

RIVERVIEW YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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MEMBER NEWS...

BIRTHDAYS

7/9 Cookie Hanlon
7/15 Jim Shetler
8/26 Linda Beichler

ANNIVERSARIES

7/8 Dale & Jean Hafelfinger (1961)
7/20 Mark & Linda Beichler (1997)
8/5 Frank & Joanne Beauchamp (1961)



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INDEPENDENCE DAY ON THE DELTA

River View Yacht Club upheld a long-standing tradition by staking a claim in the tules for the 4th of July at Mandeville once again this year. Our flotilla was minimized to just two boats, Restitution and Sea Champ, but we managed to pack 9 people aboard the two vessels and made our presence known.

Frank Champion and companion Marnie were accompanied by Marnie's son Erik, who celebrated his 21st birthday with his friends Trista and Evan. Erik said he could not imagine a better way to ring in his big day other than to be on the water with friends and family (and some quality time at Lost Isle).

Dennis and Zak took Restitution out to anchor on Thursday and battled choppy seas and a stiff wind on their voyage back to Willow Berm in the dinghy. Zak was not anxious to repeat that feat, but the trip back after the holiday parade with the Cub Scouts on Friday proved to be a gentler adventure. The rest of the weekend was picture-perfect with mild breezes and comfortable temperatures. It was generally agreed that the fireworks display was among the best ever, in spite of some odd pauses in the show that made us wonder, "Is that all?" before the sky was filled again with color.

On Saturday, we were visited at the anchorage by Cookie's grandson, Eric, and three of his friends. They swam, fished, and sunned themselves before heading back to Cookie's marina. Leith, from Nordic Marine, also dropped by to say hello while he was out among his clientele in need of a mechanic.

A few boats near our anchorage departed as early as Saturday, just when the weather was starting to heat up. In spite of rising gas prices, the Delta was jam-packed with yachts, cruisers, ski boats, PWCs, and dinghies. Maybe this was the weekend to forget the pain at the pump and just enjoy boating. We topped off the tank when we returned the marina. I could not bring myself to look at the price per gallon, but thankfully, we were not low on fuel so the damage was limited to "only" around \$200.

As we were preparing to leave Willow Berm, Dennis noticed smoke rising from the campground across Brannan Island Road. He alerted the marina staff, and the fire department was quickly dispatched. At this point, it is not clear if a transformer blew and started the fire, or if a fire
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Well, it's July already and where has the time gone. Five boats, belonging to the Olsons, Ziglers, Morans, John Howard, Frank Champion and Marnie cruised into Caliente Isle YC on Friday, June 20th.



It was very HOT but the usual wind came up on Saturday when the Driggers, Brad, Sam and Zak, joined us and we all had a fun time! We hope the Driggers will be joining our club soon.

Helen and Tom walked into town on Saturday morning for breakfast, a hike of a couple of miles. Steve and Maura brought out a crazy game with balls on strings and crossbars that you try to wrap them around. The food, activities and company that CYC always provides were great!

The June dinner attendance was very small and the raffle also but those who showed up had a good time. Please remember that the dinners and activities, besides our dues, are how we pay our rent, insurance, etc, so we need members' participation.

Our July dinner is going to be a pot luck salad meal, so please contact Joe Collins to let him know what you are bringing so we do not have duplications.

Cindy and Cookie have come up with some ideas for cruises for the rest of the season, so if you do not have e-mail, contact me or one of them for information and to give your input. We all know that the price of fuel is a big factor.

Also, I would like to thank DENNIS KAZEE for all the work he has been doing on the back room, water lines, etc. Call him if you can help out.

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT (BOB) HOLCOMB (December 25, 1937 – May 16, 2008)

Bob was born in Los Angeles, CA and moved to Sacramento in 1950 where he graduated from El Camino High School and then attended American River College. He worked at Aerojet, Capitol Chevy and Lawrence Mechanical before starting his own business, Sacramento-Cal-Sate Mechanical Consultants, Inc. In 2003, he retired and with his wife, Donna, moved to Lake Tahoe. He was a member of the Sheet Metal Union of Northern California, Local #162 and the River View Yacht Club where he served as Vice-Commodore from 1988-1989 and Commodore in 1990-1991. He loved cars, animals, boats, travel, family, friends, food, laughter and life. He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Donna Aldrich of Stateline, NV, three sons, Robert, Bradley, and Jere and their wives, daughters, Lorri and Cheri and their husbands. He also leaves behind six grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends who will never forget his smile, compassion and willingness to help others. The River View Yacht Club is so glad that he was able to attend our brunch in April and see old friends again. His memorial service was held on May 31, 2008 at East Lawn Chapel in Sacramento.

by Joanne Beauchamp

Having a larger boat now, we were looking forward to cruising to the SYC for all the Memorial Week-end festivities and we were not disappointed. The trip to their club proved to be quite a challenge as it was very windy on May 21st. So, it took us seven and a half hours to get there from our marina in Antioch but we got a great docking place right next to one of the stairways going up to thethat went over to the clubhouse. John Howard also arrived the same day and he got a slip in the area where Russ and Christie have their boat. The Olsons arrived on Thursday and the Morans on Friday.



Weather-wise it turned out to be a cool week-end even with some rain. However, this did not stop us from having a good time. Tom & Helen shuttled into Old Sac and then walked around listening to the music. The Olsons and I also went into town on Friday for the parade. My sister and brother-in-law from AZ joined us on our boat. They are big jazz fans, so they went into Old Sac every day for the entertainment. Many other relatives came by to visit and see our boat as it was a shorter drive to the SYC than to our marina in Antioch. Eric, Holly and Allie stayed overnight with Jerry and Sherri on Saturday. We all enjoyed the high school and UC Davis Marching bands performances on Sunday. Russ, the Commodore of SYC, and Christie often joined us for the excellent meals that volunteers of the club put together.



There also was entertainment every night and we always enjoy the singing of Miss Delta. Other nights, there was live music or a DJ and dancing was in full swing. Other events were the Mardi Gras Parade on the docks, volleyball, horseshoes, and a raffle with some great prizes. After breakfast on Friday, the Peel Off ceremony began and it is quite a sight with all the boats heading

down the Sacramento River. The return trip was much smoother and quicker.

All and all, it was a great, long week-end of fun and we are looking forward to returning in 2009.

AROUND THE CLUB by Joanne Beauchamp



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started by other means, like fireworks, and then blew the transformer. For a short time, Kip Korth's home was in harm's way. Two thousand campers were evacuated, and the fire was wrangled under control without any loss of life or danger to the marinas that line that area of Brannon Island.

In all, it was a great weekend to be out on the water, but we were reminded about the delicate balance between man and nature, and how quickly the fates can change. All the more reason to walk carefully, and live in the moment!

JULY DINNER

Friday, July 18, 2008

Hosts: RVYC Members

Menu: Salads - Bring your favorite
Let Joe Collins know what you are bringing.

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Bar: 4:30 PM / Dinner: 6:30 PM

50/50 Split the Pot

AUGUST DINNER

Friday, August 15, 2008

Hosts: Beauchamps

Menu: Enchiladas, Refried Beans,
Salad & Dessert

Bar: 4:30 PM / Dinner: 6:30 PM

50/50 Split the Pot

Frank Champion is retired from KOVR but is doing sports freelancing which will include 7 ball games in Oakland. He and Marnie are going to New Orleans this month and then taking a cruise to the Western Caribbean. They hope to enjoy some wonderful French cuisine.

Nina and Leo Mahan enjoyed a trip to Puerto Vallarta even though Leo took a tumble on a cobblestone street and got a nasty cut on his head. He insisted on not seeking medical help, as he did not want to miss the fishing excursion they were headed to, so Nina patched him up and they were on their way.

In April, John Howard went with former member, Bob Lenney, to Vancouver, B.C. to pick up Bob's yacht and sail it Olympia, WA for some warranty work. In May, he attended a grand nephew's graduation from Loyola Mary Mount in Manhattan Beach.

Helen Moran won the "shut the box" game at the June dinner plus several of the raffle prizes. I think she and Tom are the "walking gurus" of the club.

Sherri and Jerry Olson went to Texas for a grandson's high school graduation. They enjoyed visiting with family but did not enjoy the hot, humid weather. Their grandbaby, Allie, is now 10 months old and growing like a weed. She has a variety of faces she can show you at any time.

The Kazees try to squeeze in some boating between the kids' summer camps, scouting activities and working on the club house, etc. Of course, they're enjoying their backyard pool.



Cookie Hanlon drove her motor home to Bodega Bay with a friend in June. Soon she will be taking a month trip to Oregon which will include a family reunion. She, family, and friends were in a Cancer Walk in memory of Ron in early June.



The Beauchamps' first granddaughter, Hana Alyssa, was born on May 28th and of course, she is as cute as a bug. However, she, two brothers and parents are moving to the Seattle area next month, so you know where many of their trips will take them.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

7/4 Independence Day
 7/14 PICYA Delegates Dinner, Disc. Bay YC
 7/18 Monthly Dinner
 7/19-20 .. Cruise to Delta Bay YC ?

AUGUST

8/4 PICYA Delegates Dinner, Driftwood YC
 8/15 Monthly Dinner
 8/22-8/24 ... Cruise to SF ?
 8/29-9/1 Anchor out at Mandeville ?

REVISED CRUISE SCHEDULE

As you all know, we lost our Cruise Captain in April, and have been at somewhat of a loss for cruising this season. A couple of us put our heads together and mapped out a tentative plan for what remains of the RVYC boating season. We hope that the changes work for you, and that if you can't join us by boat, you can take that asphalt slough and have dinner with us!

July 19-20: July 18 is a Friday Club dinner, and the last weekend that Cookie is going to be in town. We thought we could squeeze in a trip to the guest dock at Delta Bay, and plan a dinner at Spindrift on Saturday the 19th. Anyone not interested in coming by boat can drive in for dinner.

August 22-24: Joanne and Frank Beachamp have extended an invitation to join them and John Howard in San Francisco for a Presidio Yacht Club cruise. They were able to get dockage at the South Beach Harbor and can go to a Padres-Giants game on Saturday. If you are interested, check with South Beach Harbor to see if there is a slip available, then call Joanne or Frank for details.

August 29-Sept 1: How about a long holiday weekend at anchor out at Mandeville?

Sept. 19-20: September 18 is a Friday Club dinner. We can move the dinner from the clubhouse to a BBQ at Westgate, or just cruise into Westgate for one night, Sept. 19-20. If the dinner is moved to Westgate, please plan on chipping in additional funds to make up for the loss of bar proceeds.

Oct. 24-26: October 24-26 was booked with Discovery Bay YC for their Halloween Party. However, the consensus seems to be that Byron is too far to go with gas going no where but up, and there are many other good options closer to our central Delta area. We are looking at Moore's Riverboat, Lighthouse, and Tower Park for starters.

PORT REPORT BY DENNIS KAZEE



The small number of people who attended the June dinner noticed that some progress was made in the former office area. Earlier in the month, Cindy and I started to hang drywall, a true test of marriage. Before things went too far south and a lawyer was consulted, I was able to make a call to our friend and contractor, Lony. Within the hour, he arrived with his son-in-law, and the four of us were able to put up most of the drywall in about four hours. However, the job is far from done. The header over the doorway needs to be addressed, holes need to be patched, walls mudded, and some electrical work is needed before it is ready for paint and flooring.

Cindy is calling that space a "Parlay Room," from the pirate movies, where a prisoner can call for an audience with the captain before walking the plank. There will likely be a coat rack and place to display RVYC logo clothing. If you have an idea on how to use that space, let me know.

The exterior of the barge is in serious need of attention, in particular, the rotten deck boards. When the weather cools down, we need another big work party to fix the structural problems and finish off the Parlay Room, or whatever it turns out to be.

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