

MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB

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FROM YOUR COMMODORE-John Michener



Here it is March already. Our *General Meeting* is next month on Saturday April 10th. There are three petitions below that I have listed in the order they were presented to the Board of Directors. The Masthead has been mailed first class this month to meet the notification requirement of our Bylaws for items of this type that will be voted on by the membership at the General Meeting. *John Michener - Commodore*

This is formal notification that these petitions are submitted to be voted on by the membership at the April MBYC General Meeting.

The Elevator Committee is asking for \$\$\$\$ to be allocated from the Contingency Reserve Fund for this item if it is passed by the membership.

A Petition for the Morro Bay Yacht Club.

We would like to bring the following before the club to be voted on at the next general meeting in April 2010. At the November 7, 2009 Morro Bay Yacht club general meeting the membership voted to install an elevator. The Morro Bay Yacht Club will take the funds from its Contingency Account and use these funds toward the cost for the completion of said elevator. This construction shall be started with as little delay as possible.

Signed:

Anne M Miranda # 327 L date 11/7/09
 Steve Nukes #38 Life date 11/9/09
 Charlene Evans #83 date 11/10/09
 Marlene McQueen #33 date 11/10/09
 Cynthia Wimer #107 date 11/10/09

6) Jim T. Clinton #97 date 11/12/09
7) Max Sicher #Life date 11/16/09
8) John Budlong #75 date 11/17/09
9) Donald Vest #25 L date 11/17/09

MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE ELEVATOR FROM CONTINGENCY FUND PETITION FROM: LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE January 2010 The Long Range Planning Committee is proposing that: Money that is donated or raised for the elevator be matched from our "Contingency Reserve Account". These matching funds would have to be approved by the membership at a General Meeting. No dues increase should be made for this.

Signed:

Kit Lockwood, Dir. LRPC
 Don Lockwood, Staff. Comm.
 Dana McClish, Staff Comm. Dir. LRPC.

4) Michael Measures, Staff Comm.
 5) Pat Rygh, Staff Comm.
 6) Wayne Ratliff, Staff Comm.

DINGHY RAMP/CONTINGENCY FUND PETITION Presented by: The LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE To: The Morro Bay Board of Directors January 2010

The Long Range Planning Committee would like to petition the Morro Bay Yacht Club to allot \$50,000 from the Contingency Fund, to build a Dinghy Ramp in accordance with plans submitted by Dana McClish. This dock would relieve much of the congestion we often have on our small dock and allow wheel-

chair access to the water. It would be of benefit to our Ocean Fleet, Bay Fleet, Cruisers, Kayakers, Summer Sailing, and Junior YC. In general it will benefit all the sailors and paddlers in our club, and be Handicap accessible.

Signed:

Kit Lockwood, Comm. Chair. Sr. Director,
 Dana McClish, Staff Comm., Jr. Director
 Pat Rygh, Staff Comm.,

- 4) Don Lockwood, Staff Comm.
- 5) Michael Measures, Staff Comm.
- 6) Wayne Ratliff, Staff Comm.

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



Okay, I'm starting to get the hang of it. Last year as Rear Commodore, I begged people to PRO races. This year as Vice Commodore, I beg people to fix things.

Anyway, I have important issues to deal with. First, next time you see *Joe Huntsinger*, thank him for fixing the entrance doors to the dining room. Wet weather had swelled the doors such that you had to whisper a prayer and rub a rabbit's foot to get the doors to lock.

Whenever I came by the club these doors were unlatched, and I would have to get my rabbit's foot out of the car in order to leave the club properly secured. Thanks to *Joe* the doors are locking again and we don't have to worry about a bunch of juvenile delinquents strolling into the club and drinking our entire supply of Two Buck Chuck.

Good news! No drain calls this month, so I could put off getting plumber's pants.

By the time you get this there should be a poster upstairs to sign up for *Work Day*. Get your name on early so you get your first choice work assignment. I understand that plumbing jobs get picked last, and you'll be expected to dress appropriately. I have set aside certain tasks to be scheduled on your own time, but any task can be handled this way, just let me know.

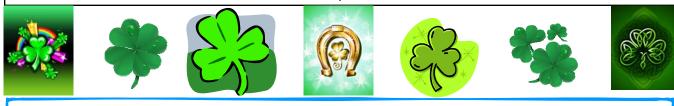
Also, mark your calendars or have the date tattooed on your forehead (backwards, so you can read it in the mirror): **Saturday, March 27, 2010**. I'll plan on being at the club by 8:15 am, and urge members to arrive early enough to get in line for lunch before all the food is gone.

One special project I have planned for this year is the replacement of some decayed ground floor siding on the West and South walls of the club. I would like two to four members to take responsibility for this task, including working with me before hand to determine the scope of repairs and coordinate buying the needed materials. This is included on the Work Day sign-up poster, but I want to emphasize the advance coordination needed to make this go smoothly.

I'm also planning the repair of the landing at the top of the gangway immediately following *Work Day*. Having dock access restricted during *Work Day* seemed like a non-starter to me, and the following weekend is clear of races if we need curing time for structural concrete. Everyone keep in mind that dock access may be difficult from March 28 to April 9, depending on the scope of repairs needed. This will affect normal boating operations as well as scheduling dock repair tasks on your own time.

See you at Work Day!

Greg Barker, Vice Commodore



FUN FLOAT

Tuesday, March 16th, 10:30 a.m.

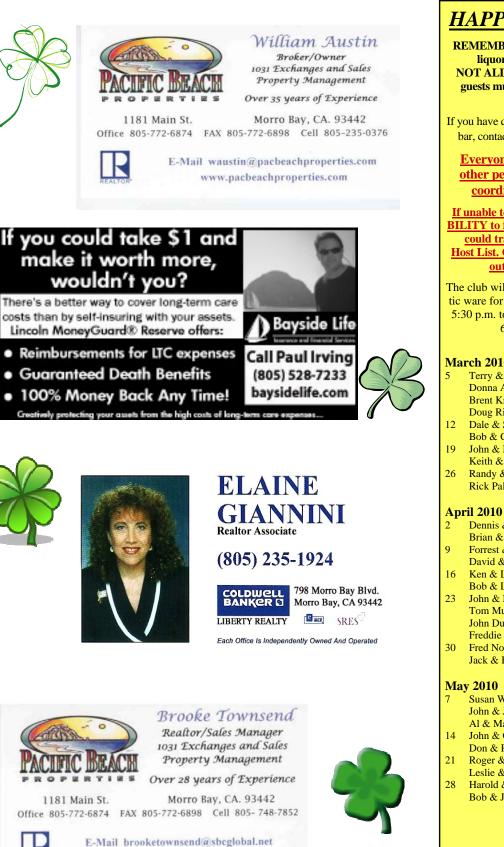
Even with Al R. as guest GPP we still had a great paddle. The only thing that could have made it better is if we could have talked Bob S. into getting closer to the dredge.

Our March float will be on Tues. the 16th at 10:30.

I know that is awfully close to the ides of March but as long as Brutus and his friend aren't around I think we will be safe.

your ever lovin, G.G.P.P.

MASTHEAD



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 RESPONSI-**BILITY 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.

March 2010

- Terry & Charlene Paris Donna Arozena Brent Knowles Doug Riddell
- Dale & Sandra Forsythe Bob & Carol Walker
- John & Nia Schmidt Keith & Lynn Valley
- Randy & Faye Zeeb Rick Paley & Holly Anderson

- Dennis & Rosemarie Boertje Brian & Kathy Jones
- Forrest & Francis Martin David & Sharon Bufo
- Ken & Linda Barnhart
- Bob & Laurie Neumann John & Nia Schmidt
 - Tom Murphy John Duthie Freddie Fernandez
- Fred Novy Jack & Barbara Keely
- Susan Wiley John & Joyce Kunkle Al & Mary Romero
- John & Cynthia Pope Don & Ruth Lapp
- Roger & Sandy Shervington
- Leslie & Shields Abernathy
- Harold & Elena Hartsell Bob & Jenny Kizziar

– Polly Schneider

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FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE—David Prewett



Hear Ye Hear Ye Here Ye?

To all concerned,,, or not. I HATE COMPUTERS! Phew, now that that's said, on to racing! The Bay fleet was able to hold *Winter 3*. The wind was good, the courses laid out, the skippers were jolly (too much rum) and all was well. Who is this Henry Wadsworth fellow.... *"into each life some rain must fall"*, chuck him overboard. We had rain, but it parted long enough to race...someone's prayers were answered (not mine, I still haven't seen any of that million dollars, *Ed McMahon* where are you!). First place went to team *Victor*, second to team *Carlton* and third to team *Paris*. Fortunately, the scorers took long enough for the racers, observers and second string quarterbacks to have sufficient libations that all were in a festive mood by award time, not that sufficient time is needed for us to partake. *Winter 1* for the Ocean fleet is on the 28th . Next month, we have Bay Fleet *Spring 1*, Ocean Fleet Founders Cup aaaaaaaannnddd the BIG ROCK REGATTAAAAAA!!! Don't forget work day on the 27th. *One eyed Jack (Norm)*

Social Committee

Our month of March holds one of my favorite celebrations...St. Paddy's Day! I can't help it. My last name now is Bufo, but I used to be O'Brien!! I am only half Irish but I have the gift, or the curse (some may say) of gab and blarney. I am offended by neither. So let's enjoy this day on Friday, March 12th, by wearing of "the green""! I will have some special Irish folk music, sing-a-long (come on people) and stickers or tattoos (washable) to place where you please!!! May your thoughts be as glad as the shamrocks, May your heart be as light as a song, May each day bring you bright, happy hours that stay with you all the year long...and with this spirit of good tidings. On March 5th, at 5:30 I will need some help with *Opening Day invitations* and sign-ups will be posted! Thanks all,

Sharon Bufo, Social Chair



General Membership Meeting - April 10, 2010, 7 PM

Proposed Agenda

Quorum Call, Close Bar & Request non-members to exit Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call, Acceptance of Minutes

Correspondence, Reports, Unfinished Business New Business

> Elevator Committee: Funds for Elevator construction Long Range Planning Committee:

Fund matching for the Elevator

Dana McClish: Dinghy Ramp plan and funding Discussion

Balloting

Adjourn Meeting



Hello everyone, after examining the schedule for a while I have come up with some dates and events for the cruising fleet. The first date will be *Sat 13th of March* for boat maintenance day, If your boat is looking a little dirty after these winter months and you want to get it ready for the racing season or for the cursing season, this day is for you.

The next month we will be taking *April 3rd* for more maintenance and a possible PROing fleet BBQ and planning for the summer. I would like to receive some input for the great summer cruising trip. Additionally, I am looking for some input on what the *Cruising fleet* would like to do, I really don't like being a dictator.

We have a couple of good dates for possible cruises as well. These can be a day trip with fishing in Cayucos, overnight trip to one of our many ports of call. The dates are *May 15th to 16th*, and *June 5* for a possible meeting date for summer traveling trip. On a separate but similar topic, I still have spots available on my boat to *Santa Barbara* and back. I will be booking the downhill and the return trip separately so people can enjoy the leg that they think best fits them. Finally, I am hoping to plan a trip some time around the *4th of July* to help out with the *Avila 4th party* and the *San Luis Yacht Club*. I will be looking to plan a trip to Avila sometime around the *3rd and 4th of July*, perhaps this could be a good spring board for the Santa Barbara trip. Cheers,

Kevin Williams, Cruising Fleet Captain



Get Ready for the *Big Rock Regatta*!! This exciting event will be held here at *MBYC* on March 20 - 21st. *Dana McClish* is looking for volunteers, so let him know if you would like to help out! And please come by to cheer on all the great kids from our club and visiting clubs. It is great to see them all in action. Yacht Clubs represented at this regatta include: *CYC, CBYC, SFYC, LAYC, NHYC, VYC, SBYC, MPYC*. Quite an event, and we hope to show them a really good time!

The *Juniors* have had a busy and fun month. We have had 3 regular Junior sailing days since the last Masthead, and have had great turnout at every one. Six of our junior members went down to the Opti Mid-Winters hosted by *LAYC*. Opti sailors who went to Mid-Winters were *Andrew Monroe, Rory McClish, Shannon McClish, Audrey McClish, and Olivia and Ian McDonald*. We are definitely in the swing of things, and looking forward to more fun spring sailing!

Gwenn Krossa Junior Advisor



Membership News

We have two new membership applications which will be posted on the office door on February 19 for members' review. Prospective Members:

Steve and Teri Reeder are sponsored by *Matt and Adrianne Jenkins and Bob and Laurie Neumann*. Steve has sailed since childhood and they own both a Cal 25 and Puffin, the expo solar sailer. Steve has participated in several of our ocean races.

Mike and Deborah Peck are sponsored by *Staff Commodore Ron May and Commodore John Michener*. Mike has crewed on Ron's boat for the last two years and he and Debbie own a 36-foot sailboat berthed here in the bay.

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

THOUGHTS FROM YOUR PORT CAPTAIN

OK you denizens of the boat storage yard. I may have to close the yard soon. There have been reports of wild animals lurking in the forest growing under the boats. Already we have lost three of our members in there. We need to do something soon.

OK so I may have been exaggerating a bit but the yard is getting over grown with weeds. If you have a boat there you are responsible for weeding under it. You are also permitted to do some weeding under the boat next to you. You will not be punished for doing that.

Please note the ground is wet so the weeds pull out easily but in the not too distant future it will be like a rock. Please get busy.

Port Captain Don



watch race participants sailed on ideal wind and tide, nine "A" and "B" Daysailers participated. In lighter, steady westerly winds 4 to 6 mph, shorter courses were the orders of the day from *PRO Gail Condon* and sailors enjoyed five races on the day. Nine closely matched boats meant tactics reigned supreme. Add the usual unpredictable changes of fortune, and a few fickle lifts to the recipe and you get hotly contested racing, front to back, start to finish. *Victor Nero* and crew *Sharon Bufo* burned up the courses for a first "A" overall, but the most exciting finish was provided by *Carlton Smith* and *Debra Pas de Barros*. Using excellent tactics and moored boats on the finish leg to hold *Kevin Williams* and *Victor Nero* at bay, *Carlton Smith* and *Debra Pas de Barros* (second overall "B" division) was the first boat greeted by the finish horn in a dramatic photo finish. *Todd Hansen*, with son *Keiran* as skipper in the final three races of the day, sailed to first overall in the "B" division. Well done *Keiran*. At the end of the day, Daysailer sails had improved on an already beautiful day.

Howard Grisham, Tom Murphy, and David Prewitt, committee boat crew

AN OPINION BY A NUMBER OF MBYC STAFF COMMODORES ON THE DANGER OF APPROVING THE PETITION TO TAKE THE CONTINGENCY FUNDS TO BUILD AN ELEVATOR

Well it looks like the elevator/contingency fund issue will again be on the agenda for the April General Meeting. This time however a group of people are requesting that the Club take all the funds from its Contingency Account and use these funds toward the costs for completion of the elevator. They also want construction to be started with as little delay as possible.

The way we see it, if this petition passes the Contingency Fund will be gutted. Not only that but should the elevator cost more than we have in the fund, this petition would force the board to move forward on construction regardless of the consequences. That being the case it would mean that any additional funds needed for construction would have to be siphoned off from the reserve accounts or trigger a membership assessment. Is this a real possibility? The Ventura Yacht Club installed an elevator recently and the final cost was in excess of \$\$\$. Their elevator was similar to the one proposed for us but did not need an outside structure to house it. Ours does. Since we presently have just a little over \$\$\$ in the Contingency Fund that scenario looks very probable.

The Contingency Fund was built to create a war chest so that the Club would have funds for emergencies and to take advantage of opportunities that present themselves. It was used in the past to react to the deteriorating situation in the walls of the heads and showers. \$\$\$ of the Contingency Fund money was used for that repair project. The Long Range Planning Committee has been working for over a year on a project to add a ramp and a small dinghy dock to our existing water lease. The Long range planning Committee has also been exploring with the City Harbor Department the possibility of putting a boat storage yard on some City property. These, and three or four other projects that support the objectives of the YC as called out in the by-laws, would have been or will have to be junked in order to fund this petition.

We urge a <u>no</u> vote on the elevator petition.

Roy Gammill Don Lockwood Larry Salas C. Wayne Ratliff Dana McClish Lex Budge Staff Commodore MBYC01Staff Commodore MBYC84Staff Commodore MBYC95Staff Commodore MBYC09Staff Commodore MBYC07Staff Commodore MBYC03

Doug Gould Pat Rygh Lynn Meissen Ed Carnegie Ron May J. Kent Butler Staff Commodore MBYC04Staff Commodore MBYC97Staff Commodore MBYC00Staff Commodore MBYC67&68Staff Commodore MBYC02Staff Commodore MBYC93

<u>SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:</u> Big Rock Regatta — March 20th & 21st Work Day — March 27th Alternate Workday — April 3rd General Meeting & Potluck — April 10th

Tidelands Volunteers -

<u>April</u>: 2: Jim and Karen Clinton; 5: Blaine and Maralee Parkin; 9: Lynn Meissen; 12: Freddie Fernandez; 16: Rosemary Jorgens and Caroline Pye: 19: Kevin Williams; 23: Bud and Judy Salamacha; 26: Lee and Sue Drocco; 30: Bud and Janice Moore. Alternates: Dick and Charlene Evans and Al and Mary Romero.



San Luis Obispo will hold an ASA 210 Small Boat IQC April 6, 7, 8. Class instruction will start on April 6 from 5pm to 9 pm. Instruction will continue April 7 and 8 from 9 am to 5 pm. The clinic will be public. The max is 12. For more information regarding instruction go to <u>http://www.asa.com/become_an_instructor.html</u> or contact Wayne Hamari.



Letter to the Membership from the Elevator Committee

Dear MBYC Members

The Elevator Committee, consisting of *Staff Commodore Kent Butler*, *Staff Commodore Ted Miranda, Jim Clinton, Duncan McQueen, Marlene McQueen Chairperson, and Vice Commodore Greg Barker*, as consultant, has compiled the following information to bring to the General Meeting, April 10th, 2010 to be voted upon.

Last November the membership voted yes to install a full elevator. However, we did not vote on how much we could take out of the Contingency fund to pay for the elevator. At that time you assessed yourselves a \$\$\$ per year increase in your yearly dues, which you have already paid for in this years dues.

At the April Meeting, you will be asked to vote to use \$\$\$ from the contingency fund for an elevator. If we don't use the entire amount, the excess will remain in the contingency fund and if more is needed we will have a variety of fundraisers to make up the difference. We already have some donations and are looking forward to more.

As an alternative to putting the elevator at the South (back) entrance, we are looking at the possibility of constructing one near the front entrance. If this is feasible, we can probably save some money, as we will not have to move the stairway and laundry facility. In any case, there will be ample funds left for a new dinghy dock as requested by the long-range committee. Once we know we have funds available, we will obtain bids from several contractors and proceed from there. Enclosed, in your Masthead, you will find the petition initiated by *Anne Miranda* and signed by 9 members in good standing.

So please mark your calendars for April 10th. We will need a quorum and 2/3-yes vote from those in attendance to earmark this money. If anyone needs a ride, please call *Marlene* or *Duncan* and we will see that you get to the meeting and back. There will also be a pot-luck dinner that evening starting at 6:pm, meeting at 7:00pm.

Sincerely, Marlene McQueen, and The Elevator Committee





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.

THURSDAY WEDNESDAY TUESDAY

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