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FROM YOUR COMMODORE



Greetings All,

My, my, my how time does fly. It seems like just yesterday I sat down one day past the deadline to write my first Masthead article as Commodore. I remember thinking, if I don't get this article in to *Barbara Earl* soon, I might be in trouble! But things change over a year period. Today I sit down to write my last article, two days late, knowing that I am in big trouble! Thank you Barbara for the fine job of producing the Masthead and for putting up with my lack of promptness.

Thank you to all who showed up to ensure we had a quorum at the November General Meeting. Due to your attendance we were able to take care of all necessary business. Our new Board of Directors was elected, committee reports were made, two by-law amendments were passed and no tomatoes were thrown! All in all, I felt it was a very efficient and successful meeting.

For those of you that joined us at the 2008 Commodores Ball, thank you for attending. For those who could not make it, you missed one heck of a party! Thank you to our Master of Ceremonies *Duncan McQueen* for keeping the jokes clean and the program flowing. Speeches were made, trophies were given out and after all the formalities, the party really began! With the band cranking out the tunes, there was a lot of foot stomping, some smooth slow dances, and some hot swing dancing. One thing I kept hearing from the band and the Madonna Inn staff was "Wow, this group knows how to party!" MBYC has maintained its reputation for another year! Thank you to *Joni Wells*, *Nia Schmidt*, and all of the *Ladies of the Social Committee* that went the extra mile to make the Commodores Ball special and successful.

After a week of recovering from the Ball, the following Saturday, I had the honor of PROing the Commodores Cup. Among the many things I know little about, running a bay race is pretty darn near the top of the list. I owe a big thank you to *Pat and Dot Rygh* for showing me the ropes (halyards) and not letting me embarrass myself too badly.

If you missed some of the activities in November, don't fret as December still has plenty of activities to carry us through to the New Year. Please check your calendar, as there seems to be a party or event to meet most everyone's interest.

With that being said, I would one last time like to thank everyone who has supported and encouraged me over this past year. Thanks to my fellow Board Members, Committee Heads, Staff Commodores, Regular members, and most importantly to my wife *Nia*, this has, in no way, been a one-man show. Without all of your assistance and patience, this year wouldn't have been nearly as successful or enjoyable as it has been.

Well the time has come. On January 1st, it is with great respect that I will hand the helm over to your 2009 Commodore *Wayne Ratliff*. Not only is Wayne a salty sailor, a savvy businessman, and skilled handy man, but he is also one heck of a nice guy! As if that alone doesn't guarantee a successful year, Wayne has an impressive Board of Directors along side him. With a mix of experience, fresh ideas, and continued dedication to our club, 2009 is lining up to be a very successful year

From the Schmidt Family to yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Respectfully, *John Schmidt*, Commodore

Editor's Note: Submissions to the *Masthead* are due by the 21st of each month. You may e-mail your written material or digital photos to mbyc@mbyc.net or to Barbara Earl at barbaraearl@earthlink.net
All submissions are subject to editing for content and space.

HAPPY HOUR HOSTS

REMEMBER! In order for us to keep our liquor license, non-members are NOT ALLOWED behind the bar and all guests must sign the guest book located at the end of the bar.

If you have questions about the operation of the bar, contact our Bar Steward, Bill Austin. If this is your first HOST ASSIGNMENT, contact the couple assigned with you and they will show you the ropes.

If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement. Perhaps you could trade with someone else on the Host List.

The club will furnish paper products and plastic ware for Host Night. Hosts tend bar from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. AND serve snacks at 6:00 p.m. till 7:30 p.m.

If you make a change, please let Polly know.

December 2008

- 5 Doug & Barbara Riddell
Donna Arozena
Scott Swaaley
- 12 John & Nia Schmidt
Keith & Lynn Valley
Brent Knowles
- 19 Chris & Anne Branch
Terry & Charlene Paris
- 26 Rob & Barbara Schwenoah
Dick & Sandra Forsythe



January 2009

- 2 Brian & Kathy Jones
Marc & Maggie Goldberg
Susan Wiley
- 9 Fred Novy
Roy & Bev Gammill
Tom Murphy
- 16 Bob & Laurie Neumann
Ken Ward & Linda Barnhardt
- 23 Ed & Robin Stevens
Matt & Jacque Piper
- 30 David & Beth Yudovin
Dennis & Rosemarie Boertje



February 2009

- 6 Lex & Lolo Budge
Al & Mary Romero
- 13 Lee & Sue Drocco
Ed & Robin Stevens
- 20 John & Joyel Kunkle
David & Sharon Buffo
- 27 Brian Crow & Gayle Bruce
Jon & Chrystina Pope
- Polly Schneider



FROM THE PORT CAPTAIN'S DOCK



'Tis nearly the season to be jolly all right, and I don't mean because Christmas is around the corner. What is making me jolly is the end of my year as Port Captain-ha, ha, ho, ho. It has been another quick year and one that I have enjoyed at least 99.9% of the time. The greatest enjoyment has come from accommodating nearly 300 boats and meeting the more than 500 people who have stopped by our club to rest, re-provision, and partake of our hospitality. One of the most recent was a boat from Wasilla,

Alaska and no, it wasn't Sarah Palin and Ted Stevens heading south to Mexico. This will also be the last time that I will be taking up space in the Masthead as this will be my final report to members regarding things happening in the storage yard, on the dock, or in the mooring field. The year was made easier for me by all of you who have lent a hand by helping maintain the facility, move boat trailers, tie up transient boats and a dozen other little things that I have needed help in doing. Some of the names that come to mind, as among those I have called on most often, in this regard are *Behman, Williams, Grisham, Hendricks, Monroe, Earl, Staff Commodore McClish,* and *Staff Commodore Meissen.* My heartfelt thanks to you all.

I must also recognize the dependable work performed over the year by my Assistant Port Captains. Chief among them is *Staff Commodore Meissen* who, due to her proximity to the club and her good nature, has probably tied up and signed in more transient boats than I have. A special thanks to you Lynn. A jolly big thank you goes out to my daily Assistants: *Lolo Budge* (Monday), *Lynn Meissen* (Tuesday & Friday), *Doug MacDonald* (Thursday), *Don Lockwood* (Saturday) and *Larry Earl* (Sunday). Without all of your help I would still be six months behind in preparing for the end of the year. Finally, I want to thank, in advance, *John Neiswanger* and *Brian Monroe* for the work they plan to do on the old Bomber motor in an effort to get it up and running. The work is scheduled to take place after the deadline for my last Masthead article. So thanks guys for the work that you will have done by the time you read this article.

I do hope that all of you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving and I wish all the membership a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Now, it's time to PARTY!

Jim Phillips, Port Captain.



FUN FLOAT

Thursday, December 18th, 10:00 a.m.

The Gods of wind that protect little animals and wild turkeys were blowing at full blast in Nov. thereby protecting the elusive Sandpit Turkey and all of it's friends. Our Sandpit Christmas Party this year will be on Thur. Dec. 18th at 10:00AM. Each peddler is requested to bring a white elephant gift to exchange for other white elephants.



Bring any old ornament you might have to help decorate our tree. G.G.P.P.

FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE

Well this will be my last article as Vice Commodore. It was like sailing in a gale the first few months. I want to thank you all for your help with the boat hoist and the flood. It was amazing how so many people pitched in, but then that's what a club is all about. The same thanks for Work Day (and after for a few who weren't able to come to work day proper). I know you will continue the same spirit next year.

Things have settled down to light bulb replacement and ordering paper goods. I regret that I'll have to pass on a few incomplete tasks to John Michener: primarily the galley floor recovering.

But lately I have been concentrating on next year, especially on staffing some of the club's key jobs. Which is more important to the club, the Bar Steward or the Port Captain? I think I may have filled these two jobs. I figured that if I had trouble getting someone to be the Bar Steward; that a Friday night without a smoothly running bar would generate enough demand to provide a number of volunteers.

While talking to members about the current jobs like Membership Chairperson, Social/Activities, Bar Steward, and Port Captain, I get the feeling that these jobs get more and more complicated every year. The Board and member's expectations always add to the jobs as well as the past job holders kept trying to improve on the quality they were providing. Maybe it is time to look into streamlining some of these jobs or splitting up into a team or additional positions.



Wayne
Vice Commodore





Please join us at the club or
join the parade with your boat
for the annual

MORRO BAY LIGHTED BOAT PARADE
SATURDAY DECEMBER 6TH
Parade starts at 6:30PM

The clubhouse will be open to members
and guests only (not to the public). Please be present with
your guest to sign in downstairs in the lobby.

Please sign up for an appetizer or task
on the sign up sheet located upstairs.

Parade entry packets may be picked up at the Morro Bay
Chamber of Commerce or online www.morrobay.org
or info.

FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE



I have enjoyed serving as Rear Commodore this year. It gave me a chance to get to know people in the club that I didn't have a lot of contact with before. I received a great deal of help from people who volunteered their time and energy.

The *Rygh's*, The *Lockwood's*, *Gail Condon*, *Jim Phillips*, *Susan Wiley*, *Peter Behman*, *Larry Earl*, *Howard Grisham*, and many others that have always been willing to do what ever needed to be done even before I asked. To all of you that have helped me this year - Thank You.

**Race results for the month of November are:
Bay Fleet**

Fall 3

- 1st Team Williams
- 2nd Team McDonald
- 3rd Team Krossa



Fall Series

Daysailer

- 1st Team Williams

- 2nd Team McDonald
- 3rd Team Huntsinger

Lido 14

- 1st Team Lockwood
- 2nd Team Nero
- 3rd Team Kizziar



The *Commodore's Cup* is scheduled for 11/22 and the *Drumstick* on 11/28.

Ocean Fleet

The *Fall 2* race had to be postponed due to weather and it was rescheduled for November 23rd.

In December the races scheduled are the *Ocean Fleet Fall 3* on 12/14 and the *Bay Fleet Winter 1* on 12/20.

Don't forget to come to the club to enjoy the *Lighted Boat Parade* on December 6th.

We have the *Bay Fleet Party* on the 13th and the *Ocean Fleet party* on the 14th.

See you there, R.C. John Michener



Caught'cha!



A big THANK YOU to the Social Committee and the *Schmidt's* for putting on a wonderful Commodore's Ball. It really was a 'ball'. Everyone seemed to have a great time. It was wonderful to see everyone all dressed up. Seeing *Joni and Louie Wells* there was an extra special treat. Thanks again for a great party!



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The Commodore's Ball Awards





HEY MBYC KIDS, GRANDCHILDREN, AND GUESTS!
 IT'S TIME FOR THE ANNUAL
MBYC CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

COME TO THE CLUB FOR FUN, GAMES, AND A
 CHANCE TO CHAT WITH SANTA!!!

SUNDAY DECEMBER 14TH
 10AM to NOON

rsvp TERESA MCCLISH
 w/children's names and ages



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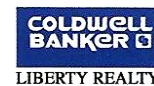


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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

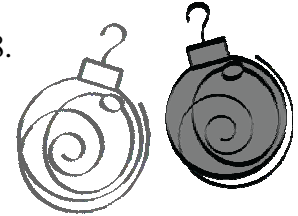
The membership committee presented one new prospective member to the board on Nov.13 for their approval. **John and Gwenn Krossa** were approved by the board. They were sponsored by **Theresa McClish** and **Lex Budge**. John & Gwenn have 3 children; **J.T.** (in the Jr Yacht Club) age 9, **Lani** age 7 and **Cooper** age 4.

The Krossa's have a Daysailer and live at . Phone # . Email: Please welcome them and their children to our club.

A summary of the Membership was given at the General Meeting on Nov. 1, 2008.

Total Members of MBYC at this meeting: 243, (now 244).

General Membership	191
Life Members	49
Associate Members	3



Boat Ownership was at 73%

As of today; we have accepted 8 new members this year, accepted 8 Resignations, and have had 3 deaths.

The Membership Committee has had a busy year and thanks to both **Bill & Peggy Sanders** for doing such a great job. **Dot Rygh**



People News ~

Many of you may not have heard that the **McClishes** have been in the news again — **Rory** took first place in the Paderesky Youth Piano Competition and he and three other fine young musicians gave a beautiful recital in Paso just before the Commodore's Ball. What a day! What a family! **Shannon** also being a fine sailor and a whiz on the viola, wonder what Audrey will have in store for us. Congratulations Rory & Family. — Rosemary Jorgens



Day Sailer Fleet 128 Meeting

Friday December 12th at 5:30 pm

AGENDA:

***Election of officers for 2009**

***Brainstorming of ideas for 2009 activities**

2008 Bay Fleet Holiday Party

Skippers, Crew, Members of Race Committees, and Friends

Saturday, December 13th

5PM Happy Hour

6 PM Dinner

7 PM White Elephant Gift Exchange

Please RSVP by December 12th

Susan Wiley



MORRO BAY JUNIOR YACHT CLUB

Happy Holidays Everyone!!

I hope your Thanksgiving day was filled with lots of family, friends and delicious food. We had a great first "staggered start" day. The newbies started their day at 9:00 a.m. We were off by 9:45 and sailed until 11:30. There were some sailors who had a few jitters, but the wind was perfect and eventually they took the challenge. I saw a lot of smiling faces by the end of our day. The championship fleet started setting up their boats at 11:00 and were ready to go by 11:30. The two groups ate together while a lesson was given and then everyone was off to sail or to go home. The championship fleet managed to have a few races, but I think they enjoyed having a water fight with the coaches even more! There are a lot of fun activities planned so keep your calendars handy.

First event is a "Holiday Regatta" hosted by the CBYC in San Pedro on Saturday, December 6th. This is an out of town regatta so if you are interested in going, please contact **Coach Dana**.

Second great event is *Morro Bay's famous Lighted Boat Parade* on the 6th of December and is only for family and friends of juniors. The judging of the boat parade is at the club so we will have the best seats in the house. Please remember to bring your life jackets if you are planning on sitting on the dock. No one without a life jacket under 12 will be permitted on the dock.

Lastly, our end of the year party is on Saturday, December 13th. We will meet at 10:00, sail for a little while and have our awards ceremony. This will be a potluck so don't forget to sign up for something to bring. I will have a sign up sheet on the table at the club. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

I have really enjoyed sailing with all of you and I look forward to an even better 2009.

Angela Soll
MBJYC advisor



The 2009 MBYC Board



Director Kit Lockwood welcomes new Director Dana McClish


Secretary Laura McCarren welcomes Charlene Paris as 2009 Secretary

Treasurer Sharon Brooks welcomes Laura McCarren as 2009 Treasurer




2009 Rear Commodore Greg Barker, 2009 Vice Commodore John Michener, 2009 Commodore Wayne Ratliff. Congratulations all!


Congratulations!

BIG BOAT HOLIDAY BASH

SAIL, POWER, RACERS, CRUISERS, & FRIENDS
 SUNDAY DECEMBER 14TH, 2008
 5PM HAPPY HOUR
 6PM DINNER (nominal fee)
 7PM WHITE ELEPHANT
 NAUTICAL GIFT EXCHANGE
 rsvp by December 14th
 to Nia Schmidt



Tidelands Volunteers —
January: 2: Rosemary Jorgens and Carolyn Pye; 5: John and Frances Budlong; 7: Bob and Judy Salamacha; 9: Bud and Janice Moore; 12: Freddie Fernandez and Ralph Wessel; 14: Kevin Williams;
 16: Al and Mary Romero; 19: Dick and Charlene Evans; 21: Bob Pyeatt; 23: Lynn Meissen;
 26: Jim and Karen Clinton; 28: Harold Hartsell; 30: Lee and Sue Drocco. Alternates: Gail Condon and Blaine and Maralee Parkin

December 2008



Ocean Races Start: 12:00 NOON
 Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM














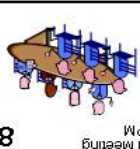







Bay Races Start: 11:00 AM
 Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM

Friday Happy Hour Hosts Serve Snacks and Tend Bar from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

<p>Bay Fleet: Fall Make-up Juniors</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Ocean Fleet: Fall 3 Juniors Party! Ocean Fleet Party Children's Party</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Masthead Deadline Ocean Fleet: Make-up</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>Tidelands Volunteers – December: 1: John and Frances Budlong; 3: Bob and Judy Salamacha; 5: Blaine and Maralee Parkin; 8: Freddie Fernandez and Ralph Wessel; 10: Kevin Williams; 12: Rosemary Jorgens and Carolyn Pye; 15: Ad Smulders; 17: Bob Pyeatt; 19: Lynn Meissen; 22 Dick and Charlene Evans; 24 Al and Mary Romero; 26: Bud and Janice Moore; 29: Lee and Sue Drocco; 31: Harold Hartsell. Alternates: Gail Condon and Blaine and Maralee Parkin.</p>		

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