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- **Call for strategic planning for RVYC**

MEMORIAL DAY AT SYC BY SHERRI OLSON

Well, what a blast at the Sacramento YC Jazz weekend. We had six boats cruise in. Beauchamps arrived on Wednesday, late. They stopped at the POINT for a bite to eat; came out and the batteries were dead. What to do? Take a nap while they recharge---so Frank did. They arrived in time for dinner.

John Howard had an uneventful trip, as did Dennis Kazee who arrived with the help of Steve Barker. Morans and Orsi's arrived on Thursday before the big rain. Orsi put that boat right in there, but it has been said the leaving part didn't go as smoothly.

Olsons arrived on Friday, a day late but dry as we missed the big rain due to the wait for our boat to be serviced. We did drive over Thurs night to have dinner with the Kaisers. Christie is doing great and looks super but Russ' health was a little iffy so when we left, no hugs and kisses for him.

Everyone partied and had guests come and go. Orsis closed the place down Sun. night with dancing and Toni was having a ball. Tom Moran was up top every morning, holding court, as I like to call it. He and Frank Beauchamp had captive audiences.

John Howard entertained two lady friends this weekend and had Fizzes and

Margaritas like crazy. He also stayed up 'til three AM talking to Linda, a member of Sac YC and dear old friend. Who knew he had that much to say. HAHA. John also had his 4th grade love visit, Francis, a lovely lady. John, you do have excellent taste.

Morans' slept 6 adults on their boat. Folks it is possible if you are creative, but Helen couldn't find her shoes in all that mess so she wore Tom's to go up top. They worked; not pretty but doable.

Sunday morning the Kazees had the Barkers for brunch with Sandi's brother and his wife. And another family later in the day for dinner. What fun. Kaylee sang with her choir on Monday at the Jazz Festival, so Dennis and Zak took the boat home. Zak drove almost the entire length of the Georgiana, who knows what Dennis was doing.

Olsons did the Howard-speed this time home after hitting a log and damaging a prop. If there is a log we will find it, for sure. There was a lot of junk floating in the water and the levels seem to be up a bit; they may have started releasing.

This year was a smaller crowd at SYC, only about 60 boats. The food was terrific and the bands exceptional. Great fun; you don't know what you missed.



ON THE HORIZON:

JULY

- 2-5... 4th of July anchor-out
Mandeville Tip
- 17..Dinner & Meeting 6:30 PM**
Board Meeting 4:30 PM
Hosts: *The Olsons & McMahans*
- 23-25... Westgate Landing Cruise**
Cruise Captain: *Dennis Kazee*

AUGUST

- 21..Dinner 6:30 PM**
Hosts: *Frank & Joanne Beauchamp*
- 27-29...Stockton Cruise**
Stockton Downtown Marina
Cruise Captain: *Jim Shetler*

Birthdays

- July 9 Cookie Hanlon
- July 15 Jim Shetler
- Aug 27 Toni Orsi

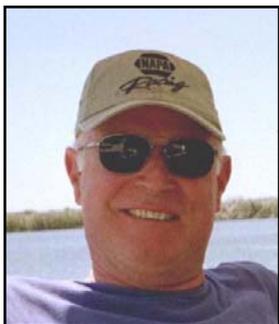
Anniversaries

- Aug 5 Frank & Joanne Beauchamp ('61)



A river's eye view of Sacramento Yacht Club

COMMODORE'S REPORT BY FRANK BEAUCHAMP



Since this column belongs to RVC's Commodore, what is said often reflects personal opinions and thoughts. At our June board meeting, what was suspected for some time was revealed. We are financially, from a fixed income standpoint, without funds. Many thoughts and hopes were expressed both from the directors and attending members as to measures that "could" return the club to solvency.

Fortunately, I observed, our membership will not allow the club to default on its financial obligations. However, it appears we must make some heretofore serious decisions. Putting emotions aside, we must focus on a practical, objective plan for the club. I have said this before to our directors and now, to all our members.

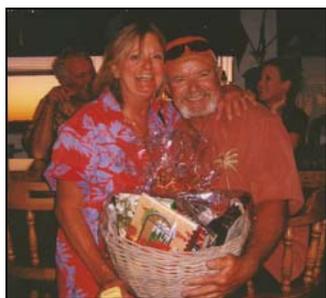
The board is meeting again on July 17th, just prior to our general membership meeting and dinner. We should, by then, have a more concise recommended plan to present to the members. It is imperative that as many members as possible attend the general membership meeting so decisions and votes are decided by a majority.

The board meeting will be at 4:30 PM, general membership meeting at 5:30 PM followed

by dinner at 6:30 PM. Since the significance of these sessions is so important, each speaker must be clearly prepared with their ideas or questions and audience activities/distractions kept subdued. As I have been criticized in the past for the order of business, parliamentary procedures will be followed to allow all concerned issues to be heard and clarified. Also, any member can observe a board meeting.

On another subject, John H., Joanne and I went to San Francisco where we attended the current Teatro Zin Zanni production to see if those going to Treasure Island to Sept. might enjoy this show. It was a zany, very talented three hour follies type show with music, humor, acrobatic acts in a mostly modern, contemporary vaudevillian format. Our seats, which we purchased through a discount agency, were great though not in the centre of the round. With the tip and taxes, the cost per person was about \$100 which included an excellent five course meal, but not drinks. The show changes every 3 or 4 months and will do so in August, so we would see a different production.

Hope to see you all at the July dinner.



Many thanks to Nina McMahan and Sherri Olson for contributing to the photo gallery. Go to www.riverviewyc.com and click on to "gallery" for more photos.

Top from left: (June Cruise): Welcome to CIYC, RVC at the Caliente dock, Leo, Jerry and Nina enjoying the refreshments, Steve and Maura Zigler hit the raffle big-time.

(4th of July): Kaylee dressed for battle, Delta Sunset, Sacramento Sea Ray Club, and an example of why you shouldn't attach a suction cup to your body.

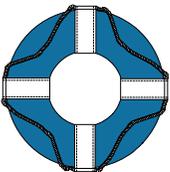
AROUND THE CLUB BY JOANNE BEAUCHAMP



- Leo and Nina Mc Mahan enjoyed their annual two week hiatus in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico in May. In spite of regular visits, however; they have never been able to find the yacht club there.
- Jim and Joyce Shetler were also in Mexico, but in Cabos San Lucas for two weeks in June. Laura joined them for the second week. She graduated on May 28th and will go to San Diego State in July for orientation and will be saying “good-bye” to her folks the end of August when they drive her to the campus for the fall semester. She, also, recently had four wisdom teeth pulled. That was probably not a summer highlight!
- John Howard will be driving to a great nephew’s wedding in Albuquerque, NM at the end of July. Hope his car’s air-conditioning is working!!
- Zak Kazee heads off to the Boy Scouts National Jamboree in Ft. AP Hill, VA on the 22nd. Beforehand, the troop will see the sights in Washington, D.C., Baltimore, and Gettysburg, just to name a few. Eight troops from the Sacramento area are attending and will participate in a wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery.
- Cindy announced that her company recently received ISO9001/TL9000 certification. It is an international accreditation for a documented quality control system, and a big accomplishment. Congratulations!
- Cookie Hanlon attended an annual family reunion in Oregon, starting in June and arrived back home in July. She will be going on a European cruise at the end of August.
- The Orsis are still living in their motor home while the remodeling continues on their house. One bathroom is finished and the second one about half done. Their son, Richard, befriended a stray cat which turned out to be pregnant, so Toni & Orsi ended up with herand, now, her four kittens!
- Christie Kaiser has been feeling better, so she and Russ went on the Delta cruise with the Sacramento YC. The Kaisers recently announced they are leaving the club. We are sorry to see you both go, and hope you continue to do well, Christie!

July 23-25 Westgate Landing Cruise: Come by boat, by car or by RV and join in the timed dinghy event, kite-flying contest and trivia quiz! Contact Cindy Kazee for more information, undc@aol.com

August 27-28 Stockton Marina: Head east to downtown Stockton for Ports baseball game and dinner on Saturday. Jim Shetler is the cruise captain for this weekend event, jshetler@sbcglobal.net



PLAYING IT SAFE BY RUSS KAISER

I was doing a Vessel Safety Check a weekend or so ago and I discovered that the captain had two elderly fire extinguishers on board. It’s the purpose of the VSCs to check such things but what about all of those skippers who don’t get the checks?

You should check the extinguishers at least every couple of months or so. You can check by looking at the gauge to make sure the needle is in the green. The other thing is to turn the extinguisher over and give it a slap on the bottom. If your hearing is sharp, you should hear the powder flow from the bottom to the top (assuming it’s turned over with the bottom up.) At the worst, you’ll feel the powdered

clunk to the other end. If it does, there’s a chance that the powder has packed into one big lump. You can break it up by shaking the extinguisher but it should be replaced or refilled.

The less expensive extinguishers with plastic nozzles cannot be refilled and should be properly disposed of. These type of extinguishers should be replaced every couple of years anyway.

You should also have the proper number of extinguishers on board. The requirement is based on the length of the vessel. If you are not sure how many and what type, then just send me an email with the length of your boat.

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE—CINDY KAZEE



Well, the USA is another year older, and the celebration at Mandeville is over until next year. The Kazees anchored in the tules, just east of Mandeville with Frank and Lorraine aboard *Sea Champ*. We were joined by a merry bunch of boaters from Rio Vista, including the infamous “Delta Dave” who provided great entertainment for adults and kids alike.

According to Zak and Kaylee, the highlights of the weekend were watching a contraband firework display, and joining the pirate gang to fight in the squirt gun wars. While it appeared to most of us that the number of boats anchored in the area declined from last year, there was a fair number of us out for the long weekend. At least one mega-yacht made up in bulk what may have been lost in quantity!

The weather was plenty hot to drive us all into the drink to cool off, but the breezes kept the bugs away. Grass fires surrounded us and the smoke was a

constant nuisance and reminder that summers in Northern CA are dangerously dry. Our anchorage group enjoyed visits from past members Dean and Val, as well as extended RVYC “family” members Conrad, Cheryl, and Bubba, who is now taller than his mom and closing in on his dad. Dean took Kaylee on a hair-raising ride on his vintage Keaton jet boat and even let her drive. She was a quarter-mile away and doing 65 mph and I could hear her scream “wooo-hooo!” I hope she forgets about the thrill of speed by the time she gets her learner’s permit.

Driving home early yesterday afternoon, Dennis and I asked the kids if they had any idea how fortunate they were to have with these kind of boating experiences. They said they did, but then again, they don’t know any different having been born and raised as boaters. Don’t forget to count your boating blessings!



CALIENTE ISLAND YC RECAP BY JOANNE BEAUCHAMP

We had a great time at Caliente Isle Yacht’s Founder’s Day week-end. The Olsons, with members Nina and Leo McMahan, arrived first on Friday and helped with the docking the rest of us. John Howard and the Beauchamps were the next arrivals. Had a call from Ziglars and Champion who decided to wait until the following day in hopes the wind would die down. However, two friends that Frank Champion had invited, did arrive Friday night. They chose not to join us for dinner, so the seven of us from our club enjoyed the brauts with condiments that evening.

Four boats from the Solano Yacht Club had also cruised in and we shared Saturday breakfast and conversation with them. Frank C. did arrive with girlfriend, Lorraine, around noon on Saturday and Steve & Maura drove over for dinner on Saturday night. So, we had eleven of our members at the wonderful pasta dinner that evening. The CIYC also has a wonderful bar and on Saturday night, there was a DJ spinning music for listening, dancing or sleeping.

Most of us had not seen Frank C. in ages and Lorraine, though not a boater, was a willing participant in “learning the ropes”. We hope to see more of them this year.

We had a much smoother cruise home on Sunday after CIYC’s delicious Commodore breakfast. We always enjoy visiting with the CIYC members and I think they enjoy having us as they even invited us back for their Western week-end in September, but I think it would conflict with our cruise to Treasure Island.





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RE: Delta Two Gates Project

Dear Candidate Whitman:

Recreational Boaters of California [RBOC] urges you to consider including, within your position in support of the Two-Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Program, provisions for the installation, maintenance and operation of boat locks at both proposed locations, without cost or expense to recreational boaters. The boat locks serve as necessary mitigation to overcome the Two-Gates Program obstructing the now-navigable waterways of the Delta at these two locations.

RBOC is the nonprofit governmental advocacy organization that works to protect and enhance the interests of the state's recreational boaters before the legislative and executive branches of state and local government. RBOC is in its 42nd year as a statewide organization, and since 1968 it has continued its commitment to promoting the enjoyment, protection, and responsible use of our waterways.

Enclosed is a copy of the RBOC position on this issue. The boating community is concerned that, without the inclusion of locks, the program would negatively impact recreational boating. These concerns are not new. RBOC and others have been communicating these concerns and the request for boat locks to the United States Department of the Interior, the United States Bureau of Reclamation, the California Department of Water Resources, as well as individual members of the California State Legislature throughout the past year.

We would appreciate having the opportunity to discuss this issue further at your convenience. Please feel free to contact me or our legislative advocate Jerry Desmond, Jr. at 916-441-4166.

Sincerely,

Anne Sachs,
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Enclosure



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Recreational Boaters of California [RBOC] the Two-Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Program must provide for the installation, maintenance and operation of the two proposed boat locks without cost or expense to recreational boaters.

The boat locks serve as necessary mitigation to overcome the Two-Gates Program obstructing the now-navigable waterways of the Delta at the two proposed locations.

As currently proposed, the Two-Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Program would negatively impact recreational boating through the installation and operation of two experimental barriers on Old River and Connection Slough in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. These gates would jeopardize boating safety, infringe on the long-established right of unimpeded vessel passage, restrict boat passage for significant periods of time, and diminish property values in nearby communities.

These concerns are not new. RBOC and others have been communicating these concerns and the request for boat locks to the United States Department of the Interior, the United States Bureau of Reclamation, the California Department of Water Resources, as well as individual members of the California State Legislature throughout the past year.

RBOC and the boating community continue to be very concerned about the tremendous impact that the Two-Gates Project would have on the current unrestricted access by recreational boaters navigating the Delta waterways. The project is an obstruction to the navigable waterways that would be a significant adverse impact on recreational boating. The only acceptable mitigation to overcome this significant adverse impact is the installation of boat locks that are designed to meet the length, depth and width of recreational boats that have customarily traveled these waterways, and that are staffed, operated and maintained at no cost to recreational boaters.

It is important to note that the term "gate" is a misnomer as when closed the proposed structures are actually dams - the waterways will be completely blocked for extended periods of time. These are in fact fixedcrest / low head dams which are particularly dangerous to boats. These types of dams cause hydraulic or churning re-circulating currents below the structure which can actually hold or draw even a motorized boat into danger. Re-circulating currents contain air bubbles that can make propellers useless and escape nearly impossible. This is especially dangerous to kayaks, canoes, dinghies and other such craft. Also floating debris and shags are common hazards to boaters around such dams. Removal of floating debris and weeds are also documented. This is of great concern to boaters as is submerged debris and weeds. These can cause significant damage to boats to the point where a boat starts taking on water and might sink or the propeller becomes jammed and the boat stops.

It is clear to RBOC that the only way to ensure safe passage of boats through these gates is the installation of boat locks to accommodate boats that navigate the waterway. Such a boat lock should be staffed, operate 24/7 and be at no cost to boaters.

Recreational boaters have a long established right of vessel passage under the public use doctrine to transit waterways unimpeded by gates or barriers. This should be fully honored and mitigated by incorporating an operable boat lock into the design of this project.

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July 17—SATURDAY DINNER
 Hosts: *The Olsons & McMahans*
 Menu: *Swiss steak & mashed potatoes*
 Board meets at 4:30, dinner served at 6:30
 RSVP to John Howard, (916) 961-8502
August 21—SATURDAY DINNER
 Hosts: *Joanne & Frank Beauchamp*
 Menu: *BBQ ribs & cowboy beans*

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