SWIMMING NEWS

Thomas McInerney, Swimming Commissioner

The Club's Second Annual Golden Gate Swim will take place Monday, September 7th, 1951. To date the following members have signified their intention to participate in the event:

Leonard Mosias
Al Bates
Mark Graham
Bill Fleming
Frank Burke
William (Red) Martin
Fred Illing
Arthur Hickey
Jim Goggin
L. F. Martin

R. R. Gurhring
Ray A. Johanson
Frank D. Willey
Jim Cummings
J. McGinn
Harry Heishel
L. A. Gregerich
W. F. Stanton
John R. Surges
William P. Cassella

Jack Stanley
William Scheefer
Peter L. Delmas
Herman Kuhn
Peter Schroeder
Jim Gleeson
Elmer Sorensen
Edward O'Brien
C. Marinelli
John Dolen
E. J. Satterthwaite

Additional members intending to take part in the Swim will please sign the list in the dressing room at the Club without further delay, as it is necessary to know as soon as possible just how many entrants there will be so arrangements can be made for their pilot boats. Entrants will also please send in the names of their pilots as soon as possible.

An excursion boat will follow the swimmers, leaving the Club's Pier at 8:15 A.M. Club members and their friends wishing places on this boat may purchase tickets for 75¢ each at the Club House.

The Committee is desirous of getting as many trophies as possible for the successful swimmers and it is requested that any members of the Club...
who would themselves care to donate some sort of a prize or trophy or who have friends who might care to do so, will kindly notify President Frank Burke or Thomas McInerney, Swimming Commissioner, who can be reached at the Chief's Office, Hall of Justice, or by telephoning his residence, Valencia 7744. These prizes may be either a trophy of some sort or a merchandise order. These donations will be deeply appreciated.

Small boats are needed for the officials of the race. Any Club members who have pleasure boats they are willing to lend or who have friends whose boats might be available will kindly notify the Committee or either of the above mentioned men. This courtesy would indeed be appreciated.

After the Swim trophies will be presented at the Club house and a program of sports will fill up the day which will be climaxed by a dance at the Club house.

Those who attended the affair last year remember with pleasure the enjoyable time they had and every effort is being made to make this year's "Bigger and Better" than its predecessor.

"GALA TIME HAD BY ALL AT PICNIC"

The picnic of 1952 turned out just as everyone expected, a success. Over seven-hundred and fifty people, consisting of club members, their wives, sweethearts, and friends made the trip to El Campo. The officials of the launch company stated that it was the largest crowd of the season.

Too much thanks cannot be given President Burke and Chairman Bill Burns and his hard working committeemen. The old South End spirit predominated, and no matter where one wandered in the park or at whose table he stopped, he was always greeted with a slap on the back and a request to tarry awhile and partake of their hospitality. There is something about being a South Ender that makes the Club one big happy family. It takes an occasion like our picnic to bring this feeling out and all who attended will confirm the good fellowship shown by all.

Promptly at twelve o'clock noon, upon the arrival of the last boat, all sat down and luncheon was served. Tables were set all around the park and they were bedecked with the many delicacies and beverages that go to make a picnic luncheon a success. After luncheon had been served, led by our oldest active member Judge Al Fritz, both the young and the old journeyed to the dance hall where many delightful hours were spent dancing the old and the new steps. It would be a good time now to compliment the gentlemen responsible for the obtaining of the music. Words of praise were spoken by everyone for the way in which the musicians conducted the dance. The leader was given a free hand as to the music
to be played, and he and his boys responded with many encores.

The feature of the picnic was the conducting of the athletic events by "Handsome" Harry Hunt. Everything was going smoothly until the last event of the day, the Fat Ladies' Race. Judging from the list of entries for this race, the girls must be taking their dieting seriously. The race was run and some long legged girl cakewalked the field. Harry awarded her the prize but owing to the protests filed by some of the more corpulent girls, Harry held a consolation race. There were three entries, and when the race was started Harry was on his way to other fields. Harry spent the rest of the day evading three excited young ladies. Never again says Harry.

Along with the comedy, there was also some tragedy. Many tears were shed when Daniel Boone and his son rode into the picnic grounds aboard the wet caravan. Why are men that way?

Ere long it was time for departure and as the boat turned its nose homeward bound we waved to a goodbye to El Campo, resting there beside the placid bay waters.

**BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT OLYMPIC HOTEL**

On August 4th, the monthly meeting was held at the Olympic Hotel, President Burke presiding. The most discussed topic of the evening was the picnic. It was the opinion of the picnic committee that about one thousand dollars had been realized but nothing definite can be stated until the final returns are made by the members.

The usual routine as to the reading of the Financial Secretary's report and the Treasurer's list of bills payable found the Club in good financial circumstances.

It is the aim of the present board of Directors, when they leave office at the end of the year that they will have all bills paid up to date. This policy has not been adhered to in the past and the result is that the incoming boards have never been out of debt for the rest of their term.

In order to allow swimmers to train for the Chronicle Golden Gate swim, courtesy cards were extended to the Olympic Club and Police Department. Harry B. Smith, sporting editor of the Chronicle, was also given permission to use twenty courtesy cards, for unattached swimmers, at his discretion.

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The following members were voted into our organization at the August meeting:
HANDBALL TOURNAMENT NEARING CLOSE

The tournament for the year of 1931 has reached its final stage in the championship class a triple tie resulted and in the play off Bertrand defeated Ritter, leaving the former to play McGee for the championship. Ritter did not play up to his usual form, the close game that was expected did not materialize.

In the first class Lloyd Trobock defeated Caesar Mannelli for the title. The games were closely contested and this makes the second time in two years that Mannelli has been the runner-up in his class. Lloyd played them all and deserved to win the title which he worked so earnestly to win. In the second class Racehorse Bill Puccinelli raced his way to a title and Ernie Harper received the second prize. This man Puccinelli doesn't bar anyone and he would just as soon play Al Bennett as the lowliest novice in the game. Third class was won by Al Bates.

Third B. is still undecided account of Lindley's leg injury.

In the novice class Frank McGrath defeated Stormy Walsh in hotly contested game. This is Stormy's first year at tournament play and in the future great things are expected of him.

Prizes will be awarded at a banquet to be held in the future.

BASEBALL FANS TAKE NOTICE

On Sunday August 16th, the San Francisco Police team plays the Vallejo baseball team at Vallejo. The police team has five South Enders in its lineup and some of the Club members are contemplating making the trip. This is an annual game between the two teams and the citizens of the City of Vallejo do their best to make one's visit to their city on that day a pleasant one. Tickets are two dollars per person and this includes the boat fare, luncheon, ball game, and dinner dance after the game. The return boat from Vallejo will leave Monday morning at 12:30 A.M. Full particulars concerning the above event can be obtained from J. Engler.
PAYMENT OF DUES

In order to enlighten new members, and members who have forgotten, dues may be paid to the Caretaker or to any member of the Board of Directors.

MAKE RETURNS ON YOUR PICNIC TICKET

The Club earnestly requests that all members make their returns as soon as possible on their sale of tickets for the picnic. Members are expected to return tickets whether sold or not. Tickets that were received in the mail, returns are to be made to J. Hassitt, Secretary, and tickets that were given to the Committee, returns are to be made to President Frank Burke. Members who received advertisements for the program should get in touch with Chairman Brady of the Program committee. All returns are expected to be in by August 20th.

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Commencing immediately the rule requiring the locking of the Club House doors at 10:30 P.M. will be strictly enforced.

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ROWING

After competing for South End in both the Championship Regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen at Philadelphia and the Royal Canadian Henley at St. Catheines, Ont., Bob Cumming has returned to San Francisco.

In the championship 145 lb. singles Bob finished second to Tommy Clark of the Undine Barge Club, Philadelphia. Handicapped by lack of familiarity with the course Bob hung right on Clark's stern and was beaten by a length.

The time for the mile and a quarter was 7:37 3/5 much faster than that made by any of the heavy scullers in the Association Senior singles event.

South End can be proud of the fact that it has in Bob the foremost contender for championship honors at his weight and with another year's experience should be right up in front for the Olympic tryouts.

In the next issue of the "South Ender" Cumming will give a detailed account of his trip and his impressions on meeting representatives from twenty-nine of the leading rowing associations and clubs in Canada and the United States.
In answer to numerous and insistent demands the "South Ender" in an early edition will issue an art supplement featuring that versatile horseman H. Raymond Hunt in various classic and artistic poses.

Older members of the Club will recall that during the 1915 Fair, Raymond posed for that magnificent piece of statuary "The Adventurous Bowman" by Herman A. McNeil. This bold figure, symbol of the never-ending quest of new adventure topped the Column of Progress. He also posed for many of the figures on the frieze of A. Stirling Calder's "Fountain of Energy" and with William Stormy Walsh made a striking and unique appearance in that remarkable group "Venus at the Pump".

Frank Burke is all in a lather over the rumor that the Evinrude people are designing a special job to be attached to his stern during the Golden Gate Swim. Says he is a cinch to beat Red Martin.

Didja know that Handsome Count Growney was married last month and that popular member, Paul Vigneau, is going right up the middle aisle with the beautiful Rella Schamburger of Phoenix and Hollywood in February and "Happy Jack" Greedy has been hiding out in St. Mary's Hospital with a busted ankle the last five weeks.

Commissioner Gorman has a couple of dark horse entries for his Golden Gate swim - Eddie O'Brien and Pete Schroeder. In secret training those two old paddlers have been kicking all the salt out of the water in the Crips.

Bill Stanton, said to be two and a swell guy. His favorite flower - a red, red rose, his favorite ballad - "I Surrender Dear", crooned sweet and low right in his ears and his favorite sport - high diving for high heels.

Don't forget South Club's party Saturday eve. Aug. 29. Dancing and Buffet Supper.

Myron Kelly - a sportsman - a gentleman - a boy we loved.

With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand
He has wandered into an unknown land,
And left us guessing how very fair
It needs must be since he lingers there.