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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Todd Meyer

Oh, What a Month!!!

Like so many of you, I just left the most outstanding club picnic I've attended in years. Chair Lana Ghilarducci simply set a new standard in bringing new luster and fun to our biggest event of the year. From the moment members hit the midway it was obvious a lot of creativity and fresh ideas had come into play, starting with the newly painted booths in a combination of colors that seemed to have jumped right out of a beach movie set and into our back yard. Thank you to all the club members who "adopted" each booth to make this happen. They look Great!!!

On the other side of the midway things were spruced up too. The picnic tables, all 140 of them, were completely refurbished with new boards where needed and all with new coats of paint. A big thank you to Bill Irons and Sergeant Roy Jackson for taking the lead to make this happen and all the workers who so diligently pursued saving our tables and getting them ready in time for the picnic. It's amazing what goal setting can achieve. The club is truly grateful for your hard work.

Other new events this year included a picture booth where members could take home a nice kitchen magnet souvenir and a dunk tank that saw nonstop action. This year also marked Bill Ellis' tenth year as head of the Oyster Booth and as a thank you to the club, Bill donated all the Oysters and his "Secret Sauce". Bill, thank you for your generosity and all your contributions through the years.

Another new element to this year was a live band, Eddie and the Boppers. Everybody loved them, young and old were literally dancing in the streets. Talk about livening things up, picnic goers stayed on past 5:00 pm. Great fun.

Behind the scene, Sandra Camiccia and some of her colleagues from Tamalpais Bank did an outstanding job of distributing tickets and allocating and collecting funds. The financial organization she and her team brought to the event were a big step forward in properly accounting for everyone's hard work for the benefit of the club. Thank you Sandra and team so much for your fine work.

What's a picnic without food? Al Pietrosilli kicked things off with the volunteer breakfast, which was outstanding. Big thanks to Carlo Casagrande of Del Monte Meats for donating the sausage and bacon for the breakfast and providing the chicken for lunch. For the 35th year in a row, Steve Guastucci headed the chicken roast team and it was good to have Big John Cowen back at his post boiling the corn-on-the-cob. Thanks to all the cooks, servers and clean-up staff who put the food on the table. It was delicious and right on time. No easy feat when feeding over 900 members, guests and volunteers at a single seating. The most we've had in years!!!

For all the unsung heroes who made this event a reality I cannot thank you enough. Lana would be the first to say that it's each and every one of you who make the difference and she is absolutely correct. Finally, I'd like to commend

all the members and their families and friends who attended. Remember, without you we don't have a show.

On the opposite end of July, the month began with the club represented for the first time ever at the Marin County Fair for our habitat restoration success. The booth had non-stop visitors who were, for the most part, surprised and pleased to learn of our efforts to help improve the quality of the bay. Big thanks to Bud Abbott and Jerry McEowen for taking the lead and seeing this through, not to mention a host of club volunteers who worked the booth sharing our story throughout the five days of the fair. Also thanks to Save The Bay and Marilyn Latta who shared the booth with us and have been a big help over the past few years providing volunteers to assist with our oyster and eel grass restoration programs.

One other thing you may have noticed at the picnic was a huge barge and crane parked at our boat launch. What you may not have seen were the six brand new cement boat launch pilings where our old worn out wood pilings used to be. After three years of working through the permitting process and lining up contractors, boat launch co-chairs Paul Tarzia and Bill Craig could breathe a sigh-of-relief having seen this project through. I know how much you two put into making this happen and thank you both greatly for your diligence.

Finally, one thing you could not have seen at the picnic, unless you walked all the way out to the square on the pier, was one other significant July accomplishment. The repair of a major crossbeam, led by the pier committee. Power Engineering who, while on site installing the new boat launch pilings, kindly brought their barge and crew over to remove and reinstall a 40+ foot long 12" x 12" beam. We could not have done this repair without you Power Engineering and we are grateful for your generosity in assisting. The top side work can now be completed and if you've ever wanted to have a hand at helping save our precious unique pier this would be a perfect time to contact Sergeant Roy Jackson or Bill Irons and let them know you can lend a hand. Our pier is a perfect place to get away from it all and have great fun. Let's be sure to keep it the signature asset of the club forever!!!

That's it for July. I for one am looking forward to a more restful August.

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PIER REPORT

By Christopher Badouin

I would like to give a BIG thank you to Mario Perrando for all the great pier reports over the years. And I wish him and his lovely wife good travels.

The pier has been spotty with bite picking up in the last couple days. There have been a host of people catching Leopards, Halibut and a couple of stripers! Of course the trick would be catching a keeper. I witnessed Mike Kozak reel in 11 or so Halibut along with my 3 and NOT one was a keeper. It's just one of them days. Great job to Vince Simpson who reeled in two nice Halibut with a Jig the other day. The weather has been great and with the bite picking up, be sure to bring the family out for a day of fishing!

Oh yeah, there's only one thing to be said about the Bat Ray's that are still here - "Vescere braxis meis"! - Good Fishing.

The views expressed in this newsletter are those of the author and not necessarily those of the Membership.

Gun Notes From Here & There

By Fielding Greaves

Here's a quick summary of Gun Owners of California's Legislative Update of anti-gun rights legislation:

- AB 334 (Levine-D) makes failure to report a lost or stolen gun a crime, and allows local governments to pass ordinances that differ from state law.

- AB 362 (de Leon-D) requires registration of handgun ammo vendors, registration (with thumbprint) of ammo buyers, bans mail & internet ammo transactions, bans display of handgun ammo on counters. Next step: buyer background check & waiting periods.

- AB 821 (Nava-D) to ban use of lead ammo in certain hunting areas, the first step toward an outright hunting ban.

- AB 1471 (Feuer-D) to require laser etching inside semi-auto pistol chambers to imprint gun ID on cartridge cases when gun is fired. UC Davis proved technology is unreliable. Will vastly increase firearm costs to law enforcement, to meet gun maker vastly higher manufacturing costs, with letters from gun makers Glock, SigArms and S&W suggesting that AB 1471 would ultimately be tantamount to outright semiauto pistol ban in California.

- And a good bill, AB 1645 (La Malfa-R) to prohibit governor from seizing or confiscating lawfully owned guns or ammo from law-abiding citizens during an emergency in the state.

Call and write your State legislators to oppose the first four and support AB 1645.

WORDS TO REMEMBER: A "gun-free zone" is a thug's "target-rich environment".

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AUGUST 2007

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

MEETING - 7:00 p.m.

*Third Friday of the Month
All Members & Guests Welcome*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING - 7:00 p.m.

*First Tuesday of the month
All members welcome*

BREAKFAST

BY THE BAY

A SPECIAL DAY

*Enjoy a delicious breakfast
with a perfect view*

AUGUST 19

8 am to 12 noon

\$7.00 - Adults

\$2.50 - 16 & under

**Egg Dish, Potatoes
Choice of Ham, Bacon,
Sausage**

or combo of above

Toast, Pancakes

Orange Juice, Coffee

Club bar open for refreshments

**Louis Huerto-Rojo & Bill George
Co-chairs**

Next Breakfast-September 16

(third Sunday)

***Due to Scheduling Conflicts, KID'S DAY
ON THE PIER
has been postponed.***

NEW MEMBERS

**Julia Casillas, Herbert Estes, Mori
Fischer, William Healy, Allan Kennedy,
Greg Knell, Lee Kosla, Fran May-
Conklin, Laurie McKenzie, James
Pedro, John Taylor**

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL DINNERS

Starting September 10

Tickets - \$9.00

OKTOBERFEST

September 15

12:00 - 6:00

**Dancing featuring the
Steve Balich Band**

from 1:00 - 4:00

Lunch includes

BBQ Pork Loin &

Sausages with

Traditional Fixings

served from 2:00 - 3:00

Adult Tickets - \$18

(includes 2 beers or 1 glass wine)

{Children under 12 - \$9.50}

(includes 1 non-alcoholic beverage)

Oyster Bar

German style Beers

Bucket Raffle

Volunteers Needed

Items needed for

Bucket Raffle

Call Eric Salvisberg, Chairman

(707) 480-3374

POT LUCK DINNER

Sunday, August 26

HORS D'OEUVRES - 4:00

DINNER - 4:30

LAST POT LUCK

OF THE YEAR

IN MEMORIAM

**Our condolences to the families of
Members who have passed away:
Werner Brandt, Chester Beeman,
Chester Lee, Ed Sabo
Fred Welsh, Gordon Wyatt**

Clip and Save - 2007 - 2008

Aug 19.....Breakfast
Aug 26.....Pot Luck Dinner
Sept 10-Dec 17.....Monday Night Football
Sept 15.....Oktoberfest
Sept 16.....Breakfast
Sept 22.....Ladies' Day on the Pier
Dec.....Children's Christmas Party
Jan 12, 2008.....Crab Feed
Feb 3, 2008.....Super Bowl Dinner
Feb 2008.....Men's Night Out

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7:00 p.m.

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!!!BINGO!!!

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Ladies' Day on the Pier

September 22

Fishing 10am - 1pm

Lunch 1:15

No Fishing License

Required

Ladies Free

Gentlemen \$10

Bring your fishing rods if you have 'em

Champagne served

on the Pier

PICNIC THANKS!

The sun was shining and the midway was packed with smiling faces while the music played. We couldn't have asked for a better day. We want to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers that contributed to the success of our Annual Family Picnic. Too many names to mention but you know who you are! Without you it wouldn't have been a fabulous day for all of our members and their guests. Thank you for allowing us to coordinate this event!

Lana Ghilarducci & Sandra Camiccia

Oktoberfest

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Outdoors

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Dancing from 1:00 to 4:00PM

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Traditional Fixings

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Oktoberfest September 15th, 2007

Mail-In: Ticket Deadline Sept. 1st

Clubhouse: Ticket Deadline Sept. 9th

*Adult Ticket Qty. _____ X \$18.00 = _____

*inc. two beers or one glass of wine.

*Child's Ticket Qty. _____ X \$ 9.50 = _____

*inc. one soda or water beverage.

(child is 12 and under)

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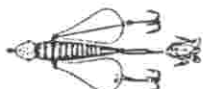
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