SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB

NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2003





From Our Commodore LONNIE GIBSON





Thanks to everyone who attended the Poker Run. It w a s a n experience that Lawny Chapman and fri end s will

never forget... and me too! It was definitely Belynda's big time to win the poker hands; she won 1st Place as well as Jess's Pool and placed in another hand as well! Thanks to all who participated—I believe only four boats were towed in. (I'll leave their names out, but I'm sure most already Many thanks to Neal Essary for another year welldone.

The Sportsmen's Annual Picnic had a fine turnout. Thanks goes to Steve & Rosie Fernandez for their donation of the oysters. Charlie Carroll also showed up with oysters...a little late...but I guess they're around to stay. Next year, let someone know so no one doubles up. In one of my many trips, I asked Charlie McMeekin if he would consider taking the job back. He iust smiled at me!

Caliente Isle YC hosted our Club for a well-deserved Cruise-In and Luau. A very nice dinner was prepared by our very own Vice Commodore Dave Selvy.

Well, with the bad news next: The Down Bay Cruise I thought was happening is now off. understand there might be a few boats heading down that way, but it's not official.

For the good news: Larosee has agreed to open the Harbor Side Galley for Saturday and Sunday Breakfasts starting October 18th! So come on down and help support Kathy!

At this time I would like to thank everyone who has been helping Carl Rasmussen with the Dredging Project. I can only imagine that you're all thankful it's done for this year.

Just a reminder, Driftwood YC's Make-A-Wish event is October 4th. If you would like to help make someone's wish come true, stop on by!

Last, but not least, mark your calendars for our Fishing Seminar on November 5th and our Annual Fishing Derby which starts on November 7th. Details are in this Newsletter.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE COMING EVENTS!

October

- 3 Club Meeting & Dinner
- Make-A-Wish at Driftwood YC
- 25 Birthday Dinner

November

- 1-2 Bayliner Club Cruise-In
- Fishing Seminar 5
- Club Meeting & Dinner 7
- Annual Fishing Derby 8-9
- 15 Work Party
- Birthday Dinner (Nov. & Dec.) 22
- Thanksgiving Potluck

December

- 5 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 6 Lighted Boat Parade
- 13 Kids with Santa & Potluck
- 31 New Year's Eve Party

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FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE DAVE SELVY





OK...now where were we...oh yes. The Denver Boot came off and **Chapman** got his truck back...but I digress...

Wow! Was it August since I

last visited these tome files. (Look it up Lonnie...yer getting short.) I trust our Treasurer had a great vacation; ...what, she's gone AGAIN? ...Man, some people have all the fun.

Jim Dawson and his crew are progressing on the shoring project in Area 5. I think observing the inventiveness of the "driving force actuator" assemblies being devised to accomplish the hammering in of the sheet piles, is as much entertainment as watching Tony Chapman tied with a hawser round his waist and standing on a bar across the back of 'Ol Blue, driving them in with a jack hammer, asking himself, "...how'd I get talked into this?" I guess you had to see it...film at eleven.

The dredging crews have finished as you read this and I find it impossible to list all the names involved but without the leadership of **Lonnie Gibson** and the stewardship of one **Carl Rasmussen**, this would never have been done with such skill and

In accordance with our By-Laws, Article V, A-4, this 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.

statesmanship. If it were me dealing with the agencies I would be in San Quentin and you would be looking for a new Vice. The rest of you hard working men and women who put your all into this have enabled this club to host large cruise-ins next year, but moreover we will be able to bring our boats in and not have the dreaded brown/green stain on the hulls from resting in the mud (not a good thing). The best part is no one...NO ONE was hurt and except for a few red faces and wet clothes, we had a lot of fun and are the envy of our relative clubs in the area. "You are doing WHAT!!? Yeah, Who is doing it??? 'YOU' ARE???!!!" Yep, and for a lot less than anyone else is paying to do their harbor.

I think we need to have a little fun next year and that is just what we will be doing, with <u>your</u> help. Stay tuned. **Lawny Chapman** is already lining up some serious fun and cruises. Lots of ideas and plans are being made.

Speaking of fun, the Annual Picnic was the place to be. We had Chef Joe Stubberfield cooking up a storm with hamburgers, hot links, and doggies, and FRESH (she said it was on the stalk that Friday) Corn on the Cob. Thanks to Charlie Carroll and friend hauling in oysters to be grilled and we already were working a load brought in by Steve & Rosie Fernandez. I was most impressed by Tony & Rosemary Russo's granddaughter, Annie. She consumed at least 8 of those things and I think she is only 12 or 13 years old. This girl is going to be a riot when she is old enough to cruise down to Sausalito Cruising Club's oyster fest, Down Bay week. Then there was the melodious and sweet voice of Alice Gibson inviting participants to The Egg Toss. It was a crack up (groan). (Continued on Page 4)

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month. Flyer information is requested by the 15th. Send Newsletter information to: Freda Lucído e-mail lucídos@pacbell.net phone 2283609



Just to Let You Know...

The following members were hospitalized recently:

- Bud Chappell
- Neal Essary
- Helen Ferrari
- Kathie Hammer
- Kay Millecam
- Rosemary Russo
- Jeannette Sílva
- Muriel Telles

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to each of you.



The dredging project is complete for the year. We now have an average of -6 feet in our harbor.

A meeting will be held
Thursday, October 23rd, at
7:00 p. m. for all dredging
crews and other interested
parties. We will talk about
what we need to do between
now and next August so we
can continue with the
project. We will discuss
what worked and what can be
done differently to work
better.

Thanks for all the help. Carl Rasmussen



FROM OUR REAR COMMODORE DARLENE DAWSON





Want a great way to spend the day on the Delta? Then join us as we support Driftwood YC's 17th Annual Make-A-Wish Cruise, Saturday, October 4th.

The day starts off at 8:00 a.m. with registration at Driftwood YC. There you will register and receive complimentary coffee and donuts. At 9:00 a.m., board a private yacht to enjoy complimentary drinks and hors d'oeuvres while cruising the relaxing waters of the Delta. Return to Driftwood YC for a delicious luncheon buffet served 1-4 p.m. During and after lunch, enjoy live entertainment, celebrity guest appearances, live and silent auctions, and complimentary beer, wine, and soda.

The cost for this event is \$40 per person, \$30 of which is tax deductible. All

proceeds go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

If you don't already know, Make-A-Wish grants wishes to terminally ill children. Driftwood YC has raised over \$775,000 in the last 16 years. All money has been used to grant wishes to children in Contra Costa County.

For more information, contact **Driftwood YC Commodore, Winky Scannell,** at 757-5800 or **Driftwood YC Make-A-Wish Chairman, George Oleff,** at 707-448-9744.



PICYA Report

Upcoming Events

- Oct 4 Delegates' Meeting at Tahoe YC
- Nov 1 Management Conference at Benicia YC

HISTORIAN NOTES KATHIE HAMMER



The ferry engines were always on display to the passengers and the ferry engineer always kept the engine room polished. He was proud of the crew and of his

engines. On each boat there were two whistles, one operated from each pilot house. The whistles were usually designed by the original engineer of the vessel. Each ferry had a different whistle and most ferrymen would know a ferry by hearing its whistle. This was very important in the fog. When the ferrymen heard a familiar whistle in the right direction they knew they were on the right course.

Another Reminder!

Members are responsible for their guests. All guests must sign in when they arrive.



Weekend Breakfasts Are Back Starting October 18th



Kathy Larosee will be serving breakfast from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturdays & Sundays.

Don't Forget!

At the November General Membership Meeting we will vote for our 2004 Officers & Directors.

Positions to be voted on are:

Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore Secretary, Treasurer, and (2) Directors

Please contact Lou Zobb if you are interested in running for these positions.

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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(Selvy's Article Continued from Page 2)

Once again the kids tore up the "Bouncing Room." Alice's Ole' Swimming Hole (Navy raft full of water) was not used much, being that the wind and temps kind of put a damper on that. Wait 'til next year! Anybody notice we had the sunscreen up again? Alice Gibson and Natalie Greer, helped by Hunny Bunny, got the thing hung up.

And THEN...if you missed Marina's face painting of our burgee here it is...



I don't know 'bout you, I got a lot to thank Mom & Dad for. If they didn't have me, I wouldn't be here to enjoy this...and I really enjoyed it.

Uf-Dah!

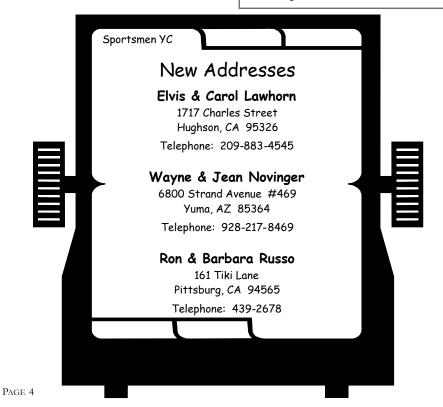
At the time of this printing, we do not have anyone scheduled to prepare the October Meeting Dinner.

You may call Jim Dawson, Elaine Rasmussen, or Audrey Coach to find out if anyone has signed up to prepare the dinner and obtain menu and pricing information.

Please Note

We will be updating the Club Directory soon! If your address, phone number, e-mail address, or boat information has changed, please contact Don or Freda Lucido as soon as possible.

Deadline for 2004 Directory updates is 12/1/03.



Sportsmen Family & Friends

- Oct 01 Sandie Schneider
- Oct 03 Nancy Olsson
- Oct 04 Tony Chapman
- Oct 05 Kay Millecam
- Oct 06 Celina Lafrades
- Oct 09 Jerry Fitzgerald
- Oct 09 Mike Freitas
- Oct 10 Marge Nelson
- Oct 11 Jill Wibbenhorst
- Oct 11 Robert Art
- Oct 12 Helen Ferrari
- Oct 15 Sherry Lively
- Oct 15 Kyleigh MacDougall
- Oct 19 Wanda Suniga
- Oct 21 Carol Hager
- Oct 23 Bill Fraser
- Oct 24 Bill Worrell
- Oct 24 Susan Nofrey
- Oct 25 Steve Nicholas
- Oct 25 Steve Michola
- Oct 26 Vicki Dunlap
- Oct 28 Ed Collins
 Oct 30 Diane Benson
- The October

Birthday Dinner Party is on the 25th



Bayliner ClubCruise -In

October 31st-November 2nd

Everyone is Invited!

We will be serving a Pork Loin Dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 1st. The complete menu and pricing will be announced at the October General Membership Meeting. You may contact Audrey Coach at 686-1167 or Elaine Rasmussen at 682-7585 for reservations.

Sportsmen Yacht Club's 6th Annual Pre-Derby Rib Dinner

BBQ

And Fishing Seminar

Pork

Wednesday, November 5th

Ribs

Dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

and all the

fixin's

Barry & Diana Canevero of Fish Hookers Sports Fishing will present the seminar. They will share the latest methods and techniques of Delta fishing. They bring a lifetime of experience fishing in the Bay and Delta Estuary. They are premiere guides of the Delta!



Raffle for Striped Bass Rod & Reel

\$5.00 per person

Reservations are not necessary



Sportsmen Yacht Club's 2003



WeekendFish Derby

Derby begins Friday, November 7th, at 10:00 p.m. Derby ends Sunday, November 9th, at 3:00 p.m. - SHARP!

Neal & Diane will be available to collect fees anytime between now and midnight on Nov. 7th

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MIDNIGHT ON NOV. 7th

Everyone Welcome!

Entry Fee: \$3.00 per category

Please bring your favorite dish to share! Potluck begins at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 9th

Weigh-in sheets will be posted on the door outside the Club's Board Room.

All entries MUST BE logged on weigh-in sheets before the Nov. 9th 3:00 p.m. deadline.

There will be three categories: Stripers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.

All fish must be weighed in at the Sportsmen YC scale and witnessed by another member. Entry fees are \$3.00 per category, per family (husband, wife, children and grandchildren to age 18). Entry fee for guests will be \$3.00 per person, per category.

The largest and second-largest fish (by weight) in each category will be awarded 1st and 2nd place, respectively, with prize money being split 70%-30%. If only one fish or no fish are entered in a category, the remaining prize money will be awarded to entrants in that category and will be determined by a drawing held during the Potluck and Awards Ceremony.

Contact Neal or Diane Essary for more information 228-7337