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FROM YOUR COMMODORE—Dawn Huntsinger

Like most people, I wear many hats in my life. April 2013 turned out to be a busy month for my family and I got to wear two of my most important hats. Opening Day, as you know, turned out wonderfully and I was able to relax and enjoy my day as Commodore presiding over MBYC. But I was extremely proud at the end of April when our daughter, Emily, got married and I got to wear my “Mother of the Bride” hat. Joe played the Proud Papa role with much delight! We had much help from our yacht club family, including the grill master himself, Brett Cross, and his helper, Kevin Williams, manning the BBQ, a handful of Juniors (Rory, Audrey, Keiran, Keiley, and Ryan) manning the bar, food, cake, etc...while Dana McClish orchestrated them, and the Paris’ son-in-law, Tim Bowker, who did an excellent job as D.J.



We welcome the newest additions to our family, our son-in-law, Chris and his daughter Brooke!

May blessings and smiles be yours,

Dawn Huntsinger, Commodore



"Potato Navigation" by Farley Mowatt

When traveling in fog, send someone forward with a bucket of potatoes, and every minute or so, have him heave one forward as hard as he can in the direction of travel. If you hear a splash, proceed. If you don't – tack.



< Joe walks Emily down the aisle.

Chris & Emily Henslick



^ The Huntsinger Family



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 - Tony Gomez

Greetings from the beautiful downtown Morro Bay Yacht club. This has been a slow month for the Vice Commodore. All of the pertinent jobs such as painting, gangway, work day projects and chairs and tables have been completed. We have the



pirates booty coming up on June 8th so please start talking it up to your friends. We have the old chairs and tables from the club for a great price. Bring all your boating extras and make some big money.

That's all for now, promote the Pirates booty! And talking about the extra mile, Joe Huntsinger the commodore's main squeeze has gone the extra three miles. So many jobs well done with the good of the club as the main purpose. Thank you Joe for all you do!



Smooth Sailing,

Tony Gomez
Vice Commodore

Happy Father's Day!



RETURN OF WET WEDNESDAYS?



The days are getting long enough to sneak in a mid week sail. In the past this was very popular in the lead to Wednesday Hamburger Nights. Informal beer can races could be a possibility. What do you think?





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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, Joe Huntsinger.

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.

June 2013

- 7 Tom Spencer
Pat & Dot Rygh
Diane Mason
- 14 Dana Cummings
Bob & Laurie Neumann
- 21 Lex & Lolo Budge
John Duthie
Charles Watson
- 28 Dave Hensinger & Kim Schollenberger
Bill Sanders
Candy Botich & Kevin O'Day

July 2013

- 5 Steve Borges
Joe & Donna Dervin
Barbara Earl
- 12 Larry & Liz Salas
Brian & Kathy Egan
- 19 Dick & Charlene Evans
Max & Helen Sicher
- 26 Ken & Mary Bradley
Bob & Carol Walker

August 2013

- 2 Tom & Marty Tidyman
Todd & Joyce Hansen
- 9 Dana & Teresa McClish
Michael & Brooks Measures
- 16 Gary Raine
Faye Zeeb
John & Janice Tannehill
- 23 John & Terry Miron
Bill & Maryann Stansfield
- 30 Roger & Vicki Marlin
Tom & Gail Riley

Jim & Rachelle Phillips



FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE—John Kincade

Racing Results:

Bay Race, Spring III, May 4:

Boat/Crew	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Final
Fee	4	5	5	
Hansen	5	6	6	
Measures/Gillium	3	3	4	3rd
McClish	dsq	2	2	
Williams/Condon	1	1	3	1st
Cross/McDonald	6	7	8	
Brown	2	4	1	2nd
Borges	7	8	7	



Spring Series Finals:

1st place: Team Smith, 2nd: Team Fee, 3rd: Team Huntsinger Congratulations to all.

I did not get the results of the DS Championship held May 19th in time to publish. A full report next month.

Ocean Racing, Spring I, April 28th: A beautiful day on the water with no swells and plenty of breeze and even some sun, although it never did really warm up much. Thanks Gerry for letting me take the wheel of Nanka for half of the race.

<u>Boat</u>	<u>Finish</u>
Whizbang	1
Fear Knot	2
Nanka	3
Evening Tide	4
Guayacan	dsq

Ocean Racing, Spring II, May 5th:

Spring II turned out to be not such a good day. With a weather report of very high winds and a chance of rain, only two of the bravest (or craziest) skippers and crew showed up at the dock, Whizbang and Guayacan. I hopped on Guayacan and since it was to be a Bermuda start, where the higher handicap boats leave earliest, we headed out for our 25 minute advantage at the starting line. Once out it was immediately obvious due to winds in the mid 20's we needed to reef, before the main sail was completely tied down, a 2 or 3 foot rip developed in one of the reef points. Guayacan's day was done. The Whizbang and Guayacan crews returned to the dock for a cold drink and an early lunch.

I have extended an invitation to San Luis Yacht Club members to join us any time for Ocean Racing and Bay Racing. I think it would be great to get better acquainted with our neighbors to the south. They will post the it in their 'Foghorn'. I really hope to see them up here for some friendly racing get-togethers.

John Kincade, Rear Commodore

Masthead Reminder

If you hear anyone complaining that they didn't receive the Masthead in the mail, it's because starting the month of June the Masthead is available electronically via MBYC.net or through the member's only Alias. For those of you who still need the Masthead delivered via U.S. Postal Service, please email the club at morro-bay.yc@gmail.com and you will be put back on the mailing list.

Membership News

We have prospective members! They are Robert and Laurie Fiori who are being sponsored by Gail Riley and Rachelle Phillips. Their application is hanging on the office door for your perusal. They own a Pacific Seacraft Flicka, kept in the back bay. They're also interested in wine making; in fact, they brought wine one Friday night some months ago for everyone at Happy Hour. I know, I know, but we still have to go through the membership process with them.

Due to a clerical error, please add back into the roster Blaine and Maralee Parkin. Their contact information is:

Also, please note Joe Fram and Bonnie Birch's email address:

Ken and Mary Bradley have a new email address:

John Kincade's email address is incorrect in the roster. Please change it to:

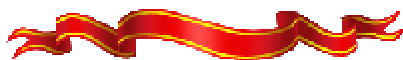
Ray and Susie Berndt have resigned their membership since they've moved to the East Coast.

And, for those of you who may not have heard, Gene Tubbesing passed away in March.

Your Membership Committee: Gail Condon, CharLea Bruzenak, Cyndy Fee, Lynn Meissen, Rachelle and Jim Phillips, and Marty and Tom Tidyman



Why a MBYC Sommelier?



A sommelier, cellar master or wine steward, is an individual with a love of wine who is eager to impart some of their knowledge. Sommeliers can describe the regions, grapes, vineyards and vintages of an assortment of wines. We are fortunate to live in one of the best and fastest growing wine producing appellation in the world. In the June 30, 2005, issue of *Wine Advocate*, esteemed Robert M. Parker, Jr., asserts "there is no question that a decade from now, the top viticultural areas of Santa Barbara, Santa Rita Hills and the limestone hillsides west of Paso Robles will be as well-known as the glamorous vineyards of Napa Valley." This assertion is substantiated by the subsequent proliferation of wineries in San Luis Obispo County which now number approximately two hundred. In 2010, the *Wine Spectator* named 2007 Saxum, James Berry Vineyard of Paso Robles, as its top wine in the world. As the MBYC Sommelier, I am responsible for assisting the bar steward in the selection and cellaring of the MBYC wines, providing wine education and promotion to the MBYC members, and organizing oenophilic events. I will be placing increased emphasis on local wines to be both responsive to our members increasing viticulture awareness and attractive to potential new members. I welcome your ideas.

"Drink your best wine first" (except if it is a bit tannin and needs a few more years aging)

Rich Leamon, MBYC Sommelier



MORRO BAY JUNIOR YACHT CLUB

The Yacht Club was visited by the Bigs and Littles this past month, that is Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Eight pairs of bigs and littles joined us for an introduction to sailing. Planning for this event started with Pat Hedges last fall. At last the day of the event arrived and it threatened to blow like crazy. When I arrived at the club at 9:00 it was already a strong breeze. I had a contingency plan in place but hoped we could at least get some sailing in. I was really glad I had recently purchased two RAD sails for our Opti's. The RAD sail is a Reduced Area Design sail, it's like a reefed sail for an Opti and it allowed our newest Opti sailors to brave the strong winds. One of our Opti sailors, Joel, even sailed with a standard rig. We had three Daysailers in the water taking our guests out to experience sailing. Thanks to Dawn Huntsinger, Brett Cross, Carlton Smith, Steve Borges, and Dana McClish for setting up the boats and taking our guests out. We also had two FJ's with our MBYC juniors out. And nobody went swimming, well except for an adult on a Laser. But it could not have been staged better, right in front of the club with everyone watching. With everyone clapping and cheering our guests could see that a capsize is all part of the fun of sailing a small boat. We taught our guests a few knots and engaged in some Rope Rodeo before enjoying pizza and calling it a day as the wind whistled in the rigging outside. Everyone had a great day, both guests and our juniors.

Summer is here, and that means longer days, no school and lots more opportunities to sail. Hamburger nights start soon on Wednesday nights. Often our Junior sailors find someone willing to help them launch their boats and sail around Wednesday afternoons before coming back to the club for Hamburgers, salad, beans, and of course ice cream. Frequently when I show up at the club after work on Wednesday nights I get to hear the stories of the day from our young sailors and I wish I could have joined them on the water.

Summer time also means Huntington Lake. If possible you should try and be up at the lake for a few days before the official racing so you can take part in all the other activities that have become tradition, from epic water fights, to sailing four miles up the lake for a hamburger, to the junior's Daysailer race. Usually we have an unofficial juniors race on the Friday before the official racing starts on Saturday. Each Daysailer has a junior at the helm with an adult as crew.

Todd Hansen, Junior Advisor

A Message From Your Bar Steward

According to a May 2013 Board decision,
the MBYC Bar Steward can raise the prices in the bar by \$1,
for any special event, of his or her choosing.

Cherokee's Passage to Ventura by Greg Barker

It was the total boat experience. I had been negotiating an appointment with Ventura Harbor Boat Yard to haul out my Cross 42 Cherokee for some needed repairs and a bottom job since last September. Finally we agreed on April 22, and I got my professional work to the point that I could be away for some number of days to take Cherokee down and deal with the haul out and boat work.

I had the very good fortune to have **Staff Commodore Lynn Meissen** as crew for the trip down. Try as we might to get a third crewmember, it was just the two of us, so we decided to split the trip into two legs, anchoring for a night at Cojo so we would not have to deal with 24 hour sailing with a short crew. Nobody wants to be the third crewmember since Star Trek.

We left at 0820 the morning of Friday, April 19. Soon after rounding Point Buchon we were able to roll out the headsail and shut down the engine. The wind gradually built to 18 knots or so, giving us 5 hours of sailing with boat speeds of 8 to 9 knots.

The winds were quite pleasant around Point Arguello, but started building toward Point Conception. I decided to reef the sails before we got too close to Conception, but as we were reefing the winds suddenly came up and I decided to drop them altogether. It took 45 minutes to get the sails battled into submission and turned around for Cojo. Within minutes of accomplishing this the winds decided to settle.

We arrived at Cojo Anchorage just after sunset. We could see fairly well as we picked our spot to anchor, but it was fully dark by the time we had the anchor set. I had makings for a fairly involved casserole and easy-to-make pasta. We opted for the pasta, accompanied by sautéed asparagus. There was a government ship with bright lights moored a hundred feet off our port side. It was easy to check our status through the night, I could just peek out the port at my bunk to see the other boat and determine all was well.

We had dropped the hook in a clear area, but had let out enough scope to end up lying in kelp. As we tried to weigh anchor in the morning we started bringing up hundreds of pounds of kelp along with the anchor. We probably spent 45 minutes with me pulling the kelp up using the boat hook and Lynn cutting it away before we were able to get the anchor on board and under way.

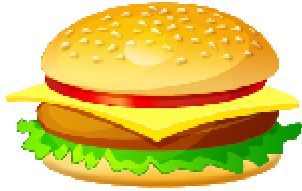
There were light winds on the nose heading for Ventura, and we were not making adequate speed to make it to port before 10:30 in the evening. I called Santa Barbara and confirmed they could accommodate us for the night. On the way to Santa Barbara, screws holding the shaft lock loosened, causing the assembly to knock violently against the flange that received the locking pin. It took about an hour to diagnose the problem and develop a jury rig so we could make it into Santa Barbara.

We left Santa Barbara by 0830 the next morning. About 10 miles from Ventura we hit fog, and within half an hour you couldn't see more than 200 yards. We slowed down and kept our eyes peeled ahead. My GPS had us slightly south of our intended course and Lynn's had us significantly north, closer to shore. Further, Lynn's had the first Ventura buoy almost 3 miles further east than mine did. We steered a conservative course until my GPS indicated we were a little past our waypoint. We headed slowly toward the waypoint based on my GPS, with the plan of turning to starboard and heading toward Lynn's mark once we saw shore. We began to see boats coming from and going to the harbor, and eventually saw the number 2 buoy. Once at that buoy we could see the harbor entrance and the two hours of anxiety melted away into a routine arrival, docking outside the 150-ton travel lift at 1455 Sunday.



Cherokee riding the big travel lift at Ventura.

Hamburger Nite's Are Back!



--Burgers and more are back beginning in June. The first Burger Night will be on Wednesday June 5th. Since everyone always asks, "what time does Burger Night start?". My answer was generally something along the lines of, "when we're ready". However the official Burger Night hours will be 5:19 PM and the last burger out of the Galley at 6:46 PM so "volunteers" can start cleaning stuff up. I'll have sign-up sheets posted downstairs on the Galley door if you'd like to help. I'd also like to encourage folks to bring their own reusable place settings to help reduce the amount of trash. To provide a bit more encouragement if you bring your own plates and silverware you'll be entered in a drawing to "win" a free Burger Night dinner. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone, and don't forget your guests are always welcome as well.

See you on Wednesdays. Brett for questions or if you'd like to help. Thanks.

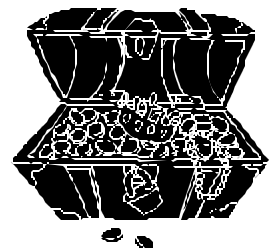
Pirate's Booty!




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**MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB'S
8th Annual Pirate Booty Marine Swap
Saturday, June 8th
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Donations & Sellers Space Info



June 2013

 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

TIDELAND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers to help with the MBYC's adopted park, Tidelands. This duty takes less than an hour a month and is an enjoyable time by the bay in Tidelands park. Please contact Jeff Eckles at jeff@eckleswealth.com or [805-602-1924](tel:805-602-1924) to find out more. We need you! Thanks.

1	Bay Fleet: Summer I						8
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
30	Bay Fleet: Summer II						31

Tidelands Volunteers — June - 3: Smulders; 7: Jorgens/Pye; 10: Williams; 14: Tidyman; 17: Thomas; 21: Condon; 24: Butler; 28: Eckles. Alternate: Eckles

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"There is nothing - absolutely nothing - half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats." - Kenneth Grahame

July 2013











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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3		4 Hosts: Steve Borges, Joe & Donna Dervin, Barbara Earl	5 High Sierra Regatta 
High Sierra Regatta Summer II 	7	8	9	10	11 Hosts: Larry & Liz Salas, Brian & Kathy Egan	12 13
Summer III 	14	15	16	17 Board Meeting 6:00 PM 	18 Hosts: Dick & Charlene Evans, Max & Helen Sicher	19 Summer III 
Masthead Deadline Juniors 	21	22	23	24	25 Hosts: Ken & Mary Bradley, Bob & Carol Walker	26 27
28	29	30	31	Tidelands Volunteers — July 1: Smulders; 5: Jorgens/Pye; 8: Williams; 12: Tidyman; 15: Thomas; 19: Condon; 22: Butler; 26: Eckles; 29: Eckles. Alternates: Eckles		