



# The ANCHOR

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## From the Commodore, Ed Stetson

August is going to be a busy month, let's see if we can get some good turnout for these events. Starting with August 4th, cruise in for a trip to "Hawaii" at the Club. The flyer is in this issue of the Anchor and has been emailed; contact the Kuehns to make your reservations ASAP.

Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> is the board and general meeting and members of the Riverview YC in Sacramento will be attending so we can get to know each other while we consider a "merger" of the two clubs. All members interested in the future of Marina

West Yacht Club should attend. Get your dinner reservations in to Lynn Hahn.

Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> is the Alligator Races at Haven Acres, details in this issue. This is for small boats, not much water down there. If you don't have a dingy or runabout, I'm sure we can find you a ride.

The weekend of the 24<sup>th</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup> brings the Pittsburg YC cruise in for "Hot August Night". The flyer was emailed earlier, please respond to the Stetsons. We will be cruising in to Pittsburg September 8<sup>th</sup> for the Seafood Festival so this is a chance to return

their hospitality. We have space reserved at this time, but I need to know who is going soon. It is not right to tie up space we don't need. This is a great event with all kinds of food and craft booths, Off-Shore Boat races and an "Air Show". Not to mention the great hospitality of the Yacht Club. Contact me if you would like to attend, day trippers by boat or car are welcome.

Plans for Labor Day Weekend are not finalized yet; we will either cruise in to MWYC or anchor out. Stay tuned.

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## From the Vice Commodore, Ken Dretzka

We kick off the first weekend of this (already) August month with a cruise in from Discovery Bay Yacht Club. The BAD news is that the DBYC is not going to be able to make it. But that's not going to stop Karen and Dave Kuehn, our Fleet Captains for that weekend! We're still going to have a big bash with a Hawaiian theme. Hula girls and good looking Hawaiian men will be all over the club...get

those reservations in and c'mon down and enjoy some Island fun.

The Riverview Yacht Club has been invited to join us for our General Meeting on Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss the possibilities of our two clubs joining forces. We need as many of you to attend as possible to determine our compatibility with this club and to see if this is something we all want to consider. Plan on being a little earlier than the normal

1900 hours to meet and mingle with our guests.

The following day, August 11 is National Marina Day at RiverPoint. All sorts of activities will be going on including safety checks by the Coast Guard Auxiliary, a Power Squadron information booth and other boating-related tables and exhibits. Then at 1130 hours, a bunch of us will gather at our MWYC docks to dinghy over to a place called Haven Acres *Con't on Pg. 6*

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**manner.**



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Jack Michael

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## Rear Commodore, Tev Liotard

### GENERAL MEETING

**FRIDAY AUGUST 10TH**

**\$12.50—Dinner**

**RSVP to Lynn Hahn**

**6309 Culpepper Pl. Stockton, CA 95207—209-477-7653**

**Meet the members from Riverview Yacht Club**

## BIRTHDAYS

### August Birthdays

Claude Auger  
Lynn Hahn  
Kim Lacy  
Mary Lee Michael  
Cheryl Patmon  
Ethylene Shannon



## Port Captain/Club Manager— Jeff Rose

It's been really quiet around the Clubhouse this past month. Hopefully everyone is out using their boats and enjoying the hot weather.

Just a reminder: You cannot bring alcoholic beverages into the clubhouse this includes beer. Wine may be brought in providing you pay a \$3 corkage fee. There

was beer left inside the clubhouse. Be aware that having beverages not purchased from our distributor is in violation of the ABC rules for our liquor license. Alcohol from the club cannot be taken down to the dock—and alcohol from your boats cannot be taken off the dock into the parking lot. Thanks for adhering to

the rules.

Let me know if you wish to bring your boat into our dock. There are several events coming up and I want to make sure that there is room for everyone. So, please let me know before your arrival.

Enjoy using the facilities. Call me if you see anything

that needs to be attended to like a broken window or something not working properly. That way I'll be able to get it repaired quickly.

Thanks!

## P.I.C.Y.A. Report—Jack Michael, SC—Delegate

Commodore Stetson and I journeyed to Driftwood Yacht Club for the July Delegates Meeting. Richard Hardy also represented MWYC at this meeting, accompanied by our good member Joan Marsh-Clune. The Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner was wonderful! Driftwood YC always serves superb meals. The next Delegates Meeting will be on Monday, August 6th, at Stockton YC. This is close, so you may want to join us! Let me know soon, because reservations are mandatory!! As reported last month, the next PICYA event of interest to MWYC members is the Wheel Chair Regatta on September 29, 2007 at the

conclusion of our MWYC Bay Cruise. I strongly encourage participation in this event and our Bay Cruise. The Wheel Chair Regatta has been established as a 501C(3) tax exempt organization, so participation is tax deductible, including polo shirts, fuel, etc. If you are interested in shirts, please let me know before the August 6<sup>th</sup> Delegates Meeting. Please consider driving to Encinal YC in Alameda for the WCR, if your not going on Bay Cruise, because help on the land side is always needed. More importantly, those of us that will have our vessels can always use crew!

The deadline, August 30,

2007, is nearing to apply for the PICYA scholarship program sponsored by the Western Boating Safety Group. There will be at least three \$2500 scholarships awarded. To be eligible, students must have parents, grandparents, or guardians who are members of a PICYA member yacht club. An Application Form is on the Club bulletin board. Make a copy and submit it by August 30, 2007 deadline. You can also go online to [www.picya.org](http://www.picya.org) and download the forms. This is a great opportunity .... take advantage of it! Also, if you haven't picked up your PICYA Yachting Yearbook, come to the Club and get it!!

The PICYA Fall Management Conference is October 13, this year. It is earlier than usual, so officers should be sure to put it on their calendars, and members should consider attending to learn more about yacht club operations. It just occupies a few hours of your Saturday and will be held at the Stockton Sailing Club this year. Can't be much closer!

If you have questions about PICYA give me a call!



## R.B.O.C. Report, Jack Michael SC, Representative

The Legislature is doing their summer Budget Dance. The media would like you to think that missing the June 30 budget deadline is some dreadful occurrence, but I think last year was the only year in the last 20, or so, that it was met! Oh well, I guess they figure they make 'em, they can break 'em!! The point of this rambling is that nothing else is getting any attention!

However, you do need to be aware that at the Federal level the enviros have won a court case that could be devastating to recreational boaters. RBOC is working on this for us, but Boat US is a better source of info. If you don't

belong you should consider joining. It only cost \$9.50 per year through our PICYA membership.

Anyway, back to the issue! It seems that a federal judge recently decided that a provision of the 1976 Clean Water Act intended to control discharge of ballast water from large commercial vessels applies to all vessels. The Federal EPA has always exempted recreational vessels from such discharge permit requirements. The court has decided that EPA has no authority to make such exemptions, and must have regulations in place by September 30, 2008 to require permits.

The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), which addresses discharges to public waters, is administered by each state under EPA oversight. So, there is a possibility that recreational boaters would have to secure separate permits for gray water, black water, engine cooling water, bilge water, and boat wash down water discharges, as well as secure these permits in each state in which they may boat!!

There has been legislation, HR 2550, introduced in Congress to specifically exempt recreational vessels from the permit requirements.

This may not be much comfort knowing just how much Congress gets accomplished, but, we may need to help out with letters and E-mails, so stay tuned!

I'll be back with more next month and may need letters from you in the mean time!

## Monthly Safety Tips/Reminders—Safety Officer, Jack McCarty

### Think Boating Safety – There is no Time Like The Present...

*by Wayne Spivak, Branch Chief - Training Department, USCG Auxiliary*

There is something that every boat owner can be doing during the down time between winterizing your boat and getting ready for the upcoming season.

### Think Boating Safety!

There is no time like the present to examine the past boating season, and plan for the next. Maybe you just sold your boat, or are in the process.

What type of boat and boating are you now looking forward to? How does this impact the safety of you and your passengers? Are you in need of more boating education? Do you have enough piloting and operating experience in the class of boat that you are purchasing?

Maybe you're keeping your boat for next season, but found you had some difficulties maneuvering her, or confusion about buoys and how to read them. Again, additional boating education may solve this dilemma.

In either case, you are

going to need to either check and see if your safety equipment is current (now is a good time to do this) or what type of equipment you may need to purchase.

Here's a list of removable or portable safety equipment (I'm taking a very broad view on the word safety). While not all inclusive, it should cover the majority of the equipment you have, whether federally or state mandated or just common sense items:

- anchor's and anchor rodes - look for corrosion and fray;

- batteries - discharge and service;
- charts, other reference and/or navigational material - check to see if need to be updated;
- coolers - clean them and look for mildew and cracks and replace, if necessary;
- emergency rafts - service;
- fire extinguishers - discharge;

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## Safety Officer—con't from Pg 4

- first aid kits and other personal hygiene items- take inventory and replenish;
  - flares and other pyrotechnics - check for expiration;
  - foul weather gear and harnesses - check for mildew and corrosion and repair as needed;
  - lines - check for chafing and fraying;
  - LP - look for corrosion and replenish;
  - PFD's - disintegrate, discharge and corrode;
  - PIW kits - corrode, disintegrate and re-pair;
  - radio's, EPIRB's and other electronics - look for corrosion and dead batteries;
  - rags, towels and other protective clothing - clean and replace as necessary;
  - sound producing devices - look for corrosion and replenish;
  - tool kit - look for corrosion and service;
  - weather forecasting equipment - clean, repair and adjust as necessary.
- shape for the next boating season and that the equipment matches the type of boat and boating habits you intend on using. Take some courses. First Aid courses, small engine repair, safe boating and navigation courses can make this great sport of ours not only more fun, but safer for you, your passengers and the other boaters that you encounter.

## Commodore Stetson (Continued from page 1)

There are still spots available for the Bay and Blue-water cruises, contact the Commodore.

As previously mentioned, Driftwood Y.C. has a long standing tradition of supporting the "Make a Wish" foundation. Last year they presented a check to the foundation for over \$50,000. We have been asked to help support their effort in 2007. I have raffle tickets for a 2007 PT Cruiser at \$20.00 ea. The response has been pretty good so far, but I have lots more tickets. They have also asked if any of our boats would be willing to provide short cruises out of Driftwood on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. They sell cruises to the community. Tax deduction certificates will be provided for fuel

costs. We will discuss this further in the coming months. The Griffin and Trixie Lee are planning to participate, contact me if you want to join in.

### SHIP'S STORE

Men's Polo Shirts!

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Bonnie Stetson  
Supply Officer

That can be a lot of gear! Use your time expeditiously and it isn't an "insurmountable task. Remember, the last items to replace are those that have an expiration date - such as flares, and other pyrotechnics and first aid supplies.

Service your equipment, making sure it's in the best possible

For more information about USCG Auxiliary safe boating courses, contact your local Flotilla via either your local Coast Guard unit or on the web at [www.cgaux.org](http://www.cgaux.org). The Coast Guard can be found in your yellow pages or on the web at [www.uscg.mil](http://www.uscg.mil).

This is an abridged version of this article. To read the full article, please visit the Boating Safety section of the ABA website at [www.americanboating.org/safety.htm](http://www.americanboating.org/safety.htm).



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to have lunch at a place that is well known for their outlandish, but tasty, patty melts. And, at 1400 hours, the Alligator Races will begin. Haven't seen any Alligator Races before? They're rare...so don't miss out! Call me so I can get a head count, (707) 322-4908. Don't worry if you don't have a dinghy or don't want to bring yours. We will have plenty of room...the more the merrier!

The Commodore and First Lady are hosting HOT August Nights for the Pittsburg Yacht Club Cruise in on August 24 through the 26<sup>th</sup>. That sounds like a lot of fun in the making, too. Oldies & Goodies all weekend long...Again, get those reservations in.

Last, but certainly not least: A MWYC Anchor Out is scheduled for the end of the month. Our Fleet Captains, Karen and Dave Kuehn, are thinking a "Cruise Out" to the MWYC might be in order instead. Hey! It's a three day weekend! There are all sorts of exciting things to do and Karen & Dave are putting it together as you read this. Besides cocktails, crazy drinks and hors d'oeuvres on the docks, other exciting and fun things are being planned. Again, call me to confirm you'll be there and for further info. 'Hope to see you there!

## BLUEWATER CRUISE ITINERARY September 30 - Oct. 7

Sunday Sept. 30:	Cruise to Santa Cruz
Mon:	In Port
Tuesday:	Cruise to Monterey
Wednesday:	In Port
Thursday:	Cruise to Half Moon Bay
Friday:	Cruise to Driftwood YC
Saturday:	Make-A-Wish Cruise
Sunday:	Cruise home to Stockton

## BAY CRUISE 2007 ITINERARY Sept. 29 through 29

### Friday Sept 21:

Cruise to Benicia YC: Dock fees due one month ahead, send to Ed Stetson. Boats 41' - 55' = \$35 Boats 55' and up = \$45. Dinner off the buffet menu at the Yacht Club, it always includes Prime Rib and at least one other entrée.

### Saturday/Sunday, Sept 22/23:

Cruise to Sausalito (Schoonmaker) Dock fees payable to Harbormaster on arrival. Meals to be determined when we get closer to the date. We will want one boat to host each port.

### Monday/Tuesday Sept 24/25:

Cruise to Burlingame (Sierra Pt. YC). Reciprocal Club. Monday Night Football & Dinner at Club Mon night, hike to hotel for Tues. dinner?

### Wednesday/Thursday Sept 26/27:

Cruise to San Leandro (Spinnaker YC). Reciprocal Club. Dinner at YC one night, Horatio's one night. Golf and shopping available.

### Friday/Saturday Sept 28/29:

Cruise to Encinal, Captains Dinner Friday night, Wheel Chair Regatta Saturday, Hamburgers on the lawn after. No dock fees. Alternate location for boats not participating in regatta to be determined.

Make reservations to Ed Stetson by August 15th. [ed.griffin@yahoo.com](mailto:ed.griffin@yahoo.com). Boats can choose either cruise, both, or parts of the Bay Cruise. On shore help for the Wheel Chair Regatta would be very much appreciated if anyone wants to come over for that event only, by land or sea.



# Marina West Yacht Club

## Aloha HAWAII

### AUGUST 4 th

**BRING**

**YOUR**

**BOATS**

**SATURDAY**

1800 hrs Happy

Aloha

1900 hrs Dinner

Kona Tri Tip

Potatoes-Salad

Dessert

\$18.00

**COME**

**AND**

**PLAY!!**

**RSVP with a Check to MWYC**

**Mail to: Fleet Captains Karen & David Kuehn  
17080 Wilderness Way, Jackson, CA 95642  
Phone: 209-296-5419**



# Hot August Night

## Pittsburg Yacht Club Cruise In August 24-26

Friday Night Social Hour 1800

Catered Chinese dinner 1900

\$15.00



Sunday 0930

M.W.Y.C. Special Breakfast

\$6



Saturday Night Social Hour 1730

Dinner 1900

Slow Roasted Top Loin  
with garlic-rosemary crust &  
fresh mushroom sauce

Stuffed Potatoes

Garden Fresh Veggie

Desert

\$25

## Boogie all Night to the Oldies & goodies



Reservations  
Ed Griffin  
4555 N. Pershing  
FMB 33-135  
Stockton, CA. 95207



Friday dinner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 6.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For additional information or on-line reservations ed.griffin@yachtcub.com

Make checks payable to M.W.Y.C.



**Schedule of Events**

- Aug 4— Hawaii Day @ MWYC
- Aug 6— PICYA Mtg Stockton YC
- Aug 10— Board & General Mtg
- Aug 11— Poker Run/Alligator Races @ Haven Acres
- Aug 24-26 Pittsburg YC Cruise In
- Aug 26 IOBG Gen. Mtg. @ Driftwood YC
- Aug 31— Cruise In to our Dock

August 2007						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Thank you to "all my friends in MWYC", for the beautiful Rhododendron that is on my front porch in loving memory of my mother Nadine Boynton. I must use the Anchor for my thank you, as the card was signed as the quote above reads.

I certainly appreciate your thoughtfulness and kind gesture in the loss of my mom and best friend. You are all so very special to think of me in such a loving way.

*Lynn Hahn*



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@  
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## CLUB CALENDAR 2007

### January

- 6 Change of Watch
- 7 Board Meeting/Brunch
- 27 Crab Feed

### February

- 9 Board & General Meeting
- 10 Mystery Land Cruise
- 16 Cruise-In Cruiser Haven

### March

- 9 Board & General Meeting
- 9 Cruise-In Delta Bayliners
- 16 Cruise-Out—Driftwood

### April

- 13 Board & General Meeting
- 14 Opening Day on the Delta
- 14 Pirates @ MWYC
- 20 Cruise-Out—Solano YC
- 21 Chili Cook Off—Solano YC

27 Asparagus Festival

27 Cruise-In—TBD

### May

- 4 Cruise-In—Oxbow YC
- 18 Board & General Meeting
- 18 Cruise-In—Delta Marina YC
- 28 Memorial Day—Anchor Out

### June

- 2 Ladies Day
- 8 Board & General Meeting
- 9 Tower Park BBQ o/t Green
- 10 P.I.C.A. Alaskan Cruise
- 22 Cruise-In—TBD

### July

- 4 Anchor Out
- 13 Board & General Meeting
- 14 Cruise-In—TBD
- 20 Cruise-Out—Devils Island

### August

- 3 Cruise-In—
- 10 Board & General Meeting
- 18 Dingy Poker Run@Haven Acres
- 24-26—Pittsburg YC Cruise-In
- 31 Labor Days at our Dock

### September

- 3 Labor Day—Anchor Out
- 7 Pittsburg Seafood Fest Cruise
- 14 Board & General Meeting
- 21 Bay Cruise
- 30 Blue Water

### October

- 12 Board & General Meeting
- 12 Cruise-In TBD
- 20 A Taste of Autumn

26 Cruise-Out—Oxbow YC

### November

- 3 Commodore's Ball-Delta King
- 9 Board & General Meeting
- 9 Cruise-In—TBD
- 16 Cruise-In—Caliente Isle YC
- 17 Casino Night

### December

- 1 Delta Reflections
- 14 Board & General Meeting
- 15 Bart to SF-Christmas Shopping
- 31 New York New Years Eve