

MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB



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Joe Huntsinger

Vice Commodore:

Ken Twist

Rear Commodore:

Chris Surfleet

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I've said it before but I'll say it again, I love the holiday season. We saw lots of kids come to our door on Halloween, and new officers were elected for 2020. (These two should not be confused....) Congratulations to all of you.

I've avoided impeachment, but I did have to make and install an awning, with the help of Tim Volpe, for the Kurmudgeons to be safe. I used a daysailer sail for the cover. They hold up much better in high winds than the Lido sails do.



Anyway, the Commodore's Ball held at Windows on the Water was a good time had by all. It was pure joy presenting Rich Leamon with the 2019 Commodore Jack Sparrow award for his great stories and positive outlook around the club.

At our November board meeting I presented Charlie Roberts with the 2019 Commodore's Appreciation Award for his many hours spent serving others at the club. Yesterday, Ken Twist ran our Fall Clean Up Day. The club is now clean and ready for the Lighted Boat Parade and our annual Christmas Party. Thanks to Chris Surfleet and Sean Hanlon; the exterior Christmas lights are up.

I would like to thank all of the members of the Morro Bay Yacht Club for making 2019 such a great year. It has been a pleasure and an honor serving as your Commodore. I truly am looking forward to 2020 and to seeing all of the great things that next year's board will do.

Merry Christmas! -- **Commodore Joe Huntsinger**

Quote

"They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters;
These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep."

— Bible, Psalms 107:23-24



December 6. Trim the Tree at Happy Hour.

December 7. Lighted Boat Parade. Bring a favorite dish to share for a night of food, drinks, and warm jackets as we watch the lighted boats pass the club.

December 14. Christmas dinner and Christmas party, including the infamous White Elephant gift exchange.



POLICY LETTER #16 STORAGE FACILITY USE

C. Boat Storage Area 1. The boatyard is for the storage of boats and trailers only. 1a. Any exception to this must have the approval of the Port Captain. 2. All personal property must be in or on the member's boat. 3. All boats must be kept in an aesthetically acceptable condition, i.e. no shredded tarps, moss covered boats, and have current registrations. 4. All boats must be stored on a trailer. Trailers must be in a functional condition, i.e. no flat tires, to facilitate yard maintenance. 5. All members using the boat yard must have a signed boat storage agreement on file with the Port Captain. 6. Rented space in the boat storage yard may not be sublet, transferred, or offered as part of the sale of a members' boat. Space made available by the sale of a boat will be offered to the member next on the waiting list



Don Lockwood with Sharon Gamill at the Ball displaying one of the "Tushie Cushies" the Hoffbrau Restaurant provides for the Kurmudgeons.



Rich Leamon receives the 2019 Jack Sparrow Award at the Commodore's Ball



2020 Commodore Ken Twist zeroes in on 2019 Commodore Joe Huntsinger with his new gavel.



Judi Forster, Pat Rygh, and Lori Toft having a ball at the Commodore's Ball

Commodore's Ball, 2019



Charlie Roberts and Rich Leamon



Michael Measures, Don Lockwood, and Todd Hansen



Brookes Measures, Gail Condon



Sharon Gamill, Liz Salas, and Kit Lockwood



Glenda Boatman, Jeanie Roberts, and Charlie Roberts



Ken and Sandi Twist



The Kurmudgeons' Table



The Board Members' Table



Moe and Rich

Fellow Yachties, OctoNoDember marches on. By the time you read this, you will have enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends, probably packing on a few extra ounces along the way. Hopefully everyone came through unscathed and in one piece, with pride intact. It was nice to have it feel a little like fall with a little wind and rain.

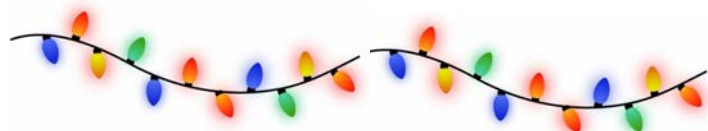
Well, the club is officially ready for the 2019 Holiday Season! We held our annual winter cleaning bash on the 23rd of November, which was well attended, so special thanks to those who could make it. Christmas lights were hung, the boat yard was organized, windows were cleaned, the galley looks great, the BBQ is sanitary, bookshelves and entertainment areas are organized. All we need is a Christmas tree. Also, The Annual Morro Bay Lighted Boat Parade is two weeks away, so please carefully read the announcement below.



This Month's Slice from the Vice



Chris Surfleet Hangs Christmas Lights



Our Beloved Commodore Playing on Ladders



Moe Doing Yeoman's Work in the Boatyard



Brett and Doug Bring the Grill Back to Life



After Decades of Planning, Mike Frye Installs Drip Line along the Embankment





Pat Giving Things the Red Glove Treatment

MBYC is looking for a volunteer to take over as Masthead editor. This crucial role is not only critical for our club's internal communication but is critical in keeping the greater SCYA community informed of our club's activities. I am looking for a volunteer who is editorially creative, diligent, and can drive to a monthly schedule. If you are interested in the role or would like more information on what the role entails, please contact me.

-- **The Vice**



The 2019 Annual Morro Bay Lighted Boat Parade is on the 7th of December. There are a few changes to how the club is going to manage the lighted boat parade moving forward. As usual, members may bring guests, but due to safety and insurance issues we will limit the number of guests each membership can have to **four** and will be **limiting the total number of guests to 125. Please note - this means that we are only allowing 125 guests, which means we are accepting the first 125 guests who register.**

To that end, our registration process will change this year. So that we can effectively track and register attendees (members and their guests) we are sending an Eventbrite notification web link out on the mailer for everyone to sign up. If you plan to bring guests, you must send them (email, text, or otherwise) the link so they can register and pay the \$5.00 admission fee. The Eventbrite link is for everyone to RSVP (including members) so that guest names can be captured and guest fees paid either through the yacht club PayPal account, or funds can be dropped in the yacht club mailbox. **We need to receive RSVPs by December 3rd.** We will check people in at the door, so guests must present their Eventbrite tickets at the door (via their phones or printed tickets) before they can enter. **Guests will not be permitted into the club without being accompanied by their sponsoring members at the time of entry.** That's all for now. See you all on the water. Regards, -- **The Vice**

'Tis the Season: Christmas ships are boat parades held at Christmastime, typically featuring boats decorated with Christmas lights or winter/holiday decorations. In the United States in the 19th century, German and Irish immigrants shipped trees from Michigan and Wisconsin to Chicago via boat to meet a large demand for Christmas trees. Among these ships was the *Rouse Simmons*, a Christmas tree ship that sank in Lake Michigan in 1912. Christmas tree shipping continued to occur in Chicago into the 1930s. Ships laden with Christmas gifts for distribution were also referred to as "Christmas ships" in the early 20th century, inspiring a popular World War I-era song, **"Hurrah, Hurrah, for the Christmas Ship"** that encouraged children to give money, food, and clothing to European children displaced by the war.

Seattle, Washington, held its first Christmas ship parade in 1941 but without lights on the boats due to blackout regulations during World War II. Currently, a lead boat travels to waterfront destinations on Lake Washington and in Puget Sound, and a choral group on the boat sings a program of Christmas carols to the audience on shore. Private boats decorated for the season may follow the lead boat.

Portland, Oregon, has hosted a Christmas ships festival since 1954 on the Columbia and Willamette Rivers. The boat parades occur on most nights for several weeks in December. -- [Excerpts from Wikipedia](#)



The 2017 Morro Bay Lighted Boat Parade Winner - Bonnie Marietta

Happy Holidays everyone. I am looking forward to lots more great sailing in December and the New Year. Be sure to come and enjoy the Bay Fleet's Christmas Party on Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019. There will be a dinner for the first 60 tickets sold and a gift exchange following. There are two scheduled races, the Drumstick Bay Race on Dec 1 and Fall III Ocean Race on Dec. 16, 2019.

Charlie Wilson made a generous donation of his past sailing awards. There were several stained-glass pictures made by Charlie that we are hoping to display in the club. The Ocean Fleet has been without perpetual trophies for its summer and fall series; a couple of the donated trophies will be re-allocated for this need. New deeds for the trophies will be proposed. The remainder we hope to use for individual race awards, or perhaps some book-ends can be made from others to help with organization of the club's library. Many thanks to Charlie Wilson.

The MBYC Board of Directors has approved a new Launch Use Policy. Look for this to be updated in the member section of the website in December. The new policy requires launch users to be certified in launch use and race safety boat use to use the launches. A checklist for certification and a list of approved members to certify other users will be developed by the launch use committee consisting of the Rear Commodore, Port Captain, and Education Officer. All launch users must meet the requirements specified for a California Boater Card and be 16 years of age or older.



**Rear Commodore
Chris Surfleet**



Select stained glass picture and awards donated by Charlie Wilson. The Day Sailer stained glass was made by Charlie; the boat plaques will be made into Ocean Fleet Summer and Fall Series perpetual trophies.

Fall II Ocean Race Results, November 3, 2019

				Course Distance		8.67	nautical miles	
				Start Time		12:00:00		
Rank	Boat	Skipper	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Elapsed Seconds	Corrected Seconds	Corrected Finish	Delta
1	Janina	Mark Hilden	16:44:15	4:44:15	17055	15858.54	4:24:19	0:00:00
2	Whizbang	John Michener	16:49:10	4:49:10	17350	16205.56	4:30:06	0:05:47
4	Guayacan	Lynn Meissen	DNF					

Devlin II Ocean Race Nov. 17, 2019 was postponed

Winter 1 Bay Race Results, November 2, 2019.

Class	Sail #	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Rank	Total	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3
DS	163	Beach Party	Carlton Smith	Guy Bahringer	1	5	1	3	1
DS	1621	Feerocious	Tom Fee	Cyndy Fee	2	8	3	2	3
DS	307	Bad Latitude	Brett Cross	Cousin Mark	3	14	8	4	2
DS	1256	Life in the Past Lane	Tim Ingram	Rich Leamon	4	14	2	1	11
DS	13150	TCO TrueLove NDRS	Todd Hansen	Keiley Hansen	5	19	4	9	6
DS	13057	Small Frye	Mike Frye	Kay Frye	6	19	5	5	9
DS	3057	Otay	Dan Hack	Sylvia Suarez	7	21	9	7	5
DS	3487	Solar Coaster	Chris Surfleet	Dan Goldthwaite	8	21	6	8	7
DS	13162	Vagabundo	Terry Paris	Dan McDonald	9	21	7	6	8
DS	3539		Lisa Mia	Kendall Welch	10	31	10	11	10

Commodore's Cup Race Results, November 16, 2019.

Class	Sail #	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Rank	Total		Race 1	Race 2	Race 3
DS	268	Ramona	Marina Graves	Simon Graves	1	3		1	1	1
Taser	2298	Aquahine	Brett Cross	Dawn Huntsinger	2	7		2	2	3
DS	3057	O Tay	Dan Hack	Sylvia F.	3	11		3	4	4
DS	13150	True Love	Todd Hansen	Joyce Hansen	4	18		10	3	5
DS	1256	Life Past Lane	Tom Ingram	Jody Lee	5	22		10	10	2
DS	1621	Feerocious	Tom Fee	Cyndy Fee	6	24		4	10	10
DS	14051	Happy Trails	Kendall Welch	Lisa Mia	7	30		10	10	10
DS	13162	Vagabundo	Terry Paris	Dan McDonald	7	30		10	10	10
DS	3622	Jolie	John Edell	Glenda Boatman	7	30		10	10	10
DSQ	OCS	DNS	DNF							

What a great year of sailing! I want to thank everyone who served on race committees or safety boats; we could not have had such great racing without you. The 2019 fleet captains Terry Paris, Troy Wieck, and John Wimer were fantastic and deserve much credit for our successful sailing in 2019. In 2020 there is another strong set of fleet captains with Charlie Roberts as Day Sailer Fleet Captain, Judi Forster and Mark Buchanan as Ocean Fleet Captains, and Dan Hack as Laser Fleet Captain. See you on the water in 2020.

Upcoming Sailing Events

- Drumstick (Bay) Dec. 1
- Bay Fleet Christmas Party Dec. 14
- Fall III (Ocean) Dec. 16
- Hangover Race (Bay) Jan. 1, 2020



John Michener Receives His Trophy at the Commodore's Ball

Summary of the winners of the 2019 sailing races held at MBYC (as of Masthead press time)

Event	Winning Boat	Skipper
Ocean Fleet		
Winter Series	Whizbang	John Michener
Spring Series	Whizbang	John Michener
Summer Series	Whizbang	John Michener
Mullins Trophy	Janina	Mark Hilden
Devlin Series (started in 2018)	Janina	Mark Hilden
Founders Cup	Janina	Mark Hilden
Opening day	Janina	Mark Hilden
Jenkins Memorial	Janina	Mark Hilden
Two Sticker	Guayacan	Lynn Meissen
Zongo Cup (PHRF winner)	Fear Not	Kevin Williams
Lady at the Helm	Janina	Lulu Deboe
Bay Fleet		
Hangover Race	Sundance	Rory/Shannon McClish
Winter Series	Beach Party	Carlton Smith
Spring Series	Beach Party	Carlton Smith
Seager Spring Laser Series	-	Chris Surfleet
Wysocki Memorial	Beach Party	Carlton Smith
Day Sailer Fleet Championship	Sundance	Dana/Rory McClish
Laser Championship	-	Rory McClish
Laser Slalom	-	Justin Bradshaw
Day Sailer Invitational	Bubba	Mike Gillum
Harbor Festival Cup	O Tay	Greg Miller
Summer Series	Vagabundo	Terry Paris
Opening Day	Zoipolote	David Hensinger
Fall Series	Life in the Past Lane	Tom Ingram



Membership News

Two new memberships were approved at the November 21st Board Meeting! Warren and Patrice Flack were sponsored by Yvonne Lazear and Rachelle Phillips. They have East Coast sailing experience and currently own a tandem kayak.

The second membership is Mike Munger, sponsored by Charlie Roberts and Armand Boyer. Mike owns a 21 ft Bayliner power boat. He also enjoys the Fun Floats. Seek out the new members and welcome them to the Club.

There are currently six sponsors' packets out, so the future looks bright. I expect some will be ready for the January Membership Meeting on the 3rd.

If you have changed your address, email, or phone number, please contact me.

**John Edell --
Membership Chairman**



"A sea captain when he stands upon the bridge, or looks out from his deck-house, thinks much about God and about the world. Away in the valley yonder among the corn and the poppies men may well forget all things except the warmth of the sun upon the face, and the kind shadow under the hedge; but he who journeys through storm and darkness must needs think and think."

- William Butler Yeats, *The Celtic Twilight*



Welcome to Mike Munger



Welcome to Warren and Patrice Flack



Clean Marina Tip -- by Lynn Meissen

Solid waste and Marine Debris

Under Maritime Pollution Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships..., it is illegal for any vessel to discharge plastics or garbage containing plastics into U.S. navigable waters.

Don't let fishing lines, polystyrene, plastic bags or six-pack rings get released or blown overboard. Stow trash securely and always bring it back to shore. Cigarette butts are the most common type of litter found washed up on beaches and are not biodegradable. Place extinguished cigarette butts in the trash. Take used monofilament fishing line back to a recycle bin at a participating boating facility: <http://g.co/maps/brqvk>.

This advice is good for our bay as well.



Nautical Etymology 101 -- from Jeanie R.

Full to the Gunwales - Full to the Brim

Gunwales are the upper planks of a large vessel, (An officer stood at the gunwale, peering through the dark at the figures that swarmed aboard. *The Secret Wireless* by Lewis E. Theiss) and in small craft, the gunwale is a piece of timber extending round the top side of the hull. It is often pronounced "gunnels." In the 15th century, the term may have derived from "gun walls." However, not until the 19th century is the term referred to for a heavily loaded ship. The non-nautical idiomatic use of the phrase does not appear until the 20th century. (My boat sank in its slip up to the gunwales. boatingmag.com)

Poetry is also full to the gunwales with the same phrase. Here you go!

A barque stood o'er the shadowy tide,
All shattered, pale and dim,
With a countless crew—and such freightage too,
That it sunk to its gunwale rim.

"New Year's Eve" by Ernest Jones

May we all be full to the gunwales (or the brim) with good food, good cheer, and good times this holiday season!

THE MORRO BAY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION



The MBYSF was founded in 2011 by members of the Morro Bay Yacht Club to provide access to sailing and boating activities and instruction to local youths of all backgrounds. Our goal is to raise funds for local youth sailing programs to go toward expenses such as sailing equipment, camp fees, regatta fees, coaching, grants or scholarships. We are 100% funded by your charitable donations.

Donate online at <http://www.mbysf.org/> or by check or money order sent to:

MBYSF, P.O. Box 736, Morro Bay, CA 93443

Contact Rich Leamon, MBYF Fund Raising Chair, for IRA or Estate Giving



The MBYSF is a non-profit corporation under the Internal Revenue Service Code 501(c)3, and donations are tax deductible.
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Morro Bay Yacht Club Junior Sailing

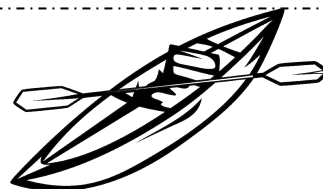
The MBYC Junior sailing program not only provides opportunities for young people to further their sailing skills, it's also one of the ways families discover the club. Many go on to become club members. I just finished putting together the 2020 Morro Bay Tides calendar for the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation, and it got me thinking about the ways, big and small, that folks can support youth sailing. Here are just a few of them:

1. Buy a calendar. They're \$20 and about half that money ends up going to the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation (MBYSF), which buys and donates to the club boats and equipment for your own Jr. program, among other things. Look for them at the general meeting and upcoming happy hours, or email me at mbyc.jrs@gmail.com
2. Tip at the bar. That money helps fund the Jr. program too.
3. Remember the MBYSF in your end-of-year giving. It's a 501 (c)3 non-profit charity, and donations are tax deductible.
4. Donate your old boat. Dana McClish has helped sell several boats at the annual marine swap meet, and this can be a win-win for everyone.
5. Donate your time. We need more coaching help. If you have time and knowledge to share, please let me know. We're developing a schedule for next year on who can come help out when. We typically run a junior sailing day 2x per month, on Sundays when the tides are favorable.



Junior Sailor Pari Celebrates at the End of a Recent Outing

Join the Fun Floaters mailing and notification list by sending an email to funfloaters@googlegroups.com
Put the word **join** in the subject line.



to All Our MBYC Members,
Potential Members, Visitors, and
Friends!

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.....	John Edell
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



Thank you to all who have contributed articles, news, and pictures for *The Masthead* this year. I look forward to your active participation in our newsletter during 2020. You are the BEST! Let's keep the publication "flying high."

Christmas Dinner on Board



Smoky
Fish
Chowder

- 8 ounces Spanish chorizo (cured sausage), thinly sliced
- 4 leeks (white and light green parts), cut into half-moons
- 1 ½ pounds Yukon gold potatoes (about 4 medium), cut into ½-inch pieces
- 1 28-ounce can diced tomatoes
- kosher salt and black pepper
- 2 pounds skinless firm white fish (such as halibut or cod), cut into 2-inch pieces
- ½ cup chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- **Step 1**
- In a large pot, brown the chorizo over medium-high heat, 1 to 2 minutes.
- **Step 2**
- Add the leeks and cook, stirring occasionally, until beginning to soften, 3 to 4 minutes.
- **Step 3**
- Add the potatoes, tomatoes (with their juices), 3 cups water, ¾ teaspoon salt, and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Cover and bring to a boil.
- **Step 4**
- Reduce heat and simmer until the potatoes are just tender, 10 to 12 minutes.
- **Step 5**
- Add the fish and simmer gently until opaque throughout, 5 to 6 minutes. Stir in the parsley before serving.

Serves 8 -- Total prep time: 30 minutes

Serve with crusty bread for dipping in the soup.





The Kurmudgeons' Korner

We, the Kurmudgeons, find ourselves in a terrible dilemma. The election of a new Commodore has left our impeachment plans in a shambles. We are hopeful that the in-coming officers of the club will be more accommodating to our modest requests. However, we are horrified to learn from the new officers that there are insufficient funds to complete our modest plans for underground parking and the long-term plans for a floating facility, probably some sort of motor yacht, where the Kurmudgeons can gather and cogitate the general state of affairs in the world about us. It appears that a large amount of the funds have been diverted to build a wall in the boatyard. We are somewhat mystified as to who this wall is to keep out. An investigation of this funding diversion may be required. In any case, the funds are no longer available.

We have expended a great deal of effort in designing the underground parking and minor modifications to the club that are required in support of this facility; in particular, we have tried to mitigate any inconveniences that might accrue during the implementation of this plan. We are now faced with evaluating the need for this facility versus the long term need for some sort of motor yacht where we can properly conduct our deliberations. This will require a more detailed study of the pertinent parameters that must be satisfied by this motor yacht. We will immediately begin this study effort. As the first step in this process, we will rename this floating facility to better describe its real use, since the term "yacht" connotes a degree of ostentation that is inconsistent with the Kurmudgeon persona. The facility will be named, **"The Center for Reflective Action and Positivity"** (CRAP).

The Ghost notes that more Kurmudgeonistic "Totally Weird, Antediluvian, Deviously Designing, Locutionary Edicts (TWADDLE) are continued above and to the right."

Finally, on a more upbeat note, the Kurmudgeons want to express our gratitude for the implementation of the long-awaited awning. While the implementation might not be quite up to the standard we might have expected, the Kurmudgeons, who are always concerned about costs, feel that what has been provided is quite adequate. We are now eagerly awaiting the installation of the gas heaters for the upcoming colder weather. Of course, the awning and heaters are only a temporary necessity until we get CRAP.

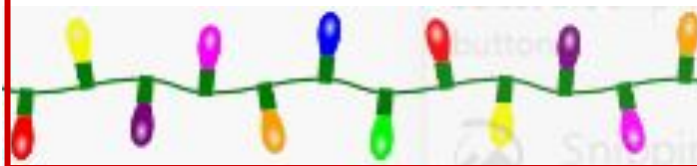
-- **Larry Salas, Kurmudgeon President**

Duly reported by **Don Lockwood**, recording secretary and leader of the acapella marching band



Come join in on our Christmas Party Fun Float

- Leaving the dock at 11:30 AM
- December 13th
- Pot Luck Lunch
- White Elephant Gift Exchange
- Sand Spit Games
- More Party Less Paddle



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.



DECEMBER

Troy & Sonja Wieck	2	12/6/2019
Scott & Kathy Erwin	2	12/6/2019
Lori Toft	1	12/13/2019
Mark Buchman	1	12/13/2019
Paul & Jessica Irving	2	12/13/2019
Michael & Kay Frye	2	12/20/2019
Ken & Sandi Twist	2	12/20/2019
Rory McClish	1	12/27/2019
Dana & Teresa McClish	2	12/27/2019
Shannon McClish	1	12/27/2019

JANUARY

John Michener	1	1/3/2020
Steve Nukes	1	1/3/2020
Kurt & Leslie Colvin	2	1/3/2020
Greg & Rosie Larson	2	1/10/2020
Carlton Smith/Deborah Paes de Barros		1/10/2020
David & Sharon Bufo	2	1/17/2020
Daniel Goldthwaite	1	1/17/2020
John & Wendy Mitchell	2	1/24/2020
Jason & Cinnamon Redd	2	1/24/2020
John & Cindy Konrad	2	1/31/2020
Dan Hack & Sivia Suarez	2	1/31/2020

FEBRUARY

John & Gwenn Krossa	2	2/7/2020
John Bodine & Brooke Townsend	2	2/7/2020
Gary Raine	1	2/14/2020
Thomas Murphey	1	2/14/2020
Steve & Teri Reeder	2	2/14/2020
Matt & Adrienne Jenkins	2	2/21/2020
Simon & Hilary Graves	2	2/21/2020
Anthony Gomez	1	2/28/2020
Brian Monroe	1	2/28/2020
John & Anika Clements	2	2/28/2020

HAMBURGER ANYONE???

I have discovered that being Galley Chief is a huge commitment in time and energy for one person. I have had excellent help this past year from several volunteers who have helped me to maintain the galley supplies. I am looking for a few more good people who want to become more involved and are looking for an opportunity to volunteer to form a Galley Committee. Hamburger nights are great fun and the perfect opportunity to meet more members and get involved. I am hoping to find some people to take on managing some of the Hamburger Nights over the summer. There are 14 weeks of Hamburger Nights in 2020 beginning May 27 to Sept 2.

Volunteers can help me plan the summer, determine "theme nights," and put their own spin on Hamburger Night, making it more fun and interesting for everyone. Please email me if you are interested so we can organize a planning meeting in January 2020. MBYC and MOM need you !!

SAILING THROUGH HISTORY WITH ANDREA SURFLEET -- Interview with the Designer/Builders of the Bar

The beautiful bar at the Morro Bay Yacht Club has long been a source of pride. How did it come to be designed in the shape of a boat, who built it, and when? I interviewed long time members Ed Carnegie and Dev Devlin and asked for stories about the bar's beginnings.

Setting: In December 1979, the new yacht club has windows, doors, insulation, and the sheet rock is mostly hung. Exterior siding and interior finish work are being completed simultaneously. L.J. "Dev" Devlin is the Construction Manager, and he assigns tasks and keeps track of the workers. Five retired guys are there all day, every day, such as Joe Tilton and Don Vest. Wes and Clara Elster, Tom White, Bob Alandt, Doug Riddell, Stu Reid, Ted Miranda, Carolyn Pye, Rosemary Jorgens, Paul & Thordis Seager, Mary Amick, Ed Wysocki, Gene Riley, Millard Martin, Don & Kit Lockwood, and Larry Salas and many others work on evenings and weekends.

The following is excerpted from our two-hour interview with some parts rearranged for clarity.

As we chatted, we were looking at these two pictures of the bar on the floor and the plans for the building, which included the measurements for the area that might become the bar. What do I mean by "might?" Read on:

Dev: Initially when we got the permit, this upstairs area was not to be used. The city was still deciding if they were going to require an elevator. It says right here, in the middle of this drawing of the upstairs, "Sail Loft."

Andrea: With Bar.

Dev: Okay, once the city said ok, you can go ahead and use it, Ed got down on his hands and knees and started drawing. And that was it.

Ed: It wasn't discussed to be a Rhodes 33. We just knew the size that it had to be.

Dev: We had the size. We knew the size because of this drawing (*from the permitted plans*). We knew how big this room was and we had from here to here to work in. That was it. From then, Ed started drawing on the floor, full size. There are no paper drawings of this boat.

Andrea: And who was there?

Ed: When I drew it. Probably you and I.

Dev: There was a lot going on. In these photographs here, this place is not completely sheet rocked yet, so this had to be December into January. We had the space, Ed decided he was going to build a boat. So, he started building a boat. Now, the fact that we both owned a Rhodes 33 is immaterial. This is smaller than a Rhodes. This is just any boat with an overhang and a bow.

Ed: It wasn't taken off the lines of a Rhodes, other than it was a racing sloop, well, I can't say that as it doesn't have masts, but a 6-meter boat or any of that class.

Dev: Any of the metered boats or Kettenburg designs.

Ed: Did we have our Rhodes then?

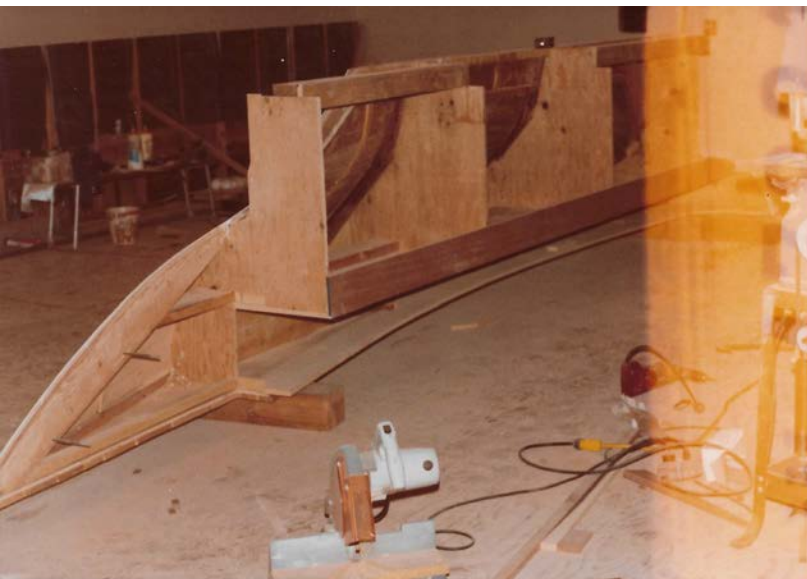
Dev: Yep, we did. At least you and I did. (*Five Rhodes 33 were owned by club members.*) So, there was no discussion, no design, it didn't go to committee, it just happened.

Andrea: You had this size, you wanted it to be pleasing to the eye, you wanted it to be pleasing to a boat craftsman, so this went that way, that went this way and then it fit. And it made sense.

Dev: Right.

Andrea: Can you remember anyone that came in to watch you draw the plans or watch you fitting or were chatting about it?

Dev: There were always people around. It was my job to know who was doing what on the job site. To make sure everybody had something to do. And I don't think that I ever allocated anyone to work with Ed.



(They framed it on the floor, building the bulkhead for the bar parts within the boat. Both men had built many boats at their homes. Dev had built El Toros and motor boats. Ed had built sail boats. They used materials on hand or brought mahogany from their individual supplies, for the deck. Ed machined the deck plugs at home. The deck planks are alternated with 1/8 rib of pine, to look like the caulking.)

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Dev: This whole thing didn't take a month.

Ed: Yes, one month.

Dev: Also, remember that Ed had a full time job, too. (*Teaching at Cal Poly.*) My full-time job was here.

Andrea: So, evenings or weekends, you'd come over?

Ed: Weekends for sure and there was a lot of work done in the evenings.

Andrea: And Dev came over and helped you. Or would someone hold the end of something?

Dev: If he needed something held, there'd be someone around to hold it.

Ed: This stage here, (*with bar on the floor*) people looking outside could look in and could see the hull and one of the humorous things that happened was a women who was a visitor asked how they'd get the boat out and I said that's simple, we have a hoist. And she took that as true.

(Rosemary Jorgens shared a memory recently of filling the nail holes in the sheet rock in the stairway and looking upstairs to see them building a boat. She wondered why they were building a boat upstairs when they usually built them at home. She soon realized it was the new bar.)

Dev: There are some areas that are very difficult on this. This whole back end here. We knew that people were going to lean on it. And how to make it strong that allowed people to lean on it was a real problem. That got worked out. It's still there.

Ed: Do you have any pictures of the drawing on the floor?

Andrea: No, but you bet I'll be here when they remove these carpets to replace them.

Dev: Somebody has seen them in the last twenty years, but I don't who it was.

Ed: They were surprised that they were still there, when they put the new carpet down.

Andrea: So, how many people to launch it, bring her up to the bar?

Dev: It wasn't that heavy. Probably took three or four people. It had to be bolted to this wall and to the floor. Then the deck was put on and the inside of the bar, well, I know I did some of that. We knew where the plumbing was. It had three sinks. This sink over here was for ice and for the bottles, and the drainage of the floor sink and there's drainage for the icemaker which was in that corner.

Ed: Once it got to this position here, my direct involvement was probably through.

Dev: He finished the decking and then stepped away.

Andrea: And I'm guessing the paint and the varnishing next. And who chose that copper paint?

Dev: Well, the bottoms of boats are copper.

Ed: That's not bottom paint though.

Andrea: How many coats of varnish?

Dev: Initially three.

Andrea: What were some of the parallel projects that were going on?

Dev: We're getting into the finish stage which means the beams had to be stained, the place had to be painted, the window trim and door trim had to be put on.

Andrea: Is there anything else you want to add?

Dev: There was no planning that went into it, it just happened.

Ed: Other than the drawings on the floor.

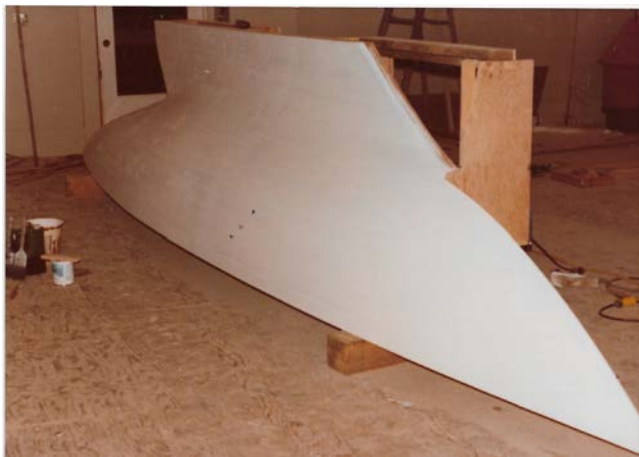
Dev: And they just happened. They didn't come off of anything, other than experience.

Ed: And, you know, through the years we'd say, "Oh, we took it off the lines of a Rhodes 33, we really didn't. Just what you see with your eye.

Andrea: Yeah, and the fact that they put up that picture right there (*on the wall above the bar.*)

Dev: It was Paul Seager's boat. Just happened to make the cover of *Sail Magazine*.

Thanks Ed Carnegie and Dev Devlin for sharing stories and pictures of your creation : our unique and beautiful bar! Please contact me at with questions or names of people who helped to build the yacht club in 1979.





Fun Floats - Club Sponsored Paddle Outings

Near Future Fun Floats

November 29 Friday
December 13 Friday
December 30 Monday
January 13 Monday
January 27 Monday

***All Currently Scheduled Fun Floats
will leave the dock at 11:00 AM***

It was a good year for our fun floats. For most the weather was excellent. Only one outing was cancelled due to rain. Sometimes it was a little windy, but we handled that by paddling in the least windy areas. We had a number of good parties this year, and we will continue that trend for this coming year. I foresee about seven or eight parties for the 2020 Fun Floats.

Anyone can participate in our Fun Floats on any type of paddle craft. We welcome all to enjoy the camaraderie we share on these events.

In November we had a couple of good Fun Floats; however, the most memorable will certainly be the Halloween event. Our theme for the party was Sea Fantasy, and a number of people dressed for the event. Our costume winners were Judy in first place, Pat and Dot in second, and Kim in third. Everyone brought something tasty to share. There was plenty of beverage, and we entertained ourselves with some sand spit games. I would like to encourage everyone to participate at least a couple of times this next year. I'm sure you will have fun. - Charlie





"There are some things
you learn best in calm,
and some in storm." -

Willa Cather



December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Dec 1 Drumstick (Bay)	2	3	4	5	6 Trim the Tree 5:15pm Membership C 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	7 Lighted Boat Parade
8 Junior Christmas Pa	9 5:30pm City of Morro I	10	11	12	13 6pm Happy Hour - Hc  11 AM	14 Christmas Party
15 Fall 3 (Ocean) 5:30pm Coast Gaurd A	16	17	18 5pm Morro Bay Fire D	19 6:15pm MBYC Board M	20 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	21 5pm U.S. Coast Guard
22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26	27 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	28
29	30  11 AM	31 New Year's Eve	Jan 1 Hangover Race (Bay) New Year's Day	2	3 5:15pm Membership C 6pm Happy Hour - Hc	4

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Thanks for all the contributions for this month.