



Sportsmen Yacht Club

Newsletter

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**COMMODORE
RICKY SCANNELL**

To everyone who was able to attend our annual Club Picnic last month, "Thank You" for making it a great success. The turnout was awesome. We had everything from hamburgers to oysters and salads to ice cream. Although it took everyone's help to make it successful, I would like to thank a few individuals: Steve Martinez for stepping up and taking the lead spot in organizing the food and cooks; Pat Sebers for staying up all night preparing a tasteful BBQ like always; Doug Horton, Ethan Horton, and Scotty Wigmore for BBQing the hamburgers and hotdogs as well as the trimmings. I apologize to anyone I may have forgotten for it was a success due to everyone's participation.

As you know, we have been very busy with improvements to our Club. We are just about done with the south deck; thanks to everyone who was able to contribute your time and effort to making it a safer area for our members to use and enjoy.

October has arrived and Fall is near and that brings to mind Halloween. Before we get to that though, there are a few other activities happening. October 5th-8th is Fleet Week. Last year, I had the opportunity to go by boat and that made all the difference—from black and white to color. If you get a chance to go, take it. Go with the family or with friends—and don't forget to take a camera too!

October 20th, Becky Wilson is heading the Breast Cancer Fundraiser. Please set your calendars to help with this great cause.

October 27th, we will have a Halloween Party at the Club. We will feature our own Club DJs, Lawny & Lisa Chapman. So, if you dare, we may even open the mic for karaoke. We are looking for costumes of all kinds. Be as creative as you can and enjoy the night! Hope to see you there.

If you have not heard or just forgot, Chuck & Ann English have started Monday Night Football Dinners again.

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**VICE COMMODORE
LOUIE ROCHA**

As we enter the Fall Hunting Season, I want to wish all our Sportsmen the best of luck!

The 2nd annual Wine Bus Trip to El Sol was a great time! I want to thank Tammy for coordinating the wine tasting trip and Hal Liske for welcoming us into his winery.

This month the names of members interested in serving our Club in a leadership role will be presented at the General Membership Meeting.

I am excited to submit my name for the office of Commodore. I appreciate the support of so many who have agreed to become more involved next year. If anyone has not had the opportunity to share their level of interest, please contact Garry Ridolfi.

**We are now
accepting
nominations
for the
2013
Officers and
Directors**



Scannell's Article (Continued from previous column)

Come down and enjoy a night of fun with football, dinner, and drinks. Leave the cooking to us so you can enjoy the games!

Until next time...
Have a Great October!!



**REAR COMMODORE
DON WILSON**

This month is a little different. Becky and I are on a road trip in our RV. Right now we are staying overnight in an Elks RV park near the town of Tillamook, near the coast in Oregon. The last week has been busy with a lot of driving and lots of new scenery. We spent four days in Grants Pass, Oregon, on the Rogue River and treated ourselves to a jet boat ride down the river. Since then we have stopped at a number of spots along the Oregon coast. Our final destination before returning home will be Seattle, Washington.

Now, let's get to Club business.

Our last event was the Club Picnic. For those of you who did not attend, you missed a very nice day at the Club. Thanks to a few members with their last minute efforts, we may be able to rename the event "The Sportsmen YC Seafood Festival." The variety of food was awesome! It was good to see so many of you there.

Hopefully, by the time this is published, we are in possession of our new docks for Area 1. When I left for my trip everything seemed to be ahead of schedule and Lonnie Gibson was in control of the situation. There is still a lot of work to be done and I did notice many members were putting in the time and efforts to make this project a success.

I'm a little out of the loop these last two weeks but want to emphasize the importance of completing our south deck repairs. I hope this project is moving forward.

We are looking forward to seeing our friends back at the Club. We will be home by the time you read this.

As always, thank you for making our Club special.



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 the month
Newsletter final editing by: Freda Lucido

Menu

October Meeting Dinner

Lasagna

Salad

French Bread

Dessert

Dinner Prepared by
The Hoskins

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
as soon as possible*

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?

Touchdowns, Steak Dinners and Good Times at SYC



MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

Oct 1 / Oct 8 / Oct 15 / Oct 22 / Oct 29

Steak Dinners cooked to order
Dinner starts @ 6pm
\$10 per person

Hosted by: Chuck & Ann English

- ◆ Reservations not required but recommended
- ◆ Sign up sheet located @ the desk by the front door
- ◆ Call Ann English at 925-779-9330

Come on down to SYC even if you don't stay for dinner



**HISTORIAN'S NOTES
KATHIE HAMMER**

Of all the lighthouses built during the days of the U.S. Lighthouse Establishment, the most expensive was the St. George Reef Lighthouse. It was built in 1891, took ten years to build, and the cost was \$752,000. St. George Reef is nine rocks extending over 6½ miles northwest from Point St. George. The largest rock is northwest Seal Rock; this is where they built St. George Reef Lighthouse, which is 9½ nautical miles from the Battery Point Lighthouse.

The weather on the reef was so bad it took a decade to finish building. Men did not like being assigned to this lighthouse and said it was almost like being sent to the brig. Of the list of 80 keepers and assistant keepers from opening day until 1930, 28 asked for transfers, 2 died, one went to the hospital, 1 drowned, 2 left due to illness, one broke a leg, 3 were dismissed, 2 quit and 6 left with no explanation. The lighthouse is now abandoned and the light is not operating. It was removed and is on exhibit at the Del Norte Historical Society's museum in Crescent City.

A lighted navigational buoy replaced the old lighthouse; it's on top of a 42 foot structure and can be seen 13 miles on a clear night. Under the main light is a smaller light of lower intensity that will come on if the main light goes out. The buoy cost \$435,000 and is powered by two generators and batteries and has a radio beacon. The buoys are painted red.

There is a preservation society that is trying to restore the lighthouse and for a while they were offering helicopter trips to see it, but it has since been determined the helicopter trips are unsafe.



The full moon rises at dusk near the historic St. George Island Lighthouse (rickholliday.wordpress.com)



**PICYA Report
DARLENE DAWSON**

2012 PICYA CALENDAR

- Oct 1 Delegates' Meeting
Half Moon Bay YC
- Oct 6 Make-A-Wish Driftwood YC
- Oct 20 Fall Leadership Conference
- Nov 5 Delegates' Meeting (PICYA Awards) Encinal YC

Jane and I attended the September Delegates' Meeting at Marin YC in San Rafael. We were welcomed to this beautiful facility by Commodore Lee Cordner. After a delicious meal, regatta awards were presented; for a list of winners, go to www.picya.org.

We learned that a special America's Cup Edition of the 2013 Yachting Yearbook will be published. Because of this special edition, we want to make sure all our Club information is correct. If the information for you, as we have it in the 2012 Sportsmen Directory, is not correct and you have not notified Don or Freda Lucido, please make sure you do so by October 30th with your updated information.

RBOC

(Recreational Boaters of California)

RBOC is a non-profit governmental advocacy organization that, since 1968, has continued its commitment to promoting the enjoyment, protection, and responsible use of our waterways.

There is a long list of "saves" but for now they have just sent Governor Brown a letter asking him to veto AB 2443 (by Assemblyman Williams). This bill may double our boaters' registration fees under the guise of battling invasive species. To read and/or print the full letter, or to send the letter to the Governor via email, go to www.rbo.org and click on the link shown.

Thank you, Sportsmen, for your support to this diligent organization that is dedicated solely to recreational boaters—US!



**NEWS FROM
FLEET CAPTAIN
DARLENE DAWSON**

Save these dates!

- Nov. 1 Pre-Derby Dinner & Fishing Seminar
- Nov. 2-4 The Weekend Club Fishing Derby

Years ago when professional fishing guide Barry Canavero had an emergency with his boat, he came to our Club for help. As a thank you for our assistance, Barry began giving our members tips for catching the winning fish for our derby. He has done this at no cost to our Club since 1998! Bill Worrell and his son, Shawn, began organizing this whole event for our members. A huge "Thank You" to Bill and Barry for their hard work to keep this going!

The Weekend Fishing Derby has been going on since before Jim and I joined the Club (1976)! According to articles from the Antioch Ledger Archives, it appears this has been a popular event since our Club was organized in 1931.

Neal Essary has been coordinating this Weekend Fishing Derby since 1987. Thank you to Neal & Diane for continuing to do this year after year!

Your family and friends are invited to attend these events, so we hope to have a great turn-out!

California Coastal Cleanup Day

On Saturday, September 15th, the Delta Protection Commission hosted a Coastal Cleanup Site at Sportsmen YC from 9 a.m. until noon. We are happy to report that after scouring the San Joaquin River shoreline from Winter Island to Driftwood Marina, we only filled two small bags with garbage—a great testament to the fact that boaters and boating facilities are good stewards of the environment. Many thanks to Alex Westhoff, Environmental Planner, from the Delta Protection Commission, for providing gloves, trash grabbers, bags, and crew. Sportsmen YC provided the boat, fuel, and crew.



Marina volunteer collecting aquarium grass

Sportsmen's Fishing Corner.....

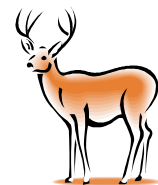
William Odum—Fishing on the Bay

*If you have pictures, fishing or hunting stories please send articles to Terri Barton
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Sportsmen's Hunting Corner...

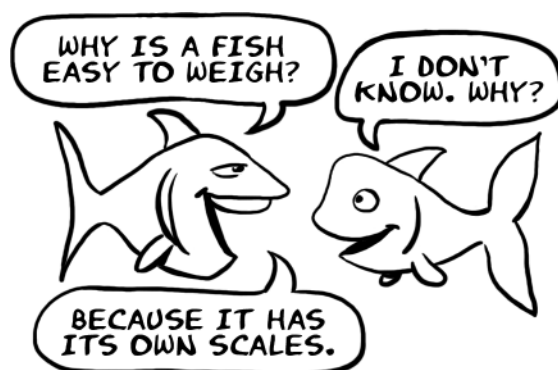
All you hunters out there -
Good Luck, Be Safe and Have a Great Season !!

Send your pictures in to the Newsletter Editor!

**Save the Date**

Pre-Derby Dinner & Fishing Seminar
Thursday, November 1st
at 6:30 pm

Details will be on the Club's website by October 20th. We will also send an email reminder—So please plan to come!

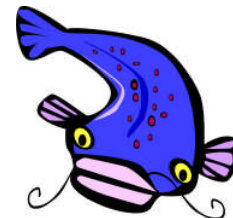
**Sportsmen's 2012 Weekend Fishing Derby**

Derby begins Friday, November 2nd at 10:00 pm
Derby ends Sunday, November 4th at 3:00 pm

Entry fee is \$5.00 per category

Neal & Diane Essary will collect fees anytime between now and midnight on November 2nd
Members and their guests are welcome to participate!

- 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. 6th 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 \$5.00 per category, per family (husband, wife, children and grandchildren to age 8).
- Entry fee for guests will be \$5.00 per person, per category.

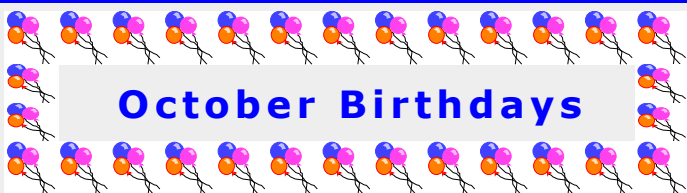


The largest and second-largest fish (by weight) in each category will be awarded 1st and 2nd place, respectively, with prize money being split 60%-40%. If only one fish or no fish are entered in a category, the remaining prize money will be awarded to entrants in that category and will be determined by a drawing held at 3:30 pm Sunday.

Even if you don't fish, come see who won!

Good Luck Fishermen !!

Contact Neal & Diane at 228-7337 if you have questions



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| 01 Sandie Schneider | 19 Kathy Harvey |
| 02 Dick Norway | 21 Denise Sterud |
| 02 Sarah Corippo | 22 Sheila Raines |
| 04 Tony Chapman | 22 Steve Jackman |
| 06 Celina Lafrades | 23 Armi Rafanan |
| 09 Jerry Fitzgerald | 23 Bill Fraser |
| 09 Lynda Bloxsom | 23 Lisa Chapman |
| 11 Jill Wibbenhorst | 23 Michaela Chaisson |
| 11 Robert Art | 23 Roger Mammon |
| 12 Donna DeSair | 24 Bill Worrell |
| 12 Helen Ferrari | 24 Susan Nofrey |
| 13 Bob Garrett | 24 Ted Idsoe |
| 13 Jane Parsons | 25 Steve Nicholas |
| 13 Walt Hoy | 27 Sheila Sanders |
| 14 Martin Rudolph | 28 Ed Collins |
| 15 Garry Ridolfi | 28 Jerry Kent Jr. |
| 15 Sherry Lively | |

Halloween Party

Saturday, October 27
 Potluck Dinner—6:30 p.m.
 DJs are Lawny & Lisa Chapman
 Best Costume Prize



NCPCA NEWS
BARBARA CHAPMAN

Please mark your calendars for the following events:
 September 22—San Rafael YC Over-The-Bottom Race Contest
 October 6—Vallejo YC, Delegates' Meeting (11:30 a.m.)
 November 10—NCPCA Change of Watch at San Joaquin YC. Cocktails at 5:30 p.m. and Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Reservations required.
 Everyone had a great season and we are so blessed to be able to welcome so many new members!
 If you are interested in riding along with one of the skippers, please call Diane Lasher, NCPCA Commodore, at 925-625-3223 or email her at signs@disimpressions.com.

Have Fun on the Water!!

Gather your friends and head to SYC for Friday Night Bingo Oct 19 / Nov 16

6 pm Bingo Cards Go On Sale
 7 pm Games Begin

\$10.00 for 4 Cards
 \$2.00 for Each Extra Card
 10 Games Played

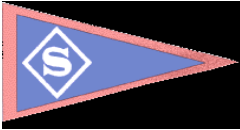
Dinner Menu
 Chili Cheese Dog \$3.50
 Hot Dog \$3.00
 Bowl of Chili \$1.00
 Nachos \$1.00
 Complimentary Cookies and Coffee



WELCOME New Members

Gordon & Sue Chinn

Angelo & Sharon Pappas



Sportsmen Yacht Club
P.O. Box 518
Antioch, CA 94509

Club Location:
3301 Wilbur Avenue, Antioch

FIRST CLASS MAIL



Fundraiser

Breast Cancer Luncheon

October 20, 2012
11:30 am—3:00 pm
\$20 Per Person

Thank you
For supporting
this GREAT
cause!

Proceeds go to Save a Sisters' Life

Reservations can be made online or contact
Ann English at 925-779-9330 by Oct 14th

Event coordinated by Becky Wilson and Anita Hinds

Shop with your favorite vendors....

Arbonne

Pampered Chef

Mary Kay

Cookie Lee Jewelry,

Miche Purses

Nicole Bracelets & Watches