

MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB



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While most of the country is lamenting a very hot summer, we on the Central Coast are basking in mid 70 degree weather. (Oh, the carnage!) That's what's nice about living on the coast; we can drive inland a couple of miles if we want to see the sun but back to the coast to cool down. Gotta love it! It's Sunday evening, the fog is settling in for the night, and

people who are out for their daily walks are wearing jackets. We are indeed blessed to live here.

Last week Dawn and I were at Huntington Lake for the High Sierra Regatta hosted by the Fresno Yacht Club. Wow, that was fun! There were probably 40 or so members from MBYC camping or living large in condos. MBYC made quite a presence; twelve out of the twenty-one Daysailers on the lake were from Morro Bay, and four of those boats were sailed/crewed by former Junior members! It was nice to see families sailing with each other and against each other. This didn't matter because these were families on the water together.

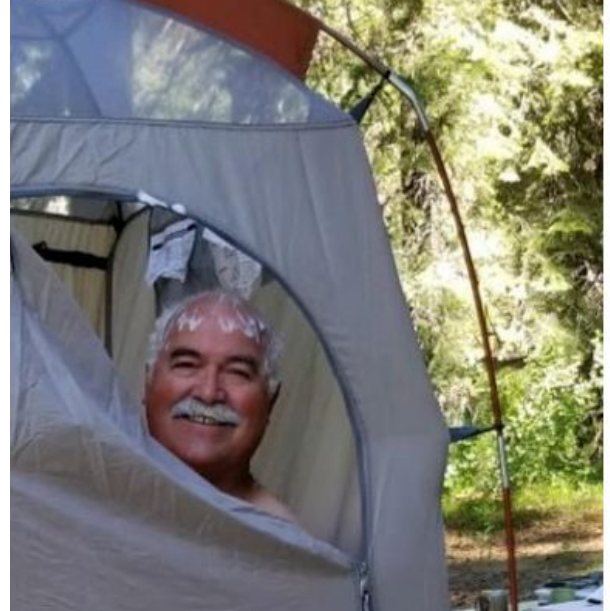
Some things have been occupying my brain lately. First, I've been busy thinking of improvements to make the Kurmudgeons' lives more comfortable. Second, Lynn and I will be working together to find more space across the street for additional boat storage. Next, I will be looking for help to plan the Commodore's Ball.

Next month we will form a nominating committee to search for next year's officers, so be brave and don't run away when hopeful people approach you.

I would like to thank a bunch of people for making life more enjoyable at the club: Brett Cross for filling in for Hamburger Night while Kendall Welch is out of town. Michael and Brooks Measures for putting on a weigh and measure day for the Bay Fleet. My Board for all of their hard work. Glenda Boatman, John Edell, and Charlie Roberts, and all our Summer Sailing instructors for putting on another great summer sailing season.

I would like to welcome our newest members Kurt and Leslie Colvin and Tom Ingram and Jody Lee. Give them a warm MBYC welcome when you see them around the club. If you have not made it to Wednesday night Burger Night you are really missing a great evening of fine food and beverages and a chance to exaggerate your best sailing stories.

Lastly, it is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Brian Crow who passed away earlier this month. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife, Gayle, and their family.



Splish splash I was takin' a bath
Long about a Saturday night,
Rub-a-dub hour just relaxin' in my shower,
Knowing Huntington was all right
(Apologies to Bobby Darin)



"He that will not sail till all dangers are over must never put to sea."

— Thomas Fuller



Policy Letter/By Law

POLICY LETTER NO.6 DOCK USE

No. 8 No boats are allowed to be left unattended on the inside dock under the hoist. 9. Dinghies left on the inside of the north dock are limited to 10 feet in length. They must have ownership identification and must be maintained in a manner suitable for the MBYC. The MBYC Board of Directors shall rule on any question of suitability. 10. Transient Ocean Boats or Authorized Guest Boats shall not be left unattended overnight at the dock without written authorization of the Port Captain. The Port Captain is authorized to place unattended non-member boats on a mooring buoy. 11. On the eve of a club sponsored event, boats that are not capable of club hoist or Morro Bay City launch ramp introduction, shall have priority use of dock space from 3 PM (or after any ongoing club event is concluded) to 7 PM of the day preceding the club event.



Fellow Yachties,

July certainly has been festive and busy. The month kicked off in style at the club as members celebrated the 4th of July barbecuing, sailing, boating, and prepping for the Huntington Regatta. Speaking of the regatta, this year marks my first time camping at Huntington and attending the regatta. Sandi and I had a blast and plan to spend more time up there for next year's festivities.

While I didn't race, I did crew for Brian Monroe (a.k.a. Captain Ron) on the 570 Twin Fin. For a while, we had the best seat in the middle of lake watching the choreographed chaos. We heaved to and watched the Moths dance around us while the I-14's and Day Sailers tacked away. Great fun.

Meanwhile, back at the club, on to one of my favorite topics: the chair lift. We experienced another failure, which we are planning to get fixed. At this point, I believe we have spent more money in maintenance costs than the purchase price of the chair itself. I voiced my displeasure to our vendor, Mobility Masters, so more to come on that later.

At this month's Board Meeting we decided to form a committee to evaluate options to repair, to rip out and replace, or to find other options. Please stay tuned.

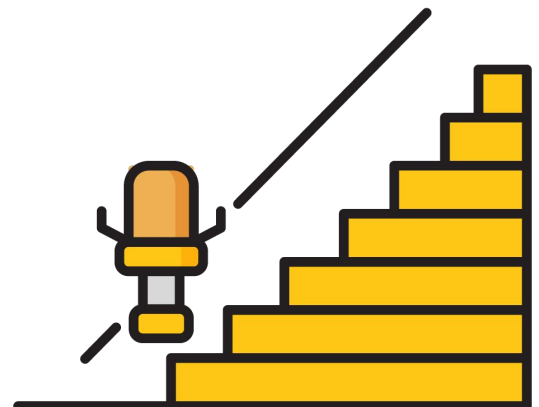
Please be advised that MBYC will be altering its Club Use forms to include cleaning deposit options for those who would rather pay to have our janitorial service clean up instead of using the "do-it-yourself" option. For those wanting the service, the cost would be \$150.00 (this does not include removing trash or washing dishes). We will review modifications to this form at next month's Board Meeting.

All for now- see you on the water!

Regards, **The Vice -- Ken Twist**



This Month's Slice from the Vice



The summer sailing season is in full swing! August brings a couple of our favorite and unique regattas: the Zongo Cup and the Daysailer Invitational.

Zongo Cup

Paul Irving has organized a great Zongo Cup Race this year. The annual Morro Bay to Avila Beach Race will be held August 9, 2019. The race will be followed by a reception hosted by the Avila Yacht Club. Then, Friday night after all the racing, blues legend's Buddy Guy, Jimmy Vaughn, and Charles Musselwhite are in concert at Avila Bay Resort. All entries prior to race day will receive 4 free tickets to the show. The registration link is on the MBYC website, or you can register directly at www.bigbigslo.com.



**Rear Commodore
Chris Surfleet**

Daysailer Invitational

The annual Daysailer Invitational will be hosted at Morro Bay the weekend of August 24-25, 2019. Lex Budge will be PRO with a planned windward/leeward course in the harbor mouth. Be sure to register prior to the event to avoid the late fee. The registration link is on the MBYC website. Terry Paris plans to run some sailing drills for interested sailors the weekend prior, so stay tuned for more information. Also, a few more volunteers are needed for the invitational. Please contact Terry to become involved.

July Ocean Racing Results

The Ocean Fleet held its Lady at the Helm Race since the last Masthead article, started their Summer race series, and conducted the Mullins race. Results are below

Lady at the Helm Race Results, June 30, 2019

			Distance	10.68	nautical miles	
		Start Time	12:00:00			
Rank	Boat	Local Rate	Helm-Lady	Finish Time	Corrected Finish	Delta
1	Janina	138	Lulu BuDoe	14:46:01	2:21:27	
2	Guayacan	291	Lynn Meissen	15:46:50	2:55:02	0:33:35
3	Slider	134	Silvia Snares	15:26:24	3:02:33	0:41:06

Summer I Results, July 7, 2019:

			Distance	6.92	nautical miles	
		Start Time	12:00:00			
Rank	Boat	PHRF	Skipper	Finish Time	Corrected Finish	Delta
1	Whizbang	161	John Michener	14:38:50	2:20:16	0:00:00
2	Guayacan	291	Lynn Meissen	15:26:25	2:52:51	0:32:35

PHRF Adj for no
Spinnaker

Mullins Memorial Race Results, July 21, 2019:

			Distance	4.98	nautical miles	
		Start Time	12:00:00			
Rank	Boat	PHRF	Skipper	Finish Time	Corrected Finish	Delta
1	Janina	138	Mark Hilden	13:16:05	1:04:38	0:00:00
2	Whizbang	132	John Michener	13:25:15	1:14:18	0:09:40
3	Guayacan	291	Lynn Meissen	14:12:14	1:48:05	0:43:27

The Rear continued: July Bay Racing Results

The Bay Fleet completed the Summer II race on June 29, 2019, with Bad Latitude winning the racing.



Summer II top finishers (left to right) Deborah Paes de Barros (PRO), Dawn Hunsinger, Brett Cross, Carlton Smith (PRO), Angela Sol, Mark Sol, Marina Graves, and Simon Graves.

Summer II Results, June 29, 2019. Dark grey DNF. Names with “/” between show alternating skippers.

Sail #	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Rank	Total	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3
3018	Bad Latitude	Brett Cross/Dawn	Huntsinger	1	7	3	2	2
2633	Katie Bee	Mark Soll	Angela Soll	2	8	2	5	1
268	Ramona	Simon/Marina	Graves	3	10	1	4	5
3057	O'Tay	Greg Miller	Dan Hack	4	11	6	1	4
1256	Blue Our Money	Tom Ingram	Jody Lee	5	14	5	6	3
13162	Vagabundo	Terry Paris	Dan McDonald	6	15	4	3	8
1594	Zopilote	David Hensing	Ansgar Von Bishopinck	7	21	7	8	6
3875	Snap	Moe McEwan	Rich Leamon	8	25	8	10	7
1053	Small Frye	Mike Frye	Kay Frye	9	26	10	7	9
2633	Piraat	Stanley Craig	Lisa Williams	10	30	9	9	12
3622	Jolie	Charlie Roberts	John Edell	11	32	11	11	10

Then, a good portion of the Daysailer fleet travelled to Huntington Lake, July 13-14, for the High Sierra Regatta. MBYC's own **Rory McClish** with **Neil Stapleton** won the class.

High Sierra Regatta Results, Daysailer Class, July 13-14 --

source: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/18554#_newsroom+results

Day Sailer A (21 boats) (top) Series Standing - 5 races scored

Information is provisional and subject to modification

Regatta results last updated: Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:30:43 PM CDT

Click on race number to view detailed race information.

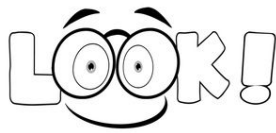
Pos	Sail	Boat	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	Total	Pos
1	13164	Measure's Up	Neil Stapleton	Morro Bay Yacht Club	2	1	1	1	1	6	1
2	13158	Hot Flash	Craig Lee	Scuttlebutt Sailing Association	3	2	2	2	4	13	2
3	2772	BUBBA	Michael Gillum	Lake Washington Sailing Club	1	5	3	3	3	15	3
4	3057	O'Tay	Greg Miller	Santa Cruz YC	4	6	6	7	6	29	4
5	13161	SUNDANCE	Dana Mcclish	Morro Bay Yacht Club	5	10	5	5	5	30	5
6	2970	Passin' Wind	Bill Fiock	Fremont Sailing Club	12	13	7	4	2	38	6
7	2365	It ain't easy	Ken Nelson	Fresno	11	7	11	6	10	45	7
8	14024	Flight Risk	Steven Lowry	Ryc	8	3	4	9	22/OCS	46	8
9	156	Pilikia	Steve Fiock	none	6	4	22/DNF	8	7	47	9
10	13150	TrueLove	Todd Hansen	Morro Bay Yacht Club	7	8	15	10	13	53	10
11	2633	KatieBee	Mark Soll	Morro Bay	9	9	13	16	9	56	11
12	163	Beach Party	Carlton Smith	Morro Bay fleet 128	10	12	8	15	16	61	12
13	3164	Full Circle	Andrew Monroe	Morro Bay Yacht Club	15	16	14	11	8	64	13
14	316	Vieja	Dave Keran	Fresno Yacht Club	13	11	9	18	15	66T	14
15	1594	Zopilote	David Hensinger	Morro Bay	16	15	10	13	12	66T	15
16	3018	Bad Latitude	Dawn Huntsinger	Morro Bay Yacht Club	14	14	12	14	14	68	16
17	14087	Gray Sailer	Richard Reader	independent	17	17	17	17	11	79	17
18	1315	Indrath	Keiran Hansen	Morro Bay Yacht Club	19	19	16	12	17	83	18
19	1621	Feerocious	Tom Fee	Morro Bay Yacht Club	18	18	22/DNC	19	18	95	19
20	1053	small frye	michael frye	morro bay yacht club	20	21	18	20	20	99	20
21	13079	Piraat	Stanley Craig	Morro Bay Yacht Club.	21	20	19	21	19	100	21

Upcoming Sailing Events

- TBD – Jenkins Memorial make-up (Ocean)
- August 9 Zongo Cup, registration at www.MBYC.net is now open!
- August 10 Wysoki Race (held at Morro Bay)
- August 18 Summer III (Ocean)
- August 24-25 Day Sailer Invitational, registration at www.MBYC.net is now open!



Hayden and Rory Sailing Home in First Place



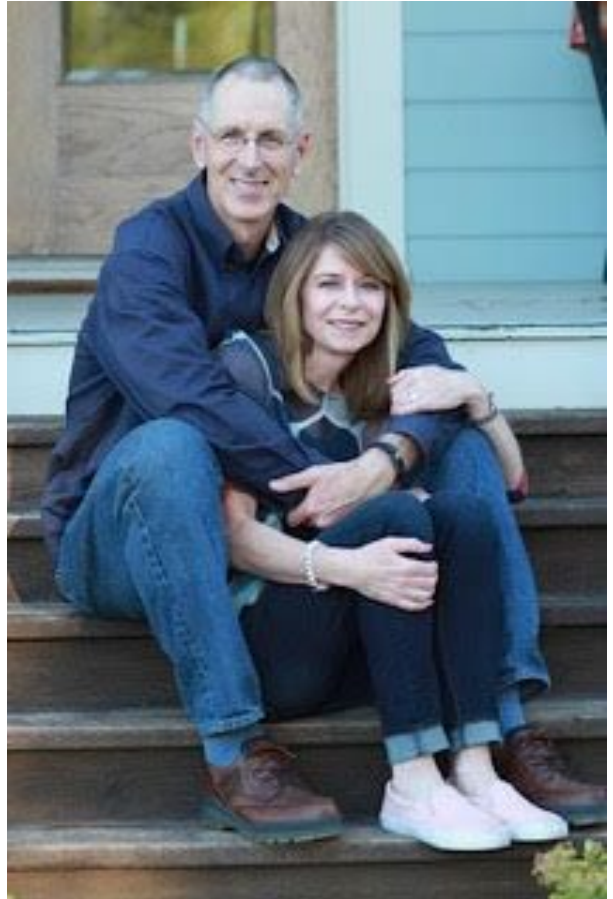
Membership News:

The board has approved two new memberships this month. Tom Ingram and Jody Lee were sponsored by Tom and Cyndy Fee. Tom and Jody moved from New York and were members of Larchmont Yacht Club. They are experienced dinghy sailors and have already bought a competitive Daysailer.

Kurt and Leslie Colvin were sponsored by Gail Condon and Kevin Williams. Kurt is a mechanical engineering professor at Cal Poly, and Leslie is a teacher. They have kayaks and are interested in learning how to sail.



Jody Lee and Tom Ingram



Kurt and Leslie Colvin



While at Huntington Lake, some of us were captivated by the swallowtail butterflies alighting on the sand at the edge of the lake. Apparently, the butterflies glean minerals and salt from lake edge sand or gravel roads. This is called “puddling.” (Doc. Roberts surfed the Web for this information: entomologytoday.org). Joe Huntsinger was enthralled and took this photograph.



A Visual Montage of MBYC's Adventures at Huntington Lake's High Sierra Regatta



A Group of Hard-working
Kurmudgeons



A Group of Hard-Working Future
Kurmudgeons



DaySailers through the Pines



Andrew Monroe
after Crewing for
Audrey McClish



Dawn and Brett,
Fave Kerin,
Followed by
Carlton and Guy

MBYC's Adventures at Huntington Lake, Continued



Keiran and Kelley Hansen -- a
Racing Team



Daysailers Racing -- Blue Waters and Blue
Skies



It Doesn't Get Any Better Than This -- Daysailers
at Huntington Lake



Shannon and Dana McClish --
a Winning Father/Daughter Duo

MBYC's Adventures at Huntington Lake, Continued



Bravo to MBYC's Bay Fleet Participants: Rory, Hayden, Shannon, and Dana



Yes, a Great Trio of Campers



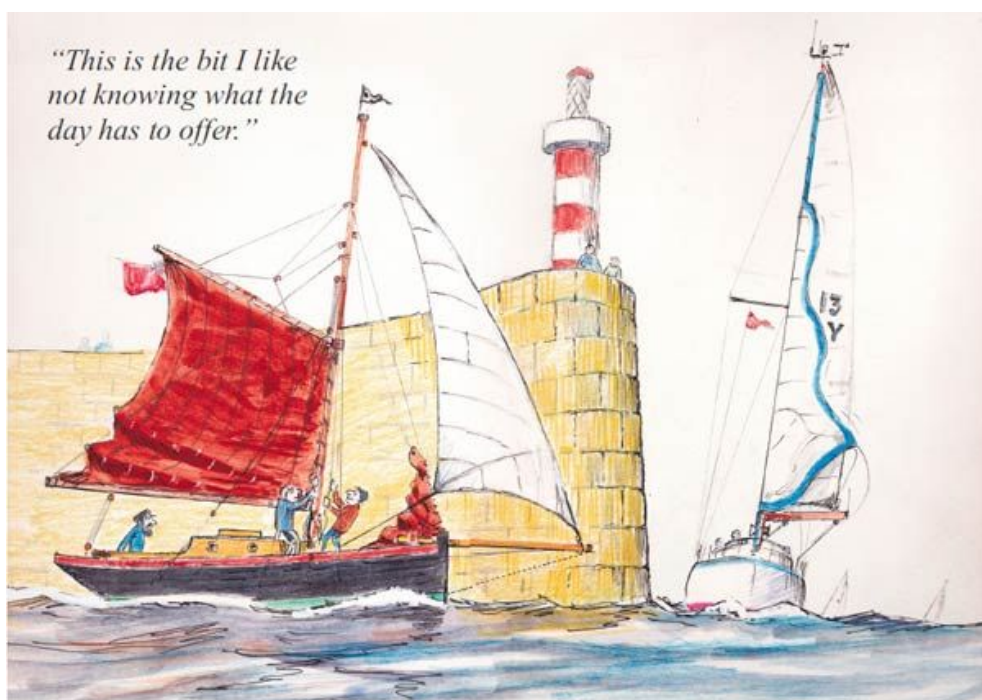
Congratulations Rory and Hayden

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.....	
Reciprocating Secretary.....	Glenda Boatman
Roster.....	Gail Condon
Sommelier.....	Rich Leamon
Social Hour Coordinator.....	Kendall Welch
Alias Troll.....	Don Lockwood
Webmaster.....	John Michener



When Sky and Sea Meet, All Else Is Inconsequential -- Photo courtesy of Laurie Wright



King Joe of the Sandspit

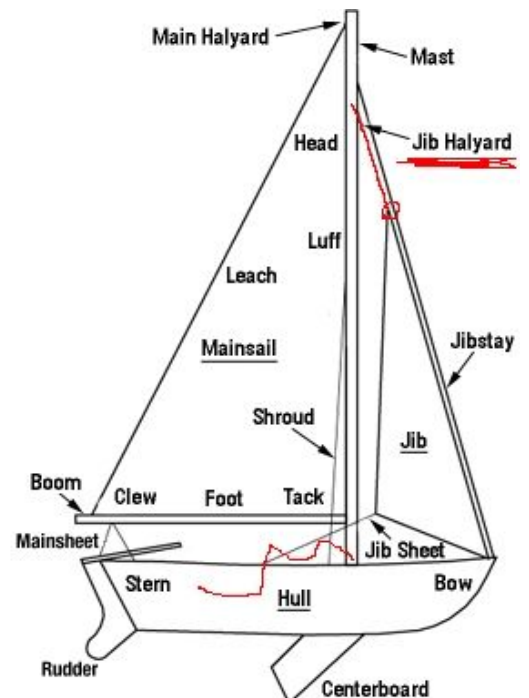
MBYC Bay Days

A Modern “Superman” in Our Club

Do you know what happens when the jib halyard gets hung up or otherwise stuck on an immovable object? Well, Superman (a.k.a **Nathan Hensinger**) comes to the rescue. Take a look at the daring acrobatic prowess of one of our great Summer Sailing instructors, and prepare to be impressed. Thank you, Nathan, for all you do for MBYC. You are the best!



**Nathan
Saves
the
Day**



MBYC Bay Days

Photos from Summer II

Greg Miller
and
Dan Hack

“Behold the
threaden sails
Borne with the
invisible and
creeping wind...”

-- William Shakespeare
Henry V Prologue



Simon Graves and
His
Daughter

Photos by
Tom
Tidyman

Dave Hensinger
and
Others



A Group of Willing
Facilitators





Kurmudgeon Korner

Now that the **Kurmudgeons** have decided to delay the commodore impeachment proceedings till next year, it is time we turned our attention to another urgent need at the club. We are speaking, of course, of the need for dedicated parking for the **Kurmudgeon** members. Due to the short sightedness of the city, it appears that they are not willing to dedicate a street to this urgent need. This leaves us with what was our preferred design all along, namely underground parking beneath the club. As this is only five parking spots, it can be accomplished within reasonable costs to the club. We **Kurmudgeons** are always worried about costs.

As a preliminary step toward this project, the **Kumudgeons** have retained the well-known architectural and engineering firm of Knudson, Knudson, and Knudson. They are very positive about this project but feel they must do a pair of borehole tests to determine the underlying surface with which they would be dealing. They have identified the exact place where these boreholes must be drilled. It is, unfortunately, in the middle of the woman's head (restroom?). Now this may be a bit of an inconvenience for the lovely ladies of our club, but it would only be for a few months. To show how much the **Kurmudgeons** wish to minimize the inconvenience, the **Kurmudgeons** are working with the city to have a shower and stall dedicated at Tidelands Park for the MBYC ladies' use. While this may still be a minor inconvenience we, the **Kurmudgeons**, are sure that all you ladies will realize that this is all for a noble cause.

Staying in good standing with the deity, our **Chaplin, Patrick Rygh**, will be blessing the holes. We're not sure what form the blessing will take,* but we're sure it will be quite nice.

-- Larry Salas, **President of the Kurmudgeon Debating Society**

Duly recorded by Don Lockwood, **Kurmudgeon Secretary** and Leader of the **Morro Bay Acapella Marching Band and Clam Chowder Society**

*(Blessing Suggestion from the Ghost:
"Domne benedicere ea foramina demittenda")

Nautical Etymology 101 -- from Jeanie R.

Feeling Groggy means to feel dazed, tipsy, or befuddled. The origin of this term comes from the 1700's when the sailors' "grog" was their daily diluted rum ration (equal parts spirits and water). Admiral Edward Vernon (1684-1757) of the British Royal Navy wore gros-grain, later shortened to *grogam*, jackets. It was his habit to dilute the crew's liquor to avert their possible drunkenness. Did the sailors approve? Not one bit! They contemptuously named him "Old Grog," both for his practice of wearing the gros-grain jackets and for his directive that the daily beverage handouts should arrive in diluted form. Sadly for sailors, all daily liquor allocations came to an end by 1970.

-- References: Wikipedia et al



Katy Crawford Earning an Honest Living -- 1978

(Katy has now moved, and we wish her well.)

Summer Sailing News - Glenda Boatman



Who can help fix anything, steer anything, or sail anything? Rory McClish, of course.



Summer Sailors in the Sun
-- (this photo courtesy of Tom Tidyman)

Dressing Ship? Keep your Flags Fresh!

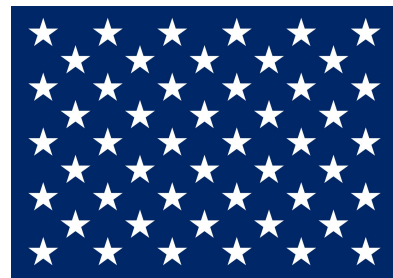
Here's a glimpse at the rules from an article in *Motor Boating* magazine, 1964, for flying flags. Have any of these rules changed, or **do they still fly**? I looked to the United States Power Squadrons' webpage on Flag Etiquette, and the descriptions seem to read verbatim.

https://www.usps.org/f_stuff/etiqett.html. **Perhaps one of you can spot any errors?**

Of interest, the illustration on the middle left shows a Union Jack. The jack of the United States is a maritime flag representing U.S. nationality, flown on the jackstaff in the box of U.S. vessels that are moored or anchored. (Wikipedia)

Here is more from the US Power Squadrons' website: "The Union Jack is a rectangular blue flag with 50 stars - the upper quadrant of the National Ensign properly referred to as a canton. It is worn most often by government vessels - rarely by private vessels. It may be flown only when not underway at the jack staff of yachts with more than one mast, and only on Sundays, holidays, or when dressing ship. The exterior dimensions of the Union Jack should be equal to the respective exterior dimensions of the Union on the National Ensign being flown."

For communication or decoration, **make sure** you're dressing up flags properly!



DRESSING SHIP

ON NATIONAL HOLIDAYS, at regattas, and on other special occasions, yachts often dress ship with International Code signal flags. Flag officers' flags, club burgees, and national flags are not used. The ship is dressed at 8:00 A.M. and remains so dressed from morning to evening colors. (While at anchor only.)

In dressing ship, the yacht ensign is hoisted at the peak or staff aft, and the jack at the jackstaff. Then a rainbow of flags of the International Code is arranged, reaching from the waterline forward to the waterline aft, by way of the bowsprit end to the foretop masthead, then across to the main topmast, and down to the main boom end, allowing several flags to touch the water line from both the bowsprit end and the main boom end. To keep the flags

in position, a weight should be attached to the end of each line. Where there is no bowsprit, flags will start at the stemhead. Flags and pennants should be bent on alternately, rather than in any indiscriminate manner. Since there are twice as many letter flags as numeral pennants, it is good practice, as in the Navy, to follow a sequence of two flags, one pennant, etc., etc., throughout. In order to effect a degree of uniformity in yacht procedure, the following arrangement has been proposed:

Starting from forward, AB2, UG1, LE3, GH6, IV5, FL4, DM7, PO Third Repeater, RN First Repeater, ST0 (zero), CX9, WQ8, ZY Second Repeater.

The arrangement here proposed is designed to effect a harmonious color pattern throughout.



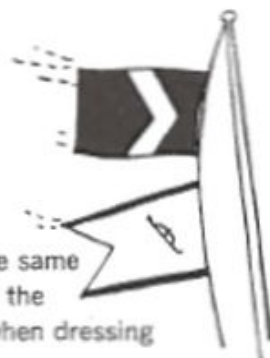
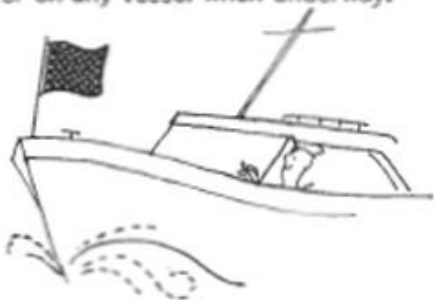
The Seasoned Skipper offers a few DON'T'S to help you fly your flags properly

DON'T fly flags that are tattered,
torn,
or faded.



DON'T, in dressing ship, use flag officer's
flag, burgee, or ensign,
except at its correct position.

DON'T fly the Union Jack on single-masted boats
and never on any vessel when underway.

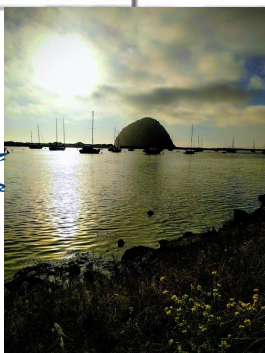
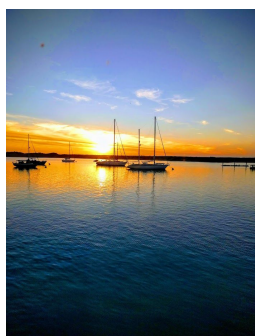


DON'T fly two flags from the same
hoist, except flags of the
International Code, when dressing
ship or signaling.

DON'T fly two officer's flags
at the same time.



DON'T dress ship while underway.
See below for proper order
of bending on flags to
dress ship.



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.



OCTOBER

AUGUST

Michael & Catherine Manchak	2	8/2/2019
Tylor & Sarah Mason	2	8/2/2019
Ted & Iris Jacobson	2	8/9/2019
Dennis & Rosalie Boertj	2	8/9/2019
Joe & Dawn Huntsinger	2	8/16/2019
Tom & Cyndy Fee	2	8/16/2019
Chris Swan	1	8/23/2019
Freddie Fernandez	1	8/23/2019
Duncan & Marlene McQueen	2	8/23/2019
Paul & Kathleen Reichardt	2	8/30/2019
Michael & Brooks Measures	2	8/30/2019

Bob & Laurie Neumann	2	10/4/2019
Jim & Christy Hoxter	2	10/4/2019
Tom & Laurie Wright	2	10/11/2019
John Gajdos & Blaine Giannini	2	10/11/2019
Armand Boyer	1	10/18/2019
John & Nia Schmidt	2	10/18/2019
Brian & Lisa Granger	2	10/18/2019
Carol Ann Stephens	1	10/25/2019
Michelle M. Voisenal	1	10/25/2019
Pandora & Gary Karner	2	10/25/2019
Tom & Nancy Needham	2	10/25/2019

SEPTEMBER

Ali Athari	1	9/6/2019
John & Terry Miron	2	9/6/2019
Faye Zeeb	1	9/6/2019
Wendy Knight	1	9/13/2019
Joe and Jill Fariss	2	9/13/2019
Rachelle Phillips	1	9/13/2019
Guy Bahringer	1	9/20/2019
Judi Forster	1	9/20/2019
Dennis & Kerry Bailey	2	9/20/2019
Bill Cockrill & Joyce Hunter	2	9/27/2019
Judy Lynn & Rocky Setting	2	9/27/2019



Chef Charles and Chef Thomas, of the Sandspit Barbeque

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: 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.



Fun Floats - Club Sponsored Paddle Outings.

The “Fun Floats” seem to become more popular as attendance has increased some. A typical fun float usually starts at around 11:00 AM., and each lasts for about two to

two-and-a-half hours. Although the itinerary is very similar on almost all floats, the experience varies based on the time of year, weather, wildlife, amount of tide change, and who is participating. The basic fun float consists of participants loading up on their paddle crafts and then departing together, heading south into the bay. After about forty-five minutes of paddling, we find a spot on a beach and eat a lunch. Participants bring their own lunches, but often some will bring something sweet or unique to share with the group.

The fun floats are almost always scheduled around the tide change. We try to head south into the bay at the end of an in-coming tide, and then we depart our lunch spot on an outgoing tide. This makes paddling a little easier. We travel at a leisurely pace to ensure the paddle isn't too strenuous. The wind and current strength often determine the path we follow. We try to stay out of the strong currents and stay on the weather shore to avoid wind-caused waves.

Anyone can participate in our fun floats. Most people have their own kayaks, but paddle vessels can be rented. Dennis of Kayak Horizons adjacent to the club house will usually provide fun float participants with a better rate if going on the club's fun float is mentioned. I encourage anyone at least to try the fun floats. I love the fun floats because of the camaraderie fostered by the event, as well as the wildlife we always see while moving through the bay.

We try to schedule fun floats for about twice a month. The scheduling depends on several factors, but the primary factor is a tide change that occurs around noon or shortly thereafter. Another factor considered for our choice of dates is other MBYC sponsored events such as races, junior sailing, summer sailing lessons, and holidays. Weekends are often already busy, so fun floats are not usually scheduled then.

Please give me a call or send me an email or text if you have any questions, concerns or comments about the fun floats. I'm always seeking ways to improve the quality of the events. - Charlie Roberts (435)574-9060 - chasmoes@gmail.com.

Above - The Monday after Huntington. There was a better turnout than expected.





The July 4th Barbeque out on Sandel's Cove

Recent Fun Floats

July will have included three fun floats. Having three in a month is unusual, somewhat like blue moons. We have already held two floats, but the third will happen on the 31st of July.

On July 4th we had a unique fun float for a couple of reasons. First, it was on a holiday, which we have usually avoided in the past, and second, we had a complete barbeque out on Sandel's Cove. Attendance and food were both very good. We hauled a barbeque grill, a table, and coolers full of food out to the cove for the event. Everyone brought some kind of food treat to share with the group. There were plenty of salads, desserts, and grilled meat. We grilled chicken thighs, hamburgers, and hot dogs. There was plenty to eat and quite a crowd to help consume it. This was very enjoyable, festive event.

Our second fun float took place the Monday after Huntington, so I really didn't expect anyone to show up. However, the weather could not have been better, and we all had a good time on the paddle and at lunch. We chatted for quite a while after lunch and came back with the outgoing tide.

Upcoming Fun Floats and Related Activities

We have **one more float in July (the 31st)** and **two in August**. Nothing special is planned for any of these events, but all should be very enjoyable. We will leave the MBYC dock at about 11:00 AM for all three floats, and all three will have us head into the bay. The other two floats are on **Wednesday, August 14th**, and **Friday, August 30th**. I hope to see you there.

Hamburger Night - August 21st - The Theme is "Happy Birthday"

It will be the Fun Floaters' turn to host hamburger night on August 21st. I hope our fun float participants will be happy to come and help prepare and serve the food. If we can get enough people involved, we will have two shifts that evening which, should make it an easy volunteer duty.





More Pictures from the July 4th event out on Sandal's Cove



Planned Fun Floats for the Near Future

July 31 Wed	11:00 AM
August 14 Wed	11:00 AM
August 30 Fri	11:00 AM
September Fri 13	11:00 AM
September 23 Sun	10:00 AM
<i>(Special Equinox Event)</i>	






"Live in the Sunshine,
Swim in the Ocean, and
Drink in the Wild Air"

-- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 Junior Sailing Summer 2 (Ocean)	29	30	31 Fun Float 11:00 AM 	Aug 1	2 5:15pm Membership C 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	3
4	5	6	7	8 4pm Zongo Cup	9 Zongo Cup 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	10 Wysocki (Bay)
11 Junior Sailing	12 5:30pm Coast Gaurd A	13	14 Fun Float 11:00 AM 	15 6:15pm MBYC Board M	16 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	17 Hawaiian Luau
18 Summer 3 (Ocean)	19	20	21	22	23 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	24 Day Sailer Invitation
25 Day Sailer Invitation	26	27	28	29	30 6pm Happy Hour - Hc Fun Float 11:00 AM	31

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All pictures are welcome!
Thanks for all the contributions for this month.

