South End Rowing Club
Boat House
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have made real progress in settling the lawsuit pending against the South End. Hopefully, within the next month or two, we will be dismissed from the suit. The Club owes a special thanks to Chuck Quarton, the attorney handling our affairs, who has so graciously donated his time. As part of the settlement of the suit, we are going back to the $50.00 initiation fee. I will be corresponding with those new members who paid the $150.00 initiation about a refund or credit on their dues.

At the last meeting, the Board approved an additional shower for the women's locker room, so, little by little, we are upgrading the facilities for women.

Some improvements have been made around the Club. Namely, an enclosure for the sauna unit and the installation of the sprinkler system and I feel that the Club is in a good state of repair. Special thanks to Mel Trowbridge, Bob Maxwell, Rudy Stadlberger and Chuck Waller for the time and effort that they have put into our Club.

As you all know, we are having a water crisis. The Sound End is no exception. We must cut down on the consumption of water by 25%. Each of us must do his share.

"WELCOME BACK DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME JOG"

There will be a fun jog, not a race, which will begin at the Club at 5:30 P.M., Tuesday, April 26th. Southenders and their friends, family members, etc., are invited. We will run toward Ft. Point on the new bay promenade. A steak dinner ($3.00) will follow at the Club if enough people sign up. Sign up on the Running Bulletin Board or call Pat Cunneen at 992-2500.

SWIMMING NEWS

The Swim Committee met on January 27 to formulate tentative schedule of activities for swimming season. Time and tide are correct for Alcatraz on Sunday, September 18th, and the Gate on Sunday, October 2nd. These dates will be confirmed next month. A roster of all
swimmers and those interested in receiving specific Club swim information is being prepared. The list will be posted on the swimmers bulletin board prior to being published. If your name has been inadvertently omitted, please notify George Farnsworth. An informal incentive program for winter swimmers is being administered by Joan Brown. Interested participants may contact her. Next meeting of Swim Committee will be on Thursday, February 24th. Contact Committee members Norm Petersen, Tom Rice, Phil Hunter, Joan Brown, A. J. Sullivan, Joe Michales or your Commissioner for inclusion of any agenda items you wish discussed.

HANDBALL NEWS

In March, a singles handicap tournament was held. Mark Haskell won the upper bracket, defeating Ho! Ho! Ho! Carlos Ortiz. Bill Hutson won the lower bracket by defeating an indefatigable Hughie Moore. We had a cioppino dinner after the tourney and Joan Dani demonstrated what good eating is all about. In May (14th and 15th), we will have a handicap doubles tournament as a warmup to the Annual Memorial Day Tournament. The Memorial Day Tournament will include Open, Masters, Contenders and "B" Class doubles. Applications are available at the Club. See John Tarantino, Rudy Stadberger, Al Masyk or Don Birrer for information. In June, the Nor-Cal singles will be held as a benefit for Bob Little. Games will be played over two weeks and we will have a barbeque at the Club during the second weekend. All handball players interested in having a list of handball players' phone numbers are requested to place their names and phone numbers on the signup sheet on the Club bulletin board. If you want any information concerning handball activities, please call Don Birrer (Home, 457-2962 - Work, 558-2131) for information, or put a note in locker #134, and you will be contacted.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON

As usual, our St. Patrick's Day celebration was a huge success thanks to the efforts of all who helped. There are too many names to mention, but thanks for a job well done. Special thanks to Jim Leary and his entertainers. Coming events include Italian Night (August) and Day At The Races (December 17, 1977).