

January 2025 Morro Bay, California

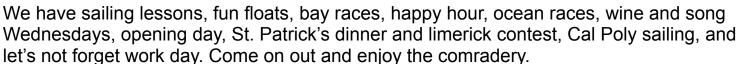
# Ahoy from bridge

### Tom Wright, Commodore

#### Ahoy from the bridge

Welcome to the 69th year of the Morro Bay Yacht Club.

2025 will bring many opportunities to be involved with the club:



We welcome the new board members, Jessie Ferris as Rear Commodore, Ray Shady as Treasurer and Cyndy Fee as Secretary. John Wimer is now Vice Commodore. The 2025 board looks well equipped to handle managing of the club in the coming year.

If you have an idea to improve to club, please bring it to a board member and let's discuss it. Make 2025 the year you get involved at the club.

#### Officers & Directors 2025

**Commodore:** 

Tom Wright

**Vice Commodore:** 

John Wimer

**Rear Commodore:** 

Jesse Ferris

**Treasurer:** 

Ray Shady

Secretary:

Cyndy Fee

**Senior Director:** 

**Brett Cross** 

**Director:** 

Dawn Huntsinger



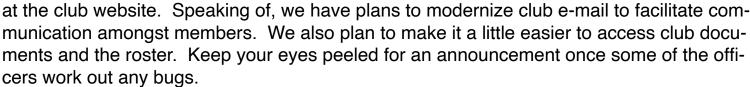


## Vice Commodore

- John S. Wimer

#### WELCOME TO 2025!!!!

We kick off a new year with new officers and hopefully better sailing weather. I think we did a good job of providing an opportunity for all members to weigh in on the club calendar. It is all uploaded and online



An added benefit from some of that organizing is that it should make it easier to contact folks with specific skills when the club is in need of volunteers. I will be ringing a few of you to assist with maintenance and repairs. Tom did a great job last year and has left the club in great shape for 2025. The dock may very well be one of the big ticket items we need to address sooner rather than later. I've heard from a couple of folks, like Terry Paris, that have offered to be on a committee looking at our options. In 2024 we applied for a federal

grant to help cover a portion of the costs for a new dock, similar to the grant that we received for our pump-out station. We submitted to the state who in turns submits to the federal government and the state is very supportive of our effort. They've been in contact with us over the holidays to make sure the submission is as polished as possible for submission on January 6.

Now that I am Vice Commodore, please contact me if you notice anything needing attention on the house and grounds and I'll add it to the list (a very common saying at the Wimer household). Same for calendar activities and such. Text or cell is the fastest way at 650-740-0065 and my new e-mail is vice@mbyc.net - like that new e-mail address? You'll be seeing those for all officers soon.

See you at the club and on the water in 2025!

Fun at the Club Christmas Party



Charlie Nichols photo

#### December at the Yacht Club, from the galley & Kendall Welch



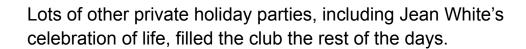
The club was so busy this December that we were unable to fit in the Cookie Exchange. We can enjoy cookies all year round so look for this event in the doldrums of January or February.



The Tree Decorating party started the holiday celebrations. Commodore Charlie Roberts and Staff Commodore John Burgener purchased and delivered a most beautiful Christmas tree. The Wednesday Wine Night crowd and our regular tree decorators adorned the tree with all of the club's ornaments, including our hand carved fleet provided by Dot & Pat Rygh.

Rich Leamon's 80th birthday party took over the first December Happy Hour. He was celebrated by many yacht club members as well as a host of old timers from Rich's working days - way, way, back then!! What a way to turn 80!!

Of course the Lighted Boat Parade could not have had better weather. It was a gorgeous evening and the club, tarmac, and dock were packed with approximately 230 people.







A few of us brave souls paddled out on the last full moon. It was chilly but beautiful.

# The Racing Sheet

- Jesse Ferris, Rear Commodore

We spoke too soon, at least for the Bay Fleet when we said the weather had improved. The Drumstick Regatta was a bust. Not enough participants likely due to no wind in the forecast. We had great volunteers. Thanks to Reid Hester, Jim Krossa, Jesse Ferris and Rich Leamon.

The following weekend, December 9, we had a nine boat turnout for Winter I of the 2025 sailing season. Racing was tight and conditions were all over the map. S, SW, SE, S, but the wind speed enabled us to get off two races. Then the wind died, so we all took a brief break. Then the wind went N, NE, NW, N and we decided to sneak in another race with decent wind from 2 - 12. The course was about our only option but we managed some windward and leeward racing. No sooner did we finish all racers and get them to the dock before the wind did a 180 and came out of the



Charlie Nichols photo

South. Whew. Top honors went to Dan and Silvia, with second going to Carlton and Judi. Third place went to the Krossa. Check out the web site for all results once posted for the 2025 season. Thanks to our volunteers for helping to make everything going fairly smoothly: Dave Sheesley, Ingmar Lauringson, Jesse Ferris, Tom Murphey and Karl Collins.

December 14 was to be the final Ocean Fleet race for the year. Unfortunately the harbor mouth was closed due to nasty waves and gusty wind. Thanks to John Krossa for being the Ocean Fleet Captain this year and signing up to do the same next year!

We had a great year on the volunteer front with many kudos to the aforementioned

Continued on following page

## The Racing Sheet

Continued from previous page

members, and all the others who volunteered their time. It is always appreciated. A couple others to note are Lex Budge and Mark Hilden, two consistent and always savvy Race Committee participants. I want to give a huge thank you to Bay Fleet Captain Dave Sheesley. The work he put in behind the scenes and on the water this year has helped the committee



Charlie Nichols photo

continually get better and has really set a foundation going forward so we can keep improving in the coming year and beyond.

I also want to announce that we are grateful and excited to have a couple of fantas-



Charlie Nichols photo

tic gentlemen who will be both be great additions to our racing program this coming year. Chris Surfleet will be taking over duties as the DS 128 Fleet captain, and Charlie Poggemann will be stepping in as the new Bay Fleet captain. These two come in with a lot of experience and will surely add positivity to our racing program.

Here is a list of events coming up in the near future:

Ocean Fleet:

Ron May Memorial/Winter I January 4
Ron May Memorial/Winter II January 25

Bay Fleet:

Hangover January 1
Winter II/Founders Cup January 18

### **MBYC Crew**

#### Membership news:

The MBYC membership would like to express great appreciation for our 2024 Board of Directors and our appreciation for and support of incoming 2025 Board of Directors as they strive to ensure that the MBYC is the best club that it can be.

Thank you to ALL of our MBYC members who contributed so importantly to the success and enjoyment of the club, the dock and Morro Bay waters in 2024!

Thank you to our Membership Committee, to our many committee chairs, to our prospective members who then became members and to their sponsors, and to the MBYC Board of Directors for their support of new members.

Our current membership totals 271, with 25 new individual members and the departure of 26 individual members this year, including the recent resignations of:

Johann & Elanie Smit,

Dale & Carly Kaiser,

Jeffrey Smith & Dana Eagle-Smith

Judy Mahan

May 2025 bring continued camaraderie and positive experiences to those who belong to our treasured MBYC!

Laurie Wright, MBYC Membership Chair

> SLIDER hosts and is annually decorated for the Lighted boat parade by Cal Poly sailors



# Cal Poly Sailing having a great year

Happy Holidays from Cal Poly Sailing! Our team has had a very successful Fall 2024 Quarter, between gaining new members, launching a crowdfunding campaign, hosting a very successful gear drive, and more. As the quarter comes to a close, here are some highlights and news we'd like to share:



Our team traveled to 5 different regattas this quarter. Newcomers and experienced sailors alike braved a variety of conditions, from light-wind races to strong gusts.

#### **EVENTS**

We are grateful to have so many involved members who bring our team to life! This quarter featured Halloween contests, wholesome holiday festivities, and the beginning of Signature events to get to know our officer board.

#### **MERCHANDISE**

Cal Poly Sailing now has an official merchandise website! Show your support for our team with t-shirts, hoodies, stickers, and more. All of the proceeds go towards our student team members.

https://sites.google.com/view/cpsail-ingmerchandise







Cal Poly Sailing





## Valentine's Day No-Host Dinner Feb 14, 2025 6:00 – 6:45

Santa Maria Style BBQ - Tri-Tip, Fresh Salsa, Grilled French Bread, Tossed Green Salad, Slow-Cooked Pinquito Beans

Must RSVP

to <u>kendallwelch@hotmail.com</u>

by Wednesday, Feb 12

\$20 payable by chit or cash

Need volunteers for serving,

cleaning up and bartending



# Check out the Friday you are hosting

Name	Date
Char & Terry Paris	1/3/25
Brian & Lisa Granger	1/3/25
Carly & Dale Kaiser	1/3/25
John Edell & Glenda Boatman	1/10/25
Jeanie and Charlie Roberts	1/10/25
Bob & Claire Erwin	1/10/25
Angela& Mark Soll	1/17/25
Ron & Marlys Boehm	1/17/25
Brian and Andrew Monroe	1/17/25
Clan Mc Clish	1/24/25
Michael & Brooks Measures	1/24/25
Kay Millligan	1/24/25
Kurt & Leslie Colvin	1/31/25
John Michener	1/31/25
Joann Freemire	1/31/25
Jim Kerman	1/31/25
Mike Munger	2/7/2025
Troy & Brooke Wiech	2/7/2025
Brian & Brianne Mulligan	2/7/2025
VALENTINE'S DINNER (reserv	2/14/2025
Gary & Peggy Voss	2/21/2025
Carlton & Deborah Paes de Bar-	
ros/Smith	2/21/2025
David & Sharon Bufo	2/21/2025
John & Susan Wimer	2/21/202



#### Laurie Wright photos

## Funfloats



#### **MBYC** Funfloating in the New Year

By Gran Poopa, Charlie Roberts

Get your paddle craft out on the bay for the new year! Going out on the bay with friends on kayaks, canoes, and SUPs is always enjoyable.

Sometimes it's hard to set time aside for paddle adventures, but you might make a resolution to do it more often in 2025, and I will try to make the paddles a little more adventuresome.

Upcoming
Thursday.
January 2
Thursday.
January 16
Friday.
January 31
Valentine's Day
Funfloat Party
February 14th.
Leaving the dock at
11:30 am

The weather is often predicted not to be so great for our paddles, but I've found that on almost every occasion the weather has ultimately cooperated with us, and we have had a good time. Typically, we meet at the club for our paddles on days when the tide is high between 11 am and noon. This allows us to go into the bay with the tide, eat a picnic lunch, visit, and then come back to the club with the outgoing tide. That makes the paddle much easier.

Members and their friends are all welcome to join us. We often introduce new prospective members to the events so they can come to meet other members and become more familiar with our club. Anyone is welcome to attend. We usually leave the dock at 11am and are often back to the club between 1pm and 1:30pm. We all take a picnic lunch that we usually eat on the sandspit while we share stories and wait for the tide to change.

There are several paddle craft rental places along the Embarcadero for those who want to join the adventure but don't have a paddle craft available. It's best to get to those places a little early so that you can paddle to the club dock by the time we depart.



**Welcome to the Morro Bay Junior Yacht Club!** The MBJYC is sponsored by the Morro Bay Yacht Club (MBYC) to promote youth sailing and boating and is open to children of members and non-members. Over the years, the Junior Yacht Club has amassed a fleet of approximately 19 sailing dinghies, called Optimists and Lasers, in which they train, sail for pleasure, and race. They have their own advisors, who are members of the MBYC.

#### **Membership**

Membership is open to anyone between the ages of 8 and 21 with basic sailing experience and the approval of the Junior Advisor. Fulfillment of a MBYC Summer Sailing course meets the requirement of basic sailing experience. A membership application, which is submitted annually to the Junior Advisor, can be found online at Junior Application.

# Officer & Directors

Commodore:
Tom Wright

Vice Commodore:
John Wimer

Rear Commodore:
Jessie Ferris

Treasurer:
Ray Shady

Secretary:
Cyndy Fee

Senior Director:
Brett Cross

Director:

Dawn Huntsinger

Committee Chair	
Alias/TrollDon Lockwood	ď
Bar StewardStanley Craig	נ
Cal Poly LiaisonMark Hilden/Sean Hanlor	ך ר
Chief Risk Officer/Sommelier Rich Leamor	
Clean Marine ProgramJulie Thomas	
Club Burgees around buildingPatrice Flack	
CustodianLori Tro	
Emergency Preparedness Coordinator	
Bob Neuman	
Fleet Captain - DaysailerChris Surfle	
Fleet Captain - LaserDan Had	
Fleet Captain - OceanJohn Kross	
Fleet Captain - Santa Cruz 27Mark Hilde	u n-
Fleet Captain - BayCharlie Poggeman	n
Fun Float CaptainCharlie Robert	
Happy Hour CoordinatorKay Fry	
HistorianAndrea Surflee	
InvestmentsCyndy Fe	
Junior Sailing AdvisorChris Matso	n
Library	
Mailing	S
Masthead EditorMark Buchma	
Membership ChairLaurie Wrigh	
Port CaptainLynn Meisse	
Reciprocity SecretaryGlenda Boatma	
Sailing LessonsRobert Schwenor	าล
Ship's Store	λ
Social Director/Galley ChiefKendall Weld	:h
TechnicalPaul Kaspia Volunteer CoordinatorJoyce McAlexando	er
WindowsAaron Your	
WebmasterJohn Mchen	

## Ab Abb Horithe Abribbn

#### January 2025

SUN 29	MON 30	TUE 31 (New Year's Eve	WED Jan 1  Hangover Regal New Year's Day  10am Hangove 2 more	THU 2 Funfloat • 4pm Sea Shan	FRI 3 • 5:15pm Membe • 6pm Happy Hc	SAT 4 Ocean Ron May
5 • 11am Junior Sa	6 • 4pm MB Harbo	7	10am MBMM E     3pm Wet Wedr     6pm Wine and	9 • 4pm Sea Shan	10 ● 6pm Happy Hc	11 • 4pm Zeeb Birt
12	13	14 • 6:30pm Coast	<ul><li>15</li><li>3pm Wet Wedr</li><li>6pm Wine and</li></ul>	16 Funfloat • 4pm Sea Shan • 6:15pm MBYC I	17 • 6pm Happy Hc	18 Bay Winter II/Fo • 3pm Surprize F
19 Junior Sailing	20 Inauguration Da Martin Luther K	21	• 3pm Wet Wedr • 6pm Wine and	• 4pm Sea Shan	24 ● 6pm Happy Hc	<b>25</b> Ocean Ron May
26	27	28	• 3pm Wet Wedr • 6pm Wine and	30 • 4pm Sea Shan	31 Funfloat • 6pm Happy Hc	Feb 1 Cal Poly Team F Bay Winter III/Fo

#### THE MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB

541 Embarcadero Morro Bay, CA 93442 Office Phone (805) 772-3981 Mbyc.net

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.

©2024 The Morro Bay Yacht Club