



# Catalina 22 Fleet 4

## 4UM



**April**

<http://www.catalina22fleet4.org/>

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**2022**

### Fleet 4 Celebrates 50 Years!

Sacramento Catalina 22 Fleet 4 was chartered June 14, 1972 by the Catalina 22 National Sailing Association. The Fleet is organized to promote:

- a) Family cruising.
- b) Catalina 22 one-design racing.
- c) Seamanship skills.
- d) Sailing enjoyment.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### ❁ April 2022 ❁

- 4/15-17, Friday 10:00am - Sunday  
**Cruise:** Lake Oroville
- 4/16, Saturday, 10:00am  
**Race:** FLYC Spring Series #4
- 4/23-24, Saturday-Sunday, 10:00am  
**Race:** Camellia Cup Regatta
- 4/30, Saturday, 9:00am  
**Race:** Trans-Folsom

#### ❁ May 2022 ❁

- 5/4, every Wednesday thru August, 6:00pm  
**Race:** Beer Can Race, Folsom Lake
- 5/6, Friday, 6:00pm  
**Race:** FLYC Summer Series #1
- 5/7, Saturday, 10:00am  
**Race:** FLYC Lady & the Tramp
- 5/13, Friday, 6:00pm  
**Member Meeting:** Round Table Pizza  
9500-1 Greenback Lane; Gear Swap
- 5/14-15, Saturday 10:00am - Sunday  
**Cruise:** Folsom Lake; Boat Inspection

#### ❁ June 2022 ❁

- 6/11, Saturday, time and place TBD  
**BBQ Picnic/Banquet**
- 6/18, Saturday, 9:00am  
**Big's & Little's Sail Day**, Folsom Lk.

The Fleet 4um is published bi-monthly in even-numbered months. The deadline for submission is the 25th of the odd-numbered month prior to publication for the next month's edition.

**Please send your submissions for the June edition by May 25th to:**  
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## ➤ CAPTAIN'S CORNER ◀

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Hello, Fleet 4!

Spring has sprung! It's hard to believe that we are already in April. I'm still looking over my shoulder in hopes of April showers, or better yet, an atmospheric river. There is no doubt that much more precipitation is needed. However, there is always water in some places, like the Delta or the Bay. For the time being, there is water in Folsom Lake and that is the venue for the May club cruise. I will be leading the Folsom Lake Cruise on May 14-15. Please see my tentative plans for the cruise later in the newsletter.

The day before the Folsom Lake Cruise, on Friday, May 13, there will be a Fleet 4 membership meeting at Round Table Pizza at 6pm. The restaurant is located at 9500-1 Greenback Lane, Folsom, CA 95630. Friday the 13th costumes are encouraged, but not required. Also, I have heard from some of you about having a Gear Swap. If you have any equipment in the garage or elsewhere that you are no longer using, please bring those items to the meeting to sell or trade. This is a good opportunity to clean house and/or outfit your boat. It has been a long time since we have met as a group. Please consider attending the meeting so that we can all come together as a group and enjoy each other's company!



## ➤ CRUSING CHATTER ◀

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Hi Sailors,

This month we are going to Lake Oroville on the 15th-17th; it should be a great cruise. May's cruise will be at Folsom Lake on the 14th-15th. This cruise will be led by Kevin Clancy.

June 24-26 - New Melones  
July 29-31 - Lake Camanche  
August 12-14 - Union Valley

All cruises depend on water level and weather. If you are interested in leading a cruise let me know. Any questions about the cruises call me at 916 996-5697.

### Lake Oroville Cruise, April 15 - 17

This month's Lake Oroville Cruise is scheduled for April 15th-17th. We will meet at 10:00am at the parking lot by the launch ramp. The launch ramp and the parking lot is on Bidwell Canyon Road, west of the Bidwell Bar Bridge. As of today (April 2nd), the water level is 750. The marina does have slips available for \$40.00 a night, but we hope to roundabout in the lake. Lake Oroville rents Floating Campsites; they are 20 x 24. They sleep up to 15 people, have a camp table, sink, BBQ, restroom, covered living area, and an upper sun deck. We may check on one next year if we have enough interest. It would be fun to get off the boat for a while.



## **Folsom Lake Cruise, May 14 & 15**

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I am confident that there will be water in Folsom Lake for the Cruise. However, this might be the only cruise at Folsom this year. So, let's make it a blow out! I am still working on the itinerary for the cruise. Some of my thoughts thus far are:

### Saturday:

8-10am – Meet at Brown's Ravine and launch boats. Boat inspections available by appointment.

10am – Captain's meeting.

10am-1pm – Skills and drills (docking, anchoring, MOB and etc.) for those interested or go sailing.

10am-1pm – For those who don't want to sail in the morning, Joanne will lead a hike (mileage dependent on group).

1pm – Captain's hosted lunch (hot dogs/chips/soda).

3pm – Fleet 4 Fun Regatta. A chance to try racing around the buoys without the stress of an actual race.

6pm – Pu pus and anchoring out overnight.

### Sunday:

10am-Noon – for those that did not overnight on the Lake or can only sail on Sunday, meet at Brown's Ravine and be prepared to sail by noon.

Noon-? – Skills and drills for those interested.

Noon-? – sailing.

I am interested in hearing what you want to do on the cruise. I want this to be fun for everybody. Please drop me a note and let me know what you think, what you would like to do, or if you plan to attend.

## **February Monterey Cruise Report**

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The Monterey trip was a great sailing adventure. The weather was perfect for sailing. There were 3 sailboats and 4 couples. Kevin Clancy's, Richard Mason's, and Bill Martin's sailboats went down to

Monterey. The Moore's sailed with the Mason's and Kevin.

Friday night everyone spent the night on their boats in the parking lot because the high tide was not until very late in the night. So, the boats were launched Saturday morning during high tide. After getting settled into our slips, we finished getting the sails ready and then we hit the bay for some fantastic sailing. The sun was shining and the wind was great. The ocean did not have much of a swell, so basically all you did was set your course. We were able to maintain 3 to 5 knots with no problem. We sailed all the way down toward Moss landing and out a couple of miles off shore. By the afternoon, the ocean had started to pick up and we decided to head back to the Marina and got back after 3 P.M.



Rich & Carolyn Mason aboard their C25 *Luna*.



Kevin Clancy aboard his C22 *Miss Irene*.



Moore's and Mason's after-sail party on *Luna*.

The next day we left late in the morning, and the Mason's had some guests that came down that morning to go sailing with them. They had a very nice sail along the inside of the Monterey peninsula. Kevin and I went out a little further along the Monterey Peninsula and off the coastline about a mile. We heard the site-seeing boats had seen a huge pod of dolphins and only 1 whale. We didn't see any of them. We did see a mother sea otter with a good size pup on her belly, and we also saw a couple of other sea otters. The wind again was great, so you could set your course and sail with no tacking or jibing. We headed back into the Marina a little bit after 1 P.M. because the wind was supposed to pick up and be small craft warnings.



Mother Otter.



*Miss Irene* and *Luna* against the Monterey hills.



*Miss Irene* and *Luna* against the wide-open ocean.



Roy Moore and Rich Mason contemplating the day.



## ➤ RACING ROUNDUP ◀

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Joanne and Kevin Clancy on *Miss Irene*.

That night we all went to the Treehouse Cafe in Carmel and enjoyed a good meal. Afterwards, we walked around Carmel, then headed back to the marina. Monday, we woke up and enjoyed the morning, and put the sailboats on the trailers and headed back home after enjoying a great weekend sailing in perfect conditions.



De-rigging after a wonderful weekend.

Attention on Deck!

There is only ONE practice race left before the 2022 CAMELLIA CUP! April 16th, a Saturday, will be the last opportunity to get the bugs worked out on the boat and with the CREW.

Like airplane crashes where 70% of crashes are attributed to cockpit errors, skipper-crew functions need to be worked at with practice. Losing a boat length at a mark rounding can make a great difference, if it gives the competitor a leeward rights situation, an inside overlap, or places you in their lee (exhaust - bad air). Bad air alone can turn 1 boat length into several in monohulls and many in multihulls.

The MAIN EVENT locally is the CAMELLIA CUP being held the weekend of the 23rd & 24th of April at Browns Ravine Marina in Folsom Ca. There probably will be BEER and a raffle after Saturday's racing and hot dogs and BEER on Sunday while the scoring is completed.

The plan is for 4 races on Saturday and one on Sunday with no throw-outs. Throw-outs are allowed at many regattas; however, the Cam Cup scoring isn't one of them. So, one bad race can really screw you over - thus the need to train yourself and the crew.

Just like any other regatta, the weather can vary, however the Cam Cup has shown some of the most varied conditions because of the time of year and the nature of the venue. Everything from glassy water (drifters) to winds over 40 MPH and rain or squalls with 1 inch hail. Be prepared - be trained, and lookout for the driftwood. The driftwood can lodge in the centerboard trunk or catch on the rudder and really slow you down or make handling very difficult.

Not trying to scare anyone as this is usually a fun regatta with many different classes of boats to keep it interesting, and being a lake, the wind WILL VARY.

Hope to see many Fleet 4 boats on the lake at the CAM CUP this year.

Racing improves your boat handling skills quicker than cruising and rafting-up. However, it does not help your anchoring skills.

### ➤ **SOCIAL SOUNDINGS** ◀

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Ahoy Sailors,

Did you know it's Catalina 22 Fleet 4's 50th Anniversary this year? So, tag your calendar for **June 11th**. We are planning a fantastic **BBQ/Banquet!** The invitations will go out mid-May with all the details. We are proud of our Fleet and we are going to show it! This event will be something special to look forward to after the doldrums of Covid!

The date for the **Big's and Little's Sail Day is June 18th**. The kids really look forward to this event. Let Karen Preston know if you would like to participate with your boat. Afterwards we will have a BBQ for everyone to enjoy.

Another date to tag on your calendar is **August 26th for the Ice Cream Social**. This is a fun event we all enjoy. This is a good time to share all your summer exploits.

This is definitely going to be a better summer than the last ones. See you all real soon and don't forget to mark those dates.

### ➤ **BIG'S AND LITTLE'S SAIL DAY** ◀

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### **To Sail or Not to Sail: Big Question**

As most of you know, we have for many years hosted a special day of sailing for the Big

Brother/Big Sister organization. The past 2 years were skipped due to... well, you can guess why. So, is 2022 the year to bring back this fun event? The volunteer skippers enjoy this event as much as the kids and their Bigs. After a morning on the water (probably jumping off the boats and shooting water cannons, maybe some actual sailing), we have a hot dog and hamburger barbeque picnic at the hilltop above the marina.

This year, we have put this event on our schedule for June 18th. The water level makes it likely we would have to launch that morning (docks not expected to be floating). We would anchor a boat in Hobie Cove, then the other boats could raft up and the skippers and passengers would be shuttled on dinghies. In order for this event to succeed, we need to aim for about 12 boats. Before I contact the BBBS organization to offer this event, I want to make sure that we have the resources (aka, boats) to make this work. I know some skippers may continue to have COVID concerns about having guests on board, too.

PLEASE let me know ASAP if you are able and willing to host your boat for this fun day. Please email me (gary\_karen\_preston@compuserve.com) or call (916-979-9819) to let me know. I will need to contact BBBS very soon if we think we can pull this off!

### ➤ **SECRETARY'S REPORT** ◀

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Ahoy Sailors,

There were two Fleet 4 Board Meetings during March. Hope to see you all on the water (somewhere).

### **Minutes of the March 5, 2022 Board Meeting**

Captain Kevin Clancy, Treasurer Gary Preston, Cruising Chair Susan Patchett, Racing Chair Mike Rayfuse, Social Chair Madeline Rayfuse, Membership Chair Bill Martin, and Secretary Roy Moore attended.

Gary presented the draft budget with discussion of banquet expenses, badges, and dealing with a \$686 surplus accrued from last year. Bill moved that we reduce the annual dues in 2023 by \$6 to all members in good standing in 2022, Susan seconded, and the board unanimously approved. The board intends to donate \$250 to RBOC (recreational boating lobby), Sea Scouts, and/or Big's & Little's as determined by the Board later.

The board considered expected expenses (\$414 for picnic + \$27 for banquet) and venues for our banquet in June (rather than January). The banquet and BBQ are combined this year. Gary clarified the point that once approved, line items in the budget need no further approval up to the budgeted amount, which makes the officers' work easier. Expenses for new badges and annual board meeting expenses, will be folded into board expenses. Gary moved and Bill seconded that the draft budget be approved as presented, and the board unanimously approved.

Susan presented the draft cruising schedule which was approved through September. All cruise venues are subject to adequate water levels, and will be monitored as the year progresses. [NOTE: See Cruising Chatter article for latest cruising schedule.]

Mike presented the racing schedule, which like previous years, participates with Folsom Lake Yacht Club racing. The big events:

4/23&24 Sat/Sun 10:00am-4:00pm Camellia Cup

4/30 Sat 9:00a-6:00p Trans-Folsom

The Fleet website has a link to their racing schedule.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1f3D-0gFPpwIN6f4rzR\\_soO1ITM5fWhxNZIzJ5jUVr20/edit#gid=1611380912](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1f3D-0gFPpwIN6f4rzR_soO1ITM5fWhxNZIzJ5jUVr20/edit#gid=1611380912)

Kevin Clancy agreed to help contact members who haven't renewed yet.

### **Minutes of the March 28, 2022 Board Meeting**

Captain Kevin Clancy, Treasurer Gary Preston, Past Captain Monte Whitefield, Racing Chair Mike Rayfuse, Social Chair Madeline Rayfuse, Membership Chair Bill Martin, and Secretary Roy Moore attended.

Madeline opened discussion of the combined banquet and BBQ. Monte reported that his neighborhood clubhouse is available on June 11, but we need to provide \$500,000 insurance. Monte isn't ready to use his personal insurance, so Kevin will research one-day insurance like he had for his wedding. Madeline reported on her research for a caterer. Her favorite (so far) will cost \$22.78 plus drinks, etc. if we have 26 or more people. It was moved to go with Monte's clubhouse if the insurance issue gets resolved. It passed unanimously. It was moved to give Madeline authorization up to \$1000 for banquet expenses. The funds shall be budgeted by (1) \$441 already budgeted (\$414 for picnic + \$27 for banquet), (2) expected \$300 from ticket sales at \$10 per person, (3) the donation budget of \$250.

The officers agreed to host the Big's and Little's this year on Saturday June 18. We have three boats committed so far, good for 8 pairs. Monte offered to contact the Potter club in the Bay Area. Karen has the usual contacts at FLYC and Grass Valley and will coordinate with the Big's/Little's organization. We had much discussion of how to deal with the expected low water level. We expect to launch from the Hobie ramp and anchor out. Bill offered to shuttle people to the anchored boats with his inflatable. Roy will check with Kevin Morton about piloting the inflatable to make it easier for Bill to skipper his boat, and the Masons and Jay Bernard about their boats. We discussed the point that each skipper will have his/her own rules about dealing with COVID.

We decided to have the next all-member meeting on May 13, 6:00pm. [NOTE: See Captain's Corner article for details about meeting at Round Table Pizza.] We chose Friday, August 26 at 6:30pm for the Ice Cream Social.

### **➤ TREASURER'S MONEY MATTERS ◀**

Gary Preston, Treasurer

*Charmed Life*, Hunter 270

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A bit late, but here are the Fleet 4 financials for 2021. We had a Net Income of \$686, with Total Revenue of \$936, and Total Expenses of \$250. As a non-profit organization, we budget for zero net







# Fleet 4 Membership & Renewal Form for Year 20\_\_

**Renewing Members:** fill in your Name and only the information that has changed since last year, and sign.

Name (1<sup>st</sup> member) \_\_\_\_\_ Registration # (CF) \_\_\_\_\_

Name (2<sup>nd</sup> member) \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children (under 16 who sail with you) \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Type (make & model) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Sail Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Marina \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Berth \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ C22 National member? Yes No (circle)

Work Phone (1<sup>st</sup> member) (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Equipped with: (for cruising safety)

VHF Radio Yes No (circle)

Work Phone (2<sup>nd</sup> member) (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ GPS Yes No (circle)

Radar Yes No (circle)

Cell Phone (1<sup>st</sup> member) (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

The Fleet 4um newsletter is distributed bi-monthly by email to all members and posted on the Fleet 4 website. Would you also like a mailed copy?

Cell Phone (2<sup>nd</sup> member) (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

YES, I prefer a mailed copy.

Email (1<sup>st</sup> member) \_\_\_\_\_

NO, email and online posting is fine.

Email (2<sup>nd</sup> member) \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby release all Fleet 4 members, cruise leaders, and board members from any liability for injury, death, or damage to property arising from participation in any Fleet activities and/or cruises. I also acknowledge that the decision to participate, race, continue to race, or cruise in the events is the sole responsibility of the individual skipper and his or her crew.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Fleet 4 dues: \$36**

**Due January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year**

(New members prorate less than 1 year at \$3.00 per month.)

Make checks payable to: **Catalina 22 Fleet 4**

Then mail with Membership Form to:

Fleet 4 Treasurer  
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For membership questions, contact Bill Martin:  
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For official use only:

Roster needs updating

New member packet sent

Needs membership badge

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