

July 2023

Morro Bay, California

## **Commodore John Burgener** WAY TOO MUCH FUN

Summer sailing is in full swing and the Optis are on the water. If you have not yet, bring a lunch and



watch the action. The children are shredding the bay, playing chicken and racing against each other with "STYLE."

And the new sails? Chris Matson has put color on the bay with the new sails. Now is what they are saying: "Hey, who and where are those boat coming from? I want to do that Mom. Please Mom?"

It's hard to believe the year is half over. Vice Commodore Charlie and I are still tightening up the Club with projects.

We still have a few items on the table to accomplish...

Our Happy Hours are nothing but entertainment and laughter. We have been seeing some real nice snacks to accompany your libations. The creativity factor on food selection are over the top and it is nice to see how our members really enjoy showing off their culinary skills.

Joey was introducing his selections of wine at the Wine Makers Dinner on June 7th. Jill and Kendall worked out the menu as to complement the large selection of wines brought by loe and lill at their Soaring Hawk Winery. The Club was decked out as as usual. Great foods...







Calling all the kids of yesterday who grew up around the yacht club, who sailed with the Junior Yacht Club, and the adults who helped teach them to sail! Please join our current junior and student sailors for a

# Morro Bay Yacht Club Junior Reunion Saturday, October 21, at the MBYC

Join us for Fun on the Water, Luau Dinner, Silent Auction, DJ, and Evening Program

Stay for the

#### Chris Lockwood Junior Regatta Sunday, October 22, 2023

Let your Junior Buddies know!

Contact us at <a href="mailto:reunion@mbysf.org">reunion@mbysf.org</a>

Sponsored by the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation







Like Happy Hour and boat racing, Fun Floats are one of the club's regularly scheduled events that happen about twice a month. Every two weeks the tide is high around noon, and that's when we let it take us into the bay and along the sandspit for a picnic lunch.

The weather has been very cooperative, and it has provided the Fun Floats great conditions for leisurely paddles while we check out the wildlife along shores and in the bay. What I really enjoy is getting to meet members I haven't met before and getting to know new and prospective members to the club.

#### **Future Fun Floats**

4th of July - Party and BBQ

July 16 - Sunday

August 1st - Tuesday

August 16 - Wednesday

The paddle allows us to chat and share the bay together while we look for a beach to eat lunch. After eating our lunches, sharing treats, and having many discussions about our wonderful situation here in Morro Bay, we get back in our paddle craft and let the changed tide help take us back to the dock.

You can find the Fun floats on the <u>club calendar</u>. As noted, they are scheduled so

we can take advantage of the tide. With the exception of our parties, we leave the dock at 11:00 AM. The Funfloaters are a very supportive group. We help each other to get our paddle craft onto the water and back to tarmac when we are done. We generally return to the dock between 1:00 and 1:30 PM.

Finally, We have the Fourth of July FunFloat coming up on the 4th of



Passing the DaySailer Championship while headed into the bay.



July. It will be a party on the sand spit at Sandal's Cove. We will use a launch to take over the grill, a table, coolers, and the food. Bring something to share and enjoy hot dogs, which will be provided, drinks, and plenty of treats. If you would prefer to go over in the launch we can arrange that. If you want to have something grilled besides hotdogs, you are welcome to bring it.

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# **MORRO BAY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION**

# Summer Sailing Scholarships Now Available

Scholarships for youth sailing lessons at the Morro Bay Yacht Club are available for local youth ages 8 to 18. The "Learn-to-Sail" lessons run in a 4-day session from Mondays-Thursdays, 9am to 3pm and cost \$275. Completion of lessons qualify the new sailor to apply to join the Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club in which all junior sailboats are supplied for year-round sailing. Read more about sailing lessons at www.mbyc.net/learn-to-sail.

#### **Scholarship Rules:**

- Youth ages 8 to 18 who live in San Luis Obispo County.
- Must have parental permission to attend.
- If they have already signed up, they may apply.
- If they are Junior Sailors, they may apply.
- The scholarship must be used in 2023.

A total of ten 2023 Summer Sailing Scholarships are being offered by the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation for summer youth lessons. Read more and apply at mbysf.org/scholarships-and-grants. Questions to apply@mbysf.org.

We are selling bricks to raise money for the General Fund that can be used for special events, and to improve our club. Create a memorial or a legacy for your friends, family, your boat, or perhaps a nautical saying or favorite quote.

4 X 8 Brick - \$125 8 X 8 Brick - \$250

Yes, we'd like to reserve a permanent brick. Please engrave our brick as follows:

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Morro Bay Yacht Club 541 Embarcadero Morro Bay, CA 93442

### Vice Commodore Charlie Roberts



#### Happy Hour Opt-Out Reset! Important Notice!

In my May Masthead article I mentioned that nearly half our memberships had opted out of their Happy Hour duties, and Happy Hour is becoming a bit of a challenge for those who organize it. In the article I suggested a meeting time to discuss the issue, and a sizable group did participate to offer a number of solutions to the problem. To that end I am planning on implementing some ideas to see if they help.

First, we have cleared the Opt-Out list, and we ask those who want to opt-out of Happy Hour responsibilities to resubmit a request for opting-out. I know this is a bit of a pain, but this action will allow us to clean up our list and have it up to date.

Happy Hour is the only required "volunteer" duty that members have besides helping out on work day. A number of members have opted out due to issues such as having broken bones or some short term illnesses. Others opted out because of Covid. Opting out requires a written letter to the MBYC board explaining the reason for non-participation. Reasons provided for opting out in the policy include illness, physical disability, or living too far away. Please send the Opt-Out request letter with the reason for opting-out to the Vice Commodore either by snail mail or e-mail. <u>mbyc.veep@gmail.com</u>

Second, those present at the meeting decided that we need to encourage members to take on the Happy Hour duties and ask for help if it is needed instead of opting out. We can provide help behind the bar if no one in your Happy Hour group is certified to serve drinks or if standing behind the bar is too stressful. We have stools that can go behind the bar if standing too long is an issue. We can help cook food and haul supplies upstairs.

Third, we will notify members via email and post duty dates in the Masthead. We will give everyone at least three weeks notice of the responsibility. Notification will include a complete description of the required duties, along with contact information if you would like help. If you have a preferred date or dates you would like to do Happy Hour, give us significant notice so we can arrange that. Most Happy Hour Hosts really enjoy hosting the Happy Hour activity. With some additional help we can ensure that all members have the opportunity to host our Happy Hour events.

I would like to thank all of those who came for the Happy Hour discussion. It proved to be very thoughtful and positive. We are an all volunteer club, and it is our members who give the club the quality that it has.

Therefore, let this article serve notice that everyone has been added to the Happy Hour Duties Assignment Sheet. Please submit an opt-out request if you need to be excused from the Happy Hour responsibilities.



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# Junion



Junior sailing is going strong as we get into our summer months. Our Optimist sailors had their annual Optimist Championship regatta on Memorial Day. We had 9 kids come out to sail in perfect conditions for both beginners and our seasoned vets. The event was won by Miles Blackwell, with Samson Stones in second, and Gunner Paris in third. Amazing trophies were provided by the Paris Family for the top 3 sailors, and Miles will get his name on the perpetual trophy. The following weekend was the Laser Championship regatta. We had 4 juniors participate. Clint Bryan, Gigi Stones, and Samson Stones all sailed with a cameo appearance by Gunner Paris. Corinne Matson helped out on the race course mixing it up with us "big kids".

In an effort to get the kids on the water we had a "Friday afternoon fun sail" on June 23rd. We had a great turnout, with a strong breeze, followed by a downstairs pizza party. We will be doing more of these impromptu "fun sails" this summer to give the kids more time on the water.

In other Junior news, we purchased new optimist sails and masts for our kids summer sailing lessons. If you see the new sails, you'll know it! They're red, blue, and neon green. Much easier for our coaches to keep track of the kids, and they're drawing positive attention to our thriving summer sailing program. The new sails don't have the pesky sail ties that can confound the beginners. They're easier to rig up and de rig, allowing for more precious time on the water. The Junior Yacht Club would like to thank the Yacht Club Board members for their



support in this purchase, and the wise volunteers of the summer sailing school for recommending the new sails.

As always, the Junior Yacht Club is thankful for your support! Whether it's a financial donation to the MB Youth Sailing Foundation, a couple of bucks in the tip box, or a warm smile to make the kids feel at home at our club. Thank You!

Tim Wright photo

# **From the Heim** Rear Commodore Jon Hovdahl



Hi everyone! I would like to start by saying sorry for being MIA for a short time but I got so busy getting Gotcha ready and planning the trip to Nationals I forgot to jump in here. This was a special week in Santa Cruz at the club because it was the, "Made in Santa Cruz" race week. This comes around every five years. The nationals are held at different places every year which is voted on by the national fleet. Someone suggest-

ed Hawaii next year and I said sure! No problem, I will just have my boat shipped over! That got everyone laughing! The thought was nice, can you imagine...? We had the best turn out in a long time, nineteen boats! All four of our Morro Bay

fleet made it up; Gotcha, Janina, Bridgett, Mistress Quickly. We had a couple of boats all the way from Washington. The weather was kind of on the cold side but the wind and conditions held for Saturday and Sunday and we were able to get a total of six, fast, fun, and exhausting races in! The starts were crazy as we were fighting for position, just missing each other by inches! The regatta was not without protest and crashes. The competition was fierce! It was a thrill to see so many of us together in one place! I finally got to meet some sailors for the first time and put names to faces. Monday came around and the wind was gone! We bobbed around the RC boat for over two hours until the race was called and we headed back in. What a sight that was! Nineteen SC27 coming in under spinnaker, funneling into the narrow Santa Cruz Harbor mouth. And to top off the week, having a crane to pick our boats out of the water and lift/ drop our mast was the icing on the cake. It was a dream come true weekend that won't soon be forgotten!



# **MBYC Crew**

# Laurie Wright, Membership

We regretfully must say farewell to long time member Max Sicher and extend our sympathies to his wife Helen upon Max's passing in May.

With fond farewell we say goodbye to MBYC member David Tibbitts who crossed over the bar on June 4, 2023.

Resigning members are Dale and Sandra Forsythe.

#### Welcome to our newest MBYC members:

Thomas and Nancy Andersen, with a long sailing history. They are looking forward to jumping right in and assisting with Summer Sailing!

Paul and Roxy Wolfrom: avid powerboaters, they are excited about experiencing sailing on our beautiful bay.

Barbara Roche, already an eager MBYC volunteer, will continue to lend her hand in many aspects of the club.

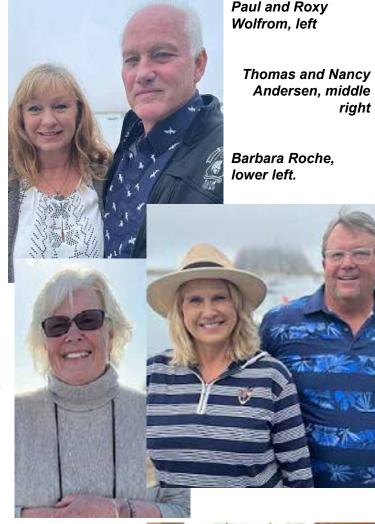
# Happy Birthday Jean

Sunday June 11 Anne Albright and I and four other "gals" were honored to be invited to Jean White's house for lunch.

It just so happened to be Jean's 101<sup>st</sup> birthday. Jean's daughter, Susan Callado made a delicious quiche and salads. They were followed by a beautiful and professional looking, and incredibly edible tasty chocolate cake made by Anne's niece, Jana.

And there she sat surrounded by family, friends and flowers inquiring about our well being. She was smiling and peaceful and happy to be with us all, happy to be with us all, accepting our cheers our good wishes, our see you next years.

--Rosemary Jorgens





### Winemaker Dinner, Hamburger Nights, from the galley & Kendall Welch



The Winemaker Dinner held Wednesday, June 7, treated the guests

with a 4-course meal prepared by Jill Fariss and Kendall, each course paired with a wine from Soaring Hawk Vineyard in Santa Margarita. The dinner began with the Soaring Hawk 2021 Albarina paired with a Carrot Top-Pistachio Pesto Arancini with a Lemon-Herb Pesto Sauce. The second course was the the Soaring Hawk 2018 Entwined with a

medley of Mourvèdre, Grenache, Syrah, Zinfandel and Petite Sirah grapes, that was paired with a Gratin of Leeks and Spring Greens with a Thyme-Parmesan Cream. The main

course was a Beef Daube Provencal (mushrooms were substituted for our vegetarians) served over Creamy Polenta and paired with the Soaring Hawk 2017 Bella Margarita, and interesting blend of





Syrah and Viognier. For dessert we paired the Soaring Hawk 2017 Zinfandel with Chocolate Mousse with a Raspberry Coulis. The yacht club never looked better, and many would not have recognized our fearless Commodore who was serving wine.

**HAMBURGER NIGHTS** have been rolling along. At the time of this printing there will be only 4 more left, July 12 - hosted by Staff Commodores, July 26 - hosted by the Ocean Fleet and Mooring holders, August 9 - hosted by the Junior Sailors, and August 23 - Happy Unbirthday, hosted by the Fun Floaters. Please note if you belong to one of the hosting groups, plan on being at the club by 4:30 to help. We have a large group of

regulars, but also get drop-ins and transients enjoying our \$10 dinners. If you can RSVP but not required unless you want a Portabella.

I have to include a picture of our Summer Sailing kids and the new sails that were purchased for the Optis. So many people have come by the club wanting to know what is going on with the colorful sails. We have great instructors, and have to give a special thanks to all the volunteers that also keep this program going.





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The Kurmudgeon Korner

#### **Breaking News, Sports Fans!**

We are pleased to announce that our **Member** (**Roy Gammill**) is throwing his hat into the ring and will run for California's US Senate seat when vacated by Dianne Feinstein. His campaign slogan is, "**What the Hell**, **I'm Older Than She Is!**" Campaign contributions for Roy can be made to the **Kurmudgeon PAC**.

This is entirely legit; we hired George Santos to set it up. He seems like a really nice fellow who has impeccable credentials. If you can't make a donation at this time, never fear, for we will send donation messages on the MBYC Alias to you all on a daily basis.

You may ask which party **Gammill** will permit to represent him. After much research, we found that none of the major options comes up to the high level of intellect and ethics that we demand; therefore, we are starting our own major alliance: "The Kourageous Kurmudgeons." Recognizing that similar movements have theme songs like "Happy Days Are Here Again" and other such twitter, the Kurmudgeons are torn between "Seven Old Ladies" and "Charlotte the Harlot." We'll vote on this soon.

Really good news is that the **Ms. Morro Bay Yacht Club Beauty Pageant** is back on schedule. A Nigerian prince, having heard of our sequin problem, informed us that he can make delivery. He is the same prince who had such an unfortunate problem with our gold coins a while back. As you may recall, a hippo overturned the canoe the prince was using to smuggle the gold coins to us. He assures us there will be no problems this time as he will not ship the sequins by canoe. He will use camels and send them across the desert to a port city in the Sudan.

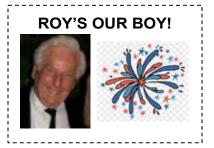
This good news means that the **Kurmudgeon Male Exotic Dance Review** is back on the agenda as well. Of course, we will need to resume our practice routines and line up a few assisted living facility gigs to hone our prodigious talent. Never fear, the **Kurmudgeons** will be up for whatever comes our way.

The **Kurmudgeons** are once again back on our quest to enhance the MBYC with our brilliant projects. Unfortunately, some of our **fantastic plans** have had to be postponed due to a hostile MBYC board of directors (**BOD**). As you, our faithful readers know, the **Kurmudgeons** were ready to compete with that grubby, backwoods, dusty little community called Paso Robles to be the **Spaceport Capital** of the Central Coast. Our fool proof plans to modify the three smoke stacks into **Fast Air Research Tubes** to be used to launch astronauts into space were apparently put on hold by the reactionary **BOD**.

Since it also appears that the glacial **BOD** is incapable of draining the water from our parking garage, we are exploring the possibility of freezing the water and turning it into an area to be used as the **Kurmudgeon Kurling Krew Training Facility**. We will need this facility in order to prepare for our competition in the next Olympic Curling event in the 2026 Winter Olympic games in Italy. We currently accept large monetary donations to cover our expenses at the games.

Well, that's all for now. Please keep the monetary donations flowing since they all go to a worthy cause, and we like to spend them!

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



This bunch of geriatric boaters appeals now to we who are voters. The **Kurmudgeons**, it seems, have devised a grand scheme to have Gammill elected as KOTUS.

The Amorphous Ghost

#### Puffin leaves backyard for back bay



Tim French built a boat in his backyard and launched it at the Baywood Pier June 9. He and Leah christened the boat Puffin and sailed off to the Bayside Cafe. Champagne was in order for the launch after the months spent building the boat.

The boat is a John Harris designed Skerry, a 15' double-ended dory. Built from a Chesapeake Light Craft kit. She sails beautifully with the lug rig.





#### Ocean Fleet Update

The Jenkins won Spring 3 and the spring series.

Bridget received second in Spring 3.

Only two boats raced in Spring 3. Janina received 2nd in the series Bridget got 3rd in the series Mystress quickly received 4th in the series.

# DAYSAILER FLEET 128 and FRIENDS:

By now I hope you've heard about the proposed boat registration fee increase from the current biennial (every two years) \$20 fee to \$80. Also, there are many other proposed changes that boat folks should also be aware of, but it is certain to cost everyone a lot more to register a boat!

The Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) and BOAT US organizations are representing our boating communities with input regarding the proposed changes.

If you would like any information about the town hall or the RBOC, please feel free to contact our Local RBOC Director Judi Sheesley at <u>Sheesley@RBOC.</u> org. ALSO Judi will be appearing on "THE BOATING HOUR" radio show this Saturday (July 1) on AM 870 with Captain Rick.

Here's a link: <u>https://www.theboatinghour.com/#:~:-</u> text=The%20Boating%20Hour%20brings%20 you,set%20sail%20with%20Captain%20Rick!

So now that your attention is focused...a reminder for the Fleet: the next MBYC Small Boat Summer Series (Portsmouth Handicap) Race is scheduled for JULY 22. We had a very good turn out for Summer I and I hope everyone comes out and encourages a friend to come out too!

Keep the wet side down and see you all for Summer II!

-- Charlie Nichols



Couldn't be happier

Name	Hosting Date				
Andrew Young	7/7/2023				
Armand Boyer	7/7/2023				
Joyce McAlexander	7/7/2023				
Justin & Crystal Bradshaw	7/7/2023				
Kathleen Streeter	7/14/2023				
Mary & Marshall Witkowski	7/14/2023				
Dale & Carly Kaiser	7/14/2023				
Brian & Lisa Granger	7/21/2023				
William & Maryann Stansfield	7/21/2023				
Greg & Jennifer Barker	7/21/2023				
Terry & Charlene Paris	7/28/2023				
Jayne & Peter Behman	7/28/2023				
Paul Irving: ZONGO PARTY	8/4/2023				
John Edell	8/11/2023				
Glenda Boatman	8/11/2023				
Jeanie and Charlie Roberts	8/11/2023				
John & Susan Wimer	8/11/2023				
Angela & Mark Soll	8/18/2023				
Ron & Marlys Boehm	8/18/2023				
Brian Monroe	8/18/2023				
David & Sharon Bufo	8/25/2023				
Dana & Teresa McClish	8/25/2023				
McClish Rory	8/25/2023				
McClish Shannon	8/25/2023				

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Rear Commodore: Jon Hovdahl

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Secretary: Lucinda Quintanar

Senior Director:

Todd Hansen

Director:

Brett Cross

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MOST OF US HAVE BOATS AND BEHIND EACH ONE IS A STORY.

#### SHARE THAT STORY

Tell us Who, What, When, Where, Why, How, and send a picture of you or the boat (whichever is better looking). Or a picture of you using your boat! Anything that floats with you in it or on it counts.

Even if you just have very short answers, send them along. MARK@SCHOOLYARD.US

THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE SENT THEIR STORY.

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Saturday, July 1 Ladies Day Bay Race Sunday, July 2 Jr. boat Maintenance **Tuesday, July 4** Independence Day Funfloat Party Friday, July 7 5:15pm Membership Committee 6:00pm Happy Hour Saturday, July 8 High Sierra Regatta 8:00am Dragon Boat Race Work Shop Sunday, July 9 High Sierra Regatta Juniors Monday, July 10 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Tuesday, July 11 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons 6:30pm Coast Guard Auxiliary Wednesday, July 12 \_Summer Youth Sailing Lessons \_Hamberger Night - Staff Commodores Thursday, July 13 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons

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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. ©2023 The Morro Bay Yacht Club

Friday, July 14 6:00pm Happy Hour Saturday, July 15 \_High Sierra Regatta Ocean Race - Lady at the Helm Summer Adult Sailing Lessons 4:00pm Krossa - Club Use Sunday, July 16 High Sierra Regatta Summer Adult Sailing Lessons Funfloat Monday, July 17 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons **Tuesday, July 18** Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Wednesday, July 19 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Thursday, July 20 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons 6:15pm MBYC Board Mtg Friday, July 21 6:00pm Happy Hour Saturday, July 22 Summer Adult Sailing Lessons Summer II Bay Sunday, July 23 Summer Adult Sailing Lessons Juniors Monday, July 24

Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Tuesday, July 25 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Wednesday, July 26 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Hamburger Night - Ocean Fleet. Moorings 5:30pm Club Use - Kendall Welch - Maritime Thursday, July 27 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Friday, July 28 6:00pm Happy Hour Saturday, July 29 Laser Slalom Summer Adult Sailing Lessons Sunday, July 30 Summer Adult Sailing Lessons Monday, July 31 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons **Tuesday, August 1** Summer Youth Sailing Lessons Funfloat Wednesday, August 2 Summer Youth Sailing Lessons