

# MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB



## Officers & Directors

**Commodore:**  
**Joe Huntsinger**

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**Ken Twist**

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**Chris Surfleet**

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**Yvonne Lazear**

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**Jeanie Roberts**

**Senior Director:**  
**John Bodine**

**Director:**  
**Alaine Steuk**

I would like to begin by thanking all of you who attended Opening Day. It was another beautiful day in Morro Bay. The music was played, the trumpet sounded, the bell was rung six times, the flag was raised, and the cannon was fired. Our youngest Master of Ceremonies ever, Rory McClish, gave a great introduction, offering us a glimpse into his youthful insight of MBYC. Officers, spouses, dignitaries, and staff commodores were introduced. Final goodbyes were made to old friends along with

more bells and a poem. Then my pastor, Randy Ponder, blessed the club and the fleets. The ceremony lasted exactly 30 minutes followed by a wonderful boat parade while deviled eggs were devoured. All in all, this was another great Opening Day at MBYC!

A heartfelt thanks to those who put in so much time and effort to make this day so special: Donna Arozena, Sharon Gammill, Sharon Bufo, Pat and Dot Rygh, Kendall Welch, Rachelle Phillips, and Brett Cross. Also, thanks to Bob Smirl for refurbishing the MBYC sign above the back upper deck and for installing a new lanyard on the club's bell. Thanks to Karen Clinton who has been faithfully embroidering the names of the new members on the new members' tablecloth.

A special thanks to those in the Ocean Fleet who so graciously decorated their boats and participated in the boat parade: Lynn Meissen on Guayacan, Mark Buckman on Slider, Mark Hilden on Janina, Michele Latin on Seabear, John Burgener on Tanfeet, and Michael and Brooks Measures on Seafari.

At our April board meeting Tom and Nancy Needham were voted in as our newest members. Congratulations! Give them a warm welcome when you see them around the club. Director Alaine Steuk has purchased a new six foot table and chairs for upstairs to replace the oak table next to the library. Please contact Alaine if you would like to sponsor a chair or part of the table. We also started a discussion about implementing credit card payments. We are in the planning stages of building out the pantry/laundry room and plan to start that project within the month.



## Commodore Joe Huntsinger, following stent surgery:

What a difference a "stent" made  
Twenty-four little hours,  
My yesterday was blue, dear,  
Today I'm part of you, dear,  
What a difference a day made,  
And the difference is you.

-- Apologies to singer Dinah Washington



**Long live the Kurmudgeons!**

**Commodore Joe Huntsinger**

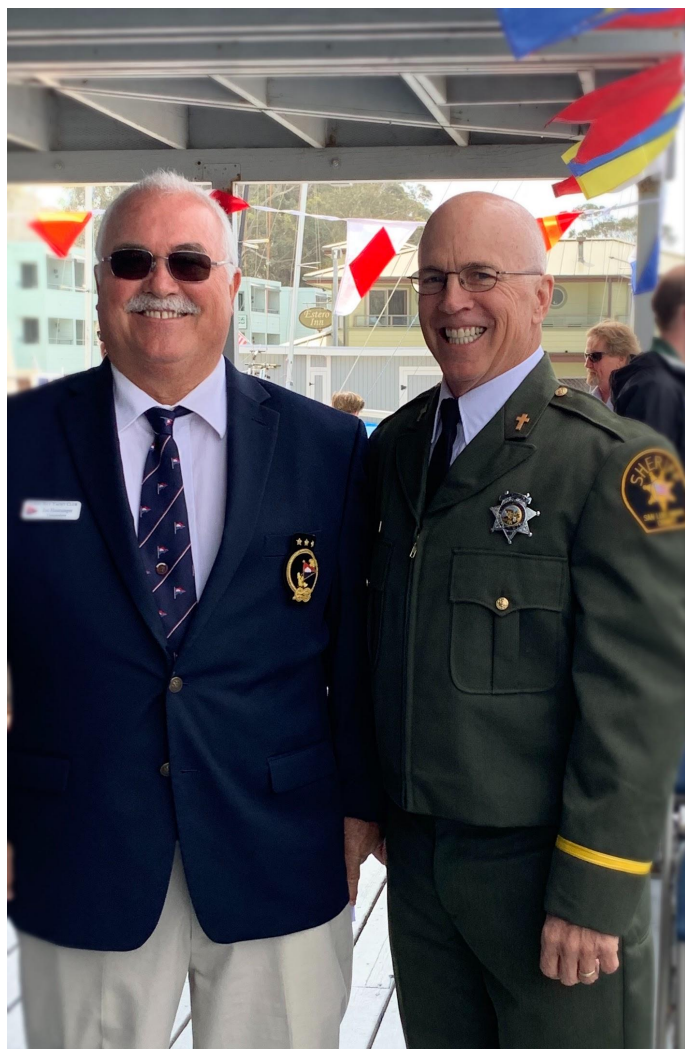


**Quote** "To desire nothing beyond what you have is surely happiness. Aboard a boat, it is frequently possible to achieve just that. That is why sailing is a way of life, one of the finest of lives." — Carleton Mitchell

### Policy Letter/By Law

#### POLICY LETTER No.5

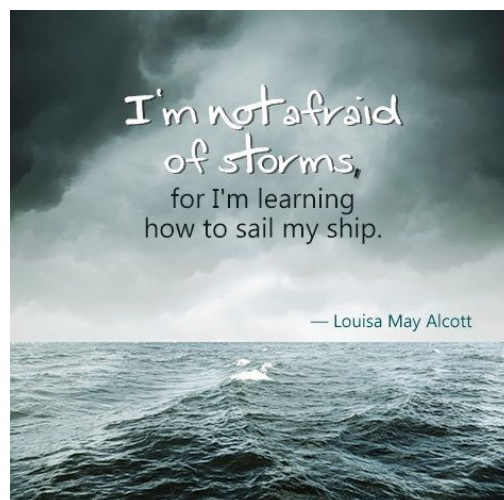
Section 5 The Board of Directors shall honor the request of members to have any motion placed before the General Membership for a vote, provided the following is satisfied: The request is made in a written statement bearing the signatures of members in good standing representing at least ten percent (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.



Joe and Randy Ponder, his pastor,  
on Opening Day, 2019



A Salute to the Kurmudgeons





## Fellow Yachties,

As Brett Cross likes to say “Art is never finished, only abandoned,” quoting Leonardo da Vinci. Well, the same can sometimes be said of work, specifically, home projects, boat repairs, and yard work. However, I’m proud to say that this axiom does not apply to the Morro Bay Yacht Club.

In preparing our facility for 2019 Opening Day, I’m proud to say we had a tremendous number of club members show for Cleaning Day. We accomplished a lot in a short amount of time: boat maintenance, painting, new décor, cleaning, polishing, dusting, pulling weeds, electrical work, dock repair, and even piano tuning.

As an all-volunteer club, it was great to see everyone contributing. Working members also expressed happiness that this year’s lunch arrived around noon rather than at dinner time. Thanks, Brett!



This month, I’d like to recognize a couple of folks who are spearheading some key projects this year. First, I’d like to thank Andrea Surfleet for sprucing up our décor. She is in the process of refreshing, restoring, and hanging pictures and art, among other additions throughout the club.

Second, I’d like to thank Tom Fee who is spearheading our pantry and laundry room remodel, for which the Board approved funding at this month’s board meeting. We will be looking for volunteers to help with construction shortly. Please watch the Alias for that announcement.

Also, please note that we have new locks for the shed, the boatyard, and the hoist. The combination is the year in which MBYC was founded: **1956**.

Finally, to those whose last names of past officers I unmercifully butchered on opening day, my apologies. Someone else will get to do the same next year.

See you on the water! Regards, **The Vice**



**Thank You Andrea Surfleet! Beautiful Work!**

**"The perfection of a yacht's beauty is that nothing should be there for only beauty's sake." - John MacGregor**

**SEA BEAR**



## The Vice Commodore's Work Day Memories 2019



Goodbye Weeds



Hello, Blue Skies



LOOK! No  
Fingerprints!

**Teamwork divides  
the task and  
multiplies the  
success --**

**Anonymous**

**A View of  
the Sunset  
through  
Our Clean  
Windows**





As we are enjoying our May flowers and the remnants of the super bloom, I want to remind you that there is a lot of racing available for sailors this month. For the Ocean Fleet there are the Spring II and the Two Sticker races May 5 and 19 respectively. Then, for Memorial Day weekend the Ocean Fleet will have the Jenkins Memorial Race, May 25-26. For the Bay Fleet there is the Spring III Race May 4. Then, Memorial Day weekend there is a race each of the 3 days. Saturday, May 25, will be the Laser Championship. Sunday, May 26, will be the Day Sailor Championship. Then, Monday, May 27, the Jack Johnson Race, intended for El Toros. However, due to a lack of El Toros in the club, we use Optimist sailboats. The Jack Johnson is great fun for adults since we let them use the junior sailing boats to test their skills against our junior sailors. We have lots of sailing this month, so there is no reason not to enjoy some sailing at the bay.

The Whaler is in tip-top shape. Thank you to John Edell and Chuck Losness for servicing the Whaler on our work day. A special thanks to John Ridgely for installing a radio in the Whaler. When you turn on the power on the Whaler, the radio automatically comes on. This will be a great safety feature for members, summer sailing instructors, races, and junior sailing.



**Rear Commodore  
Chris Surfleet**

## Ocean Racing

### Founder's Cup Race results, March 31, 2019

| Rank | Boat      | PH RF | Skipper          | Finish Time | Elapsed Time | Elapsed Seconds | Corrected Seconds | Corrected Finish | Delta   |
|------|-----------|-------|------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|
| 1    | Janina    | 138   | Mark Hilden      | 13:47:55    | 1:47:55      | 6475            | 4911.46           | 1:21:51          | 0:00:00 |
| 2    | Whiz Bang | 132   | John Michener    | 13:58:44    | 1:58:44      | 7124            | 5628.44           | 1:33:48          | 0:11:57 |
| 3    | Guayacan  | 291   | Lynn Meissen     | 14:31:06    | 2:31:06      | 9066            | 5768.97           | 1:36:09          | 0:14:18 |
| 4    | Far Away  | 200   | Werner Weinstock | 14:15:05    | 2:15:05      | 8105            | 5839              | 1:37:19          | 0:15:28 |
| 5    | Eleu      | 248   | Patrick Gorey    | 14:38:15    | 2:38:15      | 9495            | 6685.16           | 1:51:25          | 0:29:34 |
| 6    | Clam      | 228   | Alvin            | 15:25:36    | 3:25:36      | 12336           | 9752.76           | 2:42:33          | 1:20:41 |

### Ocean Fleet Opening Day Race results, April 13, 2019

| Rank | Boat     | PHRF | Skipper      | Finish Time | Elapsed Time | Elapsed Seconds | Corrected Seconds | Corrected Finish | Delta   |
|------|----------|------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|
| 1    | Janina   | 138  | Mark Hilden  | 13:33:28    | 1:33:28      | 5608            | 5053.24           | 1:24:13          | 0:00:00 |
| 2    | Guayacan | 291  | Lynn Meiseen | 14:19:46    | 2:19:46      | 8386            | 7216.18           | 2:00:16          | 0:36:03 |
| 3    | Slider   | 134  | Mark Buckman | 14:20:22    | 2:20:22      | 8422            | 7883.32           | 2:11:23          | 0:47:10 |

Spring I for the Ocean Fleet was held April 28. Results were not available for the Masthead.

**Bay Fleet Opening Day Race results, April 14, 2019; light winds with sunny weather**

| Class | Sail # | Boat Name     | Skipper         | Crew               | Rank | Total | Race 1 | Race 2 | Race 3 |
|-------|--------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| DS    | 1594   | Zopilote      | Dave Hengisnger | Nathan Hensinger   | 1    | 4     | 2      | 1      | 1      |
| DS    | 4091   | Amorcita      | Justin Bradshaw | Mark Mattson       | 2    | 7     | 3      | 2      | 2      |
| DS    | 3057   | O'Tay         | Greg Miller     | Sylvia Suarez      | 3    | 11    | 1      | 3      | 7      |
| DS    | 574    | Tipsy Blue    | Dan Hack        | Judi Forester      | 4    | 15    | 6      | 5      | 4      |
| DS    | 13162  | Vagabundo     | Terry Paris     | Dan McDonald       | 5    | 16    | 4      | 6      | 6      |
| DS    | 3875   | Snap          | Moe McEwan      | Rich Leamon        | 6    | 17    | 5      | 7      | 5      |
| DS    | 153    | Good Grief    | Joe Fram        | Greg Barker        | 7    | 18    | 7      | 8      | 3      |
| DS    | 3487   | Solar Coaster | Chris Surfleet  | Daniel Goldthwaite | 8    | 20    | 8      | 4      | 8      |



Bay Fleet Opening Day Winners. Left to right, Justin Bradshaw, David Hensinger, Nathan Hensinger, PRO Dot Rygh, Mark Mattson, Not shown is 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Greg Miller and Sylvia Suarez, PRO Pat Rygh. Note: Dave Hensinger was in the winning boat for both Ocean and Bay Fleets Opening Day races.



Spring II for the Bay Fleet was held April 27. Results were not available for the Masthead.

### Select Upcoming Events:

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| May 4 -----    | Spring III (Bay)                                    |
| May 5 -----    | Spring II (Ocean)                                   |
| May 19 -----   | Two Sticker Race (Ocean)                            |
| May 25-26 ---- | Jenkins Memorial (Ocean)                            |
| May 25 -----   | Laser Championship                                  |
| May 26 -----   | DaySailer Championship                              |
| May 27 -----   | Jack Johnson Race (Optimist for adults and juniors) |



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

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

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



Dave and Nathan Hensinger:  
Always a Winning Team



Opening Day Anthem: Thank You  
Paul Irving

## Membership News

Our newest members to be approved by the Board are Tom and Nancy Needham, sponsored by Pandora and Carol Ann. They own a DaySailer in partnership with Pandora, and Nancy is a paddler on an outrigger crew. Welcome to the club!

Lori Toft's application is on the door to be brought before the Board at the May meeting. Her sponsors are Larry Gorman and Katy Crawford. She owns a 35' Ericson.

Many of you have received your membership cards by now and have noticed that they are good until **March 2020**. The remaining cards are in the Ship's Store in an envelope with your name on them.

If you are sponsoring prospective members, please be sure they have met all the requirements before scheduling to meet with the Membership Committee. Thanks!

Filling in for Tom while he recovers,  
**Rachelle Phillips**

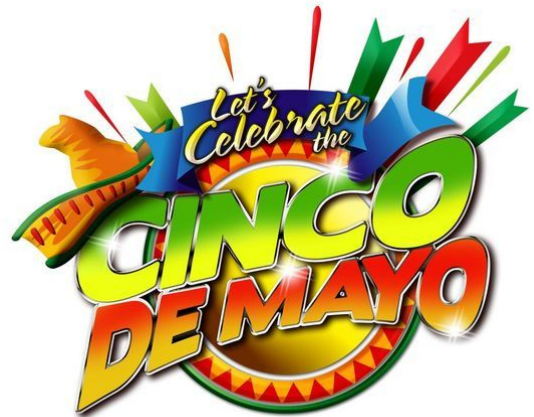


Tom and Nancy Needham



There are good ships  
and wood ships,  
ships that sail the sea,  
but the best ships are the friendships,  
may they always be.

--Irish Proverb



### Cinco De Mayo Playa Fiesta!

Come Join in Our Fun Float Cinco De Mayo Party.

Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

- We will be serving Margaritas
- Party Games including a pinata
- Bring something to share for lunch
- A free sombrero to the first dozen participants

Come Join the fun. 11 AM at the MBYC Dock.



### Committee Chairs

|                                   |                       |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Port Captain.....                 | Lynn Meissen          |
| Bar Steward.....                  | Joe and Jill Fariss   |
| Social Director.....              | Brett Cross           |
| 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        |
| Cal Poly Liaison.....             | Todd Hansen           |
| Education Officer.....            | Greg Barker           |
| Historian.....                    | Andrea Surfleet       |
| Insurance.....                    | Rich Lehman           |
| Library.....                      | Charlie Roberts       |
| Mailing.....                      | Rachelle Phillips     |
| Masthead Editor.....              | Jeanie Roberts        |
| Membership.....                   | Tom Tidyman           |
| Permit Processing & Planning..... | Dana McClish          |
| Reciprocating Secretary.....      | Glenda Boatman        |
| Roster.....                       | Gail Condon           |
| Sommelier.....                    | Rich Leamon           |
| Social Hour Coordinator.....      | Kendall Welch         |
| Alias Troll.....                  | Don Lockwood          |
| Webmaster.....                    | John Michener         |

### The Ship's Store -- Orris Cowgill

A quick update...The MBYC engraved wine glasses are, again, available. Also, MBYC engraved coffee mugs are available (see picture).

Gail Riley and Lisa Mia have been exploring a new line of clothing. The new line should be available in the Ship's Store in a few weeks. Looking forward to seeing you at happy hour, and thanks for supporting MBYC.



SALT  
WASHED



## Yacht Club Beautification Project by Andrea Surfleet

More than anyone, I'm happy finally to see the decorative ideas that have swirled in my head now up on the walls! I've kept in mind that we're a yacht club, not a beach house or a pirate's roost, although that could be debated at times.

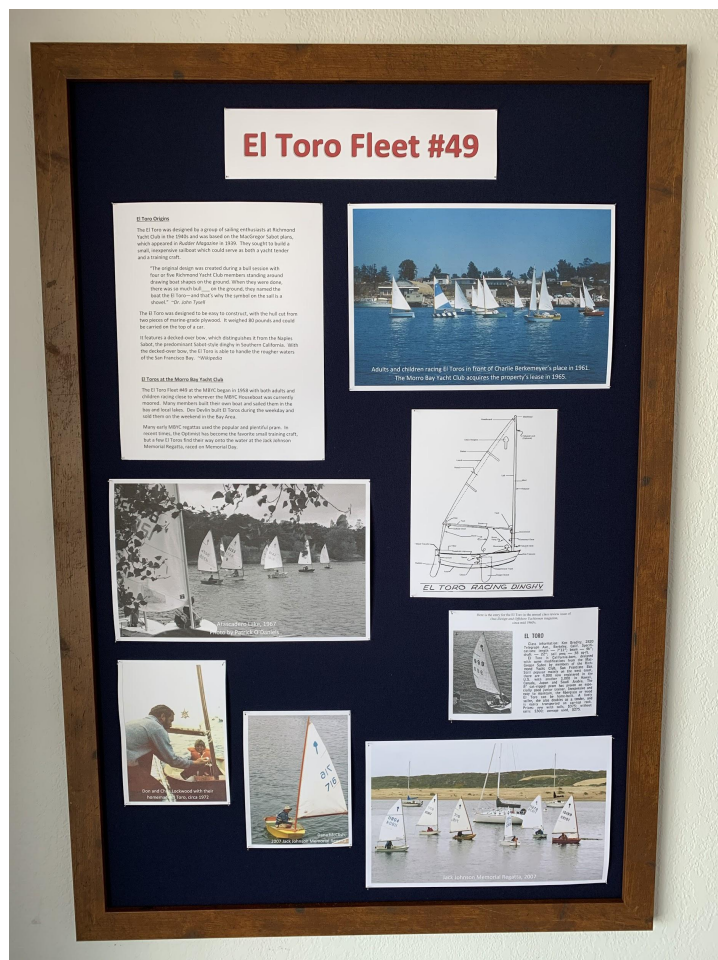
The wall plaques and pictures were grouped meaningfully, and a bulletin board with some trophy descriptions was placed next to the award display case. There's limited room, so we'll post just each season's awards and Race PRO's can share race/regatta information.

The bulletin boards for the Lido and Laser Fleets are on their way, as well as a board just for pictures of club happenings that you'd like to share. Not every picture has to be historical! Let's see some of those sunset pictures!

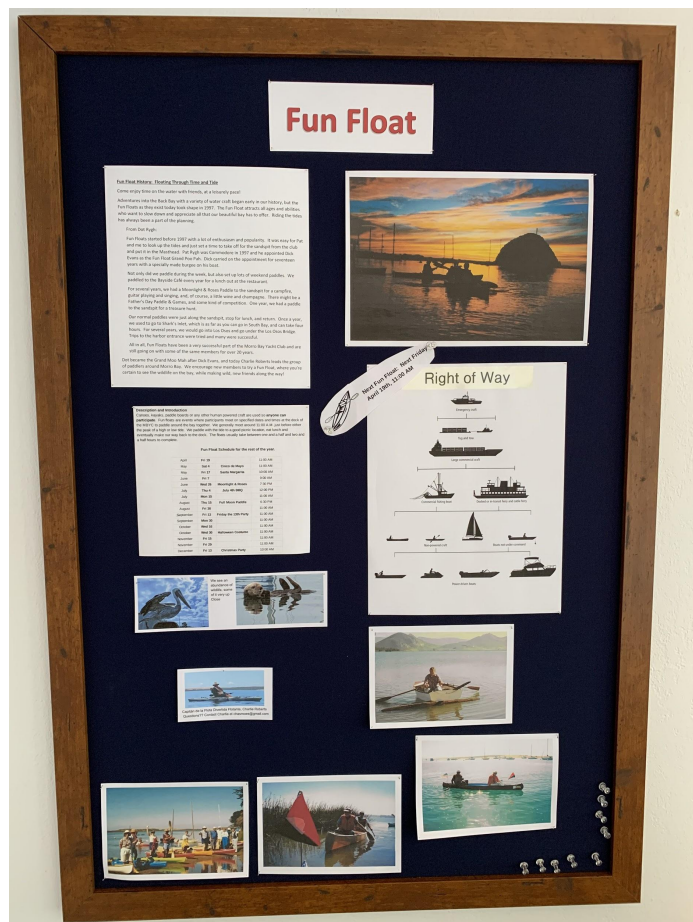
More beloved boat pictures will go up with information about the retired Rhodes 33 fleet to go by the bar. A display about building the clubhouse forty years ago will go on the wall by the new bulletin board upstairs. Thanks to Gwenn Krossa who, through mutual friends, got in touch with Scott Redd of Bend, Oregon, the photographer of the famous picture of the large wave about to engulf the M/V Mojo in January of 1978. I'll relate his story behind capturing that shot of George C. Scott trying to skip town, another day. He graciously allowed me to make a canvas print for the price of a MBYC hat and the promise to stop by soon.

Hopefully, by the time you're reading this, we'll have the "Welcome to the Morro Bay Yacht Club" sign hung, and I'll feel as if we're almost done, **BUT** I'm still looking for more boat pictures that you'd like hung on the Wall of Fame **AND** special pictures that capture the essence of sailing at Huntington Lake.

Thanks to Erin Moore who crafted the blue bulletin boards and has used her artist's eye to provide guidance. Her skills and knowledge bring a professional finish to my vision. Thanks to Anika Clements who spent a full day with me hanging bulletin boards and Larry Gorman who got roped into it for being on site! Also, thanks to our Commodore who can paint a wall faster than I can mark it up. Now, if the Rear Commodore would stop taking the plaques off the wall to get them engraved, everything will be ship-shape!

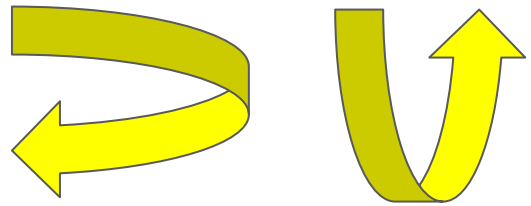


## Examples of Andrea's Bulletin Boards





## Yacht Club Beautification Project cont'd



A FRESH NEW LOOK



**Port Captain  
Lynn  
Meissen's  
Message --  
Weed  
Management  
under Boats  
in the  
Boatyard**



**A Very Good Boat**

Editor's Note:  
The average  
goat costs \$100  
to \$300. Using  
goats for grass  
abatement is  
not fiscally  
viable.



**Boat with Shells**

**Boat with Grass  
Shells Rock!**





## The Kurmudgeon Korner

Dissension has occurred within the Kurmudgeons. Since my heartfelt call to impeach Commodore Huntsinger, Michael Measures, Kurmudgeon Treasurer, said that we have no funds in the treasury, so we have no financial means to pursue impeachment. The Kurmudgeon Chaplain, our spiritual advisor Pat Rygh, said something that no one could understand (probably something in Latin like *stultus pulmentum*). That left Don Lockwood, our Recording Secretary (who is desperately seeking a pencil with a spell checker), to levy the deciding vote. Don said that the Evil Commodore hath given, and the Evil Commodore hath taken away our Kurmudgeon Reserved Parking spaces. He recommended doing nothing. When this dilemma was presented to Roy Gammill, the unassigned **"Member"** of the Kurmudgeon Klan ( the rest of us are officers), he said, "Huh?"

Stand by for further action by the Kurmudgeons!

-- **Larry Salas**, President of the Kurmudgeons

Duly recorded by **Don Lockwood** Recording Secretary and leader of the Kurmudgeon Acapella Marching Band and Clam Chowder Society.



Kurmudgeons' Happy "Our Parking"  
Celebration Participants



The Kurmudgeons' Opening Day, 2019,  
Quasi-Rebellion



The Kurmudgeon Archives: Commodore  
Joe Huntsinger, being ferried into  
temporary exile by Malcolm McEwen and  
John Burgener



## Summer Sailing Classes

Greetings MBYC Members:

My instincts tell me it would be great to publish to our membership the schedule for the 2019 Summer Sailing Program before it is announced to the general public. Our program is growing by leaps and bounds, and I have had to turn people away due to the classes filling up quite quickly.



The following is the current schedule. Some changes may be made, but I will make sure everyone is notified if the occurs.

-- **Glenda Boatman**

### **JUNE**

Session One June 10 - 13

Session Two June 17 - 20

Session Three June 24 - 27 That week already has 9 kids from the valley penciled in.

Session A June 15 -16 and 22 -23

Session B June 29 - 30 and July 6 - 7

### **JULY**

Session Four July 1 - 4

**July 8 - 14 HUNTINGTON WEEK OFF AND WEEKEND OF RACES**

Session Five July 15 - 18

Session Six July 22 - 25

Session Seven July 29 - August 1

Session C July 20 - 21 and July 27 -28

### **AUGUST**

Session 8 August 5 - 8

Session 9 August 12 - 15

Session D August 10 -11 and August 17 - 18



A heartfelt message of thanks from all our members to Karen Clinton, who embroiders all of the new members' signatures on this beautiful tablecloth. She is pictured here with her husband Jim Clinton. Karen, we appreciate and admire your talent and dedication in creating this memorable gift for us all. Thank you so very much.

I would like to thank Lori Toft, Laurie Wright, and all who shared Opening Day 2019 photographs with the Masthead. We have all heard the old adage, "A picture paints a thousand words." Thank you for the memories you have painted for us to commemorate this special occasion. -- Jeanie Roberts (Masthead Editor)

## Junior Sailing

In every Juniors program outing we try to show young people **how** to sail, but one of the things we maybe think about less often is showing them **why** to sail. Our most recent sailing day had a lot of **WHY**.

With the Laser sailors occupied with the club's Laser Slalom Race, seven Opti sailors set out to explore the bay, tacking our way as close as we dared to the harbor mouth before running downwind back to the club. After lunch, we set out again, working our way through some surprising (and for some, disabling) gusts, to the sandspit.

With nobody else around except for the occasional kayaker, the sandspit is a place for freedom, play, independence, adventure and exploration. This is the **W-H-Y** of sailing, setting out into an environment we can't totally control or predict and creating an experience that's uniquely ours.

In other news last month, Opti sailor of the year for 2019, **Owen Blackwell**, fired the cannon on opening day. We only have one official outing in May, May 5, but Juniors are highly encouraged to race in the Laser Championship Race on May 25 and the Jack Johnson Optimists Race May 27 (Memorial Day). The Jack Johnson provides great fun for juniors who generally get to win race after race while enjoying watching adults try to contort themselves into the dinghies and recover from boom blows.

-- Article and Photos by **Junior Advisor Pat Howe**



**Fun on the Sandspit**



**More  
Fun**



## Happy Hour Hosting - Changes to Assigned Dates

If you are unable to fulfill your Happy Hour duties on the assigned date, you are responsible for finding a member to act as your replacement. Please report all schedule changes to the Social Hour Coordinator, Kendall Welch, preferably by email: or by telephone.



**JULY**

|                            |   |           |
|----------------------------|---|-----------|
| Roger & Victoria Marlin    | 2 | 7/5/2019  |
| David & Karen Prewett      | 2 | 7/5/2019  |
| Craig Leven & Polly Nelson | 2 | 7/12/2019 |
| Shields & Leslie Abernathy | 2 | 7/12/2019 |
| John & Susan Wimer         | 2 | 7/19/2019 |
| Robert & Barbara           |   |           |
| Schwenoha                  | 2 | 7/19/2019 |
| Robert & Laurie Fiori      | 2 | 7/26/2019 |
| Brian (Charles) Watson     | 1 | 7/26/2019 |
| Carol Walker               | 1 | 7/26/2019 |

**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 Piper | 1 | 5/31/2019 |



Fizzy  
Orange  
Drink

**JUNE**

|                            |   |           |
|----------------------------|---|-----------|
| 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 |

Opening Day: Rory McClish re-names a traditional beverage, and happiness exudes from behind the bar -- Tom, Jill, and Judi



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](mailto: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: [mbyc.comm@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## The 2019 Laser Slalom Regatta

There were 15 sailors entered in the regatta: 3 from the MBYC Junior Sailing Club; 7 from the Cal Poly Sailing Club; and 5 from the MBYC. This is the biggest number of entrants in recent history. We intended to do a round robin (everyone races everyone else), but that would have entailed 105 heats. Instead, we split the 15 into two divisions of 7 and 8 sailors, and each division sailed a round robin, dropping the number of heats to 49.

In one division three sailors tied for first place. We ran three heats where each raced the other two and were still tied because they each won a heat. After three more heats, we finally had 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in that division. The 1st place winners of each division then raced for 1st and 2nd places in the regatta, while the two 2nd place sailors in each division raced for 3rd and 4th places. The total heats needed to run the regatta were 57, which made a long day on the water.

Thanks to PRO Bob Schwenoha, crew Charlie Roberts, registrar and scorekeeper Jeanne Buchanan, and back-up registrar/scorekeeper Barbara Schwenoha.

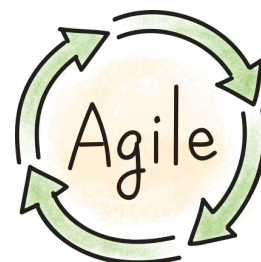
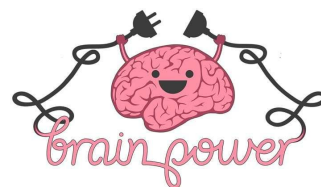
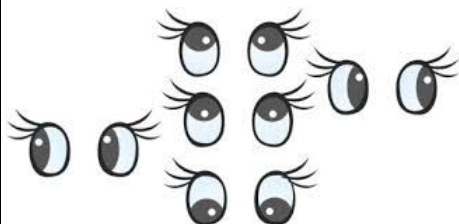
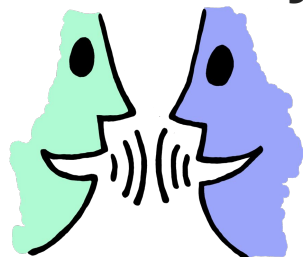
## 2019 Laser Slalom Regatta Results

| PLACE | NAME   |
|-------|--|
| 1     | Justin Bradshaw  |
| 2     | Jim Kerman   |
| 3     | Jon Clements   |
| 4     | Jack Johnson   |
| 5     | Nathan Hensinger   |
| 6     | Kevin Zhang  |
| 7     | Dan Hack   |
| 8     | Kalethe Cushman  |
| 9     | Mike Frye  |
| 10    | Dave Hensinger (tied with #11 but won the heat between them) |
| 11    | Corey Quillen (tied with #10 But lost the heat between them) |
| 12    | Nathan Dryer   |
| 13    | Taylor Wold  |
| 14    | Todd Hansen  |
| 15    | Silvia Suarez  |

Article Courtesy of Bob Schwenoha

According to *Health Fitness Revolution*, May 8, 2015, the benefits of sailing are as follows:

1. Muscle strength and endurance
2. Cardiovascular fitness
3. Mental awareness
4. Lower stress levels
5. Increased agility
6. Improved concentration
7. Improved communication skills
8. Spatial awareness
9. Improved organizational skills



From the Editor, Jeanie R.



**Poetry in Motion:** Three handsome FJ's were christened on Opening Day, 2019, at Morro Bay Yacht Club. In addition to the traditional champagne celebration, three revered member poets each read their dedicatory verse to the assembled masses. Thanks to Malcolm McEwen for preserving these words of wisdom for inclusion in the May Masthead.

### **"Thistle" by Marlene McQueen**

This boat called "Thistle" will surely pass  
Aside of the fleet and in front of the mass.  
It sails so steady in winds a-blowing  
Proudly ahead to make a grand showing,  
Then rounding the mark they all shall fear  
And say to themselves, "Oh, no, Thistle is here."

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### **"Fatal Friendsea" by Dave Hensinger**

A name's a name and nothing more,  
an object's handle, a parent's decree,  
invented new or plucked from yore,  
sounds for calling what we see.

For boats that sail and leave the shore,  
we oft resort to puns with glee,  
avoiding jokes we used before.  
That's my excuse for *Fatal Friendsea*.

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### **"Princess Buttercup" by Yvonne Lazear**

Chin up,  
Princess Buttercup.



**Duncan  
McQueen**



**Dave  
Hensinger**



**Poetic  
Excellence**



**Yvonne  
Lazear**

## Poetry in Motion cont'd

The traditional christening ceremony was comprised of a poem dedicated to the boat, a green wreath symbolizing safe return, and a dash of Champagne! These FJ's are part of the ten which were recently donated to the MBYC by the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation (MBYSF). Addition of the ten FJ's to our Youth Program fleet was made possible due to donation to the MBYSF by members of the MBYC and supporters of Cal Poly Sailing. To date over \$16,000 has been donated. Naming rights are an integral part of this fundraising campaign.



**Marlene  
McQueen Reciting  
*Thistle's*  
Christening Poem**



**David Hensinger  
Reciting *Fatal  
Friendsea's*  
Christening  
Poem**



**Master of Ceremonies Don  
Lockwood and Rich Leamon, MBYSF  
Fundraising Chair**



***Princess  
Buttercup's*  
Name is  
Revealed**



**Cal Poly Crew Who Set up the  
Ceremony**



**Rich Leamon and Matthew Susank,  
CalPoly Sailing Fund Raiser**

The MBYSF is a Code 501(c)3 corporation formed to raise funds for local youth sailing programs, specifically to cover expenses such as boats, equipment, regatta fees, coaching, grants or scholarships. Tax deductible donations can be earmarked for local sailing programs, such as the juniors and Cal Poly Sailing. One of the future goals of the foundation is to support local high school sailing teams. Should you like to contribute, contact Rich Leamon ([Rich.Leamon@gmail.com](mailto:Rich.Leamon@gmail.com)). Boat Naming rights for next Year's Ceremony are now available.

**MORRO BAY YOUTH  
SAILING FOUNDATION**



# A Visual Panorama of Opening Day, 2019, MBYC



Parade



Rosemary and Rory: A Portrait of Wisdom and Insight



"O'er the ramparts we watched"



2019 Board Members



Ceremonial Bird's Eye View



Off to the Races...





## The Fun Floats

First we must recognize and thank Andrea Surfleet for creating a bulletin board for the Fun Float Fleet as well as the rest of the fleets. The Fun Floats Board is in the south west corner of the main floor on the west wall. I will try to keep that up to date with Fun Float information about our upcoming activities as well as past events. ***Thank you so much Andrea.***



### April's Fun Floats.

For our first float of the month the forecast the week prior predicted a 70% chance of rain. It was supposed to be a big storm, but as usual the weather cooperated in the finest of manner. One doesn't often see the bay appear glassy for so long. Bay reflections of boats and shoreline were phenomenal. A trip down the sand spit, lunch and beverage on a dune, and a quick jaunt over to the rookery made for a marvelous day.



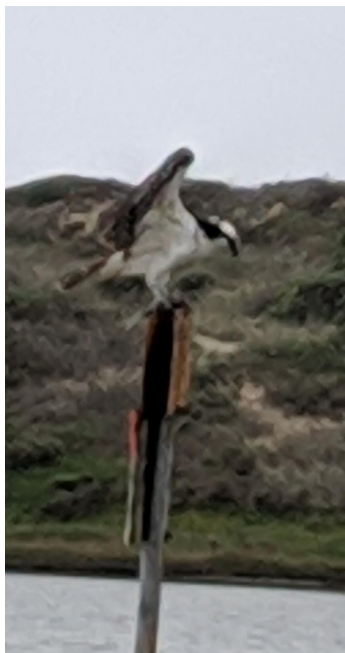
Our Easter Weekend Float didn't have a lot of people show up, but we had a very good time. It was foggy all day with only a slight breeze.

### Coming Up!

Our next three fun floats seem to be some of the favorites.

1) We will celebrate Cinco De Mayo (on Sunday, May 5th). This is one of our shorter but one of the most fun adventures. Everyone brings something to share for the lunch. Margaritas are served to all, and we will have a pinata with fun gifts and candy.

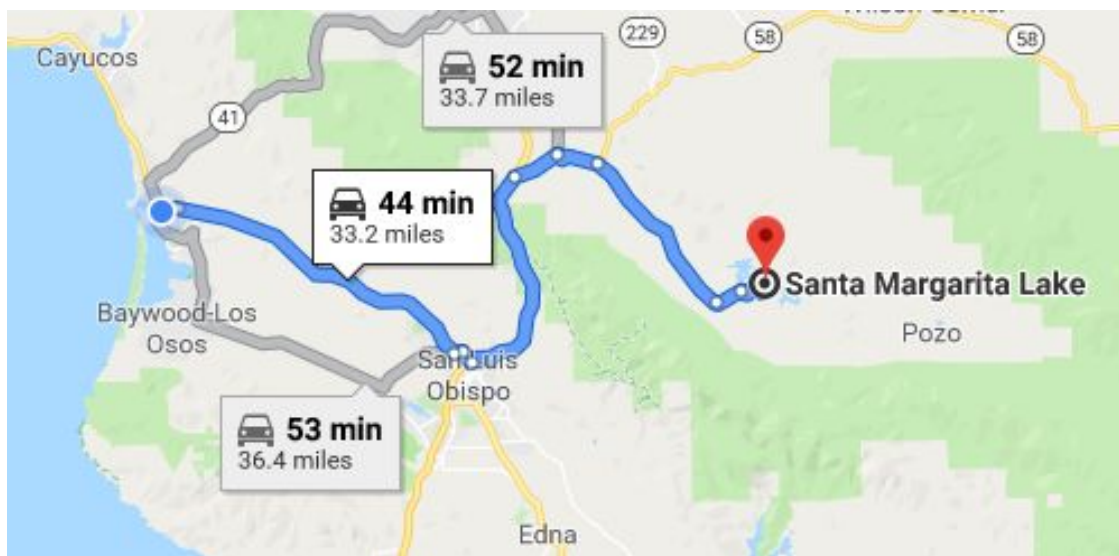
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2) On May 17<sup>th</sup> we have our annual Santa Margarita Lake Fun Float. This is the only float that we don't do here in our bay. Some participants choose to make this excursion a camping trip, by making reservations with the San Luis Obispo County Parks Department. [Reservations can be made using this link.](#) We plan on meeting at the Santa Margarita Marina at 10:00 am and hopefully will be off the dock by 10:30. There is a \$10 fee for bringing your vehicle into the recreation area and parking. There is also a \$5 fee per kayak. Access is easy. There is a small store at the marina to purchase drinks and snacks. The marina also rents kayaks. They have a very limited number of kayaks, and they are rented out on a "first come, first serve" basis. There are no reservations for the kayaks, so to ensure your float it is probably wise to bring your own. As usual, we will do a paddle either up or down the lake - depending on conditions, find a place to picnic, and enjoy lunch, drinks and conversation before heading back. Santa Margarita Lake provides us an opportunity to see wildlife we don't see here on the bay. You may want to bring some binoculars and a camera.



3) Our first June float will be on Monday, June 3rd, and we are planning on paddling over to Bayside Cafe in Morro Bay State Park for lunch. Others who may want to meet us there at lunch time are welcome to go. We will be leaving the clubhouse dock at around 11:00 am and should arrive at Bayside around 11:30. [Here is a link to the lunch menu.](#)

If you have any questions, concerns or comments about the Fun Floats please contact Charlie Roberts at [chasmoes@gmail.com](mailto:chasmoes@gmail.com).

"I wanted freedom, open air, and adventure. I found it on the sea. -- Alaine Gerbault



# May 2019

| Sun  | Mon                                | Tue | Wed   | Thu                       | Fri   | Sat  |
|--|------------------------------------|-----|-------|---------------------------|---|--|
| 28<br>Junior Sailing<br>Spring 1 (Ocean)                 | 29                                 | 30  | May 1 | 2                         | 3<br>5:15pm Membership C<br>6pm Happy Hour - Hc   | 4<br>Spring 3 (Bay)<br>11am Cinco de Mayo F  |
| 5<br>Cinco de Mayo<br>Junior Sailing<br>Spring 2 (Ocean) | 6                                  | 7   | 8     | 9                         | 10<br>6pm Happy Hour - Hc                         | 11<br>Cal Poly Alumni Reg                    |
| 12<br>Mother's Day<br>Cal Poly Alumni Reg                | 13                                 | 14  | 15    | 16<br>6:15pm MBYC Board M | 17<br>10am Fun Float- 10:0<br>6pm Happy Hour - Hc | 18<br>2pm Cal Poly Formal                    |
| 19<br>Two Sticker  | 20                                 | 21  | 22    | 23                        | 24<br>6pm Happy Hour - Hc                         | 25<br>Laser Championship<br>Jenkins Memorial |
| 26<br>Day Sailer Champio<br>Jenkins Memorial             | 27<br>Jack Johnson<br>Memorial Day | 28  | 29    | 30                        | 31<br>6pm Happy Hour - Hc                         | Jun 1<br>Man overboard Ocea                  |

[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.

