

## Dock Line

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### Welcome New Members

•Michael & Linda Dolezal  
Stress Relief

•David Krueger  
Tuesday Afternoon

•Steve & Sarah Millsap  
No boat name

•Chris & Cindy Robertson  
Road Hard II

•Jack Merrick  
No Worries Mate

•James Lunsford  
No boat name

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“Dithpicable”

### Commodore's Corner



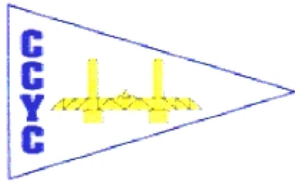
**By: Mike Gouweloos,  
Commodore**

Well Spring is upon us, and it's the start of another sure to be fun boating season. The Kickoff Party was great fun, and it was sure nice to see some of the club members that had been hibernating over the winter months. There was plenty of room to party at the Holiday Inn with good food and a fun dance band. A lot of club members parked at the docks of Old Town Sacramento and had a short walk to the hotel. What a great time! The next day was so nice we had our first raft-up on the American. Paul Hairell “Beach Inn” and Bob “Island Girl” were the first to jump in the American River this year. It was obvious from the glare of our not so tanned winter bodies that more sun is in order.

We are so fortunate to have the American River as our place to hang out and enjoy the water and fun, but at least once a year club members venture out to the delta. That

is when the club takes our annual Birthday Cruise to Rio Vista. Your club Fleet Captain, who happens to be Carl Cook this year, heads the planning with the assistance of other club member volunteers. I'm always amazed at how we get so many boats into and out of the Point Marina safely each year. Well, maybe a little heavy breathing now and then, but that is where the good stories come from. Along with volleyball and partying into the night the club traditionally hosted a BBQ. A few years ago we started to cater the BBQ, and last year the club hosted the dinner in the Point restaurant. I have to say that while I was missing the BBQ by club members, I really enjoyed having the club dinner at the Point restaurant.

Some club members have been talking about cruising the delta for a week this summer. Cruising the week before the Rio Vista Birthday Cruise or staying through the week after. If anyone is interested please let me know. This points out one of the many benefits of being a Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA) recognized club member. Most of the Delta Yacht Clubs will allow you to stay at their docks and share their club



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house facilities. The PICYA Yachting Yearbook, which CCYC gives out as part of your membership, provides YC club names, locations and contact information. Sherry and I have received a warm welcome by all the clubs we have visited, and most times that special hospitality has been a high point of the cruise.

So get your boat ready, if you haven't already started, for a fun and safe boating year. Also be sure to visit the CCYC website for updated club event information, and we will see you out on the water.

### FROM THE REAR



**BY Peter Robertson, Rear Commodore & P.I.C.Y.A. Delegate**

Greetings from the rumble seat of CCYC! It's about the weather and the high water, what's up with that? Well it seems "Ground Hog Phil" saw his shadow on February 2, 2006 and said it would be "six more weeks of mild winter weather" well it's obvious Phil's from (Lat/Lon:

N40.93027 W78.95772) Punxsutawney, PA and it's a balmy 37 degrees there as I write this on March 16, 2006. We live in Lat/Lon: 38.52 121.50 Sacramento, CA and it's a balmy 56 right now. PHIL LIED! With more rain and winter well into the next few weeks forecast we are not where we're supposed to be, on the river. Fortunately we'll have cover and adult anti-freeze for CCYC's Annual Chili Cook-Off and All-Hands Meeting this Saturday. I think we'll need Devine intervention before we get the river level and flow speed down to where other than the stout hearted with big Prop-Repair kitty's will venture out into bent prop hell. The water screaming under my boat sounds like a Manhattan Subway train rumbling by. Here's hoping it goes down soon.

**P.I.C.Y.A.** has a big year planned starting out with this year's extravaganza

### **Opening Day on the Bay - "Mardi Gras Parade" on the Bay**

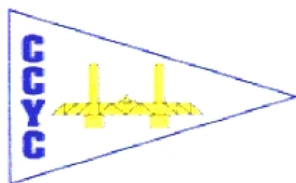
Sponsored by Boat U. S. Sunday, April 30, 2006, starting at 12:00 Noon. Once again CCYC members Greg & Kathy Jones aboard "PARADISE FOUND" will be representing CCYC. Jackie

and I will join them for the weekend as crew. We would love to see a few more CCYC Burgees along with us. Or if the water is good it's a great time to cruise down and visit the Bay.

Being a PICYA Member Club we get reciprocal rights and many Clubs let you dock free for up to three days, please call ahead to the host Port Captain, and enjoy the hospitality of their facility. We'll again be at Encinal YC. Members with trailerable boats might think about hauling them there for the weekend. It's a heck of a lot of fun and you'll never see such a gathering of boats of all types in one place, "cruising the Bay". It's quite a site. For more information go to: <http://picya.homestead.com/OpeningDay.html>



**RBOC (Recreational Boater of California)** has been busy as well looking after our best interests at the Capital Dome here in Sacramento and the Delta. The latest is a: **CALL TO ARMS: The COPPER RESOLUTION.** Short version, if passed it will



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### 2006 Calendar of Events

April 8 - Spring Brunch Rio City Cafe

April 12 - West Marine Shop Night

May 7 - Opening Day Parade and Festivities

May 28 - Memorial Day Brunch at Potluck Beach

June 16 - 18 - CCYC Birthday Cruise to Rio Vista

July 3 - [Lighted Boat Parade sponsored by SYC](#)

July 4 - Mandeville Fireworks Cruise

July 29 - American River Dinghy Run

August ?? - National Marina Day/Boat Swap Meet (date TBA)

August 17 - 20 - Potluck on the Beach *Note: this is NOT a CCYC Sponsored event.*

September 3 - Labor Day Champagne Brunch at Potluck Beach

September - Jack London Boat Show (daytrip via Amtrak) (date TBA)

Sep/Oct - CCYC/SYC Friendship Cruise to SYC (date TBA)

November 4 - Hot Toddy Party & Election Announcements

November 25 - Thanksgiving Leftover Potluck

December - Christmas Light Parade (date TBA)

remove copper from the bottom paints we use to protect our boats. New paints seem to be available but they have real unknown issues as well and are said to cost as much as three times what you pay per gallon now and last half as long. For me that would increase my *total bottom paint cost* from about a thousand every two years to two thousand every year. I urge each of you to go to the RBOC site: <http://www.rbo.org/> and get the facts for yourself then take a minute and e-mail the BLM as described in the article. There is a form letter you can cut and paste to do it.

Remember, keep the water you want on the inside and the water you don't on the outside.

### Chili Cookoff 2006 Another huge success!

You can tell club members are ready to party from the size of the turnout at the Chili Cook-Off! We had about 40 folks turnout with 9 crock-pots of chili and all the corn bread you could eat! Everyone had a chance to judge their favorites for Hottest, Most Unique and Best Over All chilies. Once again, Norlene

Cook, from "Champagne Lady" took the prize for the "Most Unique" chili, and our Rear Commodore, Peter Robertson, "St. Somewhere" took the prize for "Hottest" chili. The grant prizewinner for "Best Over All" chili was Michael Todd "Cabana Boys." The voting was close because all the food was just so good!

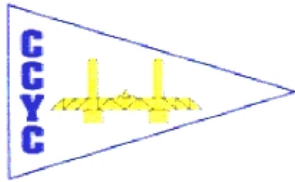
### Upcoming Events

**Sunday Brunch At Rio City  
April 8<sup>th</sup>, Saturday**

Hosted by: Sean & Trish Munoz

As many of you may have heard Sean and Trish sold their boat, but they are still active members of CCYC. They have arranged our spring brunch to be at the Rio City Café. The brunch will be served on the back deck and yes, they do have a covering and outdoor heating in case of inclement weather. The cost is \$20. per head and does include the tax, tip and flowing champagne! You should have received your Evite in your email with more information by now, if not you can get to it by going to our website at CCYC.net and click on the Events page.

We're on the web:  
**CCYC.NET**



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### Did You Know Historic Paddlewheeler Abandoned

Source: The Log.Com

SACRAMENTO (AP) - A \$600,000 plan to restore a historic paddlewheel riverboat has run aground, leaving the old *Spirit of Sacramento* abandoned and in danger of drifting down river.

Members of Sacramento Yacht Club, a quarter-mile downstream, are worried the 120 boats docked there could be damaged if the three-story, 100-ton ship breaks free in the high, fast flowing river.

Coast Guard officials recently photographed the riverboat and could issue a civil order requiring the vessel to be secured or moved, Petty Officer Sabrina Arrayan said.

"It's obviously causing a concern," Arrayan said. "(She) is huge and can float down the river and destroy everything in (her) path."

Her owner, William Barker of Long Beach, said vandals cut the mooring lines on the ship, which was held against four wooden pilings by a single, thin plastic line. A half-sunk,

40-foot houseboat was tied to the riverboat near her paddle wheel; Barker said he doesn't know who owns the houseboat.

The wooden riverboat was built in 1942 and could carry 350 passengers. She was once owned by movie star John Wayne and appeared in his film "Blood Alley." Barker said he plans to re-christen the boat The Duke.

### Other Sacramento Events

#### May 26-29, 2006 Sacramento Jazz Jubilee



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Harper says. "We're back in West Sacramento, right on the riverbank. The city has been especially cooperative, to the extent that we will have a full festival operation in River Walk Park on the west side of the Sacramento River. We will offer a full range of refreshments there and all of our Jubilee transportation will serve the area. In addition, the city has been very cooperative in arranging for parking for festival goers."

### Want to save Money on Insurance?

The California Department of Boating and Waterways has a correspondence course that allows boaters to study at home at your own pace and covers state and federal boating law, rules of the road, boat handling, required equipment, navigational aids.

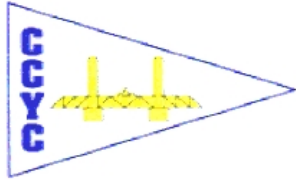
The course is approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and recognized by the U.S. Coast Guard. The course includes an optional exam with two answer sheets. The exam consists of 50 questions.

Those who successfully complete the course are awarded Certificates of Completion, which are recognized by many insurance companies for discounts on boat insurance policies. For more information visit the Department's website [www.dbw.ca.gov](http://www.dbw.ca.gov) and look for the link boating safety course.

### "I hope my ship comes in before my dock rots"

Anonymous

# Capital City Yacht Club



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### **REMEMBER TO GET THIS YEAR'S THEME SHIRT:**

*"Riverville, where your troubles are small and your drinks are large"*



Call Gordon and Kevin Hubble at 361-0318 to order yours today!