# MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB



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**June 2015** 

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# FROM YOUR COMMODORE—John Bodine

Hello sailors,

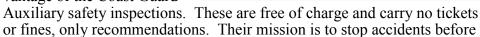
With Opening Day over it would seem like a down hill run from here into summer and fall, but then the General Meeting was next. The board was all dressed appropriately, members attended; but alas not enough for a quorum. Well enough, with no pressing issues and lacking a quorum, no meeting could be opened.

What we did have was a general discussion of the state of the club, and as requested from the audience, the bar was reopened.

On Saturday May 19th, we helped the Coast Guard Auxiliary kick off Boater Safety Week. Besides the displays provided

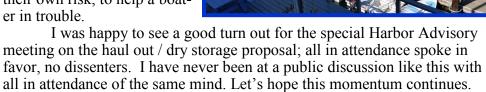
by the Auxiliary, the Coast Guard brought one of their 47's to our dock for tours, along with the new

SLO County Sheriff's boat, the MB harbor patrol's newer boat, and rough water rescue launch. All were very popular with the locals and Cub Scouts in attendance. The big picture here of course was to encourage boaters to be safe on the water and take advantage of the Coast Guard



they happen and save the Coast Guard time and risk in rescue operations. To get started, go to the Coast Guard Auxiliary website, and click on vessel safety check. This makes the water safer for all boaters who otherwise may have to render assistance, at their own risk, to help a boater in trouble







### FROM YOUR COMMODORE—John Bodine Continued

As you know I have made an effort to hold conversations with long time members of our club

over the last months. I am writing this news letter on Memorial Day weekend and in honor of that I thought it fitting to sit down with a Veteran who also is a member of our club. Brian Jalbert is a rather new member whom many of you may not have met as yet. Brian is a veteran of three wars and most recently retired from contract work with the US State Department in Iraq. He was privileged while there to view ancient treasures that have now been destroyed by Isis. He and others took pictures, perhaps the last ever taken of these ruins, are making an effort to collect and pre-



serve these. Brian is also a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and is qualified to teach marine navigation. In the near future we will be organizing a class in basic coastal navigation, more details

will follow. If you are interested please let Brian or myself know. Along with owning several sailboats over the years, Brian also has been involved in breeding and raising Holsteiner horses, warm bloods that compete in" hunter jumper" and eventing. But back to boating, Brian's Hunter 35.5 Legend now in Morro Bay awaits racing and cruising soon. So when you see Brian around the club there is plenty to talk about, along with the thank you we all owe a veteran.



Brooke and I will be visiting fellow club members Sarah and GB Bucknell in St. Croix this month so will be absent from the club for half the month. Hope to see all of you later in the month at a very special dinner "Persian Night" prepared by our galley chief Ali. Details on the flier included in this masthead. Also remember the month of June starts "HAMBURGER NIGHT" bringing joy to all those gals who say "I don't have to cook tonight!"

Pleasant sailing to all!

PS. A new feature for all committee chair persons, located in the race closet is "THE BOOK OF VOLUNTEERS" check it out when you are looking for people to help you with your responsibilities around the club. In this white notebook are membership applications with the items they checked as willing to help with, there will be new pages added as new members are approved.

John Bodine, Commodore

# Burger Nights are Back!



Burger Night is back starting Wednesday **June 3rd**. The Galley will be opening at 5:19 and the last order will be taken at 6:47 PM. We'll have the all the stuff from last year plus some special items like Buffalo burgers with a special sauce. I'm looking forward to a great Wednesday Burger Night!

Ari Athari, Galley Chief

# FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE —Todd Hansen

Not much to report this month. By the time you read this, hopefully our parts for the bar hoist, and the bars for the bathroom windows will have been retrieved from the galvanizer in Madera. Bob Smirl is looking forward to finishing that project. I bet bar steward, Stanley Craig is too. Thanks to Bob, and Greg Barker for taking on the project.

Thanks also to Joe Huntsinger for repairing and upgrading our broken water pipe down on the dock. I discovered it Saturday afternoon after the Laser Fleet Championships. I just happened to hear the water pouring into the bay. I'm afraid to see our next water bill! I asked Joe for advice on how to repair it before racing on Sunday and he took the job on and was finished before I had my boat put away after the races.



Todd Hansen, Vice Commodore



Photos from Laser Fleet Championships, featuring Joss Giddings and Andrew Brown

# **SOMMELIER NOTES—Rich Leamon courtesy of Steve Autry**

#### Hey Steve... Ask the Winemaker

# Q. Hey Steve, Can you test for stability, or do you have to refrigerate all the wine before bottling??

A. There are ways of testing the wine prior to a cold stabilization, where the winemaker can determine if such a treatment is necessary, or if the wine is already stable due to other natural processes such as sur lie ("on the lees") aging, which is barrel aging of the wine on its yeast lees and stirring up of the yeast once or twice a week for several months. In that process manoproteins are released from the yeast back into the wine which interfere with the crystal growth process, thus preventing precipitation and rendering the wine cold stable. Bottom line, we want your wine to look pretty on your table, and through these natural processes we can do so. Starting with the 2013 vintage, all of our white wines are sur lie aged in the barrel.

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### FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE - Brett Cross

The cold waters of Estero Bay are about as far as one can get from the warm azure waters of Bermuda but the Spring Series does use a Bermuda start where the slower boats start ahead of the faster folks.



Lynn Meissen's Guayacan started 1 hr and 6 minutes ahead of the Lee Piatek's J130 "Beauty" over the 14.58 mile Spring 3 ocean course. The Spring 2 race is a great example of how a Bermuda start should work out at the finish. Lee Piatek's J 130 just



pipped John Michener sailing Whizbang by less than 3

minutes with Guayacan finishing another 5 minutes behind Whizbang. In all, 10 boats participated

in the Spring Series with John Michener winning the series despite a DNF in Spring I which found all but one boat DNF for that race, the lack of finishing didn't affect the overall outcome series as Tony Gomez in High 5 sat out the rest of the series despite being the only boat to finish the Spring I race. Lee Piatek was 2nd overall with a 1, 2 finish in Spring II and 2nd behind Michener in Spring III. "Beauty" didn't participate in Spring I and with 10 boats participating in the series had 11 points added to his total. 3rd overall went to Lynn Meissen helming Guayacan. For a complete list of participants and finish order check out the Ocean Fleet results under the Fleets Tab on the website.



Spring II for the Bay Fleet saw 8 boats on the water with Gail Condon and Kevin Williams trading places with Carlton Smith and stand in crew-

yours truly, in races 1 and 2 with the 3rd race deciding the eventual winner. Condon/Williams coming out on top of the 3rd race and sealing 1st overall for the day followed by Carlton Smith. 3rd overall went to the team of Steve Borges and Chrissy Osborne sailing very consistently with straight 3rd place finishes.

The Fleet Championships for both Laser and Daysailer were sailed Memorial Day weekend with the Lasers setting off on Saturday to a course set out by the harbor entrance with a big breeze challenging the fleet.



# **REAR COMMODORE - Brett Cross Cont.**

Andrew Brown and Joss Giddings were at the top of the fleet throughout the 5 races series along with Mark Soll. Despite Giddings bullets in the last two races, Brown was able to eek out a 1 point difference. Joss needed the help of Soll to put Brown into potential 3 place finishes but Mark found the club a more tolerable location along with a few others who had also gotten their monies worth and did not start.

Sunday found the Daysailer Fleet sailing in much improved conditions inside the harbor near the launch area. 11 boats signed up with a total of 6 windward/leeward races completing the series. Condon/Williams kept the finishes at or near the front of fleet with 1st and 2nd places

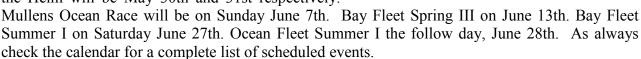


with their worst score a 4th in race 5. Carlton Smith had a chance at the overall win if Williams again faltered in race 6 but Williams sailed through line in 1st sealing the championship followed by Greg Miller in 2nd. Smith ended up 4th in race 6, however good enough for 2nd overall. Past

Commodore Dawn Huntsinger, despite not having set foot in a boat for quite a long time, was 3rd overall with Greg Miller 4th overall.

The Jack Johnson Memorial Day race was, well, held on Memorial Day. 6 Optimist dinghies were rigged and readied for the participants -knee pads recommended. A few long time members came down to watch the adults "stuff" themselves into the little prams and do battle with the Juniors. Dave Hensinger topped the adults with Todd Hansen 2nd. Unfortunately they were soundly beaten boat for boat by the Juniors.

Upcoming Events- Ladies Day and Lady at the Helm will be May 30th and 31st respectively.



See you on the water.



Brett Cross, Rear Commodore

# FUN FLOAT—Dot Rygh

### Next event: Tuesday June 16th at 10:30

The free refreshments drew a big crowd at our last event and all floaters returned happy after the successful hunt to watch for baby otters. We all spent a lot of time just watching and enjoying Mom and their babies on the bay. The weather was delightful for our Cinco de Mayo lunch at Sandal's cove as well as the easy paddle to the rock. Come join us on June 16 at 10:30 at MBYC. Who knows what will be in store for all.

Dot Rygh Grand Poo Mah.

# MYBC HISTORIAN —Andrea Surfleet

Lakes! Remember when you used to sail in lakes? Remember when there used to be lakes? Here's just a glimpse of sailing that used to happen at our local lakes and beyond.

From the start, MBYC members held races in nearby lakes to seek a change of conditions and scenery. Competition could be found sailing Geary 18's against the San Luis Yacht Club in their races at Santa Margarita Lake.

The Cal Poly Sailing Team began racing in 1961 -2 and sponsored an intercollegiate regatta at Cachuma Lake. In 1964, they sponsored the first intercollegiate regatta in the history of SLO County at Laguna



Lake! Within a few years they were holding an annual regatta at Lopez Lake with the help of the SLYC.

In 1972, Mother's Day Races, in El Toros, were first held at Atascadero Lake. Flower bou-

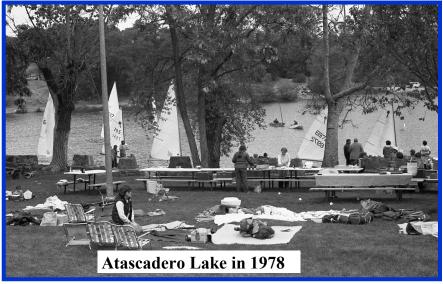
quets were given as prizes to the lady skippers although the best prize may have been the BBQ dinner. With trees, greenish grass and plenty of "sea room" it quickly became the place to hold the Father's Day, Valentine's Day, and Kid's Day Races. Fondly and not so fondly referred to as the 'mud hole' over the years, it's been awhile since a "Day" race was held there.

Lake Woollomes, south of Delano, was home to a regatta held by the Sierra Sailing Association that was first run in 1960. Members remember it fondly with fun campouts and a

big Sunday breakfast. In 1975, fifty-seven MBYC sailors and twenty-three boats trekked to Lake Woollomes, remembered as a large irrigation pond or small irrigation lake.

Max Sicher, who joined the club in 1976, recalls, "At Woollomes and Huntington Lake, we had great fun and big turnouts from the yacht club. It was like a huge convoy going over there. It took half a day to get to Huntington and Woollomes was two or three hours away."

The High Sierra Regatta at Huntington Lake begun in 1953 by the Fresno Yacht Club, is held the weekend or two after the Fourth of July. What year did our club first attend? Who has the oldest pictures? Which year was our largest group?





1987 Lake Woollomes Sicher

# MYBC HISTORIAN —Andrea Surfleet Continued



1994 Huntington Lake Group

Time to dig through those photos and find the picture that best represents what Huntington is all about. Let's put some recent ones in the July newsletter! Low water conditions forced the regatta to be cancelled this year and last. Hopefully someday we'll enjoy racing, camping and barbecuing at nearby lakes again.

Please email me your Huntington or other lake photos and stories at mbyc.history@gmail.com.

# **MEMBERSHIP NEWS—Jim Phillips**

#### **Roster Changes:**

Since sending out the roster I have received the following changes.

Katie Crawford: new address Lynn Meissen: new address

Roy Gammill: new phone and new email

Bob Schwenoha: new email Ali Athari: correct email address Brian Jalbert: correct Zip code:

#### Membership:

Candidates Jon and Joan Nackerud's application for membership will go to the MBYC Board of Directors in June. Jon & Joan live in Berkeley, but have a place here in Morro Bay. They have a Day Sailer and are eager to join the club fleet for some fun summer sailing. Their application hangs on the office door for you perusal.

Jim Phillips, Membership Chair

# **MBYC JUNIORS** — Dave Hensinger

### May Be Gone

**Meetings** - The Juniors met twice in May (one meeting after press time). The May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting was a sailor's choice day including a grand tour of the bay. Optis and Laser fleets were both represented. Of special note was Kai Hoag moving up to a laser for the first time.

**Pirate's Booty** – The Pirate's Booty sale on May 5<sup>th</sup> raised several hundred dollars for the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation. Thanks to Dana McClish, Andrea Surfleet, and Gwenn Krossa for making the booty a success.

Memorial Day Weekend Finished With the Jack Johnson - For the second year in a row, the Jack Johnson race was run as an all ages event using an Optimist fleet on loan from the Jr. Yacht Club. Brett Cross, Andrea Surfleet, and Kit Lockwood ran the races in light conditions and a very forgiving tide. The title was contested by three juniors and three adults (who thought they could fit in Optis).

The crown this year goes to Joel Surfleet who was "unassailable" with 5 first places, Nathan Hensinger was second with 4 second places and one



third (his ancestor edged him out for one second place). Also competing were Owen Blackwell, Shelley Blackwell, Todd Hansen, and David Hensinger.

#### **Soon June**

**Meetings** – The Juniors will have two regular meetings in June, on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

Out of Town – Although Opti racing trails off during the summer there is one regatta coming up that Morro Bay Opti sailors have enjoyed in the past. The Heavy Weather Regatta June 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> hosted by the St. Francis Yacht Club on San Francisco Bay promises to challenge experienced Opti sailors with high wind conditions.

Summer and "Learn to Sail" is on its way - The Junior Yacht Club is open to anyone between the ages of 8 and 21



who has sailing experience. A fun and affordable way to get that experience is to participate in the "Learn to Sail" program offered through the Morro Bay Yacht Club. Contact information for "Learn to Sail": (805)772-3981 or gboatmanmb@gmail.com.

# Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation













- Helps to support youth sailing in our community.
- Raises funds for sailing equipment, grants, coaching, scholarships and regatta fees.
- Provides tax deductions for donors.
- Please donate online at www.mbysf.org or send check to MBYSF, P.O. Box 736, Morro Bay, CA 93443.

Thank you for your support!



# PERSIAN NIGHT JUNE 27th

ANY PROFITS MADE FROM THIS EVENT WILL BE DONATED TO THE CLUB MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB PRESENTS

JOIN OUR RENOWN GALLEY CHIEF

FOR A GOURMET MEAL FROM HIS HOMELAND JUNE 27

6:00 p.m. COCKTAILS - 7:00 p.m. DINNER \$10.00 Make your reservations and prepayment to Sharon Brooks at the Club

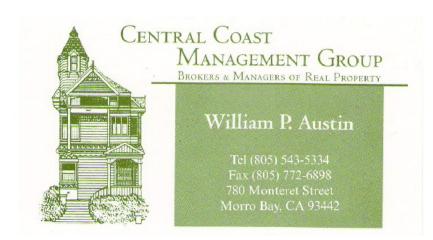
THE CHIEF SAYS "THERE WILL BE BOTH VEGETARIAN & MEAT DISHES"

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# HAPPY HOUR HOSTS— Jim & Rachelle Phillips jprp@charter.net 805-771-8634

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 @ 805-235-0514

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.

#### — June 2015

- 5 Dave & Kim (Shollenberger) Hensinger Brett Cross
- 12 Pat & Dot Rygh Don & Kit Lockwood
- 19 Mark & Angela Soll Gail Condon Kevin Williams
- 26 Ken & Judy Riener Truman & Lauren Prewitt

#### — July 2015

- 53 Mal & Julie Towery Justin & Crystal Bradshaw
- 10 Tim & Leah (Bailey) French John & Elaine (Giannini) Gajdos
- 17 Tom & Maggie McEwen John & Karry MacDonald
- 24 Dave & Karen Prewett Tom & Gail Riley
- 31 Patrick & Michele Gorey Andrew & Marrie Brown

#### — August 2015

- 7 Carlton & Deborah (Paes de Barros) Smith Jeff & June Jones
  - 14 Dick & Charlene Evans Robert & Barbara Schwenoha Mathew Piper
- 21 Bob & Laurie Neumann Joe & Donna Dervin
- 28 Tom & Laurie Wright Pat Hedges Steve Borges

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# **June 2015**



June 2015

Junior Races 9:30 AM



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
	1	2	BURGER NIGHT 5:20PM-6:45PM	4	Membership 5:15PM Hosts: 5 Dave & Kim (Shollenberger) Hensinger Brett Cross	Travel: Scotts Flat 6 Lake
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