

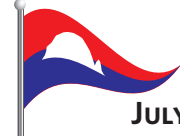


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## FROM YOUR COMMODORE

## Patrick Hedges



Greetings, all. The signs of summer are upon us...higher temperatures north of the grade, overcast along the coast, sailing lessons on the bay and Wednesday Night hamburgers.

I recently returned from an enjoyable sail from La Paz to Ensenada and was having lunch overlooking Morro Bay and when I saw some of our current sailing students navigating smartly up the bay. It made me reflect on the fact that much goes into our Summer Sailing program behind the scenes. Staff Commodore Lynn Meissen puts in much time in preparation for our annual program. Finding and scheduling instructors, accepting applications and ordering and preparing instructional material are amongst some of the responsibilities Lynn takes on as the coordinator. Club members help

out preparing the club's boats and, on occasion, jump in and help with instruction. Thanks goes out to Lynn and the rest of you who help make this summer program successful.

As I mentioned above, Wednesday Night Hamburger Night is in full swing. Although I missed the first one, I have been to the last two and I'm not sure the name "Hamburger Night" is the right name. Our Galley Chief, Brett Cross, has actually created a buffet night. While hamburgers are certainly available, so are hot dogs, black bean burgers, salmon burgers, various bean dishes and outstanding salads. Homemade carrot salads and pasta salads have added a great touch to what was already quite a spread. And to top it off, I don't see too many folks passing up on ice cream with all the toppings. If you haven't already penciled in Wednesday nights at the club, get it on the calendar and join in on the festivities.

Having been away for about three weeks, I don't have much more club activity to report on this month and this was written before the June Board meeting, so I thought I might review a few nautical terms that we use and may not know the original meanings:

**Toe the Line** - When called to line up at attention, the ship's crew would form up with their toes touching a seam in the deck planking.

**Slush Fund** - The slushy slurry of fat obtained by boiling salted meat. This stuff called slush was often sold ashore by the ship's cook for the benefit of himself or the crew. The money so derived became known as a slush fund.

**Rummage Sale** - From the French arrimage meaning ship's cargo. Damaged cargo was sold off, eventually becoming called a rummage sale.

**Blind Eye** - In 1801, during the Battle of Copenhagen, Admiral Nelson deliberately held his telescope to his blind eye, in order not to see the flag signal from the commander to stop the bombardment. He won. Turning a blind eye means to ignore intentionally.

That's the history lesson for this month. Look forward to seeing you at Hamburger Night or Happy Hour and good luck to all our members heading up to Huntington Lake this month for the sailing competition.

## 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



I'm looking forward to our nation's birthday on the 4th of July. What a special day it is. We have an opportunity to celebrate our freedom, both as a Nation and as individuals. I hope that sometime during the 4th you take a moment to appreciate the importance of our freedom. I am especially appreciative of the sacrifices being made by the thousands of servicemen and women who are and have been and in harm's way.

My actives around the club have included minors repairs here and there, purchasing paper goods (especially toilet paper), backflow prevent test, fire extinguisher servicing, refrigerator repair, continued repair on the galley stove.

I want acknowledge the help I have been getting from Lynn Meissen. She has been a great help in identifying the small things around the club that need some attention. Thanks!

I continue to communicate with the coastal Commission concerning our gangway project. Right now we seem to be on hold. They are requesting some very specific wording about "Best Management Practices" but not much help on what they are exactly looking for.

A couple of months ago I agreed to teach summer school at Cal Poly. It seemed like a good Idea at the time, but time has become the issue. Preparing for the class seems to be taking all my time, I'm sure I did not fully understand that when I said yes.

Carol and I are preparing for our trip to Huntington High Sierra Regatta and the Day Sailor National Regatta. We look forward to a great week on the water and hope to see you there.

**Bob Walker, Vice Commodore**

## FUN FLOAT



### **Fun Float Tuesday, July 17th, 10:30**

The June float was great and went off without a hitch, even though the G.P.P. was unable to attend. He had been attacked from the rear by the dreaded, if not, deadly Dierear bug. At least he's a lot slimmer now.

Our July Float will be Tues. the 17th at 10:30. Wear something patriotic for our Nations birthday.

Your thinner but not wiser,  
**G.P.P. -**

*P.S. The August float will be in August.*



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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, Patrick Gorey at: 772-1151.

**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 2012

- 6 John & Terry Miron  
Bill & Maryann Stansfield
- 13 Roger & Vicki Marlin  
Tom & Gail Riley
- 20 Lee & Sue Drocco  
Brian & Shelly Granger
- 27 Ted & Iris Jacobson  
Peter & Jayne Behman

### August 2012

- 3 Jim & Christy Hoxter  
Alex & Stephanie Finley
- 10 Duncan & Marlene McQueen  
Kent & Lois Butler
- 17 Tylor & Sarah Mason  
Bud & Janice Moore
- 24 Earl & Marsha May  
John & Nia Schmidt
- 31 Bob & Carol Walker  
Rick & (Holly) Paley

### September 2012

- 7 Terry & Charlene Paris  
Judy Adkison & Rocky Setting
- 14 Dennis & Rosemarie Boertje  
Sharon & Dave Bufo
- 21 Jack & Barbara Keely  
Ken & Linda (Barnhart) Ward
- 28 Brian & Gail (Bruce) Crow  
Freddie Fernandez  
Tom Murphey

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## FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE

Dawn Huntsinger



Summer is starting off well with a very busy dock indeed! Daysailer Champions had 13 boats entered, and Jack Johnson had 2 El Toros, 3 Optis, a laser, a tasar, and a C15. Then there was the Shenanigan Race. There were lots of water cannons, air horns, and paddles. There was an umbrella, seaweed, and the Fees brought their motor. Nobody really "won", but I think most had a good time. Bay Fleet Summer I was held at the mouth of the bay in light air and lumpy seas; the PRO, Steve Hendricks, likes to keep the Bay Fleet on its toes! The Ocean Fleet had their Summer I race and a Makeup race for the Spring series.

Ron Giddings once again did a great job holding a Rules Clinic. People brought their good questions and there were a couple of good debates.

### Congratulations to the following trophy winners!

Race	Fleet	1st	2nd	3rd
DaySailer Championships	Bay	Carlton Smith and Deborah Paes de Barros	Kevin Williams and Gail Condon	Tom Tidyman and Bob Walker
Jack Johnson	Bay	Tom Spencer	Keiran Hansen	
Summer I	Ocean	Michener-Whizbang	Muther-Evening Tide	Clark-Capricorn
Spring I (make up)	Ocean	Michener-Whizbang	Ratliff-Voyager II	
Spring Series	Ocean	Whizbang	Voyager II	Guayacan
Summer I	Bay	Kevin Williams and Gail Condon	Carlton Smith and Deborah Paes de Barros	Patrick Gorey and Scott Turpin

By the time this issue comes out, a lot of us will be heading for Huntington Lake for the High Sierra Regatta and the Day Sailer National Championship Regatta. See you at the lake!

### Playing by the Rules: 41 Outside Help

A boat shall not receive help from any outside source, except

- (a) Help for an ill or injured crew member;
- (b) After collision, help from the crew of the other boat to get clear;
- (c) Help in the form of information freely available to all boats;
- (d) Unsolicited information from a disinterested source, which may be another boat in the same race.

Go sail a boat,

### Dawn Huntsinger Rear Commodore



Tom Spencer 1st place Jack Johnson



Opti racers in Jack Johnson



After the race



WhizBang



Voyager II



Brett and Todd demonstrate their questions at the Rules Clinic



More on page 8 >>>>

## OCEAN FLEET NEWS

Spring 3 June 10, 2012 One boat's perspective

It was a great day to be out in the weather - warm sun and soft breezes - but not so good for a race. It was a slow start, Bermuda style. The lumbering Guayacan got around 18 EB and a 1/2 mile toward MBYC before being overtaken by the more nimble WhizBang and Voyager II. All boats made several tacks to take advantage of minor wind shifts in a consistently minor wind. We saw the competition round the MBYC buoy, set a course for No 1 and disappear into the haze as we did little more than drift toward MBYC. We rounded and "Por dios" the boat stabilized, suddenly leaving a small wake which became stronger, steadier. Our spirits were raised as it seemed we could finish the race! A couple hundred feet from the mark our sails were slatting and the mixed swell controlled direction and speed: cat's paws onshore and cat's paws offshore were disheartening. Oh well, go home and congratulate the winners

Lynn Meissen



# EXTRA! EXTRA!

## Hip Hip Hooray



Keiran Hansen and Rory McClish both passed the ASA instructor course and our new summer Sailing Instructors!! They spent four days at the Stanford Sailing Center studying and being tested to earn their ASA sailing instructor certification to be able to teach in our 2012 Summer Sailing Program. They were in class being tested from 8 AM to 7 PM, then spent a relaxing evening speed reading the 600 pages they received on day one to prepare for the final exam. The other participants included Stanford Sailing team members and other older and more experienced sailors than our 16 year olds. Only about half of the 25 participants passed.



We are so proud of you Rory and Keiran!!!

## Reading Corner

MBYC members Julie Thomas and Mark Brown listened to a recently published audiobook called  
**"FLOTSAMETRICS AND THE FLOATING WORLD:  
How One Man's Obsession with Runaway Sneakers and Rubber Ducks Revolutionized Ocean Science",**  
by Curtis Ebbesmeyer and Eric Scigliano.  
They highly recommend it!!

Share your favorites!! If you have a beloved nautical book that you would like to recommend to MBYC members, please send to [maryann@mentalmarketing.com](mailto:maryann@mentalmarketing.com) and we'll put it in the masthead.

## MEMBERSHIP

Our latest prospective members have completed their application which is hanging on the office door for your perusal. They are Dave Hensinger and his wife, Kim Shollenberger. They became interested in the yacht club through one of their sons, Nathan, who is one of our Junior members, and both Dave and Nathan have been participating in the Bay races in their newly acquired Day Sailer.

Changes in roster information:

Rick Paley's e-mail address is [rwdriver@gmail.com](mailto:rwdriver@gmail.com) Jim. Christy Hoxter's e-mail address is [jcsailors@aol.com](mailto:jcsailors@aol.com)

Lauren and Truman Prewitt have a new mailing address:

87 Zanzibar Terrace Drive

Morro Bay, CA 93442

All their phone numbers are the same.

Membership Committee:

Gail Condon, (chair), Cyndy Fee, (co-chair), Lynn Meissen, Rachelle and Jim Phillips and Marty and Tom Tidyman





# Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club

Summer is here! School is out. My family is deep into preparations for Huntington Lake with boat projects being crossed off the list, and the groceries being added to the list on the table. By the time this issue of the Masthead goes out we will be there. I'm getting really excited.

The Pirate's Booty swap meet happened at the beginning of June and was a financial success for the Juniors. There were some great treats available at the bake sale and several members were seen walking away with boxes of treats they had purchased. Many people donated items to the juniors to sell at their table. I did good this year: I only bought two of them, but not for want of trying - some of the sailing clothes were just not my size. I guess I need to lay off the treats. Two boats were sold by members to non-members interested in sailing and one of them was seen on the bay later in the day.

Our most recent Juniors gathering happened to fall on father's day since the tides were favorable for sailing on the bay. With the DS Junior Nationals coming up and it being father's day we decided to have our Juniors sail in a Day Sailer with their dads as crew. It turned out to be great fun. Some of the dads had never sailed before, despite bringing their kids to Juniors regularly. It was fun to watch the kids teach dad what to do as they were the expert sailors.

Wednesday night hamburger nights at the club have been great so far this year. Each week the kitchen crew is a group of volunteers. The juniors are signed up to host hamburger night on July 25th. We will need volunteers to help that night, both kids and adults.

**Todd Hansen**  
Junior Advisor



*"The rabbit comes up the hole..."*



*Bobbing with apples*



*Laser chicks on an FJ*



*Two juniors in a one man Opti*



*Big junior in a small boat*



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*Got my seaweed and I'm ready for the Shenanigans Race*



*The Fee's brought their motor for Shenanigans*



*The Shenanigans started early with a hose in a boat.*





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

Tidlands Volunteers — JULY 2012  
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- Claud Worth 1926  
Yacht Cruising, 3rd ed.

August 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
			Burger Night 1 	2	Hosts: 3 Jim & Christy Hoxter Alex & Stephanie Finley	4
5	6	7	Burger Night 8 	9	Hosts: 10 Duncan & Marlene McQueen Kent & Lois Butler	Summer III: 11 Bay Fleet 
Devlin II: 12 Ocean Fleet 	13	14	Burger Night 15 	Board Meeting 16 6:00 PM 	ZONGO Cup 17 Hosts: Tylor & Sarah Mason Bud & Janice Moore 	18
19	20	21	Burger Night 22 	23	Hosts: 24 Earl & Marsha May John & Nia Schmidt	DS Invitational 25 Bay Fleet 
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