MOBBO BAY YACHT CLUB

April 2019



Officers & Directors

Commodore: Joe Huntsinger

Vice Commodore: Ken Twist

Rear Commodore: Chris Surfleet

Treasurer: Yvonne Lazear

Secretary: Jeanie Roberts

Senior Director: John Bodine

Director: Alaine Steuk I would like to start this article by thanking all of those members who attended the March board meeting. I also would like to thank Jeanie Roberts for the wonderful cookies and cake she bakes for the monthly meetings. Our committee that is looking into adopting a pay by credit card system will have an update on its progress this month. Also, due to



the yearly increase in our lease, yard rental, utilities, mooring inspection fees and repairs, and a new retainer wall in the boat yard, the board is looking into adding Cost of Living increases to the rental fees. I will keep you updated as these discussions continue.

Congratulations to Bob and Carol Walker and Skip Barnhart for becoming Life Members. Also, I am so happy to announce Rory McClish was voted in as our newest yacht club member!

Another big Thank You to all the members who helped with the two big regattas that were hosted by MBYC in March: The Big Rock Regatta, which had over 70 Optis racing, and Cal Poly's Mustang Regatta, which was attended by 13 colleges. These events require many of our members to dedicate their time and efforts during both weekends. Many of our visitors love our club because of the warm reception that they receive from our members.

This month we will have our 63rd Opening Day at the Morro Bay Yacht Club. I thought I would look up a few events that took place in Morro Bay in 1956.

- The Federal Government appropriated \$600,000 for emergency repairs of Morro Bay Harbor.
- Morro Bay votes on bonds to build a high school, by a ratio of four to one.
- Harbor Improvement Association formed.
- Honorary mayor Edith Morosin leads residents with shovels and dozers to attack the silted channels of the harbor.
- Resultant publicity succeeded in securing federal assistance for both dredging and repairing of North breakwater.

- I was born in Lynwood, CA.
- First full year running the three stacks power plant.



Mark your calendars for this year's first **General Meeting on Saturday, April 6, at 7 pm.** Please remember, this is for members only. The next date is for **Opening Day on Sunday, April 14, at 10 am.**

Social Director, Brett Cross, is still looking for volunteers to bring finger foods, clean up afterwards, and more. Please contact him if you would like to help out. A special thanks ahead of time to Glenda Boatman, Sharon Gammill, Dot Rygh, Kendall Welch, and Brett Cross who have already begun preparations for Opening Day, and thanks to Rory McClish who will be this year's Master of Ceremonies.

Quote

"The sea speaks a language polite people never repeat. It is a colossal scavenger slang and has no respect." — Carl Sandburg

The Kurmudgeons' Korner IMPEACH!

Yes, I'm talking about our Commodore, Joe Huntsinger. He promised the Kurmudgeons a staff commodore parking space in front of the club but didn't deliver. He also promised the Kurmudgeons an awning for the Monday afternoon Kurmudgeons' post-luncheon Yacht Club Debating Session.

I say "Enough of his false promises! Impeach," I say.

-- Larry Salas, President, The Kurmudgeon Society



Policy Letter/By Law ARTICLE XII: MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 5 The Board of Directors shall honor the request of members to have any motion placed before the General Membership for a vote, provided the following is satisfied: The request is made in a written statement bearing the signatures of members in good standing representing at least ten percent (10%) of the club's memberships. The motion is presented to the Board of Directors prior to the close of the Board of Directors meeting that occurs one month prior to the month of the Regular or Special General Meeting in which the motion will be considered. That the membership is notified at least twenty one (21) days prior to the general or special meeting at which the motion will be voted upon. Notification of such a motion can be accomplished using any medium provided that the Board of Directors is reasonably assured that all memberships will be notified. Publication in the club's newsletter shall be considered adequate notification.



"Playing a Little Prank on the Curmudgeon" -- Submitted by Joe Huntsinger, Commodore



Aloha! This month's note will be short and sweet as I'm writing this from Puako on the Big Island, shirking as much responsibility as I can.

Firstly, thanks for the response to signing up for our upcoming workday on Saturday the 30th as we prepare for our opening day. I'll be there with my bullhorn and whip to provide motivation and guidance.

Secondly, we will have a new Sonus sound system up and running to serenade everyone. I'll give folks an orientation on how to access and control the system through your smart phone at happy hour and on work day.

Lastly, I'm not the only MBYC member on the Big Island this week. Kevin Williams is here staying over on the Hilo side. I had him over to a local neighborhood party- it was our version of happy hour. I'm glad to say he came away unscathed.

I'll leave everyone with a Puako sunset picture.



Happy spring everyone. With the start of spring come our favorite events of the year: Work Day and Opening Day. From the sailboat racing side of things at the club, the main focus for the work day should be sprucing up the launches and race closet. I have also purchased a mounted VHF radio and short antenna to be installed on the Whaler. The antenna will disconnect ensuring the covers will still work on the center console. Of course, with opening day come our opening day races. The Ocean Fleet will open the new yachting season with an Opening Day Race on Saturday, April 13, while the Bay Fleet will race following the club ceremonies. Hey, all you Laser sailers, or Laser sailer want-to-be's, do not miss our Laser Slalom Race on April 7. MBYC supplies the boats, so this is your chance to test your slalom skills against other sailors. We have lots of great sailing races, so come out and participate, volunteer to help with racing, or enjoy as a spectator.

March was a great racing month at the yacht club! We started the month with two consecutive weekend regattas. March 2-3, 2019, Cal Poly Sailing and MBYC hosted the Mustang Regatta. There were 43 collegiate boats competing with the FJ class. The following weekend featured the Big Rock Regatta, a junior sailing regatta featuring the Optimist Class. There were 74 sailors competing in this years Big Rock Regatta at Morro Bay. This was a big event with lots of families and friends of sailors converging at Morro Bay. The families did express their enjoyment of our club's hospitality and the beautiful surroundings. Thank you to the many, many volunteers who made these events safe, fun, and successful. Special thanks to Cal Poly Sailing and Dana McClish for organizing two very special regattas.



Rear Commodore Chris Surfleet



Young sailors competing in the 2019 Big Rock Regatta

Ocean Racing

The Winter III Ocean Race was run on March 17, 2019. "The Winter III started with whales just outside the bay," claims Ocean Fleet Captain Troy Wieck. "An onshore, steady wind made for a speedy reach to the first mark. The wind shifted offshore catching a few boats in a beat to the second mark and then a reach home with dolphins at the entrance to greet us. While Guayacan won Winter III, Whizbang took the Winter series."

Ocean Fleet Winter Series Results: grey indicates DNF.

				Total Score	Winter I	Winter II	Winter III
Rank	Boat	PHR F	Skipper				
1	Whizbang	132	John Michener	5	1	1	3
2	Guayacan	291	Lynn Meissen	7	4	2	1
3	Far Away	200	Werner Weinstock	7	2	3	2

Members: The new membership cards are ready and will be handed out at Happy Hour for the next few weeks. Please visit with the Membership Committee at its table During Happy Hour to retrieve your card(s).







Guayacan under full sail in Winter III



Far Away enjoys the brisk winds and sunny weather.

Bay Racing

If you are a member of the Day Sailer Association, be sure to check the 2019 Spring Quarterly newsletter. The cover features our own Justin Bradshaw sailing with his family toward Morro Rock.

The bay fleet began the Spring Series on March 23, 2019. The first race was challenging with short bursts of rain, long periods of no wind, and a strong current. The boats crawled around a shortened course. The final two races provided moderate breezes with a wind direction that allowed some fun "tacking duels". Lots of shouts of "starboard!" were heard on the course. Many thanks to PRO Patrick Gorey for a fun and safe day.



Top finishers in the Spring I Bay Race: left to right -- Patrick Gorey (PRO), Judi Forester, Carlton Smith, Terry Paris, Dan MacDonald, Mark Soll.

Bay Fleet Spring I Results, grey indicates DNF

Class	Sail #	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Rank	Total	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3
DS	13162	Vagabundo	Terry Paris	Dan McDonald	1	8	1	4	3
DS	163	Beach Party	Carlton Smith	Judi Forester	2	8	2	1	5
DS	2633	Katie Bee	Mark Soll	Annella Soll	3	10	6	2	2
DS	3018	Bad Latitude	Dawn Huntsinger	Brett Cross	4	11	4	6	1
DS	13150	TCO True Love NDRS	Todd Hansen	Brian Robinson	5	12	3	3	6
DS	13074	Piraat	Stanley Craig	Dan Hack	6	14	5	5	4
DS	3487	Solar Coaster	Chris Surfleet	Dan Goldthwaite	7	21	7	7	7
DS	3875	Snap	Moe McEwen	Rich Leamon	8	26	10	8	8
DS	3622	Jolie	Charlie Roberts	John Edell	9	28	10	9	9

Select Upcoming Events:

Laser Slalom, April 7

Ocean Fleet Opening Day race, April 13

Bay Fleet Opening Day race, April 14

Bay Fleet Spring II race, April 27

Ocean Fleet Spring I race, April 28

The Registration for the 2019 Day Sailer North American Championship is open! It will be held Jun 17 - 21, 2019 at the Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook, TX. <u>http://www.daysailernacr2019.com</u>

Lake Yosemite Sailing Regatta (Day Sailer). Saturday and Sunday May 18th and 19th on beautiful Lake Yosemite just outside of Merced CA. <u>http://www.lakeyosemitesailing.org</u>

High Sierra Regatta, Huntington Lake. Centerboard classes July 13-14, keelboat classes July 20-12, 2019. https://www.fresnoyachtclub.org/high-sierra-regatta



Committee Chairs

Port Captain Bar Steward Social Director	Joe and Jill Fariss
Ship's Store	Orris and Pat Cowgill.
Galley Chief	Kendall Welch
Junior Advisor	Pat Howe
Ocean Fleet Captain	Troy Wieck
Daysailer Fleet Captain	Terry Paris
Laser Fleet Captain	John Wimer
Lido Fleet Captain	TBD
Fun Float Captain	Charlie Roberts
SUP Fleet Captain	Ken Twist
Cruising Fleet Captain	Paul Irving
Summer Sailing	Glenda Boatman
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Education Officer	Greg Barker
Historian	Andrea Surfleet
Insurance	Rich Lehman
Library	Charlie Roberts
Mailing	Rachelle Phillips
Masthead Editor	
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Reciprocating Secretary	Glenda Boatman
Roster	
Sommelier	
Social Hour Coordinator	Kendall Welch
Alias Troll	Don Lockwood
Webmaster	John Michener

Summer Sailing Reminder

Glenda Boatman is already responding to emails requesting information on summer sailing, and she has already received requests for sign-ups. Spaces fill up quickly, so spread the word: "Summer sailing is a great way to learn sailing skills courtesy of some fantastic MBYC instructors."





"Yes, I do think you overpacked. After all, we're sailing around the bay for a few hours."



Big Rock Regatta, 2019, Participants



Membership News

At the March board meeting two long-time members were granted life membership. Skip Barnhart and Bob Walker are now Life Members. Outstanding Junior Member, Rory McClish, applied for and was granted a regular membership. Also, after further review of boat ownership, Dawn Huntsinger found that we are right at the minimum of 65% of regular members as required by the bylaws. On the topic of membership cards, we are doing our best to get them out before April first.

Thanks, TomTidyman Membership Chair



Rory McClish

Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory -- Dr. Seuss





1997 Opening Day: Dana McClish and Rory



1997 Opening Day: Rory McClish

Fun Float History: Floating Through Time and Tide

By Andrea Surfleet, Historian

I sat down with Pat and Doy Rygh to learn more about their long years with our club. They arrived in Los Osos in 1988. This month, I'm just sharing their history of the Fun Floats, which began as a way to enjoy time on the water with friends at a leisurely pace. Adventures into the Back Bay with a variety of water craft began early in our history, but the Fun Floats as they exist today took shape in 1997. First called MOROSAPA (Motor, Row, Sail or Paddle), these bimonthly excursions visited many of the same locations with the same high-spirited fun as the group does today. The Fun Floats continue to attract all ages and abilities who want to slow down and appreciate all that our beautiful bay has to offer. Riding the tides has always been a part of the planning, as Dot shares below:

From Dot Rygh:

"Fun Floats started before 1997 with a lot of enthusiasm and popularity. It was easy for Pat and me to look

up the tides and just set a time to take off for the sandspit from the club and put our paddle in the Masthead. Pat Rygh was Commodore in 1997, and he appointed Dick Evans as the Fun Float Grand Poo Pah. Dick carried on the appointment for seventeen years with a specially made burgee on his boat. Not only did we paddle during the week, but we also set up lots of weekend paddles. We paddled to the Bayside Café every year for a lunch out at the restaurant.

For several years, we had a Moonlight & Roses Paddle to the sandspit for a campfire, guitar playing and singing, and, of course, a little wine and champagne. There might be a Father's Day Paddle & Games, and some kind of competition. One year, we had a paddle to the sandspit for a treasure hunt. Our normal paddles were just along the sandspit, stop for lunch, and return. Once a year, we used to go to Shark's Inlet, which is as far

as you can go in South Bay, and it can take four hours. For several years, we would go into Los Osos and go under The Los Osos Bridge. Trips to the harbor entrance were tried and many were successful.

All in all, Fun Floats have been a very successful part of the Morro Bay Yacht Club and are still going on with some of the same members for over 20 years."

Dot became the Grand Moo Mah after Dick Evans, and today Charlie Roberts leads the group of paddlers Around Morro Bay. Pat and Dot encourage new members to try a Fun Float, where you're certain to see the wildlife on the bay while making wild new friends along the way!



1997 Fun Float: Pat and Dot Rygh afloat with the burgee. 1997 Fun Float: Baywood 2d St. Launch Ramp



Wall of Boat Fame

Work continues on revitalizing the boat pictures that hung on the upstairs wall, and I'm looking for more! Send me any pictures of your past or present boats that you'd like hung on the Wall of Boat Fame. If it gets full, we can rotate them. You can scan a picture or let me know you have a print to give me. If you're in the active Ocean Fleet, please send Lynn a scanned picture of your boat, hopefully while underway. For all the boats, I will be placing a picture in an archival notebook on the piano with any information that you provide. This could be Boat Name, Type/Year, When/Where purchased, adventurous stories, When/Where Sold and so on. If you already had a boat on the wall, please send me this information. Email Andrea Surfleet. Thanks!



April Fun Floats - 5th and 19th Come Join the Fun Both start at 11 AM All paddlers are welcome to participate. We meet at MBYC Dock Bring a sack lunch and a bevy.



Last Year's Fun Float Group at Santa Margarita Lake Happy Hour Hosting - Changes to AssignedDatesIf you are unable to fulfill yourHappy Hour duties on the assigned date, you areresponsible for finding a member to act as yourreplacement.Please report all schedule changesto the Social Hour Coordinator, Kendall Welch,preferably by email:or by telephone.



APRIL

James & Anna Johnston	2	4/5/2019
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Kenneth & Judy Riener	2	4/5/2019
Richard & Charlene Evans	1	4/5/2019
Jeremiah & Shelley	2	4/12/2019
Blackwell		
Larry Gorman	1	4/12/2019
Donna Arozena	1	4/12/2019
Tim French & Leah Bailey	2	4/19/2019
David Hensinger & Kim	2	4/19/2019
Shollenberger		
Tom & Gail Riley	2	4/26/2019
Mal & Julie Towery	2	4/26/2019

MAY

Todd & Joyce Hansen	2	5/3/2019
Andrew & Marrie Brown	2	5/3/2019
Keiran Hansen	1	5/10/2019
Carlton Smith & Deborah	2	5/10/2019
Paes de Barros		
Nancy Craig	1	5/10/2019
Kenn & Melanie Coble	2	5/17/2019
John & Candace Kincade	2	5/17/2019
Michael & Eda Bonilla	2	5/24/2019
Don & Kit Lockwood	2	5/24/2019
Patrick & Michele Gorey	2	5/31/2019
Brett Cross	1	5/31/2019
Matthew & Jacqueline	1	5/31/2019
Piper		

Gavin Payne	1	6/7/2019
Jim & Yolanda Pederson	2	6/7/2019
Stanley & Susan Craig	2	6/7/2019
Orris & Patricia Cowgill	2	6/14/2019
Jeff Jones & June Krystoff	2	6/14/2019
Justin & Crystal Bradshaw	2	6/21/2019
Tom & Marty Tidyman	2	6/21/2019
Lex & Lorraine	2	6/28/2019
Larry & Liz Salas	2	6/28/2019

JUNE

From Lynn Meissen, Port Captain

Spring is here, the transients will be passing through MB and dock use increasing. Please remember any member can make them welcome and sign them in. To maximize dock use, <u>all</u> should tie up as close to the north end as possible.

And the **weeds**, the **weeds** are growing. Are they your **weeds**?



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If you would like to opt-out of these duties, MBYC policy allows for a member to request permission from the Board to opt out of Happy Hour hosting duties. Requests to opt out of happy hour may be addressed to the commodore at the club physical address, or at the e-mail address: mbyc.comm@gmail.com. Only those requests that document a substantial impediment to hosting are likely to be approved. If you would like to opt-out of these duties, MBYC policy allows for a member to request permission from the Board to opt out of Happy Hour hosting duties. Requests to opt out of happy hour may be addressed to the commodore at the club physical address, or at the e-mail address. Requests to opt out of happy hour may be addressed to the commodore at the club physical address, or at the e-mail address: mbyc.comm@gmail.com. Only those requests that document a substantial impediment to hosting are likely to be approved. For your information, please see attached MBYC Policy letter #20A which addresses this topic. The club will furnish paper products and plastic ware for Host Night. Hosts tend bar from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM and serve snacks at 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM.

Cal Poly Mustang Team Report

Winter has been extremely busy for our Cal Poly Mustang team! This quarter we have attended 5 regattas, and we have 3 more! We started out the guarter with Rosebowl, an inter-conference regatta that is hosted by US Sailing Center, Long Beach. Teams came from all over the country to attend this event! After that, we sent a team of 7 to Hawaii to compete in Rainbow Open! The sailors had a wonderful time in the warm weather. We then attended Gaucho Team Race, a team racing regatta in Santa Barbara. There, we placed 4th. For the next 2 weeks after that event, our team racing team trained really hard and got a lot of days out on the water. This all paid off at Cal Team Race, where we won the regatta! Our women's team was then sent to Stanford to attend Bryson Women's Regatta. There we placed 2nd, the best we have ever placed at that event!

The weekend of February 9th and 10th we sent two teams to the Bay Area to compete in Cal Team Race! Congrats to Mustang 1 for getting first place overall, and shoutout to our Mustang 2 sailors who progressed a ton throughout the weekend. Highlight of this regatta: racing each other. Then it was back to Redwood City for McIntyre Team Race hosted by Stanford.

Todd Hansen



CP Mustangs at SB = Gaucho Team Race



CP Mustangs at Encinal = Cal Team Race



CP Mustangs at Stanford = McIntyre Team Race



Cal Poly hosted the Mustang Open Varsity In-Conference Regatta, here at the Morro Bay Yacht Club. Two full days of excitement and great sailing. Photos courtesy of Pandora Nash-Karner















"The roll tacks were impressive." - Pandora





Join us for this tradition that began centuries ago in Mediterranean fishing communities. The practice began predominantly Catholic, but is now practiced by all Christians is a blessing from the local priest & pastors that is meant to ensure a safe & bountiful season. Service at the North T Pier will be followed by lunch at the Morro Bay Veteran's Hall after 1pm. We are providing a Chicken BBQ with a potluck. Folks with last names beginning with A -G can bring salads, H-N can bring side dishes, and O-Z can bring dessert.

Bring your friends & family to honor our local mariners for a safe & prosperous season with God's blessing.

Sunday April 7, 2019 at Noon

North T Pier by the Coast Guard Station in Morro Bay

The Bilge Pump Report by John Burgener

Dinner? Why not ! Where? Rome, of Course!

Kendall and I were in Italy, "On the Goof," having a great month "time traveling" around the ancient historic ruins of mankind as we roamed the cobblestone streets of hill top towns. We explored underground caves where people lived 2000 years ago, and we climbed many 1000 year old, non-reinforced towers that once overlooked the expanse where invading forces gathered to rape, pillage and plunder. And, of course, we had to indulge in the local cuisine: wine, pasta, pizza, limoncello, and an occasional chaser of grappa (what Kendall calls "jet fuel").

After more than three weeks of traveling, we again found ourselves walking along more ancient cobblestone streets in Rome, streets with many left and right turns. We converged on a cute and quaint little restaurant; it was slightly lit and was called "Cuoco e Camicia." It was nestled on Via di Monte Polacco, a small alley that finished with a long staircase. Why, you may ask, is this restaurant, located in the oldest part of Roma, Italia. important to this story? We arrived there to have dinner with our fellow yacht club members Kay and Mike Frye. Yes - just another exquisite dinner with local flavor, though different from other regions. Naturally, it was followed once again by limoncello and grappa.



Magnifico!



Travel Photos courtesy of Kendall Welch and John Burgener



Sailing in Ancient Rome.



The Fun Floats

It has been an exceptional "late winter season" for the Fun Float participants. Almost every time it has looked like the weather would not cooperate, but when it came time to launch the weather cleared up, and every float has been most enjoyable for all who attended. In March both floats followed unusual paths.

The first float we decided to head to the mouth of the bay because we were concerned about the wind building up after lunch; we wanted to ensure that we weren't trying to come against a heavy breeze when heading back to the dock from the south side of the bay. It might have been a wise choice because the wind did kick up after our picnic lunch in Sandal's Cove. It turned out that both the lunch and the paddle were very enjoyable.

On the second float we had some fairly consistent offshore winds, so we headed south but stayed to the east side of the bay taking a path we seldom follow. This allowed us to catch some sites some of us had never seen, as well as to take us up next to the rookery. We pulled into Clam Beach, abandoned our craft, and had lunch on the golf course. We shared treats, talked a lot to each other, basked in the sun, and climbed back into our launches to head back to the dock. It was a long, slow drift, but on a sunny day with a light breeze, and not much to do, it made for an exceptionally pleasant day.

Anyone is welcome to participate. I will admit that we don't work too hard to get around, and we are pretty leisurely about getting up and down the bay, but the event really does allow us to commune with the bay and fellow paddlers. Our April Fun Floats are on the 5th and 19th.

Come and join the fun; both floats start at 11 AM at the MBYC dock. Bring a sack lunch and a bevy, and enjoy the camaraderie of those who enjoy being on the bay.

Plan ahead for the Friday May 17 Fun Float at Santa Margarita Lake. Meet at the launch ramp by the boat and kayak rental at 10 AM sharp. Bring your own kayaks, canoes, or boats, but you can rent all at the rental store next to the large parking lot by the ramp. Bring a picnic lunch and appropriate clothing and jackets.

Some paddlers are camping on Thursday and are planning on kayaking the other end of the lake again this year. Call 805-788-2397 if you want to camp, or use the web site for SLO County Parks, and click on Santa Margarita Lake camping. Osprey campground is for RV's and Road Runner is for tents and RV's. Both are close to the lake and launch ramp where we are meeting on Friday.



We never fail to see all kinds of wildlife









"The cure for anything is saltwater - sweat, tears, or the sea." - Isak Dinesen



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Web link to MBYC Calendar

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The Morro Bay Yacht Club is a private, non-profit organization devoted to boating activities, along with the protection and enjoyment of our picturesque bay and coastline. We participate in both competitive and non- competitive boating activities throughout the year. Anyone at least 21 who owns a boat, is planning to buy a boat, or regularly enjoys boating activities in someone else's boat is invited to apply for membership. Editor's Note: Submissions and corrections to the Masthead are due by the 25th of each month. Please e-mail your written material or digital photos to Jeanie Roberts All pictures are welcome!

Thanks for all the contributions for this month.

