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FROM YOUR COMMODORE - Greg Barker



This month's column is written from beautiful Occidental, California. No, I'm not being a smart ass, Occidental is actually quite nice. One of the particularly endearing features of where I am is that there is no cell signal, so I really can focus on writing my column during my down time.

I was surprised to discover that my column is getting broader distribution than promised by our editor-in-chief. Neighbors of mine who are members of the San Luis Yacht Club came up to me the other day and told me how much they enjoyed my letter, which turned out to be my January column. It was posted at the SLYC, apparently because the challenge of getting volunteers for positions of responsibility strikes a universal chord among yacht club officers.

It appears that it never ends, either. No sooner did I get the activities position filled when it came to my attention that we needed an Audit Committee. Fortunately, I was able to enlist **Chris Helenius** and **Steve Nukes** to assist **Treasurer Mary Monroe** with the audit this year. Now if the excitement of an audit committee is not sufficient to warrant them a beer the next time you see these folks at the club to thank them, I don't know what does.

It's never too soon to start thinking hamburgers, and **Galley Chief Brett Cross** was feeling expansive enough to organize Hamburger Night along with his other duties. Note the operative word: organize. Brett will not be chief cook and bottle washer: he will be coordinating volunteers. So those of you that have dodged the committee chair bullet be sure to sign-up when Brett asks for volunteers.

I was going to promote **Jayne Behman's** first social event on St. Patrick's Day, but it's already sold out! For those who cannot make this one, check out the Social Committee's column so you can line up with sleeping bags and lawn chairs the night before the next tickets go on sale.

This issue of the Masthead is our last opportunity to get information on the April general meeting out to the membership by mail. An agenda with the date and time details is provided in this issue. I'll send out a reminder via the *alias* closer to the meeting.

Greg Barker, Commodore

"...if it happens that I cannot have two lovely boats and become bitter, I shall sail around in the ugliest of boats I can find, looking at everyone else's nice boat, whilst they have to avert their gaze from mine." Colin Mudie

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Please e-mail your written material or digital photos to Maryann Stansfield at maryann@mentalmarketing.com

All submissions are subject to editing for content and space.

FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE - Pat Hedges



Greetings to All,

MARCH 19...I suspect the date is already on your calendar on your wall or entered into the calendar in your cell phone, but, just in case, March 19 is the day for our annual Work Day. And, if we experience inclement weather on that Saturday, April 2nd has been scheduled as our alternate work day.

I have been contacted by a few who are not able to make the 19th, so we will be doing some projects on other days. This will be especially beneficial for a couple of painting projects that we need to complete. I have noticed on past work days that paint and people don't seem to mix well, particularly if the wet paint may be where people are used to walking. Something about yellow shoe prints on red bricks...

It is with a certain amount of "I should know better than to

say anything", but the facilities around the club seem to be functioning well. Thanks to all who see little things that need to be done and take care of it.

For information to those who are required to have a serviceable fire extinguisher on board their boat, I will be scheduling the annual servicing of the club's fire extinguishers within the next month. I will push the date out via e-mail so that, if you so choose, you can have your extinguisher(s) at the club to have your annual service completed. This should help save you some time and travel from having to take the extinguisher in for service. This will also be an opportunity for anyone who may have a serviceable fire extinguisher at home to get it serviced and make sure it will function, if needed.

That's it for March, so far. As always, you may contact me at hedges101@hotmail.com or by telephone 434-1776 (h) or 441-0609 (c).

Pat Hedges, Vice Commodore

Editor Note:

If you would like to receive the masthead as a pdf in an e-mail, please send me your e-mail address at maryann@mentalmarketing.com and we'll add you to the list.

Congratulations to Bob Salamacha for being February's lucky winner of the 50/50 raffle, to raise money for the elevator.

Cheers,
Maryann Stansfield, Masthead Editor

FUN FLOAT

Thursday, March 17th, 10:00 am

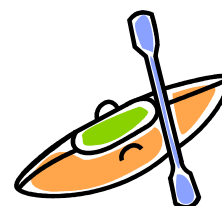
I have discovered how simple it is to break a drought: schedule a fun float **and** that will do it almost every time. But have no fear we won't **give up**. Our next paddle will be on Thursday March 17th at 10:00. Wear something green and bring a leprechaun with you.



It has been brought to my attention that some of the new members do not know what a fun float is (good grammar huh?) Just look around and find someone with gray hair and an intelligent face and ask him. Some people have requested that I give dates 2 months ahead of time in order for them to schedule their doctors appointments to avoid a conflict.

April date: April 1 at 10:00. Put it on your calendar.

Happy St Patricks Day
Your ever lovin
G.P.P.



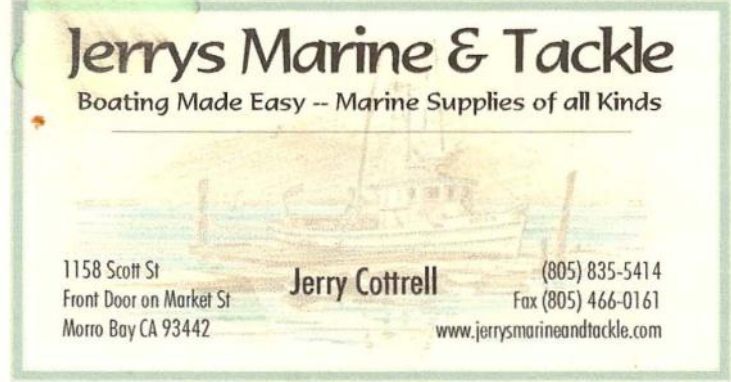


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HAPPY HOUR HOSTS

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,
Joe Huntsinger at:
joe@huntsingerinc.com
or 528-7115.

Everyone should be contacting the other people assigned with them to coordinate the Hosting Duties.

If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement. Perhaps you could trade with someone else on the Host List. Cynthia Wimer will be sending out reminders in the mail.

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.

March 2011

- 4 Paul & Marilyn Schmidt
Max & Helen Sicher
- 11 Pat & Dot Rygh
Tom & Gail Spencer
- 18 Brian & Kathy Egan
Dick & Charlene Evans
Bill Sanders
- 25 Tom & Gail Riley
Dana & Teresa McClish

April 2011

- 1 Rick & Corbie Von Stein
John & Janice Tannehill
- 8 Jim & Karen Clinton
Michael & Brooks Measures
- 15 Donna Arozena
Brent Knowles
Diane Mason
- 22 John & Kirsten Swift
Tom & Marty Tidyman
- 29 Lee & Sue Drocco
Brian & Shelly Granger

May 2011

- 6 Ted & Iris Jacobson
Peter & Jane Behman
- 13 Jim & Christy Hoxter
Todd & Joyce Hansen
- 20 Ron & Nancy May
Kent & Lois Butler
- 27 Tylor & Sarah Mason
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FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE—Bob Walker



The Bay Fleet completed their Winter Series with Winter III on Saturday, February 12. There were three Laser and 12 Day Sailors attending. Char and Terry Parris were the PROs and started the day's activities with a "fun race" that consisted of a relay race. The fleet was divided into teams of two boats each. Team Krossa and the Lasers were the winners. Nothing on the line except bragging rights. By the time the fun race was over the wind improved. Once again there was some good Corinthian spirit demonstrated. Kevin and crew demonstrated a roll tack in 6 inches of water. I am not sure we learned much from it, except don't follow Kevin. However, Walker and crew tried to improve on Kevin's technique. We found with quick thinking and bunch of GOOD LUCK, you turn down wind and sail off the sand. Don't try this at home. It can be hazardous to your center-board and rudder.

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Social Committee

SHARON AND JAYNE'S LITTLE FUN CLUB -MBYC'S SOCIAL PLANNERS

MARCH 17th's St. Patrick's dinner is a SELL-OUT. With over 40 tickets sold, this plated dinner will be the first of 5. Non-attendees will be "Green" with envy! Besides a scrumptious meal, the Irish theme will engulf our party-goers - we'll be dancing the jig. Remember, the fun starts at 6pm! (A Note to Duncan - Thank you in advance for wearing something under your Kilt!)

OPENING DAY will be even more festive this year with great food and music. Be sure to attend on Sunday, April 10th. If you don't have a blue blazer, check out the thrift stores. Jayne has to get one too!



SPAGHETTI FEED - Thursday, April 28th - Spaghetti Feed. This Italian Themed catered dinner will be a buffet style serving. The Bar will even have Chianti for purchase that evening. Only 40 tickets will be sold so be sure to sign up now! And while we eat - we'll enjoy some Opera and maybe even a short Italian lesson.

\$19.99 per adult

\$12.99 per child, 12 and under

Appetizers (served upstairs) : Green olives, Chicken wings, Bruschetta and Bread

Dinner:

Garlic Bread, Mixed green salad with a choice of 3 dressings [balsamic, ranch, thousand island], Spaghetti, Fettichini, Marinara Sauce, Alfredo Sauce, Meat Balls, Apple and Fig pork sausage, Hot sausage, Roasted Vegetables,

Dessert: Tiramisu, Coffee and Tea

LOOK FOR THE POSTER AND TICKETS AT THE CLUB FOR THIS NEXT DINNER EVENT.

Need information? Call Jayne at 234-3634

Just few photos from the days sailing.



Morro Bay Sea Scouts joined on the fun race and sailed with the B Fleet. They did a great job and took a third place. Team Krossa did a great job and placed second in the B Fleet. Then Tom and Cindy Fee finished first in the B Fleet. The truth: they finished better than several A fleet boats. What does that mean??



The laser winners were Steve Hendricks for first, and Mark Soll for second. There wasn't really enough wind for them to have much fun, but both seem to have smiles on their faces.



The order of finish for the day and the Winter Series are the same:

Dawn and Bret - Third Place



Carlton and Debrah - Second Place



Gail and Kevin - First Place



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On Sunday February 20 the Ocean fleet had the it's first race of the season. Ron May, Ocean Fleet Captain, was the PRO for the race. Ron divided 7 boats into two classes based on their PHRF rating. The Poseidon class, (with highest PHRF rating), included three boats: Dauntless, Evening Tide and Guayacan. The Neptune class, (low PHRF ratings), included Whizbang, Geranimo, Voyager II and Kiskedee. Considering the weather leading up to race day, **the sailing conditions weren't too bad.** Light winds and large swell predominated at the start of the race. The northwest wind filled in not long after the start which made for some cool temperatures, but good sailing. Lynn Meissen and crew took first in the Poseidon class and fourth overall. Bill Sanders and crew took second in the Poseidon Class and fifth overall. Lynn beat Bill by 30 seconds. Bill told me that **won't happen again.** My apologies to Bill and crew for not getting their picture.



Wayne Ratliff and crew placed third in the Neptune class and third overall. That is a VERY respectable finish concedering the handicap he was working with.

Second place went to Ron May and crew. This places them second in the overall ratings.

First place for the day went to Tony Gomez and crew on Geranimo. Just a casual observation, but take a look at how many young people it takes to defeat the **the "OLD" guys.** I am not sure but it seems to me that crew age and weight should be considered in the PHRF rateings. Just kidding!!!



At the end of the day there was plenting of eating and sailing stories. So if you are not doing anything on race day (see MBYC web page for schedule) come to the club around 3:00pm and join in the fun. For those of you looking for a little more excitement, come to the skippers meeting at 10:30. It is not uncommon for a skipper or two to be looking for additional crew



See you on the water

Bob Walker, Rear Commodore

For those of you looking to improve your understanding of the racing rules, try this WEB page.

http://www.ukhalsey.com/RulesQuiz/quiz_list.asp

MORRO BAY JUNIOR YACHT CLUB

We kicked off February with a fun day at Atascadero Lake – sailing, kayaking and picnicking. We had gorgeous sunshine and gentle winds. I hope to do more lake sailing day-trips this year – it is a good alternative when the tides in the bay are unfavorable and a nice change of scenery as well!! It is a bit more work, but gets easier with practice!

The weekend of Feb 12 – 13th, our road warriors and lasers were busy. Rory, Shannon, Audrey, and Andrew all sailed in Mid-Winters at LAYC. Our laser sailors headed out to nearby Lopez Lake for a Lopez Cup event put on by San Luis Yacht Club. Keiran Hansen took 3rd out of 17 boats.



All of this fun came before the gigantic rainstorm, so I think we got pretty lucky this month weather-wise!!

Our sights are now set on the upcoming Big Rock Regatta, March 26-27th. We have a couple more junior sailing days between now and then to hone our skills, so watch the calendar!

"There is NOTHING--absolutely nothing--half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats." Kenneth Grahame

Gwenn Krossa, Junior Advisor



Membership News

We have no prospective members to tell you about this month but that doesn't mean we haven't been busy. The 2011 roster of members and membership cards have been updated and printed, but because we don't get a break until we have 200 pieces of mail, we are waiting for the last of the memberships to be paid before they are sent out.

In the meantime, if you would like a small 3-ring binder for your rosters, please see the Ship's Store. John Kincade has a few and can get others as needed.

We have had four cancellations of membership. They are: Peter and Beverly King, Anne Meyer, Alan and Wendy Rackov, and Joe and Ski Recchia. Good-bye and warm wishes to them.

Your Membership Committee: Gail Condon and Cyndy Fee (co-chairs), Lynn Meissen, Rachelle and Jim Phillips, and Marty and Tom Tidyman

Gail Condon



General Membership Meeting

Agenda

Saturday, April 2, 2011

Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm

Meeting at 7 pm

Quorum Call

Close Bar & Request
non-members to exit

Call to Order

Pledge Of Allegiance

Roll Call

Acceptance of Minutes

Correspondence

Reports:

Commodore

Treasurer

Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore

Senior Director

Director

Committee Chair Reports

Adjournment

Dockwalker Training

Join us for a free Dockwalker training on Wednesday, March 23rd at 6:30.

Dockwalkers inspire and educate people about safe, environmentally sound boating and recreational use of the estuary. Whether on public marinas and docks or at festivals and other events, Dockwalker volunteers throughout California make an important contribution to improving water quality.

The upcoming training provides an overview of environmentally-sound boating practices, information about how to conduct Dockwalking efforts, educational materials to distribute including boater kits, and a video about clean boating in California. Anyone 15 and older can become a Dockwalker and the program can document community service hours.

Preregistration is required, and attendance is limited. Contact Shari Sullivan at the Morro Bay National Estuary Program at 772-3834 Ext. 13 or ssullivan@mbnep.org to register or for more information. The Dockwalker program is made possible by a partnership between the Morro Bay Yacht Club, the Morro Bay Harbor Department and the Morro Bay National Estuary Program.



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Welcome ALL Sailors and Yacht club members & friends. The Rygh's are scheduling another Principal Race Official and race starting sequence clinic on Saturday March 12, 2011 at 9:30 AM. Racers are requested to have their boats set up before 9:30 AM and attend the first part of this clinic.

We will practice and start 4 races during the Bay Fleet Spring 1 series. Come out and join the fun of being part of the race committee even if you don't race. We always need help on the deck as well as on the Safety Boat. C.U. March 12. Dot & Pat

March 2011



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.

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6 Juniors 	7	8 Board Meeting 6:00 PM 	9 	10 Hosts: Pat & Dot Rygh Tom & Gail Spencer	11 Hosts: Pat & Dot Rygh Tom & Gail Spencer	12 Spring I: Bay Fleet
13 Juniors 	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Dinner	18 Hosts: Brian & Kathy Egan Dick & Charlene Evans Bill Sanders	19 Workday
20 Winter III: Ocean Fleet 	21 Masthead Deadline	22	23	24	25 Hosts: Tom & Gail Riley Dana & Teresa McClish	26 BIG Rock Reg: Bay Fleet
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"Boats, like whiskey, are all good."
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SATURDAY

Tidelands Volunteers — APRIL

APRIL 1 Jorgans/Pye, 8 Meissen, 15 Moore, 22 Romero, 29 Salamacha, 4 Smulders, 11 Williams, 18 Clinton, 25 Evans, Alt for April Condon/Eckles.

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<div> <div>FUN FLOAT</div> <div></div> </div>						
<div>Founders Cup</div> <div>3</div> <div></div>	4	5	6	7	<div>Hosts: Jim & Karen Clinton Michael & Brooks Measures</div> <div>8</div>	9
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