

Sportsmen Yacht Club

Newsletter

December 2011

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT SPORTSMEN



- 2 Club Meeting & Dinner
- 3 Lighted Boat Parade
- 10 Kids w/Santa & Potluck
- 25 Merry Christmas
- 31 New Year's Eve Party



- 6 Club Meeting & Dinner



- 3 Club Meeting & Dinner



**COMMODORE
GARRY RIDOLFI**

Well, here we are, my last newsletter of the 2011 year and last of being your Commodore. I want to thank everyone who help and supported me for the last two years as your Vice Commodore and your present Commodore. I couldn't have done it without you!

It has been a lot of fun and now it's time to step away and just enjoy the Club for all of its amenities that it has to offer! I have been very active since I joined in 2005 and given my heart and soul because I love the place. Now it's time to move on! Thank you everyone.

We have a couple more events left at the Club before the end of the year - one meeting, the Lighted Boat Parade and our evening with Santa.

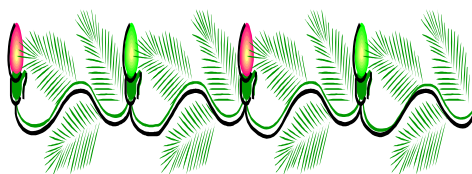
I want to thank Robbie and Brett Horton for the wonderful job on the Daniel's Wish Fundraiser. I think we all did well to help out our child in need, little Daniel!

I also want to thank Paulet Hoskins for doing such a great job as our Caretaker over the past two years. You will be missed. Now we need to find a qualified replacement to fill your shoes!

To all of my committee chair personnel - "Thank You." Everyone took their jobs seriously and did an awesome job. Alice Jackman, what can I say? You jumped in with both feet and came out shining! Sorry to see you leave after just one year. Great job, Alice!

Now on a sad note: I am sure everyone has heard about Shirley Karr. She is a tough lady and has a long road to recovery. Let's all keep her and Bob in our prayers.

Well, thank you everyone and have a safe and Happy Holiday!



**VICE COMMODORE
RICKY SCANNELL**

Let me start by saying "Thank You" Sportsmen for your help. Because of all your support I am able to say I had a wonderful year serving as your Vice Commodore. I had such a good time I decided to run for Commodore, and with your blessings I made it. I look forward to serving as Commodore and promise I will try my hardest to continue in keeping the future of our Club heading in the right direction.

For those of you who were out of town or busy with family due to the holidays this November, the Bingo and Thanksgiving Dinner were canceled. Shirley Karr, a member of our Sportsmen family, was injured. She suffered a serious neck injury. Our prayers go out to Shirley and Bob Karr for a healthy and speedy recovery.

December already? Time seems to fly by when having fun. Just a few reminders for the month of December: Monday Night Football still going strong. Looking for dinner and entertainment with good friends? Look no more! Every Monday Night you can get an \$8.00 (made to order) steak dinner provided by Chuck and Ann English. Also on Sundays, we have Football playing all day. Thanks to Doug and Shari Horton for providing Sunday snacks or hotdogs. Feel free to join the fun, maybe bring your special snack to share. I hope to see you there supporting the Club as well as relaxing with friends and rooting for your favorite team.

Don't forget the Club's calendar for the end of the year's events. I look forward to everyone's support in the year's end club functions. If you have a boat, I hope to see you out in the Lighted Boat Parade. Please see Darlene Dawson or Kay Power for entry details.

On the 10th of December, we will be having a visit from Santa! Don't forget to make your reservation early, and include your best holiday potluck dish to share. It's always nice to see everyone and their families. Last years attendance was so good, we are anticipating a larger turnout.

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**REAR COMMODORE
LOUIE ROCHA**

Best wishes to the Sportsmen and their families. Thanksgiving was a very special time to give thanks for God's blessings. I want to thank all of you for welcoming Tammy and I into the Sportsmen family. The new friendships that we have experienced at the SYC has been a true blessing.

As we move forward into the final month of the 2011 year, it is a time for change. Congratulations to the new team of officers and directors who will take office next month, Ricky Scannell as Commodore, Don Wilson as Rear Commodore, Jim Arnold as Secretary, Marina Faconti as Treasurer, Lonnie Gibson, Rob Langer, and Kenny Norris as Directors and myself as Vice Commodore. I look forward to serving with this new leadership team of the Sportsmen YC.

As we close out the final month of the 2011, I hope that this year has brought you all that you have worked and wished for, and wish you the very best in the upcoming 2012 new year.

Best wishes!

(Scannell's Article continued from page 1)

In closing I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with their families, and wish you and all our Sportsmen families an extremely wonderful and safe Christmas and New Years.



2012 Officers and Directors

Commodore:	Ricky Scannell
Vice Commodore:	Louie Rocha
Rear Commodore:	Don Wilson
Treasurer:	Marina Faconti
Secretary:	Jim Arnold
Directors:	Lonnie Gibson
	Rob Langer
	Kenny Norris
	(One Open Position)

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

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.

Menu

December Meeting Dinner

Chile Verde

Rice, Beans

Tortillas

Green Salad

Dessert

Dinner Prepared by

Scott Jett and Dan Espinosa

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.)

Annual Lighted Boat Parade Saturday, December 3rd

Join the fun!

Decorate your boat and join the parade
Or watch the parade from the waterfront

Dinner & Awards
presentation at
Driftwood YC

Dinner: \$10 per person
Baked Chicken, potatoes,
Veggies, salad, and dessert



Children under 6 are free with paid adult(s)

Dinner reservations: Angelic Hetrick
925.584.4721
achetrick@comcast.com

For more information please contact:

Jane Parsons 925-757-0235
Darlene Dawson 510-207-8498
Kay Power 925-757-2151



HISTORIAN'S NOTES

KATHIE HAMMER

Maybe it was because I wrote about it that Keith and I took four days at the end of October to go camping at Duncan Mills. I remember as a child visiting this picturesque village and also remember my mother talking about the area in the 1920's. If you look at old photos, you can see the hundreds of people waiting for the train to take them to the ferries that took them back to the big city. Like I wrote last month, it was a very popular vacationland.

Duncan Mills was named for two brothers, Samuel and Alexander Duncan and was an established lumber mill town in the early 1870's. The brothers logged the redwood trees, which were sent by lumber schooners down the coast to San Francisco to build the beautiful Victorians there. By the turn of the century, there were several large hotels and the town was thriving.

The North Pacific Coast Railroad (later the Northwestern Pacific) came to Duncan Mills in the 1870's until the last train left in 1935. People came from San Francisco on the ferry, received their tickets in Sausalito and headed to the end of the line, Duncan Mills.

If you visit Duncan Mills today you can see the restored depot that won the California Historical Award for the best restoration in 1971. There is the original railroad coach that has been restored and placed on the tracks by the depot. In 1994 the original caboose No. 2 was brought home to be on display. After hundreds of visitors in the early days, the population is now 85.



Merry Christmas



PICYA Report

DARLENE DAWSON

2011 PICYA CALENDAR

Dec—Jan	No Meetings
Jan 28	Installation Dinner

Encinal YC hosted the 46th Annual Awards Dinner on Monday, November 7th, 2011. Staff Commodore Fred Goodwin of Bridge Marina Yacht Club was named Yachtsmen of the Year. This very prestigious award was established in 1977 when PICYA honored Douglas Boswell for his outstanding and distinguished service to yachting in the State of California.

Congratulations Fred!

Below are the recipients of the Awards by Nomination – 2011. For a complete listing of all awards and recipients please visit www.PICYA.org.

Douglas Boswell Yachtsman of the Year
Fred Goodwin, Bridge Marina YC

Condon Award
Erich Anderson, Sequoia YC

Robert S. Olson Memorial, Poseidon Award
Johnnie Owen, Meeks Bay YC

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz USN Perpetual
Trophy
Half Moon Bay YC

Jo Bates Memorial Delegate of the Year
Award
Sheila Chase, Metropolitan YC

Bay & Delta Yachtsman, Public Service
Award Trophy
Encinal YC

Club Meritorious Service Award
Richmond YC

Lloyd Ryland Trophy – Russ Robinson
South Bay YC

Glen Harter Trophy
Delta Marine YC

There are no PICYA delegate meetings in December and January. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your 2011 PICYA Delegates:

Darlene Dawson, Jane Parsons and Kay Power.



NEWS FROM FLEET CAPTAIN

CYNTHIA PETERSEN

Ahoy there...

Can't believe the last boating event of the year is almost upon us! As announced in the last newsletter, the Lighted Boat Parade will be held this year on Saturday evening, December 3rd. It is a great time to decorate your boat, gather friends and family, and head out for a wonderful holiday evening on the water.

Driftwood YC is hosting the parade and the flyer announcing the event can be found on page 2 of this newsletter. A link to the flyer and application form to participate in the parade can be found at the Sportsmen website; copies are also posted at the Club.

Driftwood YC is hosting a dinner and awards ceremony following the parade. DYC is requesting reservations for the dinner no later than Wednesday, November 30th.

As I write this, we are giving thanks for our own personal blessings. Our thoughts are also with Shirley and Bob Karr and the Karr family. Our best wishes go out to Shirley and to her recovery so she can leave the hospital as soon as she is able. As a beloved member of the Sportsmen family, she is missed, and the Club will not be the same until she can return.

See you at the December membership meeting if not before!



December Birthdays

01 Larry Green	17 Ray Telles
02 Rex Cook	18 Shirley Furno
02 Tina Adkerson	20 Bob Karr
03 Tim Nerby	20 Yvonne Brayton
05 Alice Gibson	21 Jean Rounsaville
08 Steven Peedle	21 Mike Transchel
09 Helen Davidson	25 Natalie Greer
11 Neil Sterud_II	26 Chuck English
11 Pat Parker	27 John Torres
12 Freda Lucido	28 Cindy Mammon
12 Kathy Larosee	28 Nicole Langer
13 Dave Davidson	28 Susan Carroll
14 Mary Sebers	29 Danny Kipp
14 Michael Hoskins	29 Scott Jett
16 Jerry Kent	30 Dwayne Minick
16 Larry Draper	31 Josh Jaime
17 Carol Fray	31 Mike Stroer

From Kathy and Bob Kaiwi

WANT TO GO ON A CRUISE?

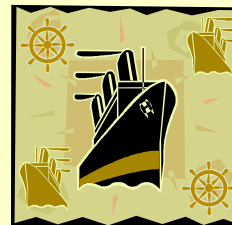
Join Sportsmen members for a 15 day cruise through the Panama Canal.

Depart from San Francisco
Friday, September 28, 2012

Arrive in Fort Lauderdale, FL
Saturday, October 13, 2012,

Ports of call include: Cabo San Lucas, Costa Rica, Panama, Aruba and Cartagena, Columbia

If interested, contact Valerie at Cruise Adventures Unlimited (925) 935-7447. Mention that you are from Sportsmen YC. If we get 8 rooms booked, we get a group discount.



Santa Is Coming to Town

Saturday, December 10th



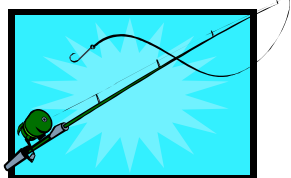
- 5:00 Potluck Dinner
- 5:45 Singing Carols with Mrs. Hammer
- 6:15 Santa Arrives



Bring enough food to represent all your guests (sign up at the December General Meeting)



Bring a gift for Santa to give to each child in your party and write the name and age of the child and include Sportsmen member name on each gift; this helps Santa's helpers get the kids' pictures to the correct member



Sportsmen's Fishing Corner.....

The water is starting to cool down and get a little dirty. This is the time of the year Black Bass start to feed up and get ready for the winter. Start fishing points with current on them and access to deep water; a crank bait is a very good way to catch bass this time of year. Stay with your crawdad colored lures reds and blacks. If you have used a jig, this is also a good bait, black and blue in color on deep ledges. I like to put my boat parallel to the bank and throw a crank bait along the edges of grass beds this time of year. The next best rig for the winter is a drop shot rig.

A drop shot rig is a light weight tied on the end of your line with a hook tied about 10 inches from the bottom. Use a rubber worm such as a 6 inch Robo Worm in a MM II color, pitch it to the edge of the weed beds or the bank let go to the bottom and shake it. Chances are you won't feel the bite your rod will just load up with weight when you get a bite.

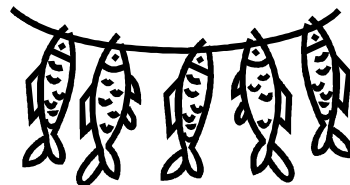
Stripers are starting to come in. There hasn't been any large schools of large fish yet, just a lot of schoolies. In the Pittsburg area, they are picking them up on Bull Heads and Split Tail. In the Sherman Lake area, a Rattle Trap and Hair Raisers are doing well. As the water warms during the day, have a Big Hammer Swimbait tied on. If the water is stained or fairly clear, have a white one and, if it is dirty, go to Chart Blue in color. If you get a couple of warm days, go out early in morning and later in the evening using a top water bait such as a Pencil Popper, Zara Spook or a Black Dog Lunker Punker. These baits will produce larger fish.

If you're going to fish the Big Break area, try between the Tully Islands in the current using the Swimbait.

If you need help, stop by or call the Hook Line & Sinker at 925-625-2441 or you can go to our website www.hookproshop.com

Happy fishing and keep a tight line.

Gene Buchholz
Hook Line & Sinker



Sportsmen YC's 2011 Weekend Fishing Derby Winners

The 2011 Weekend Fishing Derby started at 10:00 pm on Friday, November 4th, and ended Sunday, November 6th, at 3:00 pm.

Striped Bass

1st Place Dennis Higgins 8lbs. 3oz.
2nd Place Rex Cook 5 lbs. 2 oz.

Cat Fish

1st Place Buck Black 5 oz.

Congratulations to our **WINNERS**
and **thanks** to all our participants!!!!

Sportsmen's Hunting Corner.....

Hunting is in full swing.



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

*If you have fishing or hunting tips or information and you don't mind sharing with other fellow Sportsmen, please send articles to: Terri Barton
Email: newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org or the5bartons@comcast.net*



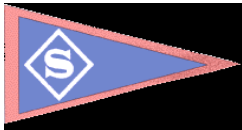
MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

Steak Dinners \$8.00 per person
Steaks cooked to order
Hosted by Chuck & Ann English

Reservations a MUST ! Call Ann at 925-779-9330 or use the sign-up sheet located by the registration book at the main entrance at the Club.



CANCELLED in
December



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P.O. Box 518
Antioch, CA 94509

Club Location:
3301 Wilbur Avenue, Antioch

FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Sportsmen Yacht Club New Years Eve

Plan to spend NEW YEAR'S EVE
with fellow Sportsmen Members on
Saturday, December 31st



7:00 pm Bring an Appetizer to Share

8:00 pm BUNCO

\$5.00 Buy in per person

Money Prizes Determined by Participation

Hope to see all of you...WE WILL HAVE A GREAT TIME!