

MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB

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FROM YOUR COMMODORE

Ahoy Mates,

I can't believe how quickly time passes. It seems it took at least ten years for my high school years to pass and then just another 10 years for all the events of my adult life to pass. This year is no exception and it is time for me to seek a nominating committee in preparation for next year's slate of officers. If you have any recommendations for a likely candidates please let me know.

The Independence Day celebration was a blast. It was reported to be a little smoky during the actual fireworks display but that didn't dampen the good food, games and fellowship among members. Special thanks goes to Peggy and Bill Sanders and Sandra and Dale Foresythe for hosting. We had no reported problems this year with invading uninvited guests and most of that was do to the efforts of Bill Sanders and Ray Berndt who provided highly effective security for our gates and dock.

The Admiral and I made a first time trip to Huntington Lake for the High Sierra Regatta and had an absolutely wonderful time sitting lakeside in comfortable chairs watching the sailing event. We joined Max and Helen Sicher, and others, to form a cheering team designed to get the absolute most out of MBYC members who sailed in the races. I will leave the race details to the Bay Fleet Captains to report on elsewhere, and just say that I was impressed by our contingent of Bay Fleet sailors that took part. They all, in my opinion, were first place winners. Thanks also to all who welcomed us power boaters into their campfires and potlucks.

The Bomber, a classic by any standard, will be available to the highest bidder. It will go as is (less what we need for Bomber II-motor, steering gear, wheel, ladder, etc) to the member who provides the highest closed bid. Your bid can be given to any board member and the winner will be decided at our September Board meeting. If there is no interest in the Bomber it will be taken to the dump.

The Board is considering three issues for the November General Meeting:the purchase and installation of an elevator, making the Port Captain a member of the Board, and a dues increase. If you have opinions to share on any of these issues, please give me a call.

My treatments for cancer continue to go well. I am fortunate to be somewhat tolerant of the drugs. I don't get one of the nastiest drugs that I have received in the past and I am getting a large dose of a relative new drug that goes directly to the cancer cells without trying to kill me in the process. For vanity's sake this means thin hair not bowling ball bald. Number four of six is behind me. Nine

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Editor's Note: Submissions to the *Masthead* are due by the 21st of each month. You may e-mail your written material or digital photos to mbyc@mbyc.net or send them to Sharon Brooks . All submissions are subject to editing for content and space. We love your articles and photos! Thanks to all who contribute!

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HAPPY HOUR HOSTS

REMEMBER! In order for us to keep our liquor license, non-members are NOT AL-LOWED 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 Stewards, Manny Fimbres

or Peter Behman . 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 RESPONSI-BILITY to find a replacement. Perhaps you could trade with someone else on the Host List.

"SURPRISE!" From now on the club will furnish paper products and plastic ware for Host Night. Hosts tend bar from 5:30 to 7:30 pm AND serve snacks at 6:00 till 7:30.

If you make a change, please let Polly know.

AUGUST 2006

- 4 Dan and Ruth Lapp Duncan and Marlene McQueen
- 11 Doug and Kathleen Lowe Victor and Francoise Nigro
- 18 Alan and Carol Ann Stephens Karol Vogt, Michelle Voisenat Terry and Judy Weir
- 25 Bud and Janice Moore Bob and Laurie Neumann

SEPTEMBER 2006

- 1 Alan and Cleo Holz Carolyn Pye Charles Watson
- 8 John and Joyel Kunkle Lynn Meissen Skip Dyke
- 15 Tom and Bette Jenkins Lex and Lolo Budge
- 22 John and Donna Duffy Lee and Sue Drocco Dana Cummings
- 29 Alex and Stephanie Finley Manny and Lola Fimbres

OCTOBER 2006

- 6 Chris and Lynn Helenius Buck, Rosemary and Kathy Jorgens
- 13 Ray and Susie Berndt Jeff and Karen Cederberg
- 20 Bud and Janice Moore Julie and Mal Towery
- 27 Larry and Barbara Earl Doug and Cheryl Gould

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Greetings fellow members!

I am happy to announce our newest members voted into our club at the July board meeting. Please welcome **Harold and Carol Carden**. They own the Catalina 30 sailboat "*Chiara Mia*" and have been around the club volunteering with numerous activities. **Ken Ward and Linda Barnhardt** own the O'Day 27 sailboat "*Boomer*" and have been familiar to our club for many years and have joined us for many cruising, race activities. We are glad that they are finally members. If you see Harold, Carol, Ken, or Linda, please say "HI" and show them around.

Thank you to all to those who have the patience to go though the new membership process. I know that it makes more work, but the quality in new members we have brought in really shows. Thanks!

Tune in to next month's Masthead as there will be another handful of prospective members.

Hope you enjoy the summer on the water!

John L Schmidt Membership Chairman

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more weeks and I should be back to my ornery old self.

You may know that Karen Prewitt is undergoing treatment for cancer also. She is at treatment # 5 of a 12 treatment cycle and she and Dave are getting through the tough times one day at a time. A note of encouragement would be nice.

Until the sun sets over the yard arm.....

Jim Phillips, Commodore

People News

New Members:

Harold and Carol Carden (Member #254)

Owns: Catalina 30 Chiara Mia

Ken Ward and Linda Barnhardt (Member #255)

Owns: O'Day 27 Boomer

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FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE

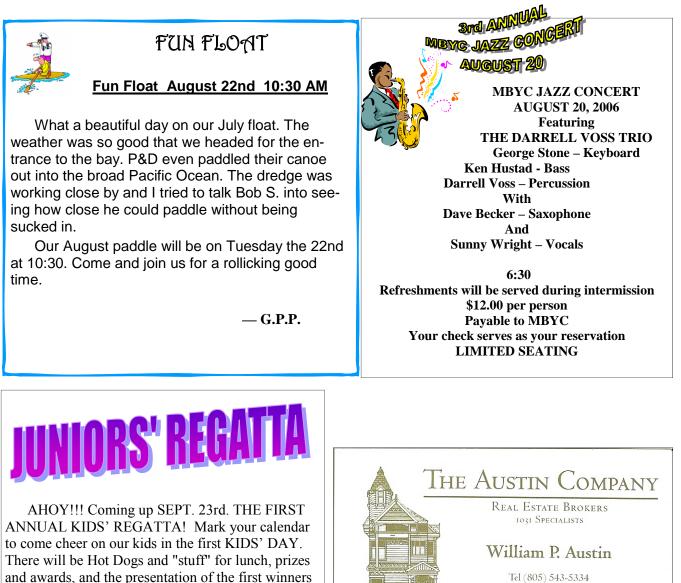


of this new trophy.

Okay, so the Bomber is back. But just temporarily, while the outboard and controls are put on the new Bomber "B-2". Then, we will say farewell as she'll go to the highest bidder.

Since I spent a glorious week with the family and numerous yacht clubers at Huntington Lake for the High Sierra Regatta, I've not much to report about the clubhouse (although I was happy to see it still standing when I returned.) Projects that need attention include repairs to the tarmac such as filling cracks in the concrete and replacing the curb on the bay side. So I'm putting the word out, again, for volunteers on these projects.

V.C. Dana McClish



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FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE



July has come and gone, and with it several races. At this time the Ocean Fleet has held one of their summer series with the second race tomorrow. Guayacan traveled down to Avila beach for a two day race. Lynn Meissen won the first day, against the San Luis Yacht club racers.

The Bay Fleet has traveled away to Huntington Lake and is now back again. Lido Nationals have transpired. Finally, Michael and Brooks Measures have traveled off to the Day-Sailer Nationals in Massachusetts.

Some members of the bay fleet have gathered together for a weekend here and there to have some sailing, non-racing fun. Among them Victor Nigro, Susan Wiley, Ray and Susie Berndt, Gail Condon, the Solls, the McClishs, Raines, and anyone else that can afford the time.

This weekend the Ocean Fleet is preparing for the second of the Summer series. There is a cruising class specifically for this series. Hopeful participants include Laura and Charlie McCarren, Larry Earl, Wayne Ratliff, Ron May, and hopefully some more.

This weekend we will also be trying out a skiff and catamaran class in the ocean as well. This fleet will sail Portsmouth and start ten minutes behind the Ocean Fleet for trophies of convenience. Hopefully we can start to develop this class a little bit more and see more small skiffs out on the water soon.

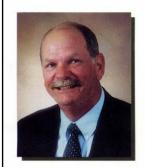
Daysailer Pacific Coast Champs are coming up in August, they will be held in Eugene, Oregon. International 14 Worlds are coming on September 5. They will be held in Long Beach, California. There is also an Aussie 18 regatta being held in San Francisco on August the 22nd. Plenty of races big and small on the horizon. The Ocean Fleet starts their Fall series in August and finishes their Summer series late July. The bay fleet will be off to Howard Prarie, and start their fall series.

Finally, Laser fleet champs will be held the third weekend of August. This should be a great show with all of the interest in Lasers, as of now.



The Bomber will be available to the member with the highest bid. Just picture it sitting in your front yard filled with flowers. Seal your bid in an envelope and give it to a board member. The bids will be opened at our September Board meeting and this fine piece of history will go to the highest bidder. The boat is without motor and name plate. Cheers Kevo





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FROM THE PORT CAPTAIN'S DOCK

Ahoy:

Work continues on the moorings and is proceeding well. We are seeing more transient boats coming to our dock. Please make sure that if you sign a transient into our log book that all of the spaces are filled out and collect their money in the envelopes provided. The new Bomber II will be placed into service shortly.

Jeff Davidson, Port Captain



Lido Fleet Championships

"To round the leeward mark: ay, there's the rub," said Hamlet (or he should have). The Lido fleet championships were notable for their leeward mark roundings as evidenced by the following:

"If you can't beat 'em, bash 'em," said Bob "Crash" Kizziar as he T-boned Pat and Dot Rygh after they rounded the leeward mark.

"Whee, this is fun," said Dot Rygh, "Let's do it again!" "You betcha," said Pat and off they went for a fourth lap in a three lap race, allowing Brian Watson to beat them to the finish line, much to the delight of the Lockwoods.

Later, "Crash" Kizziar came into the leeward mark on port while the Salases, Brian Watson and Jim Orth came in on starboard causing an unseemly Lido mating dance at the mark. This seemed to have caused the churlish race committee great amusement as their howls of derisive laughter echoed across the bay.

Meanwhile we had an occasional sighting of Tom Jenkins and Christina Campolmi at the start line but they soon disappeared after the start. Have they been practicing?



Jr. Yacht Club Member of the Month

Shannon McClish, age 9, has been a member of the Jr. Yacht Club for one year. Shannon hails from Morro Bay and is the daughter of Yacht Club Members Dana and Theresa McClish. Asked about what she likes besides sailing she replied, "Soccer, snow skiing and playing music" (viola). Shannon will be entering the 4th grade this fall. Her favorite subject is math.

Shannon is known for her expertise and helpfulness in rigging Optis. She is most noted for being part of the 'Opti Girl' trio.

Junior Report

We had six juniors join us at Huntington Lake for informal racing and fun with Optimists and Lasers. Conditions were postcard perfect. With consecutive days to sail, the kids seemed to make leaps in their sailing ability. It was hard for the adults to be dour about (some) racing results while watching the kids' post-race fun. Let's face it, the kids stole the show!

We have had an increase in the number of parents showing an interest in the club, viewing sailing as an activity for the whole family. I feel this can be a great asset to our club.

HIGH SIERRA REGATTA

Morro Bay Yacht Club was again well represented at the High Sierra Regatta held each year at Huntington Lake, high in the Sierras above Fresno. For many, it is an annual tradition that's hard to beat. And every year there is someone new that joins in the splendor of a blue, blue mountain lake with beautiful mountains, trees all around, and reasonably steady winds, considering it is lake sailing.

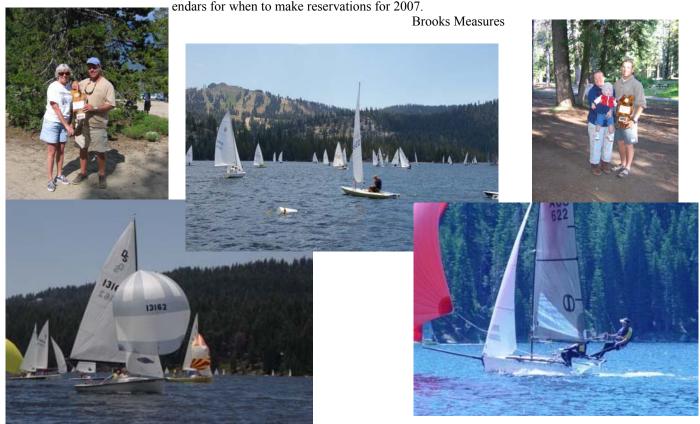
In early July and on the first weekend of the High Sierra Regatta, (July 8th and 9th, 2006) MBYC was represented by Lidos, Lasers, Day Sailers, Optimists, a collection of kayaks, canoes, and other small boats, and a cadre of shore crew to cheer the sailors on.

Early morning saw paddlers and others enjoying the quiet of the lake. Soon, it was the Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club with Optimists and Lasers, and a group of "advisors" on kayaks and Lasers to enjoy the lighter winds. The MBYC Juniors included Nathan Friedmann, Rory and Shannon McClish, Katherine and Elizabeth Soll, and Luke and William Woods (By the way, next time you see Lex Budge, just say "Lex, look at me, you're OK! ©)

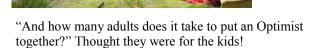
As the winds increased, the bigger boats (Lidos, Day Sailers, and Lasers) would set sail. On Thursday and Friday, some of the boats sailed to the far end of the lake for the traditional burgers and hoped for milk shakes. Later in the afternoon, as the winds settled down, the MBYC Juniors set out for more sailing, while most of the adults enjoyed a wonderful happy hour watching the juniors sail and a potluck of appetizers. Evenings found good food, friends, and campfires with a song or two, including a hearty round of 'Seven Old Ladies' (thank you Pat).

On Saturday and Sunday, the HSR racing was held. MBYC Lidos included Bette and Tom Jenkins, Jenny and Bob Kizzar, Kit and Don Lockwood, Jim Orth, Dot and Pat Rygh, Terry Hensley, and Bill and Kathy Minnehan. The Day Sailers included Lex and Lolo Budge, Gail Condon and Kevin Williams, Joe Fram and daughters, Theresa and Dana McClish, Tom Murphey with Tiffany, Angela and Mark Soll, Susan Wiley, Victor Nigro and Laura Masterson, and Michael and Brooks Measures. Laser sailors included Steve and Kenton Hendricks and Bruce Masterson. Trophy winners included Tom & Bette Jenkins with a third place in Lido A's, Kevin Williams and Gail Condon with a fourth in Day Sailers, and Kenton Hendricks with a fifth in Lasers.

The shore crew and supporters included our Commodore and his bride, Jim and Rachelle Phillips; Jim and Char Bruzenak; Skip Dyke with Betsy, grandson Cole, and Christina; Tammy Hendricks; Rosemary and Buck Jorgens; Marlene and Duncan McQueen and grandsons; Brian, Mary and Andrew Monroe; Dave and Alicia Shinn; Max and Helen Sicher, and an assortment of extended family members and friends. As always, everyone had a wonderful time and are marking their cal-









"Three Opti sailors How far are those adults?"

Address Changes:

Bob Hovey

Pat Hedges

Jeff and Karen Cederberg

Nancy Craig

Diane Mason

Jay and Jane Simonson

"Yes, the boats are ready, but we need to check the wind and the water...."

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MBYC Juniors on Optimists and Lasers with a couple of Fresno Flippers take a sail." Lido Championships start in background.

Address Corrections: Kevin and Heidi

E-mail Changes: Brooke Townsend

Resignations: William Pierce

Bill Ullum

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The postponed Devlin 2 was run on June 25 under the stewardship of Gail Condon while I was off getting beat up by other martial artists at Sonoma State. The Point Buchon course was used, and the winds decided to be light and fluky to provide maximum frustration for the crews. Four boats started, with *Whizbang* retiring due to a failed ignition and *Guayacan* and *Kiskedee* retiring for lack of wind. That left just Wayne Ratliff on *Voyager II* the winner.

Our race with the San Luis Yacht Club on July 1 was quite another matter. *Cherokee*, serving as committee boat, and *No Problema* (formerly Mitch Walker's *Limelight*) were late to the line, so we postponed by radio. The fog was so dense we never saw more than one of the competitors at a time. We also noticed one of the Coast Guard's lifeboats lingering east of the MB buoy. On our way back in we found that both Coast Guard boats were out, but we had only seen them alternately through the fog.

The wind really kicked up for the fleet by Point Buchon. *Diligence* clocked the wind at 30 knots. *Guayacan* completely rolled in their headsail and was reefing the foresail when the foot went overboard and began to draw water. *No Problema* ran 7 knots under bare poles for a while, then hit their personal best of 13 knots with only their smallest headsail. Once the boats reached Port San Luis the winds were cut off by the land, and they drifted to the finish. The high winds through most of the course favored our very own *Guayacan*, who finished first with *No Problema* second and Diligence third.

Summer 1 on the following weekend drew *Voyager II*, *Whizbang*, and *Guayacan*. The course was around Constantine and Mouse Rocks clockwise. The winds returned to light and fluky. *Whizbang* returned first, followed by *Voyager II* and *Guayacan*. The corrected times had no impact on the results.

The following Sunday Scott Swaaley, Larry Earl, and I just could not stay away from the water, so we got up early and reset our ocean mark. We used a 16 pound anchor with over 90 feet of chain and 260 feet of nylon line. The idea was to make it as heavy as possible while still being light enough to retrieve. We shall see. The three of us struggled until all the chain hit the bottom. We will be looking for a boat with a strong windlass or lots of healthy young deck apes to retrieve it in December. In the meantime, the buoy is floating on its side, so another trip to add some chain near the top is in order. Thanks are also in order to John Schmidt for getting the supplies at favorable prices, Wayne Ratliff for splicing the line to the chain and thimble, and the Board for approving the funds.

For the month of August, we are scheduled for a makeup or fun race on the 6th and Fall 1 and 2 on the weekend of August 12 and 13. Be on the lookout for news of a social activity following the race on August 12.

Greg Barker



Summer of '06 Learn to Sail

By Judy Salamacha

Each summer the Morro Bay Yacht Club offers sailing classes for beginners or novice sailors practicing their language and art of sailing while they hone their skills in Morro Bay. Past Commodore and the 2006 Director of Summer Sailing, Glenda Boatman encourages the general public to call her soon at 772-3981 to sign up. "Classes began the first week of June and go through September 14. They are filling up fast because the word is out about our great instructors for the 2006 sailing season. Of

course, both are U.S. certified.

"Maren Masterson has been sailing all her life. In fact, her most memorable sailing experience was crossing the Atlantic at a young age with her family. Maren calls San Luis Obispo home, but when she isn't sailing she attends the University of California at Santa Barbara and majors in anthropology.

"Stuart Watson is from Lake Oswego, Oregon and is attending Cal Poly majoring in business administration. He can't remember when he didn't sail. His most memorable sailing experience was also sailing with his family. One year during Spring Break they tried bare boat sailing in the Virgin Islands. You can ask him what "bare boating" means when you take his class and it probably isn't what you think."

Classes are open to the public from 8 years old to 80. Instructions are held at the Morro Bay Yacht Club at 541 Embarcadero Mondays through Thursdays from 10am to 3pm or two consecutive weekends. Depending on age the fee runs \$120 to \$175. Besides boating safety, the future sailors learn on-the-water centerboard instruction, how to rig and launch a boat, knots, and how to read wind direction and tide conditions. They also receive extensive practice with boat handling and maneuvering on the water.

Students 21 and under become eligible for the Morro Bay Yacht Club Junior Sailing program once they have completed the summer sailing program. "It is a great way to spend a week of your summer. And you learn a new skill you'll enjoy the rest of your life," says Glenda

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Hamburger Nights need volunteers to serve, tend bar, and clean up.

If you want to be updated between Mastheads, get on the ALIAS LIST by e-mailing Don LockwoodAsk to please be added to his list.

Do not leave club furniture outside.

If you have a guest, you must be present at the club with your guest.

Our WIFI address is for members and transient boaters only.

If you have a boat on one of our moorings please check your pendants. The club does not provide these and there are reports of warn and broken lines and even sea gulls' nests on some moored boats.

If you want to sponsor a prospective member be sure you know the sponsor's responsibilities. If uncertain, contact John Schmidt our Membership Chairman. April's 2006 issue (available online at MBYC.NET) of the Masthead outlines the membership process.

Bartenders and members are reminded to write clearly on tabs.

As it is NOW TOURIST SEASON <u>PLEASE KEEP CHAIN GATES and DOORS CLOSED</u>! People and children seem to view open gates as an invitation.

The old Bomber is up for bid-check the Masthead for details

If you open the bar you are responsible for it being locked.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS



August 4 Social Meeting



August 10 7:00PM Board Meeting



August 22 Fun Float 10:30AM



SEPTEMBER 94h



The Social Committee is forever grateful for Bill & Peggy Sanders and Sandy and Dale Foresythe for chairing the 4th of July activity.

The decorations were festive, the food was great, the games were fun, and there seemed to be just the right number of people in attendance. I know those who attended appreciated all the helpers' efforts. The helpers included: Lois & Kent Butler, Mike & Sharon Brooks, Manny Fimbres, Judy Adkison, Charlene Evans, Joni Wells, and Ray Berndt (and anyone else I failed to mention!). Thank you!



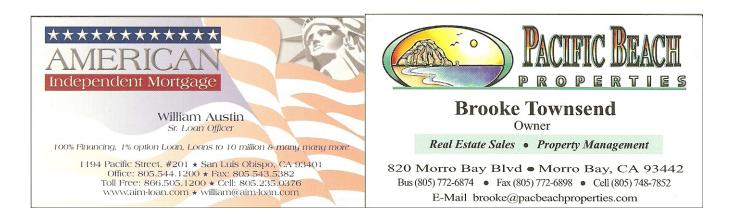
Check out the men's Chestnut Hill 1/4 zip sweatshirts with a collar. They are very nice quality, almost like a sweater.

Also new, is a selection of Ladies long sleeved polos in red, white, navy, and burgundy. Remember, we will take special requests.



Social would like pictures of members when they were in <u>HIGH SCHOOL</u> (copies please) for our 50's Party. Please give them to Rachelle or Sharon.

We can make copies for you and return your originals.



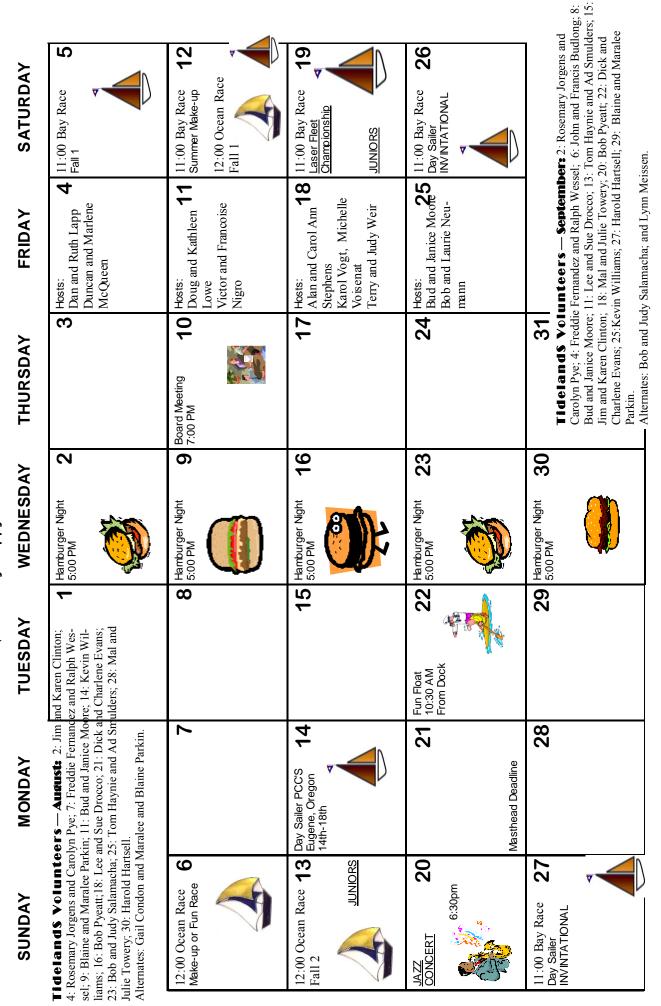
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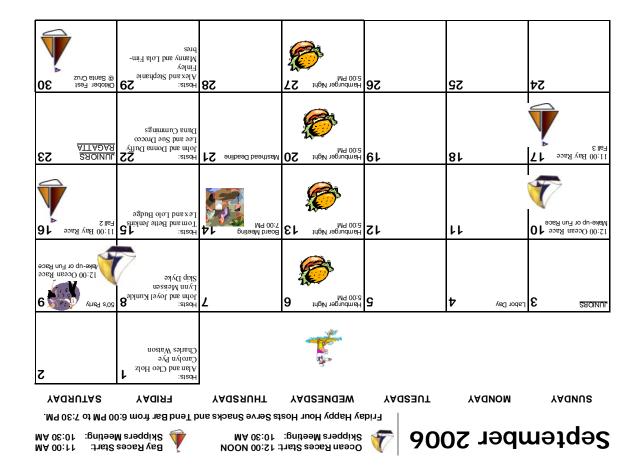


Ocean Races Start: 12:00 NOON Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM



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





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