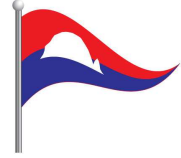


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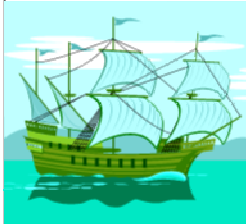
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FROM YOUR COMMODORE—Dawn Huntsinger

At one point last year I mentioned that I wanted to have a membership drive in 2014, but since then we have been getting new members flooding in! We've got a couple of super great new memberships that we voted in at the February board meeting, and I couldn't be happier that they are willing to become part of our family. If you see **David Tibbits** and **Jim & Yolanda Pederson** around the club, please take a moment to welcome them to MBYC!



If any of you were around a couple of Friday nights ago, you will remember that the crews from the tall ships, *Lady Washington* and *Hawaiian Chieftain*, came to visit us at Happy Hour. They were so interesting to talk to, and they all hail from different parts of the country and come together to experience a wonderful sea experience. Happy Hour tonight featured a few transients from Alaska who happened to bring their guitars and they graced us with some very nice background music. It's great to



see all of the different people coming together at our yacht club with a common interest in sailing, but all so varied!

The budget committee met February and we were able to hammer out a budget that was agreeable to all who attended. With some necessary major work being done last year, we are now focused on keeping our spending at or under budget. Thanks to the careful planning of previous Boards, there are sufficient funds to cover necessary upcoming repairs to some of our pilings.

I am very sorry to say that **John Budlong** has passed away. Our hearts and thoughts go out to **Frances Budlong** in her time of loss.

Did You Know...

Have you ever wondered why the dock is painted different colors? Policy Letter 6 outlines the Dock Use Policy.

4. Use of the South 25 feet of the dock marked by a yellow painted stripe is reserved for dinghy sailors during daylight hours. Member sailing dinghies shall have priority over all member or non-member ocean boats in the yellow zone.

5. The south 60 feet of dock (including the yellow 25 foot zone) shall be marked with a red stripe. The 60 foot red zones may be used by Transient Ocean Boats and Authorized Guest Boats, but shall be available to all member boats on a priority basis over non-member boats. Members exercising this right shall courteously help affected non-member boats find space at guest mooring or space at the member's own mooring..

At your service,



Dawn Huntsinger, Commodore

A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend. A successful woman is one who can find such a man. ~Lana Turner

Editor's Note: Submissions to the *Masthead* are due by the 21st of each month.

You may e-mail your written material or digital photos to
Barbara Edwards-Earl at

All submissions are subject to editing for content and space.

FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE - John Kincade

As everyone knows, we are in a severe drought situation. The city of Morro Bay has recently declared the following: *"No potable water may be used for cleaning or rinsing docks, boats and other marine facilities, or driveways, patios, parking lots, sidewalks and other paved surfaces. Using hoses to wash cars is prohibited, but residents may use a bucket."* Maintaining a boat and keeping it clean is important in keeping it not only looking good but also to keep various components from deteriorating. Bird droppings left on the deck or canvas will cause permanent discoloration, dust and dirt in winches and rope clutches will affect their performance, dingy bottoms need to be scraped, etc. So, we are looking into a portable saltwater pump that we could use on the dock to keep things cleaned up a bit. Salt water is not as good as using fresh water but it will be better than nothing. I will keep you posted.

Our annual Work Day is coming up on March 29th. There will be plenty to do but I would also like your input for things I may have missed, anything you can think of that will make our clubhouse and grounds look better, be more convenient or efficient or safer. I will have a to-do list and sign-up board upstairs so please add a work item or add your name for a job. Or email or call me with suggestions or what you would


like to accomplish. (I will be providing refreshments so no one will go hungry or thirsty while they are helping) .

My previous request for the return of unused boatyard/shed keys has not met with much success. Only one person sent his key thru the mail and we received a torn envelope with no key, probably due to the post office sorting equipment!! At least he tried. So please, turn in your keys if you do not use them. We need them. Thanks.



Your Vice Commodore at your service,

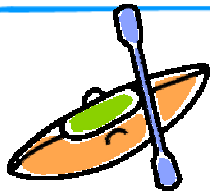
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FUN FLOAT

Thursday, March 13th at 10:30 a.m.

Our float in Feb. , we all wound up at The Bayside Cafe for lunch. There were 10 of us and as usual, the wind came up and blew against the paddlers all the way back to the MBYC.

I know the Ides of March are to be avoided, but since I don't know when they are we are going on Thursday the 13th , at 10:00AM. Feel free to bring a friend or Love one.

Your Mad as a March Hare (loco), **G.P.P.**





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HAPPY HOUR HOSTS

REMEMBER! In order for us to keep our liquor license, non-members are **NOT ALLOWED** behind the bar and all guests must sign the guest book located at the end of the bar.

If you have questions about the operation of the bar, contact our Bar Steward,

Stanley & Susan Craig @

Everyone should be contacting the other people assigned with them to coordinate the Hosting Duties.

If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement. Perhaps you could trade with someone else on the Host List. Cynthia Wimer will be sending out reminders in the mail.

The club will furnish paper products and plastic ware for Host Night. Hosts tend bar from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. AND serve snacks at 6:00 p.m. till 7:30 p.m.

March 2014

- 7 Mark Brown & Julie Thomas
Andy Arozana
Katie Crawford
- 14 Forrest & Frances Martin
Don & Glenda Boatman
- 21 Alan & Cleo Holz
Roy Gammill
Bill Sanders
- 28 John & Candace Kincade
Robert & Laurie Fiori

April 2014

- 4 Jeff Eckles
Nancy Craig
Paul & Jessica Irving
- 11 John Gajdos & Elaine Giannini
David & Karen Prewett
- 18 Carlton Smith & Deborah Paes de Barros
John & Gwenn Krossa
- 25 Dana Cummings
Greg & Rosie Larson

May 2014

- 2 Don & Kit Lockwood
Tom & Cyndy Fee
- 9 Gail Condon
Kevin Williams
Ken & Judy Riender
- 16 Diane Mason
John Swift
Mark & Angela Soll
- 23 Bob & Barbara Schwenoha
Patrick & Michele Gory
- 30 Mal & Julie Towery
Truman & Lauren Prewitt

Jim & Rachelle Phillips



FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE—Todd Hansen

The Race Results are on line, look to the club web page under Fleets. There is a page for the Bay fleet with information about several races this year so far and there is now an Ocean Fleet page as well now that they have results to report. Once you open the page you may need to use the tabs at the bottom of the page to navigate to the race you want to see.



The Bay Fleet successfully held the *Winter II* race on January 25th. In the first race this skipper benefitted when the leaders **Kevin Williams** and **Carlton Smith** engaged in a luffing battle that allowed the third place boat to drop down on a more direct line and score a rare first. Another first in this race was **Greg Barker** joining the Bay Fleet in *Good Grief*, the boat he has chartered from **Joe Fram** while he is out in the Pacific. In the second race of the day the winds were very light and being mindful of the current was critical. After rounding E mark one had to sail over 90 degrees away from the finish line to get over to the sand spit and current relief. But it paid off in the end as it allowed this skipper to nip in and pass another who tried to sail straight up the channel. The adverse current and light winds were so dramatic by the end of the race that the final finisher was unable to complete the course in the allotted time after the first finisher. After watching the torture at the end of the second race the race committee called off the third race. Kudos to **Chris Surfleet** the PRO for the day for stepping up and practicing the Cal Poly Motto- Learn by Doing.

The Ocean Fleet was able to hold their first race of the New Year on February 9th. There was a good turnout with five crews ready for some adventure on the water. Unfortunately the wind was light most of the day and only two boats stuck it out to the bitter end – over five hours later. First to finish and overall winner in the lightest boat out there was **John Krossa** and his crew **Mark**. John and Mark had a little bit of trouble at the finish – they could not find the finish mark. Turns out it was obscured by a pair of tall ships engaged in a mock battle just outside the bay. Having cleared that their troubles were not over as they found themselves suddenly surrounded by bubbles and swirling smooth water. John and Mark are sure one the whales they had seen earlier was about to rise up underneath them and saw them in time to stop. Talk about an exciting finish to a race – cannon fire and whales!

And finally this report from *Cal Poly Sailing Team Co-Captain Katie Cornella* regarding their most recent race hosted by *Stanford University* in Redwood City: *We had a competitive regatta with teams from all over California, which was a great learning experience for our racing team. We were able to get many of our newer team members and under classmen out on the water to experience competitive collegiate racing with 17 teams on the water. Teams rotated between 420's and FJ's. We had a great winter day in Redwood City with clouds, rain and a shifty South wind. Ten total races were sailed in winds that ranged from 3 to 15 knots in the highest gusts. It was great practice for our upcoming qualifying regattas Newport South 3 & 4 this next weekend.*

Todd Hansen, Rear Commodore

Membership News

The Board has approved two new memberships. Please welcome:

Jim and Yolanda Pederson

David Tibbitts

Bristol 27/Alberg "Mi Corazon" CF 6358 ET
moored at Tiburon

Beneteau Oceanis 40 "Eclipse"
Doc # 1108387

And to continue our "membership drive," we have one prospective member whose application is hanging on the door for you to check out. **Ken and Cindy Muther** are sponsored by **Howard Grisham** and **Lynn Meissen**. Ken is Howard's brother-in-law, has sailed for three years with Lynn, and owns a Pacific Seacraft Dana in which he won first place in our Ocean Fleet Spring Series, 2011. He sails approximately 2000 miles per year, primarily in Estero Bay and has graduated from classes from the Santa Barbara Sailing Center and the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

We've had a few resignations too. *Tom Spencer, John and Betsy Stenger, Paul and Rosemary Schneringer, Jeff Davis, and Sandy and Suzy Davidson* have resigned their memberships.

Your Membership Committee: Gail Condon, Char Bruzenak, Cyndy Fee, Lynn Meissen, Rachelle and Jim Phillips, and Marty and Tom Tidyman



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Prepare to repel boarders!! The Lady Washington on course side during an Optimist start drill.
Photo: Gwenn Krossa

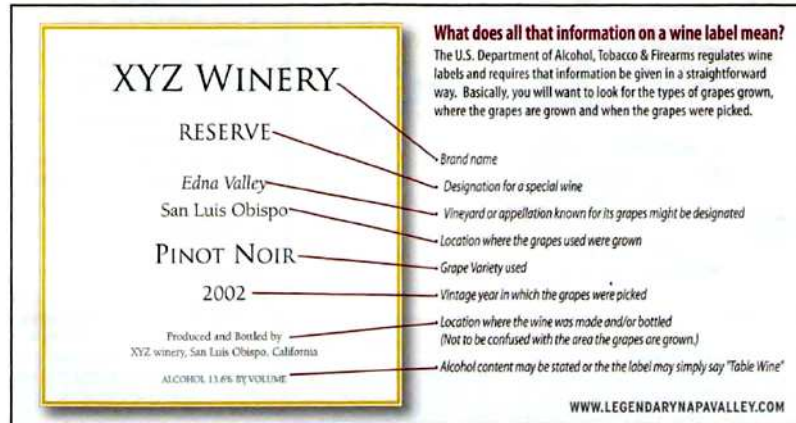
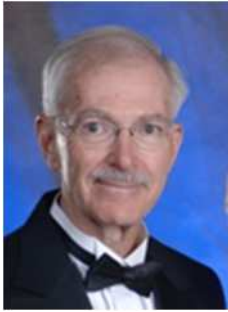
The biggest regatta of the year is coming up, and it features the smallest boats in the Morro Bay fleet. The **Big Rock Regatta**, March 22nd and 23rd draws Optimist sailors (and their families) from Los Angeles to San Francisco. The green fleet provides a nice introduction to racing, while the competition in the championship fleets can be a bit more intense. Dana McClish puts this event together, but he needs help from adult volunteers. If you'd like to help with bar tending, registration, safety boats, photography, port captain, galley crew, or race committed contact Dana () or the Juniors advisor.

Each Juniors day since the new year has seen a full complement of club boats in the water. On January 26th the Opti fleet loudly embraced the idea of having rights on STARBOARD!!! and announcing they were TACK-ING!!! This led to some discussion of the need for room to tack. It also suggested the agenda for the next Juniors day on February ninth. On that day the wind was light the weather warm, and tall ships were in town. The Opti fleet ran figure-eight drills on a short course, tacking, gybing, and requesting mark room. The day ended with a race back to the dock in light air during which one sailor demonstrated righting and bailing skills to the passing Coast Guard boat. I am proud to say the Guard boat paused and then continued on when they recognized the Jr. sailor was in charge of the situation.

Dave Hensinger, Junior Advisor



What's in Wine Labels? – A Lot



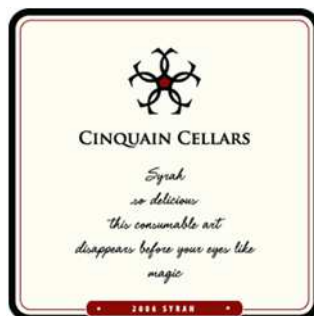
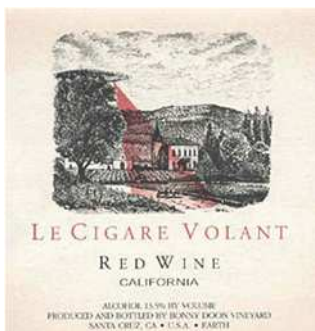
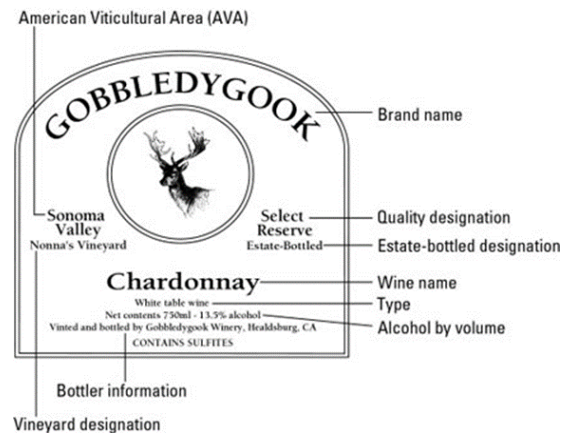
In my last Note 10, I discussed the information contained in the wine varietal or name. This note will consider the information in the rest of the label. As detailed in the two examples here, the basic information is the variety, appellation (one of over 200 officially designated appellations, known as American Viticultural Areas, AVAs) and the vintage which is the year picked.

All bottles of United States wine must be marked with a brand name, wine type, alcohol content, bottle volume, sulfite content, and the producer's name and address. Wine types are "table wine", "dessert wine" and "sparkling wine." Table wine is defined as grape wine with an alcoholic content less than 14% and is taxed less, 21¢ per 750ml bottle, than wines with more than 14% alcohol, 31¢. In Europe, the term 'Table Wine' has nothing to do with alcohol strength, and has traditionally denoted wines of basic quality. AVA and varietal information can substitute for wine type. For an AVA title to appear on a wine label, at least 85% of the grapes must have been grown within the boundaries of that AVA. Note that designations such as "Reserve" and "Estate Bottled" have no particular meanings and are at the discretion and definition of the producer.

Additional information is sometimes provided on wine labels. Some is more descriptive of the wine, e.g., J Lohr Gesture series, and gives information usually found only on that wine's data sheet, see my Note 7. Labels can also provide historical information such as *L'affaire Châteauneuf-du-Pape*, which is depicted by vintner Randall Grahm on his *Le Cigar Volant* label. In 1954, UFO sightings and alien abductions in rural France so concerned local citizens over their effect on wine that the mayor banned all UFOs from landing in vineyards. Similarly, shown on Red Zeppelin's vintner Stillman Brown's *Colossus* label is Morro Bay's Grecian Period, when the Colossus of Rhodes (and an anachronism Zeppelin) stood at the harbor entrance. Finally, vintner David Nagengast Cinquain Cellars back labels always contains a cinquain, a form of five line poetry.

Rich Leamon, MBYC Sommelier

Some Wine Labels Look Better After Drinking the Contents



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"The sea finds out everything you did wrong." - Francis Stoke

