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#### FROM YOUR COMMODORE-John Michener



We had a good turnout for the first Hamburger Night. I believe there were more than 60 people judging from the number of burgers we went through. Now that summer is here this is a very enjoyable way to spend a Wednesday evening with your family and the yacht club family. In addition to all the fun you also get to have a delicious hamburger with all the fixings for the small price of five bucks. You do have to grill it yourself but that is part of the fun. In addition, you get to try out our shiny new barbeque. It is a beautiful stainless grilling machine with seven burners and I have to say it is one that I wouldn't mind having in my backyard. In case someone pass-

ing by the club also feels that they wouldn't mind having it, we have it secured to a post with a cable and lock. The key is located near the whaler key in the race closet under the stairs. The barbeque burns propane and we are going to keep it that way for a while. The downside to this is that we will need to be sure to keep the propane tanks full. Please remember that we always need volunteers to help in the galley for Hamburger Night and a sign up sheet is posted by the race closet door. Even if you aren't able to volunteer come for an evening of good company and a tasty burger. Come anytime Wednesday evening between 5pm and 7pm.

The High Sierra Regatta is this month and many of our members will be gone. It is going to be quieter around the club for a while without the dinghy sailors. I'm not saying that dinghy sailors are noisy but I remember in years past that happy hour seems pretty quiet with so many of our members gone. I hope they all have a great time. We considered changing the date for the Board Meeting because some of our board members will be at the regatta but we couldn't find an alternate date that seemed to work any better so it will not be changed.

The plan is shaping up for the Commodore's Ball scheduled for November 20<sup>th</sup>. The things that have been settled are that the location will be the Garden Room at the Madonna Inn and the band will be Oasis. You will be hearing a lot more about it in the near future; we are still in the preliminary planning stage.

There isn't a Yacht Club function planned for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July but if you are planning on spending it at the club to watch the fireworks it will be open to mem-

spending it at the club to watch the fireworks it will be open to members and guests only. The back gate will be locked so please plan on entering through the front door. Also, please make certain that you are present when your guests arrive and if they would like to be served at the bar, have them sign in and wear a nametag. This is required for our liquor license. I will enjoy seeing the fireworks again, and if you like good music it is a short walk from the club down to Tidelands Park where I have heard the Zongo All-Stars will be playing sometime that night.



Sometimes it gets difficult to park by the club on weekends in the summer and it seems that people are everywhere, especially on a holiday weekend. At those times I just have to remember that I am lucky enough to be able to enjoy this beautiful place year round.

Have a good month; I hope you get to spend some of it on the water, John Michener, Commodore "I wanted freedom, open air, adventure. I found it on the sea." Alain Gerbaul"

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## FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE - Greg Barker



month's column is actually being written from home!!! Unfortunately, it's not a trend or anything. The travel kicks up again this coming Thursday to fleec...I mean provide consulting services to the City of Tracy.

It's been an exciting month, what with inspections of the hoist and another one coming up for our backflow preventer. Don't ask why we need the backflow

preventer inspected when we get plenty of backflow from clogged sewers alone.

To keep the momentum going, I am continuing the great tradition I started last month to designate a:

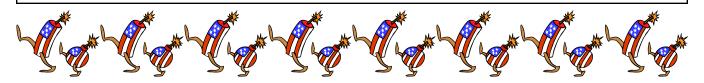
#### JULY PROJECT

This is where I keep complacency from setting in and give club members the opportunity to express their creative sides.

I'm shocked, as you will be, that this This month I would like to enhance the replacement of the planter at the northeast corner of the club. At Work Day a rotten old planter and some brickwork underneath it were removed to create a planter in the paving. One side of the brickwork is a bit ragged, and I have seen a few people trip (mostly tourists, and we don't want their lawyers coming after our club's vast resources). I want to clean up one edge of this new planter and install something to keep the tourists off the daisies. If you like sawing bricks, feeling the soil between your fingers, and making noise while you build things, this may be the creative opportunity to you. Volunteer by July 9 and I'll personally install a brass plaque to commemorate your legacy to the club.

> Some of you may be wondering, what about those light fixtures and other little things that aren't working around the club. Too mundane! Keep on telling me about all those little sewer and key problems as they crop up, and I'll use the alias and arm twisting at Happy Hour to provide those little service touches that I'm so well known for.

Greg Barker, Vice Commodore





# FUN FLOAT

Thursday, July 22nd, 10:00 a.m.

Congratulations to our club members that require wind to move their boats. I have looked into my crystal ball and saw nothing but victory after victory at High Sierra Regatta.

Our next paddle will be an Thursday July 22nd

at 10:00AM. Bring yourselves and your friends that have come to visit during their summer vacation.

your Ever-loving-all seeing eyeball, G.P.P.



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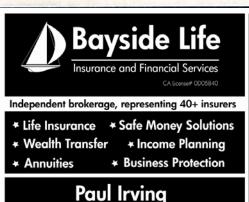
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## **HAPPY HOUR HOSTS**

**REMEMBER!** In order for us to keep our liquor license, non-members are NOT ALLOWED behind the bar and all guests must sign the guest book located at the end of the bar.

If you have questions about the operation of the bar, contact our Bar Steward, Larry Earl.

**Everyone should be contacting the** other people assigned with them to coordinate the Hosting Duties.

If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSI-**BILITY to find a replacement. Perhaps you** could trade with someone else on the Host List. Cynthia Wimer will be sending out reminders in the mail.

The club will furnish paper products and plastic ware for Host Night. Hosts tend bar from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. AND serve snacks at 6:00 p.m. till 7:30 p.m.

#### **July 2010**

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- Howard & Sandy Grisham 16 Chris & Lynn Helenius
- Peter & Bev King 23 Victor & Francoise Nigro
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#### August 2010

- Jeff & Kathe Davidson Andy Arozena
- John & Candice Kincade 13 Nancy Craig
- Dana Cummings John Bodine & Brooke Townsend
- 20 Jack & Barbara Daily Arthur Duberg
- Greg & Jennifer Barker 27 Skip & Betsy Dyke
- Don & Glenda Boatman

#### September 2010

- Andrew & Marrie Brown Roy & Bev Gammill
- 10 Pete & Susan Canaan Jim & Char Bruzenak
- 17 John Gajdos & Elaine Giannini
- Richard & Claire Grantham 24 Gary & Joyce Granneman Pat Hedges

— Polly Schneider



## FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE—David Prewett



To all racers,

My deepest apologies. I feel I have been errant in my duties. You come out, race after race, give it your all and support each other.

Where I feel I have let you down is the accurate reporting of your efforts in the races. There were four Bay races and two Ocean races scheduled for May. I do not have results for all of them. I will report what I have. Spring 3 for the Bay racers showed eight boats that raced: *Terry Paris, Lex Budge, Tom Fee, Bob Walker, Joe Fram, Tom Tidyman, Howard and Mark Sol.* I have no results for this race.

Lido fleet championship. There were five boats that raced. First were the *Ryghs*, second the *Lockwoods* and third the *Kizziars*. Daysailer championship. This was a big fleet, with twelve boats racing. First were *Condon* and *Williams*,

second was the *Measures*, third was *Tidyman* and crew and fourth was *Carlton* and *Debra*.

Last is the Jack Johnson race. First was **Ryan Morris**, second was **Keiran Hansen**, third was **Ian MacDonald** and fourth was **Olivia Mac Donald**.

Please inform me of any errors, so I may correct them next month. I guarantee that my reports will improve. I'm not sure they can get worse! Good wind, slack tide and watch out for that booooooat!

David Prewett, Rear Commodore



As we "round the corner" of 2010, July is the busiest month for our town and for our membership. With fireworks back on the calendar for our 4<sup>th</sup> it will be a huge day of celebration starting at noon from *The Rock* with a bike parade to Tidelands. Our own *ZONGO All-Stars* will be performing as the closing act at 6:30 before the big bang!! On their itinerary is concerts at *Avila Beach Golf* resort on Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m., plus the big daddy of them all where we can sail or drive to Avila for the Friday night Yachting Cup and Beach Party, August 20th. Do you remember last year??? It was such a blast with perfect weather and special access to our friends at *San Luis Yacht Club*. July is also host to the *High Sierra Regatta* at Huntington where a little competition from *Fresno Yacht Club* members really kicks it up a notch! So enjoy your July. It is the hottest and driest month of our year!!

Sharon Bufo, Social Chair,



My yoga teacher likes to go on about the swamis who live in India and sleep in charnel houses, surrounded by rotting flesh and desiccated bones. "They do it in order to live in the moment, to remind themselves that all they have is the present," he says. I recall when thinking about the swamis an old hippie book called "Be Here Now," by Ram Dass, who believed that most of us are rarely present in life, rather lost in the past or some imagined future--that most of us fail, well, to "be here, now."

It occurred to me this past month that sailboat racing is really a lesson in "be here nowism." We may not have the dead around to remind us of the importance of being alive, but we do have the fluttering of crisp canvas or a sudden shift in wind conditions capable of transforming any moment into something real and new.

Consider our Fleet Championship. While the usual team of *Williams* and *Condon* prevailed, followed by teams *Tidyman* and *Murphy*, conditions required all of us to pay attention to an ever-shifting reality on the water. Breeze flickering over the shallows beckoned some of us, where we ran aground, while others tried to read the vagaries of the current and wind near the docks, only to be surpassed by others who took the mid route down the channel.

And nowhere was the "be here nowism" of sailing more apparent than Summer I. Visiting Daysailer legend *Dave Keran* joined *Michael Measures*, as the usual suspects contended with a wide range of conditions that forbade anything but a complete allegiance to the moment. At first many of us were floating backwards, barely getting past the start mark, while some prospered ten feet away. In the second race a fierce, rolling wind came across the channel, and in a heartbeat, capsized and swamped a few of us. Talk about ice-cold reality.

For those who missed it, the *Hansen family* PROed the race, transforming it into our own goofy version of the World Cup. They assigned each boat a country and officiated, complete with whistles, national anthem, and uniforms. I can't think of a cooler family, even though I got yellow carded for being over early. Results: *Teams Williams, Measures* and *Murphy* in the "A"s, with teams *Grisham, Krossa* and *Fee* in the "B"s.

Anybody who wants to enjoy the eternal present is welcome to join us. No bones required.

Carlton

News from the Elevator Committee Congratulations to *Kay Milligan* for winning the 50/50 raffle to raise money for the elevator. Sincerely, Marlene and the Elevator Committee



#### Hi Juniors!

The High Sierra Regatta at Huntington Lake is this month!! If you are taking a club boat, remember to get your travel liability form in to me before you go. We'll have more communications about this event through email. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions!!

You can tell its summer; Burger Nights have started up again! We will be getting together to sail Wednesday afternoons starting at 3:00, and going until the Burgers lure us off the water. Please note that I am not planning to sail Wednesday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, due to Huntington.

Juniors are signed up to HOST Burger Night on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Please be there that night if you can! We will need volunteers to setup and serve from 4 - 6, and people to serve and then clean up from 6 - 8. Let me know if you can help!

We had a fun and busy June. The Jack Johnson Memorial Regatta was held on Memorial Day at Atascadero Lake. We had 5 Optis (and 6 Opti sailors), and everyone did really well! The lake was beautiful, and I think we all enjoyed the warm sunshine, and fun park, even if the winds were a little light! **Ryan** Morris, Kieran Hansen, Ian MacDonald, Olivia MacDonald, Brayden Corriea and Keily Hansen sailed.

That same weekend, our road warriors, Andrew Monroe, Rory McClish, Shannon McClish, and Audrey McClish, traveled down to CBYC to race in Harken #3.

Some of our junior laser sailors have joined in with the budding laser fleet for various events this month. It is a great way to build skills and challenge yourself.

And... we finally had that game of sponge tag. In the picture below, Ryan is just about to catch a sponge... with his face. Summer is here indeed!





## LIDO FLEET... RYGHS WIN LIDO FLEET CHAMPIONSHIPS!!!

We had 6 boats signed up for our Fleet Championships. Newest members *Scott and Laurel Morris* opted not to race on their maiden Lido voyage after the tiller broke, but they got another and sailed around the bay with the two kids and joined us for after race early dinner and meeting.

John Dilworth crewed for Bryan Watson, Lockwoods, Kizziars, Ryghs and Brennans enjoyed 3 good races. The current was strong, but fortunately the wind was strong enough also. Ryghs, Watson and Lockwoods each took a first, sharing the joy. After the first race Lockwoods tanked. Kizziars sailed the most consistently with three 2nds. Ryghs did a great job finishing first all around and getting their name on the perpetual trophy. ..Congratulations!!!!



## Membership News

Please welcome our two newest memberships who were voted in at our June board meeting. Their information is:

Brett Cross

Robert and Holly Smirl

Membership Committee: Gail Condon, Cyndy Fee (co-chairs), Lynn Meissen, Rachelle and Jim Phillips, Angela Soll and Marty and Tom Tidyman.



Opti winners -

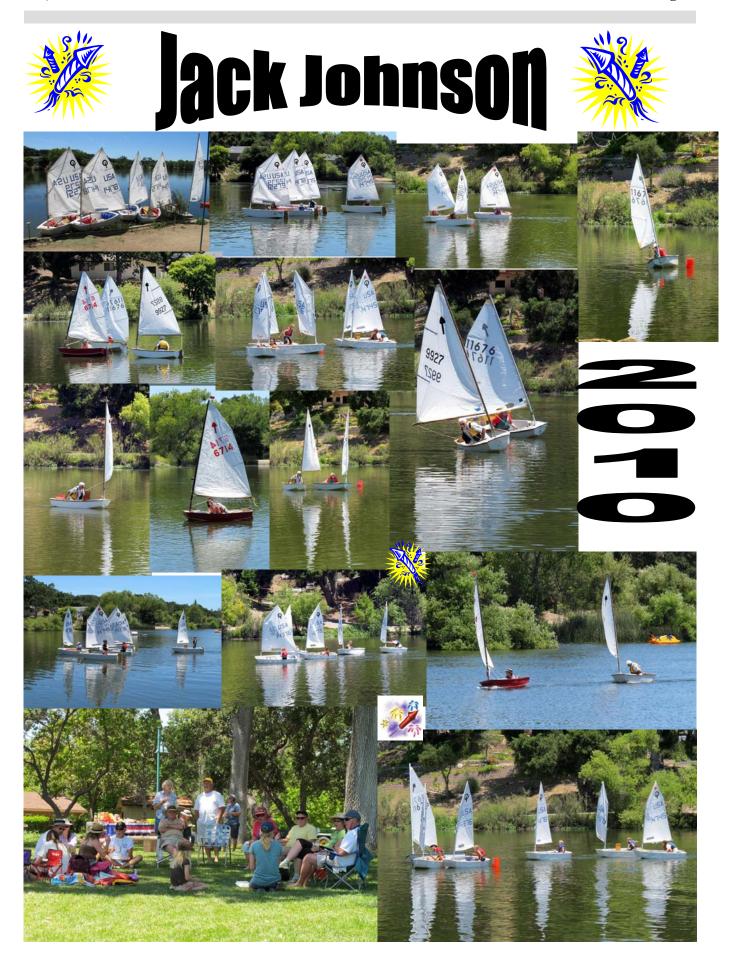
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1st—Peter Rothenbuecher Jack Johnson Trophy 2nd—Michael Measures 3rd—Todd Hansen

4th—Joyce Hansen, special award, Feather Wind Vane, From Rosemary Jorgens



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## People News In Memoriam

Last month we lost a wonderful friend, *Tom Haynie*. Tom was an Olympic Athlete, representing the U.S. in 1936 and 1940 in swimming and diving, winning numerous medals. He was head coach at Stanford University and Punaho, Hawaii and coached the Pan American Games in 1955. During WW2 he served as a Navy Seal based in Florida. His name is in the Hall of Fame at Michigan State, Stanford and Punaho. *Tom and Sherrye* were married for 56 years and have 3 daughters and one son. We will miss him.

Our hearts go out to *Carolyn Pye* and *Millard Martin* whose son, *John* age 46, lost his 3 year battle with cancer this month. As boys, *John* and *Keith*, sailed with their parents in their Pelican here and cruised and camped throughout the San Juan Islands. Later *John* became an avid outdoorsman, camping and mountain biking throughout the country. Our sympathy to his wife, *Tracy*, and children, *Nicole and John*.

LOST Several fun-floats ago, to save it from drowning, I laid my watch (little old gold watch with leather strap) in the planter by the ramp. I was careless and forgot to pick it up that day and next day it was gone. If anyone salvaged it, I'd love to have it back. Please pop it through the YC mail slot. Thanks, *Rosemary Jorgens* 

# Hamburger Nights Begins!

Wednesday Nights! June 16th through September 1st from 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Please help make this year's Hamburger Night a success. Sign up to help host, help in the galley, or attend bar for an evening. July 2010

Ocean Races Start: 12:00 NOON Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM

Bay Races Start: 11:00 AM Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM



Friday Happy Hour Hosts Serve Snacks and Tend Bar from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.

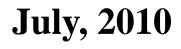
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