

Sacramento Catalina 22 Fleet 4um Newsletter JANUARY '08

### **Captain's Report**

Happy New Year to all our sailing buddies. The rain and snow are piling up and giving us warm thoughts of summer water as we wait through these cold months. In November, our "L Dock" neighbor noted there were many acorns falling, a sure sign of a very wet winter. I am no acorn expert, but I like the idea. I am keeping my fingers crossed that this little factoid is true.

As we begin the New Year, the 2008 board is wrestling with planning for Fleet activities. Normally, we have the calendar completed by now, but we are holding off. Last year, we planned some previously popular activities that, in 2007, were not well attended. Our goal is to plan events that are fun and that you will want to attend. If we have to beg and twist arms for volunteers to put an event on, then it is no longer fun. So we have decided to break with our usual way of operating, and have the whole Fleet make the 2008 calendar instead of just the Board putting it together. Therefore, we really need YOU at the January meeting to put in your opinions about what the Fleet will plan for 2008. What is fun and important for you to attend? What activities should we skip this year? What will get you so excited you will be jumping up and down and dragging your non-Fleet friends along? Give it some thought and bring your ideas next week.

Karen Preston

### January Membership Meeting: For Auld Lang Syne Swap Meet and Calendar Planning

Ring out the old and bring in the new! Dump the old toys and get shinyslightly used new toys! January's meeting is a combination Swap Meet and Planning event. We'll put together the 2008 calendar, share memories of 2007, and look for coveted play things that we cannot live without. What to bring:

- Ideas for 2008
- Boat parts no longer useful to you, but still in good shape
- Picnic gear
- Swimming toys and water cannons
- Camping gear (boat or land-type)
- Extra Hawaiian shirts that your wife can't stand looking at anymore
- Anything else you want the chance to sell or trade

### February Membership Meeting: Another Cool Cruise in a Hot Spot

Visiting the Chesapeake has been on the list of many sailors in our Fleet for the past few years. But, only one Fleet member has actually made there for a lengthy cruise! Join Ron and Sue Hatton as they share their 2007 trip of traveling cross-country and sailing where others only dream.

## **UP COMING EVENTS**

General Meeting Fair Oaks Library January–10th, Thursday–7:30

2008 Planning & Swapmeet

General Meeting Fair Oaks Library *February–14th, Thursday–7:30* Chesapeake Bay Trailer-Sailing by Ron & Sue Hatton

### NOTE:

### PLEASE check on our Website:

http://www.catalina22fleet4.org/

for updates on current RBOC Isssues



2008 Fleet 4 Cruiser Races TO COME



**Editorial NOTE:** Deadline for 4UM articles, For Sale Ads, etc is the 25<sup>TH</sup> of each month for the following month's edition. Send to: jwatkins@innercite.com

### Congratulations to 2007 Award and Trophy Winners

The following members were recognized at the 2007 Awards Banquet on December 1, 2007. These members received certificates or trophies. In addition, all recipients also received a gift card to Raleys/Bel Air.

Cruise Leaders Ken and Sharon Twomey Larry and Maryellen Landers Ron and Carolyn Hitchcock Ray and Sue Anderson Steve and Jo Ann Watkins Larry and Lynn Charlot

Participation: Greater than 50 Points Ken and Sharon Twomey Larry and Maryellen Landers Ray and Sue Anderson Steve and Jo Ann Watkins Larry and Lynn Charlot

**Participation: Greater than 100 Points** 

Ron and Carolyn Hitchcock

### **Annual Cruiser Award**

(Highest cruise points) Ron and Carolyn Hitchcock

#### Most Successful Cruise of the Year (National 22 Association award)

Steve and Jo Ann Watkins (Star Gazer)

### Racing, Cruising Class 1st Place

Dave and Lanette Strain

### Racing, Catalina 22 Class

1st Place: Mike & Madeline Rayfuse 2nd Place: Dave & Lanette Strain Participation: Tom Page Participation: Jason Jenkins

#### Boat of the Year – Catalina 22 (National 22 Association award)

Wendy Zampardi & Todd Shepherd

### **Special Achievement Award**

Jo Anne Watkins (Website creator and Fleet 4Um editor)



### CRUISING

Well, tomorrow is Christmas! I hope everyone in Fleet 4 has a wonderful day and finds their stockings well stuffed with gifts - including "boat stuff" of course! A whole year of opportunities to go sailing lies before us, so get your boats spiffed up and ready to launch. While you're at it, pray for plenty of rain and snow in the next couple of months, so that we get a full year on Folsom Lake; having the marina shut down the first weekend in August '07 really stunk, and I really hope it doesn't happen again this year. The "First of Spring" cruise, our Fleet 4 Folsom Lake opener, is still 12 weeks away, but time flies and it'll be "splash day" before you know it.

For those of you who can't wait until next March to go sailing, there is a cruise planned in less than 4 weeks: the first planned cruise for the New Year will be our annual Whale Watch excursion to Monterey, to be led by Ken and Sharon Twomey in "Akuna Matada". Date for this cruise is January 19-21, call Ken for details. This cruise is "weather permitting", and as usual if storms are predicted for MLK weekend, the cruise will be re-scheduled to Predident's day, February 16-18.

The rest of the Fleet 4 event schedule for 2008 is yet to be nailed down, but the following cruising-related items were discussed at the December board meeting: 1. Due to poor participation at last June's "Notes on Boats", the event will probably be skipped this year; alternatively, it might still be held concurrently with the "E-Life" event, so that the cost for hiring and feeding the band would not have to come out of the club treasury. Discussion of Fleet 4's 2008 event schedule should be taken up at the January General Membership meeting, i.e., please show up and let us (the Board), know what events you want to see this year.

2. The semi-annual Fleet 4 summer cruise to the San Juan and Gulf Islands is generating a lot of enthusiasm, with at least 5 skippers having expressed interest and likely to go (Twomey, Diacono, Hitchcock, Charlot, and Stevens). Launch date for this cruise will probably be July 25th, returning August 10th or August 17th. If any of you have ever at least thought about the San Juans, but are not already on the sign-up sheet, this is the year to break loose and "go for it". With the average age of the club's active members on the far side of "middle-age", and the price of motor fuel rising well past \$3.50/gal in places this past autumn, there will never be a better time to do this cruise. It would really be fantastic to see 8 or 9 boats go up together, and it seems likely that this year could be the last chance to get a big group to go, considering how participation in even Folsom Lake cruises has been slipping the last three or four years.

Larry Charlot Fleet 4 2008 Cruising chairperson Catalina 25 #5857 "Quiet Time"

# The 2007 Catalina 22 Fleet 4 Awards Banquet FUN



# **Continued Banquet FUN**











## **Tid-bits**

Brown's Ravine @ Folsom Lake California State Park – Lot's of info (water level, wind speed, air temp., other handy links – Fleet 4 link is currently under reconstruction) http://www.folsomlakemarina.com/

## http://www.catalinayachts.com/

Besides the obvious Catalina Yachts, has handy links Catalina Swap Meet:

## http://www.catalina25-250.org/forum/forum.asp?FORUM\_ID=5

Technical Tips & things Catalina boaters have done to modify their craft

## http://www.catalina25-250.org/tech/tech.html http://www.catalina22.org/

http://www.uscgaux.org/~floatplan Hi you all Sailors, This is the Coast Guard flotplan web site. Make copies and use them. PLEASE!

## http://www.sanjosesailingclub.com

http://www.saltwatertides.com/dynamic.dir/californiasites.html Tide Location Tables for California

## America's WATERWAY WATCH-1-877-24-WATCH

Homeland Security



### For Sale: 1980 Catalina 22, Swing Keel, w/trailer

### Includes:

### Price: \$3,450

- 7.5 Honda / long shaft
- Pull out galley with fresh water tank and stove
- Pop top with Pop top enclosure
- Window coverings
- Dinette table
- Front cabin hatch over v-birth
- Boat hook
- Horse shoe life ring
- Swim ladder
- Porta-Potty
- Whisker pole

- Anchor and rode
- Life lines
- Sails One Main with reef point, two 150% Genoa, one 90% Jib
- Cockpit cushions
- Cabin cushions
- Duel Batteries
- Electric pump for galley
- Mast lowering system
- Trailer

### Call Chuck Stevens—(530)626-6611

- For Sale: 1987 O'Day 272 (Wing Keel) w/trailer——Price: \$15,800 Includes:
  - 9.9 Honda / long shaft / electric start
  - Draft 2'11"
  - 30 Gal Fresh water tank
  - 15 Gal Waste tank
  - Window coverings
  - Marine Head
  - Macerator pump
  - Roller Furling
  - VHF radio
  - Depth sounder
  - Dodger & bimini
  - Anchor and rode
  - Life lines
  - Main sail has two reef points

- Cockpit cushions
- Cabin cushions
- Swim Ladder
- Stove
- Shore power hook-up
- Dual Batteries
- Electric pump for galley and toilet room sink
- Mast lowering system
- Dual Axle trailer with brakes on all 4 wheels

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