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FROM YOUR COMMODORE



Greetings to friends and members of the
Morro Bay Yacht Club,

The New Year is fast approaching and I am finding it hard to believe it is already 2005. I am looking forward to a busy and exciting year, and I am honored that so many of you have expressed support and good wishes for a successful year. The collective spirit of our club offers so much friendship, love, and hope. I am the lucky recipient of such spirit. You helped me through some difficult times, and now I am privileged to be able to repay all of you by working hard to keep the high standards that have

been set by previous Commodores.

The Morro Bay Yacht Club is full of enthusiastic members who are contributing to the well-being of our club. Please take notice of the members who are listed in the column to the left. These folks have taken on the responsibilities of seeing to it that we have a successful club. If you have not yet volunteered, please give some serious thought to how you can contribute. There are a few positions that will need to be filled and some of the chairpersons will need additional help. One important spot that I am anxious to fill is the Summer Sailing Coordinator. This has been a very successful program and we need someone to do the scheduling and take the phone calls of interested people. We will always welcome any help we can get with the *Masthead* mailing. If you are willing to help staple, fold, label, etc., please call Cynthia Wimer or me. You do not have to commit to participate every time to be of help.

The Board of Directors passed a policy letter in December that will cap our membership at 250. This is a new concept for our club, and I am sure it will take some time to get accustomed to it. A membership committee is being formed to help with this transition and also give the Board of Directors assistance in evaluating prospective members.

A big project this year will be the repair of our heads. Jim Phillips, Vice Commodore, will head this project and has already enlisted the help of Greg Barker. Greg is a MBYC member who is an architect, and he has done an incredible job of drawing up plans for the demolition and repair of the restroom. Jim has the list of people who have volunteered to help with this project and will soon be forming the various committees and contacting those of you who are on this list.

Thank you ahead of time for your contributions to our club and the care and friendship that you show to one another. Doug was correct when he called our club a "family."

— Glenda Boatman



Thanks for the great photos! — Jim Bruzenak, p 5 top; Dot Rygh, pp 5 bottom, 8, and 10; Peter King, p. 8; Rachelle Phillips, p. 9.



Editor's Note: Submissions to the *Masthead* are due by the third Friday of each month. You may e-mail your written material or digital photos or send them by regular mail to Sharon Brooks.

All submissions are subject to editing for content and space.

We love your articles and photos! Thanks to all who contribute!

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, Jay Simonson.

If this is your first HOST

ASSIGNMENT, contact the couple assigned with you and they will show you the ropes.

If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement. Perhaps you could trade with someone else on the Host List.

Just a REMINDER: you need to supply your own paper products for hosting night.

Hosts serve snacks AND tend bar from 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM.

If you make a change, please let Polly know.

JANUARY 2005

- 1 Max and Helen Sicher
Bill and Peggy Sanders
- 8 Paul and Rosie Schneringer
Gail Condon
- 15 Richard and Charlene Evans
Marc Goldberg and Maggie D'Ambrosia
- 22 Jim and Christy Hoxter
Paul and Jessica Irving
- 29 Roger and Sandy Shervington
Bill and Rocky Ullum

FEBRUARY 2005

- 4 Jim and Rachelle Phillips
Matt and Jacque Piper
- 11 Jack and Barbara Daily
Jay and Jane Simonson
- 18 Roy and Bev Gammill
Bill Lockhart / Tom Murphey
- 25 Bud and Jan Moore
Victor and Françoise Nigro

MARCH 2005

- 4 Alan and Carol Ann Stephens
Terry and Judy Weir
- 11 G. and K. Ashenbrenner
John Bodine and Brooke Townsend
- 18 Brian and Kathy Jones
John Duffy / Liz Bissell
- 25 Don and Kit Lockwood
Dana and Teresa McClish

— Polly Schneider

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Greetings all. I hope the New Year finds everyone healthy and in good spirits. For those who do not know me, my name is John Schmidt, and I will be taking over as the new Membership Chairman with ground support from my wife, Nia. I would like to thank our new Commodore Glenda Boatman for appointing me, and I would also like to thank René Morris for all of his patience and the encouragement he has given me as I attempt to fill his large shoes.

Please join me in welcoming our newest member, Kevin Williams. Kevin has been around the club for many years and has participated in countless yachting activities. Please welcome him officially into the club.

IMPORTANT NOTE: There has been a change in policy letter #15 that will affect incoming members. At the December 9th board meeting, the 2004 board voted to place a cap of 250 memberships. At the time of the vote, our membership was at 254. So, what this means in a nutshell is we will no longer be accepting new members into our club until our numbers drop below 250. Policy Letter #15 also states that there will be a waiting list that will prioritize those on the waiting list using several different criteria. Please read and familiarize yourself with the new policy.

One last note, please take a moment to review your member and boat information on the roster. We are currently updating the roster and would like to see it as accurate as possible. So if you have moved, sold your boat, bought a new boat, etc. fill out and return the Roster Update Form and I will make the necessary changes. The Roster Update Form can be found in the December's Masthead, on the club's website at www.mbyc.net, or picked up at the club. All changes must be submitted by January 31st.

I look forward to seeing you at the club,

— John

Tidbits

Ahoy Members! I will be updating the Pictorial Roster (that sits on the bar). If your picture is not in it, be sure to see me around the club to have a snapshot taken, or you can email a picture to me by email. — Rachelle Phillips

From the Port Captain:

Watch for the auction on Jan 22. The Erickson 28 *Lola* on guest buoy 6, two Lidos, and a few others will be available for bid. Details (when decided) will be available by e-mail and posted at the club.

FUN FLOAT

To start the New Year right, be ready to paddle Thursday, January 27th at 10:30 a.m. from the dock. Bring a spouse or loved one so we will have a nice crowd. The Christmas float was sunny and warm, just the way December should be.

— G.P.P.



2005 MBYC BOARD OF DIRECTORS



*Left to right: Lynn Meissen, Laura McCarren, Jim Phillips, Glenda Boatman, Gail Condon, Stephanie Finlay.
Not pictured: Jim Bruzenak.*

FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE



It was a tough campaign, but I want to thank all for your vote of confidence in electing me Vice Commodore for 2005. I have truly enjoyed being the Bar Steward the past two years and gave that job up only reluctantly. Please note, however, that the job of Bar Steward will pass into the very capable hands of Jay Simonson. So, when you see Jay hauling your beer and wine up

the stairs, say hi and offer him a hand.

We all owe Roy Gammill a hearty "thank you" for stepping into the Vice Commodore's job midway through 2004. As with all his other efforts, Roy has done a superb job. Some of the tasks I will face this year were already under way, while others will be specific to my year of duty as VC.

There are three particular tasks to report on in this first article. First, Staff Commodore Gould told me in December that the grant for the pump-out station had been approved and that the pump was ordered. We should expect delivery in January with installation to follow.

Second, at the November General Meeting, the board approved a budget to complete a remodeling of the club heads. Greg Barker jumped right in and offered to do the architectural drawings, complete with ADA-required changes for the project and get them through the city planning department. Several others added their names to a list of able-bodied volunteers who were willing to play an active part in the project. If I haven't called you yet, just stand by, because the project should really get rolling soon. It may require a miracle, but the plan is to have new heads in place by Opening Day.

Third is the all important "work day" which is scheduled for Saturday, March 5th. With all of your generous help, the day will be as productive as in past years and the club will be spic and span ready for Opening Day Sunday, March 13th. If you haven't done so already, check out the "jobs list" in the bar, and add your name to your favorite task. There is always something for everyone to do. Happy New Year to all.

Keep an eye on the compass,

— Jim

FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE



Happy New Year to all. My first order of business is to thank Dot Rygh for all she's done this past year to make this transition to me a smooth one. She cleaned out the files, got the Deeds of Gifts in good order, etc.; she will be a hard act to follow.

Thanks also to all who helped put together our race schedule for next year. The attached Bay Fleet schedule is final (I hope), and,

while the attached Ocean Fleet schedule is still being "tweaked," what you see is probably what you'll get.

Still more thanks to John Neiswanger and Brian Monroe for their time and efforts working to keep the Bomber and Whaler running in good shape.

The policy that Mitch started last year, where each racer takes a turn as PRO, seemed to work well, and I would like to continue the same. The invitation goes out to other club members as well – if not to be the PRO, to be a part of the Race Committee. It's a fun way to spend an afternoon, and the sailors appreciate the support.

Knowing the rules of racing is a huge part of the process, and, since the rules are changing as of 2005, we will have a Rules Seminar on Saturday Feb. 5th. I understand that the rules haven't so much been changed as clarified. At the time of the Seminar, I will have a sign-up sheet for you to choose the race that you wish to PRO.

The Laser Fleet Championships were started on Nov. 27, but, due to heavy winds, will be continued on Dec. 19th (too late for this edition). Five of the six boats entered started with a bang (quite literally, out of control Kevin!), turns were done, and the show was under way. It was a lot of fun watching these little boats being knocked around and over by the wind. The astute race committee on deck didn't notice that Lex had gone home to get what he needed to fix his boat, fixed it, and then went to the start line. Wonder how he

would have done had he started with the rest.

After a lot of swimming by some, the winners were Joss Giddings, Andrew Brown, and Kevin Williams. Thanks to John Neiswanger, George Brown, and Peter and Anita Rothenbuecher for helping on a cold, wet, blustery day. This is the first race that counts towards the Laser Fleet Champ regatta finishing on December 19th. Stay tuned for the next installment of this event.

The Drumstick Regatta was held on Nov 28. Three races were held in variable offshore winds. Sailing in offshore breezes is a very challenging endeavor, and all sailors fared well without getting their toes wet. At the end of the day, most boats were very close with their overall points. The day finished with *Student Driver* winning with 4 pts, Dan McDonald second at 8 pts, Peter and Anita third with 10 pts, Nigro and Masterson with 11 pts, and finally Murphey and Pattison with 12 pts.

Dec. 11th saw the Bay Fleet out for Winter I. There were five Day Sailors and three Lidos on the line. The current was extra heavy, and the winds extra light, to make for some interesting sailing. Toward the end of the 3rd race and after several lead changes, *Student Driver* saw its lead taken over by Peter and Anita. I swear they had a little motor in their boat the way they passed us as we were standing still. At the end of the day, new member Kevin Williams took 1st place, with Anita and Peter Rothenbuecher coming in 2nd, and Tom Murphey and Ivan ? in 3rd for the Day Sailors. Tom Jenkins and Christina Campolmi took 1st place in the Lidos, with Larry Salas and John Taylor in 2nd, and Jim Orth and Christie Duthie in 3rd. This series will continue in January.

The Ocean Fleet went out on the 12th for their Winter I, but abandoned the race due to the fact that their new mark was absent.

Any input or comments on how to encourage or grow our fleets will always be appreciated.

Hope to see you on the water,

— Gail



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(since Commodore's Ball last November)

Commodore's Cup 2003

John Neiswanger & Tammy Hendricks

Bay Fall Series Osos Trophy 2003

Lido: Larry & Liz Salas

D.S.: Lex & Lolo Budge

Hangover Arbitrary 2004

Gail Condon & Kevin Williams

Winter Series Founders' Cup

Lido: Pat & Dot Rygh

D.S.: Gail Condon & Kevin Williams

Ocean: Ron May — *WHIZBANG*

Opening Day Arbitrary

Bay: Gail Condon & Kevin Williams

Ocean: Ron May — *WHIZBANG*

San Simeon Run (no trophy)

Wayne Ratliff — *Voyager II*

Spring Series Ocean Fleet Perpetual Trophy

Wayne Ratliff — *Voyager II*

Spring Series Bay Seager Perpetual Trophy

Peter & Anita Rothenbuecher

Jack Johnson Memorial El Toro Trophy

Tom Spencer

Ladies' Day Jean White Trophy

Not sailed in 2004

Lido Fleet 59 Championship Trophy

Tom & Bette Jenkins

D.S. Fleet 128 Championship Trophy

Gail Condon & Kevin Williams

Laser Fleet Championship

Not sailed as of 12/17

Summer Series Barney Pike Trophy

Lido: Roy & Bev Gammill

D.S.: John Neiswanger & Kenton Hendricks

Devin Series Ocean Perpetual

Ron May — *WHIZBANG*

Wysocki Memorial Trophy

Gail Condon & Kevin Williams

John S. Mullins Memorial Trophy

Ron May — *Whizbang*

Commodore's Cup 2004

Andrew Brown

Bay Fall Series Osos Trophy

Lido: Peter & Anita Rothenbuecher

D.S.: Gail Condon & Kevin Williams

Ocean Fall Series (no trophy)

Ron May — *WHIZBANG*

Drumstick

Gail Condon & Kevin Williams



Ocean Race 11-7-04

Ron May 1st; Wayne Ratliff 2nd; Jim Bruzenak 3rd



DRUMSTICK Bay Race Sunday November 28, 2004

Condon/Williams	1	2	1	4 pts	1st place
McDonald/Monroe	3	3	2	8 pts	2nd place
Rothenbuechers	4	1	5	10 pts	3rd place
Nigro/Masterson	2	5	4	11 pts	
Murphey/Pattison	5	4	3	12 pts	



Heavy winds, light winds, wind from one direction & then another really kept the fleet of Day Sailors on their toes. A couple of Lidos showed up to race, but the winds were a little

too heavy in the morning, and only Day Sailors raced in this Drumstick. The results were close for 3rd place, and most of the races were close, with the lead changing hands several time. Lex, Ron, and Larry did a great job of giving them a variety of courses and keeping the races exciting. John and Andrew on the safety boat just had to cruise along with no rescues this time.



RACE AND EVENT SCHEDULE 2005

DATE		BAY FLEET	OCEAN FLEET	EVENTS
January	1	Hangover Race		
	9		Winter 1	
	15	Winter 2		
	23		Winter 2	
	29	Winter 3		
	30	Tune-Up Race		
February	5	Rules Clinic		
	6			Super Bowl Party
	12	Winter Make-Up		
	13		Winter 3	
	20		Devlin 1	
	26	Work Day	Work Day	Work Day
March	5	Work Day Make-Up		
	6		Founder's Cup	
	13	Opening Day	Opening Day	Opening Day
	20	Make-up		
	26	Spring 1		
April	2	General Meeting	General Meeting	General Meeting
	10	Pritchett Spring Series		
	16	Spring 2		
	23	Make-Up Fun Spring	San Simeon Run	
	30	Boat-In	Boat-In	
May	1	Boat-In	Boat-In	
	8			Mother's Day at Atascadero
	15		Spring 2	
	21	Spring 3		
	22		Spring 3	
	28	Lido Fleet Championship		
	29	Day Sailer Championships		
	30	Jack Johnson Memorial		
June	5		Devlin 2	
	11	Summer 1		
	25	Summer 2		
	26		Lady at the Helm	



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RACE AND EVENT SCHEDULE 2005

July	2		Race from Avila W/SLYC	
	3		Race to Avila w/SLYC	
	4	Display Race	Race at Avila w/SLYC	Display Race
	9	High Sierra Regatta		
	11-16	Day Sailer Nationals		
	17		Summer 1 Cruising Class Race Series	
	31		Summer 2 Cruising Class (No Spinnakers)	
August	7		Summer 3 Cruising Class	
	13	Summer Make-up		
	14		Make-up or fun race	
	20	Day Sailer Invitational		
	21	Day Sailer Invitational		
	27	Laser Fleet Championships		
	28		Fall 1	
September	17	Fall 1		
	18		Fall 2	
	24	Wysocki Memorial		
	25	Wysocki Memorial (San Antonio)	2 Sticker and PHRF	
October	9		John S. Mullins Memorial	
	22	Fall 2		
	23		Devlin 3	
	29	Ladies' Day		
	30	Fall Make-Up		
November	5	Fall 3		General Meeting
	6		Fall 3	
	12			Commodore's Ball
	13	Commodore's Cup		
	20		Make-up or fun race	
	27	Drumstick Arbitrary		
December	3			Lighted Boat Parade
	9			Tree Trimming
	10			Children's Christmas Party
	11	Winter 1		
	17			Bay Fleet Christmas Party
	18		Winter 1, then Ocean Fleet Holiday Party	

Fun Floaters' White Elephant Party



The fun floaters held their White Elephant Party on the Sand Spit with beautiful, sunny, warm, but windy weather on Tuesday, December 14. Fun was had by all with one of the Kayakers having to chase his kayak down the beach after the wind mysteriously blew it down the dune and off the shore. We will not reveal who this person was, but this paddler is missing from the picture at right. The birding along the shore was fantastic and the paddlers were challenged on the way back to the club with heavy winds. All made it back safely and

wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and invite you all to join in the fun in 2005.

Children's Christmas Party



Saturday December 11, 2004. It was a very successful party, even if Santa had to make a U-turn and come back to the club. Everyone had a great time. Santa didn't miss anyone and had gifts for all.

Ocean Fleet Christmas Party



Sunday December 19, 2004

The word I heard is that Char Bruzenak was the organizer of the party this year, and that she did a great job.

Looks like everyone had a good time — even George Burns. I thought they didn't allow smoking in the club?



Volunteers Needed for the New Year!

The Social Committee needs your input on what you would enjoy helping to put on for the first half of 2005. We need new ideas from all you new members.

So put on those thinking caps.
See you Friday, January 7th before Happy Hour,
from 4 to 4:30 PM.



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Bay Fleet White Elephant Party

Saturday December 18, 2004

The Day Sailer Fleet was in charge of the party this year, and they had a great turnout of helpers for the planning, decorating, cooking, and cleanup. The lasagna and trimmings went over big, and



everyone was in a festive mood for the white elephant part of the party. Everyone was soon in stitches over the exchanges, and Don Lockwood managed to keep control of the stealing.

The model sail boat changed hands more times than any other, Rosie's talking fish brought a lot of laughter, as well as a fur piece for warmth opened by one of the safety boat helpers. (I guess it gets cold



out there at times.)

One of the presents still remains a mystery, but all in all, it was a great way to end the year.



January 2005



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

Tidelands Volunteers — JANUARY

3: Don Srack & Freddie Fernandez; 7: Mal and Julie Towery; 10: Dick and Charlene Evans/Carol Walker; 14: Bud & Janis Moore; 17: Tom Haynie & Adriaan Smulders; 21: Blaine & Maralee Parkin; 24: John & Frances Budlong; 27: Larry & Liz Salas; 31: Bob & India Pyeatt.

2	3	4	5	6	7	1
12:00 pm Ocean Race: Winter 1 	10	11	12	13 Board Meeting 7:00 PM 	Hosts: Jeff and Sally Davis Steve and Tammy Hendricks 4:00 PM Social Committee Meeting	11:00 am Bay Race: Hangover Race
16	17	18	19	20	21 Hosts: Forest and Frances Martin; Ron and Nancy May 	22
12:00 pm Ocean Race: Winter 2 	24	25	26	27 10:30 AM Fun Float from the Dock 	Hosts: Thor and Diana Ourston; Bill Peirce / Nancy Craig	29
11:00 am Bay Race: Tune-Up Race 	31	Tidelands Volunteers — FEBRUARY 7: John and Frances Budlong; 11: Jim and Rachelle Phillips; 14: Rosemary Jorgens - Carolyn Pye; 18: Bud and Janice Moore; 21: Tom Haynie and Adrian Smulders; 25: Mal and Julie Towery; 28: Blaine and Maralee Parkin. Alternates - Bob Pyeatt, Don Srack and Freddie Fernandez, Dick and Charlene Evans, Larry and Liz Salas.				

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