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Stockton Sailing Club May 2021

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## **Editor's Comments**

A hard copy of this months issue is being mailed to all members. Due to the expense of printing and mailing this is only planned for once a year. All issues are available on the Club's website and a copy is emailed to all member's who have provided an email address.

In spite of the limitations posed by Covid-19 restrictions, several members have been enjoying the Spring Race Series, there was a very nice turnout for Opening Day, April 24th and the Club ladies enjoyed a great potluck on May 8th. Winners of the Baking Contest were cake, Lynn Lueck, cookies, Linda Driver and Pies, Allyson Montague.

If you've been at the Club recently you've notice that the Boating and Waterways folks have moved into the Warehouse Building. There are still a few issues to handle but due to great work by the Harbormaster, Jim Dale they are being handled and since April 15 the Club has been collecting rent!

All members are encouraged to make a generous contribution to the Stockton Sailing Foundation. Please see the letter from Past Commodore, Budge Humphreys on Page 6.

Upcoming Club Events, in addition to the races, are the Memorial Weekend Cruise May 29th to 31st, the 2021 Delta Ditch Run (*if you are not racing call the office and volunteer to help*) June 12th, Antique and Classic Boat Show on July 17th, and Hot Summer Nights on August 14th.

### This Month's Cover

This month's cover is based on a photo from the 2017

Delta Ditch Run.





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## Notice of Increase in Dues and Fees

Dear Fellow Members,

One of the duties of the Board of Directors is to maintain a rolling five-year capital expenditure plan, supported by responsible estimating practices that must be reviewed annually. One of my first duties as Treasurer was to present a balanced annual budget to the Board for the fiscal year ending March 31\*, 2022, taking into account our capital expenditures and operating expenses. Since the last increase to fees in 2015, the Club has experienced continuing increases in operating expenses. Although we have also had growth in member income, and in fact saw a recent record in Family Members this year, the Club's past years show increasing losses on average, with the previous fiscal year ending in 2020 showing a net loss of \$58,858.

After reviewing trends in our income and expenses, our Finance, Budget, Legal, and Insurance Committee ("FBLI") and myself proposed to the Board a 5% increase to berthing, dry storage, and member dues, effective April 1\* 2022. The Board had the first reading of the rate changes at its last meeting on May 11\*, after which will be the second reading and a vote. I am hoping to communicate the rate changes clearly and well in advance to members. This letter and the attached schedule of changes are part of doing so.

I understand that rate increases are never good news, but I can also tell you that some great things are happening at the Club again. After being totally shutdown for a time, our races have been seeing even more boats than before out on the water. Our Social & Cruise Committee put on a successful drive-through Crab Feed, where the juniors did some creative fundraising of their own. Members Mike Little and Tom Lueck contributed enormously to complete a beautiful renovation to our bar at a very reasonable cost. Thanks to the time and effort volunteered by so many members, the Club continues to be a beautiful slice of Stockton, and I am thankful to you all for helping support that.

Best Regards, Evan Lewis, Treasurer Stockton Sailing Club

## Proposed Schedule of Revised Fees

to be effective April 1, 2022

<b>Current Monthly Fee</b>						Revised Monthly Fee			
for:	Full		Discounted*			Full		Disco	unted*
Family Dues	\$	81.57	\$	57.10		\$	85.65	\$	59.95
Young Adult Dues	\$	40.79	\$	28.55	+ increase of	\$	42.82	\$	29.98
Cruising Dues	\$	25.81	N/A		5%	\$	27.10	N/A	
berthing cost per linear ft.	\$	7.95	\$	5.57		\$	8.35	\$	5.84
dry storage cost per linear ft.		3.78		2.65		\$	3.97	\$	2.78

<sup>\*</sup>a 30% discount is obtained on a member's next month's fees by paying statement balance in full by the 28th of the statement's month

## INTRODUCING NEW MEMBERS-ROB AND CATHY MACHA

We are glad to welcome Rob and Cathy to the Stockton Sailing club. They joined in October of 2020 and



have a 1963 Chris Craft Sail Yacht 35, (yes, Chris Craft made sailboats). They purchased it in Alameda in January of 2019. Then decided to bring her to Stockton because it is much closer to their hometown, Merced. They now have her berthed on F dock.

They both grew up in Merced, actually three blocks from each other. They have been married 44 years and have a daughter who is 42 and a son who is 40. Also, they have four grandchildren who they intend on making sailors out of them.

Rob fell in love with sailing on Lake Yosemite in Merced as a youngster. He had dreams of sailing to far off places. He is a retired Building Inspector. Cathy is a retired Mortgage Loan Officer. They both enjoy gardening and messing with the boat.

They are thankful and amazed how helpful and friendly everyone is at SSC. They have an interest in cruising but have a great respect for the ocean. Rob and Cathy are also interested in a beginners sailing course to improve their skills.

## LONG TIME MEMBERS-MANNY AND TANYA MORENO

Manny and Tanya have been members of the club for 28 years. At that time they bought a Catalina 27 tall rig which is berthed on "B" dock and named Windseeker. They both grew up in Stockton and Manny attended Stagg

High School and Tanya went to Tokay High. They met while playing racquet-ball and discovered they both had a common love for music. Manny has played drums and music since he was in the Stockton Commodores and then many other bands. Tanya was a Music Performance Major playing with many groups in the Bay area. Soon after they got married they started the band Loki Rhythm.

Their band, Loki Rhythm, is influenced by Hawaiian, Zydeco, Latin and Jazz. They will be performing at Lincoln Center and local wineries throughout the summer. Their website is lokirhythm.com.

Manny is a retired Anatomy and Physiology teacher from Lincoln High School. He also worked for the Discovery Channel. Tanya is currently San Joaquin County's Risk and Safety manager. They have one son, Seren, who will be graduating from UC Davis this summer. He participated in three junior camps, Friday Fun Sails and Taco Tuesday runs when he was younger. The Retreat area of the club has been used for many of their family's celebrations. They participate in various areas of the club and in the near future they are interested in racing.



## **Stockton Sailing Club**

"where the fun begins"

# Discover the Club Webpage www.stocktonsc.org

ABOUT SSC CALENDAR EVENTS ON THE WATER JUNIOR SAILING MEMBERS CONTACTS

## The Club Webpage contains a wealth of information at your fingertips

Once you get to the webpage click on the menu item that you're interested in. Some have additional drop down menus to help you.

ABOUT includes Stockton weather at the club and more, history of the club, printable membership application and visiting cruise in information.

SSC CALENDAR has the complete calendar with all activities listed. At the bottom of the main calendar are Categories. If you click on one of the categories the calendar will switch to show only that category. Additionally some of the menu items have drop downs that will take you to their specific calendar.

EVENTS has drop downs including one for "EVENT REGISTRATION LINKS, INFORMATION AND POST-ERS". You can signup for special events and also print posters.

ON THE WATER has everything you want to know about racing, cruising, regatta forms and race photos.

JUNIOR SAILING includes all Junior information. Including Junior membership applications.

MEMBERS is password protected. The password has been emailed to all SSC members on the club email list. If you didn't get it, phone the office and they will give it to you. MEMBERS is where you will find the latest issue of DOCKTALK, EVENTS CALENDAR, SSC BOARD MINUTES, BYLAWS and EVENT PLANNING.

CONTACTS has contact information for board members, harbormaster, other clubs & marinas.

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## **Stockton Sailing Foundation**

The Stockton Sailing Foundation would like to thank everyone who donated to our April 2021, fund raising effort. We not only met but exceeded our goal of \$2000. Our mission, to get the youth of San Joaquin County, out on the water, is just beginning.

Some of you donated cash, some gear, but it all adds up and helps expose new sailors to our sport.

The Sailing Foundation was started in honor of Joan Harp, by her husband, Cecil. Joan was an avid sailor and active member of the Stockton Sailing Club. She raced and cruised a Catalina 27 "Sea Harp" for many years. Joan introduced many new sailors to the sport and encouraged women sailors, to get out on the water, and race or cruise their own boats. Joan was an avid supporter of ladies day racing and novice racing in the early 1990's and inspired women to participate at all levels of the sailing.

Later in life, Joan and Cecil moved up to a Nonsuch 30, which allowed her to cruise and race in a bigger more challenging boat. (Cecil just went along for the ride; he was a pilot, not a sailor, but that's a different story.) One of Joan's most infamous moments came when returning on a South Tower Race, her Nonsuch 30 ran aground on Brown Island and it took 3-4 tide cycles to pull it free. They were so far aground; her crew had to carry water, up to the head, to flush the toilet.

Weather racing, cruising or swapping sea stories at the bar, Joan was a true Corinthian.

Both Joan and Cecil have now passed, but their seed money has allowed the Stockton Sailing Foundation to begin its journey to encourage kids to get out on the water and to become proficient sailors and upstanding citizens of our community.

The Joan Harp award is given out every year, by the Stockton Sailing Clubs, regatta committee to the outstanding Yachts Woman of the year.

Once again, thank you all for your generous donations.

William "Budge" Humphreys Stockton Sailing Foundation. Past commodore SSC.

#### NAUTICAL TRIVIA

#### EVERYDAY EXPRESSIONS THAT CAME FROM THE LANGUAGE OF SAILORS

**A1-** It is an insurance rating not a steak sauce. Lloyd's of London got its start rating ships according to the quality of construction. A1 was first class.

**COAST IS CLEAR-** The call "coast is clear" signaled to law abiding ships that the vessel was safely past a hazardous shore. For smugglers it indicated no risk ahead of detection by customs officials or law enforcement agents.

**DUFFEL-** Originating in Duffel Belgium, this rough woolen water-resistant fabric became synonymous with a sailor's clothing and the woolen bag in which he stowed his personal effects.

**HUNKY-DORY-** Maritime etymology traces it to the mid-1800s and the opening of trade with Japan. Sailors on leave in the harbor of Yokohama discovered a street called "Honchi-dori" that catered to their various wants.

Barrett, Cynthia THREE SHEETS TO THE WIND. Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group, 2018

## Some Recent Activities at the Club



Old Friends Got together for a drink at the beautiful new Club Bar.



Preparing for the Race



Some Delta Wildlife came by for a visit!



The Easter Bunny got lost!

## DISCOVERING THE ECOLOGY OF THE DELTA

THE CANADA GOOSE (Brunta canadensis) by Marie-Odile Noel-Goodman

For the first article of this series, I chose to talk about the Canada goose, since you might have seen recently at the SSC some fluffy yellowish goslings waddling next to their parents. I have always loved the Canada geese; where I am from, in Quebec, the big vees of these "honkers" passing overhead signal the arrival of Spring and the rebirth of nature after a long and cold Winter. But I know that some people don't like them that much, and with reason. Being too numerous, they are now overrunning our parks and fields, are causing hazards at airports and are altering water quality with all their droppings. It is hard to believe that there was a time, at the end of the nineteenth century, when these birds were on the brink of being wiped out of North America!



Overhunting, egg collecting, and development of wetlands were among the causes of their decline. In the 1930s, efforts to restore their numbers led to government-sponsored releases of Canada geese for hunting.



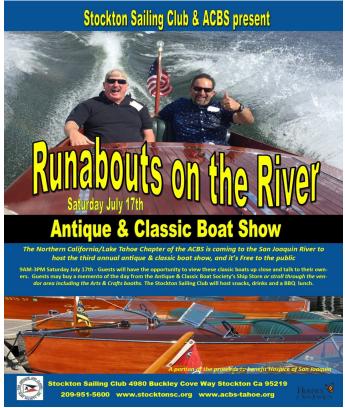
Not long after, as lawns started to proliferate, many flocks began to thrive and expand their range. Canada geese of North America can be divided in two distinct groups: migratory birds that breed in northern North America and winter in central and southern North America, and resident birds that live in and around towns year-round. Most of the trouble comes from resident birds. While migratory populations are held in check by migration mortality, predation and late winter storms, resident geese in cities and suburbs are safe from predators and have a reliable source of food they are one of the few birds that can digest grass! They are even often hand-fed by humans. Because they have more energy and are less susceptible to stress, resident geese produce larger clutches than migratory geese. It is no wonder their numbers are rising

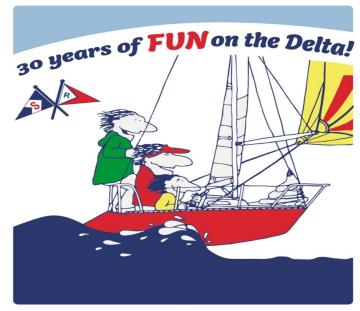
so fast.

But whether we like having them around or not, we have to admit that they are fascinating animals with cool flying abilities and reproductive behaviours. While their V-shaped migration flights are usually conducted at an altitude of 3 000 feet, some of them have been reported at an altitude of 29,000 feet! Most of Canada geese stay with the same mate all of their lives, which can be explained by the similar look of males and females within the species. When birds can't know by sight only if the other ones in the flock are males or females, they have to get to know each other, and some bonds are formed that can last a lifetime. Canada geese show great parenting skills. The female plucks feathers from her own breast in order to line the nest with down feathers. Both of the parents protect the nest while the eggs incubate, sharing their time between nesting and feeding. And last but not least, females can delay their laying date to adjust it to spring maximum temperatures, so their chicks are kept warm more easily!

For more information: The Cornell lab, at https://www.allaboutbirds.org/ Wikipedia: Canada goose.







# **Delta Ditch Run**

Two-Thousand and Twenty One

June 12, 2021

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## Photos from the Ladies Luncheon by Ronnie Williams









From: Joan Marsh < <u>ilmarshassoc@gmail.com</u>>
Date: May 8, 2021 at 9:46:02 PM PDT

To: Jillian Marie Humphreys < jillianhumphreys14@ymail.com >

Subject: PICYA Opening Day on the Bay 2021 -- Virtual Entry, 1st place Decorated Sailboat

Congratulations. Your boat *Miss Savanah* was voted 1st place among decorated sailboats entered in the virtual Opening Day contest. Our congratulation go to you, your crew and the Stockton Sailing Club for you excellent entry. We hope you will join us for the awards presentation on Monday, May 10th, via Zoom. In order to attend, please go to the PICYA website, <a href="https://www.picya.org">www.picya.org</a>, and scroll down to Calendar. You will see the May 10th Delegates Meeting announcement and can scroll down to <a href="https://www.picya.org">Register Here</a>.

## For Sale

#### 1971 Catalina 27 Hull #1516

Forward Galley Dinette layout (rare) New Flexfurl roller furling jib

New main New jib New Garhauer rigid vang

New Garhauer aft traveler w/Garhauer risers for end boom sheeting

New Jabsco head New holding tank New freshwater tank New tiller

Custom mast/boom w/internal rigging

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Thank you Marvin. I couldn't find that other email for Docktalk so hopefully this gets to you. Let me know if you need anything else.

True Lambie 209-406-5036





## For Sale

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## **FOR SALE**

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