The Southender

Official Bulletin of the South End Rowing Club

Joseph Murphy, Editor — September 1965

GOLDEN GATE SWIM OCTOBER 3

The South End Rowing Club is having its 35th Annual Golden Gate Swim on October 3, 1965. A great swim is planned with many of the old members entered, and a close finish is expected between the winners.

Pleasure Boat leaves Pier 43-1/2 at 8:00 a.m. to watch the swim. Dancing and refreshments at the Club at the conclusion.

Members are urged to attend and make this swim a success as they have in the past.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A busy year: The Yacht Harbor Swim, the Cove Swim, the Alcatraz Swim, the Northern California Handball Finals, and the entertainment in dances and outside hospitality have been incomparable, thanks to the hard-working Chairman and club members.

The perpetual cleaning and club maintenance have been done by a very few. We need continued enthusiasm, constructive ideas and criticism in order to run the Club.

I would like also to emphasize that negative actions are not to be condoned, and might result in stricter governing steps being taken.

Thanks.

Bob Maxwell

SWIMS IN 1965

John Lynch, Swimming Commissioner, S.E.R.C.

JUNE 6, 1965

The Cove swim was won by Joe Flahaven with Norm Petersen close on his trail.

This year saw some welcome new young swimmers. Two veterans, Frank Gallagher and Phil Hunter, both won trophies, while George Farnsworth, after using brilliant strategy out maneuvering a group of strong fast swimmers for third place, received nothing. Who out maneuvered who?

YACHT HARBOR

Won by Joe Flahaven. All swimmers found the water cold but everyone finished.

ALCATRAZ - AUGUST 16

Won by Jerry Dunn. A wonderful turn out. Foregoing the taxi boat and saving money, the swimmers were rowed to the rock and started in the water. The swim due to fine weather, was a success and every swimmer finished in record time. We should all take our hats off to a handball player, Howie Wyrsh, beating Ray Savigiano for anchor place on his first swim.

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FROM THE BOATHOUSE

Dan O'Neill

Have any of you hardy characters (rowing being a hardening sport) who get down to the basic things (rowing being very basic) and eventually go for a row on the Bay (novel idea) found a leak in any of our boats as yet?

We pay off on leaks you may find, provided the drain valve is properly stoppered.

Advice to rowers-come-lately: That drain valve operates automatically when the boat is in the water -- just see to it that it fits securely to begin with.

For new-comers: Our boathouse is at your disposal, with doubles -- singles -- canoes -- a Kayah or two -- single skiffs (the tricky ones stored overhead). Any necessary advice or assistance may be obtained from a coterie of old-time oarsmen who nowadays gather about a round table in the living room and concentrate mightily on current events.

Lake Merced Boathouse is in use most any Sunday morning early.

Next rowing events: September 19th, across the Golden Gate -- towed to scene by Dolphin Club. October 3rd -- towing courtesy of South End.

HANDBALL NOTES

Al Maysk

Our annual get-together with the Sacramento Elks was held on August 15, 1965. They showed up with 12 players and their families. After six doubles matches between Sacramento and the S.E.R.C., the results ended in a deadlock -- three matches each. Last year the results were a tie also. Once a year these two groups get together to play for a perpetual trophy which was donated by the Sacramento Elks a few years ago. After the matches about 50 people had an enjoyable dinner prepared by our own chef, Pete Campagna.

The S.E.R.C. players did themselves proud in the Labor Day weekend handball tournament at San Jose. Stan Clawson won the Masters singles tournament. Howie Wyrsch and Hal Solin came in 2nd to Mike Kelly and Bob McGuire, representing the Olympic Club, in the open doubles. Rudy Stadlberger and Dave Siewert came in 3rd in the same class, so we ended up with a win, place and show. Howie Wyrsch finished 3rd in the open singles.

On September 18 we started our annual doubles tournament with 16 teams each in two different classes. There will be tournament play primarily on Saturdays until the finals which should be held sometime in November.

In July we held our annual tournament with the Dolphin players. A South End player was matched with a Dolphin player, and about 25 teams played off a tournament in one day, the matches consisting of one game of 31 points. Jim O'Brien, Jr., teamed up with John Steven-

We are fortunately getting good coverage from the Coast Guard, but in order to keep this service we must be sure that everyone connected with these events abide by the rules and conditions required by the Coast Guard, that is, each swimmer must wear a fluorescent cap and each pilot boat an 'O' signal flag.

Also we have tried to supply a pilot boat for each swimmer. This should be the responsibility of the individual swimmer and we feel that with a small amount of effort this could easily be accomplished. The safety factor should be realized.

COMBINED GAS HOUSE COVE SWIM

Dolphin and Southend Clubs are having a combined Gas House Cove Swim, tentative date October 17. Further information will be posted on the bulletin board.

31 points. Jim O'Brien, Jr., teamed up with John Stevenson and won over Roy Parodi and Elio Hines in the final match.

Coming events include participation in the Bay Counties Handball League which will start in October. We should have three or four groups of teams entered in the League, which generally consists of various teams from Sacramento and San Jose.

The handball matches involving the S.F. firemen (most of whom belong to the South End) and the L.A. firemen will be held on our courts sometime in October, and we will host some players from Modesto some Saturday in October.

All in all, we should have a busy fall schedule, and all the handball players in our club are invited to participate in the above activities.

OFFICIAL SWIM ENTRIES FOR THE 35TH ANNUAL GOLDEN GATE SWIM, SPONSORED BY THE SOUTH END ROWING CLUB

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FINALS IN ANNUAL TOURNAMENT - SINGLES

Rudy Stadlberger beat Bob Little 2 out of 3. Bob Nedd beat J. O'Brien in Jr. Champs. Al Masyk beat Fred Amacher in 1st Class. Don Beirer beat Raul Muniz in 3rd Class.

THE HANDBALL BANQUET

In the Cottage by the Sea, this bevy of beautiful ladies of the South End Rowing Club, under the expert supervision of Lou Corella, worked long and faithfully to prepare and serve a dinner that will linger long and pleasantly in the taste buds of those in the crowded dining room.

Left to Right: Peggy Stadlberger, Jenny Ujric, Connie Muniz, Pedie Birrer, Mary Crossat, (a young South-ender, unidentified), Katie O'Brien, Mary Stadlberger, and Lou Corella.

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