

RIVERVIEW YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER



MEMBER NEWS...

BIRTHDAYS

FEBRUARY

16th John Howard
21st Dennis Kazee
25th Ken Horak
26th Mark Beichler

MARCH

15th Dale Hafelfinger
27th Kaylee Kazee

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SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA MODEL

If you have not visited this model built in 1957 and used as a scientific research tool by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from 1958-2000, consider this a must-see trip to Sausalito. The USACE used it to test the impact of proposed changes to the Bay and its related waterways. After the research department was closed, the Bay Model became a public education center.

The hydraulic model was used to simulate currents, tidal action, sediment movement and the mixing of fresh and salt water. Salt-water intrusion, pollution, and barrier and fill studies were a few of the research projects.

The Bay Model covers an acre and a half which includes the South Bay, Central Bay & Oakland Harbor, San Pablo Bay, Carquinez Strait, Suisun Bay and the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. Water is pumped into the model by a hydraulic system controlled by a computer which can be viewed at the monitor on Bay Model tides. The tides in a 24 hour day are condensed into approximately 15 minute intervals which allow the viewer to observe the tidal changes in estuaries, canals & shipping lanes.

The model is located at 2100 Bridgeway in Sausalito. For more information go to www.spn.usace.army.mil/bmvc. I would suggest checking the website or calling 415.332.3870 before making the trip as the day Frank, John and I were there, a major leak had occurred so no water was being pumped in.

MONTHLY DINNER

Saturday, February 24, 2007

CHILI COOK-OFF

(see Sherri's article for more details)

HOSTS: MEMBERS

BAR: 4:00 PM / DINNER 6:00 PM

SPLIT THE POT

MONTHLY DINNER

Saturday, March 17, 2007

HOSTS: THE KAZEES

MENU: IRISH STEW, SALAD, BREAD, & DESSERT

BAR: 4:00 PM / DINNER 6:00 PM

RAFFLE



COMMODORE

REPORT

by Sherri Olson

Well, your new Commodore made a few mistakes at the first meeting. Number 1, I forgot to get someone for the next dinner, so we thought we would have a Chili Cook Off. Bring your favorite Chili for ten people and we will judge them. If you do not want to do chili, call me at 916-359-8790 and let me know if you will bring corn bread, dessert or some other item that might go with chili. We thought it might be fun. Because of the holiday week-end over the 17th, our Feb. dinner will be on the 24th.

Please be thinking about which month you would like to do a dinner and get another member(s) to help you. Dinners can be simple.

We are checking with Pittsburg on the Blues Festival for Memorial Day week-end. We will let you know at the next meeting. If you want to go to the Sacramento Yacht Club & Jazz Festival that week-end, please let me know.

Keep your fingers crossed for Zak Kazee. He built a Pine Wood Derby car with his Dad's help and will be racing it soon. If you have any ideas for the club, please let board members know. This is your club. Thanks for your support.

Port Report

It appears that Cliff's Marina owners are having some dredging done to take out some of the silt. We will just wait and see if it will affect the clubhouse.

The faucets for the women's bathroom have been purchased and should be installed by the time of our Brunch on April 22nd.

Remember March 31st is our big **WORK DAY** of the year. More about this at the February and March dinners.

Corrections to the Roster

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ACTIVITIES REPORT

by Joey Horak

Hello, all. I hope that everyone is having a good New Year.

This year, we are once again having a Poker Run. I will have cards available at all the dinners and also, at the club cruises. You can receive one card a month for attending one of the club functions. Join now!

At the January dinner, we brought back the Lottery scratchers, and Frank Beauchamp's was worth \$12. We are also doing Split -the-Pot every month except raffle months. The winners in January were the Boals & they donated their winnings back to the club.

I will be the first to admit that I am not good at this activities stuff, so if anyone has any good ideas, please bring them to my attention. Thanks for all your help and participation, and I'll see you at the next dinner.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!



FOR WHAT IT'S

WORTH *by Frank Beauchamp*

Boaters that have aboard the Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons (EPIRBs) with frequencies of 121.5 and 243 MHz will find these frequencies non-functional as authorized beginning January 1, 2007.

Preparation is underway to switch all distress signals to frequency 406MHz by January of 2009 which is monitored by the International Cospas-Sarsat Satellite System designed to provide distress alert and location information to search and rescue teams around the world.



Frequency 121.5 and 243MHz non-overboard devices will only work directly with a base alerting unit and not the satellite system.

The reason for this change resulted from excessive and expensive false reports and pranks. For more information, go to the USCG Aux. V Dept Website at <http://safetysal.net>

CHATTING WITH OUR MEMBERS

Frank Champion is busy working, working, working. Joe Collins is back to work after spending time in the hospital with a heart problem but says it will be awhile before he can play golf again.

Sherri Olson went with girlfriends to Mexico and the Hafelfingers are having their kitchen remodeled.

Lenneys have decided to keep Mother Goose and are trekking back & forth to WA. Ziglers went to a small town in Mexico & caught dorado(mahi-mahi). Zak Kazee's car placed 3rd out of 25 in the Scouts' Pine Derby Race. Beauchamps' purchase of a trawler did not go through as it failed the hull survey.

Sandy Evans and her daughter did fly to the 49ers game in Denver over New Year's but came back on Amtrak after waiting in the station over 8 hrs. as the train was delayed in NE due to ice. McMahons have had their share of Dr.'s appointments.

Cookie Hanlon is busy taking care of Ron while he is fighting cancer. Remember him in your thoughts & prayers.

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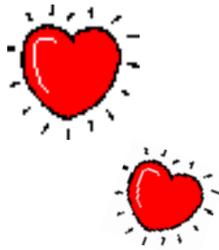
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HAPPY BOATING!

Upcoming Events

February

- 13th Board Meeting - 6:30pm
- 14th Valentine's Day
- 19th Presidents' Day
- 24th Monthly Dinner - 6pm



March

- 11th Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 17th Board Meeting - 4pm
- 17th Monthly Dinner & Meeting - 6pm
- 17th St. Patrick's Day
- 31st Clubhouse Work Day



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CONGRESSIONAL EXTENSION OF SALES TAX DEDUCTION INCLUDES BOATS

Thanks to action taken by Congress in December, tax filers who made a large purchase in 2006, such as a boat, may deduct state and local sales taxes paid if the tax rate applied to the boat was the same as the state's general sales tax.

"Some taxpayers may be confused because the usual extension of these provisions was not approved by Congress until after the IRS had already printed its forms in November for the 2006 tax year," said Elaine Dickinson, assistant vice president of BoatU.S. Government Affairs.

"We've been hearing from our members that even their own accountants are unaware of the extension since it did not appear on the printed 2006 Schedule A (Form 1040)," said Dickinson. A notice on the IRS Web site, <http://www.irs.gov>, outlines the so-called "extender provisions." It also lets taxpayers know that returns with these deductions will not be processed until Feb. 3 to give the agency time to incorporate the latest legislation into its processing systems for '06 returns. To get the deduction, filers must itemize their deductions.

"Taxpayers may deduct either sales taxes or state income taxes, but not both," said Dickinson. The deduction for state and local general sales taxes may be claimed on Schedule A (Form 1040), line 5, "State and local income taxes." Enter "ST" on the dotted line to the left of line 5 to indicate you are claiming the general sales tax deduction instead of the deduction for state and local income tax, according to the IRS.

For more on state tax deductions, you can download IRS Publication 600, which includes state-by-state tax tables, by going to <http://www.irs.gov> or by calling 1-800-829-1040, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. weekdays.

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