



MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB

September 2023

Morro Bay, California

Commodore John Burgener



Whales are best viewed from upwind

Do “NOT” get downwind of the Whales as they breach. The stench will keel over the strongest of sailors. Thar she blows and be sure as changing tides, that they be of plenty in this here Estero Bay.

The Sooty Shearwaters be a flyin bringin up ye bait fish by the millions and a frenzy for a snack is veracious. Bluefin and Albacore are on the horizon breakin ye surface competing for a morsel and the fight is on.

As yer fishin pole starts to whine and scream with smokin speed-- Fer a fight of a lifetime. Ahr, she be a big one. Upwards of 150 pounds and me muskel are bulging with pain.



The crew is passing the pole. The gaff, the gaff, we be ready fer a pass, point me bow towards the run and keep her nose up to the surface mate.

Tis a fight, a vicious fight, and anticipation of an end is all we hope fer with blood on me deck and tears in me eyes.

Thar she is with a final pass and gaffs is ready. Ugh, one gaff in. Ahr, another

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The gaff is set

set. 1, 2 ,3 and on me
deck.

Quiverin and
shakin all about then
the beers be a poppin
and Sushimi tonight...
Ahr....

As the story
goes...



Reality Check

Ladies of The Galley

Dancing and Laughing. Wiggling and Giggling about The Galley.



Fun Floats



Summer is coming to an end, and it has been a good Fun Float summer. We've had lots of fun floats, lots of members participating, we've seen a lot of wildlife, and we have had a bit of a "wild life" ourselves at our Fun Float parties.

This August we had two fun floats and hosted the Fun Float burger night, the last burger night of the summer with a very happy un-birthday party for all. A number of Fun Floaters brought UnBirthday cakes for the celebration. Joyce and Armand decorated the clubhouse, and it seemed as if everyone had a very good time. It was the biggest burger night of the year!



Zongo Dinner, Hamburger Nights, HSR, from the galley & Kendall Welch

Somehow we managed to feed 135 people for the Zongo Cup Pre-Race Dinner! We served cuban sliders, with dirty rice and black beans, salad, and Lime Coconut Cookies for dessert. The



volunteers that helped that night, Christine Tomlinson, Rose Denny, Lisa Mia Williams, Kay Frye and Tovah Lelah, didn't seem to mind the work as they rocked out to the Zongo All Stars. The club was packed but I think overall everyone had a good time. Hopefully all the sailors that were present will remember the fun time they had Friday night, and not the weather and water conditions during the race.



The Juniors hosted our August 9 Hamburger Night with a Star Wars theme serving Han Burgers, Jabba the Hutt Dogs, Padawan Portabellas, Darth Vader Taters, and Wookiee Cookies. It always feels good to me to see the club filled with families and our Junior Sailors! The last Hamburger Night of the season was August 23, hosted by the Fun Floaters. This group always makes burger night a fun time!! The floaters brought a huge assortment of birthday cakes to celebrate the un-birthday!! We had 95 reservations so it was a virtual sell-out, but as usual we had no-shows, and were able to feed the drop-ins we had. Brian Coggins, a prospective member, brought his saxophone quartet and the music was great!!



Wouldn't you like to put your own twist on **Burger Night next year**? After 5 years, I am ready to share this burden with anyone that might be interested. I'm not disappearing but would love to have a few people to step up and run some burger nights. By rotating the hosting between the organizational groups at the club - the Board, the Bay Fleet, the Ocean Fleet, New Members, the Juniors, and the Fun Floaters, the volunteers are "voluntold" so there is always a crew of worker bees to help, plus you get to know everyone at the club!. Feel free to contact me to discuss details.

High Sierra Regatta- The Fresno Yacht Club has asked MBYC to join them to put on the High Sierra Regatta in future years. Their membership has dwindled to about 18 members, and MBYC has one of the largest presence there in total boats sailing in this regatta. Some of the things they are asking us to take on are: Dinner organization, Vendor selection and scheduling, Tables / chairs, Beer sponsorship, Merchandise, Artwork creation, Hats, glasses, T-shirts, Sales staff in the tent (with help from FYC). Let me or John know if any of this is of interest to you!

Commodore's Ball at the Siren.

Sunday, November 5

Details to follow soon



BUY A BRICK PROGRAM

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:

ANY SYMBOL IS CONSIDERED ONE SPACE (PERIOD, COMMA, DASH)
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PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:

Morro Bay Yacht Club
541 Embarcadero
Morro Bay, CA 93442

Vice Commodore

Charlie Roberts



Here is a brief heads-up in September for our Fall General Membership Meeting on November 4th. Our club functions best when everyone participates, so I hope you will plan to attend the fall general membership meeting. Board and Committee Chairs will give their bi-annual reports, we will vote for new board officers, and we will address any issues the board or members want to present to the general membership. It is important to remember any issue you want to bring up to the board for a general meeting must be submitted in writing thirty days before the meeting. You can send that request to either the Commodore or myself.

As I said, our annual elections will take place at the meeting. The officer nominating committee is still searching for another good candidate for the Rear Commodore position. Now is the time to speak up if you would like to run for that position or know somebody else who would run for the Rear Commodore position. We need people to come forward and run for office to ensure that we are functioning well.

The Zongo Cup seems to have been the biggest sailing event of the month and the year. If you frequent the club at all, you are bound to hear stories about how eventful the Zongo race was. Broken tillers, snapped

rigging, and a broken mast are all included in what you are apt to hear. I'm sure there is a big story about Zongo in this month's *Masthead*.

The last hamburger night of the year was hosted by the Fun Floaters, and it turned out to be a sold out event with nearly a hundred people attending. The theme was "Happy UnBirthday," and there were an overwhelming number of birthday cakes and desserts for the event. Joyce and Armand decorated the clubhouse, and everybody had a good time. I would like to give a special thanks to Kendall Welch. She is the one who makes the

hamburger nights work so well.

On another note, we have had our hoist inspected, and the inspector was impressed with the structure of the hoist and its ability not even to strain under a load test. We do have a list of maintenance items we need to take care of, but Lynn also has that under control. We will have a hoist maintenance person in to clear our maintenance list. I will feel much better and safer when using the hoist from now on, knowing it isn't going to break and drop a boat.

For a final item, rejoice in the fact that another ADA compliant commode for the women's bathroom has been installed along with grab bars. We still have one low commode in the women's restroom for those of short stature, but grab bars have been added to the stall for convenience.



Junior Yacht Club Grows

As Summer comes to a close and the kids go back to school the Junior Yacht Club gets a lot of new members from our summer sailing program. Our goal is to get as many kids as possible to stick with sailing. We've been having a great month of weather, and the sailing has been fantastic. We wrapped up our successful Friday Fun Sails and have plans for more informal sailing coming soon.

Our next big event is the Junior Alumni Reunion and Silent Auction, followed by the Chris Lockwood memorial regatta the next day. It's going to be a great fundraiser and a rockin' party. We encourage all Junior Yacht Club members past and present to come on down and hula dance the night away at the luau. See you there!



Newest Bowrider Boat



How do we 'stack' up?

ROCK THE WATERFRONT



Heavy Hors d'oeuvres, Entertainment,
Cocktails & A Unique Silent Auction

Wednesday, Oct. 11
5:30-8 pm

At the Morro Bay Yacht Club
Enjoy Music by Riff Tide



Purchase tickets early for a discounted price!



MORRO BAY
MARITIME
MUSEUM

Tickets: \$115/person (\$100 for museum members)
After Sept. 30: \$125/person (\$110 for members)

Tickets sold at the Maritime Museum
Thursday - Monday 10 am - 3 pm



TSCA afloat on Central Coast

New Traditional Small Craft Association Chapter for the Central Coast

“The Traditional Small Craft Association, Inc., (TSCA) is a nonprofit educational organization working to preserve and continue the living traditions, skills, lore, and legends surrounding working and pleasure watercraft whose origins pre-date the marine gasoline engine. We encourage the design, construction, and use of these boats, and we embrace the contemporary variants and adaptations of traditional designs.”

A new chapter of the TSCA has formed out of Channel Islands Harbor. There are two other chapters in California, one in the Sacramento area, the other in the Humboldt area. The TSCA Chapters typically host “messabouts” or “rendezvous” where like minded folks get together to enjoy “traditional” human and sail powered boats. The new chapter has garnered quite a bit of interest and will be holding a rendezvous in Morro Bay this fall over the weekend of October 13 - 15. Paul Irving will be acting as a navigator to help with route planning in the back bay’s thin water. Many TSCA members build and paddle kayaks, or will row small boats. The event is open to anyone and will be organizing the events out of the Park Marina.

Here’s a link to TSCA for more information on the organization: <https://tsca.net/>
Contact Charlie Nichols (805) 674-1038 for information about getting involved with the local chapter or the event. Club will be updated as planning progresses on this event.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE JUNIOR ALUMNI DINNER & SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER!

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Fremont Theatre

Sensorio Light Show-Paso Robles

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Seven Sisters Gallery

Madonna Inn

Coastal Treasures & Gifts

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AND MORE!

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**THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY CONTRIBUTED TO OUR
OCTOBER 21 SILENT AUCTION**

Congratulations to MBYC member Keiran Hansen and his lovely bride, Maya Aslam, who recently wed in Ireland. May the years ahead be filled with smooth and happy sailing!

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS:

Brian Coggins, sponsored by Tim French and Paul Brylewski, has extensive experience sailing San Francisco and Monterey Bays, currently sailing a Valient 32 Cutter Rig in and around Morro Bay.

Paul Kaspian, a surfer and owner of a 1975 Cal20 "Sea Tea", started sailing at UCSC and later joined the Cal Sailing Club in Berkeley. Charlie Nichols and Jon Hovdal are his sponsors.

Rachelle Paris and Tim Bowker are parents of two Junior sailors, owners of kayaks and 2 Optis, dedicating time in support of the MBYC, the MBYSF and the Junior Sailors. Sponsored by Terry Paris and Chris Matson.

Beau and Karjana Goddard live on their Beneteau Oceanus 400 SV RAVA in Morro Bay and sail whenever the opportunity arises. Dave Sheesley and Aaron Young are their sponsors.

MORRO BAY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION

Photos Wanted for 2024 Calendar

Please send your beautiful pictures of sailing and water fun to be considered for the 2024 Morro Bay Tides Calendar. Let's get a photo from every fleet!

Best: Landscape mode and at least 1 MB (1,000 KB). Email at full size to atsurfleet@gmail.com.

Thank you for helping us to Grow Sailing!

This summer, six scholarships for MBYC's Learn to Sail lessons and three scholarships for certified sailing instructor courses were awarded to local youth.

Fundraising continues for paid coaches for Juniors and the FJ for Cal Poly.

Your donations make a difference!



- Help us support local youth sailing such as Cal Poly Sailing and the Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club.
- Please donate online at www.mbysf.org/donations or send check to P.O. Box 736, Morro Bay, CA 93443.



from the Helm

Rear Commodore Jon Hovdahl



Once again, the San Salvador has sailed north and discovered Morro Bay. I volunteered as a docent through the Morro Bay Maritime Museum and I loved every minute of it! This is a replica of the 1542 Spanish Galleon built in San Diego, California. Although San Salvador was not the largest of her type, it was a major ship building achievement of the time. From the tip of her beakhead to her taffrail, San Salvador would have measured some 90 feet in length and 25 feet in beam, and with a size of about 90 tons in modern units. Big rocks were placed in the bilge for ballast. To prevent shipworms from eating the hull, a European practice of nailing a tar coated piece of cloth to the hull. If you take notice of the standing rigging lines appear to be black, that's because they were soaked in tar to seal them from the elements. Steering was accomplished by the "whip-staff." This was basically a long piece of wood that came up through the deck in the captains quarters and the other end connected to the end of the tiller and mounted to a pivot near the middle. Kind

of like a vertical tiller extension. Pushing this to port or to starboard would move the rudder and change course. The navigator on the deck would tell him which way to turn. The steering wheel on sailboats had not been invented yet. The sails with all of the intricate control lines and halyards just make me want to go sail on her! Talking about a sail trim! Because of these type of sails, going upwind was very difficult but sailing downwind was relatively easy. Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo owned and was one of the first to sail the San Salvador up the California coast and discovered what is now San Diego I have always been fascinated by these early sailing vessels and this was the first time I got to see one up close.



Summer Sailing Wants YOU!!!!
We need adult volunteers to help out our summer sailing instructors,
Monday- Thursday, 10 AM - 3 PM, for 6 weeks of instruction starting
June 2024, Call Angela Soll 805-441-5699

Calling all the kids of yesterday who grew up around the yacht club, who sailed at the yacht club, and the adults who helped teach them to sail!

Morro Bay Yacht Club

2023 JUNIOR ALUMNI Reunion

FUN SAIL ★ LUAU DINNER ★ SILENT AUCTION
SLIDE SHOW ★ DJ ★ EVENING PROGRAM

OCT 21 | SATURDAY
11:30 AM ONWARDS

541 EMBARCADERO, MORRO BAY

LUAU DINNER \$20

NEXT DAY, OCT 22, JOIN US FOR THE
Chris Lockwood Junior Regatta

FREE
ENTRY!

RSVP online at mbysf.org/reunion
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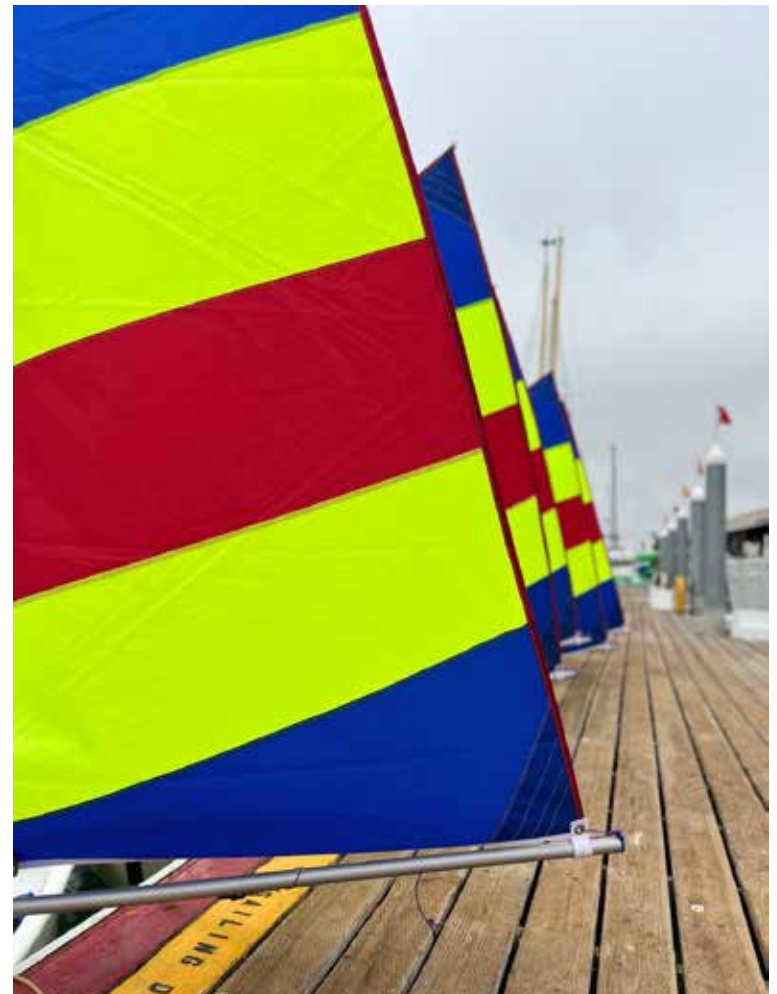


Your Friday to volunteer

| Name | Hosting Date |
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| Kay Milligan | 9/1/2023 |
| Kurt & Leslie Colvin | 9/1/2023 |
| Mike Munger | 9/1/2023 |
| Troy & Brooke Wieck | 9/8/2023 |
| Jim Kerman | 9/8/2023 |
| John & Judy Michener | 9/8/2023 |
| Carlton & Deborah Smith | 9/15/2023 |
| Michael & Brooks Measures | 9/15/2023 |
| John & Susan Wimer | 9/22/2023 |
| Greg & Martha Miller | 9/22/2023 |
| David & Sarah Gleffe | 9/29/2023 |
| Daniel Goldthwiate | 9/29/2023 |
| John & Wendy Mitchell | 9/29/2023 |
| John & Anika Clements | 10/6/2023 |
| Steve & Teri Reeder | 10/6/2023 |
| Ken & Melanie Coble | 10/13/2023 |
| Mark Buchman | 10/13/2023 |
| Dave Ray | 10/13/2023 |
| Patrick & Heidi Howe | 10/20/2023 |
| John & Brooke Bodine | 10/20/2023 |
| Carol Ann Stephens | 10/27/2023 |
| Michelle M. Voisenat | 10/27/2023 |
| Pandora Nash-Karner | 10/27/2023 |
| Tom Needham | 10/27/2023 |
| Thomas Murphey | 11/3/2023 |
| Tom Tidyman | 11/3/2023 |



Captain on deck



2023 Zongo Yachting Cup was a race for the history books! Big pre-party with Zongo All-Stars at MBYC, a wild ride to Port San Luis, and a great reception party at SLYC in Avila.

14TH ANNUAL ZONGO YACHTING CUP AUGUST 5, 2023

The 14th Annual Zongo Cup was a wild one!

In stark contrast to last year's picture-perfect, Chamber of Commerce sailing, 2023 saw some of the most challenging conditions to date in the 14 years we've run this race.

Starting out the festivities was a great party at Morro Bay Yacht Club on Friday evening, featuring a live performance of the namesake band: The Zongo All-Stars. Kendall Welch and her amazing team served up a Cubano-style dinner to pair with the music: pork sliders, rice & beans, chips, & fresh cookies. People are still raving about it!

Then we ran the race on Saturday - you'll be hearing the stories for quite some time!

Patrick & Rose were sailing the course on Alba Rose about 3 miles offshore when their rudder snapped in half, rendering their vessel disabled. As they drifted toward the lee shore, Patrick had the foresight to deploy an anchor & about 200' of rode. As luck would have it, they were drifting right for Pecho Rock! Luckily, the anchor grabbed just before becoming shipwrecked, and with the assist of the Coast Guard & the Port San Luis Harbor Patrol - they were towed safely into port. If you want the full story, buy them a drink next time you see them and maybe they'll tell you all about it!



Zongo Race Results

PHRF HANDICAPPED SAILING

Janina / Santa Cruz 27 / PHRF 138 / Skipper: Mark Hilden / Finished at 1:46:36 / Corrected 2:04:58

Mistress Quickly / Santa Cruz 27 / PHRF 138 / Skipper: Carlton Smith / Finished at 1:55:15 / Corrected 2:13:37

Impulse / Columbia 10.7 / PHRF 168 / Skipper: Aaron Young / Finished at 3:04:00 / Corrected 3:13:19

Page One / Beneteau 1st 42 / PHRF 81 / Skipper: Joe Silano / Finished at 2:38:00 / Corrected 3:13:34

RAKA / Beneteau Oceanis 400 / PHRF 105 / Skipper: Beau Goddard / Finished at 2:56:00 / Corrected 3:24:20

CRUISING CLASS (FIRST TO FINISH GET 1ST PLACE. ALL OTHERS WHO SAIL/MOTOR/PAD-DLE THE COURSE & FINISH BY 5:00 TIE FOR 2ND PLACE)

Janina / Santa Cruz 27 / PHRF 138 / Skipper: Mark Hilden / Finished at 1:46:36

Tie between: Mistress Quickly / Impulse / Page One / Raka / Casablanca / Amelie

SCALLYWAG AWARD - LAST TO FINISH:

RAKA / Beneteau Oceanis 400 / PHRF 105 / Skipper: Beau Goddard / Finished at 2:56:00 / Corrected 3:24:20

MOST HARROWING VOYAGE AWARD:

Alba Rose / Catalina 25 / Patrick & Rose Denny



Carly Kaiser Photo



Laurie Wright-- Zongo at dock

Officers & Directors

Commodore:
John Burgener

Vice Commodore:
Charlie Roberts

Rear Commodore:
Jon Hovdahl

Treasurer:
Tom Ingram

Secretary:
Lucinda Quintanar

Senior Director:
Todd Hansen

Director:
Brett Cross



Committee Chairs

Port Captain.....Lynn Meissen
 Bar Steward.....Stanley Craig
 Social Director/Galley Chief.....Kendall Welch
 Membership.....Laurie Wright
 Ship's Store.....Lisa Mia
 Junior Sailing Advisor.....Chris Matson
 Ocean Fleet Captain.....John Krossa
 Day Sailer Fleet Captain..... TBD
 Laser Fleet Captain.....Dan Hack
 Fun Float Captain.....Charlie Roberts
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 Sailing LessonsAndella Soll, Craig Levin
 Investments..... Tom Ingram
 Reciprocating Secretary.....Glenda Boatman
 Cal Poly Liaison.....Todd Hansen
 Education Officer.....TBD
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 Alias/Troll.....Don Lockwood
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 Masthead Editor.....Mark Buchman

On the Horizon On the Horizon

Friday, September 1

Funfloat

5:15pm Membership Committee Meeting

6:00pm Happy Hour

Saturday, September 2

Jr, boat Maintenance

Monday, September 4

Labor Day

Wednesday, September 6

6:30pm Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation

Friday, September 8

6:00pm Happy Hour

Saturday, September 9

Summer III - Bay

Sunday, September 10

Juniors

Tuesday, September 12

6:30pm Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting

Friday, September 15

First Day of Hispanic Heritage Month

Funfloat

6:00pm Happy Hour

Saturday, September 16

Ocean race - Devlin I (1 of 3)

Wednesday, September 20

5:00pm Club Use - Kendall Welch - Maritime

Thursday, September 21

6:15pm MBYC Board Mtg

Friday, September 22

6:00pm Happy Hour

Saturday, September 23

Fall I - Bay

Sunday, September 24

Juniors

Maritime Museum - Thank you to volunteers.

Friday, September 29

6:00pm Happy Hour

Saturday, September 30

Ocean race - Founders Cup

Funfloat

Friday, October 6

5:15pm Membership Committee Meeting

6:00pm Happy Hour

Saturday, October 7

Fall II - Bay

Sunday, October 8

Juniors

Monday, October 9

Columbus Day

Indigenous Peoples' Day

Tuesday, October 10

6:30pm Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting

Wednesday, October 11

3:30pm Kendall Welch (Morro Bay Maritime Museum)

Friday, October 13

6:00pm Happy Hour

Saturday, October 14

Ocean race - Summer III

4:00pm Wrights Club Use

Wednesday, October 18

Funfloat

Thursday, October 19

6:15pm MBYC Board Mtg

Friday, October 20

6:00pm Happy Hour

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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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