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FROM YOUR COMMODORE-John Michener



Our *General Membership Meeting* and Pot-Luck is on November 6th. The two items to be voted on at this meeting will be the election of officers for next year and some changes to our By-Laws. The proposed changes to the By-Laws may have looked long and confusing in the October Masthead, but we are really only voting to change two things. The first one changes the procedure for petitions that are presented to the Board of Directors to put an item on the ballot at a General Meeting. The second one is to change the requirement that notification, for certain items to be voted on, has to be sent by first class mail. The reason that this one looks a little confusing is because that requirement appears at several places in the By-Laws. The second item also clears up some of the ambiguity that exists over what constitutes a 2/3 vote. The 2/3 vote requirement is defined differently at various places in the current By-Laws. The proposed changes use the definition from *Roberts Rules of Order*. I want to thank the By-laws Committee again for their work on this. **Doug Gould** was a member of that committee, we will all miss you Doug.

The Commodore's Ball is on November 20th. Hopefully you have already purchased your tickets, the final date to pay for your tickets is November 8th. We need to have your reservation in the office by then so we can give a count of those attending and their dinner choices to the Madonna Inn.

At the *October Board of Directors Meeting* the Board voted to authorize our Junior Advisor, **Gwenn Krossa**, to use money from the Junior's Reserve Account to pay the cost of an attorney and other fees toward establishing a Non-Profit 501(c)(3) Foundation for the benefit of the Junior Yacht Club. People will be able to make tax deductible donations to this foundation and then the money can be used for the Junior Yacht Club. Gwenn and her husband John have already put in a lot of work on this and I appreciate their efforts. Several other yacht clubs already have this same sort of thing set up for their Juniors.

Since there is a chance you won't have received your December Masthead before the *Lighted Boat Parade* on December 4th, I thought it would be a good idea to mention a few things about it here. As in the past, the Yacht Club will not be open to the public for the parade but you are welcome to bring guests. The gates will be closed and we will ask that everyone enter through the front door. We will have a guest sign-in table downstairs for those who want to be served at our bar. Please make it your responsibility to make sure your guests have signed in and that they have name tags. This is important to satisfy the requirements of our liquor license.



November is one of the busiest months at the club there is a lot going on. One of the more enjoyable responsibilities I will have this month is being PRO for the *Commodore's Cup Bay Race* on the 13th. I'm sure I will need some assistance remembering how to do this.

John Michener, Commodore

"I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination." Jimmy Dean

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
All submissions are subject to editing for content and space.

FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE - Greg Barker



The exciting news this month is that we have replaced the brand-new shiny Costco slow cooker with a used charbroiled. Now, many of you know this as a "barbecue," although the Board heard many comments that the Costco unit did not qualify for that lofty status. We voted to return it for a refund and start the search anew. The sharp eyes of **Director Dana McClish** found a used grill for sale on Craig's List. It turned out to be a commercial charbroiler much like our beloved former barbecue, only 18 inches longer. It is missing some parts, and needs a little cleaning up, but I was able to negotiate a favorable price, cash and carry. **Rear Commodore David Prewett** helped me move it from the seller's house to the club. Once it receives the needed parts I predict improved cooking time and more members able to gather around the ceremonial flame.

The Board also reviewed flooring options for the Dining Room, and I was instructed to provide a little more information and get some additional installation quotes before we move ahead. I found a source for the tile that was used between the door from the tarmac and the serving line. As mentioned previously, I plan to paint the Dining Room after the carpet is replaced. I have been advised by some of our

illustrious staff commodores that the best way to engage help in such a project is to look individuals directly in the eye, mesmerizing them into a pliable state. If you feel a little sleepy and experience missing time after talking with me at Happy Hour in the near future, don't worry about it. It only means that you have just volunteered to do something.

Staff Commodore Jim Phillips continues to nurse our ailing icemaker, but has finally recommended that we begin to look for a replacement, and has already begun to send me information. In the meantime, we can all be involved in the care of our current icemaker in its final days. If you are in the club, take a moment to make sure ice is not restricting the movement of the plastic control bar under the grid where the cubes are made and wipe away any built-up frost from the grid. Some people prefer to deliver a quick thump with a firm hand, but we have no evidence that our ice maker responds to this approach. It wouldn't hurt to cross yourself and rub a lucky rabbits foot before, during, and after checking it either.

I hope you have found this month's column to be informative and inspirational. You can send your written comments to our esteemed editor.

Greg Barker, Vice Commodore



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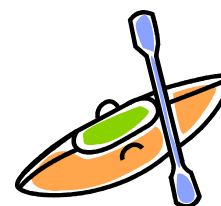
Thursday, November 11th, 11:00 a.m.

In keeping with the traditions of other great sporting events, we called off our Oct. paddle it was wet, cold and damp.

Our Nov. float will be on Veterans Day. It is certainly permissible and in good taste for any of you that wish to wear your uniform to do so.

Nov.11 at 11:00 will be the time and date.

Eagle Eye Evans, G.P.P. & B.S.A.





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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, Larry Earl.

Everyone should be contacting the other people assigned with them to coordinate the Hosting Duties.

If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement. Perhaps you could trade with someone else on the Host List. Cynthia Wimer will be sending out reminders in the mail.

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.

November 2010

- 5 Don & Kit Lockwood
Gerald & Erika Luhr
- 12 Tom & Bobbie Jermin
Roger & Victoria Marlin
- 19 Gail Condon
Kevin Williams
Tom & Cyndy Fee
- 26 No Scheduled Happy Hour

December 2010

- 3 John & Wendy Mitchell
Chris & Anne Branch
Diana Orston
- 10 Dave & Karen Prewett
Ken & Judy Riener
- 17 Bob & Judy Salamacha
Bob & Barbara Schwenoha
- 24 No Scheduled Happy Hour
- 31 No Scheduled Happy Hour

January 2011

- 7 Russ & Sally Williams
Andrew & Marrie Brown
- 14 Jim & Bobbie Brose
Mal & Julie Towery
- 21 Adriaan & Helma Smulders
John & Betsy Stenger
Ann Meyer
- 28 Roy & Bev Gammill
Mike Weber

— *Jim & Rachelle Phillips*



FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE—David Prewett



Once again, the computer wins. Everything I wrote, disappeared. So, with a smile on my face and a song in my heart, here are the race results: Fall 1, **Williams** first, **Smith** second, and **Huntsinger** third. For the Lidos, it was the **Kizziar's**, **Rothenbuecher's** then the **Lund's**.

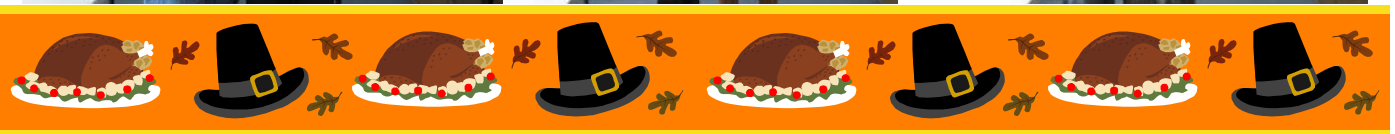
For the ocean racers there was Summer 3, with *Guayacan* first, *Whizbang* second, and *Kiskedee* third.

If there be mistakes, the one to call.....shoot, that would be me. The racers are headed for Santa Margarita this weekend. Hope all goes well. Signing off before anything else happens. **Norm**

Bob Kizziar & Robert Addison

Dawn Huntsinger & Brett Cross

Debra De Barros & Carlton Smith



Social Committee

It was in 1863 that **President Abraham Lincoln** declared the last Thursday of November to be a National Day of Thanksgiving. With that in mind, let us all be mindful of our blessings, more accepting of others and giving to those in need.

We will not have a scheduled Friday night Happy Hour on November 26th. That does not mean you cannot make your own happy hour!! On December 3rd at Happy Hour, we will be decorating our Christmas tree. Add a little Christmas music, some hot chocolate, a shot of peppermint schnapps and you have a party! Saturday, December 4th is the Lighted Boat Parade! The club will be hosting the announcements for the participating boats and the judging for this event. We welcome members and their family and friends to join us but, please pitch in to help with the bar and the clean up afterward. As my father always said, "many hands make light work".



The Social Committee will have a meeting on November 12th at 5:15.

Your lover of fun!

Sharon Bufo, Social Chair, t

NOTICE OF MEETING

GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6TH 2010

UPSTAIRS AT THE MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB

POT LUCK DINNER AT 6PM



Last names beginning with:
A-M bring an entrée or salad
N-Z bring a dessert



MEETING STARTS AT 7PM

FUN

FLOAT



ELEVATOR COMMITTEE UPDATE

Congratulations to
Mike Weber, who was the
lucky winner of the 50/50
raffle to raise money for the
elevator.

Sincerely, *The Elevator
Committee*



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MORRO BAY JUNIOR YACHT CLUB

Hi Juniors!

Our big news this month is that the board has approved us to move forward in our efforts to form a 501 (c)3 tax deductible fundraising foundation to support the juniors. There is still a lot of work to do, but we are very excited about this latest development. If you have experience or knowledge about forming or running 501(c)3's, or want to be involved, we welcome any input you may have!

The *Morro Bay Harbor Festival* was a lot of fun. This was our second year participating, and this year we had a running commentary for onlookers, courtesy of Lex Budge. The kids had a great time, and many of them went on to enjoy the festival afterwards.



The *Goblin Regatta* in Santa Barbara is at the end of October, and we have a few juniors planning to attend. We'll get reports back from them next month!

Due to Thanksgiving, we have only one sailing day planned for November, on the 14th. I hope to see lots of you there, and we'll keep our fingers crossed for that "perfect wind".

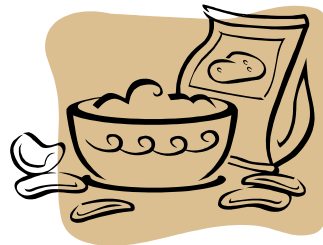
Gwenn Krossa, Junior Advisor

Dear MBYC Membership,

As you may have already heard, *Polly Schneider*, after many years on task, has retired from the job of Social Hour Coordinator. She spent many hours devoted to the task and we all owe her our gratitude for the work she has done for the club and its membership.

Rachelle and I are pleased to attempt to walk in her shoes by taking on the task of coordinators for Happy Hour. Our tour officially begins January 1, 2011, but in order to get things up to speed we actually started assigning folks in October of this year. The rules will remain unchanged but as a reminder to all, I will list them here.

1. Check the Masthead each month to see if your name appears. Each Masthead contains three months of HH assignments.
2. If you have a conflict with your assigned date, call others on the list to "switch", then let us know what you have done.
3. You should receive a post card reminder at least a week before you are to serve.
4. If you have been skipped, let us know.
5. If you weren't able to host in the past but can now, please let us know.
6. Please: **Don't just not show up.**



If you have a question please call *Rachelle or Jim* or email us. Thanks again to *Polly* for her hard work.

Jim & Rachelle Phillips

Welcome to Laser Fleet.

It seemed to be the catch phrase of the day whenever something unfair/unusual/odd happened.

It all started with the first annual Bounce House party at the **Hendricks** Compound on an October Friday night to be followed by the first annual Laser Slalom on Sunday. **Todd Hansen** predicted correctly when he said it would be a weekend of debauchery. And it certainly was. Those who weren't in attendance on Friday suffered the consequences on Sunday. Just ask poor unsuspecting **Dana McClish** who sailed circles around the slalom course because laser maniac **Steve Hendricks** stood on the dock yelling at him that he was completing the course incorrectly. Meanwhile **Cyndy Fee** sailed slow and steady through the slalom to go on the win the first bracket. And how about the race where the windward mark got unanchored and swept away in the current while **Keiran Hansen** chased it? These stories were indicative of the races that day.

The course was set up directly in front of the club so spectators could cheer, applaud, or yell erroneous instructions at the racers. There was no start sequence; there was no clear line of sight of the start/finish line, only **John MacDonald** on the horn making the sole decisions when to start and finish the races. The one rule of the day was that the rules changed often and without notice. *Welcome to Laser Fleet.*

There were as many spectators as there were racers that day. To everyone's delight we had families out to race. Parents raced against children, juniors defeated adults, those who have never sailed a laser before raced against fat Masters. Is it possible that we ran 25 races that day? I don't know; I lost track. If it weren't for **Tammy Hendricks** running the schedule and keeping everyone in line we might still be there racing!

The Laser fleet is typically a nonconformist group, as was indicated by the unique entry fee. Instead of paying \$5, the entrants were asked to bring any item worth \$5. *Any* item. Those entry fees turned out to be the trophies. A few of the entry fees were practical such as screw drivers or carabineers; some were questionable, such as an opened bottle of wine; others bordered on obscene, such as the 50 DDD bra that was being passed off as a Laser Spinnaker. This last item was chosen to be the new Laser Slalom perpetual trophy and the 2010 winner will be required to wear it next year while defending his title. (evil chuckle...)

And the winners are...1st **Lex Budge**, 2nd **Andrew Brown**, 3rd **Steve Hendricks**, and 4th **Keiran Hansen**

Are we serious about fun? Yes. Do we thrive on chaos? You bet. Is there an emphasis on timeliness? Not so much. Do we possess any kind of decorum? No way. All I can say is *Welcome to Laser Fleet.*

Your 2010 Laser Fleet Captain,
Dawn



Laser



Fleet

Membership News

Please welcome our newest member:

Jeff Eckles



Congratulations to **India and Bob Pyeatt** who became Life members when the Board approved their request at the October board meeting.

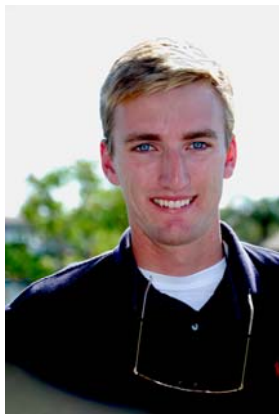
Membership Committee: *Gail Condon, Cyndy Fee (co-chairs), Lynn Meissen, Rachelle and Jim Phillips, Angela Soll and Marty and Tom Tidyman.*

People News

Sherrye Haynie recently celebrated her birthday with a gathering of friends, family and Hawaiian music. It was also a tribute to her beloved late husband, Tom.



The Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association names **Ryan Carden** to its 2010 First Team All Academic Sailing Team. Ryan is attending Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG). Ryan is a member of our club along with his parents **Hal & Carol Carden**. It's our understanding that individuals who are named to this team have met a certain balance between sailing and academic excellence. Congratulations, Ryan! We are very proud of you.



Pictures of Ryan courtesy of Texas A&M, (by way of Carol Carden). Pictures of Sherrye by Rachelle Phillips





Daysailer Fleet 128

We were talking about getting **Duncan** and his Race Committee up onto the T-Pier during the crowded Harbor Festival, the entrance to which required more passes than we were issued.

"We can smuggle them past the guards in the Whaler," someone said.

"That might be dangerous," another replied. "Climbing all those stairs with the equipment. Duncan could fall in and drown."

"We might have to risk it," said another Committee member.

Listening to our plans, I couldn't help thinking we were like the rough assemblage of misfits in Steinbeck's *Cannery Row*. *If Steinbeck knew about anything, he knew about how our individual needs always have to be balanced against the needs of the community. This ethos was plainly displayed on race day, as **Duncan** shrugged and said, "We'll do whatever we have to do," smiling and not wearing a life jacket.*

Eventually the race ensued—Fall 2 and a special Harbor Fest show, with **Duncan's** microphoned brogue looming over the gloom. We broke at lunchtime to allow the **Coast Guard** to perform for the crowd, sent our first Race Committee off to hear a concert, and started again with **Howard Grisham** in charge at the yardarm. It all ended with a first place tie between visiting skipper **Dave Keran** and our own **Kevin Williams** and **Gail Condon**. But in true Steinbeckian fashion, the day ended with a broken mast—**Kevin and Gail's** *Protest* dangling from the hoist, caught a spreader and exploded, everyone aghast and staring. While the mood shifted, in the end we were all smiling, with **Kevin** coiling a line, shaking his head.

Similarly, this year's *Lady's Day* race required all of us to put our heads together in order to make a go of it. With news of our beloved friend, **John Krossa's** sudden health crisis greeting us in the morning, and the subsequent withdrawal of **Gwenn** and **Cindy's** boat, we collectively decided on a kind of free-for-all modified race, allowing a ragtag group of other boats to accompany the "real racers." **Kevin** and **Brett** PROed the race, with help from **Tom Murphy** and **David Prewett**. **Joe, Victor** and company manned the safety boat. **Dawn and Gail** defended their title, but no one was happier than they to see **Sandy and Sharon** brave the elements and win second place. In the end, sitting around our Cannery Row clubhouse, we all lifted a beer to them—and to our missing friends, **John and Gwenn**.

None of the races could have happened without help from the whole crew: **Duncan and Marlene McQueen, Karen and David Prewett, Rachelle Phillips, Gail Condon, Victor Nero, Joe Huntsinger, Howard and Sandy Grisham, David Bufo, Tom Murphy, Kevin Williams, and Brett Cross**, and many others—what a splendid, goofy bunch.

In all of this, **Kevin** was our Doc—indefatigable, unshaven, tragic and heroic all at once. Standing there on the oyster shell lot after the Harbor Festival day races were over, all he could do was look up at his broken mast, wince a little, then raise his beer and smile. After that he walked back across the street and looked for someone who might really need help with a boat.

So, as Doc might have said: "Here's to us."

Fall 2

Ladies' Day

1st **Dave Keran**

1st **Dawn Huntsinger & Gail Condon**

2nd **Kevin Williams**

3rd **Dean Iwahashi**

2nd **Sandy Grisham & Sharon Bufo**



2010

Commodore's Ball

Saturday, November 20th

At the

MADONNA INN GARDEN ROOM

6:00 pm – No host cocktails

7:00 pm – Plated Dinner

8:00 pm – Program

Followed by dancing to Oasis

Tickets are \$50 per person up to Nov. 1
After which price increases to \$55

I / We would love to attend the ball!

M_____

Dinner Choices:

Prime Rib_____

Halibut_____

Vegetarian_____

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November 2010



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 Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM



Bay Races Start: 11:00 AM
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SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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Ocean Fleet—Fall 2 	8	9	10	11 Board Meeting 6:00 PM Fun Float 11am 	12 Hosts: Tom & Bobbie Jermin Roger & Victoria Marlin 	13 Blay Fleet: Commodore's Cup
Ocean Fleet—Fall 3 Juniors 	15	16	17	18 Hosts: Gail Condon Kevin Williams Tom & Cyndy Fee 	19 Hosts: Gail Condon Kevin Williams Tom & Cyndy Fee 	20 Commodore's Ball
Masthead Deadline 	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving 	26 Hosts: No Scheduled Happy Hour 	27

Tidelands Volunteers — November 1: Rosemary Jorgens and Carolyn Pye; 5: Al and Mary Romero; 8: Ad Smulders; 12: Lee and Sue Drocco; 15: Blaine and Maralee Parkin; 19: Lynn Meissen; 22: Kevin Williams; 26: Bud and Janice Moore; 29: Dick and Charlene Evans. Alternates: Gail Condon and Bud and Judy Salamacha.
December 3: Blaine and Maralee Parkin; 6: Rosemary Jorgens and Caroline Pye; 10: Lynn Meissen; 13: Ad Smulders; 17: Al and Mary Romero; 20: Kevin Williams; 24: Bud and Janice Moore; 27: Dick and Charlene Evans; 31: Lee and Sue Drocco. Alternates: Bud and Judy Salamacha; and Gail Condon.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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