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THE FOREDECK



by Susan Ruhne, Editor in Chief



Susan Ruhne

October brings action to our club on all fronts—the racing season wraps up with exciting events, Fleet Week packs the club, our High School sailors are practicing and racing, our juniors are sailing, social events fill the calendar, and the Grill Room remains the best place in town to meet friends for after work or sailing drinks! The committees planning the Holiday events are working hard getting ready.

St. Francis has traditional events both on and off the water—The Commodores Ball in November will be a unique combination of old and new—there will be two levels of tickets this year. You can attend the formal seated dinner & party, or just purchase a ticket for the party. There will be two venues for music with a live dance band in one, and a dj in the other. All members are invited and

encouraged to attend this annual celebration of the Commodores past and present of our club. Sign up early to take advantage of the early bird discount!

August and September brought sailors from around the globe to the StFYC for the Kiteboard and SAP 505 World Championship, followed by the Rolex Big Boat series. The sailors and support teams for all were all agreement for their appreciation for the club, our staff and volunteers. Our members and friends supported these events in force. If you've never been involved with our regattas, make sure you volunteer in the future—there is always help needed onshore & on the water.

This year we've added new features to the Mainsheet, and we thank the members for their participating in the "Where's the Burgee" and Member Celebrations columns. The Mainsheet is in need of additional writers and editing help for the next year...if you are interested in getting involved, we'd like to have your help and ideas. Just email us at mainsheet@stfyc.com.



Barry Lewis, J-120 Winner, Chance



Bill LeRoy, Cal 40 Winner, Gone With The Wind



Rolex Winners: Kjeld Hestehave, Velos; Kame Richards, Golden Moon; Chris Perkins, Good Timin; Gerald Sheridan, Tupelo Honey; Dan Woolery, Soozal; Jim Mitchell, Sr, and Jim Michell Jr, Vincitore.



Chris Perkins, J-105 Winner, Good Timin'

Photo by Leslie Richter/Rockskipper Photography

Photo by Daniel Forster/Rolex



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COVER: Cal 40's One Design Start during Rolex Big Boat Series. Staff Commodore Bill LeRoy on Gone With the Wind #12 at the committee boat was the class winner. Photo by Daniel Forster/Rolex



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CALENDAR

OCTOBER '09

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			01 Complimentary Wine Tasting 5:30-6:30pm Fresh Crew Happy Hour Trivia Night Cabrinha Race Series	02 Seafood Night Yoga 8:30-10am Sip & Shop	03 Sip & Shop Father Daughter Dinner Dance MDR Closed for Lunch & Dinner	04 Family Buffet Night
05 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm Monday Night Football	06 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm	07 Prime Rib Night Yoga 8:30-10am Yachting Luncheon	08 Ladies Game Day Culinary Teaser	09 Seafood Night Yoga 8:30-10am Intro to Yoga 8:45-10am Sip & Shop Fleet Week	10 Sip & Shop WINE & GIFT SHOP BLOWOUT SALE! Fleet Week MDR Closed for Dinner	11 Family Buffet Night Sip & Shop WINE & GIFT SHOP BLOWOUT SALE! Champagne Brunch Buffet Fleet Week
12 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm Monday Night Football	13 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm	14 Prime Rib Night Yoga 8:30-10am Ladies Game Day 2nd Wednesdays Live Yachting Luncheon	15 Complimentary Tasting 5:30-6:30pm	16 Seafood Night Yoga 8:30-10am Bejeweled Fashion Show Lunch Sip & Shop	17 Sip & Shop Pre Fixe Night Finn-Pre-Gold Cup Jessica Cup Logan & Paige Regatta	18 Family Buffet Night Finn-Pre-Gold Cup Jessica Cup Logan & Paige Regatta
19 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm Monday Night Football	20 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm	21 Prime Rib Night Yoga 8:30-10am Brian Ramsey Far Niente Winemaker Dinner Yachting Luncheon	22 South Pacific Theatre Night Culinary Teaser	23 Seafood Night Yoga 8:30-10am Sip & Shop	24 Sip & Shop Fall Dinghy	25 Family Buffet Night Pre-Halloween Costume Family Movie Night Celebrity Chef Night Fall Dinghy
26 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm Monday Night Football	27 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm	28 Prime Rib Night Yoga 8:30-10am Race Committee Party Yachting Luncheon	29 Culinary Teaser	30 Seafood Night Yoga 8:30-10am Sip & Shop	31 Sip & Shop	Family Buffet Night

NOVEMBER '09

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
						01 Family Buffet Night StFYC & SFYC Open House
02 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 11 am – 10 pm Monday Night Football	03 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 11 am – 10 pm	04 Prime Rib Night Yoga 8:30-10am Yachting Luncheon	05 Complimentary Tasting 5:30-6:30pm Fresh Crew Happy Hour Lagunitas Tasting	06 Seafood Night Yoga 8:30-10am	07 Prix Fixe Night	08 Family Buffet Night Champagne Brunch Buffet
09 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm Monday Night Football	10 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm	11 Prime Rib Night Yoga 8:30-10am 2nd Wednesdays Live Yachting Luncheon	12 Ladies Game Day Culinary Teaser	13 Seafood Night Yoga 8:30-10am	14 Commodore's Ball	15 Family Buffet Night
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23/31 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm Monday Night Football	24 Members only in the Grill Bar is open 4 – 8 pm	25 Prime Rib Night Yoga 8:30-10am Yachting Luncheon	26 THANKSGIVING BUFFET	27 Yoga 8:30-10am	28	30

FROM THE COMMODORE

by John McNeill

As a club we face all sorts of challenges, some peculiar to the club business, and some just standard business problems. I've long believed that, as brilliant as our leadership and management may be, there is a wealth of creative talent and learned errors in other like organizations. For that reason, we have put some serious effort this year into building our relations with other yacht clubs, to create an open conversation toward solving mutual problems, and, in many cases, towards pitching our strengths together to enhance activities beyond what we may be capable of alone. With both SFYC and NYYC, we have engaged in conversations toward what we can do together, and in what we have experienced that may be of value to the other. The combined Commodore's Cruise/Madcap Regatta in Newport at the NYYC

Harbor Court facility was one example, and recently, we have combined with SFYC to create a 'Little SF Cup' to involve junior sailors in that long standing friendly competition starting in 2010. On November 1, you will see on the calendar an Interclub Open House Day, involving StFYC and SFYC. Don't miss this opportunity to meet fellow yachtsmen, enjoy hosted food by the clubs, and a ferry service between the City Front and Belvedere! The ride alone is worth the price (\$0).

Toward same quest for networking, StFYC has been nominated for membership of the International Council of Yacht Clubs

by the Royal Thames YC and the Royal Vancouver YC. We have agreed to join. This group of premier clubs worldwide is designed to extend the reach, influence and enjoyment of senior yacht clubs around the world for the benefit of its membership by integrating the club into a network of leading international sailing clubs. Members of the Council include prominent clubs from USA, Canada, UK, Europe, Africa, Hong Kong, Australia and New Zealand. The primary event each year is the International Forum where the Council invites its member Commodores to express their major current issues and help establish the agenda for inter-club discussions at the Forum, and on its virtual electronic discussion board at www.icoyc.org. The record of the Forums of 2008 and 2007 reveal that the clubs have many of the same challenges as StFYC, and have developed

some unique approaches to dealing with them. We expect that our participation in the Council will be of significant benefit to StFYC and the membership.

I believe in having an exclusive but not exclusionary club, welcoming all of like mind and love of the sport. The upcoming Commodore's Ball, November 14th, has been designed in reflection of that principle, and I hope that you will find a way of enjoying a great evening in your own style. You may attend the entire celebration of our Commodores, including a formal dinner and entertainment as has been the tradition, or you can opt for the after-dinner party featuring a variety of styles and venues for fun long into the evening. Frankly, I wanted all who wished to celebrate to be able to express their own styles and type of fun. We are all in this boat together, and this is the opportunity to enjoy that wonderful fate.

The Commodore is going sailing! What a concept! I don't get as many opportunities as I would like, but the weekend of the 17th is special, as we will race Yankee in the Jessica Cup, and lots of old boats will provide eye candy for those observing the action. There will also be Stars, Mercurys and Finns on the water that weekend in the Logan - Paige and Finn Pre-Gold Cup. A great opportunity to get out on the water or spectate.



John McNeill

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17th, 2009

5 Course-Prix Fixe Night in the Main Dining Room \$55 per Person Plus Tax

Course 1 ~ Venison Loin Carpaccio with Huckleberry Coulis

Course 2 ~ Butternut Squash Risotto with Fresh Herbs

Course 3 ~ Pan Seared Local Halibut on Sweet Potato Flan
with Brussel Sprout Lyonnaise

Course 4 ~ Muscat Poached Pear on Hydro Watercress Salad
with Point Reyes Blue Cheese

Course 5 ~ Pumpkin Ice Cream with Pizzelle Cookie

Wine Corkage Waived With Dinner
Call Chef Joseph or the Front Desk For This
Month's Featured Menu.

CHAIRMAN'S COLUMN



by John L. Fitzgerald

A few months ago, on a Saturday following the final race of the Club Series regatta, my wife and three young children returned to the Club's Grill Room for dinner.

Not along after we arrived, I ran into Don Kieselhort, our Wine Committee Chair, who was also in the Grill with his wife and daughter. Don strongly recommended our ordering a bottle of the Michael David Sixth Sense Syrah. Don told me that he and many of the Wine Committee members believe that at \$20.00 per bottle, the Michael David Syrah is the best value on the wine menu. On Saturday nights, however, all wine is half-priced. So, for Pam and me, our Syrah cost \$10 for an entire bottle, a price many restaurants would charge for a single glass of wine.



John L. Fitzgerald

My wife Pam had an entrée, the roasted turkey. I had a Caesar salad and the lemon chicken entrée. My children, ages four, five and seven, each ordered a child plate and a milk, which, because each of my children is under ten, was free.

All of this, including tax, cost us less than \$45.00. Find a restaurant with quality food where you could feed a family of five (two adults and three young children) for less than \$5.00 per person including a bottle of good wine.

A few Saturdays later, Pam and I dined in the Main Dining Room. We started by ordering a bottle of the 2006 Hahn Estates Pinot Noir, a member owned winery. Again, because it was a Saturday evening, the wine was offered at half-price. For dinner, Pam chose the 1927 special, a three-course meal for \$19.27. I started with an appetizer, the Chanterelle and Lobster Mushroom Risotto, and had the Veal Paillard for my main course. The meal was delicious, the wine wonderful, and the view beyond compare. The price was less than \$80, a tremendous value.

The word is definitely getting out. Saturdays evenings are becoming a particularly popular night at the Club, both in the Grill Room and in the Main Dining Room. If you have not done so already, I recommend a Saturday evening at the Club.

On the financial side, we recently concluded our third quarter

of the fiscal year. The Club continues to perform above budget. Looking ahead, we believe the Club will end its fiscal year in the black, slightly ahead of budget, a remarkable accomplishment, given the challenges of the economy.

See you at the Club.

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Mad Hatter Tea Party

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2009

*Fathers share a memorable night with
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5:30 pm Pictures & Reception

6:45 pm Dinner ~ Main Dining Room

8:00 pm Dessert & Dance ~ Golden Gate Room

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Digital format accepted only. Only 2 pictures per submission.
New Deadline: October 1, 2009.
Please email submissions to: clubevents@stfyc.com*

????? WHERE IS THE BURGEE?



Dave Fritz & Bob McEligot at Ida Lewis YC



Randy & Melissa Trommer at Royal Thames YC



Emma and Julia Kiehn at Koh Samui, Thailand



Dick & Kate Robinson passing the Statue of Liberty

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JUNIORS



by Mike Kalin, StFYC Junior Director

The 2009 Techno 293 North Americans

A small, but spirited group of sailors made their way to San Francisco for three fun-filled days of racing on the famed City Front race course. Challenged by heavy flood currents, puffy winds and a cold fog, 15 sailors from Florida, Massachusetts and California competed in eleven races. 16 year old Austin Emser, of Clearwater Florida, displayed a knack for getting his board up on a plane very quickly and dominated the first half of the event, taking mostly first places all the way through. 13 year old local windsurf prodigy Marion Lepert took some time to figure out the nuances of the somewhat sluggish Techno Board (Marion normally sails on Formula equipment). Once she dialed it in, she was unstoppable, taking first place in the last two races in the event.

The highlight of the regatta was the "Round the Rock" distance race around Alcatraz. The sun finally made it's way on the course, the ebb was still kicking and six brave racers braved the 25 knot puffs and 4 foot chop to the north of Alcatraz. The perpetual trophy, last engraved in 1985 will now have Marion Lepert engraved in it for her horizon job performance in the 45 minute long race. This distance was a piece of cake for Marion after having completed the SF Classic earlier in the summer. Other local competitors at the event were the ever improving Jack Lundquist and Daniel Thompson in Gold Fleet and Kelsie Deisinger, Cullie Deisinger and Emmett McDonald who made steady gains in the Silver Fleet.

Many thanks to Nevin Sayre and Bryan McDonald for working so hard to promote the sport to the next generation and bringing this event to St. Francis. Also special thanks to Dennis Deisinger who has singlehandedly brought along the local junior windsurf fleet with his generous donation of coaching and his tireless enthusiasm. The fleet looks forward to the Techno Worlds coming to the Bay in 2011. Speaking of which, we wish Marion the best of luck at this year's Techno Worlds which will be sailed August 22-29 at the future site of the 2012 Olympics in Weymouth, UK.



2009 SUMMER JUNIOR CAMP

Fipping though some photos of the summer camps shows a lot of smiling faces and great memories. Whether it was making new friends at Tinsley, battling the brisk elements on City Front, or taking a day trip (via 420s) to Angel Island, the summer of '09 will be etched into the memories of the 115 campers who took part this summer.

The Tinsley camps will be remembered for the sunny hot weather, Chef Chris Kelly's delicious food, Coach Rusty Morgan's fun and easy going style, and happy kids from far and wide – from Wyoming to Colorado to SoCal. Each camp had a record 25 kids, so we will likely try to expand to include another week of the popular camp next year. After spending Labor Day weekend on the island and meeting more kids than I knew existed at the club, the upcoming years camps are shaping up to be lively!

The first two week City Front camp was a great success. The majority of the juniors were in the 12-15 age range with little to no experience. After experimenting with a new learn-to-sail platform (a Club 420 with a storm main), sailing suddenly became manageable on the City Front – even in 20 knot winds. Many thanks to Jay Kehoe and Roland Vandermeer for their input into developing the new sail and platform.

Looking ahead to Indian Summer, we have a full plate of Opti, 420 and Radial activities on City Front. Coach Rusty Morgan and his growing group of Opti sailors will be attending local Opti events and building on the momentum of their trip to Opti Nationals in July. Check the club website or check in with the Junior office to get more information & to get you young sailors involved.



Available on the following weekend dates:
Friday, October 30 to Sunday, November 1
Friday, November 6 to Sunday, November 8
Friday, November 20 to Sunday, November 22

Price \$ 375.00 per person

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>>> OCTOBER REGATTAS <<<

You can sign up on the website for each event, or
contact the Regatta Chair to volunteer to help

Joe Logan / Calvin Paige / Finn pre-Gold Cup October 17-18

Beau Vrolyk beau.vrolyk@mac.com
paigelogan.eventbrite.com/

Jessica Cup - October 17-18

Susan Ruhne sruhne@yahoo.com
jessicacup.eventbrite.com

Fall Dinghy & Olympic Classes - October 24-25

John Callahan johncallahan@oceanicyachts.com
falldinghy.eventbrite.com

Race Committee Party - October 28th

All who have done Race Committee in 2009 are invited!
RSVP at www.stfyc.com

Big Sail - November 17

Mark Adams
bigsail.eventbrite.com



RACING

by Jim Kirakis

2009 KITEBOARD COURSE RACING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The week of August 4-8 the StFYC set another key milestone in the sport of yacht racing, the first International Sailing Federation (ISAF) sanctioned World Championship in the discipline of Kiteboard Course Racing. The event is a direct result of consistent long term efforts of the local members of the fleet, race committee volunteers, our professional race management staff, and experts in the rules of sailing. Building blocks underpinning the development path to the Worlds include the Thursday Night Kiteboard Series, launched in 2005, and the 2007 and 2008 National Championships at the St. Francis. The Thursday Series exploded in popularity leading up to the Worlds, with 40 yachts competing including top level athletes travelling here to train from Hawaii, France, Mexico, and Texas. The media coverage was widespread, including many TV features – something difficult to do with traditional racing.

Executive Race Committee kiteboard fleet representative John Gomes served as Regatta Chairman. Developing this race was complex, as it required constant communication with the sanctioning bodies, securing a week with good conditions that coordinated with a European professional race tour schedule, and re-writing the rule

book in the form of an appendix to the Racing Rules of Sailing. What made the event great was getting 64 of the best people in the world to come race at Crissy Field in front of a large crowd at the clubhouse and thousands at the beach. Junior sailors, men

and women came to race from ten countries. The racers and manufacturers put massive effort into development of all three foils required, up to four large composite fins, the carbon fiber board, and multi-line racing kites. The learning curve over the past year has been quite steep with riders adapting

gear overnight, testing and re-testing set ups individually and against each other. Yachting technique is also evolving with fast tacks, riding the boards flat for upwind speed, and steeper downwind tack angles, looping the kite to increase apparent wind.

Competitors were first divided into blue and yellow fleets for three days of preliminary racing, with each fleet sailing eight races. Courses were 2.5 or 1.5 laps from Marina Green to Presidio Shoals, a great test of skill and endurance as each leg was one mile long. Based on their scores from the preliminary round, competitors were then divided into Gold (championship) and Silver fleets, followed by a final medal race for the top ten men and six women following the Olympic racing format.



2009, SAP 505 World Championships

If there ever a time for the St. Francis Yacht Club to be proud of its members, staff and capabilities, it is certainly now. The recently concluded SAP 505 World Championship was a great opportunity to show the world what this club can accomplish.



Competitors, Coaches, Judges, Sponsors and the press all have been very complementary in what they all described as the "Best Ever".

Here are some of the comments:

Mike Holt, who finished a strong second: "Absolutely fantastic event. Impossible to match".

Our own Paul Cayard, who after 30 some year hiatus from the "5 Oh", finished seventh with Howie Hamlin: "thanks for running a great 505 worlds! I was proud of our club; the race organization and the conditions we offer. That was first class and I think everyone knows it."

Beau Vrolyk: "I have worked on a lot of regattas over the last 40 years, and this one was one of the very best I've ever been involved in. I know, from the two Aussie crews staying with us, that the sailors recognize the quality and appreciate the hard work tremendously.

The simply couldn't think of enough nice things to say about StFYC and the team."

Sailing Anarchy: "From an event perspective, it was a big deal. The technology brought to the event coverage really made this a standout event."

Pip Pearson, 505 class President: "the bar is set so high, that maybe we have to start from the bottom again".

Nick Adamson, who finished sixth (past Olympic Laser sailor), said: "this was better than the Olympics."

This was a true team effort. It is too hard to try to single out individuals, as no contribution was too small to mention. I could probably fill this issue with thanks and examples of extraordinary performance, but instead let me use this forum to thank everyone involved with this event.





RACING

SAILOR'S spotlight

>>> **Domenic Bove**

by Chris Sidner

Get bigger and heavier. That's Domenic Bove's plan for Laser sailing. There are three sizes of Lasers – small, the Laser 4.7, medium, the Laser Radial and large, the Laser Standard. A sailor's size and weight greatly impacts in which Laser

class they can best optimize their sailing talents, weight being an advantage. As a growing 16 year old, Domenic's weight optimizing status is always changing and he is becoming more competitive in his Laser class, the Radial, as he gets bigger and heavier. His plan is working.

Domenic has accomplished quite a bit in the racing world, having raced in large national regattas like the International Youth Regatta Orange Bowl, the largest youth sailing regatta in the country and various regional regattas, like the Midwinter's West Regatta in 2009. This is in addition to local regattas and sailing on his

High School Sailing Team. Last August 2008 he raced in the Laser 4.7 Youth World Championship in Trogir, Croatia and although he wasn't quite big enough yet for a strong finish, he concentrated on consistency and finished with a respectable 105 out of 400. This year, he moved to the medium-sized Laser and raced in the Laser Radial North American Championship in Ontario, Canada, finishing 12th out of 100 and then the Canadian National Championship in Vancouver, finishing 2nd out of 60. And in August he raced in the 2009 World Laser Radial Youth Championship in Karatsu, Japan, finishing 3 out of 47 in the Silver Fleet. Now that he's about the right weight for the Radial class, his experience, consistency and plan are all paying off.

But Domenic wasn't always good at sailing. In fact, his first

encounter with the sport was not promising at all. His dad thought sailing would be a good thing for seven year old Domenic to learn and took him to nearby Pinto Lake in Watsonville to try it out. Little Domenic boarded a small dinghy, an El Toro, and took off towards the middle of the lake. Or so his dad thought. It turned out that Domenic didn't get very far. Not knowing exactly what to do, the boat kept turning into the wind which would, of course, stop the boat every time. So he sat in a boat that wasn't going anywhere and did the only thing he could think of, he started to cry. His dad kept encouraging him and finally after many tries and many tears, he accidentally did something that made the boat go, somehow remembered it, did it again and began his sailing career - now with a smile. He was hooked.

With the taste of International regattas after racing in Croatia and Japan, his ambitions are growing along with his size, and he is planning to race in the 2010 Laser Radial Youth World Championship next July in Largs, Scotland, hoping to place in the top third. Until then, he's working out at the gym, racing, studying (a college sailing team is in the plans) and sticking with his plan to get bigger and heavier. It seems to be a good plan.



Domenic Bove



Bove Laser

CLUB EVENTS



Winter Vigil

*Members' Christmas Party
December 19, 2009*

*Cocktail Reception 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Holiday show 7:00 - 7:45 pm
Dinner 8:00 pm
St.FYC's very own Rock Band to play 9:30 - 12:00 am
Cabaret 10 - 12 am*

*Reservations at the Front Desk 415.563.6363
or visit the website at www.stfyc.com*

2009 StFYC CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 'O Christmas Tree' December 13th, 2009

Join us for a Christmas Celebration and to
decorate the first Children's Christmas Tree!

StFYC will delight us with a Christmas Brunch,
followed by the Children's Christmas Party
in the Golden Gate Room

Help us decorate the first StFYC Children's Christmas Tree!

~ Make 2 Christmas Ornaments ~
One to take home, and one for the tree.

Santa Claus will be coming down from the
North Pole to hear your Christmas Wish.

Dance to the Crunchy Frog Band.
Christmas Balloons & other fun Activities.



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Join Us in Donating for the
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October 25th
**ENJOY TREATS
& SPOOKY FUN!**

Location: Chart Room **Time:** 6:15 - 9:00pm
Complimentary!

WEAR A COSTUME!
BEST COSTUME WINS A PRIZE!



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Thursday, November 26th 2009

Seatings begin at 12:30pm and ends at 5:00pm

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CLUB ACTIVITIES & PARTIES

>>> *Celebrity Pasta Night, Vintners' Night
& Master's Regatta*



Commodore Sneary & Celebrity Chef



Jan Wahl & Ron Banaszak



Janet & Ray Lotto



Vintners' Night



Kathryn Bowsher, Peter Heineke
& Guest



Patti & Terry Klaus



Mrs. & Commodore McNeill,
Commodore Keefe & Guest



Nick Vos, Doug Wilhelm, Ashley Wells, Ron Young,
Kim Eagles-Smith and Sean McKillop celebrates after
winning the Degnan trophy for 2009.



Team StFYC at the Hinman Masters Regatta at NYYC
Harbor Court: Peter Cameron, Kimball Livingston, Mark
Adams, Bill Dana, Jennifer Dunbar, Mike Priest, Peter Lane,
Kelly Fennessey, Skip Ely, Bruce Stone, Suzanne Lea.



CLUB ACTIVITIES & PARTIES

Rolex Big Boat Series >>>



The Registration Desk; Patty Nolan, Chris Casey, Erika Whittaker, & Nadine Franczyk



Craig Healy, Scott Easom, Hank Stuart, & Hogan Beattie



Blackhaller Memorial



Susan Ruhne, Commodore McNeill, & Paul Cayard



Shelley Bliss & Julie Wiard



Lisa Blackhaller Williams



Terri Stebbins, Dewey & Darlene Hines, & Hans Treufenels



Herb Meyer



Melissa Purdy, Baby, & Joni Settlemeir



Susan Ruhne, Nadine Franczyk, Ellen Sanford, & Lauren McNamara



Lynne Munro, Barbara West, Lourdes Livingston, & Bruce Munro



by R. C. Keefe

New York 32's

The World wide economic depression commencing in 1929 was very hard on the sport of yacht racing. However, by the mid 1930's there was some sign of light at the end of the tunnel. Two examples were the creation and development of the "New York 32 Class", and the "California 32 Class", these 46' sloops were designed to the relatively new Cruising Club Of America rating rule. In 1933 the New York Yacht Club announced a plan to replace its 30' class which went well back to the early part of the 20th century. The new class was to be approximately 45' l.o.a. Several of the principal yacht designers at the time were invited to submit drawings of their proposal(s). In early 1935 The Club announced the selection of the firm of Sparkman & Stephens as the winner of the design competition to be known as the "New York 32 Class". They were to be 45' l.o.a., 32' l.w.l., with 11' of beam and 7' draft. They were to carry a 7/8 sloop rig. To insure that the yachts would be a true one design, all were to be built by the same builder at the same time.

A contract was awarded to the Nevins Yacht Yard, City Island, Bronx, New York City. It was stipulated that no other yachts of the design were to be built. The contract was for 20 completed yachts including sails and all miscellaneous gear and equipment. All 20 were quickly subscribed too by various members of the club. The cost was approximately \$15,000 per yacht depending upon certain owners requests. The designed called for the new yachts to have good racing among themselves while also rating well under the C.C.A. measurement rule. They were to have a small gasoline engine with an electrical system, and an after state room, four bunks in the main cabin an enclosed head, galley, and room for two paid hands forward. This latter item some owners wished to forgo, but most of the class over the years were to carry a paid hand.

The yachts were delivered in time for the 1936 yachting season on Long Island Sound. Over the years the class was very successful. Among the most notable was "Mustang" owned by Rod Stephens, and "Revonoc" owned by Harvey Conover. "Revonoc", with all hands aboard disappeared without a trace some years ago in the so called, "Bermuda Triangle" Today, many of the original 20 are still sailing in the North Eastern waters of our Eastern seaboard. However, several have been purchased by Europeans, and have

been restored in the South of France and Italy. They race regularly in the various Mediterranean Classic regattas. Of note, none of the 20 ever came West; not to the Pacific Northwest, the Bay Area, or Southern California. Tune in next month to find out "the rest of the story"!



**ALL 2009 RACE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS
JOIN FOR OUR RECOGNITION PARTY!**

Wednesday, October 28th ~ 6pm

Dinner, Music, Awards & Fun!

Please RSVP at www.stfyc.com
or by calling the Front Desk 415-563-6363



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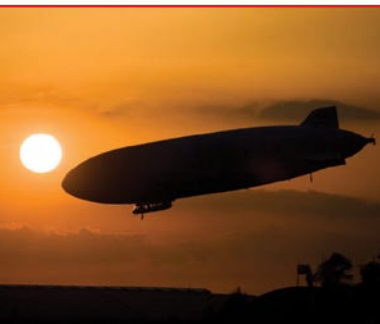
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St. Francis Yacht Club

Wednesday Yachting Luncheon 2009



by Kimball Livingston, WYL Chair



OCTOBER 7th

'Luftschiff hoch!' Airship up!

The people of Airship Ventures, that giant Zeppelin up in the sky

"We're not morning people" explains how Brian and Alexandra Hall developed a passion for Zeppelins rather than for hot-air ballooning. Then Brian's success in software made it possible to launch a venture based upon sightseeing in serene luxury. Gearheads will want to know about an inner structure of carbon fiber and aluminum, also the vectored-thrust engines enabling hovering and vertical ascent/descent. There are four such airships in the world, only the Eureka in the USA.



OCTOBER 14th

The Crash of 2009

Chris "eyes on the prize" Ray

When Chris Ray says, "not a good look," he usually has a devilish grin on his face and mayhem in front of his camera. It's something of a tradition, this annual look back at moments that went slip-sliding away, literally. From kites to skiffs to 105s to big, big things, 2009 packed a punch at the St. Francis Yacht Club. Remember: When somebody says Heads up! put your head down.



OCTOBER 21ST

RememberingBlackaller.com – Twenty Years On, Still Bigger than Life

Lisa Blackaller, Paul Cayard, Craig Healy, Russ Silvestri, Ron Young and friends remember Tom

Lumberjacks have Paul Bunyan; sailors have Tom Blackaller. Dead in two seconds doing something he loved. Blackaller stories read like fables, two decades on. Were you there when Tom repeatedly crashed Defender into Newport Harbor YC's dock during a friend's wedding reception? More people recount the tale than could fit on Balboa Island. There is a reason why Blackaller is a legend. Come share your stories. Ron Young is watch captain.



OCTOBER 28th

Design'em, Build'em, Fix'em

The Landing School of Arundel, Maine

In 1987 The Landing School became the first accredited institution of its type, a post-secondary school training professionals for the marine industry. The Landing School blends modern yacht design, boatbuilding and marine systems technology under one roof. Instruction aims to bridge the gap between theory and practice, turning out graduates with the skills and understanding to take on high level marine projects.

Luncheon ~ 11:45 AM • Speaker ~ 12:30 PM • Brief Adjournment ~ 1:00 PM • Q&A until ~ 2:00 PM
Kimball Livingston, 2009 Chair, Wednesday Yachting Luncheon Committee



St. Francis Yacht Club



CELEBRATE FALL & WINTER AND ALL THEIR WONDERFUL FLAVORS AT THE CLUB!

For the months of October & November the Club will be running Special Promotional Menus for New Private Party Reservations.
If you book a Private Party for a Lunch, Dinner or Cocktail Reception, and select from a Prix-Fixe menu the Club will waive the Room Rental Fee.

Prix-Fixe Lunch - \$25 per person • Prix-Fixe Dinner - \$38 per person • Prix-Fixe Cocktail Reception - \$30 per person
Please call the Catering Department for menu options!

ROOM FEES WAIVED!

Just pick a date, time and guest list and leave the planning to us! Please call us today to book your next special event! We look forward to personally planning your party!
Director of Catering Direct Line: 415-820-3700



AT THE CLUB



Women's Committee

by Connie McNeill

Since the beginning of the year I've been encouraging all the women of the club to join in the Women's Committee events. In the pursuit of having fun and enjoying new and existing friendships, many of you have become active in various ways. First of all, our events have been attended by women new to the club and just emerging members or spouses, who have brought their enthusiasm to the committee or sub-committees. It has been a pleasure working with everyone and making new friendships. Many of the women who have attended our events have been very happy with the welcome they have received. As I've said several times, our committee is different from others in that you do not need to attend every meeting, nor do you need to be a member of the committee to participate at the sub-committee level or to attend events. They are for all members and spouses of members. Get involved – you may be surprised at how much you enjoy it!

If you are the sponsor of a new member, do that member or spouse a favor and help her to participate in some capacity, and become acquainted with other club members and get the full measure of enjoyment that can come from membership in StFYC!

I am so looking forward to the inaugural Women's Retreat to Tinsley the weekend before the Stag Cruise. The event chair, Donna Eng, recruited women who possess a wide variety of talents. She and her committee have been able to create what promises to be a very memorable weekend. This event, billed as the UnStag, gives the women of the club an opportunity to enjoy Tinsley Island as a group of women who want to relax, be pampered and enjoy the camaraderie of each other on a weekend designed specifically for women, about women and by women. Thank you Donna and crew!

The luncheon Fashion Show, Bejeweled, on Friday, October 16th, will once again feature the wonderful fashions of Helen Lyall. In addition, during the Cocktail Reception we will present for your enjoyment some custom made jewelry at affordable prices. Reservations for the Show have been brisk, so reserve online or at the Front Desk to assure your place. The Fashion Show has SOLD OUT for years now.

November 3rd is scheduled to be our annual night at Benefit Cosmetics on Chestnut Street. You will receive expert makeup advice with wine and light hors d'oeuvres on this evening which is open exclusively to the women of the club.

Then after Thanksgiving, Darlene Quigg and her legion of helpers will appear to work their magic in transforming the club for the

holidays. Darlene has an extraordinary 'eye' for decoration, and we know the club will be festive as usual. The last event of the 2009 Women's Committee is our annual Holiday dinner on December 17th, a time to enjoy each other's company and the accomplishments of a great year. I hope that you will join us!

The next meeting of the Women's Committee will be on Thursday, October 29th at 6:00 pm. I hope to see you there and look forward to welcoming you at the Club!

Ladies Night Out

benefit ~ 11/3

Reserve at the Front Desk

Tuesday, November 3rd, 7-9pm

Primp & Have Fun in Preparation for the Commodore's Ball

Free but sign up on www.stfyc.com or or at the Front Desk at 415-563-6363 so we know who is coming.

The StFYC Women's Committee Presents



Bejeweled

Luncheon Fashion Show

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

Cocktails: 11:00 am
Lunch: 12:00 pm
Fashion Show: 1:15 pm
Cost: \$55.00

Fashions by Helen Lyall
Jewelry by The Forecast
Jewelry to be Showcased During Cocktail Reception

*Contact the Front Desk to make reservations 415-563-6363 or at www.stfyc.com.
Cancellations must be made prior to October 9th to avoid any penalty.*



STAFF PROFILE



FERDINAND "FERDIE" APELLANES

by Shannon Bonds

At 9pm each night you will often find a rush to the grill room bar to get a "Ferdie Special" or a glass of liquor with a splash of mix. Ferdie's drinks always lead to a really great night...and a rough morning.

Ferdinand "Ferdie" Apellanes has worked as a bartender at St. Francis Yacht Club for the past 14 years. He was first introduced to the club by a friend that who urged him to take a job as a part time busser. At the time he was working at the Hill Haven Convalescent home but found the Club to be a better working environment. As a busser, he watched the bartenders that had been tending bar for years and was amazed by their knowledge of all of the different types of alcohol. Mr. Apellanes made it his goal to become just as knowledgeable. Once he turned 21, Ferdie enrolled in a mixology course and upon graduation was promoted to bartender. Today, Mr. Apellanes pours drinks at the bar in the upstairs main dining room and relieves the grill room bartender each evening. Mr. Apellanes loves chatting and pouring drinks for sailors. His two favorite drinks to pour are Dark n' Stormies (Gosling's Rum and Ginger Beer) and his signature shot "Grandma's Cookies" where he uses his special secret recipe. It is always a treat when Ferdie is pouring drinks.

When not behind the bar and working at the Club, Mr. Apellanes enjoys spending time with his wife and children. Ferdie and his wife were high school sweethearts having met at Balboa High School in

San Francisco. Together they have two children, son Joshua (age 10) and daughter Kyla (age 9). Mr. Apellanes enjoys taking his children down to Crissy Field on the weekends to watch the racing and meet the sailors. Maybe someday his children will race as well.

Next time you see Mr. Apellanes around the Club, be sure to thank him for his dedication and the work he does for St. Francis Yacht Club and its members. Thank you, Ferdie!

A NOTE FROM THE COMMODORE

STFYC/SFYC INTERCLUB

Open House November 1, 2009

On this special Sunday, our two clubs have conspired to provide cross bay attractions for all members as a celebration of our long standing relationship. Members of each club will be hosted by the other, in a full day's menu of activities. This is a great opportunity to visit SFYC and enjoy the camaraderie and welcome of fellow yachters.

For the StFYC member, SFYC is providing a complimentary Barbeque and libation from Noon to 5PM in their lovely and usually warm & sunny site in Belvedere. Both clubs have cooperated to make transportation easy on this day. You may drive your car or boat (dock space limited) or enjoy a ride across the bay on a ferry service provided by the clubs, about every 45 minutes. StFYC is hosting SFYC members at our Jazz Brunch that morning, and providing a kid's play area in the house with jumpy house, Guitar Hero and games.

MAKE RESERVATIONS for a perfect day, starting out with the StFYC Jazz Brunch, then a cruise to SFYC for an afternoon in the Belvedere sun and afternoon hosted BBQ lunch before the ride back. Reservations are a must, as space for much of this days schedule is limited. What a unique and wonderful way to enjoy a pleasant Sunday! Hope to see you on the ferry!

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

Presented by St. Francis Yacht Club

**Come Join Your Fellow Members &
Watch Monday Night Football**

Enjoy dinner prepared by Guest Member Chefs



CLUB EVENTS



Kids Eat Free!

THROUGH
2010!



THE KIDS EAT FOR FREE PROGRAM HAS BEEN
EXTENDED UNTIL NOVEMBER 30, 2010

Kids 10 and under will eat for free off the kids menu in
the Main Dining Room or the Grill Room
Excluding Friday Night Seafood and Sunday Night
Pasta buffet in the Main Dining Room.

NOTICE FROM THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

*Overnight Parking in surrounding
parking areas of the Club will be
subject to ticketing.*

*Members planning on leaving
their cars overnight are required to
purchase an overnight permit at the
Front Desk. \$7.50 per night.*

St. Francis Member Celebrations Babies, Boats & Weddings

Lara Lundstrom Clarke and Tim Clarke

Lara and Tim were married on Saturday, August 22nd at the
Trinity Church in Santa Monica. A reception followed at the
California Yacht Club in Marina Del Rey.

Jane Reynolds Griffith and Charlie Griffith

Following a Friday night rehearsal dinner at the StFYC,
where they met, Jane and Charlie were married on Saturday,
September 5th at the Burlingame Country Club in Hillsborough.

Dr. Diana Arredondo and Mike Werner

Diana and Mike, son of Dr. Milton and Mrs. Barbara Werner,
were married on September 19, 2009 at St. Vincent de Paul
Church in San Francisco.

We send our very best wishes to all three couples, and to all
members, please keep us informed of your exciting news so we can
share your celebration with the St. Francis community.

Please send your baby or grandbaby announcement, boat launching,
or wedding announcement to: StFYCCelebrations@gmail.com.

Thank you and congratulations again!

2ND WEDNESDAY LIVE!

The St. Francis Yacht Club
is proud to present

Brainstorm Category 5 Featuring



Phil Claypool



Terry Miller



Brian Nova

October 14th, 6:30PM

DINNER RESERVATIONS ARE RECOMMENDED



Chris & Angie Lewis at NYYC cocktail party



Dave Fritz & Bob McEligot at Ida Lewis YC



Nadine Franzyk sailing across Narragansett Bay

CRUISE NEWS

CRUISING ADVENTURES FOR CLUB MEMBERS

by Dave & Beth Fritz

The Commodore's Cruise from a cruiser's point of view, part three. We departed from Cuttyhunk and had a great voyage back to Newport. We spent some time visiting the various shops along the waterfront. For the serious sailors, the "Armchair Sailor" was an absolute delight. I could have spent hours in that store alone. For dinner we chose the "Mooring's" which turned out to be a great pick. We all agreed that it had the best clam chowder of any that we had had in New England.

The next day was the start of the team racing between the New York Yacht Club and the St. Francis Yacht Club. This was 3 teams from each yacht club racing in Sonars, all on the course at the same time. During two days of racing, we were fortunate to have on board, on one day or the other, Jim & Lynn Mullen, Brian & Vicki Mannix, Kellie Fennessy & Mike Priest, Susan Ruhne, and Nadine Franzyk, who provided commentary on strategy, tactics, and what was happening on the race course so that the non-racers got a grasp on things. A visual benefit of being out on Narragansett Bay was getting to see so many of the 12 Meter America Cup boats. Currently there are 19 of the sailing yachts that call Newport home, many of which can be chartered.

Saturday we were all at the Commodore's Cocktail Party at the New York Yacht Club's Harbor Court. This is a beautiful facility with

stunning views of Newport Harbor. It was a treat to wander around and see the paintings, the models, and absorb the rich history of the New York Yacht Club. We topped the evening off with an excellent dinner in the Harbor Court dining room.

Sunday we were working our way through heavy winds back up Narragansett Bay to return the boat and then head to Cape Cod by car. It was a good thing to have departed the boat on Sunday, because on Monday a traditional "Nor Easter" blew in. We had breakfast at the Chatham Bars Inn, in Chatham, Massachusetts, a wonderful place worth a visit if you get a chance to visit the Lower Cape. During breakfast we were watching the beach furniture get blown up the hill and onto the lawn. That was my first experience with a "Nor Easter" and I was glad we were not out on the water.

One of the joys of travel is encountering the unexpected. During our time on Cape Cod there were two. The first was cranberries; being from California I just haven't given cranberries much thought. While driving around Cape Cod we noticed the cranberry bogs nestled among the towns and villages. Being there in late June most flowers were open and the bogs resembled pink carpets. The fruit is native to the Northeast and I think it would fun to be there in the fall when they flood the bogs for the wet harvest. The second was finding a place called "Toad Hall", a classic sports car collection at the Simmons Homestead Inn in Hyannis Port. Karen McEligot found the MG sports car model that was her first car. This generated a lot of conversation and stories about a hot young blonde tearing around in a convertible sports car.

Like all memorable trips, the time goes by too swiftly and you don't get to see everything you would like to. But it was a wonderful Commodore's Cruise and I can't wait to get back and see more of that part of the U.S.



Beth Fritz, Kellie Fennessy on the helm, & Brian Deans

October is one of the prettiest months at Tinsley. By now the island has recovered from the very busy month of September (Labor Day Family Cruise, Women's Retreat and Stag Cruise) and with children back at school things are very peaceful and quiet. Flowers and trees are still in bloom and the weather is warm but not too hot. Come and spend a few days at the island and I promise you will not regret it.

Although I do not have any numbers to quote you, I don't think I would be lying by saying that this was one of the busiest summers at Tinsley that I can remember in the last 10-15 years. All four docks remained pretty close to full almost the whole summer and Friday and Saturday nights routinely saw almost every table in the dining lanai occupied. Thanks to the support of the club management, the members enjoyed more activities and member benefits at the island this summer (Friday night campfires, improved Saturday night appetizers and hosted keg of beer, Saturday night movies for young kids on stage). The island staff has also done an excellent job of keeping the island beautiful and in great condition to handle all the members and guests who visited this summer. The committee is, of course, extremely excited to see the island getting such high

usage from the membership. However, more members and more boats at the island for longer periods of time have created other sets of issues. The Tinsley Committee has spent considerable time discussing the current culture of the island and reviewing the club's rules and regulations regarding the island. After much debate and careful consideration, the committee proposed and the Board of Directors approved some changes to Section 6 of the rules and regulations. Please visit the club's website to see a listing of the rules changes.

The Committee is also working through the list of Toiler projects for next year. Check the club website and the calendar in the coming months for the 2010 Toiler schedule which will include projects, Toiler Chefs, meal menus and more. As always, if you have any questions, you can always email me at ewigoe@yahoo.com and I hope you enjoy the island this fall.

TINSLEY ISLAND LAUNCH SCHEDULE Off-Season 2009/2010

(October 1, 2009 through April 30, 2010)

DAY	LEAVES TINSLEY ISLAND	LEAVES KING ISLAND
MONDAY	8:30AM 2:30PM	9:00AM 3:00PM *** Call to confirm pick up 2 hrs advance notice needed
TUESDAY	8:30AM 2:30PM	9:00AM 3:00PM *** Call to confirm pick up 2 hrs advance notice needed
WEDNESDAY	8:30AM 2:30PM	9:00AM 3:00PM *** Call to confirm pick up 2 hrs advance notice needed
THURSDAY	8:30AM 2:30PM	9:00AM 3:00PM *** Call to confirm pick up 2 hrs advance notice needed
FRIDAY	8:30AM 2:30PM	9:00AM 3:00PM *** Call to confirm pick up 2 hrs advance notice needed
SATURDAY	8:30AM 2:30PM	9:00AM 3:00PM *** Call to confirm pick up 2 hrs advance notice needed
SUNDAY	8:30AM 2:30PM	9:00AM 3:00PM *** Call to confirm pick up 2 hrs advance notice needed

The Tinsley Island launch is a complimentary service. There will be NO special runs unless it's a medical emergency. So, please review and plan on arriving and departing at one of the scheduled times above. Launch Operator: can be reached at (209) 406-6456.



TINSLEY ISLAND LODGING LOTTERY NOTICE

The Tinsley Island Lottery will begin earlier this year. Request forms will be mailed at the beginning of November with the October Jibsheet.

CLUB EVENTS



NEW Half Priced Saturdays



Enjoy **ANY** bottle from our extensive wine list for **50% off** the menu price in the Main Dining Room or Grill Saturdays only.*

**Offer only good for wines consumed on premise.
Offer Extended Through Saturday November 29th !*



St. Francis Yacht Club

Cruise Committee 2009 Cruise Schedule

OCTOBER 7-14

Monterey Blue Water Cruise
Jerry & Diana Kitchen

NOVEMBER 14-15

Berkeley YC
Joint cruise with San Francisco YC

DECEMBER 4-6

Holiday Cruise to St. Francis YC
Jim Horio/Linda Cahill

*Cruises with asterisks are not organized or coordinated by the Cruise Committee.

Musical Champagne Brunch

October 11th, 2009

11:00 am ~ 2:00 pm
\$22 per person plus tax Children are \$12



Sunday Brunch Buffet, complete with a complimentary glass of Champagne and outstanding live background

Contact the Front Desk to make reservations at (415)563-6363 or visit the website at www.stfyc.com

YOGA

ALL NEW TIME!
8:30 am – 10:00 am
Wednesdays and Fridays



LEVEL 1 HATHA ~ EVERYONE WELCOME

Drops ins \$14

3 Class Pass \$35

10 Class Pass \$100

~ No Classes on October 14th & 16th ~

All Classes taught by Gina Santucci, C.V.T.
Improved balance, increased flexibility and greater strength are benefits you might notice as you achieve a greater sense of well being, improved awareness and deep levels of relaxation. A yoga mat, non restrictive clothing, an empty stomach, and barefeet are all you need. ~ Join us for this Gentle & Informal Practice ~

Classes to start 8:30 am sharp. Arrive early to reserve a spot.
Please sign up with the Front Desk 415.563.6363

CLUB EVENTS



~ ATTENTION ~

Tinsley Island Off Season Dock Rates

November 1st - April 31st

\$0.21 per foot/day

Main, Sail, West or North Docks only.

The Joint Board of Director's from
ST. FRANCIS YACHT CLUB AND THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB
Invite Members of Both Clubs
to a First Ever

Member Open House Exchange



Sunday, November 1

1000 hrs – 1700 hrs

Ferry Service will shuttle members Dock to Dock
Every half hour from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Complimentary Dockage and Parking Available

ST. FRANCIS YACHT CLUB WILL FEATURE:

Hosted Champagne Brunch Buffet with Live Music 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Family Activities include a Jumpy House
Snow Cones, Guitar Hero and much more...

SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB WILL FEATURE:

Hosted Barbeque Lunch on the Deck with Live Music 12 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Family Activities will include a Jumpy House
Build your own Sundae Bar and Games on the Lawn

Both clubs will offer No Host Drink Specials including
The World Class St. FYC Ramos Fizz and The famous SFYC Mai Tai

MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO MAKE RESERVATIONS BY CALLING:

St. FYC Front Office (415) 563-6363

SFYC Front Office (415) 435-9133

Please present your membership card at both clubs
and all charges will be posted directly to your club account

Visit websites www.sfyc.org and www.stfyc.org

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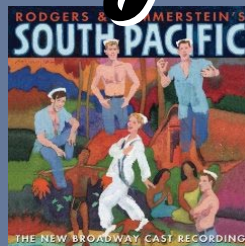
**All US Sailing Members
DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!**

Board Elections open through
October 15th 2009

Our own Race Manager,
John Craig is a Nominee!

www.usssailing.org

Theatre Night



Thursday, Oct. 22

**Cocktails, Dinner,
Transportation, & Tickets
\$133 plus tax/per person**

Reserve at the Front Desk or call 415 563 6363
or on the website at www.stfyc.com

MEMBERSHIP



by Alan Smith

The month of October means the end of “Indian Summer”. This actually is one of the most appealing boating seasons of the year. The winds typically blow less and the weather is warm. What better time to invite guests to join you in your boating activities.

One of the most dramatic spectator sports is Fleet Week. Experiencing the thrill of the Blue Angels, while on the water is truly fantastic. The event is on the weekend of October 10th & 11th. The

Air Show usually begins in the early afternoon, which allows plenty of time for a nice luncheon at the Club. The Air Show can be appreciated from in the Club House, or on the Race Deck, or on the water. This is a perfect event to introduce a friend or relative to the Club. These guests frequently wish to become members.

As the seasons start to change, you realize how little time is left before winter begins.

Now is the time to seize the opportunity to spend precious moments on the water. Also, if you

sponsor someone for membership now, they can become a member by December!

By becoming a member by December, means they can participate in all of the wonderful Holiday Festivities at the Club.

If you have never sponsored someone before, please contact me or any one else on the Membership Committee or the Membership

Director: Ashley Fraser. We would be delighted to help with the process. You can pick up a sponsor package at the front desk. It is so wonderful to see how enthusiastic and excited our new members are. It is a very rewarding feeling to be able to sponsor someone at the “world’s greatest yacht club”. Please help share in this experience. We all appreciate anyone who has helped sponsor a new candidate. Thank you.



Alan Smith

WINE BLOW OUT SALE



Fleet Week
October 10th & 11th

Sip n' Shop

Every Friday & Saturday, from 4 pm to 7 pm.

Ketch All Ship Store

New

WEDNESDAY 20% off
on all regularly priced merchandise.

New

FREE SHIPPING
on all on-line purchases at www.stfyc.com

Coming in October:

“BLOW OUT SALE”
Saturday and Sunday of Fleet Week.
OCTOBER 10th & 11th

For more details, call Grace Bautista at the KASS @ 415-820-3739.

WINTER DOCK RATES AT THE STFYC GUEST DOCKS

Get on the Dockmaster's list now
for this good deal!

Call Mark Mayer ~ 415-305-3995

CLUB EVENTS



WELCOME
To
BRIAN RAMSEY & FRIENDS
VARIETY NITE!

October 21st @ 6:30-8:00 pm

Featuring Sensational Singers & Magnificent Musicians,
Billy T. Pastor & GravyBoat (a fabulous rock band!!),
and more!

(unfortunately, the one-legged tap dancer can't make it)

NOTE: Kindly be seated by 6:30 as the show will start on time.
Show ends at 8:00 pm. Make your dinner reservations accordingly!!

NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION

Bring in 2010 by
Putting on the Glitz

ENJOY GREAT SAVINGS BY
RESERVING NOW!

Early Reservations \$125 per person
after Dec. 1st \$135 (limited seating)

- Hosted cocktails & hor d'oeuvres
- Dinner & Magician
- Dancing & 7 piece Orchestra
- Champagne & Midnight snacks

BLACK TIE OPTIONAL

Free Valet Parking. Contact the front desk to make reservations
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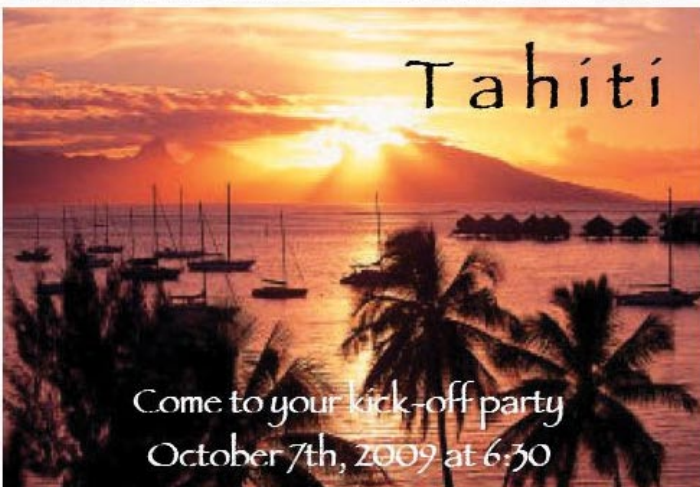
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HAPPY
HOUR

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 1st, 2009

November - Lagunitas Beer Tasting & Trivia

Commodore's Cruise 2010

Tahiti



Come to your kick-off party
October 7th, 2009 at 6:30

Crewed and Bareboat Charters...

...April 10th through 17th, 2010

CLUB EVENTS



be there

An Endowment is Forever



Members are encouraged to remember the Yacht Club in their estate plans. Your gift to the Club will be appreciated and your memory will live on for many years.

For more information contact the Gift & Endowment Committee at giftandendowment@stfyc.com or Monroe Wingate at (707) 939-9922

CELEBRITY CHEF NIGHT



IN THE MAIN DINING ROOM ~ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH
POGGIO CHEF PETER MCNEE

Followed by Family Movie Night
Every Sunday 5:45 pm

MENU
"Porchetta con Fagioli all'Uccelletto"



Wood-fire roasted whole young pig stuffed with herbed sausage and served with fagioli all'uccelletto (white beans with tomato and sage) cooked on the floor of the oven to absorb the drippings from the pork.

AWARDS
Executive Chef Peter McNeen, Poggio

*** ~ Michael Bauer

"Top 100 Restaurant in the Bay Area"
San Francisco Chronicle

"Prince of Pork" Cochon 555

December 27th
StFYC Sous Chef Craig Welsh

Porchetta returns Monday nights at Poggio
10 minutes from St. Francis Yacht Club

Make Your Dinner Reservations with the Front Desk at 415.563.6363
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Thursday,
October 8th
10:30 am

Fleet Week October 10 & 11



Family Style Activities
for Parents and Kids of All ages
on Saturday & Sunday



JOIN US FOR \$2 DEAL

\$2 Hot Dogs, \$2 Giant Pretzels,
\$2 Draft Beer, \$2 Sliders,
\$2 Pulled Pork Sandwiches

Popcorn, Cotton Candy, Sno Cones

Beat the traffic Saturday Oct 10th and join us for family activities (jumpy house, guitar hero, and more!), entertainment by St.FYC's Rock & Roll Band at 4pm, Immediately Following the Blue Angel Demo



UDDA
PREMIUM
VODKA

LIMITED COMPLIMENTARY VALET PARKING AVAILABLE!

Be Sure to Carpool and Leave Parking Spaces For Your Fellow Members. Limit 4 guests per Member Reservations.



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COMMODORES BALL

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2009



CELEBRATING COMMODORE & MRS. JOHN MCNEILL,
AND THE STAFF COMMODORES OF THE ST. FRANCIS YACHT CLUB

6:00 PM

COCKTAILS & SEATED DINNER

COCKTAIL HOUR FEATURING SEAFOOD BAR, HOSTED BAR, PRIME RIB DINNER, DESSERT & COFFEE
FOLLOWED BY ENTRY TO BOTH THE COMMODORES CLUB AND YANKEE LOUNGE FOR DANCING!

8:30 PM

COMMODORES CLUB & YANKEE LOUNGE OPEN

THE COMMODORES CLUB FEATURES A LIVE DANCE BAND,
THE YANKEE LOUNGE FEATURES A DJ SPINNING GREAT DANCE TUNES.
HOSTED BARS IN BOTH VENUES.

11:00 PM

LATE NITE GRILLE

NO-HOST BAR, LIVE PIANO IN THE GRILL ROOM

CAPTAIN TICKET - DINNER & DANCING \$150PP (\$125 BEFORE OCTOBER 31)
INCLUDES APPETIZERS, HOSTED BARS, SEATED DINNER AND DANCING

CREW TICKET - DANCING \$60PP (\$50 BEFORE OCTOBER 31)
INCLUDES DESSERT BUFFET, HOSTED BAR IN BOTH THE CLUB & LOUNGE AND DANCING

FESTIVE ATTIRE FOR ALL!
BLACK TIE RECOMMENDED



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