

Second Quarter 2014

Dinners

Mary Jane's annual Crab Feed was a huge success this year. We filled the room to capacity! Steve Peters, Dave Chamberlain, Ernie Filippo, Anne Jahn, Joe Intemann, and Roy Stern were a great help in the kitchen. The clam chowder was excellent and the crab was great - truly a memorable event! Then in March, Don and Karla Kavanaugh cooked up a fantastic Saint Patrick's Day feast that was also well attended.

Rear Commodore Joe Morrison has been doing a great job organizing the Club dinners so far, so you know they will continue to be great events. Joe has arranged an Italian feast for the April dinner cooked by Chef Don, a guest from the Marin Rod and Gun Club. Make your reservation now! To save the Club money we are only making enough food for those people that say they will be there.



Aerial view of Horseshoe Bay. [Pete Peterson]

The Rear Commodore is looking for chefs and kitchen help for the months of August and September. If you'd like to cook up a meal for the Club or help with the meals, please contact Rear Commodore Joe Morrison at "jmorrison121@comcast.net".

Racing

In May, the Club is starting a new race series. This is to add more sailing activities to our calendar and more fun for our members and neighbors. These races will be held on Thursday afternoons. After the finish, racers will be able to relax upstairs in the bar and grill. On most Thursdays there will be a live band after the race. The Club's traditional weekend races will continue and will run in parallel to the afternoon races. By the way, the Race Committee needs volunteers! With more activity comes a need for more volunteers. If you can help with the races, please contact Vice Commodore Annie Springer at "annie.springer@live.com". We also need someone with a powerboat, so if you have one and would be willing to help, please let us know.

Opening Day

Opening Day on the Bay is on Sunday, 27 April. This is the day the Pacific Inter-Club Yachting Association official marks the start of the sailing season on the San Francisco Bay. Each year this event is celebrated with a parade of boats from Bay area yacht clubs. We would like to decorate a boat and enter it in the parade this year. If you would like to help with decorations and sailing in the parade, please contact Vice Commodore Annie Springer at "annie.springer@live.com". You can also watch

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CALENDAR
April
                                          21
                                                THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
     WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
                                          30
                                                FIFTH SATURDAY LUNCH CRUISE.
     WORKDAY DINNER. 6:30 PM.
20
     BAXTER-JUDSON FIRST RACE. 11 AM.
                                          September
27
     OPENING DAY ON THE BAY.
                                                THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
                                          13
                                                WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
May
                                                WORKDAY DINNER. 7 PM.
                                          18
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     THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
                                                THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
10
     WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
                                          21
                                                BAXTER-JUDSON SIXTH RACE. 11 AM.
     WORKDAY DINNER. 7 PM.
15
                                          October
     THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
18
     BAXTER-JUDSON SECOND RACE. 11 AM.
                                          2 THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
29
     THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
                                          11
                                                WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
31
     FIFTH SATURDAY LUNCH CRUISE.
                                                GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING. 6 PM.
                                                WORKDAY SUPPER. 7 PM.
June
                                          12
                                                LADY SKIPPER'S RACE. 11 AM.
12
     THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
14
     WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
                                          November
     WORKDAY DINNER. 7 PM.
                                               WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
15
     BAXTER-JUDSON THIRD RACE. 11 AM
                                                AWARDS AND CHANGE OF WATCH. 6 PM.
26
     THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
                                                WORKDAY DINNER. 7 PM.
                                                FIFTH SATURDAY LUNCH CRUISE.
July
      FOURTH OF JULY BBQ. 11 AM
                                          December
20
     BAXTER-JUDSON FOURTH RACE. 11 AM
                                               WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
                                          13
                                                WORKDAY DINNER. 7 PM.
August
                                          31
                                                NEW YEAR'S EVE.
     THURSDAY NIGHT RACE.
9
     WORKDAY. 9 AM - 1 PM.
                                          This is what we have planned, but the
     WORKDAY DINNER. 7 PM.
                                          calendar is always subject to change.
17
    BAXTER-JUDSON FIFTH RACE. 11 AM.
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the parade aboard the California Hornblower with lunch and a Bay cruise for about \$90. Go to "www.picya.org/-14-opening-day-on-the-bay" for more information.

Lease

There is still no word from the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) about who will get the long term lease in Horseshoe Bay. Our friends in the GGNRA (Yes, we have one or two.) have given us no further information either. If Travis Air Force Base gets the long term lease, then things presumably will continue much as they are and the Club will still have its home. The other top contender, Waterfront Partners, stated in their expression of interest and by other means that they would allow the Club to stay. The only question with Waterfront Partners is how much their plan will change the Club. The City of Sausalito formed a Fort Baker Task Force some time ago and they too are in communication with the GGNRA. If you are resident of Sausalito, I highly encourage you to get involved with that task force! In the meantime, the unofficial word is that Travis will remain the lease holder for at least one more year and maybe two.

Dues

As you have heard, the Presidio Yacht Club is now collecting the dues directly from you, the members. The Air Force is no longer acting as the middle man. So far, around one hundred members have paid their dues. Unfortunately, that leaves over a hundred who have not. It looks like we will have to resort to mailing out bills, but that costs the Club money that can be better spent on the races, dinners, and



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cruise outs. If you have not paid, please visit the Club web site at "www.presidioyachtclub.org/membership_dues.html", print the form appropriate for your category, and mail your payment directly to the Club at the address on the form. The Club can accept checks or credit cards. Your dues support the Club's activities, which include the dinners, the sail races, the cruise-outs, and the Fourth of July barbecue for the active duty military and Club members. The benefits included discounts on food and drink in the bar, five dollar maximum cover on nights with live music, free weekend sail races, and reciprocal privileges with yacht clubs in the Bay area and around the world. Our dues are one of the lowest in the Bay area. Support your club!

Promotion

Congratulations go to active duty Club member Matthew Duerst. He will be pinning on Captain in May. Matt has been stationed at Travis Air Force Base for over two years and is a pilot on the KC-10, a tanker that conducts aerial refueling with other aircraft. This means he will be particularly busy this year with the draw down in Afghanistan. He has a boat docked in Horseshoe Bay called "Freyja", an Ericson 35. He is currently getting a new compression post and a new deck core for her. He is also working on a visual tides and currents application for smart phones and tablets.

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