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FROM YOUR COMMODORE - Greg Barker



I will lead off this month by attempting to dispel the confusion I probably created with Wednesday board meetings this year. It was pointed out that this would pose a conflict with Hamburger Night during the summer, so I scheduled two board meetings on Thursday. The July board meeting is on Thursday, July 14th! Rest assured that we will not interrupt access to the bar on Hamburger Night for mere business matters.

Speaking of Hamburger Night, the grill was hot and the beer cold for the kick-off on June 15th. If you have not had the pleasure of partaking of this summer ritual by the time this Masthead arrives at your doorstep, clear your Wednesday dinner calendar and join us at the club for burgers grilled to your personal standards (because you maintain quality control by doing it yourself). And don't forget, those who enjoy also have the responsibility to serve. Brett Cross has sign-up sheets for volunteers to help out posted at the club. I will have done my turn by the time you read this.

The 4th of July is coming up, and the Social Committee has plans to decorate the club for the weekend. There will be a bring-your-own-meat barbecue on Independence Day, and you can watch the glow of the fireworks through the marine layer after the sun tucks behind the fog. Bring a salad or side dish to share and figure on showing up for a late lunch or early dinner, depending on your inclination. Being a man of tradition, I'm going to follow one established by my recent predecessors and limit club access to members and their immediate guests (considering the crews of transiting boats as our guests). This is to prevent all of those nice actors from the Capital One commercials from entering en masse and overloading our decks. Please wear your name badge and get your guests signed-in and do the same. Then let's have fun out there!

I want to thank a couple people who helped out recently with facility issues while Vice Commodore Pat Hedges was traveling the wrong way along the Baja California coast. Staff Commodore Lynn Meissen coordinated with the plumber to get the annual inspection of the backflow preventer completed. I should also mention she has been holding our Summer Sailing program together after the primary instructor quit a couple of days before classes were scheduled to start. Do you get the impression that staff commodore truly is a glorious position? Harold Hartsell and Staff Commodore John Michener quickly responded when the club's internet modem died and our wifi went down. Thanks to these and the many other volunteers who keep the club running solely for the unselfish purpose of making the commodore look good.

Greg Barker, Commodore

"My health having suffered by long and close confinement, and my oppressors being resolved to deprive me of property or life, I submit to robbery to protect myself from murder, in the hope that I shall live to bring the delinquents to justice"

— Admiral Lord Cochrane (*The Autobiography of a Seaman*)

Editor's Note: Submissions to the Masthead are due by the 21st of each month.

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



iHola amigos!

As I mentioned in the June edition of the Masthead, I was heading down to La Paz, Baja California Sur, to join member Darrell Erickson and one other crew member to bring Darrell and Sarah's El Tiburon up to San Diego.

We accomplished our effort with minimal bashing and a fairly enjoyable ride. Fresh tuna and some delicious pre-prepared meals, along with some authentic Mexican food added to the enjoyment. We only encountered one real speed bump in the whole trip, not counting all the speed bumps (topes) while driving through towns on the way to La Paz. While stopping in Ensenada to check out of the country, a "seasoned" immigration official was very sympathetic when he informed us that there were some non-specific problems with our documents. That was the bad news. The good news was he could probably fix these unidentified problems. With that, he opened his desk drawer and looked away, allowing Darrell the opportunity to pay the "fix-it fee". Riding a few less pesos higher in the water, we

sailed off, arriving in San Diego on June 8th.

It was good to see that things remained in pretty good shape around the club while I was gone. A couple of reports came in regarding a malfunctioning garbage disposal, and I appreciate the effort of Joe Huntsinger and Brett Cross for working together to remedy the problem.

The club activity calendar posted on the first deck has been updated to show changes for the remainder of the year. A couple of race changes, a Junior Yacht Club sleepover and one or two other changes are posted. Thanks to all of you for bringing any of these changes to my attention.

With that, I am going to start working on my slide show of my trip driving down to La Paz and sailing back up to San Diego. I hope to be able to present it at the next General Meeting in November...NOT.

Enjoy the summer and I will see you around the club...and don't forget Hamburger Night Wednesdays.

Pat Hedges, Vice Commodore

Tidelands Park Volunteers Needed

We need a few more volunteers to help with the Tidelands Park Cleanup. It is fun, easy, and a wonderful way to keep our town and bay looking as good as possible. Better yet, it's only one day per month and is a really enjoyable time in the park. Please call or email our Tidelands Park coordinator Jeff Eckles for more information and to get on this most coveted of rosters at 800-396-6910 or jeff@eckleswealth.com. And a special note of thanks to our current volunteers who are doing a wonderful job. Thank you and we appreciate you!

FUN FLOAT



Please join us for our

FUN FLOAT WED. JULY 13, 10:30 AM

Our June float was just tremendous. We had wafting winds and wavy waves. 11 of us were bathed in the beautimous of the day.

Just as there was a snake in Eden our bay seems to be invaded by an alien life form. Large patches of algae looking plants were quite visible. If you can solve this mystery please share.

July's float will be on Wed. the 13th at 10:30.

Your ever lovin

G.P.P.

P.S. August float will be on Thurs the 11th at 10:30



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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.

July 2011

- 1 Keith & Lynne Valley
- Dennis & Rosemarie Boertje
- 8 Sharon & Dave Bufo
- Ron and Nancy May
- 15 Ken & Linda (Barnhart) Ward
- Brian & Gail (Bruce) Crow
- 22 John Duthie
- Freddie Fernandez
- Tom Murphey
- 29 Jack & Barbara Keely
- Fredrick Novy
- Cynthia Wimer

August 2011

- 5 Judy Adkisson
- Susan Wiley
- Al & Mary Romero
- 12 Mark & Maggie Goldberg
- Lex & Lolo Budge
- 19 Leslie & Shields Abernathy
- Roger & Sandy Shervington
- 27 Harold & Elena Hartsell
- Bob & Jenny Kizziar

September 2011

- 2 Don & Gail Phares
- Hal & Carol Carden
- 9 Bill Austin
- Brian & Mary Monroe
- Carolyn Pye
- 16 Wayne & Glen Renee Ratliff
- Dave & Alica Shinn
- Steve Nukes
- 23 Gerald & Kathleen Ashenbrenner
- Skip & Sandy Barnhart
- 30 Joe & Dawn Huntsinger
- Rick & Corbie von Stein

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FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE

- Bob Walker



May had a very full racing schedule with more than our share of wind, which now, however, has been replaced with "June gloom".

OCEAN FLEET NEWS

The leadership of the ocean fleet has changed with the resignation of Ron May as fleet Captain due to health reasons. John Michener has agreed to fill the position. The Ocean Fleet has started and completed their Spring Series.

Here is a terrific description of the Ocean Fleet's **Spring I** Series race provided by port captain and race participant Wayne Ratliff:

It was an amazing day. The club mark was in place. Three boats entered, Voyager II, Geronimo, and Beauty, a J-130. We started ala Bermuda in very light air; Voyager was completely stalled shortly after her start. The wind started picking up in 10 minutes or so to a pleasant 10-15 kts true, although variable in direction. Later the winds built up to 20-22 kts true.

The last leg got interesting when Voyager caught up to and passed Geronimo. Geronimo tried to set a spinnaker but had problems. After apparently fixing their issues and about two boat lengths behind Voyager, she broached out of control. They tore their spinnaker to shreds and were unable to cross the finish line. We tried to offer assistance but none was needed. They eventually got under full control in the lee of MB rock.

Beauty finished on the wrong side of MB-1 but I awarded them 2nd place anyway since they are new to the venue and may have misunderstood the race instructions. Later, at the dock, a transient boat crashed into Geronimo from behind. No injuries but Tony's backstay was damaged. I called the Harbor Patrol who made a report. They indicated that the club (AKA Port Captain) did not need to take any further action. Early in the race Geronimo ripped a jib. Not a good day for Tony.

Only two boats participated in **Spring II race**. Both boats raced with very small crews, the Skipper, and one crewman. The winds were light and variable. Guayacan withdrew from the race due to mechanical problems. The adjacent picture was taken from Guayacan's deck. As the only boat that finished the race, Team Morris on Baloo was awarded first place.

Spring III, the final race in the Spring series, was held Sunday, June 19, 2011. That's Fathers Day!! Who is in charge of the racing schedule? Three boats started the race and one finished. Team Muther on Evening Tide was first place.

After settling a three way tie Series trophy was awarded to Team Muther.



BAY FLEET NEWS

The Bay Fleet attempted to conduct the Lido Championships, Day Sailer championship, Jack Johnson Memorial, and Summer II during the past month. The Fleet was really unlucky Memorial Day week end. The Lidos were scheduled to have their fleet championships on Saturday, May 28 with weather predictions of very strong winds. By Friday afternoon most of the Lido fleet had called the PRO (Pat and Dot Rygh) to say they were not racing. The wind prediction for Sunday was no better, but the Day Sailers were hoping things would improve and had their boats in the water ready to race. By the 10:30 skippers meeting the sustained winds were above 20 mph, so the PRO reviewed the race instructions and canceled the race. Everyone was disappointed, but no one disagreed with the decision to cancel the races. Thanks to all the volunteers who were at the MBYC ready to help.





For Monday's Jack Johnson Memorial, two El Toros and 6 Optis raced. We were able to run two races before the winds increased to the point we could not safely race. Keiran Hansen placed first, Michael Measures came in second place.

The Lido Championships have been rescheduled for Saturday, August 6 and the Day Sailer Championships are scheduled for Sunday, August 7.

The following pictures tell the story of the Bay Fleet's Summer II race. It was a great day just to be on the water, not to mention



Great Racing, all the way to the finish line.

On your mark, Get set. GO!!



Carlton! Why are they yelling at us??

It might be that PORT-STARBOARD THING!!!

Three Lasers ready for the start of their second race.





DAY SAILER B's RESULTS

1st Place Team Fee
2nd Place Team Gorey
3rd Place Team Smirl



LASER RESULTS

1st Place Mark Soll
2nd Place Steve Hendricks
3rd Place Cameron Wright



DAY SAILER A's RESULTS

1st Place Team Williams
2nd Place Team Paes de Barros
3rd Place Team MacDonald



Bob Walker
Rear Commodore

Lost and Found From the Laser Corner

Better late than never...Lex Budge finally received his Laser Cups Perpetual Award for the Laser Slalom that took place in October of 2010. Not only was it decided that the winner of the award shall wear it for the next Slalom race that will take place this September, it was decided that the winner of the award shall wear it anytime lasers meet. Lucky for us, Lex is not shy when it comes to wearing unusual garments.

The last time we got together (after we persuaded Lex to please take off the Laser Cups award) I placed it in the trophy case in the foyer. It was my intention that I would take it out as soon as anyone objected. Bob Walker admitted that he fondled, I mean folded it and stashed it away out of sight but someone else has taken it upon themselves to remove it and put it in some place unknown to us. Whoever removed it is not busted; on the contrary, we will gladly give them all the support that they need to return it.

We don't want to make mountains out of mole hills, but, has anyone seen Lex's Trophy Cups? We'd like to be kept abreast of the situation,

Thank you,
Dawn, Laser Fleet Captain





Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club



All clear! Optis at the start at the Jack Johnson

Hi Juniors!

Summer is officially here! Burger nights are on, and we hope to be out sailing most Wednesday afternoons before burgers! We will NOT have wet Wednesday sailing on July 6th, due to many of us being already out of town for the High Sierra Regatta at Huntington Lake.

If you have any last minute questions or issues regarding Huntington, please give me a call! It is a lot of work to get ready to go, but so worth it!

We also have one regular weekend Junior Sailing day in July on the 24th.

Ships Store

We have new inventory available for sale at the ships store starting this Friday at Happy Hour. We have just received about 150 new tees, long sleeve tees, tees with pockets, polos, sweatshirts, zipped hooded sweatshirts, baseball caps and youth size sweatshirts and zipped hoodies. I have tried to keep prices affordable, sweatshirts are only \$25, tees \$15, polos \$25, etc. The half-price sale will continue for the old inventory. See you there.

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MBYC Social Committee

July 1st we decorate the club at 5pm for July 4th.

The club will be opened for July 4th should you want to Bar-B-Q your own dogs etc.. Just for the fun of it, bring a side dish of finger food for 8. This will be an unmanned pot luck for all who want to par-take. Place the shared surprise dish on the long table upstairs. We'll put table cloths and paper plates plus napkins upstairs. The Bar will not be formally manned - we're just counting on our members to be there, and helpful.

The next dinner is August 4th - a fish BAKE (rather than a fry!). Don't like fish - well, we'll have lots of veges for you. Cost is \$19.99 for members and \$24.99 for non members. Please email Jayne if you are interested, more info will be at the club.

With Greg we are working on the Commodore's Ball that will be held right here in Morro Bay. Don't even think about NOT going. It's a really fun evening of food, drink, dancing and kidding with the members that serve.

Have a safe and happy 4th if we don't see you - Jayne and Sharon
got questions? give either of us a call.

FROM YOUR OCEAN FLEET CRUISING CAPTAIN - Paul Irving

Hello... Hello - Any cruisers out there??

Well, we're halfway through our 2011 cruising season, and we've successfully completed two cruising events. We had a nice heavy air sail up to San Simeon on 4/30. 2 boats participated: Voyager II (Wayne Ratliff) and Training Wheels (Truman and Lauren Prewitt). The Prewitts found the 25+ kt winds and a steep, short sea to be a tad unsavory for their Coronado 25, and returned to port. Voyager II kept on trucking uphill and enjoyed a fantastic night in the anchorage. I was unable to personally sail up, so I hitched a ride on land with a kayak and surf launched just in time for cocktails, dinner, a night on the hook, and a great sail home.

On June 10-12, Voyager II was the sole representative vessel from MBYC to enjoy a warm welcome from our yachting friends at the SLYC. We started off motoring around 11:00 AM on Friday, and a few miles out the wind started to build. When we got down to Pt. Buchon, we had a stiff 20 kt+ breeze on our back and surfed with consistent 8-10.5 boat speeds. A nice trip in under 3 hours! We had a great time as guests of SLYC, including a complimentary mooring and drinks for happy hour. Andrew Wise and myself represented by closing Mr. Rick's down, and were surprised to come back to the boat with the Voyager II deep into philosophical musings!

One question comes to mind: Where the heck are the rest of the MBYC ocean sailors? If you have an ocean worthy vessel and like to sail, you will have 1 more opportunity to redeem yourself for the 2011 season: THE 2011 ZONGO YACHTING CUP IS ON 8/19 FRIDAY! Before the event details, here's a MAJOR CHANGE in the Cruising Calendar: Originally, our Santa Cruz Island trip was scheduled to depart 7/12, but due to technical difficulties, Voyager II is out of service until mid-July, so we're rescheduling the trip. It will now depart from Avila Beach on August 20 after the Zongo Cup. I will be contacting you for your RSVP to either or both events.

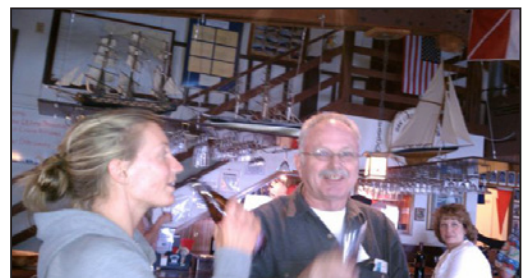
Here's the schedule for Zongo Cup:

- Thursday, 8/18: Pre-party at Otter Rock Café with Zongo-hosted Superjam!
- Friday, 8/19: 8AM: Breakfast at the club, courtesy of Brian Crow (celebrating the 75th birthday of S/V Rogue!)
- 9:00 - Skippers Meeting
- 10:00 - All vessels off the dock
- 11:00 - Start (usual start at MB1)
- 4:00-8:00 - Zongo All-Stars on the boardwalk in Avila (foot of the pier)
- 6:00 - Awards ceremony at SLYC
- 8:00 - The Kicks (reggae) at Mr Ricks
- 10:00 - Native Elements (11 pc reggae from SF)
- 12:00 - Super Jam (combining 5+ bands!)
- wee hours until sunlight - afterparty at SLYC!

I look forward to some robust participation in these last two events of the season. To RSVP, please call Paul Irving at (805) 441-3344, email at paul@zongoallstars.com, message me at facebook.com/mbycocoean, put your message in a bottle headed for the back bay on an incoming tide, etc.

Thanks & see you out on the water!

Paul



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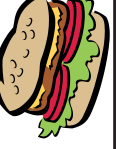


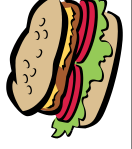


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"I had to sink my yacht to make my guests go home."
- F. Scott Fitzgerald

August 2011



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