# MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB



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### FROM COMMODORE—Brett Cross

Probably a rarer event than the total lunar eclipse that occurred over the United States, August 2017, and won't happen again until 2024, will be Rory McClish along with skipper & former MBYC Summer Sailing instructor, Haydon Stapleton, MBYC student member & Captain of the Cal Poly Sailing & MBYC Summer Sailing instructor, Grace Carrick, and UCSB Sailing Team Captain representing the Morro Bay Yacht Club in the Championship of Champions regatta, Sterling Henken. Rory and Haydon qualified for inclusion in the regatta by winning the Daysailer North Americans in July. This is an exceptionally prestigious event to be chosen to participate in, and equally prestigious for the Morro Bay Yacht



Rory and the rest of the crew are asking for club member support to help cover costs such as registration, housing, and airfare. This campaign is reliant on your support and they are hugely appreciative of any donations members are willing to make. You can donate at the club during Friday Happy Hour, or the best way to contribute is to go to: mbyc.net/payment, and put Championship of Champions in the "Payment Type" window. I don't think the club will have this opportunity again, well maybe not until somewhere around 2024.

The November General Meeting is on Saturday, November 4th. The agenda will include the election of officers, and a change to the bylaws that will make a minor change to the lifetime membership. Section D of the bylaws will be revised to say life members will be required to pay an annual dues of five dollars. This will eliminate quorum problems due to lifetime members we can no longer find, and who do not vote. If subsequently, the lifetime member is located, they will be reinstated, having paid past dues. The complete wording additions and strike-outs will be sent via email. There will be no other changes proposed for lifetime memberships.

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Officer elections. The Nominating Committee is hard at work contacting members who would make great board members, but unfortunately life has a way in getting in the way of volunteering. Even though folks would like to participate, the timing is just not right, right now. As of this writing, the Nominating Committee is still short a Rear Commodore and Treasurer. If you're thinking, "hey, nobody has called me. I'd do it!" get in touch with Lex Budge.

The kitchen remodel is on! I started my Commodore(ship) on my hands and knees scrubbing the tile floor in the kitchen with oven cleaner and am grateful to end it with at least the elimination of that task. The new floor looks great- even with the footprints. Yeah, it wasn't dry yet. There will be an inquiry to determine the culprit, and much like that of the Caine Mutiny all shoes will be collected and checked against the prints. And just in case you are wondering, the deck wasn't tagged by vandals. All those white lines are areas where the deck is going to be replaced.

The biggest ball of them all, aka the Commodore's Ball, is being planned and invitations will be out this month. I hope everyone can attend. John Krossa is going to be the Master of Ceremonies so right there is reason enough to attend. So look for the invitations next to the bar when you are at the club. So you can't use the excuse, "I didn't see them."

From the Desk of the Commodore.

#### VICE COMMODORE-**Dave Hensinger**







**Todd Hansen Demos the Floor** 

John Bodine re-wiring the Outlets

### Kitchen Remodel is in Full Swing-

September 17th was a busy day at the yacht club. Dana McClish, Joe Huntsinger, Todd Hansen, and I began the kitchen demolition at 8AM so that Dana could coach juniors at 9:30AM. In less than an hour, the kitchen was emptied, and over the next few hours the old tile floor came out. The next day (Monday), the floor was ground down, the lower cabinets re-installed, and Joe Huntsinger re-painted the walls, ceiling, and stove hood. Tuesday through Sunday the new floor went in. Monday night, John Bodine moved the wall outlets in preparation for the new sink, wall coverings, and lighting. So some progress has been made.

**Boarding Party on Deck**—The white marks and blue tape on the deck mark bad joints that Terri Paris and I noted for removal and replacement. The plan is to cut out



After First Step in New Floor, Notice new stove hood color.

#### MEMBERSHIP NEWS-Jim Phillips

*New contact information:* If you have changed your home address, email, or phone number, please contact me at jprp@charter.net.

**New Members:** I am happy to report that we have two new memberships approved by the MBYC Board of Directors at the September meeting. The first to introduce is Mike & Cathy Manchak, who were sponsored by Ken & Judy Reiner & Dana & Teresa McClish. The Manchaks are looking to purchase an ocean going sailboat.

The second membership approved by the board is that of Gavin Payne, who was sponsored by Brett Cross and Stanley & Susan Craig. Gavin has two children and sails his Daysailer, "Vincero.'

If you see either of these new members around the club please give them a warm MBYC Welcome.





**Prospective Memberships:** We have John & Pam Ridgley to introduce to you as the next "prospective" new members of our club. The Ridgleys have a 29er (Bethwaite) sailboat and are interested in both bay and ocean racing. The Ridgleys are employed by Cal Poly and are being sponsored by Pat & Dot Rygh and David Hensinger. Their application will go to the board in October.

# **VICE COMMODORE CONT**—Dave Hensinger

two feet on either side of the bad joints and replace with new planks. The planks are on hand, and have been primed by Chuck Losness. I'll be looking for volunteers to apply two coats of paint before the boarding party moves into the installation phase.

**New Nitcho**—When the club was built, it included a furnace. The furnace is long gone, but some of the vents and registers remain. The large register to the left of the entryway was taking up valuable space, and Joe Huntsinger has turned that wasted space into a possibility. He's done a beautiful job of framing and finishing a small alcove. The plan is to fill the alcove with a cabinet including a table and shelves for display of literature. I'd like to hear from any woodworkers out there who would like to work on this project.

### **Running Lights**

Lit—The club now has (at least partial) navigation lights. Thanks to a generous donation from Don Lockwood, and the structural-electrical team of Joe Huntsinger and John Bodine, red and green lights from a retired (and sunk) destroyer now mark the bay side of the club.



**Running Lights Lit** 

**Shifting Gears**—The play in the Whaler's shifting and throttle control became intolerably sloppy on the eve of the Chris Lockwood regatta. With a little rash effort with a hacksaw I managed to make the problem worse. Fortunately, Werner Weinstock was able to repair the shifter and return the Whaler to service in time for the event.

Power in the Closet—Since John Bodine installed an outlet in the race closet, race committees. college sailors, and summer sailing can access charged radios without accessing the office.



# **ACTIVITIES** — Pat and Orris Cowgill



**Duncan & Marlene McQueen Presenting** THISTLE'S SEVEN YEAR ODYSSEY, **A Circumnavigation** 

# Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 6PM

Hope you will join us for a fun and interesting evening. Hors d'oeuvres at 6PM. If you'll be attending, please bring a finger food appetizer, and RSVP to Orris Cowgill See you there!

## HAPPY HOUR HOSTS-**Greg Barker**

**REMEMBER!** In order for us to keep our liquor license, nonmembers 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

Contact the other people assigned to you to coordinate the Hosting Duties. If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement.

The club will furnish paper products and plastic ware for Host Night. Hosts tend bar from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM and serve snacks at 6:00 PM till 7:30 PM.

#### -October 2017

- Katy Crawford **Chuck Losness** Candy Botich & Kevin O'Day
- Tim French & Leah Bailey **David & Stephanie Tibbitts**
- Jon and Joan Nackerud Donna Arozena Mary Flaven
- Pandora Nash-Karner Carol Ann Stephens Michelle Voisenat Joe & Donna Dervin

### -November 2017

- Tom & Maggie McEwen Lee & Bonnie Piatek
- John & Wendy Mitchell Alan & Cleo Holz
- **Bob & Holly Smirl Roy and Sharon Gammill**
- Day after Thanksgiving No Host

### —December 2017

- Pat & Dot Rygh **Steve Borges Gail Condon**
- Mark & Angela Soll Steve Weaver Andy Arozena
- 15 Kevin Williams Jeff & Aia Smith **Truman Prewitt**
- 22 David Hensinger & Kim Schollenberger James & Anna Johnston
- 29 Charlene Evans Ken & Judy Riener

## **HISTORIAN** — Andrea Surfleet

Some of you may have noticed the addition of two cast bronze running lights installed on the outside overhang on the bay side of the club. These are not just decorations! Here's a synopsis of their history.

# History of the Morro Bay Yacht Club's Port and Starboard Running Lights taken from The USS Richard S Bull Destroyer Escort (DE) 402

This Warship was named for Lt. Richard S Bull, a fighter pilot, who, during the Battle of the Coral Sea in May of 1942, was killed in action. The ship was launched in November 1943. She operat-

ed in the Pacific Theater until the end of the war and was awarded five battle stars.

In the late 1960's, the Naval Weapons Center in China Lake, CA, was tasked with a Warship Vulnerability Test Program. This ship was designated as a target vessel and, after extensive explosive ordnance tests the ship was considered too dangerous for salvage and was taken to sea and on 24 June 1969 was sunk.

Prior to the sinking some artifacts, including the ships running lights were removed and are now displayed on the bay side deck of the Morro Bay Yacht Club.

The photograph is of the USS Richard Charles S Bull taken during sea operations some time during the Second World War.



USS RICHARD S. BULL DE 402

The fabrication and installation crew for the MBYC running lights were:

Don Lockwood, Program Manager. Warship Vulnerability Test Program and MBYC Commodore, 1984

John Bodine, Electrical Functions. MBYC Commodore, 2015

Joe Huntsinger, Fabrication Functions. US Navy Veteran

# PORT CAPTAIN — Lynn Meissen

October is the month of maximum transient dock use. Most of those boats will be drawn south to the Baha-HaHa area. It would help if members could defer dock use to accommodate them. Any member can assist transients by signing them in, and answering their questions. If you don't know an answer refer them to the Port Captain or assistant. Phone numbers are posted by the back door. Hosting transients is required by our water lease as well as making a substantial contribution to our covers.

Our boat storage spaces are now fully occupied. The backyard is always full and no one knows how many boats could really be accommodated if lines were drawn in the sand. Currently, there are 43. The kayak rack is also full, but some spaces are being used by nonmembers until requested by a member. There are 38 spaces in the racks. The moorings are also completely occupied by members, totaling 19. The dinghy dock is primarily for tenders to the big boats but one space is being used by a member rowboat; there are 15 on the dinghy dock. Additionally, the club owns 25 boats with FJs, Daysailers, and Opti's in the mix with various trailers. All of these boats should be readily identified to help keep track of them. If yours is not, I will gladly provide you with a label.



# The Morro Bay Yacht Club

Presents

# THE COMMODORE'S BALL

Honoring our Incoming and Outgoing officers & Trophy Presentations

at

# WINDOWS ON THE WATER

Deadline October 31st

Date: Saturday, November 11, 2017

Dress: Semi-Formal

Cost: \$65.00 per person

Please make checks payable to Morro Bay Yacht Club, or go to the MBYC website and pay with PayPal, or your credit card.

5:00 No Host Cocktails

6:00 Plated Dinner

7:00 Program

8:00 Dancing to DJ Tim Bowker

- Guests are welcome
- ➤ Corkage \$15.00 per bottle

### **Dinner Selections**

### **Dessert Selections**

- Flat Iron Steak
- Lemon Mousse

Snapper

Chocolate Ecstasy

- Chicken Breast
- Vegetarian Pasta

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# I would love to attend the Commodore's Ball

Name	Dinner Selection	Dessert Selection		
Guest:				
Guest:	-			

# **REAR COMMODORE** —Steve Borges

**Greetings Fellow Sailors:** 

This month we had our Daysailer Fall I race—with light to moderate wind conditions, Terry Paris, the race pro, set up the coarse just inside the harbor entrance. We had eight boats registered for the event, and the race pro was able to complete five races. Here are a few pictures of the event.





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### Final results:

First Place: Simon Graves in Ramona -10 points Second Place: Carlton Smith in Beach Party -15 points Third Place: Dave Hensinger in Zopilote -17 points Fourth Place: Greg Miller in 3057 -18 points Fifth Place: Todd Hansen in True Love -18 points Sixth Place: Bob Schwenoha in Happy Trails - 29 points Seventh Place: Stanley Graig in 1525 - 36 points

Seventh Place: Stanley Craig in 1525 - 36 points Eighth Place: Gavin Payne in Vincero - 37 points

### **OCEAN FLEET CAPTAIN—Ken Muther**

Ocean Fleet News- Club Cruise to San Simeon. Synergy, Pangaea, and Evening Tide made the trip to San Simeon. After the overcast cleared, it was a perfect, sunny day with 12 knots of northwest wind, and few whitecaps. We had a nice view of the coast, and arrived in the late afternoon.



When sailboats sail together they are always racing, so who won this race? Evening Tide was disqualified for excessive motoring. Pangaea arrived just ahead of Synergy, but I declare Synergy, Rich and Alaine, to be the winners because they sailed the greatest distance.



### Lien Sale at the Yacht Club

At 12:00 noon on November 1st, 2017 the Morro Bay Yacht Club will sell at auction "Mi Cielo" an Ericson 35. The boat will be available for inspection on the dock one hour before the sale.

### **MBYC JUNIORS** — Chris Surfleet

The Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club practiced and competed this month for the Chris Lockwood Junior Regatta, our Junior Club's annual sailing race. Sailing coaches, Dana McClish, Terry Paris, and Bob Schwenoha, assisted in drilling the kids in racing tactics, and sailing a race course at our 2 sailing sessions this month. Kit and Don Lockwood helped by teaching sailors about starting procedures and running practice starts from the deck.

The Chris Lockwood Junior Regatta held Sunday Sept. 24, had 9 Optimist sailors, and 5 Laser sailors compete. The racing was challenging with gusty winds, and at times, strong current. Many of the kids were new from summer sailing but did their best, and learned a lot of about sailing. At the end of the day, sailors and families enjoyed the traditional root beer floats.



The Chris Lockwood Junior Regatta Hosts and Champions (left to right)
Chloe Lockwood, Kit Lockwood, Coleman Howe - Optimist Champion, Nathan Hensinger - Laser Champion, & Don Lockwood.



Sailors and coaches for the 2017 Chris Lockwood Junior Regatta.

### JUNIOR ACTIVITIES — Kit and Don Lockwood

### CHRIS LOCKWOOD 2017 JUNIOR REGATTA

Fourteen of MBYC's Junior Sailors competed Sept.24th in the Chris Lockwood Junior Regatta. It was a challenging day for all of them with a strong current and wind that started out very light, and ended up very heavy. Parents and YC members were there to cheer and help them. Coaches, Dana McClish, Bob Schwenoha, Terry Paris, and Dave Hensinger, were on hand with 3 safety boats. Coach, and adviser Chris Surfleet, came from the airport in time to see the end and help with all the work of getting all the boats cleaned, and put up.

Nine Optimists sailed with four in the championship fleet and five in the "greenie fleet" where the coaches can help them, and yes they did need Dana's coaching.

The five Laser sailors ranged in experience from very new in a Laser, to very experienced. They all were challenged and did a great job using their sailing skills.

After the boats were put away, root beer floats were enjoyed by all, and then trophies given down to third place in each fleet.

Optimist Green Fleet: 1st Kaleth Cushman, 2nd Annie Wieck, 3rd Leo Zimmerman.

Optimist Championship Fleet: 1st Cole Howe, 2nd Owen Blackwell, 3rd Benji Redd.

Laser Fleet: 1st Nathen Hensinger, 2nd Joel Surfleet, 3rd Logan Lockwood.

You never know where your sailing experiences will lead. Being out on our beautiful bay, sailing their sailboats (some their first regatta), learning new skills, made ALL of our sailors winners.

It takes LOTS of our members to put on this regatta...BIG THANKS TO:

Race Committee: Pat and Dot Rygh, Joe & Dawn Huntsinger, Don Lockwood. The popular Root Beer Float servers: Rachelle Phillips & Jill Fariss. Everything from bar duty to clean up: Joe and Dawn Huntsinger, and Don Lockwood for making trophies, certificates, course charts and more.

## CAL POLY ACTIVITIES — Matthew Aloysius Susank

This year US Sailing accepted 15 applicants plus invited Olympian, 505 world champion, and Rolex Yachtsmen of the Year, Steve Benjamin. US Sailing will be providing sixteen Sonar keelboats, to be sailed in a Round Robin format in Oyster Bay, New York. We have assembled a team to do battle and the crew besides myself (**Rory McClish**) is as follows:

Skipper Neil Haydon Stapleton, UCSB sailor and a former MBYC Summer Sailing instructor; Crew Grace Carrick, student member, Captain of Cal Poly Sailing Team and MBYC Summer Sailing instructor;

and Sterling Henken, UCSB Sailing Team Captain, and aspiring professional sailor.

We will be flying across the country to represent the Daysailer Class from Morro Bay Yacht Club for the first time ever in this year's annual Championship of Champions regatta in New York coming up this October 5-8.

This regatta is a great opportunity for us to represent Morro Bay Yacht Club on the national stage and to compete against some of the best sailors in the country. We are asking for your support to cover costs such as registration, housing, and airfare. This campaign is reliant on your support and we hugely appreciate any donations members are willing to make.

About the regatta: http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/cofc/

The process by which we were selected to compete: http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/cofc/selection/

Previous Winners: http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/cofc/previous-winners/

If you have any further questions about the regatta or our fundraising please don't hesitate to ask Rory McClish

Rory's team needs financial support to offset the \$4500 cost of traveling and competing in this event. The board has pledged its support, but contributions from individual members would strengthen their campaign.

To contribute, please go to: <a href="mbyc.net/payment">mbyc.net/payment</a> and put Championship of Champions in the "Payment Type" window.

# FUN FLOAT—Dot Rygh, Grand Poo Mah

We had a small turn-out for our first Fall Float on Sept. 7th, but the weather was perfect after our heat spell, and it was a pleasure to get on the water. Birding was excellent with lots of shore birds, pelicans, and about a hundred sandpipers showing off their flight patterns. Also, our resident Osprey joined us and calmly sat on a pole, and the pelicans dived for food while we took pictures. It was a marvelous day on the water.

Once again, we planned a Fun Float on a Saturday the 23rd of September, and we had



Eight paddles went out on our Saturday paddle and we welcomed 3 new paddles to our group

3 new paddlers added to our group. We welcomed John Patrick and Jean and Charlie, all three potential members, and we hope to see more of them. It was a very calm and beautiful paddle and we

Osprey spied during kayaking by Rich Leamon

had time to relax for a while on the sandspit before returning on the out going tide.

We had two **Ospreys** join us before paddling very far. Both were on

top of

masts of club members boats. I got a picture of the second one who was on Peter Beaman's boat. Beautiful start to our paddle.

Dates to be added to our fall calendar:

Thursday, October 5 at 10 AM (new date add to your schedule) Friday, October 20 at 10 AM

Friday, November 17 at 3:30 PM Paddle and then attend Happy Hour at 5 PM. (super low tide and we will just paddle)

Thursday, December 7 at 11 AM will be a White Elephant Christmas Party on the sand spit. More about the event at a later date.

Everyone on any kind of floating boat or board is welcome



Osprey on the mast of Peter Beaman's

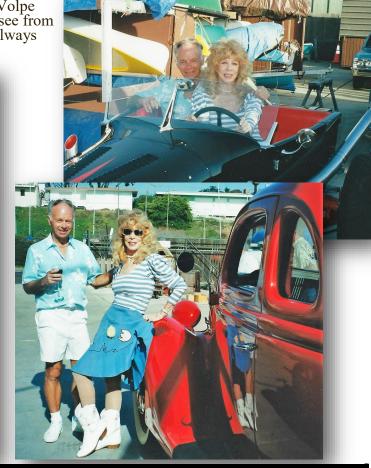
Juniors

# **ACTIVITIES** — Pat and Orris Cowgill

The MBYC Iron Maidens and Showboats and Santa Maria BBQ held on September 16th was the coolest car, boat and BBQ event held at the Morro Bay Yacht Club!

The winner with the coolest car was Freddie Fernandez! The picture on the left top is Tim Volpe presenting Freddie with his prize As you can see from our blast-from-the-past pictures, Freddie has always been a cool car guy!





Nov 2017	Junior Races 9:30 AM		Ocean Races Skippers Mtg 10:30 AM Start: 12 NOC	2 W	BayRaces Skippers Mtg: 10:30 AM Start: 11 AM	
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THURS	FRIDAY	SAT
			1	2	Cal Poly Alumni Regatta 5:15 Mbership Mts Hosts: Tom & Maggie McEwen Lee & Bonnie Piatek	General- Meeting 4
Cal Poly Alumni 5 Regatta Ocean Race Fall II	6	7	MB Youth Sailing Found Mtg 6PM	9	Veterans Day obser ell Hosts: John & Wendy Mitchell Alan & Cleo Holz	Commodore's Cup Veteran's Day Commodore's Ball
Juniors Ocean Fleet Two Sticker	13	14	15	Board Meeting 6:15PM	FUN FLOAT 3:30PM 1 7 Hosts: Bob & Holly Smirl Roy and Sharon Gammill	18
19	5:30PM Coast 20 Guard Auxiliary Meeting	21	Marlene and 22 Duncan's Circumnavigation	23	Hosts: No Host	25
Bay Fleet 26	27	28	29	30		

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# October 2017



Oct **BayRaces Ocean Races Junior Races Skippers Mtg:** Skippers Mtg: 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM 2017 Start: 11 AM Start: 12 NOON **TUESDAY SUNDAY MONDAY THURS FRIDAY WED** SAT 5:15 Mbership Mtg 2 3 7 4 5 1 **Bay Fleet** Hosts: Ocean Fleet Fall I Katy Crawford Chuck Losness Harbor FUN FLOAT 10AM Fest Candy Botich & Kevin O'Day **Bay Fleet** 9 10 8 11 12 14 Hosts: Juniors Tim French & Leah Ladies MB Youth Sailing Found Mtg 6PM Bailey David & Stephanie COLUMBUS Day Race DAY Coast Guard Aux Mtg FUN FLOAT 10AM 20 Hosts: Jon and Joan Nackerud 15 16 17 18 19 21 Ocean Fleet Board Meeting 6:15PM Two Sticker Donna Arozena Mary Flaven Ocean Fleet Marlene and 25 22 23 24 26 28 Hosts: 27
Pandora Nash-Karnel Bay **Duncan's** Carol Ann Stephens Michelle Voisenat Circumnavi-Fleet Fall III gation 29 30 31 Juniors Kitchen Remodel from Sept 17th to Oct 8th 4