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FROM YOUR COMMODORE—John Bodine

Hello Sailors,

It appears that we have survived the holidays, the lights are packed away for another year and the hangover race is completed. This month of February brings us to the Cal Poly regatta on the 7th and 8th. Come out if you can and show your support of these young sailors. The racing should be quite competitive. Remember these kids (makes me feel old saying that, so what) are the future of sailing and possible future members of our club in the years to come.



By the time you read this, you will have been shocked by the dollar increase in the beer price at the bar. Well more on that later. By way of reminder we are a children friendly club, we have a very active junior program and the entire family is welcome at our weekly happy hour. That being said, we expect the children to keep it an adult friendly place also, or more accurately their parents to remind them of this. Some of the activities as banging on the piano, playing tag or climbing on the tables certainly does not fit that goal. So as not to embarrass anyone if you have guests coming to the club remind them of this.

Last month I had the privilege of speaking with Rosemary Jorgens, membership number 1. Rosemary and husband Buck began sailing in the Baton Rouge of Louisiana building their first boat, an El Toro, using kitchen chairs to build the frames on for lack of saw horses. They sailed with their two children, ages 2 and 4, in this 8 foot boat. Rivers or bayous had little wind due to the tree cover so later lakes proved better. Moving from Batten Rouge to New Orleans to attend LSU and later to Atascadero. Rosemary lives in a classic colony era house on the list of historic residences in Atascadero. Buck moved up to an ocean going ketch after joining the MBYC some time around 1962. He and some members of the club left southern California in this boat without a running motor. They got

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Yvonne Lazear

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FROM YOUR COMMODORE Cont. —John Bodine

Pismo Beach and had their sails blown to shreds by a storm and ended up in a life raft. They were picked up by a Norwegian freighter and dropped off in San Francisco. The boat ended up wrecked on San Miguel Island. Not to be deterred, Buck purchased another ketch named Moana and sailed the coast north and south for a number of years, sadly he never was able to fulfill his goal of a circumnavigation. Rosemary sailed many a bay race opting not to go out to sea. Rather sailing as a passenger on small explorer class cruise ships, visiting the arctic and other exotic parts of the world, beautiful photos hang on her walls full of great memories.

Rosemary corrected an error on my part in my last column as to the location of the first club house, it was located close to what is now the boat launch. After it was washed out to sea by the Alaska earthquake generated tsunami a small house was rented at the club's present location. To pay the rent, members would stand out in the street on Sunday morning and flag folks down to sell them breakfast. Later BBQ lunch was added along with rummage sales. But what really solved the rent issue was the installation of "THE BAR", rent was no longer a problem. And that brings me back to the beer price increase. I know \$2 beer was great, but product costs continue to go up and \$3 beer is still the cheapest in town other than at home and most of us don't have the ocean view afforded here at the club. Remember the small profit on all sales at the club go right back to paying "the rent" if you will. Small increases like this stave off larger yearly dues increases. Next month I will fill you in on my conversation with Rene and Ann Morris ,members number 16 now living in Washington State. I have to say what a pleasure it is to speak with all these long time members. I encourage all of you to take some time to get to know them and explore our yacht club family heritage.

Fair winds to you,

John Bodine

Commodore

MEMBERSHIP NEWS—Jim Phillips

Roster Changes: Please check the club roster and verify that all your information is up to date and current, especially boats listed, radio call signs, email addresses, and phone numbers. If changes are necessary, please email the correct information to me at jprp@charter.net

Life Members: The new year is off to a good start beginning with the MBYC Board's approval of three new Life Members. When you see them congratulate them on their newly earned status in the MBYC. They are, Andy & Anne Brennan, Staff Commodore Glenda & Don Boatman, and Andy Arozena.

New Members: There were no new members before the board in January, but we do have a few names of prospective members in the works. If you have someone in mind that is interested in our club give me a call.

Your Membership Committee:

Jim Phillips, Char Bruzenak, Cyndy Fee, Lynn Meissen, Rachelle Phillips, and Marty and Tom Tidyman



In Memoriam, Blaine R. Parkin, 92, died on December 4, 2014 from natural causes while at home with his family. He served in WWII as a bomber pilot and then attended Cal Tech receiving his Doctorate in Aeronautical Engineering. Blaine worked in the Aerospace Industry for many years before becoming a tenured professor at Pennsylvania University where he taught and also directed the Garfield Thomas Water Tunnel. For retirement, Blaine settled in Morro Bay, where he was a member of the Morro Bay Yacht Club.

FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE —Todd Hansen

There's a mouse in the kitchen, what Ima gonna do? There's a mouse in the kitchen, what Ima gonna do? I'm gonna get that mouse...

My apologies to UB40 for appropriating their song but it seemed appropriate since we do apparently have (or possibly dare we hope, had) a mouse in the kitchen. Thanks to Lynn Meissen for alerting me to this fact and setting a trap for the wee beastie.

I started off the new year with a trip up highway one and stopped at the club on my way home. That's when it struck me "Oh yea, John said something about the first job of the new Vice is to take down the old Christmas tree" Thanks to my helper Joyce in packing up the lights and ornaments. And thanks to Nathan Hensinger for risking personal injury to help me cut up the old tree and dispose of it.

The dock repair project is still in review at the Coastal Commission.

As I write this we are waiting on an alternate bid to do the work on the dock pile or piles. Fortunately the bids so far are well within our budgeted reserves for repair of the dock.

The club received a flood of burgees from other clubs at the end of last year. Jim Phillips is working on making more flag posts to hold them. Then we just have to figure out where to hang them...

The stereo receiver upstairs in the club needs to be replaced (or repaired). I'm hoping someone has a nice amplifier in their garage collecting dust and is willing to see it put to use. Contact me via email if you have something. Please use the email address below for Vice business.



Junior Nathan Hensinger helping the VC chop up the dead Christmas tree to start off the new year.



Thanks to all my helpers, mentioned above or not. So often I am told of a problem after it has already been fixed. Sometimes though it would be better if people did talk to me before they tackle a job as there may be someone else already on the case.

Todd Hansen

Vice Commodore

FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE - Brett Cross

What knuckleheads would schedule Ocean racing not only on NFC and AFC Championship game day, but then on Super Bowl XLIX Sunday as well? I'd like to take full credit but it was a group affair to be honest. And if it weren't for the fact that when I spoke with James Johnston who owns the Roberts 43' ketch "Rejoice" if he was going to be participating in the H. "Mike" O'Daniels "Two Sticker" race, he mentioned that he would be there if he found crew because of the NFL games did it dawn on me that, "oops, I think we forgot about the NFL games". Fortunately the Winter II Ocean race will be rescheduled so it won't conflict with the Super Bowl.

The "Two Sticker" trophy was presented to the MBYC by Howie and Mary O'Daniels in commemoration of their son, Michael. The trophy is located downstairs by the galley door and was created from the wheel of the ketch "Neried" and a photo of Mike at the helm. The trophy is awarded annually to member or a non-member's winning boat that has two masts- hence a "two sticker". Recent winners have been John McDonald helming the Explorer 45 "Ho'oluana" and Lynn Meissen sailing her Alden Schooner 43 "Guayacan".



This year John McDonald couldn't make it out due to the kids have a tournament down South, so it was up to James Johnston who found crew and Kevin Williams sailing his Hardin 45 "Awfulotta" to stop the Meissen juggernaut. Light conditions inshore made the sailing a slow bumpy ride up to coast passed Mouse Rock and Constantine buoy. Persistence for "Guayacan" paid off as "Rejoice" and "Awfulotta" decided getting back to the bar would be wiser choice than bobbing in the ocean and returned home without finishing. Congratulations to Lynn and her crew.

Back in the bay, or going backwards in the bay, as the first try at starting the Hangover Race ended unceremoniously with the abandoned flag and boats towed back to the dock. After a short postponement the wind looked to provide enough strength to overcome a 5.3 ft. high tide that was rushing out of the bay to a minus .3 later in the afternoon. Andrew Brown brought his weapon of choice, in that of a Laser, to duel with the Daysailers and despite crossing the finish line first in all three races the conditions were not Laser like enough to overcome a substantial handicap rating. Plus Andrew seemed to have an uncanny ability to "bump" Pin end starting mark which necessitated a few unnecessary turns. When all was said and done Kevin William and Gail Condon were the ones to pick a bottle of their choosing from the bar.

Winter II proved that experience doesn't always win out against youth. Although, Bob Walker quipped that winner Keiren Hansen sailing "Indrath" and crew were probably 1/3rd he and skipper Stanley Craig's combined age, I noted that they were probably 1/3rd their combined weight as well. 1st place went to Keiren Hansen with (1,1,2) scores, 2nd place to Patrick Gorey in "Super Weaner" (2,2,4) and 3rd, keeping it in the family, Todd and Joyce Hansen "Amorcita" (3,7,1).

Terry Paris will be hosting Rules Clinics which will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of every month, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the club. This Clinic will be based on the Learn the Racing Rules written and narrated by international rules expert David Dellenbaugh.

See you on the water.

Brett Cross

Rear Commodore



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Port Captain —Lynn Meissen

Just a reminder to all who store boats on club property—kayak rack, opti rack, backyard, and moorings. Please review the provisions in the boat storage agreements. A few of the most recently disregarded ones are control the weeds under your boat and do not relocate your boat, or anyone else's to another space. (Courtesy, not an explicit provision.)

I will make another attempt to label all the trailers since the boat names and numbers are not visible. Please give 30 days notice to the Port Captain if you are quitting your space. (Email is reliable and gives a date and time stamp.) There is a waiting list for all spaces on the board but an email helps me.

HAPPY HOUR HOSTS—Jim Phillips

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,

Stanley & Susan Craig

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.

— February 2015

- 6 Jeff & Nelia Wass
Marc Goldberg &
Maggie D'Ambrosia
- 13 Chris & Suzanne Christensen
Chanel Channing & Jeff Eckles
- 20 Chris & Andrea Surfleet
John & Gwenn Krossa
- 27 Steve & Teri Reeder
Matt & Adrienne Jenkins

— March 2015

- 6 Charles & Laura McCarren
John & Carol (Maurer) Dilworth
- 13 Gerald & Kathleen Ashenbrenner
Henriette Groot & Mary Flaven
- 20 Harold & Elena Hartsell
Chris & Lynn Helenius
- 27 Brian Jalbert
Kay Milligan & Kathy Egan

— April 2015

- 3 Brian & Gayle (Bruce) Crow
Rich & Yvonne (Lazear) Leamon
- 10 Jim & Karen Clinton
Jim & Char Bruzenak
- 17 Lynn Meissen
Donna Arozena
Don & Glenda Boatman
- 24 Bob & Holly Smirl
Lee & Bonnie Piatek

FUN FLOAT—Dot Rygh

FUN FLOAT for February will be held on Thursday, February 19 at 10 AM. Bring a lunch and help us celebrate the Chinese New Year, (The year of the Sheep.) We want to do some high tide testing while we are paddling. We have several sources for high tide listed for Morro Bay.

Come and join the fun.

Dot Rygh
The New Grand Poo Mah.

Pictures: Top Right: Grand Poo Mah “Old Canoe” Early 1990’s; Middle: Earth Day Clean up 1998, Bottom: Baywood Fun Float 20 Years Ago



MBYC JUNIORS —Dave Hensinger

Juniors and Coaches are Ecstatic to be Back on the Bay

Back on The Water in January - The Juniors hosted the Hangover Regatta on the first of the year. Juniors on the deck got to fly the abandonment and postponement flag after the fleet drifted backwards across the line during the first race. This could have been an opportunity for some strategic anchoring, but instead turned into a paddling session. Conditions improved through the rest of the day as the tide bottomed out and a light wind developed. There were juniors running flags, and juniors on the safety boat, and juniors crewing on DaySailers. Special thanks to the parents and other volunteers who helped with: the safety boat, starting, finishing, and scoring the arbitrary fleet.

The first junior meeting of the year on January 11th saw three Lasers, six Optimists, and an FJ on the water. Two more FJs and we'll be able to start three different fleet races. The perfect weather certainly helped to get the Jr. fleet back on the bay, and by the end of the afternoon some of the heartier sailors were jumping off of the dock.



Forward into February – There is one Juniors meeting in February on the 22nd. There is however an opportunity to attend an “out of town” regatta very close to home. The first race of the 2015 Lopez cup is February 8th. The sailing on Lopez Lake in the winter can be very pleasant. The high winds that attract sailboarders take a break during the

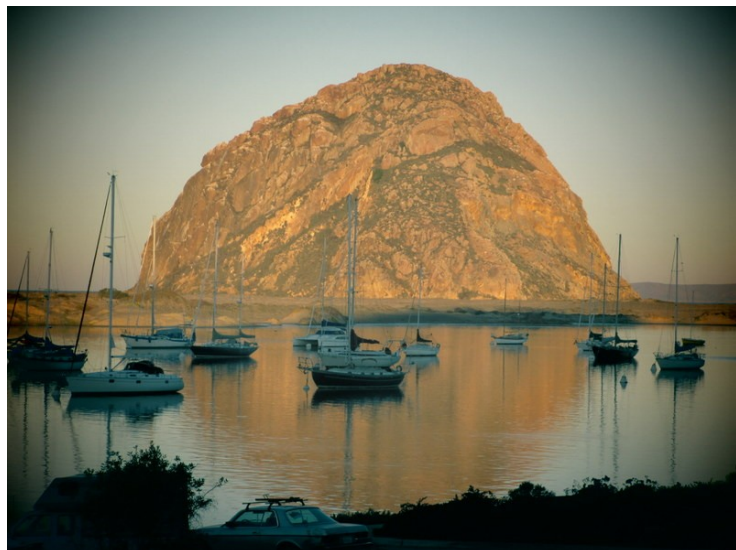
winter months, and the water is always warmer than the ocean. Any juniors who would like to attend this race with an Optimist or a Laser should contact the junior advisor mbyc.jrs@gmail.com.

The Big Rock Looms Large – The Big Rock Regatta is the biggest regatta of the year in Morro Bay. More than 50 Optimist sailors will participate in two separate fleets racing at different venues. Volunteers are needed to continue to make this event a success. If you would like to help out in any capacity (before, during, after, on the water, at the club, in the galley) please contact Dana McClish 805 471-1235.

Out of Town – The racing opportunities pick up in February. February 14th and 15th is the Optimist Mid-Winters at LAYC. That same weekend the Ventura Yacht Club hosts the Ullman/Frost Laser/Radial/4.7 regatta. And then on February 28th and March 1 the Harken Optimist series starts at Cal YC. More information is available from <http://www.scyra.org/calendar/calendar2015>.

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UPCOMING EVENTS!! FEBRUARY 2015 CALENDAR

February 2015



Juniors Start: 9:30 AM

SUNDAY

MONDAY



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

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY











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

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

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

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