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## FROM YOUR COMMODORE

Patrick Hedges



### STOP! LOOK! REVIEW!

Please take one minute to review the current roster before you read further. The 2012 roster will be going to print soon and this will be the last opportunity to make any changes or corrections. You can e-mail changes to Membership via Gail Condon or mail in the Update form found in January's Masthead. Please help us to keep the roster and membership information up-to-date. If no e-mail address is listed for you, please advise. Thank you

The Board took action at the January board meeting to approve the Dervin's as our newest members and to grant life memberships to the Butler's and the Schwenoa's. Congratulations to all.

An additional item that the board took action on was to adopt a payment plan for club initiation fees. This is important for everyone to know so when you speak with prospective members you can explain the plan. Rather than the total \$750 initiation fee being due upon submission of the application, a check for not less than \$150 is submitted with the application. Monthly payments of not less than \$100 are to be made until the balance is paid. This board policy was adopted in accordance with the club's by-laws, which allows for payments over a period not to exceed 6 months. Hopefully, this plan will assist each of you as you recruit new members into our club.

As a matter of information, the Budget Committee will be meeting on February 4th at 10 am at the club. We will be setting the proposed budget for 2012 as well as reviewing the final income and expenses of 2011. The proposed budget will go before the board for adoption at the February board meeting.

A great discussion during the January board meeting was about how familiar, or not familiar, some members may be with the MBYC Policy Letters. I encourage you all to review and become aware of the various policies. The Policy Letters are on the club's website member page and also in the bookcase at the club. There will not be a test but I may have a pop quiz for a few select members. Happy reading.

Finally, thanks to the unsung heroes of the club who have volunteered to chair or participate in committees, handle assistant port captain duties, do cleanup at Tidelands Park and jump in when help is needed. It's a team effort and everyone, working together, makes it happen. Thank you.

**Patrick Hedges, Commodore**

*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](mailto:maryann@mentalmarketing.com)*

*\*All submissions are subject to editing for content and space.\**



## FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE

Bob Walker



Again, we owe a special thanks to Bob Smirl who continues refinishing the bar. I expect the work on the stairs to continue in the next week or so. If any of you would like to get involved, there is plenty of work and we would be glad to share.

I have spent much of January learning the duties of the Vice Commodore. As I look around the Club it is apparent that there are a lot of things we can spend our time and money on. The possible projects range from some aggressive cleaning to repair and replacement of decking, siding, and stairs. In the next week or so I plan to post a list of projects that we would like to complete BEFORE our annual workday. If there is something you think needs attention, I would be glad to talk with you.

An update on the "gangway" project: Pat Hedges and I have met Morro Bay city officials to get a better understanding of how city permitting, ADA requirements, and Coastal Commission regulations apply to our project. We know a lot more than we did a few weeks ago and I think with a few changes in the plan, we can meet all the regulatory requirements.

Now to a more serious issue. Frequently, the sewer line serving the men's "head" gets plugged. The plugging seems to be a random occurrence. There have been several suggestions on how to identify the person or persons associated with these events. These suggestions include in no particular order: install surveillance cameras, install fob-activated locks, and finally, conduct a statistical analysis to determine if there is any correlation between these events and "Meatless Monday". I am still evaluating our options and will keep you informed. In the meantime, there is a "plumbers helper" available in the men's room.

**Bob Walker, Vice Commodore**

# EXTRA! EXTRA!

This new section will hold a regular spot in the masthead so the membership committee can keep you all informed of changes to phone #s, emails, and new additions throughout the year. Please be sure to mark your roster with the changes provided.

MBYC Resignations: Judy and Bob Salamacha

## FUN FLOAT



### Fun Float FEB. 8th. Wed. 10:30 AM

We started the New Year with beautiful weather and warm temps. For February (the month of Presidents and G.P.P.) we will sally forth on Wed. the 8th at 10:30. Be prepared to share with others all the New Years resolutions that you have already broken.

Be Kind to your friends in the swamp.



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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.

### February 2012

- 3 Roy & Bev Gammill  
Matt & Adrienne Jenkins
- 10 John & Kirsten Swift  
Ken & Judy Riener
- 17 Mark and Angela Soll  
Bob & Barbara Schwenoha
- 24 Truman & Lauren Prewitt  
Steve & Tammy Hendricks

### March 2012

- 2 Bill & Joyce (Hunter) Cockrill  
Dennis & Anne (Bernardo) Johnson
- 9 Patrick & Michele Gorey  
John & Judy Michener
- 16 Andrew & Marrie Brown  
John & Wendy Mitchell
- 23 Matt & Jacqueline Piper  
John & Betsy Stenger
- 30 Jim & Bobbie Brose  
Mike Weber  
Alan Racko

### April 2012

- 6 Russ & Sally Williams  
Mike & Deborah Peck
- 13 Adrian & Helma Smulders  
Charles Watson  
Gary Raine
- 20 Donna Arozena  
Diane Mason  
Carol Vallely & Clayton Schmidt
- 27 Gary & Joyce Granneman  
Jerome White  
Peter & Anita Rothenbueker

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## FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE

Dawn Huntsinger



Ahhhh...Morro Bay in the wintertime...who could ask for more beautiful weather? I just wish there was a breeze to power our sailboats. The first race of 2012, the Hangover race, was held with the juniors on deck and in the safety boats doing a great job organizing the adults. **Shannon McClish** was the PRO with **Keiren Hansen** and **Rory McClish** driving the safety boats. Also helping were **Keiley Hansen, Audrey McClish and Andrew Monroe**. We had a good turn out with 12 Day Sailors, and if there were any hangovers, we didn't hear about it. Maybe the sailors were quietly nursing their heads in the light winds. Linda McDonald said it looked like the race was being held in slow motion. The last place winners received a ration of Advil because they surely had a headache after that day!

Another leisurely racing day was Winter II. Our dock was full with 11 Day Sailors, 4 Lasers, and a C15. The breeze would start to look promising but once the race started it would lay down. While some thought it was a good day to practice roll tacking others thought it was a good day to pull their boats out and watch from the dock. Immediately after the second race started the wind died down (again) and some of the racers were asking the PROs to abandon, but the best they could do was to shorten the course. One good thing about light winds is that you get to talk with your friends. Whether it was sailing advice or good natured ribbing there was lot of chatter on the water.

**Results:** Congratulations to these teams that won!

Race	Fleet	1st	2nd	3rd
Hangover	Bay Fleet	Kevin Williams and Gail Condon	Tom and Cyndy Fee	Dana and Teresa McClish
Winter II	Bay Fleet Day Sailer	Tom Tidyman and Bob Smirl	Carlton Smith and Deborah Paes de Barros	Dan McDonald and Karl Deardorff
	Bay Fleet Laser	Steven Larson	Lex Budge	Mark Soll

By the time this article has run, we will have had the PRO clinic generously put on by **Pat and Dot Rygh**. With their laid back but quietly authoritative style they help keep order on deck and comfort tentative first time PROs. This dynamic couple has been a mainstay to the bay fleets when it comes to teaching PRO clinics. Thank you, Pat and Dot, for the time that you put in!

Another clinic to look forward to is the Rules clinic put on by Ron Giddings. This clinic is attended by new sailors and veterans alike. No matter how you've been sailing, there is always something new to learn. Everyone is invited to come. Meet us at the club Saturday, March 17 at 10:00 a.m.

Thanks also go to our 2012 fleet captains this year. They are: Ocean Fleet-**John Michener**, Ocean Cruising-**Paul Irving**, Day Sailor-**Brett Cross**, Lido-**Larry Salas**, Laser-**Dawn Huntsinger**.  
Next month's Ocean races are: Winter II and Founders Cup.

**Do you want to try something new and quirky?** How about the **Sail, Pedal, Paddle** on February 25! This is an event that can either be completed by individuals or teams. There are three components: Sail a dinghy, pedal a bike to the rock and back, and finally, paddle your way around the bay either on a kayak, canoe, or SUP. Don't have some of these vessels? Beg, borrow, or steal, but come on out and play! Plan on staying for a barbeque afterwards; it will be something along the lines of Hamburger Night. Everyone is invited!



Hangover Race January 1, 2012



Hangover 2012 PRO Shannon McClish and Keiley Hansen



Rory McClish and Andrew Monroe, Hangover Race 2012



Safety Boat Hangover Race 2012



Winter I 1st place Bob Smirl and Tom Tidyman



Winter I 2nd place Carlton Smith and Deborah Paes de Barros



Winter I 3rd place Dan McDonald and Karl Deardorff

## Playing by the Rules:

Did you know that MBYC bay race committees add a couple of extra courtesies to the official rules of racing? If you travel out of town for other races you will notice that not everyone does it like MBYC. For instance, we will give a 6 minute attention horn to signal the 5 minute start sequence, we call out sail numbers that are Over Early at the start, and also call sail numbers at finish line. These practices are nice but not required. Here are the rules directly from US Sailing, The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012:

## 26. STARTING RACES

Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

	Flag and sound	Minutes before starting signal
Warning	Class flag; 1 sound	5*
Preparatory	P, I, Z, Z with I, or black flag; 1 sound	4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 sound	0

## 29. RECALLS

29.1 Individual Recall - When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the race committee shall promptly display flag X with one sound. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats are completely on the pre-start side of the starting line...

Go sail a boat,

**Dawn Huntsinger**  
Rear Commodore

## MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our newest members, Donna and Joe Dervin, as they were approved by the Board at the January meeting. They have demonstrated great enthusiasm for the club and we look forward to their participation in our events. They own a Catalina 36 Mark II which they keep in Marina Del Rey and are looking to sail on our boats up here.

Contact information:  
Donna and Joe Dervin  
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Atascadero, CA 93422  
(805) 460-0164 (h)  
(818) 970-0065 (c)  
mattie2007@att.net



Also, at the January Board meeting Life Memberships were approved for **Lois and Kent Butler** and **Barbara and Robert Schwenoha**. Congratulations on their long-term commitment to our club.

This is the last call for updating of information to be included in the 2012 roster as it will go to the printer in February. Please notify me of any changes: 528-7479 or gailcondon@aol.com.

Your Membership Committee: Gail Condon, Cyndy Fee, Lynn Meissen, Rachelle and Jim Phillips and Marty and Tom Tidyman.



# MBYC Social Committee

## Social News 2012!

While we danced away to the Zongos relishing in the visual of many new faces at the Bar, it became obvious that we:

1. Might consider a one Friday a month as Band night
2. Need door control.
3. Relook at "food" on these type of Friday night social hours.

We want to discuss all of this at our first social committee meeting February 10th at 5pm at the club. Please be a part of this committee and discussion. Your input and help is greatly needed not only regarding this issue but also to help decorate the club and put on more scheduled or impromptu events.

Join us for our next Meatless Monday Vegan Pot-no-Luck, February 13, 6:00 p.m. The theme will be "Baked Potato Bar" and "Healthy Soft Serve Nice Cream". Please bring a vegan potato topping or vegan nice cream topping. Let us know what you plan to make so we can be sure there's not too much of one thing and not enough dessert! We'll provide the potatoes, so let us know how many people are in your party. Also, to make sure we have enough food & variety, it would be helpful if each person prepares a dish to share. Contact Brett to tell him you're coming and what you're bringing. Call 234.1570 or email [brettcross@yahoo.com](mailto:brettcross@yahoo.com)

Social Co-Chair Jayne is working on a flotilla out of Rome or Greece for the end of 2012. This will be an all-inclusive travel package that will include plane fare, hotel stays with breakfast, bus and for those that want...sail trips. One thought was to fly to Rome and take it from there or go the Greek Isle route. Once the package is determined for early September or October, we will begin to have meetings for those members/persons interested. We will require 30 people to make the trip. If you are interested now, please email Jayne at [psjayne@mac.com](mailto:psjayne@mac.com).

## Upcoming Events:

- **Tuesday, February 14th is Valentine's Day.** We will decorate the club in traditional red and white which will begin on Sunday the 12th with takedown on Sunday the 19th. Please feel free to help with this social project.
- **St. Patrick's Day is coming up on Saturday March 17th.** Last year we had a catered dinner, entertainment, and Dun-can (need I say more!). We are planning on doing this again, nuts to dessert. Cost is \$25 per person. Make your reservation today via check or club charge.
- **Opening Day is April 15th.** We need a committee to form now to help with food, set up, and take down.

Get down, get social -

**Thanks, Jayne Behman and Sharon Bufo**

## MEATLESS MONDAY

Join us for our next Meatless Monday Vegan Pot-no-Luck, Monday, February 13, 6:00 p.m. The theme will be "Baked Potato Bar" and "Healthy Soft Serve Nice Cream". Please bring a vegan potato topping or vegan nice cream topping. Let us know what you plan to make so we can be sure there's not too much of one thing and not enough dessert! We'll provide the potatoes, so let us know how many people are in your party. Also, to make sure we have enough food & variety, it would be helpful if each person prepares a dish to share. Monday, February 13, 6 p.m. Contact Brett to tell him you're coming and what you're bringing. 234.1570 or [brettcross@yahoo.com](mailto:brettcross@yahoo.com)



# Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club

After getting together twice in January, we only have one Juniors Sailing Day in February, and it's not until February 26th. But, for those willing to travel, there are other opportunities to be found in February. February 11th and 12th is Opti Mid-Winters West at the Los Angeles Yacht Club for the Opti sailors. I know a couple of our sailors are going to that event. On February 12th the older sailors can participate in a race at Lopez Lake hosted by the San Luis Yacht Club.

Did you know you don't have to wait for the Masthead to arrive to find out about upcoming events? If you go the MBYC website ([www.mbyc.net](http://www.mbyc.net)) and click on Junior Yacht Club there is a link to the Junior Calendar, the Opti Events calendar, and the Teen Junior Racing calendar. The Junior Calendar lists all of the planned MBYC junior sailing days that are calendared, the Opti Events calendar lists Opti events that are happening away from the club, and the Teen Racing Calendar lists opportunities for our more advanced teen sailors to race, often against adults. Each of these Google calendars will be updated throughout the year. You can subscribe to any of the calendars to have it show up on your personal calendar, such as on a smart phone or your computer.



Kevin and Gail behind the fleet



Looks like a desktop photo readymade!

Sail Maker Carl checking out his newest creation in action



just getting by....

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**RULES CLINIC**  
**Saturday, March 17**  
**10:00 AM**  
**Speaker**  
**Ron Giddings**  
**(at MBYC)**



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# Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club

At our first meeting of the year on January 15th we welcomed two new members to the Junior program. **Steven Saavedra** is a 6th grader from San Luis Obispo. Steven just moved here this past fall from Red Bank, New Jersey. The summer before he moved here Steven learned to sail with the Monmouth Boat Club on the Navesink River. After moving to California, Steven was excited to learn that we get to sail on water all year long. The Monmouth boat club sails ice boats in the winter! In addition to sailing, Steven loves music. In New Jersey he was part of a choir that got to sing in the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, France. Currently he is learning to play the washboard in a bluegrass band. **Dylan Russell** is our other new member. Dylan is an 8th grader and lives in Creston on a ranch with his parents. Dylan's parents are active with horses, but he loves the water. He comes over to the coast to surf whenever he can get his parents to bring him. Dylan has been sailing in the small lake on their ranch and is very excited to spread his wings in Morro Bay. Welcome Steven and Dylan!

**Todd Hansen**  
Junior Advisor



Steven Saavedra



Dylan Russell.



John Krossa who had to free dive to retrieve a course number dropped into the bay at HIGH tide.



Kevin and Gail trying out a new ghost ship light wind technique (or goofing off for the camera man).



I may be biased but I think it's a pretty shot too.



# February 2012










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 7:30PM.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	Hosts: Matt & Adrienne Jenkins Roy & Bev Gammill	4
5 Super Bowl Sunday	6	7	8 Fun Float 10:30 AM 	9	Hosts: John & Kirsten Swift Ken & Judy Riener	11
Winter II: Ocean Fleet 	13  Meetless Monday Vegan Pot-no-Luck	14 Valentine's Day 	15	Board Meeting 6:00 PM 	Hosts: Mark & Angela Soll Bob & Barbara Schwenoha	18
19	20 President's Day	21	22	23	Hosts: Truman & Lauren Prewitt Steve & Tammy Hendricks	Sail, Pedal, Paddle: Bay Fleet 
Founder's Cup: Ocean Fleet  Juniors	27	28	29			

Tidelands Volunteers — FEBRUARY  
 February 3 Butler, 6 Thomas/Brown, 10 Jorgens/Pye, 13 Prewitt, 13 Tidymen,  
 17 Clinton, 20 Salamacha, 24 Meissen, 27 Romero, Alt for FEB: Williams

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11	12	13	14	15	Hosts: Andrew & Marrie Brown John & Wendy Mitchell	16 RULES CLINIC 10:00 AM Speaker- Ron Giddings (at MBYC) Alter Work Day
Mullens Memorial: Ocean Fleet	18	19	20	21	22 Hosts: Matt & Jacqueline Piper John & Betsy Stenger	23 Big Rock Reggatta
Big Rock Reggatta	25	26	27	28	29	30 Hosts: Jim & Bobbie Brose Mike Weber Alan Racko
						31 Spring I: Bay Fleet General Meeting

Tidelands Volunteers — MARCH  
March 3 Butler, 5 Clinton, 9 Jorgens/Pye, 12 Tidyman, 16 Prewitt,  
19 Thomas/Brown, 23 Romero, 26 Smulders, 30 Salamacha, Alt for MAR: Eckles