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FROM YOUR COMMODORE

The clubhouse was well dressed. Blue blazers were everywhere. Tables were covered with delicious food. Rimfizzes and Bloody-Mary's were flowing. The jazz band was jumpin'. The bag-pipes were piping. Cannon's were blasting. Boats were parading. And the wind was howling. Yeah, that was the scene at this year's opening day festivities. I want to thank everyone for attending, and everyone who worked so hard to make this celebration a success.



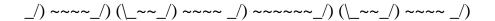
We had a quorum for our April General Meeting. We were therefore able to take care of some business, including vot-

ing in six life-memberships. Changing this process for life-memberships to make it a board decision was discussed, and we will probably see this as an agenda item for the November General Meeting. A polling vote was overwhelmingly approved for continuing with an elevator/chair lift for the club. So, look for more information on this item to be presented also at the next General Meeting.

The Accommodator Audrey and I, visited San Luis Yacht Club for their opening day as they celebrated 70-years. Also attending from MBYC, were Staff Commodore Jim Phillips and (now retired) Admiral Rachelle. It was great to visit with our yachting neighbors to the south and we discussed plans of joint club boating events.

Coming up: Cinco de Mayo weekend (May 5th and 6th), is the Big Rock Regatta, hosted by Morro Bay Yacht Club. This regatta is open to all Optimist Sailors and we look forward to welcoming participants from the north and south of us. That Saturday evening we will be serving a taco dinner for \$6. Club members are encouraged to join us for what is sure to be a festive weekend.

See you on the next tack, Dana McClish, Commodore



"If rightly made, a boat would be a sort of amphibious animal, a creature of two elements, related by one half its structure to some swift and shapely fish, and by the other to some strong-winged and graceful bird."

- Henry David Thoreau



Thanks for the great photos! — Rachelle Phillips: pg. 3 &7; Nia Schmidt: pg 3; Angela Soll: pg. 6; Dana McClish: pg 6; Barbara Earl: pg. 7 & 8; Dot Rygh: pg 8;



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 Barbara Earl.

All submissions are subject to editing for content and space.

We love your articles and photos! YOU make the Masthead wonderful! Thanks to all who contribute!

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 Steward, John Gajdos.

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.

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.

If you make a change, please let Polly know.

May 2007

- 4 Ray and Suzie Berndt Mike and Sharon Brooks
- 11 Rick and Claire Grantham Paul and Jessica Irving
- 18 Judy AdkinsonDon and Glenda BoatmanJim and Christy Hoxter
- 25 Pete and Beverly King Gerald and Erika Luhr

June 2007

- 1 Thor and Diana Ourston John and Kirsten Swift
- 8 John and Janice Tannenhill Lewis and Joni Wells
- 15 Pat and Sandy Hedges Greg and Jennifer Barker
- 22 John and Brooke Bodine Jeff and Sally Davis
- 29 Roger and Victoria Marlin Forest and Frances Martin

July 2007

- 6 Matt and Adrianne Jenkins Tom and Bobbie Jermin
- 13 Dennis and Anne Johnson Ron and Nancy May
- 20 Fred and Shauna Novy Tom and Marty Tidyman

- Polly Schneider

El Toro's Jack Johnson Memorial Day Regatta At Morro Bay Yacht Club

Attention: All El Toro Sailors, young Optimist Sailors, Supporters of Sailing, cheerleaders, and everyone who likes to picnic and enjoy a day in the sun at the club.

Date: Memorial Day, Monday May 28, 2007

Place: Morro Bay Yacht Club

Time: Skippers meeting at 10:30 A.M. Boats need to be ready at that time also. *Rules:* This event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing. *Eligibility:* Everyone with an El Toro is invited to sail, but only MBYC members may compete for the trophy.

Schedule of Races: A total of 5 races for the trophy will hopefully be held. Maybe 3 before lunch and 2 following lunch. (Winds will determine events)

Optimist Sailors: Separate races will be held for the skippers interested in racing.

Lunch will be provided for all sailors and will be sometime between noon and 2 p.m. Please furnish your own beverages. The committee of Rygh's, Gould's, Brose's, and Lockwood's will buy & get the hotdogs grilled, the chili and sauerkraut ready for any & all interested people. (They may even find time to start & finish a few races.) Everyone is invited, so bring your family and friends. A charge of \$5.00 will be requested for a non-sailor.

FUN FLOAT

Tuesday, May 15th, 10:00 a.m

Alas and alack, our kayaks are so small and the bay is so big, (especially when the wind is blowing 30 mph and gusting 100). Needless to say, discretion is the better part of valor.

On Tuesday, May 15th at 10:00 a.m., we will try again. We will paddle around the Bay and see if the April showers brought any flowers like blooming eelgrass or algae. Bring creature comforts.

G.P.P.

FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE



Greetings Yachties,

Well, it is official, as declared by Commodore McClish during Opening Day ceremonies, "Yachting Season is Open!" And what a spectacular opening day it was. Great music, exquisite brunch, boats, and clubhouse decorated and shining. It could not have been any more pleasant of a day.

It makes me even more proud to be a member of this closeknit family.

I would like to thank each and every one who attended the April General Meeting and assured that we had a quorum. It is great to see the troops rally to help discuss necessary club business. One item of interest that needed further discussion was that of an elevator. Even though the elevator proposal got voted down at the November General Meeting, many members were still interested in pursuing the concept. So, we had an informal survey of the attendees, of the April General Meeting, and the results were overwhelming. The vast majority of members were in favor of an elevator of some type. Due to the response, I will be forming a committee to explore designs, location, cost, and options, which should be present at the November General Meeting. We will keep the membership informed on progress, as we move forward. If you have any questions, ideas, or suggestions, please don't be shy. After all, this club belongs to every member equally.

I look forward to seeing you around the club and on the water,

John Schmidt Vice Commodore

> Commodore McClish & Vice Commodore Schmidt deep in discussion >>>>





Photos taken at the April General Meeting.

Potluck before meeting.

Below-John & JP Schmidt



<><>< Some attendees of the general meeting. Left to right. Barbara Earl, Laura & Charlie McCarren, & Jeff Davidson.





News from Daysailer Fleet 128

Daysailers:

Daysailer meeting: Initial plans for the August 17-20 Daysailer Pacific Coast Champion-ship combined with the Regional Daysailer Invitational Regatta were made at the meeting and dinner after the Spring 3 bay fleet races on April 21. If you weren't at the meeting but would like to help, please let me know. It's a big fun event to be involved with. Also revealed at the meeting were Michael Measures' exciting preliminary plans for our cruise on a lake with houseboats and sailboats.

Bay Cruisers:

The March 24th bay cruise was fun as we sailed to the mouth of the harbor until the swells turned us back; then maneuvered through low tide to the State Park Marina and back. As usual, the potluck food afterwards was delicious. Our next bay cruise will be April 29th -- will report on it next time. Mark your calendar and join us for upcoming bay cruises. All types of floating craft are invited:

Boat in the water and ready to leave the dock by 11:30 a.m. Sunday June 3rd--Tide is up-sail to the back bay-and picnic in the boat food Saturday July 29th -- Tide is up-sail to the back bay-and picnic in the boat food? Saturday September 8th-- Tide is up-sail to the back bay-and picnic in the boat food?

Happy sailing, Susan Wiley, Captain of the Daysailer Fleet

FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE

What did I say last month about an increase in sailing activity? Well I was wrong. There has only been one race day since last month's Masthead deadline. The Bay Fun race only had one boat show up even though PRO's Tom Murphy and Tiffany brought chocolate Easter bunnies and marshmallow peeps as prizes. Tom donated the goodies to the juniors who went on to have way too much fun. The Ocean Devlin #1 race was postponed due to fog, and as most of you know, Opening day races were doomed by the forecasted gale force winds.

But we did have a great Bay Spring #3 day. The fleet captains will tell the blow by blow details; the PRO's were Larry Salas and Liz, flagman was Doug Gould, and the crash boat crew was Don Lockwood and Kent Butler who did a sparkling rescue of a capsized Daysailer. The Seager Perpetual Spring Series was jointly won by Daysailer skipper Kevin Williams, Lido skipper Charles Watson, and Laser crewman Lex Budge.

Saturday May 19 is our target date for a multipurpose seminar on racing and Bomber driving. I think nearly every member of the club should seriously consider learning how to drive the Whaler and getting comfortable with it (as we were with the old bomber). In the next week or so, the old monster 4.7 giga-horsepower outboard engine will be replaced by a modest and relatively tame 50 horsepower unit so that the Whaler will no longer be capable of interstellar flight. We will have all-morning, individual instruction on starting, docking and maneuvering the Whaler (to be renamed MBYC Launch #1 or just 'ML1' for short).

Simultaneously, we will have session(s) on how to PRO a race. For all of you who have not PRO'ed or worked on a

bay race committee, I think this is a supreme opportunity to have fun working with a race, club members and racers; and to be a part of the sailing scene (without getting cold or wet). Most of the racers know most of this but you non-racers or racers in a different venue, I promise you that helping out on a race committee will be one of the most fun and rewarding things you do at the yacht club. Part of the magic of MBYC and Morro Bay is the closeness of the bay races and the clubhouse.



Also simultaneously, Ron Giddings will teach one or more sessions on racing rules. Ron is the quintessential rule teacher; the only danger is drinking too deeply from the purity of his understanding. I have asked Ron to talk about a couple of rules initially and then to do Q&A for the rest of the session(s).

So come out at 10:00 AM on Saturday May 19 and attend whichever sessions that you desire. It would help me in planning and staffing if you would send an email if you plan to attend. Include suggestions and comments. As an added benefit, you can watch the Juniors BYO boat day.

PRO's needed! We need a PRO and helpers for the Bay race on Summer #2 on 23 June and Summer #3 on 21 July.

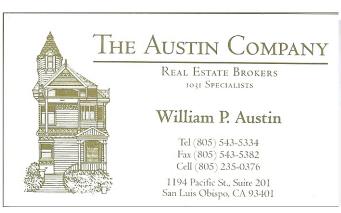
Wayne S/V Voyager II

FROM THE PORT CAPTAIN'S DOCK

Transient boats are starting to make their way through Morro Bay once again. If you are there when one comes to the dock, please sign them in, and issue a key, collect their money, and make sure all fields of the sign-in sheet are completed. MBYC has a tremendous reputation for hospitality with transient cruisers, let's continue with that long tradition.

Jeff Davidson, Port Captain







MEMBERSHIP NEWS





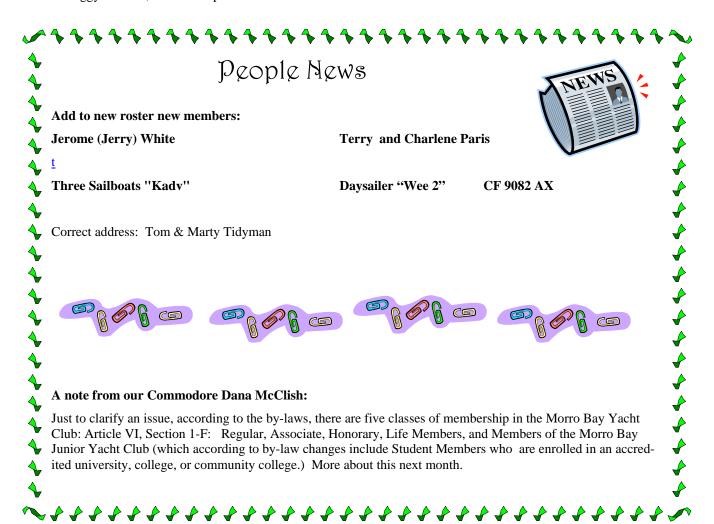
Wow, how windy and busy was April. A fun filled crowd at the General Meeting, granted Life Membership to six worthy members. Congratulations to: Randall & Faye Zeeb, James Koss, Mal & Julie Towery, Byron Gutheil, Rose Butler, and Doug & Barbara Riddell.

Opening Day was sailor to sailor, with members and guests, munching all the good food, and loving the fellowship. We did note that many members did not have name tags. It is a good time to remind you all how to get them: **There should be forms at the Ship's Store, or you can order them by mail, from Rachelle Phillips, or Email her**. The cost is \$10.00 for one line, \$15.00 for two lines. Include your names and name of a boat. If emailed, state that you would like to charge your account. It would be so nice if everyone remembered to wear a name tag. Helpful to new members too.

At the regular board meeting, in April, two new memberships were welcomed. It is reassuring to have such active new members: Jerry White and Terry & Charlene Paris. Some past members chose not to rejoin, but we have several new member applications in the works. See member news.

The new roster is about ready. We will be handing out the tear stained rosters at the Friday Night Social and mailing the rest. Thanks to everyone who helped put it together. When you get your roster, please help us out by checking your information carefully and letting the membership committee know if there are corrections. *FYI: Binders, for your roster, will be available for purchase.*

Bill and Peggy Sanders, Membership Chairmen



Summer-Time Means Hamburger-Time!

Hamburger Nights are just around the corner. They will be every Wednesday Night from May 30 (right after Memorial Day Weekend) through August 29 (right before Labor Day Weekend). Galley Chiefs Bob and Judy are looking for weekly crews to help set-up, serve, and clean-up. Sign-up sheets will be posted soon after Opening Day, but in the meantime, several of you have said you want to help

and we appreciate that. The Galley crew not only has a great time working (well, hardly working!!) and greeting and getting to know our members – new and renewed, but you also save \$5.00 on your meal that night. Please, sign-up and have a good time and a good meal, too.

Bob and Judy Salamacha



MORRO BAY JUNIOR YACHT CLUB

Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club Member of the Month: Monica Hoskins

Our Junior Yacht Club member of the month is Monica Hoskins. She is the youngest daughter of Ralph and Jill Hoskins.

Monica has been a member of the Jr. Yacht Club since January of this year. She was born in San Luis Obispo in 1997 and attends Pacheco Elementary School in San Luis Obispo. Her favorite subjects in school are math and creative writing. Monica's favorite thing about the Jr. Yacht Club program is sailing with her new friends and playing sponge tag! She is looking forward to the many months ahead where she can learn new skills.



First Annual "Big Rock" Optimist Regatta—May 5th & 6th

The Jrs have been hard at work honing their skills for our first annual Opti regatta. They have been learning about the rules, regulations, and who had the right of way in sailing. We are anticipating having several young sailors from both Northern and Southern California. There will be a sailing clinic on Friday, May 4th, from 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. taught by an experienced Opti sailor from Sausalito. After the clinic we will be having a special happy hour for all the guests coming from various clubs. DON'T MISS IT! We have had several members and non-members sign-up to sponsor a buoy for the race. If



you want to sponsor a buoy, or some other kind of equipment, for our program, please don't hesitate to call or email me. Don Lockwood will be PRO'ing the race and there will be several spectator boats, if you want to come and show your support for our Jrs.

Thanks again to the board members, parents of the JRs, and the coaches, for their constant support. We could not do the Junior program without you!

Angela Soll Junior Advisor





Picnic at Atascadero Lake

"Great Family Fun"
On Sunday, May 13th, 2007
at 11:00 a.m. to Whenever

Come one, come all. Bring your picnic baskets and favorite drinks, as well as a little extra to share with everyone, and have fun. Since there is now water in the lake, bring your El Toro's or whatever floats and sail in the wind. There will be Bocce Ball tournaments supervised by our ever-loving Duncan McQueen.

If you have any questions, please contact Bobbi Brose





SPRING SERIES BAY FLEET

Lido: 1st place -Brian Watson & Garrett Jolly

Laser: 1st place -Lex Budge

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Daysailer: 1st place -Kevin Williams & numerous crew

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Ocean Fleet News

The month of April was somewhat uneventful for the Ocean Fleet. The Devlin 1 was scheduled for April 1. Thick fog was covering the bay and Estero Bay at the time of the 10:30 skippers meeting and it was decided to postpone the race to a time with better conditions.

The race scheduled for Opening Day also was not held due to the high wind conditions that day. The Spring 1 and the Devlin 1 will be combined on April 22.

We have a plan for installing the club buoy and are working to get that done. When the buoy is in place we will once again have a good windward mark to use in our races.

Thank you to those who came out for the two races we were not able to sail.

John Michener, Ocean Fleet

Some photos of the Opening Day Ceremonies are on the internet at www.MBYCOceanFleet.com Boats that participated in the Opening Day Boat Parade.....



Ichiban, Awfalotta, Whizbang, Guayacan, Hilda B Sly, Jovita, Peggy D, & Jake







GENERAL MEETING: APRIL 7TH

Elevator— It was established by vote of the membership for our Vice Commodore John Schmidt to gather information regarding an elevator and present it at the November General Meeting.

The Treasurer Cynthia Wimer's computer was down so the first quarter financial report will be ready next week.

Life Members—Six members were given Life Membership status.

Rose Butler Byron Gutheil James Koss Doug and Barbara Riddell Mal and Julie Towery Randall and Faye Zeeb

BOARD MEETING: APRIL 12TH

Two new members were voted in, they are:

Terry & Charlene Paris Jerry White



The Santana 22 donated to the MBYC was sold with the money being split between the students (Juniors and the Summer Sailing program).

Cynthia Wimer has placed the first quarter financial reports in the library.

Policy Letter #20A was approved.

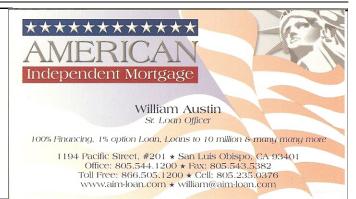
MBJYC dues were increased, retroactive to January 1, 2007.

Storage rate for the Opti's was set by the Board.





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MARK YOUR CALENDARS



May 4th Social Meeting 5 p.m.



May 4th Cinco De Mayo Happy Hour



May 10th Board Meeting 6 p.m.



May 13th
Mother's Day
Fun @
Atascadero Lake



May 15th 10:00 a.m. Fun Float



May 21st Masthead Deadline



May 30th Hamburger Night!!

Social Meeting: May 4th, 5 p.m.

Ahoy Mates!

What a great Opening Day! The weather, while windy, cooperated nicely and the program Dana McClish and John Schmidt put together was enjoyed by all. I saw smiling



faces all around. Dot and Pat Rygh made sure the club was festive with our ceremonial yacht club flags. Rachelle Phillips, Char Bruzenak, Susan Wiley, and Barbara Earl created a beautiful atmosphere with decorations and flower arrangements. We were fortunate enough to land Dave Becker and his jazz quartet to replace the Morro Bay Jazz band at the last minute. The music created a great mood not only up in the bar area, but it wafted out the windows and could be heard throughout the grounds. Manny Fimbres and the two Bills held down the bar, through many a pitcher of Bloody Mary's, while Thordis Seager and her mixology friend Kay Mulligan kept everyone happy with Ramos Fizzes—delicious!

Speaking of delicious, the social committee cannot thank those of you enough who brought food for our potluck brunch. The finger sandwiches, finger foods, deviled eggs and incredible desserts lasted all day. Judy and Bob Salamacha were fabulous in the galley, making sure the food looked great and was replenished quickly. Lola Fimbres, Theresa McClish and I burned off more calories than we could count running up and down the stairs to keep the food flowing. What a great workout!! The yummy punch, coffee and dessert table was overseen by Char Evans and Marlene McQueen. What a great team effort made by everyone to make this day so successful. All the greeters at the front door: our illustrious board of directors, Dot Rygh and Glenda Boatman; the welcome committee: Bill and Peggy Sanders, Helen Sicher and Judy Atkinson; and back gate guard duty: Roy Highland was all part of a huge volunteer effort. I hope I haven't left anyone out, because I am truly grateful for all the volunteers that signed up to participate in such a meaningful event for the MBYC. Bill and I are truly honored to be members of such a fine club. A quick reminder that our social committee meets on the first Friday of every month at 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise notified. All are welcome to join us at our next meeting, May 4th at 5:00 p.m. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Maryann Stansfield Social Committee Chair





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May 2007

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

Bay Races Start: 11:00 AM Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM

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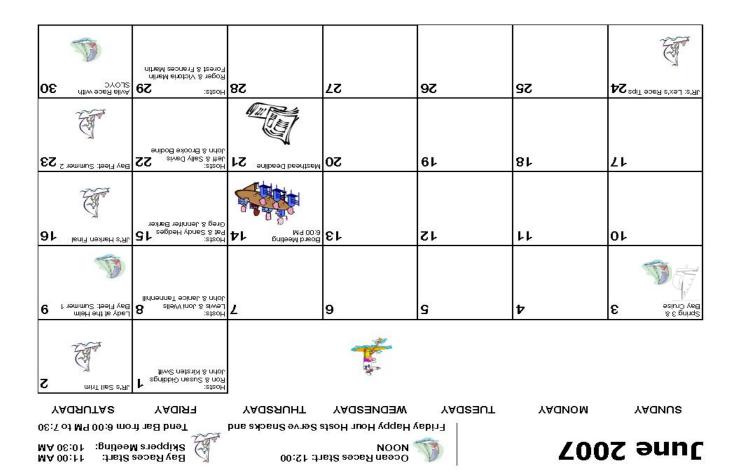
TUESDAY

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SUNDAY

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

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Ocean Fleet Spring 2	20 Mast	21 Masthead Deadline	-	5	22 23	24	Hosts: Pete & Beverly King 25 Gerald & Erika Luhr	Bay Fleet - Fleet Championships 26
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