



Catalina 22 Fleet 4



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August

50th 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

❄ August 2022 ❄

8/10, Wednesdays thru August, 6:00pm*

Race: Beer Can Race, Folsom Lake

8/12-14, Friday 10:00am - Sunday

Cruise: Loon Lake, Shooting Star Cruise

8/26, Friday, 6:30pm

Ice Cream Social: Rayfuse's home
2640 Echo Way Sacramento, CA 95821

8/28, Sunday, 12:00 noon*

Race: FLYC Governor's Cup Series
#1, Folsom Lake

*Racing canceled if elevation below 400'.

❄ September 2022 ❄

9/2-11 (tentative), Friday-Sunday (+1 wk.)

Cruise: Santa Cruz, Monterey Bay

9/11, Sunday, 12:00 noon*

Race: FLYC Governor's Cup Series
#2, Folsom Lake

9/18, Sunday, 12:00 noon*

Race: FLYC Governor's Cup Series
#3, Folsom Lake

9/25, Sunday, 12:00 noon*

Race: FLYC Governor's Cup Series
#4, Folsom Lake

*Racing canceled if elevation below 400'.

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 October edition by September 25th to:
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➤ **CAPTAIN'S CORNER** ◀

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Good day to all! I hope that this issue of Fleet 4Um finds all of you well. There has been a lot going on since the last newsletter. The Fleet had another successful Bigs and Littles sailing and picnic outing. There were a lot of kids that have never been on a sailboat, much less any boat, who came out and had a great time. After the sailing, we had a nice picnic lunch. Thanks to all the volunteers who made this a success! The Fleet also celebrated its 50th anniversary. That is a heck of an achievement! Even though the air conditioning was not working, the party went on! There were great raffle prizes and an amazing BBQ dinner. It was one of our best attended events in years. A great time was had by all who were able to attend. Cheers to the next 50 years! A special thank you to Madeline Rayfuse for all her hard work on the Bigs and Littles Day and the 50th anniversary celebration!!

The weather has sure turned up a notch as well. It has been a hot summer in Sacramento. Even our garden is suffering due to the heat. I hope all of you have been able to keep cool on a lake or other body of water in your boat. Folsom Lake continues to drop and it will not be long until we have to pull our boats out of the water. I have been pleasantly surprised with the lake levels this year. The initial forecast had us pulling boats in early summer, and now it looks like we might have until mid-August. Awesome! I hope to see you out on the water.

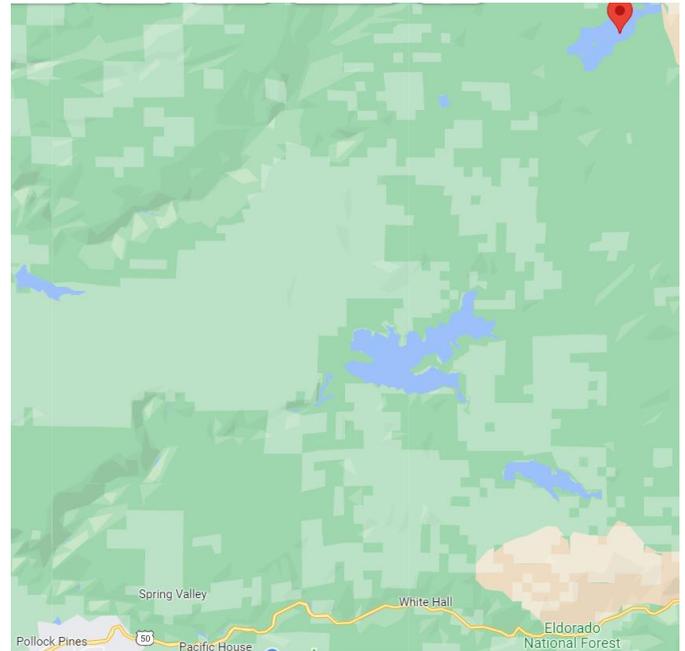
➤ **CRUSING CHATTER** ◀

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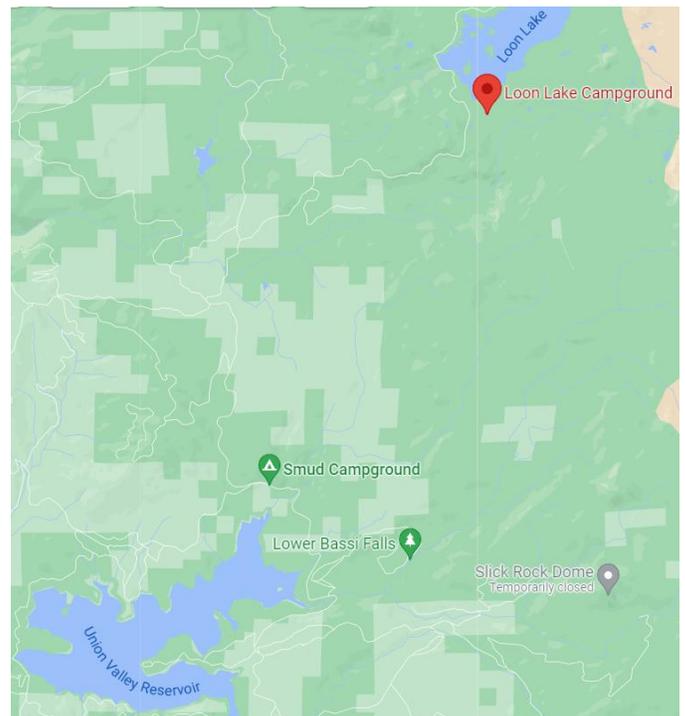
This last weekend there was a cruise at Folsom Lake. We had three boats attend the cruise.

Next month we will be going to Loon Lake. It is the Shooting Star Cruise except it is usually at Union Valley. We cannot launch our boats at Union Valley due to a dock that has been damaged. The

cruise will be August 12th-14th. We will meet in the parking lot around 10:00 am. Hope to see you there.



Loon Lake, in relation to Hwy 50 and Pollock Pines



Loon Lake, further up Ice House Rd. from Union Valley

Kevin Clancy is planning a Monterey Bay Cruise in September. Contact Kevin if you are interested.

July Folsom Lake Cruise Report

Kevin Clancy

Running With Scissors, C22

The Fleet had another cruise on Folsom Lake over the last weekend of July. Our original venue was supposed to be at Lake Camanche or New Melones, but due to low lake levels these were not in the cards.

Joanne and I went out on Friday and spent the night on the hook in New York Cove. We had the cove almost to ourselves. There was only one other boat in the cove that night. We spent the evening swimming and barbequing hot dogs on the grill for dinner. It was nice to relax and get away from everything, even though we didn't even have to leave town. How cool is that?



'twas the night before the Cruise, and not a creature was stirring... in New York Cove...



...except Kevin & Joanne on *Running With Scissors*

Gary and Karen Preston also spent Friday night on their boat in the marina. On Saturday, we met up and spent the day cruising around the lake with a nice respite for a soak in the lake after lunch. The winds were decent in the morning and started to fizzle throughout the afternoon. I left for home late that afternoon.



Kevin Clancy aboard *Running With Scissors*.
(photo by Captain Curt, *Sea Shepard*, MacGregor 26)



Karen and Gary Preston aboard *Charmed Life*.
(photo by Captain Curt, *Sea Shepard*, MacGregor 26)

Gary and Karen were also able to meet up with Laura-Ann Charlot later Saturday, and anchored in Deep Ravine for a swim and dinner. Gary and Karen went home for the night, and Laura-Ann spent Saturday night on her boat in the marina.

Monterey Bay Cruise, September 2-11

(actual dates still to be determined)

Kevin Clancy, Cruise Leader

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I want to repost my email blast in case anyone missed it. This is going to be a really fun time!

I am inviting all of you that are interested to participate in the planning/sailing of an epic sailing adventure. This unforgettable journey will start in Santa Cruz (most likely, but it could start anywhere along the route), sail to Moss Landing, on to Monterey, and then to Stillwater Cove. The return trip will be in reverse order. There are plenty of opportunities to break this up into smaller pieces if you are not able to commit to the entire endeavor. The anticipated dates of the cruise are September 2-11.

Possible Itinerary:

Day 1 - Meet and launch boats in Santa Cruz.

Spend the night in the marina.

- Santa Cruz Harbor - [Santa Cruz Harbor | Gateway to the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary](https://www.santacruzharbor.org/) [https://www.santacruzharbor.org/]
- Launch fee \$18, Parking (w/trailer) \$15/day, and Slip Fee \$1.50/foot with a \$42 minimum.
- Fun things in the area - Santa Cruz downtown, Boardwalk, Museums, Wine tasting, beaches, Capitola, hotels and restaurants nearby

Day 2 or 3 - Sail to Moss Landing (~18 miles flight distance; ~25 miles by car)

- Moss Landing Harbor - [Moss Landing Harbor District \(dst.ca.us\)](https://www.mosslandingharbor.dst.ca.us/) [https://www.mosslandingharbor.dst.ca.us/]
- Launch fees vary \$10-\$17, Parking varies ~\$20 day, and Slip fees are \$1.25/foot
- Restaurants, kayaking on Elkhorn Slough, Elkhorn Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve, hotels and restaurants nearby

Day 3 or 4 or 5 - Sail to Monterey (~15 miles flight distance; ~20 miles by car)

- Monterey Municipal Marina - [City of Monterey, CA](https://www.monterey.org/city_facilities/harbor___marina/boaters/municipal_marina.php) [https://www.monterey.org/city_facilities/harbor___marina/boaters/municipal_marina.php]

- No launch fees, Parking (w/trailer) \$16/day, Slip Fee \$21/day for a 25-foot slip
- Fun things to do - Aquarium, Fisherman's Wharf, Cannery Row, downtown, Scooter rentals, Carmel, hotels and restaurants nearby

Day 4 or 5 or 6 - Sail to Stillwater Cove, Pebble Beach (~10-12 miles; ~5 miles by car)

- Stillwater Cove is leased by the Stillwater Yacht Club; mooring by permission only/space available (I have spoken with the Captain and we can stay here, but need to confirm once we know the number of boats and nights)
- Didn't sound like there would be any fees; most likely we would raft up to a static line instead of a mooring ball
- Boat shuttle service to land
- Fun things to do - 17-mile drive on scooters, Pebble Beach GC, beaches, downtown - Ocean Ave., wine tasting rooms, hotels and restaurants nearby

Then we would do the reverse order to get back, or something else to return to our trailers. This is all very preliminary, and the final cruise itinerary is dependent on the group's input. So far it looks like four boats are interested, with lots of room for more!

Please respond by email, or call/text, if you are interested or think you might be interested.

All aboard!
Captain Kev

➤ **SOCIAL SOUNDINGS** ◀

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50th Anniversary Banquet



Gold-studded 50th Anniversary cake.

We had a our 50th Anniversary Banquet on June 11th. A great group of sailors attended. Our turnout was wonderful, our food was tasty, our venue was scenic, our lighting was natural. Just before the party started, Granite Bay had a power outage. But it was fine because we sailors can make the best out of any situation.

Lucille’s Restaurant of Roseville catered the event. We had plenty of food and drink to make us all extremely satisfied. We hardly noticed the sun sinking slowly in the West.

The raffle was a big success due to the members’ donations. Fleet 4 treasury added a few more prizes to the sweeten the pot. Thanks for all your contributions. Great news, we made enough money from the raffle to pay for the Bigs and Littles Sail Day BBQ.



Dinner inside the Hidden Valley Clubhouse.
(photo by Laura-Ann Charlot, *Quiet Time*)

As the night wound down many shared past Fleet 4 adventures, stories and tall tales, which made us smile, laugh and yes shed a tear or two.

Thank you, Monte, for procuring the Hidden Valley Lake Clubhouse for our Banquet. The lake view was a perfect spot to hold our 50th Anniversary party. I also want to thank all who gave me a hand setting up and tearing down the event. Seriously, what would I have done without all you guys!



Outside the Hidden Valley Clubhouse.
(photo by Laura-Ann Charlot, *Quiet Time*)

**Ice Cream Social / Swap Meet
August 26th, 6:30pm**

If you want more of all this fun, drop by our home on August 26th at 6:30 for the Ice Cream Social / Swap Meet. I will have tables set up for you to show-case your boat stuff.

Let's make more memories!
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More Stupid Jokes

Guy at the Marina: "So which one of these boats is the one I won in the dice game?"

"Yacht C," the attendant says.

Guy: "No. Craps!"

Only 3.14% of sailors are pi-rates.

Where do late sailors come from?

Missed-his-shippi.

➤ **SECRETARY'S REPORT** ◀

Roy Moore, Secretary
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Ahoy sailors! The fleet is moving through the summer so smoothly, that an officer meeting was unnecessary, so no minutes this month.

By the way, if you sail on the Delta, the Bay, or do the big trip from Santa Cruz to Monterey and back, you need several safety items. IN PARTICULAR your flares have to be current. The coast Guard takes a dim view if all your flares are past their expiration date. (Old flares are OK in the boat so long as you have current ones.)

➤ **FAVORITE FLEET 4 MEMORIES** ◀

To help celebrate Fleet 4's 50th Anniversary, let's honor 5 more long-standing members of 10-25 years:

Jay Bernard, *Obsession*, Catalina 25
Member since January 2011
Tim & Janice Hampton, *Amata*, Catalina 22
Members since May 2012
Roy & Noreen Moore, *Wave Dancer*, Catalina 25
Members since February 2008
Steve & Susan Patchett, *Librium*, Catalina 22
Members since September 2012
Mike & Madeline Rayfuse, *Sirius*, Catalina 22
Members since June 2003

Enjoy favorite memories of Fleet 4 from two of them, and maybe be inspired to make some new memories of your own.

The Comfort of Friends and Sailing

Tim & Janice Hampton
Amata, Catalina 22
Members since May 2012

Wow! What great experiences and adventures we have had with Catalina 22 Fleet 4 and with *Amata*, our own C-22 sailboat!

We have been members of the Fleet since 2012, and we were glad and blessed we found Catalina Fleet 4! There are numerous cruises and gatherings with

the Fleet that are more than memorable; I would say that some events were life-changing.

When we joined, we were simply looking for some guidance, training and mentorship to help us feel more comfort sailing our boat in unfamiliar waters. We got a lot more than that. We didn't realize we would meet some amazing people that are willing to share their knowledge of this culture called "sailing".

We have always looked forward and relished starting each year with a great spring sail on Folsom Lake, usually taking in an overnight stay with fellow Fleet 4 members, including Roy & Noreen Moore and Gary & Karen Preston at New York Cove.

We have also had a wonderful and exciting time participating in the "Trans-Folsom Regatta" several times, but most memorable was our first Trans-Folsom with Gary Preston, who graciously volunteered to mentor us through rigors of sailboat racing. This 20 nautical mile race to all points of scenic Folsom Lake had been at times slow and methodical, but this time the wind blew vigorously. We were gunnel in the water up wind and wing-on-wing downwind. Gary showed us how to trim the sail for maximum speed, tack in tight quarters, tension the jib sheets, how to use a traveler (I didn't even know what that was at the time), even how to read the telltales. After over 7 hours of sailing hard, the only casualty we had was Janice's hat that blew off her head in the wind and the "man-over-board" drill to save it came up empty-handed as well as bumping into one of the marker buoys. We ended up 2nd place (out of 3 boats entered); not too bad for first time racers! Its members like Gary that helped us get through to the finish line, the whole way being patient explaining all that we needed to know. That is what we love most -- the people that contribute to make life better for all.

Another experience was trailering our boat to Lake Havasu, Arizona for a week-long sail. At that time, we were just newer members of the Fleet and appreciate members Roy & Noreen Moore, welcoming us and showing us the ropes, as well as Scott & Sheila Hefty and Steve & Joanne Watkins. What great weather, wind and great people to share it with!

Fleet 4 also helped fulfill a long-time dream to sail the San Juan and Gulf Islands in our C-22. This was to be a cruise of ten days or so on the water, visiting some the most iconic and beautiful sailing areas of the world and even crossing into another country. I would not have dreamed that my wife and I would be able to achieve such a monumental goal. This adventure would have never been achieved without the expertise and experiences of the Fleet 4 members. After months of intricate planning, chart plotting, tidal and tour books, we felt very confident and comfortable with trailering our Catalina 22 from Northern California all the way up to Bellingham, Washington for departure. There were four boats from Fleet 4 who participated, two were departing out of Anacortes (Chris & Robyn Parker – *Robyn's Nest* – C-25, and Randy & Nancy Rowland – C-22), and two departing from Bellingham (Gary & Karen Preston – *Charmed Life* – Hunter 270, and us, Tim & Janice Hampton – *Amata* – C-22).



Gary & Karen Preston, and Janice Hampton

We sailed with a “buddy-boat”, (Gary & Karen Preston on *Charmed Life*), sailing, sightseeing, quiet anchorages, docking at ports-of-call such as Friday Harbor and Roche Harbor, as well as checking into customs at Sidney, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, and touring Victoria and Butchart Gardens. We had a great time and special thanks to Gary and Karen who made the trip fun and helped us to learn to navigate through over 155 nautical miles of these serene and beautiful waters of the Northwest United States and British Columbia, especially the time our outboard motor overheated and quit in the strong ebb tide in the middle of Peavine Pass on the north side of Blakely Island... if it wasn't the quick thinking and experienced maneuvers of Gary and Karen, we would have surely been on the rocks!



Friday Harbor, San Juan Island, WA



Tim Hampton on *Amata*, marina in Bellingham, WA



Buddy-boats *Charmed Life* & *Amata* at Stuart Is.

That is what Catalina Fleet 4 is all about... wonderful, caring, kind people who enjoy sailing

AND give of themselves for the benefit of everyone! Thank you, Fleet 4 members, for the unforgettable adventures in the past and more exciting sails in the future!!

Happy 50th Anniversary Catalina Fleet 4!!

Going back a little over 15 years ago...

Mike & Madeline Rayfuse
Sirius, Catalina 22
Members since June 2003

...to My First Article as Race Chairman

Mike Rayfuse



Introduction:

Since this is my first column for the Fleet 4 Fourum, or is that 4UM, and the FLYC Telltale newsletter, I thought I should introduce myself, and give a synopsis of my sailing and racing background.

First, a round of applause for Tom Page for his excellent contributions to the FLEET 4 (4UM) and FLYC TELLTALE in the past. It took me three Camellia Cups to get in front of him, and with that victory comes the privilege of writing this article each month. Thank you, Tom!

Along with my wife/first mate/mate Madeline, I am currently sailing a Catalina 22 #3088 named *Sirius*,

formerly named *Longshot*, which was purchased from the late Steve Twelves.

Prior to purchasing 3088 I was the owner of (shhhhhhh) a HOBIE CAT 18' that I purchased in 1989 and sold last year, replacing it with a (shhhhh) HOBIE 20' that we race 4-5 times a year. Over the years I have had 1 Hobie 16, 1 Prindle16 and 4 Hobie 18's. Decidedly bipolar I guess. Split personality, maybe? Parallel Universe anyone?

Although cruising is fun, my personal passion is focused on RACING! I have competed in 25 Regional Regattas from Maine to British Columbia to Mexico, and 9 U.S. National Championships, 1 Canadian National Championship, and 2 World Championships on the Hobie 18. Include about 15 Camellia Cup Regattas, and you get the idea.

About 8 years ago at a Granite Bay Boat Show, I met a Monohull Skipper, and started crewing for him, learning about spinnaker knockdowns and broaches and vang's, all while staying much DRYER than on a catamaran. Humm! It has a potty too? Bought a Catalina 22 and here I am.

To reiterate, my attitude is "If you have 2 sailboats you have a race". Skills acquired during racing do help when you are cruising though. My "mea culpa" to you cruisers.

My Favorite Memories

Madeline Rayfuse

I have been the Hospitality Chair since 2008. Gosh, I wasn't even a Senior Citizen yet. I have enjoyed every Banquet, especially after I could sit back and enjoy a glass of wine or two knowing my job was finished until the next year. Your smiles told me I accomplished what I set out to do. There have been numerous BBQ's, Bigs and Littles Sailing events, Ice Cream Socials, meetings, parties, and a whole lot of stupid jokes. I hope you had as many laughs as I did.



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 (1st member) _____ Registration # (CF) _____

Name (2nd 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 (1st member) (____) _____ - _____ Boat Equipped with: (for cruising safety)

VHF Radio Yes No (circle)

Work Phone (2nd member) (____) _____ - _____ GPS Yes No (circle)

Radar Yes No (circle)

Cell Phone (1st member) (____) _____ - _____

Cell Phone (2nd 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?

YES, I prefer a mailed copy.

NO, email and online posting is fine.

Email (1st member) _____

Email (2nd 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 1st of each year

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

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Then mail with Membership Form to:

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