



MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB

November 2021

Morro Bay, California

Commodore Chris Surfleet MBYC is an all volunteer club -- and that's great



Of all the reasons I love our club, I think the one thing I take the most pride in is the Morro Bay Yacht Club is an all volunteer club. Membership privileges belong to us through our work and efforts at the club. Not by our sized membership fees or mandatory bar/restaurant quotas.



In this way we keep our membership costs low, but also it builds a sense of community and camaraderie that only working and sharing in our club efforts can do. Our activities are planned and staffed by the members.

All volunteer organization members have differing levels of time availability. This is accepted, however, some level of volunteer activity must be sustained by all members.

Our membership application states, "It is expected that you will, at an appropriate time, be Happy Hour Host and participate in Workdays in addition to whichever other activities interest you." Activities such as assisting in boating activities or maintenance of the club or helping in the

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galley for social events are helpful and needed.

Lately some members feel it is OK to skip Happy Hour Host assignments. I find this unfriendly and not in the spirit our club has operated. Some clubs fine or punish members for not helping with club functions. I truly hope that the Morro Bay Yacht Club does not need to resort to such draconian measures.

If you do not feel safe coming to the club for coronavirus concerns accommodations can be arranged. By planning ahead of time with your fellow hosts or the Happy Hour Coordinator, Kay Frye, there are ways you can satisfy your Happy Hour Duties by supplying pre-packaged snacks or trading with someone for other dates.

Save the weekend of Nov. 13-14, it will be busy, but lots of fun.

Commodore's Cup: Saturday morning and afternoon, Nov. 13, 2021, will be arbitrary bay racing for the Commodore's Cup trophy.

November General Meeting: Saturday evening, Nov. 13, 2021 at 5 pm, will be our November General Meeting. The actual in-person meeting at the club and streamed live over ZOOM for those not comfortable with attending an in-person event. Only those members present, either in person or via ZOOM, will vote. We will be working out an online voting method for those attending the meeting virtually. Please plan to attend, this is your chance to select next year's officer's and hear the latest planning and actions of your Yacht Club.

Commodore's BBQ: Sunday afternoon, Nov. 14, 2021, we will host a lunch at the club. We plan to have our awards and recognition ceremony following. There will be live music as well. We will stream the awards and recognition ceremony online for those who cannot attend.

Lighted Boat Parade: Saturday, December 4, 2021, the Morro Bay Lighted Boat Parade will resume after a two-year break. Members can attend with up to 4 guests. Reservations will be required --more to come soon.

I look forward to seeing you at our club functions. I hope you and your families have an enjoyable and safe Thanksgiving holiday.





Morro Bay Yacht Club General Membership Meeting

November 13, 2021 5 pm

Zoom link for those not wanting to attend in person:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88533121255>

Quorum Call

Close Bar & Request non-members to exit

Call to Order

Pledge Of Allegiance

Roll Call

Acceptance of Minutes

Fall 2019 and Spring 2021

Presentation of Officer Candidates (opportunity for each candidate to speak)

Commodore: ***Troy Wieck***

Vice Commodore candidate 1: ***Judi Glover***

Vice Commodore candidate 2: ***John Burgener***

Rear Commodore candidate 1: ***Jon Hovdal***

Rear Commodore candidate 2: ***Charlie Roberts***

Treasurer: ***Laura McCarren***

Secretary: ***Tara Hanlon***

Ballots Cast

Paper copies turned in, if in person

Online voting if remote.

Correspondence

Reports:

Commodore

Treasurer

Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore

Senior Director

Director

Committee Chair Reports

Port Captain

Junior Sailing

Membership

Finance

Social

Fun Float

Ship's Store

Bar Stewards

Member Forum of Club Business

Elected Officers Announced

Adjournment



**Going up! Press one for office and galley
Press two for library, ship's store and bar
Vice Commodore Troy Wieck**

The end of the year is coming fast! Only small repairs and fixes in the club remain. The escape hatch in the men's bathroom is getting fixed. That should warm things up for those taking a shower. Apologies to those who were using it as a Duke's of Hazard entrance to the club. You'll just have to remember your fob.

A Christmas tree will be ordered this month and our wonderful Social Chair will be organizing a decorating event! Stay tuned for details.

The board approved the rebuild of the kayak racks. Materials will be ordered and building will commence during storm breaks. Thanks to Sean Hanlon for all your help.

Lastly, for those of you who do not have special permission to use the New Underground Parking, there is a full scale model in the office (elevator included!)



Rear Commodore Judi Glover Progress on Lady Mermayd, Fleet race updates



Ahoy! From the Rear,

Wow, this year has flown by!

I have made steady progress in restoring my big boat, *Lady Mermayd* and it finally starting to show. She is almost completely primed and ready for her Bright-side. The October rains proved her leak free at last! I have enjoyed having members and visitors passing by on their watercraft with words of encouragement.

Fleet Race Updates:

Bay: October brought the conclusion of the Bay Fleet Fall Series. Cal Poly joined in on the racing as well. One of our newest MBYC members, Greg Miller, won the series with his new DS "Jersey Girl". What a great way to start off, congratulations Greg and his crew, Sophia F.!

Join the Bay Fleet for the Commodores Cup 11/13 and Drumstick race 11/28. We still need sign ups for Bay Fleet Winter Series I on Dec 11. We can always use help on the deck and sometimes sailors need crew. This is a great way to introduce your perspective members to the club as well.

Ocean: The Ocean Fleet started their Fall Series and had the Devlin II lined up. Unfortunately the Devlin II was postponed due to our weather conditions. We have increased the Santa Cruz 27's to three boats at MBYC. This now makes a Fleet for the SC27's! We are excited to see what they bring to our Ocean Fleet racing.



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Save the Date!

11/13/2021: Join our General Meeting at 1700 (5PM). This year We have included the option to Zoom to maximize club participation. **Your vote will be counted!**

12/04/2021: Lighted Boat Parade. Let's get our boats decorated and in festive display on the bay! If you have a boat on one of our club moorings, please consider decorating it for the season. Solar string lights are relatively cheap online and Brighton up any boat with Holiday Cheer! If you need more information on participating, please email me at MBYC.REAR@GMAIL.com

12/11/2021: MBYC Holiday Party, hosted by DS Fleet 128. Bring a "White Elephant" and enjoy the festivities!

2021 is winding down yet we have more events to look forward to. Check the mbyc.net calendar to join in.

Fair Winds,
~Judi



Juniors race date now Nov 13

Juniors race date changed To honor a request from our MBYC Commodore the Sunday November 14 Junior sailing event is rescheduled to Saturday November 13 to accommodate the club use for the Commodore's BBQ. The rescheduled Saturday 11/13 event will be in conjunction with the Commodore's Cup Bay Race.

Juniors will be able to either participate in the race in an Opti or Laser Class or join in on regular junior practice sailing session. Either way mark your calendars of this change.

*John Burgener
monitors,
checks in and
makes guests
and members
welcome.*



Spirited FunFloat Halloween

FunFloats, Charlie Roberts



Sometimes the days that don't look so good turn out to be the best. Such was the case with our most recent FunFloat on the 22nd of October. The air was really wet, even as the group left the dock, but it was warm, and there was no wind. Not a good day for sailing but an excellent day for the paddle craft. A strong current in and then out of the bay with no winds made for a nearly perfect picnic lunch on the sandspit.

The float on the 7th was almost as nice; the clear skies and a light breeze made for another happy and relaxing experience on the bay. The ability to meet new people and chat with old friends while enjoying a leisurely picnic lunch on a secluded bay beach makes our club's FunFloats an ideal outing.

We usually leave the dock at 11:00 am and return to the dock between 1:00 and 1:30 pm. Our FunFloats are the days when high tide is at around noon so that we have the benefit of the current in both directions. While going south into the bay, we usually find the number of other kayakers around is greatly reduced. We always see lots of birds and other wildlife in the bay. I encourage everyone to attend one of our FunFloats once in a while. They are open to all and a good way for prospective members to meet and talk with other club members.



We had our Halloween Party FunFloat on the 31st of October. It was a costume party and attendees were encouraged to come in costume. They brought snacks and treats to share with others. We left the dock at around 11:30. We had a whaler available for those who needed or preferred to ride rather than paddle. We crossed the bay to Sandals Cove for the party.

Upcoming FunFloats

All are scheduled to leave the dock at 11:00. Bring a picnic lunch.

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|----------|----|-----------|
| November | 6 | Saturday |
| November | 22 | Monday |
| December | 6 | Monday |
| December | 22 | Wednesday |



On deck -- Commodore BBQ

Sunday Nov 14, 12:30

Because of Covid we have been unable to book a venue for the Commodore's Ball so we will be a little less formal and a lot more fun. Get ready to join us for the Commodore's BBQ on the MBYC deck. Reservations are scarce, but try. **Last day to reserve is Nov. 7.** Reserve your spot, email Kendallwelch@hotmail.com or text 415-307-3195.

McAlexander, Mahan join MBYC crew

New members

MBYC welcomes Joyce McAlexander and Judy Mahan as the newest members of the yacht club!



Joyce McAlexander

Prospective members

Christine and Joseph Tomlinson, sponsored by Tara Hanlon and Lisa-Mia and Steven Williams, will next be presented to the Board on November 18th: Christine has sailed off of Long Island on Sunfishes and on a Catalina 35. Their boys have taken sailing lessons through MBYC. The family is looking forward to future boat ownership.

Santiago Brown and Michelle Duriel-Brown, sponsored by Robert

Schwenhoa and Terry Paris, will also

come before the Board as prospective members. They,

along with their children, have been very active with the MBYC Junior Sailing program and have experience sailing small boats in Boston and paddle boarding. Michelle participated in sailing lessons through MBYC this past summer.



Judy Mahan

--Laurie Wright, MBYC Membership Chair

Sailing lessons through November

Did you and your family have fun sailing this past summer thru October? The winds were sometime a challenge, but we hope that you had a great time learning about the fundamentals of sailing from Andrew. The two day classes were a great success and because of that we will be offering more classes for November and December. Yahoo! Get your cold weather gear ready! These will likely be mixed classes (novice and practical) in the boat depending on who signs up. Don't forget to tell your family and friends! If only one person signs up, they will have a private lesson with Andrew. :)



Evening calm

If you have any questions please email us.
MBYC.net/Learn-to-Sail
MBYC.lessons@gmail.com

-- Angela Soll, Fall Sailing Coordinator



Janina
screams
along
in the
October 10
Fall I
ocean race



MBYC and PYC now affiliated

MBYC is affiliated with the Pensacola Yacht Club. They are located at 1867 Cypress in Pensacola, FL. Take a look at their web site. They have a beautiful 23 acre club site. Pensacolayachtclub.org

MBYC Junior Yacht Club Report

—Terry Paris, Advisor

Our junior program continues to grow with 30 kids on our 2021 roster. The Chris Lockwood Regatta was a success and two of our juniors opted to travel to Santa Barbara and do some more racing. Green Fleet Junior Sailors, Gunner Paris and Mathias Brown, traveled to Santa Barbara to compete in the Goblin Regatta this year. This was a two-day regatta and the first of six in the SCYYRA Carrie Series for Optimist. The first day winds were mild and the second day very windy. It was challenging and both kids held their own and learned a lot about racing in large numbers. There were a total of 45 sailors in the Green Fleet. There was a costume and boat contest held on the beach and Gunner Paris took third place with his George Washington costume!



At home here in Morro Bay we are continuing to work on sailing skills while allowing for fun times on the water. Our two new Optis were scheduled to be delivered on October 27 and I've asked each junior member to give me two names for these boats. We had our Halloween Sail on Sunday, October 31. At that time we voted on the new names, christening the boats and finally the maiden voyage!

Our Laser Fleet continues to grow, too. These Laser sailors have been lucky to have John Wimer coaching them. I appreciate John's knowledge he is passing on to our future Laser sailors. I want to thank all the volunteers, coaches, and parents who continue to help keep our program running efficiently.

**Donate
now to the
Morro
Bay Youth
Sailing
Foundation**

You can help maintain the MBYC youth program fleet and promote youth sailing by making tax deductible contributions to the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation. Your contributions are always welcome and can take many forms.

Visit our website
<https://www.mbysf.org>



Well, hello from the **Kurmudgeons**. By now the **Kurmudgeon Klassic Invitational Regatta** results are in the books. Not being clairvoyant, I cannot report the results, but I'm sure it was an exciting race.

I'm sorry to have to tell you this, but the **First Annual MBYC Beauty Pageant** has to be postponed. It was scheduled to take place right after the **Kurmudgeon Klassic** trophy presentation. Unfortunately, a number of male Yacht Club members were very put out that no arrangements were made to allow them to compete.



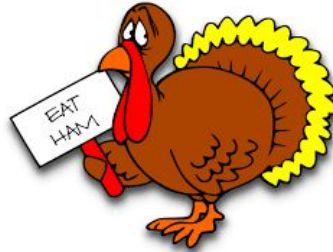
The Kurmudgeon Korner

One gentleman was very, very unhappy, having spent hours getting the right shade of lipstick only to be sexually discriminated against. I felt we could soldier through the competition, but **The Chaplain**, being in charge of the photo shoot and swimsuit competition and feeling somewhat confused if not just a little flustered, said he needed more time to think these events through. He was especially concerned with the swim suit requirements. As an aside to Johnny B., Kendall would like her high heels back. She said she'll let you have them when the Pageant is rescheduled. The **Chaplain** says, "**Estar abrumado estoy buscando orientación de una fuente superior.**" (Being overwhelmed, I am seeking guidance from a higher source.) **The Ghost** says, "**Estaré feliz de ayudarlo a luchar para volver a ponerse de pie desde las rodillas..**" (I will be happy to help you struggle back to your feet from your knees.)

The **Kurmudgeons** are loath to engage in Club politics, so this section cannot be included.



Johnny B. - -
Please Return
Kendall's Shoes



Anonymous, Disgruntled
Gentleman Would-be
Pageant Contestant

I'm sorry to inform you that there has been some friction between some of the **Kurmudgeons**. The **Chaplain** and The **Member** have signed onto the plan to fell the power plant stacks and use them to extend the breakwater. The **Secretary** and The **Treasurer** want the stacks to remain and to incorporate a rock climb on one, a rotating McDonald's with an included zip-line on the second one, and an internal bungee jump in the third. I hope to be able to arrange a truce between these factions by Christmas. As a public service, I invite the Yacht Club membership to weigh in on which option they feel would best serve the interests of the Club. Send me your comments to mbyc.alias49@gmail.com.

Well, folks, that's all for now. From the **Kurmudgeons** to all the members, friends, and family of **The Morro Bay Yacht Club**, have a very happy



IMPEACHMENT
SWORD

The **Kurmudgeons** run loose in November, and their feathers are ruffled; just remember, those turkeys are spooked that their goose is so cooked, for their plans will be toast by December.

The Amorphous Ghost



THANKSGIVING

Larry Salas -- President of the **Kurmudgeon** Debating Society-- -- Duly recorded by **Don Lockwood**. Recording Secretary and leader of the **Kurmudgeon** A Capella marching band.

Happy Hour is your chance

Since the MBYC reopened after our COVID closure there have been some difficulties getting people back on to the Happy Hour hosting schedule. There has been a lot of “no communication” between scheduled hosts, as well as several people either ignoring their assignment or not checking the hosting schedules posted in the Masthead.

Members are expected to host Happy Hour on their assigned date. If they are unable to do so, they must identify a replacement to host for them and inform the Social Hour Coordinator (currently Kay Frye) and/or person in charge of scheduling as to the change. Happy Hour assignments are emailed to members and posted in the Masthead. It is member’s responsibility to watch for emails and check the Masthead regarding their hosting schedule. These duties rotate among members and generally usually require hosting every 13-15 months. It is being considered that if a member does not honor their hosting duty on their assigned date, they may be billed for food that their co-hosts may have provided. Communicate with the co-hosts.

Members who wish to opt out of hosting Happy Hour because of illness, physical disability or living too far away, will need to provide to the Board a letter explaining why they wish to do so. The Board will review the letter and decide if the opt out is valid. All letters will be kept confidential.

-- Kendall Welch

ORDER CALENDAR NOV. 5 SUPPORT YOUTH SAILING

Another reason to come to the General meeting is to pick up your 2022 TIDE CALENDAR with **all proceeds going to Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation.** Calendars can also be ordered online starting Nov. 5 at mbysf.org. Thank you for supporting youth sailing on the Central Coast!

| NOVEMBER HAPPY HOUR ASSIGNMENTS | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Orris & Pat Cowgill | 11/5/2021 |
| Michele Latin | 11/5/2021 |
| Lex & Lorraine Budge | 11/5/2021 |
| Michael & Eda Bonilla | 11/5/2021 |
| Jeff & June Jones | 11/5/2021 |
| Richard & Elaine Steuk | 11/12/2021 |
| Bill & Catherine Saunders | 11/12/2021 |
| Christopher & Michelle Matson | 11/12/2021 |
| Stanley & Susan Craig | 11/19/2021 |
| Karen Prewitt | 11/19/2021 |
| Larry Gorman | 11/19/2021 |

| DECEMBER HAPPY HOUR ASSIGNMENTS | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Roger & Victoria Marlin | 12/3/2021 |
| Craig & Polly Levin | 12/3/2021 |
| Shields & Leslie Abernathy | 12/3/2021 |
| Kenneth & Judy Riener | 12/10/2021 |
| Charlie & Lisa Nichols | 12/10/2021 |
| Robert & Barbara Schwenoha | 12/10/2021 |
| Carol Walker | 12/17/2021 |
| Michael & Catherine Manchak | 12/17/2021 |
| Tylor & Sarah Mason | 12/17/2021 |
| Matthew & Jacqueline Piper | 12/17/2021 |
| NO HAPPY HOUR | 12/24/2021 |
| NO HAPPY HOUR | 12/31/2021 |

| JANUARY HAPPY HOUR ASSIGNMENTS | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Joe & Dawn Huntsinger | 1/7/2022 |
| Tom & Cyndy Fee | 1/7/2022 |
| Ted & Ins Jacobson | 1/7/2022 |
| Chris Swan | 1/14/2022 |
| Paul & Kathleen Reichardt | 1/14/2022 |
| Daniel & Kathy Veyna | 1/14/2022 |
| Michael & Brooks Measures | 1/21/2022 |
| Ali Athari | 1/21/2022 |
| John & Terry Miron | 1/21/2022 |
| Faye Zeeb | 1/28/2022 |
| Wendy Knight | 1/28/2022 |
| Rachelle Phillips | 1/28/2022 |
| Guy Bahringer | 1/28/2022 |
| Dennis & Rosemarie Boertje | 1/28/2021 |

Social Schedule for the rest of the year, from the galley, Kendall Welch

Because of COVID restrictions we haven't had the social activities schedule that we have enjoyed in other years. As we move into winter and more indoor activities it is important to honor social distancing as well as keeping windows open and good air flow.

The **Commodore's BBQ** is set for **Sunday, November 14**. We decided to do something outdoors at the club since we have been unable to book a venue for this event. We will be serving Tri-tip and chicken thighs, Santa Maria beans, Mac n Cheese, garlic bread, green salad and strawberry shortcake. Vegetarian entrée is available upon request. This event is available by reservation only, and there are only a couple of open spots available. Reservations will stop when we reach full capacity (100 persons) or by November 7. Food will be served at 1:00 PM, followed by awards. The Thunder Canyon String band will be playing music before food service and after the awards. Reservations are required, email kendallwelch@hotmail.com, or text 415-307-3195. Be sure to identify yourself. All reservation requests are confirmed by a reply.

We are going to have a **Tree Trimming party on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, 6:00 PM**. Bring a pot of soup to share (at least 10 servings) and dress warmly because doors and windows will be open. We want to have the tree decorated before the Lighted Boat Parade on December 4.



The **Morro Bay Lighted Boat Parade is December 4, 2021, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**. The club will be open that night by reservation only and this year dinner will not be served. Members are allowed to host 4 guests per membership and reservations need to be made by emailing kendallwelch@hotmail.com or texting 415-307-3195. These reservation requests will be confirmed by reply. The MBYC Board of Directors asked that we limit this event to 250 persons. Please enter by the front door of the yacht club only, there will be someone at the back gate limiting access to persons participating in the parade. If

you plan to sit on the dock, please be sure that all children wear life preservers. If you desire to bring a snack, please bring finger food or cookies, and be willing to share food items with the crowd.

The **Cookie Exchange is scheduled for December 14, 2021 at 7:00 PM**. Bring a minimum of 3 dozen cookies to exchange. We are hoping to have some gingerbread house decorating as well for this event. We will



certainly dust off our previous yacht club gingerbread house, and freshen it up. The Kurmudgeons might need some face lifts and hair cuts. They have been in storage a long time!





Ocean Fleet Competes

Strong winds powered boats in Fall I, but it is always good to have a backup plan



Officers & Directors

Commodore:
Chris Surfleet

Vice Commodore:
Troy Wieck

Rear Commodore:
Judi Glover

Treasurer:
Laura McCarren

Secretary:
Tara Hanlon

Senior Director:
Greg Barker

Director:
Todd Hansen

Committee Chairs

Port Captain.....Lynn Meissen
Bar Steward.....Joe and Jill Fariss
Social Director/Galley Chief.....Kendall Welch
Membership.....Laurie Wright
Masthead Editor.....Mark Buchman
Ship's Store.....Orris and Pat Cowgill
Junior Sailing Advisor.....Terry Paris
Ocean Fleet Captain.....Jon Hovdahl
DaySailer Fleet Captain.....Charlie Roberts
Laser Fleet Captain.....Dan Hack
Fun Float Captain.....Charlie Roberts
Summer Sailing... .Bob Schwenoha, Craig Levin
Cal Poly Liaison.....Todd Hansen
Education Officer.....Joe Fram
Historian.....Andrea Surfleet
Insurance.....Rich Leamon
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Library.....Charlie Roberts
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Webmaster.....John Michener
Mailing.....Rachelle Phillips

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November 2021

Mon Nov 1

Juniors

**Finance Committee,
6:30pm**

Fri Nov 5

**Membership Commit-
tee, 5:15pm
Happy Hour, 6pm**

Sat Nov 6

**Kendall's Party,
3:30pm**

Sun Nov 7

**Fall II (Ocean)
Firefighters Party,
4pm**

Tue Nov 9

**Coast Guard Auxilia-
ry, 5:30pm**

Fri Nov 12

Happy Hour, 6pm

Sat Nov 13

**Commodore's Cup
(Bay)
Juniors
General Meeting**

Sun Nov 14

Commodore's BBQ

Tue Nov 16

**2022 Calendar Meet-
ing, 6pm**

Thu Nov 18

MBYC Board, 6:15pm

Fri Nov 19

Happy Hour, 6pm

Sun Nov 21, 2021

Devlin III (Ocean)

Fri Nov 26, 2021

NO Happy Hour

Sat Nov 27, 2021

**Juniors
Stanley's Party, 5pm**

Sun Nov 28, 2021

Drumstick (Bay)

Fri Dec 3

**Membership Commit-
tee 5:15pm**

Happy Hour, 6pm

Sat Dec 4

Trim the tree, 12pm

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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.

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