

South End Rowing Club

Boat House

Hyde and Jefferson Streets



early '74

FROM THE PRESIDENT

San Francisco, California 94109

THE SOUTHENDER

We are now into the '74 year and it is one quarter gone. This statement is not really news to anyone but it should be brought to mind because we have a lot to do and only nine months left in which to do it.

We have appointed many committees to help with the work and to involve as many members as we can so that it will be truly a club effort, if we accomplish all the work that we have planned for the year.

I wish to thank all of the members that have already pledged their help for the year.

We have already had our great St. Patrick's Day Luncheon, put on by Nat (the great one) Calegari and his great crew, assisted by Phil Hunter and Jim Leary in lining up great talent for the day of entertainment. Vivian Duncan brought back a lot of memories and as the saying goes, "we have passed a lot of water since we have seen the likes of her."

We have some fine events coming up, such as the Memorial Day Handball Tournament, Raffle for the new gallery, all the fine swims that are lined up by Bob Roper and of course, the plans to have our big Southender in the parade for the opening of Yacht season, and the Runners that will represent our Club in races around the area.

I will try and keep everyone informed of events and internal problems that come up from time to time and also to ask your help in attaining our work goals in this year of 1974, also to Thank you for the work you have already done toward attainment of these goals.

Bob Roper - Swimming Commissioner

The 1974 Swim schedule is out with the first swim scheduled for May 5th, Gas House Cove at 10:30 A:M. There are eleven open water swims this year, five joint swims with the Dolphin Club and 6 Club Swims, with the Grand Finale the "Golden Gate Swim on October 13th. Schedules are on the bulletin board at the club.

Boathouse Captain - Ray Savigliano

Thanks to Bob Maxwell the launching platform is now in full operation. The boats are in fine shape including the big South-ENDER which is ready to go, weather permitting. Meanwhile back at the boathouse abuses are plenty, drinking beer in the shower, smoking in the handball gallery, non-members using the handball courts, powder on the floor making it slippery. Remember this is a man's club not a kindergarten, either watch your children or leave them at home.

Please note: the Boathouse Captains report was translated into the English language with the help of past President Chuck Waller along with Editor Dave Gallagher.

Running News:

Mike Boitano has broken the World Record by over 5 minutes in the 26 mile marathon run, which was held in Cupertino and sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Mike ran the rugged, hill course in 2 hours 54 minutes 58 seconds the previous record was 2 hours 59 minutes and 17 seconds.

ENTERTAINMENT CHAIRMAN-NAT CALEGARI

Our St. Patrick's Day Celebration was one of the best in Club's history. My Thanks to the many people who helped to make it a great success. Our fund raising program is going along pretty well, however we have a couple of months go go and I am confident that ticket sales will pick up.

There has been a change in the Raffle date in order not to conflict with the Memorial Day Handball Tournament, the drawing will be set ahead to June 1, 1974.

To clear up an error that appears on the tacket, the trip is for Two people and not for one.

Those of you who have tickets please use them or try to sell them and make your returns promptly.

We have great plans for the cook shack so lets get behind this program and make it a success.

HANDBALL COMMISSIONER-AL MAYSK

Rudy Stadlberger teamed up Tom Rohrback to come in 2nd in the Master

Doubles at the U.S. Nationals held in Knoxville, Tenn. a couple of weeks ago.

Our annual "Singles" tournament has attracted another record entry and each class is so evenly matched, that winners in the four divisions are hard to forecast. Already, last year's "best player", Gary Ryan has been upset by a new rising star, Barrett Senn. Finals are to be held on Feb. 13th.

Plans are underway for the annual Memorial Day week-end handball extravaganza. Four of the top 8 open doubles teams in the Nationals have promised to participate, and we have invited the National Singles Champion, Fred Lewis, to attend. Get your entries in early. No ringers in the Contender's doubles please.

Tom Walsh is planning on a middle of June date for the Nor-Cal singles tournament. The big hitch in running this tournament has been that of obtaining court space. We are still waiting for an approval from the University of Calif. for use of their courts.

A comment about this year's singles tournament—too many of our players are inconsiderate by not showing up for scheduled matches or requesting postponements just a couple of hours before their match. This is unfair to the player that has travelled to the club and either finds no opponent, or a message that his opponent wants to postpone their match. Stricter rules will be set up for our next tournament.

Last item, but an important one is that the handball committee strongly advises all players to wear eye protection on the handball courts. Signs will be posted to this effect.

David Gallagher, editor