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2016



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NEWSLETTER

Sportsmen Yacht Club



Commodore Doug Horton

The Club is beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Thanks to Ann English for spearheading the 2nd Annual Christmas Contest which is now becoming a tradition. It's a lot of fun to see all the different decorations and it's perfect for getting ready for Santa's visit to our Club!

Since I didn't have a chance to say it in the November Newsletter, I would like to thank Micheline Simpson and her crew for the making our Halloween Party such a success. The lower deck was decorated to the hilt and there were lots of kids who enjoyed walking through the hallways and cabins. Some were "tricked" and all were "treated" to a great evening.

Congratulations to the winners of the November Fishing Derby! We used to call it the Annual Weekend Derby, but now we have extended it to go from the November Meeting Night until Veteran's Day—so we're just going to call it the November Fishing Derby from here on out.

This is my last article as your Commodore. We have accomplished a lot and there are a lot of people who made it happen. The list is too long to put here, and I appreciate all the support you have given to me and the Club. At the Installation Dinner in January, I will recognize individuals for their specific contributions.

I would like to give a special thanks to my wife,

Shari, for putting up with me for the last twelve months. She helped out in so many ways including being my personal secretary, coordinating decorations, and kept up with being Ethan's mom. I would also like to thank our son, Ethan, for just putting up with me in general. I am proud to have served Sportsmen YC.

Congratulations to our 2017 Board of Directors with Matt Tate taking over as Commodore.

I wish each one of you a Merry Christmas and the very best in 2017.



Quack, Quack!



Vice Commodore Matt Tate

December is upon us and I'm really looking forward to a great Holiday Season at our Club. One of Marianne's favorite events is about to occur—the Lighted Boat Parade—and she is busily getting ready for it. We hope to see many of our members' boats out on the river that night, lighting up the water with the festive colors of the Season. For those not floating their

boat, the parade can be watched from Bridge Marina, our Club deck, or Riverview Lodge.

Several other events are also on the agenda for this month that I hope will bring many of you to the Club to enjoy with your fellow Sportsmen including Santa with all of the kids and a potluck dinner; MNF games and dinners; our Game Night year-end

Championship Texas Hold'em Poker Game, where all of the monthly winners get to play to see who will be crowned the Champ of 2016! Billy and Marina are also hosting a very special Christmas Dinner that you will not want to miss.

On another note, we are making great progress on the expansion of our Ship's

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FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

PREPARED BY AUDREY & ARLEIGH



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

**Volunteers are needed to cook for the
Friday Night Meeting Dinners.**
Please contact Ann English 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

Upcoming Events at Sportsmen YC

December

- 2 Club Meeting
- 3 Lighted Boat Parade
- 6 Knitting Class
- 10 Kids with Santa and Potluck
- 16 Game Night & Dinner
- 17 Christmas Dinner
- 25 Merry Christmas!
- 31 New Year's Eve Party

January

- 6 Club Meeting
- 7 Work Party
- 9 College Football
Championship (MNF)
- 20 Game Night & Dinner
- 28 Installation Dinner

View the complete
2017 Calendar **ONLINE!**

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Store. The liquor storage has been moved across the aisle and we plan to use the old space to make our Ship's Store larger and brighter so we can offer more items to our members and guests. Thanks to all who helped with the construction and moving.

I'm looking forward to a fun December and a great 2017.

Hoping to see you soon at the Club or out on the Delta.



December's Game & Movie Night



Friday, December 16th

Papa Murphy's Pizza and Salad

6:30 p.m. \$5



Texas Hold'Em Championship!
Movie Feature will be "Home Alone"



This Month:

Tuesday, December 6th
7 p.m.

Learn to Knit

From one of the best teachers in Contra
Costa County!

Our very own Cindy Mammon is teaching knitting
on the **first Tuesday of each month** at the Club!
Bring your yarn and some knitting needles and
you'll be knitting in no time!



Don't Forget!
Monday Night Football
Every Monday at the Club!!

See the complete menu options **ONLINE**,
then make your reservations **ONLINE**
or call Ann at 779-9330

Make reservations by Noon on Monday



Rear Commodore Robert Babo

The year is nearly over and where has the time gone? It was just 12 months ago I was elected as the Rear Commodore of the Sportsmen YC. I would like to thank the membership for electing me as your Vice Commodore for 2017; Denise and I really enjoy the friends and families we have become a part of and we look forward to a great year.

December has some great events starting with the Lighted Boat Parade; Bridge Marina YC is hosting the Awards Dinner. Our Santa Night and Potluck is always a fun event for the kids and the adults. Then we have our Tournament of Champions for the Texas Hold'Em finale, the last Game Night of the year. There is a Christmas Dinner which is sure to be delicious, prepared by Billy and his crew. Last I would like to remind everyone that we are having New Year's Eve Party here at the Club; we are having steak with potatoes, salad, dessert,

and a Champaign toast at midnight. We hope everyone will join us to bring in the New Year!.

Be sure to check the information in this Newsletter for all the details of each of these events.



HISTORIAN'S NOTES KATHIE HAMMER

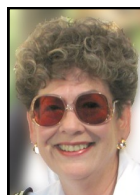
Getting ready for Christmas already? Mark December 10th, for a favorite event at the Club—the arrival of Santa Claus by boat. Of course, the boat is all lit up and Santa waves to all the good boys and girls.

He arrives on West Island and lets his reindeer feed on asparagus while he visits one and all.

Before he arrives everyone brings food to share, then I will read the book *"The Night Before Christmas"* and sing with the children. I have been doing this for 23 years and still enjoy watching their smiling faces as they sing and ring jingle bells.

It has always been a magical night. Don't forget to bring a wrapped gift for all the children you bring with your name, their name and age on each gift. When Santa calls them up one by one to talk to them, their faces light up. Sometimes it is hard to wait, but in time all of the children get to talk to Santa.

Then we wave goodbye to him as he boards the Lighted Boat and he is off to West Island to collect his reindeer. If you listen very carefully you might hear him say, "Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night!"



PICYA NEWS

DARLENE DAWSON

2017 PICYA CALENDAR

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| Jan 28 | Annual Commodore's Ball & Installation of Officers | Mar 6 | Delegates' Meeting Benicia YC |
| Feb 6 | Delegates' Meeting Coyote Point YC | | |

I attended the Awards Dinner at Encinal YC. Congratulations to all nominees and winners. For a complete list of winners and photos, please see the November Navigator at the following link: www.PICYA.org/Navigator.

This year we were awarded a Certificate of Perfect Attendance for the past 12 years. Thank you, everyone, for your continued support to PICYA and RBOC.

It has been another memorable year at Sportsmen YC. Thank you, 2016 Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs for serving. It has once again been my pleasure to serve as your PICYA representative.

Congratulations and best wishes to our 2017 Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



December Birthdays!

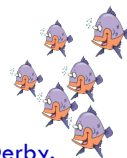
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 14 Mary Sebers
 16 Jerry Kent
 16 Larry Draper
 17 Carol Fray
 17 Donna Fields
 18 Matthew Peebles
 18 Roy Garner
 20 Bob Karr
 20 Yvonne Brayton
 21 Mike Transchel
 23 Samantha Caputo
 25 Natalie Greer
 26 Chuck English
 27 Bill Moore
 27 Mike Skuija
 28 Cindy Mammon
 28 Susan Carroll
 29 Scott Jett
 30 Dwayne Minick
 31 Mike Stroer



2016 Sportsmen Annual Fishing Derby Update (as of November 20, 2016)

We have 36 people entered in the 2016 Derby.

- * There is \$490 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.
- * For the Catfish category, Chris Yarbrough holds 1st Place with a 9# 11 oz. whopper and he holds 2nd Place with a 5# 10 oz. catch. Albert Perez has 3rd Place with a 2# 2oz. catfish.
- * In the Striped Bass category, Jim Dawson holds all three places with a 38# 12 oz. fish for 1st Place, 24# 8 oz. for 2nd Place, and 19 # for 3rd Place.
- * For our Sturgeon category, William Odum is in 1st place with a 31 pounder, Rick Barton and Carl Rasmussen each weighed in a 27 pounder to tie for 2nd Place.



December is still a good month for fishing and it's not too late to get in this Annual Fishing Derby because 100% of the money goes back to the fishermen and we now pay four places in each of the three categories. To sign up is only \$5 per category or \$15 for all three. You must be signed up 24 hours before going fishing. Again, this Derby goes until New Year's Eve.

Get in the Derby!
Go out and catch some fish!
 Jim Dawson

In Memory Of...

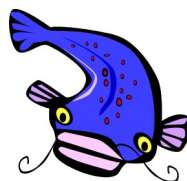
Jan Harrington passed away unexpectedly on November 14th. Bob and Jan joined our Club in 1982 and Jan had served as President of the Lady Sailors Club while it was active. During the 1980s and 1990s, Jan could often be found working in the galley preparing food. She loved to share her recipes and often recalled making 45 pounds of potato salad for the Club Picnic!

Jan was known as someone who was always willing to help anyone who asked.

Bob preceded her in death in 2002.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, from 11 a.m.—2 p.m., at 1201 Monument Boulevard in Concord — at the Clubhouse in the Senior Community where Jan lived.

Our sympathy to Jan's family.



Congratulations to our Winners!

November Derby Results

Sturgeon: 1st Place—Carl Rasmussen—27# 0 oz.
 2nd Place—Ferris Anthony—23# 11 oz.

Catfish: 1st Place—Jim Dawson—15 oz.
 2nd Place—Jim Dawson—15 oz.

Striped Bass:
 1st Place—Jim Dawson—24# 8 oz.
 2nd Place—Jim Dawson—19# 0 oz.

Special Thanks to Kevin Wickman for providing the prizes. Everyone who participated in the Derby and came to the dinner received a prize!



Sportsmen YC's New Year's Eve Party!

Saturday, December 31st

Starting at 7 p.m., enjoy a delicious Steak Dinner!
Then at 9 p.m. we have Music and Dancing with a DJ.
Enjoy a Slide Show of the Year in Photos
Champagne Toast at Midnight
\$20

Reservations requested by Wednesday, December 28th
There will be a \$5 Cover Charge to enjoy the
Evening's Music and Midnight Toast

Congratulations!



Keith & Kathie Hammer were awarded their
Life Membership Award at the November 2016 Meeting
by Commodore Doug Horton.

Lighted Boat Parade

Hosted by
Bridge Marina Yacht Club

Dinner and Awards Presentation
following the Parade

Boats will group under the
Antioch Bridge at 4:45 p.m.

Parade Begins at 5:00 p.m.

Questions about the Parade?
Contact Darlene Dawson at 510-207-8498

Saturday, December 3rd



Parade Entry Forms
available on our
Website

Dinner Menu

Roasted Pork Loin
Roasted Red Potatoes
Veggies, Caesar Salad
Dessert

\$15.00

3:00 p.m. Bar Opens at BMYC
7:00 p.m. Dinner is Served
Awards following Dinner

Call Jim Davi at 698-6856 or email
captianjim@comcast.net to make
your dinner reservations.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Join us for a
Sportsmen Christmas Dinner
Saturday, December 17th
Prepared by Chef Billy and Crew

7:00 p.m. Salad Bar
7:30 p.m. Dinner Served

\$22.50

Make Your Reservations
ONLINE
or call Ann at 779-9330



We will have some
Very Special Raffle Prizes
Including Two Gift Baskets valued at \$175,
Wine, and Dinner Gift Certificates!



Menu

Marina's Salad Bar
Sear-Roasted Beef Tenderloin Au Poivre
with Cognac Peppercorn Sauce
Scalloped Potatoes
with Leeks and Thyme

Special Dessert
Chocolate Mousse with Salted Caramel Sauce

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**Thank You
Ron & Liz Allen...**
For all you do
throughout the year
AND for what you do in
December to “be there”
for our Kids!!!

Here Comes Santa Claus!!!

Saturday, December 10th

5:15 p.m. Potluck Dinner
6:00 p.m. Carol Singing with
Mrs. Hammer
6:30 p.m. Santa Arrives by Boat



- * Invite your family and friends
- * Please bring enough food to represent you and your guests
- * Bring a gift for Santa to give to each child in your party
- * Write the child's name, age, and the Sportsmen member's last name on the outside of each child's gift

Come out to enjoy a fun-filled evening!

Photos will be taken of the children with Santa