

# MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB



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## Dave Hensinger, Commodore

**The Month of Big Events:**

During the first two weekends of March you can see some of the most intense sailing competition on the west coast.

On March third and fourth, the club and Cal Poly Sailing host the Mustang Regatta. There are more sailors in this event than in any other at the club. With two sets of crew for each boat and three and six boat teams from multiple schools, the deck will be packed. Depending on wind conditions the sailing may be in the turning basin or opposite the power plant.

On March 10th and 11th the club hosts the Big Rock Regatta. This has by far the largest boat count with over seventy Optimists and their appropriately sized crew of one. The sailors are split into championship and green fleets, with each having their own racing area.

**All Play and No Work...:**

The most wonderful day of the year is of course **Work Day** at the Morro Bay Yacht club. I don't want to steal Vice's thunder, but **March 24th** is everyone's chance to toil for a brighter cleaner future.

**New Fleet Captain:**

If you've been near a body of water in the last decade you have probably seen people Stand Up Paddling (SUP). Ken Twist has agreed to take up the new

position of Stand-up Paddle fleet captain. He is a frequent paddler and is well connected to the SUP world. I think the bay would be an excellent venue for a race and I'm hoping the club could serve as host.

**New Yard Rates in April (no change for most boats):**

Many of you may have noticed that there are a variety of boats in the storage yard, and that some of the most recent additions could carry a Laser as deck cargo. It was brought to the board's attention that charging \$35 dollars a month for any boat on a trailer in the yard was not equitable.

During the last board meeting the club adopted a new fee structure which will begin to be applied in **April**. The new fee structure is based on the area a boat occupies. This area is calculated by measuring the overall width of the trailer and adding one foot (for clearance) and then multiplying by the boat and trailer's overall length. A fee per square foot was then calculated to maintain the current yard revenue. The new fees are given in the table to the left.

To explain, a typical Daysailer on a typical trailer is 6 feet wide and 20 feet long. Add a foot to the width for 7 feet and the product of 7 and 20 yields an occupied area 140ft<sup>2</sup>. From the table above the cost of storing a typical DaySailer is \$35 per month.



Those with especially wide or long trailers will see an increase. Short narrow boats will see a decrease.

**Next Board Meeting March 15th**

The cost of maintaining the mooring field continues to increase, but mooring fees have not been raised in years. During the next meeting the board will consider increasing mooring fees. The board will also be approving the 2018 budget.

**Remembrance in April:**

On April 21st, the Saturday after Opening Day, there will be a gathering at the club to remember Staff Commodore Jim Phillips. Jim was behind many things at the club that we take for granted. Most impressive was his service as Commodore during an extensive remodel. Just as important was the care and precision he brought to all the tasks he took on. Whether it was chairing a committee or caring for the pinrail on the lower deck. Jim's work shone brightly.

Yard Storage Rates Effective April	
Trailer-Boat Area (Width + 1) X Length (Ft*Ft)	Storage Cost Per Month
< 110	\$25
110-135	\$30
135-150	\$35
150-175	\$40
175-200	\$45
>200	\$.24*Area then Rounded to nearest \$5

## Joe Huntsinger, Vice Commodore

As I sit in our dining room watching the U.S. Men's Curling team win their Gold medal over Sweden (by the way, watching curling is like watching a bay race when the wind speed is 2 knots) while sipping a cup of coffee, I look out the window and see the rock and the Pacific Ocean. I glance over to my neighbor's U.S. flag waving in the wind. Instantly I think there must be wind in the bay. I wonder who is at the club getting ready for a day of sailing.



Cal Poly must be there getting ready for the Mustang Regatta next weekend. Oh shoot, we need to clean the house because some of the UCSD sailing team stay with us. The Juniors might also be at the club getting ready for the Big Rock Regatta in two weeks.

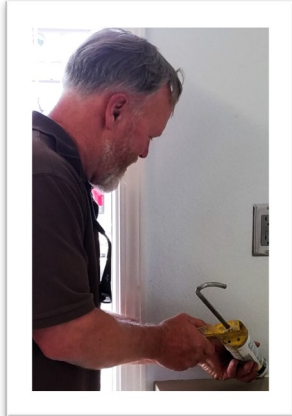
It's great to see the club being used by so many people. Which reminds me, Work Day is Saturday March 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. I will supply most of the cleaning supplies, but if you would like to bring implements like your own broom and garden supplies from home, it would be greatly appreciated. The club is due for some deep cleaning. I will be putting out a list next week. I am also looking for someone

(...Brett...) to set up a breakfast bar and help organize lunch. Pizza and salad will be provided. I have a list of people that I would like to thank for repairs around the club: Peter Beaman for the office printer, and Ken Twist for installing it, Tom Fee for setting up our Sky Link for our Fob system, Dana McClish for the finishing touches on the galley, Chuck Losness for his continued work on the whaler, Tim Volpe for his help on the Staff Commodore's photo racks and the

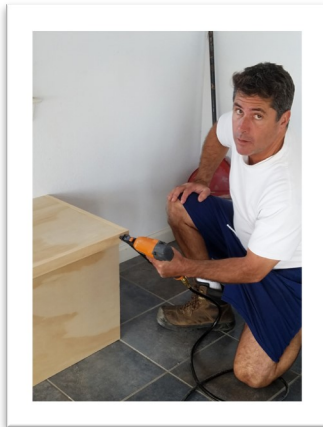
bench seat in the dining room, and all the rest of you that just see something that needs to be done and get it done. I also owe a debt of gratitude to Jim Phillips who has been an inspiration to many of us for quite some time. It was Jim who walked me through my responsibilities as a new Bar Steward and handled all of the bank deposits. It was my responsibility to make sure that we always had Miller Genuine Draft stocked for him, and Stella Artois on tap for Rachele. Every time I see an MGD, I think of Jim.

Jim was one of those club members who did many things for the club that went unnoticed, and people had no idea that he did them. In the past month many of you visited Jim in the hospital and in the Phillips' home. This is a tribute to his character. I believe that behind every good man/woman there is an awesome supportive spouse. Thank you, Rachele.

To our good friend and Staff Commodore, Jim Phillips, rest in peace my friend.

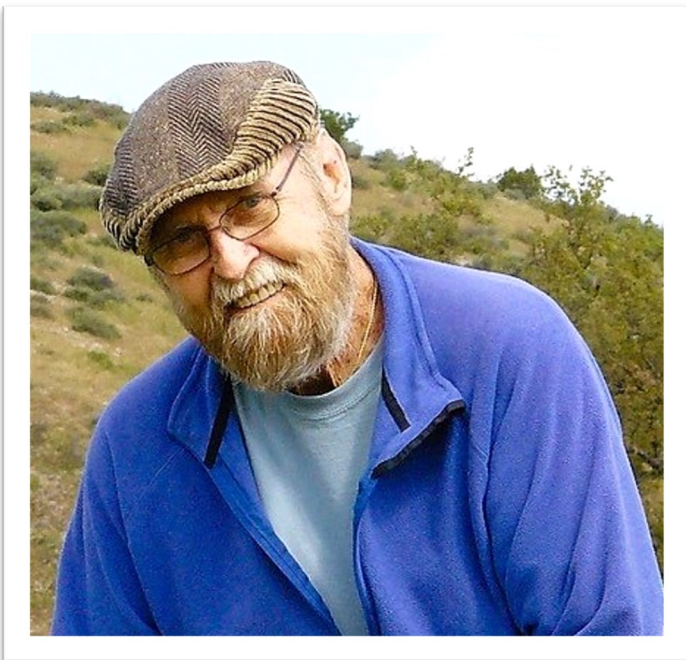


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Tim Volpe

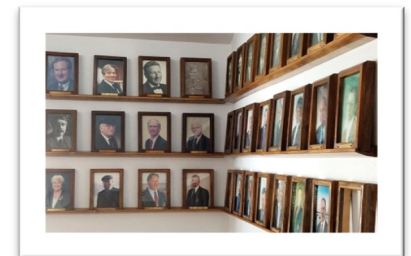
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Staff Commodore photo display

## Rachelle Phillips, Membership News

### New Contact Information:

**Yvonne Lazear is now responsible for updating roster information.** Please check your current MBYC Roster and report any wrong information to her. Our goal is to provide all members with a new roster this week. If you have changed your home address, email, or phone number, please contact Yvonne.

### New Members:

Please welcome new members, **Charlie & Jeanie Roberts,**

who were approved by the MBYC Board of Directors at the January meeting. They have been very active with the Fun Floaters and are very interested in becoming involved with club activities. Please give them a warm MBYC WELCOME.

**Prospective Memberships:** Rachelle will help with the transition to a new membership chair, so keep on sending prospective members to the committee's attention.



Charlie & Jeanie Roberts

## Greg Barker - Education

We had our first education program on February 24, About Boating Safely taught by the Coast Guard Auxiliary, including MBYC member Joe Fram. The course provided the education requirement for the new California Boater Card that is required this year for those 20 years-old and younger to operate a boat with a motor.

We had three students: two from the San Luis Yacht Club and I decided to take the class since there was no line out the door waiting to get in. Most of the material was familiar, although I did benefit from content on inboard gasoline engines and PWCs.

I plan to drop by Bay Fleet and Ocean Fleet races in March to find out what the fleet members

would be interested in. I would also be interested in finding out what our other members considered impediments to taking February's class: it burned an entire Saturday! Winter Olympics reruns were more interesting? Let me know, because I want to be developing programs that are both interesting and fit members' schedules.



## Malcolm McEwen , Happy Hour Hosts

### —March 2018

- 2 Jim & Yolanda Pederson, Gavin Payne, Stanley & Susan Craig
- 9 Jeff Jones & June Krystoff, Orris & Patricia Cowgill
- 16 Tom & Marty Tidyman Justin & Crystal Bradshaw
- 23 Lex & Lolo Budge, Larry & Liz Salas
- 30 Michael & Eda Bonilla,, Roger & Vicki Marlin

### —April 2018

- 6 Craig Levin & Polly Nelson, Shields & Leslie Abernathy
- 13 Robert & Barbara Schwenoha, John and Susan Wimer

### —April 2018 cont

- 20 Carol Walker, Robert & Laurie Fiori, Bryan Watson
- 27 Mike and Cathy Manchak, Dana & Teresa McClish

### —May 2018

- 4 Joe & Dawn Huntsinger, Tom & Cyndy Fee
- 11 Freddy Fernandez, Mike & Kaye Frye, Duncan & Marlene McQueen
- 18 Pat & Barb Hedges, Tim Volpe & Robin Wessman-Volpe
- 25 Michael and Brooks Measures; Paul and Kathleen Reichardt

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.

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## Joe Huntsinger, Vice Commodore Continued



Larry Salas, Pat Rygh, Doug Gould, and Don Lockwood

### Good to Know! Policy Letter #12 Bar Use Policy

1. Only members of the MBYC and their guests may purchase alcohol at the MBYC bar.

a. Guests may purchase alcohol only when accompanied by their member host and only after signing the MBYC bar guest register on each visit to the club.

b. Visiting yachtsmen, their crews and their guests are considered to be guests of the club.

2. No alcohol may be purchased by anyone, member or guest, under twenty-one years of age.

3. No alcohol may be consumed by anyone, member or guest, under twenty-one years of age.

4. The tiled area of the MBYC

bar is off limits to anyone under twenty-one years of age.

5. No alcohol may be consumed at the club after 2:00 a.m.

6. At no time are non-members or guests allowed behind the bar.

7. No alcohol may be consumed inside the club that has not been purchased at the club unless prior arrangements have been made with the bar steward.

8. The corkage fee applies only to those activities for which a special request for club use has been approved by the board.

9. The bar steward may raise the price of beer and wine by \$1 for any special event. I.e: Fourth of July, Lighted Boat Parade, activities for which a special request for club use has been approved by the board.

## Dot Rygh, Your Grand Poo Mah, Fun Float



The weather turned out beautiful for our February 2nd Fun Float, and an even dozen paddlers made use of a fantastic day on the water. We had our first paddle boarder, Judy Setting, go all the way to South Bay with us. Many paddle boarders have said they would like to go with us, but haven't showed up yet. It was perfect for the tide to carry us along the sand spit that had

hundreds of small shore birds on shore and in the air. Our return with the out going tide and no wind was voted one of the best fun float days we could all remember.

Plan on paddling if it is not to stormy and windy in March. We may have had our March winds these last couple of weeks in February. Plan ahead.

### March floats:

Friday, March 2 at 10 AM.  
Saturday, March 17 at 10 AM.

### April Floats:

Friday, April 6 at 10 AM  
Tuesday, April 17 at 11 A.M.

Everyone on any kind of floating boat or board is welcome!



## Ali Athari, Rear Commodore

Hello fellow sailors In the month of February we completed Bay fleet winter races and thanks to Gail showing to my cry for help at the last second, we now have the results. They are as follows.

First race was Gregg Miller all the way. second and third also was Gregg's.

So then the over all's Gregg

took the first place with 14 points. Marina Graves took second with 27 points, and Todd Hansen took third with 47 points.

Also, we still need pros for six more races:

- 1 - June 9th Spring I I I,
- 2 - July 21st Summer I I
- 3 - August 4th Summer I I I
- 4 - September 1st Harbor Day ,
- 5 - September 15 Fall I,

6 - October 20th Fall I I.

So please, don't be shy sign up for one or two or all of them, there is no penalty!!!!!!



## Troy Wieck, Ocean Fleet Captain

The Winter I series race in January had a theme for the high performing boats: "Delay, delay, delay." Light winds made for a shorter course but took just as long as a normal race. Those who weren't locked in a gridlock of argument about where the best wind would be tacked early on the approach to MBYC didn't get the best view of the whale as it headed off to Point Buchon. The early birds also suffered from slight winds as the fair breezes remained further out to sea. Racing home a doldrum developed next to Morro Rock. Wizbang and Eleu watched with trepidation as Guayacan closed in on them. Eleu rightly gave up the ghost when Guayacan passed and opted for an early happy hour. Wizbang, fueled by the call to a very, very late lunch, managed to eek out every ounce of power in their sails for 1st place. Now stuck in the doldrum, Guayacan argued back and forth to decide if they should can it or wait for a turn in the weather. They delayed so long that sunset started to approach and the wind picked up. They took second.

Work called me to the airport at the start of the Winter II race, so I set the sailors off with the course and instructions to text me their times. Stuck in the Phoenix Airport I received a text message:

Janina finished at 2:22:09. Whizbang 2:31:45. Fear Knot finished but did not take their time. So let's say 2:45. Pangia DNF. So it was (1) Fear Knot, (2) Whizbang, (3) Fear Knot.

I have yet to hear a sailing

story that makes any sense.

The next ocean race is the third in the Winter Series and takes place on March 18th. The Founders Cup is on March 25th. Hope to see you there!



Feb 11, Ocean Fleet Winter II

## Chris Surfleet, MBYC Juniors



Cole Howe working on light air sailing in preparation for the Big Rock Regatta

The junior sailing has a busy March with 2 major regattas being hosted at the Morro Bay Yacht Club (MBYC). The Cal Poly Sailing Team hosts the Mustang Regatta the weekend of March 3-4. MBYC hosts the Big Rock Regatta the weekend of March 10-11. The club will be a busy place with lots of great racing going on. Come on out and enjoy the races! Some volunteers are still needed for the Mustang Regatta, contact Dave Hensinger if you are able to as-

sist with the event (mbyc.comm@gmail.com).

The month of February was a time for the junior sailors to prepare for the Big Rock Regatta, including boat maintenance. Junior sailors got practice bending on new sails for the Optimist fleet and polishing the hulls. Currently we have 6 sailors signed up to represent Morro Bay in the Big Rock Regatta. The Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation is paying the registration for all Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club

members that want to participate.

The Laser sailors worked on updating the rigging. We are trying to get each of the Lasers rigged exactly the same, for ease in use. Many of our Lasers are reaching the end of their useful life. It is probably time for a few new Lasers to be purchased to support summer sailing lessons and our junior program. Stay tuned for new boat upgrades.



The Big Rock Regatta will be held at the Morro Bay Yacht Club March 10-11, 2018

**Remember: Life is more important than property**

### Foul Weather Preparation

**FACT:** Wind, waves, tides, currents and fog can cause problems for boaters, and result in accidents and the release of gasoline, oil, chemicals and other pollutants into the environ-

## Lynn Meissen, Port Captain

ment. Weather conditions can change suddenly anywhere, anytime. Checking weather before departing and while underway is important for your safety and to protect the environment from the accidental discharge of toxic substances.

**GOAL:** In foul weather, prevent accidents and water pollution by using caution, securing loose items and potential sources of pollution.

### ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE:

Check weather conditions on marine radio 162.55 MHz, or 162.40 MHz, on a local US Coast Guard or commercial

radio station that gives weather updates or visit [www.dbw.ca.gov](http://www.dbw.ca.gov).

- Wear your lifejacket. Maintain a safe speed and proceed with caution.
- Head for the nearest shore that is safe to approach.
- Head the bow into waves at about a 40° angle. Watch for floating debris.
- Keep bilge free of water. Shift to full fuel tank if vessel is equipped with dual fuel tanks.
- If your engine fails, anchor the boat.
- Secure portable containers, paint cans, petrochemicals, cleaners and other loose items that could spill and pollute.

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March—April, 2018

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<b>Junlor Races 9:30 AM</b> <b>Ocean Races Skippers Mtg: 10:30 AM Start: 12 NOON</b> <b>Bay Races Skippers Mtg: 10:30 AM Start: 11 AM</b>				<b>MAR 1</b>	<b>2 Mbrship Mgt</b> <b>5:15PM</b> <b>Fun Float 10am</b> <b>Hosts: Pederson/</b> <b>Payne/S&amp;S Craig</b>	<b>3</b>  <b>Mustang</b> <b>Regatta</b>
<b>4</b> <b>Mustang</b> <u><b>Regatta</b></u> <b>Lopez Race San</b> <b>Luis Yacht Club</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>  <b>Hosts: Jones &amp;</b> <b>Krystoff/Cowgill</b>  <b>Big Rock</b> <b>Regatta</b>
<b>11</b> <b>Big Rock</b> <b>Regatta</b> <b>Daylight Saving</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Waterfront Bus</b> <b>Safety Mtg</b> <b>6:15pm MBYC</b> <b>Board Meeting</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>Hosts:</b> <b>Bradshaw/</b> <b>Tidyman</b>	<b>17</b>  <b>10am Fun Float</b>
<b>18</b> <b>Ocean Fleet</b> <b>Winter III</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>5:30pm Coast</b> <b>Guard Auxiliary</b> <b>Meeting</b>	<b>21</b> <b>6:00pm Coast</b> <b>Guard Auxiliary</b> <b>Meeting</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Hosts:</b> <b>Budge/ Salas</b>	<b>24</b> <b>9AM- 4PM</b> <b>WORK DAY</b>
<b>25</b> <b>JR WORK DAY</b> <b>Ocean Fleet</b> <b>Founders Cup</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Hosts:</b> <b>Bonilla/Marlin</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>APR 1</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6 Mbrship Mgt</b> <b>5:15PM</b> <b>10am Fun Float</b> <b>Hosts: Jones &amp;</b> <b>Krystoff/Cowgill</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Bay Fleet</b> <b>Spring I</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>General</b> <b>Meeting</b>
<b>8</b> <u><b>Laser Slalom</b></u> <u><b>Junior Sailing</b></u> <b>Lopez Race San</b> <b>Luis Yacht Club</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>  <b>Hosts:</b> <b>Bradshaw/</b> <b>Tidyman</b>	<b>14</b> <b>24 hour</b> <b>CANCER</b> <b>PADDLE</b> <b>Ocean Fleet</b> <b>Opening Day</b> <b>Race</b>
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The Morro Bay Yacht Club is a private, non-profit organization devoted to boating activities, along with the protection and enjoyment of our picturesque bay and coastline. We participate in both competitive and non-competitive boating activities throughout the year. Anyone at least 21 who owns a boat, is planning to buy a boat, or regularly enjoys boating activities in someone else's boat is invited to apply for membership.

Editor's Note: Submissions and corrections to the *Masthead* are due by the 25th of each month. Please e-mail your written material or digital photos to Yvonne Lazear at [ylazear@gmail.com](mailto:ylazear@gmail.com)  
All pictures are welcome!

March 2018

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## THE MORRO BAY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION

The MBYSF was founded in 2011 by members of the Morro Bay Yacht Club to provide access to sailing and boating activities, and instruction to local youths of all backgrounds.

Contribute and get a Income Tax Deduction.

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MBYSF, P.O. Box 736, Morro Bay, CA 93443

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