



DockTalk

Stockton Sailing Club

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

All is peaceful and calm around the harbor. A good time was had by those who attended the Installation and Awards Dinner (Banquet?) – especially Phil Hendrix, who won Boat of the Year and the Bonehead Award all in one evening! He will be on the prowl for likely candidates for 2008.

The Sweetheart Cruise and the Crab Feed are on the radar for February. There's nothing quite so satisfying as getting together with your friends and having a good time.

This year's Junior Committee, headed by Bruce and Suzanne Collins with able assistance by Ken and Gloria Cross and Stewart and Kristi Farrell, has quite a few activities planned, including some fund raisers. Be sure to let all of the moths out of your wallet so you can chip in a little to the future of our club.

The details behind the recent firing of our harbormaster have been sent to the DA's office for further investigation. We cannot give out any further information until the investigation has been completed. In the meantime, the Hiring Committee is working on advertising possibilities for the position of Club Manager and should start interviews sometime in February. If you know anyone who would be interested in the job (the job description is posted in the clubhouse), have them send a resume to Bob Camarena, c/o the Stockton Sailing Club.

John Moyer and Tom Lueck have been busy doing a little remodeling inside the club office – they're taking out the kitchen! Imagine, an office that will now have more office space. Peter Hine and I have been taking care of some of the office duties and Suzi has very capably stepped up to fill the gaps, as well as performing her normal job function.

That's all for this month. Fair winds.

Peggy Feakes



Phil Hendrix wins Boat of the Year and the Bonehead – all in one evening!!



Photo courtesy of Hank Colborn

Officers Installation



Photo courtesy of Jillian Humphries

DOCKTALK

The DockTalk is a monthly newsletter written and published by the SSC club members. All stories and events must be related to sailing or the SSC.

SUBMISSIONS

The deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month!

Articles, classifieds, and event ads can be e-mailed (as an attached WORD document please) to docktalk@stocktonsc.org. The editor reserves the right to edit, or exclude anything submitted. All articles and stories must be signed.

Classified advertisements are listed as a free service for members of the Stockton Sailing Club. Ads will be automatically removed after approximately 90 days. All ads must contain the name of the seller, the price of the item, and if selling a yacht, the yacht name.

Photos: Digital photos are preferred. Please save them at medium to high resolution for the best looking images. You may e-mail them, or put them on a CD or disk and place it in the Editor's box in the SSC club house. Please identify the place, event and/or person(s) in the photos. If you wish to have your photos or disks returned, please make sure your name and phone number are on them.

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FIRST TUESDAY

Membership - 7:30 pm

FIRST THURSDAY

Rules & Policy - 5:30 pm
Harbor & Facilities - 7:00 pm
Junior - 7:00 pm

SECOND TUESDAY

Board Meeting - 6:00 pm

FRIDAY AFTER BOARD MEETING

General Meeting - 7:00 pm

SECOND THURSDAY

Regatta - 6:30 pm

SECOND SATURDAY

Social & Cruise - 10:00 am

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Upcoming Events

February 2008						
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FEBRUARY

- Feb 12 Board Meeting (6:00 PM)
- Feb 15 General Meeting (7:00 PM)
- Feb 16 - 17 Sweetheart Cruise
- Feb. 21 Fleet Night (7:00 PM)
- Feb. 23 Crab Feed

MARCH

- March 1 Long Distance Race #1 (12 noon)
- March 11 Board Meeting (6:00 PM)
- March 13 Fleet Night (7:00 PM)
- March 14 General Meeting (7:00 PM)
- March 16 Spring Series #1 (1:00 PM)
- March 23 Easter Sunday
- March 29 Double-handed Long Distance Race #2 (12 noon)
- March 30 Spring Series #2 (1:00 PM)

Social and Cruise News

I think we all need to thank Gail Dameron for doing such a wonderful job as Social and Cruise Chairperson. She did it for "TWO YEARS"!!!! Way to go, Gail. Also, a big thank you to Beverly Sheehy and crew for the wonderful decorations at the installation dinner.

With that said, your new Social and Cruise Co-Chairs are Janet Ayala and Tom DeBono. It takes two to replace Gail.

It's not too late to sign up for the Sweetheart Cruise to Village West Marina on February 16 and 17. Dinner is at the Village West Yacht Club. You can sign up for just the dinner and drive over if you do not wish to sail there. Don't forget the appetizer contest. Bring your best as the competition can get a little rough.

Upcoming is the Tiki Lagun Cruise on March 15 and 16 and the Children's Easter party on March 22.

Social and Cruise Chairpersons

Janet Ayala 916-798-4158
Tom DeBono 209-608-1618



STOCKTON SAILING CLUB UNAPPROVED BOARD MINUTES

January 8, 2008

Commodore Feakes called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Peggy Feakes, Bob Camarena, Peter Hine, John Moyer, Tom Lueck, Hank Colberg, Dave Van Dyke, Gail Dameron, Karri Johnson, Steve Canepa, Mike Stefani.

Others in Attendance: Douglas J. Rader, Bay Risk Insurance Brokers, Inc., Jim Hachman and Harold Farley.

Agenda: Motion to approve the Agenda. Colberg/Van Dyke (M.S.P.)

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of December 11, 2007, meeting: Moyer/Lueck (M.S.P.)

Financial Statements: Discussion regarding the makeup of the October and November Financial Statements so the new Board would have a thorough understanding of them. Motion to approve October and November 2007 financial statements: Camarena/Colberg (M.S.P.)

Correspondence:

1. Joseph and Eva Holmes are requesting cancellation of their membership.
2. Ralph and Joann Felton wrote requesting a return to a cruising membership since they will again be on their boat in Mexico.
3. Discussion regarding several old pieces of correspondence. Peggy Feakes is checking on them to be sure they have been handled correctly.
4. David Lucy requested a membership reinstatement. He left the Club in 2004 and wants to return as a full member.
5. Howard Allison is vacating his slip and moving his boat to NorCal Yachts so the boat can be sold.
6. Cal and Linda Williamson are requesting a leave of absence for a year starting 2-28-08.
7. Bill Honeycutt requested a leave of absence.
8. Byron and Beatrice Corley cancelling their membership.
9. Jim and Jeannette Cahill are resigning their membership due to the commute.

Motion to approve all correspondence requests: Lueck/Moyer (M.S.P)

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Member and Guest Comments:

Doug Rader introduced himself to the Board as our insurance broker. He is a marine specialist in insurance since 1982 and is endorsed by the PICYA. There was discussion regarding changes in coverage and Club liabilities.

Old Business:

1. Weed Abatement: Mike Stefani reports weed control used in the harbor is legal to use on the shoreline as well as in the harbor and suggested we treat a quarter acre area to achieve better results rather than the smaller areas treated in the past. Permits are not required for use or purchase of this product. There will be no further discussion in old business unless there is an issue to be brought before the Board.
2. 75th Anniversary: Peggy Feakes met with Debbie Walker regarding the anniversary and planning is in the works.
3. Water Pressure: Mike Stefani says we are having a change in service back to the City of Stockton and expects that change to help with the water pressure issues on the docks. He is not sure of the exact date of the changeover.
4. Office Repair: John Moyer reports that two small leaks remain and the screens are missing for the office. Payment to the contractor will occur after the leaks and screens are addressed. The painting is almost complete on the exterior of the building and the work on the main office is complete. Discussion followed on replacing the awnings on the windows and that work was referred to the Harbor and Facilities committee.
5. Harbor Vacancy: Tom Lueck reported that two boats left the harbor and two new boats came in. We have between 40 and 50 vacancies and an ad has been placed in Marina Magazine, along with business cards being available for members to hand out to interested parties. Discussion followed regarding grants that may be available from the Department of Boating and Waterways. Jim Hachman reports much information is on their website for templates for grants. Bob Camarena volunteered to work on those. Discussion followed regarding power boats in the harbor along with advertising in the Stockton Record.

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- 6. Proof of Roster: Pam Winters is going to produce our 2008 roster for \$240.
- 7. Hiring Committee: Bob Camarena states that two meetings have been held so far to prepare job descriptions for the plan for split management. Bob presented a flow chart showing the chain of responsibility resulting from the two positions. The job descriptions were presented to the Board. We will be filling the position of Club Manager as soon as possible but the Facilities Manager position will remain unfilled for the time being. Motion to accept the two job positions and job descriptions: Lueck/Hines (M.S.P.)

New Business:

Funds from the sale of Jim Warfield's Etchells amounted to \$4,000. Jim Warfield's instructions were that the proceeds from the sale of the boat were to be used exclusively by the Junior program. However, Phil Hendricks wrote a check to the Foundation instead of the Juniors and the funds will be moved to the Juniors following a meeting with the members of the Foundation committee and Peter Hine.

Peggy Feakes opened discussion regarding replacing the copy machine in the office with a new machine since our lease is up on the current machine. She also suggested a change in distribution of our Dock Talk to email for those members willing to receive their copy online rather than through the mail. She will do further study on the copy machines and report to the Board. She also received information about accepting credit cards at the Club. Discussion began regarding the cost and possible fees associated with accepting credit cards and how the membership would feel about being able to use a credit cards and the fees associated with that benefit. Peggy Feakes will do a cost research and report back to the February meeting.

Discussion followed regarding attending the 2008 Labor Law Conference in Stockton and the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce meeting on January 9, 2008. No one on the Board was able to attend those meetings. Peggy Feakes will attend Dock Walker training for clean boating practices.

Closed Session:

Motion to go into Closed Session: Lueck/Colberg. (M.S.P.)

Motion to end Closed Session: Hine/Johnson (M.S.P.)

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Committee Reports:

Dredging Committee: No Report

Membership Committee: Two new membership applications presented for Patricia and Patrick Jacquez and Yosh and Arleen Mataga. Motion to accept new members: Stefani/Lueck (M.S.P.)

Harbor and Facilities Committee: Tom Lueck started with discussion regarding Edgar's duties in December. Discussion followed regarding new gate keys and the fact that the company we are purchasing them from is coming on January 31, 2008, to complete the gate installation. Edgar is running 12 strand wire to complete the installation. Work continues to implement the change to the new Clubhouse keys by January 15th.

FBLI Committee: No meeting yet. January through March is the busiest time for this committee. Members to be on the committee are Bob Camarena, Gary Eggert, Mary Dakin, Robert DeHaan and Peter Hine. Motion to approve members of the committee: Hine/Colberg. (M.S.P.)

Regatta Committee: Regatta night will be January 10, 2008.

Rules and Policy Committee: No Report.

Social and Cruise Committee: Gail Dameron reported that the meetings had been moved back to the second Saturday of the month for the convenience of the membership and that the planning was complete for the Sweetheart Cruise with flyers already in the Clubhouse.

Junior Sailing Committee: Tom Lueck reported that new forms were being prepared to keep better track of the Juniors involved.

Peggy Feakes distributed new burgees and pocket insignias to the new officers and directors.

Motion to adjourn meeting. Colberg/Dameron (M.S.P.)

Meeting Adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,
Gail Dameron, Secretary

Please note: The complete and official SSC minutes are posted in the Clubhouse.



Cal 27 Proto Star ghosting along with skipper Dave Van Dyke and first mate Budge Humphreys. Photo: Hank Colberg

STERN LOOKS

This month we take a Stern Look at a boat that many have admired or feared from afar. Proto Star has offered a view of her receding transom in so many races, it is arguable she is one of most winning boats at the SSC. A Cal 27 with a self-tending Soling rig, Proto Star really comes into her own when the winds pipe up above 12 knots. Stiff and heavy enough to ride through the buffeting of gusty winds and power boat wakes, she is fast upwind and down.

Current Rear Commodore, Dave Van Dyke owns Proto Star and he came to racing by a curious route. His father Fred and Uncle Jim were founding members of the SSC back in the 1930's, the latter being responsible for bringing the Challenger Nationals to Stockton in the late 60's and early 70's. Dave was a member in junior status and learned the ropes on his 15' Windmill as rides with his dad and uncle were far less frequent than he would have liked. Dave then took a long detour into water skiing and only gravitated back to the sailing scene after the better part of two decades.

Dave bought Proto Star in 1995 when he moved up from a Cal 25, which he felt wasn't really suitable for competition. The yellow and white boat was originally named Typhoon. It then became d' Artagnan, after the boldest and most famous of the Musketeers, prior to Dave's acquisition. Even so, the boat never had a name affixed to the hull and Dave maintains it makes the renaming ceremony and superstitions of attendant bad luck moot. In fact, there were a number of names that didn't stick and Dave likens it to naming a dog...eventually an appropriate name coincides with

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the particular traits observed. One day, while watching an episode of Star Trek, a sleek interstellar craft was referred to as the Proto Star. Dave liked it, the name stuck and she's been Proto Star ever since, though still not on the transom.

In 2001, Dave won the Spring series with Proto Star but in 2002 Greg Goodman began campaigning a virtually identical boat (right down to the boot stripe!) but with one crucial difference; Greg's boat had a Soling rig. Greg took the class that year. In 2003, Dave put a new bottom on Proto Star, new sails and a self-tacking jib. The racing was extremely close but Dave reclaimed the class championship.

In 2004, Proto Star sat out the season while Dave and long-time wingman, Budge Humphreys, campaigned a Challenger and won the championship handily. They also repeated their performance in 2005 and capped it off by winning all the races at the Frank's Tract Regatta. "They had to give us all the trophies that year and it seemed to disenchant the club at Owl Harbor", said Dave.

Looking for new waves to make, Dave then moved on to the 5.5 fleet. He and Budge intended to continue their winning ways but found the 5.5 a boat that required a great deal of athletics and the occasional chiropractic adjustment or orthopedic brace. Dave felt it was too difficult to achieve consistency and the crew-crippling aspect detracted from the fun of racing, especially for a lawyer. When Dave got an offer on the 5.5, he resolved to go back to Proto Star.

Like all sailors, Dave thinks about other boats. For a time, he entertained the idea of an Olson 911S but, in balancing his many commitments and interests, decided the Cal 27 provides the most bang for the buck. "Proto Star is a \$1500 boat that provides me with \$20,000 worth of fun every year!" he said, so Dave and Budge will be back on the line in March with his tried and proven Cal 27. At the same time, Dave plans to stay true to his campaign promise to keep the SSC low key and apolitical. He pledged to avoid fee increases by advocating the club "stay within the limits of the income." So the next time you see a yellow and white Cal 27 with a bone in her teeth and a rail down, you can be reasonably sure you will be giving Proto Star a Stern Look. Be sure to wave to Dave and Budge as they go smiling by!

CLASSIFIED ADS

Boats for Sale

1975 Catalina 22. Pop-top, motor, sails, \$1,900. Call Paul at 209-610-9291

CATALINA 25, 1983, swing keel with trailer. Excellent condition and well maintained. Recently, gel coat work done, new Harken roller furling system, new Lewmar self tailing winches, new motor mount, new sail cover, new battery and new tires on trailer. Comes with 9.9 Mercury outboard 4 stroke motor. Parked at SSC PL9 \$8,500 Call Dave, 209-985-6221, or email cookeez1@sbcglobal.net

PEARSON LARK 24 Hull #55 docked at H-6. Good starter boat. Needs TLC. Merc 9.9 outboard in well. Make me a decent offer. Heck, make me an offer. Contact: traderik60@yahoo.com – Rick Glass

CAL 2-25 "Chairs", 6' head room. She will have a like new main sail soon and a 135 head sail on the Harken furler. A solar panel recharges the 2 house batteries and a tiller pilot (Hermie) will take care of the driving on a long tack. Asking \$6000.00. I have a double axle trailer for this boat at \$1500.00 and a new Honda 9.9 ex-long shaft with electric start motor at \$2800.00. "Chairs" does need bottom paint, that I will do next month at an additional \$1250.00. She is on the hard at space 15 next to the Harbor Master office. Call Duke or Denise Mac Gill at cell 775-544-1476 or ho 775-786-3452 or e-mail denisesirduke@sbcglobal.net

WANTED: I am looking for a sailboat on a trailer, for sailing the delta, lakes and the San Juan's. Contact: bobe@cwo.com 530-355-1338 Thanks, Bob Evans

1989 BAYLINER 1750 CAPRI BOWRIDER, 17 foot. 2.3 Liter 120 HP I/O Cobra One Drive. Walk Through Windshield. Escort Boat Trailer Model #B1761. \$4950. Contact Bob Hurst, 209-403-0299 or Nancy Goad 209-474-6623.

1978 CAL 39 - Rebuilt engine & trans.; new tapered double spreader mast; new refrigeration, radar, windlass, below deck auto pilot, headliner, port lights and water maker; hard dodger and bimini with new canvas and solar panels. Much more, \$79,000. See at D-31 Paul and Rouge Owings (209)327-0274

1965 Columbia Challenger 24' "iBoat", view @ slip A-10 Turn Key, ready to sail/race \$4595 Nicely provisioned. Easy to sail, very stiff, 2 jibs, spinnaker Very Good Condition. Everything works Fresh cockpit paint. Single Handed setup, all lines lead aft. 5 horsepower, 4 cycle Nissan outboard, 4 gal. tank, 25 hours, hidden in stern well, Good entry level boat to learn how to sail and race Contact: Ron Lofstrom, 916 799 3888 email: ronlofstrom2@mac.com

BOATS FOR SALE (continued)

1980 J 24 Relocation Forces Sale...." HARDALEE"... with trailer. Excellent condition, completely restored. Race/ cruise, perfect Delta boat. Sleeps 4, sink, porta pottie, plenty of storage. All new rigging, knot meter, depth sounder, marine radio, AM/FM, CD Stereo w/ wp speakers. Seven sails excellent condition with sail bags - 2 jibs, 2 genoas, 2 mains and spinnaker and extra boom. New 4 hp Nissan long shaft less than 4 hrs. All accessories included. Sharp looking boat! \$7,000 or best reasonable offer. Can be seen at Stockton Sailing Club PL-11. Call Fred Doblender at (559) 291-2879 or email – hardalee123@gmail.com.

5.5, METER Caribbean Lights, Boat of the Year – 2004 Need to sell, a deal at only \$3,500 Terry Dobell 610-7643

The Rhythm of the Water

*Just let the rhythm of the water play.
The wind howling, the tide ripping on a flood,
The parts of trees come swiftly down the
river.
People watch and wonder should I go for a
sail?
The rhythm of the water will bring you
Home, so go out for I know you'll
Make it home today.*

by: Jillian M Humphreys



Jillian and Bart



**Friday Night Mixers
Look Who's Cooking???**

February 8	Fries, Hansen and Flaherty
February 15	General Meeting
February 22	Abe and Janet Ayala
February 29	Carr

Isn't it your turn to cook??? – sign up in the clubhouse, you only have to prepare an entrée and will be reimbursed for your expenses (there is a \$125.00 limit-Call Suzi in the office for details)

ATTENTION JUNIOR SAILORS

Our field trip that was planned for Jan. 19 was cancelled, however we have moved the date to March or April. Our next meeting is on Feb. 20 at 7 pm, NEW MEMBERS are always welcome. If you have any questions regarding the program: Call Bruce or Suzanne Collins at (209) 369-9117.



Junior Soda Can Race - Summer '07

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