place, 1# 6 oz.
Matt Tate, 3rd Place, 1# 4 oz.

It's not too late—Join the 2019 Derby!

"Get signed up and paid before going fishing. Don't be like so many each year who catch before entering and miss out."

September Birthdays



Happy Birthday!

04 Audrey Nave
04 Dianne Chapman
04 George Brayton
06 Wyatt Hammer
07 Anita Furlow
08 Bonnie White
09 Alexis Hammer
09 Greg Dawson
09 Stephan Shelton
10 Lawny Chapman
10 Yong Garner
11 Keith Hammer
12 John Francisco
13 Coco Lafrades
13 Gloria Salas
14 Julie Shelton
17 Charlie Carroll
18 Darlene Moore
18 Rich Furlow
18 Tammy Rocha
19 Michelle Skuija
19 Suzanne Anthony
21 Lori Wickman

22 Roger Lund
23 Dan Lively
24 Gary Reopelle
24 John Maniz
24 Ted Nicholson
25 Cindy Kirk
25 Cynthia Petersen
25 Kay Power
26 Byron Nofrey
26 Mike Minick
28 Romie Noe
28 Shari Horton



Cruise-In! & Ribs Cook-Off



Friday, September 20th

Game Night—MWYC will join us for our monthly Game Night. The menu and details are posted on Page 2 of this Newsletter.

Saturday, September 21st

RIB Cook-Off! MWYC and SYC members are welcome to participate. Contestants must bring their own meat and grill. There is no BBQ grilling allowed at our slips or guest dock. See Commodore Brown for all details and rules for the contest.

Want to enjoy the ribs? Join us at 7 p.m. for Ribs, Sides, Salad, and Dessert. \$15

Sunday, September 22nd

Commodore's Breakfast
Traditional Breakfast Fare, 9 a.m.—10:30 a.m. \$7

Make your reservations for the RIBS Dinner ONLINE or call Ann at 779-9330
Reservations are not required for the Sunday Breakfast

In Memory Of Max & Mary Wheeler



Max passed away on July 11th and Mary passed away exactly two weeks later, on July 25th. They were high school sweethearts and had been married since 1950. They became members of Sportsmen YC in 1989 and enjoyed many Club events, especially the annual Crab Feeds. Max was instrumental in helping Kathie Hammer get the Museum established. Max always enjoyed fishing for striped bass with his sons and grandsons.



Max was a member of the Carpenters Union Local 152 for 33 years and after retirement he worked as an inspector for Contra Costa County. Mary was an amazing homemaker and nurtured everyone who entered her home. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren were her true passion in life. Both were active members of St. John's Lutheran Church in Antioch.

Our sincere sympathy to their family.



**Rio Vista
Cruise-Out**
September 27th—29th

Clam Chowder Cook-Off

Coming by RV? Make Your Reservations
Now at Delta Marina

Contact Rick Barton with questions
890-3223



**PLEASE!
TAKE A MINUTE...**

Look at your information in our
2019 Directory. Is it correct?

If not, please send an email or text to Freda
Lucido so your information for 2020 will be
up-to-date!

Email lucidos@pacbell.net or text 963-6310
(You know the Area Code!)

2020 Board Positions

Are you interested in serving on our
Board of Directors for 2020?

Please contact Robert Babo,
this year's Nominating Chairman

Thank You!

Cruise-In!

We will welcome our friends from

Discovery Bay YC

October 11th-13th

Details will be posted on our website as
soon as they become available

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FIRST CLASS MAIL

Sportsmen YC's Annual Picnic

"At the Carnival!"

Saturday, September 7th
Begins at 1:00 p.m.

Tri-Tips, Macaroni and Potato Salads, Baked Beans
Games for all following the picnic



Water Balloon Toss

Horseshoes

Mechanical Bull Riding

Cornhole

Egg Toss



Your Reservations Are Required
ONLINE or call Ann at 779-9330
by Wednesday, September 4th

This event is free to all Club members, their spouses, and children under 21 years old.
Guests 12 years and over: \$5
Guests under 12 years are free.