Sportsmen Yacht Club Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2006



FROM OUR COMMODORE CHUCK CARROLL





Since w e combined the months of September and October, I just wanted to review some of the events that

occurred. The Club picnic was great success and well а attended. I think this year the children had an especially good time, with games like the egg toss, three-legged race & water balloon toss. Alice Gibson did а great iob painting the kids' faces. The cooking crew served up as good a chow you will ever have at a BBQ. Thanks to all the folks who helped! A big overall thanks to Lonnie Gibson for overseeing the whole event. Thank you to all who participated in making this such a wonderful time for all to eniov.

Thanks to Jerry Fitzgerald and all his fellow Sportsmen for generously supporting the

Make A Wish Foundation at Driftwood YC this year. It was great time for all who а While we are on attended. charitable subjects, I would like to extend a special thanks to Larry Draper and Jim & Darlene Dawson who the attended Wheel Chair Regatta. This was the 10th anniversary for the event and Larry Draper has been involved for those ten years.

As this goes to print, Ι witnessed several Sportsmen returning from Fleet Week and they all seemed to enjoy themselves. As always the Blue Angels put on а spectacular show. One of our Sportsmen had a real special the Marines allowed treat: Ethan Horton sit behind the guns, including the M16, 50 caliber, and the gunners' gun door on the helicopter. Next time you're at the Club look for some of his pictures.

We have been putting some extra time prepping the dredge for sale. A big thanks to Bob Williams, Tim Lamb, Gary Abeyta and Paul Larosee for their hard work. Jim Dawson has been working with an interested party in Florida. The dredge looks like new since we have repainted it. As I am sure Casey and Sherry will cover in their articles, we have had good attendance at our Work Parties, as well as at the impromptu ones. It was a little disappointing waiting for the new motor in the excavator. but Garry Ridolfi has been putting in overtime to make up for lost time. There is a light at the end of the tunnel and we should get our dry storage back fairly soon.

By now most of you have seen or heard about what happened to our south fence. Joe Fray our Surveyor Committee is Chairman. Please direct any questions and any information you might have on this subject to Joe. Joe is updated daily on

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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

November 2006

- 1 Fishing Seminar &
- Pork Rib Dinner 3 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 4-5 Annual Fishing Derby
- 11 Murder Mystery Dinner
- 23 Happy Thanksgiving!

December 2006

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- Club Meeting & Dinner
- Lighted Boat Parade
- 9 Kids with Santa & Potluck Dinner
 - Merry Christmas!
- 25 31 New Year's Eve Party

January 2007

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- 5
 - Club Meeting & Dinner
- Work Party 20 Installation Dinner

SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER



FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE SHERRY LIVELY



I hope everyone has been enjoying our fall season. We have all been busy at the Club.

Garry Ridolfi and crew have

been doing a bang up job on the dry storage area. The removal of the dredge spoils continues. Thanks go out to those who showed up and worked so hard on the Work Party on October 7th. Associates Joan and Ted Idsoe helped out upstairs with cleaning and fixing lunch. Thanks to George Brayton for grilling our burgers and mopping and cleaning the kitchen. Thanks to Dave MacDougall and Len Adkerson, Joe Fray, Steve Martinez, Harry Parker, Gary Abeyta and Bob Williams for securing the back lot and collecting and moving our fencing back inside the gated area. A big thanks to Tim Lamb and crew for painting the dredge and Kay Power and Kathy Harvey for their work on the grounds. Many more Sportsmen were working on various projects in and around the ferry, so again thanks to you all. October is a busy month with Make-a-Wish, Fleet Week, the down bay cruise and so many other fun things going on that I really appreciate all who donated time to our Club. **Ann Marie Alcorn** and her crew did a great meeting night dinner— October Fest style with Schnitzel and all the trimmings. *Thanks Ann Marie... Sportsmen and our guests were well fed.*

For those of you who are into football, there has been a nice group of Sportsmen watching various games on Sundays at the bar. Come up, join in, and enjoy some friendly rivalry. We are working on putting together a BBQ or potluck/tailgate style for the playoff games.

The Fishing Derby Seminar and Rib Dinner is Wednesday, November 1st. The Fishing Derby begins Friday night, November 3rd, at 10pm. Potluck and awards will be on Sunday, November 5th. Good luck to all!

Enjoy your Thanksgiving Day!

November Happy Birthday Wishes



- 01 Neil Sterud
- 07 Jerry Chamberlain

07 Loreen Carr

- 08 Marie Mello
- 08 Serlina Anderson
- 11 Debra Beckert
- 14 Jay Ward
- 15 William Shyne
- 16 Amy Dawson
- 17 Pamela Hamilton
- 18 Nancy Yarbrough
- 21 Gary Hager
- 22 Bill Crociata
- 22 Ken Williams
- 22 Lois Wills
- 22 Marc Maines
- 25 Wayne Novinger
- 26 Sandy Williams
- 26 Tom MacLean
- 29 Laura Ward
- 30 Lee Fitzgerald
- 30 Terri Arnold



San Joaquin YC was host for the September 11, 2006, Delegates Meeting. Past Commodore **Vern Bendsen** led an invocation and moment of remembrance for the 911 victims and for our current armed forces.

Several clubs presented RBOC donations. Rear Commodore **Fred Goodwin** reported on the upcoming Fall Management Conference at Golden Gate YC on October 28. Incoming officers are encouraged to attend.

> Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month. Flyer information is requested by the 15th.

Lenora Clark from RBOC reported the recent Call to Arms resulted in the defeat of SB 1127, which attempted to raid the recreational boaters fund to rescue commercial salmon fishermen. The state had other resources for this purpose.

Preparations for the 2007 yearbook are underway. Our next meeting is October 14 at Tahoe YC in Tahoe City.

For the 2007 cruise to Alaska, PICYA has booked 23 cabins which entitles members to a free cocktail party! There is still time to join the group. Check out the PICYA website for details.

The Wheelchair Regatta held on September 30th was a huge success. Many thanks to **Jim and Darlene Dawson** for bringing

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their boat down again this year to host some vets for a cruise on the bay. Larry did not let his recent surgeries stop him from the galley chores. The only difference this year is that he did let the crew do most of the work. He had volunteers from many yacht clubs to help out. Oyster Point and Martinez baked over 2000 cookies so the vets were able to take some home.

A personal note from Deanna: It is hard to describe the Wheelchair Regatta to those who have not been there, but I know everyone gets a "moment." Some of mine were: the WWII Navy nurse who was so excited to meet Margo Brown; the Alameda firefighter & his son standing in line for lunch rescuing a bug on the pavement (his comment was "my job is to save lives"). There was the Vietnam amputee who has not forgotten how to flirt with the ladies. I met 4 WWII women Marines who are just lovely women. My thoughts now are that in the coming years the vets coming will be younger in age, and that makes me sad.

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FROM OUR REAR COMMODORE CASEY CURRY



Not much to report as I was off duck hunting and missed the October Meeting and Work Party.

I see that a lot of work has been done on the dredge to include new paint, etc. Good job; it looks great! **Garry Ridolfi** continues to work on the "south forty." A crew is also making some repairs in that area. Now is the perfect time as everything is very accessible. The extra dirt should be gone soon and we can start moving trailers back to the dry storage lot.

See you on the November Meeting. Our next Work Party is scheduled for January.

(Commodore's Article Continued from Page 1) all legal issues and technical information.

Don't forget our Fishina Seminar will be November 1st. Our quest speakers will be Barry & Diana Canevero who have shared their current and best tips for the past several Also don't forget our years. Fishing Derby on November 4th-5th. Come out and catch the big one! Everyone is invited to attend the potluck on Sunday, the 5th, whether you participate in the fishing derby or not.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!



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HISTORIAN NOTES KATHIE HAMMER



The Fresno and the San Leandro Ferryboats are headed for demolition unless someone can save them.

Both ferries were built in the 1920's by the Southern Pacific Railroad to serve the Bay Area before the bridges were built.

In 1940, the Fresno was renamed Willapa and was sent to Puget Sound. Washington State Ferries eventually retired the vessel and returned it to San Francisco where the name "Fresno" was restored.

In 1923, the San Leandro spent time moving materials for World War II.

Both ferries were part of a plan to create floating offices and retail space at the Port of San Francisco. This was the vision of their owner Arnold Gridley. Unfortunately Mr. Gridley died in 2004 and his vision died with him. Since his death his son, Philip Wright, has tried unsuccessfully to find new owners. Meanwhile the vessels are rusting away at Mare Island.

It is estimated that it would cost at least four million each to restore the ferries.

It's such a shame to see this great part of history vanish. Both ferries made their final runs across the Bay in 1958.

It's so EASY to Make Your Event Reservations On-Line!and you can do it 24/7!!!

Go to our Website's Home Page. Our immediate upcoming events are featured and you can click on the "Reservations On-Line" button for the event you want to attend. Follow the directions and fill in the blanks on the form — then click the Submit button! It's that easy!! (You can also click on the "Scheduled Events" button and

make reservations for any event that is underlined.)

Visit Sportsmen YC's Website: www.sportsmenyc.org

SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

The Ghost of The Sausalito



Things have been a bit quiet around the Club lately. With the newsletter being a twomonther...it is a good thing. I overheard the "Cady-Man" telling "Uf-Dah!" and "Capt'n Pauley" about a little

event that happened in the harbor last month. It seems that there's a former Commodora who, while loading things on her boat, misjudged the size of the swim step and while dressed only in a T shirt... she broke the cardinal rule of your club harbor...**no swimming** in the harbor!!

Whilst splashing about and attempting to put the items she was trying to load, on the boat swim step, her husband came along and he cheerfully asked her if she needed any help getting out..."NO I'm FINE!!" ... "Well Alrighty then....I'll just hang around to see if there is anything you would like me to help you with dear." ... Splash...glub glub... "I don't want to go into the Green Gunky part of the harbor... it smells...!" It seems the swim step ladder wasn't right to use and she was forced to go into the "Green Gunky part of the harbor" and use the ladder put there for that purpose of climbing out of the basin after accidentally falling in. A lovely thing she was, all covered in a charming Green T shirt...I bet if she didn't wash it she could wear it for St. Patty's Day Dinner. The fun we have here!!

The river's been flat and the Make a Wish day at your buddy's, the "Drifties" play ground, was a well attended event and with what "MissFitz" sent over from you guys pushed the total over \$40,000 That leprechaun Fitzgerald is a solid guy and he would have really liked my old crowd working around this ferry in the 20's.

Meeting night was a calm affair...I was prepared to hold a pillow on my head to keep out the "lively and colorful" discussion over a mysterious event that happened in October. But nooo. You guys are a bunch of cool customers...

Fishing derby next week!! This is where I came in...

Say... anybody notice the new cat? ...Likes to hang out under the ferry. Not as friendly as "Cat" ...but if I can get close ... who knows?

-Ghost



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The next PICYA Annual Cruise to Alaska is scheduled for June 10, 2007, on the Dawn Princess.

For more details, click on the PICYA link under "Related Links" on our web site.



MEMBER INFORMATION CORNER

- Jerry Goldsmith continues to try to stay active while the doctors run tests.
- Gary Mills has been in the hospital, being treated for complications from a Black Widow bite. Doctors were able to save his leg and he is now recovering.
- Paul Olsson is getting physical therapy following his second hip replacement surgery.
- Wayne Novinger had a heart attack recently and had two stints implanted in an artery that was blocked. He's home and feeling much better.

We wish each of you a speedy recovery and hope to see you at the Club soon!

Welcome New Associate Members

Kaylath & Kyle Harper P.O. Box 1976 Bethel Island, CA 94511 Phone:

925-684-9484

Orce apor a time... There were some members who didn't check their Glab directory to make sare the information aboat them was correct. So when the rew directory was pablished, all their friends at the Glab coaldn't contact them for all the fan staff going on!

If you haven't given us your updated information, please either call or email as soon as possible! The deadline for the 2007 directory is December 10th.

Tkanks... Don & Freda 228-3609 Iacidos@pacbell.net

The Newsletter is available in COLOR on-line. Go to our website at sportsmenyc.org and click on the "Monthly Newsletter" button to get your PDF version now!

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YES!

Dinner will be served before our November Meeting!

<u>Our Menu</u>

Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes With Gravy Creamed Corn Biscuits

Prepared by Doug Horton and Gary Abeyta

\$9 per person

We are limited to 50 reservations, so contact Audrey Coach, Elaine Rasmussen, or make your reservations on-line as soon as possible

Come join us!



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.

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Don't Forget! At the November General Membership Meeting, we will vote for our 2007 Officers & Directors Positions to be voted on are: Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer, and (2) Directors

The names of those nominated will be announced at the General Membership Meeting in October. Additional nominations may be made orally by any Regular, Family, or Life member during that meeting. The names of all nominees will be posted on the bulletin board are remain posted until the November General Membership Meeting.

Following the October meeting, nominations may be made by any Regular, Family, or Life Member prior to the first day of November, by filing with the Club Secretary the nomination in writing and signed by the member making the nomination and signed by the proposed nominee. Any nominations received in this manner will also be posted on the bulletin board and remain posted until the next Membership Meeting.

Nominations will not be accepted after the last day of October.

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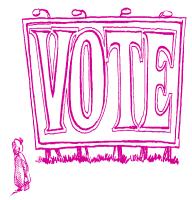
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At the November Meeting, we will be voting to fill Board positions for 2007 The following members are

candidates for the positions shown below:



Commodore Vice Commodore Casey Curry Rear Commodore Pat Sebers Treasurer Secretary

Sherry Lively Freda Lucido Angie Williams

Directors (voting for two) Jim Arnold **George Greer**

Please note: The above names listed are candidates as of October 15, 2007. Secretary Bob Art has advised he will not run for re-election in 2007.

Sportsmen Yacht Club's 9th Annual Pre-Derby Rib Dinner And Fishing Seminar

Wednesday, November 1st Dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

BBQ Pork Ribs and all the fixin's

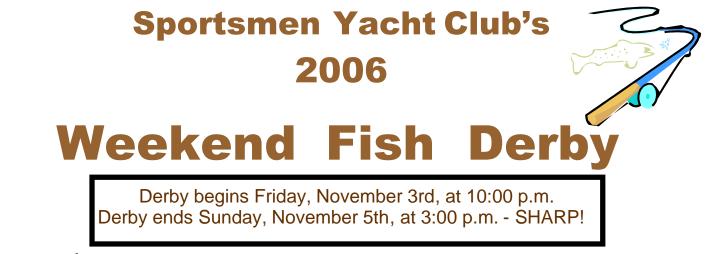


Raffle for Striped Bass Rod & Reel



\$8.00 per person

Reservations are not necessary





Neal & Diane will be available to collect fees anytime between now and midnight on Nov. 3rd

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MIDNIGHT ON NOV. 3rd

Everyone Welcome!

Entry Fee: \$3.00 per category

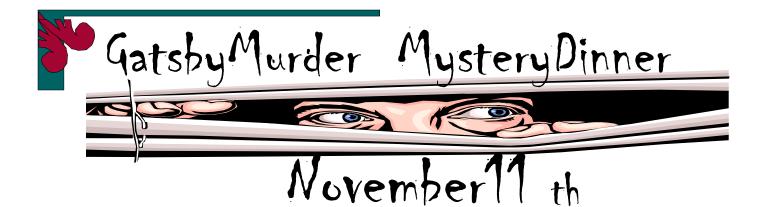
There will be a Free Raffle for all Adults present at the time of the awards

Please bring your favorite dish to share! The Potluck is open to <u>everyone</u> and begins at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5th. So, even if you don't fish, bring a dish and come see who won!

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. 5th 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



Theme - The Roaring 20's



Women, we just won the right to vote and alcohol is now illegal! Us flappers with "bob cuts" (fashioned after our favorite movie star) & rolled down hose will be drinking cocktails & dancing the Charleston with our mob-gangster or preppy great-Gatsby men in our speakeasy haunted/spirited establishment!

JOIN THE FUN!

To "get in" with your SPEAKEASY PASSWORD simply make your reservations on-line or call Elaine (766-6675) or Audrey (686-1167)! This is an event you won't want to miss!

Reservations are limited - so get yours in now!!!





Dinner Menu: New York Steak, Baked Tattor & Fixings, Fresh Veggie, Salad, Rolls, Cheesecake (Able to accommodate Vegetarian requests for dinner) Plan to arrive at 5:15 p.m. – that's when the fun begins! Professional actors will guide us through the murder mystery – then there will be entertainment and dancing following the dinner! All this for just \$30 per person!!





Annual Lighted Boat Parade

Get Into the Christmas Spirit Decorate Your Boat and Join the Fun!



Saturday, December 2nd

Boats will group under the Antioch Bridge at 4:30 p.m.

Entry forms will be available at the December Meeting The entry fee is a \$10 toy to be donated to Granny's Anonymous

Darlene Dawson is our Club Representative

Santa is Cruising Jy Saturday, December 9th



Please Remember

- Bring enough food to cover all your guests
- Bring a gift for Santa to give to each child in your party

6:15 p.m. Santa Arrives!



Also... Write the name & age of the child and write the Sportsmen member name on each gift

the children

(This helps Santa's helpers get the kids' pictures to the correct Club member.)