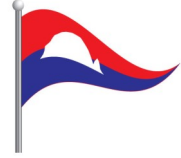


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## FROM YOUR COMMODORE—John Bodine

Hello Sailors,

We are sliding into the last month of summer, these days go by so fast. A lot has happened around the club. We have a whole new crop of junior yacht club members thanks to the summer sailing program. That program is experiencing a very successful run this year, thanks to great instructors, and Staff Commodore Glenda Boatman's leadership.

I hope, unlike me, you were able to view the schooner America's brief visit to our dock and perhaps go for a sail on her. Those that did report having a very enjoyable time. That ship really made our dock look small. I arrived late and failed at my picture taking, but Rachelle and Jim Phillips took some great ones!

Brian Jalbert reports the navigation class is going well and has agreed to serve as Education Chair person for the club. We will be announcing more classes in the future. These classes are based on Coast Guard Auxiliary publications. So as the days get shorter this fall think about some evenings well spent, making your ocean adventures safer.

I had the privilege of visiting with Dot and Pat Rygh while they were running bay races last Saturday. This club runs along with a lot of quiet behind the scenes work from members like them. We all owe a big thank you for the willing volunteers around us.

Dot and Pat first became acquainted with the club around 1988 after Pat retired from the Jet Propulsion Lab in southern California. Retirement for Pat meant giving up remotely piloting spacecraft and sticking with boats. A big change for the "Flight Director" on one of the first Moon shots. He says hitting the moon in those days was not that easy. They had and used



In 1851, the schooner "America," representing the New York Yacht Club, triumphed over the competition in the United Kingdom's Royal Yacht Squadron's 100 Pound Cup. It was a symbolic victory of the new world over the old and the beginning of a 150-year-old racing tradition that continues to this day: the America's cup.

Editor's Note: Submissions and corrections to the *Masthead* are due by the 25th of each month.  
Email to Yvonne Lazear

## FROM YOUR COMMODORE—John Bodine Continued

huge rooms of computers and yes slide rulers.

After moving to the central coast they had to make a choice about the kind of boat they wanted to sail. So they took the summer sailing class at the club. Not so much to learn to sail, but to use



Dot and Pat Rygh on the schooner America

several different types of boats. First the lasers appealed to them but proved to be a workout on the knees. Settling on the Lido 14 they were very active racing in that fleet for many years. It is always fascinating to me how diverse the place of origin, and career backgrounds are among our members. Dot and Pat first moved to California in 1955 after graduating from college in Minnesota and getting married. Pat says they both worked their way through school, so when they packed up their belongings in the back seat of their new car they could still see out the back window. Why did they choose Cal Tech in California for grad school? Pat says they had never been to California but chose it because pictures had palm trees and a lake, which they later found to be a flood control pond. Dot's career choice became teaching P.E. at Pasadena City College for eleven years until their son was born. She says then he became her occupation and hobby. Coming from a family of seven, it was a little easier than it was for her mother.

I have included a picture that illustrates how an engineer that became a rocket scientist cannot be satisfied with the speed of a lido 14, and that is how "dragonfly" was born. How fast is it? Just ask Pat.

Knowing how extensively they have traveled I asked what was the most adventurous trip, and Pat says crossing the Himalayas from Tibet to Nepal in a bus at night, "But we were younger then". Time does not allow for the many tales of adventure these two have enjoyed. But I must share one more. To celebrate graduation from Cal Tech, they flew to Tahiti in 1959. At that time there were 6 rental cars on the island and not one left to rent, so they went off in the pouring rain on a Vespa motor scooter after buying a tarp from one of the painter Gauguin's illegitimate sons, was it left over canvas? We will never know.

So as I always say, visit with our members, there are so many interesting stories within our yacht club family. Hope to see many of you enjoying the Zongo Cup August 13 through 15. Also mark your calendars for the "Commodore's Ball," November 21.



### Note from Dot Ryth:

Several MBYC members were privileged to sail on America. It was a great trip and lots of fun setting sails and being part of the adventure. We saw lots of porpoise, otters, whales, and several sunfish. Logan Lockwood took this picture to share. The sunfish follow the By-the-wind sailor (*Veella veella*) and eat them. One of the crewmen also shared many interesting facts about the ocean and its wonderful marine life. Never a dull moment.

**FROM YOUR VICE COMMODORE —  
Todd Hansen**

The Vice Commodore is reporting in this month while on the road. Fortunately there is not much to report.

One of the toilets in the women's head is out of commission until the replacement parts arrive and I get them installed. Thanks to Lynn Meissen for tracking down the part and getting us a deal on it.

There is still a broken fence post in the yard and now the gate is bent. If anyone can enlighten me on how this occurred, I'd love to know.

Ron Giddings is working on getting bids on installing solar panels on the roof of the club. More on that in the future.

Please use the email address below for Vice business.



*Todd Hansen, Vice Commodore*

**Hi Folks, Breaking News From the 2015 Transpac Race.**

The First to Finish, First in Division and we are pretty sure **FIRST OVER ALL** is Celerity a Santa Cruz 37. The ugly guy, third from the left, is **Tom Jenkins MBYC member #114**. Way to go Tom and all the crew of Celerity well done. The Alias Troll



**HAPPY HOUR HOSTS—  
Jim & Rachelle Phillips  
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**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,

**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.

**— August 2015**

- 7 Carlton & Deborah (Paes de Barros) Smith  
Gary Raine
- 14 Dick & Charlene Evans  
Robert & Barbara Schwenoha  
Mathew Piper
- 21 Bob & Laurie Neumann  
Joe & Donna Dervin
- 28 Tom & Laurie Wright  
Pat Hedges  
Steve Borges

**— September 2015**

- 4 Jim & Yolanda Pederson  
Stanley & Susan Craig
- 11 John & Candace Kincade  
Adriaan & Helma Smulders
- 18 Lex & Lolo Budge  
Brian Watson  
Stephanie Finley
- 25 Larry & Liz Salas  
Jeff & June Jones

**— October 2015**

- 2 Tom & Marty Tidyman  
Jim & Bobbie Brose  
Rosemary Jorgens
- 9 Bob & Carol Walker  
Robert & Laurie Fiori  
Faye Zeeb
- 16 Todd & Joyce Hansen  
Dana & Teresa McClish
- 23 Michael & Brooks Measures  
Tom & Maggie McEwen
- 30 Team Califia (Nash, Stephens, Voisenat)

## REAR COMMODORE - Brett Cross

After nearly a month's break from racing, the Bay and Ocean Fleets lined up for their respective Summer II events. The Bay Fleet returned to racing on Saturday the 25th. Eleven boats were on the line to take the starting gun for the 3 races to determine the overall for the day. The wind slowly clocked around from the South to what was hoped to be a more normal northwest direction but got stuck somewhere around the westerly direction. This naturally created a tendency for boats looking to make the start of lifetime coming in on Port tack at the pin end with boats on starboard tack close hauled sailing down the line hoping to force the port tack boats to duck or worse cause a foul. Timing and a bit of luck found the port tack boats that made "winning" starts out front and in clean air. Risk has its rewards. Patrick Gorey, sailing Super Weaner (2574), started at the front for race 1 and stayed there. Dawn Huntsinger, Student Driver, 2nd, followed by Greg Miller, Justin Bradshaw doing the driving for Dave Hensinger, and Stanley Craig in 5th. The second race saw a complete reversal in fortunes as Kevin Williams who was 6th in the first race got the winning horn for race 2. Gorey finished 5th, Huntsinger 6th, Bradshaw 2nd, Steve Borges who was 7th in race 1 was 3rd, with Greg Miller 4th. The 3rd race would decide the winners from the also-ran's and it was anyone's to win. Patrick Gorey stayed consistent with great starts and sailed away from fleet leaving everyone else to vie for 2nd. Williams sailed into second place and second overall, followed by Justin Bradshaw 3rd and 3rd overall. 4th and 5th placings for race 3 and overall went to Miller and Huntsinger respectively. Congratulations to Patrick Gorey and his crew Scott for well-earned and deserving win.



The Ocean Fleet came out the following day for a little fun out in the big ocean where things that want to eat you dwell. The **Daysailers at the Dock During Summer II** race was rescheduled from the previous week due to the schooner America visiting the Club. The Ocean Fleet has been getting 5 and more boats out on Estero Bay consistently but that string was broken with only two boats to be found at the dock in morning, and racers wondering where everyone else went. There are lots of sayings about a day out sailing is better than a day \_\_\_\_\_, fill in the blank, and for the crews of Wizbang and Guayacan the saying again proved accurate. They sailed out to the Club buoy, then over to 18AB, and back down to 1A, and then back around the Club buoy, and then to the finish. The wind was consistent 12 to 15mph over the 8.82 nautical mile course. Wizbang was first to finish in 1hr 54min with Guayacan finishing in 2hr 35min. Wizbang corrected finish was 14 minutes better than Guayacan.

After last month's break the fleets won't have much time to rest. The Ocean fleet is racing Sunday August 2nd, and the Bay fleet will back on the water for Summer III, as well on August 8th. The Zongo Cup is on Friday August 14th. The Daysailer Invitational will be on Saturday August 22nd, and Sunday August 23rd.


Keep an eye out for Help Wanted requests for the Invitational.

As always, see you on the water.

***Brett Cross, Rear Commodore***

## REAR COMMODORE Continued - Brett Cross

Summer 3 Aboard  
Guayacan. Photos  
by Marie Sargent.

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## Cruising Fleet Captain — Paul Irving

Most of you have either participated in, came to the after party, or have heard of our biggest ocean race - **The Zongo Yachting Cup**. Please join us on **Friday, August 14** for a fantastic day on the water and a BIG party at the finish line.

What's the same? Same course - Morro Bay to Avila Beach. Same Classes - PHRF, Cruising Class (anything that floats), Beach Catamaran, Outrigger Canoe, SUP (Stand up Paddle). Same great party (except bigger!)

What's different? We're making the party BIGGER at the finish line. Many of you have noticed that the San Luis Yacht Club is packed that evening. To help alleviate the congestion, we are moving the race headquarters to the banquet room underneath Mr. Ricks. This is a nice 200 person room and will be staffed with a full bar. Racers are welcome to the San Luis Yacht Club as well, but the new location will provide a nice lounge to rest up. Another recent development is the recent closure of the Avila Pier. We typically anchor north of the Avila Pier with taxi service to the Avila Pier. I am investigating our options for anchoring / mooring / coming ashore, so please stay tuned as I navigate this situation.

Online registration will soon be available on the Morro Bay Yacht Club web site. If you have any questions or input, please call Paul Irving

Looking forward to a fantastic day on the water with you all. Hope you can make it. Cheers!

## FUN FLOAT—Dot Rygh

### SAND SPIT CLEANUP Saturday, August 1

Every member is invited to help cleanup the sand spit on August 1st from 10:30AM to 2PM. Let's make it a family event and spend a few hours with other members of MBYC.



We will furnish trash bags & gloves for all. Enjoy a lunch of hot dogs and trimmings after your effort. The Whaler will drop you off at the Spit if you do not have a Kayak, Canoe, paddle board, dinghy, sailboat, or any means of your own conveyance.

The Yacht Club in the past years,

before the snowy plover fence, had an annual sand spit cleanup. The event was sponsored by the fun floaters and was always very successful. Several members are again very interested in helping set this up once again. Meet on the deck at the Yacht Club with old shoes and ready to cover a little sand area or just help with lunch & other duties.

I am including a couple of old pictures from the past clean ups for you to enjoy this issue. As you can see there used to be a lot more trash than there will be this time, I hope. Thanks, Dot 528-8107

*Dot Rygh, Grand Poo Mah.*



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**MEMBERSHIP NEWS—Jim Phillips**

**New Members:** - The MBYC Board of Directors approved two memberships at their July meeting. They are Brian and Marie (Sargent) Moore sponsored by Lynn Meissen and Tony Gomez and Ken & Sandi Twist who were sponsored by Brain Monroe and Stanley Craig. Their contact information follows. When you see them around the club be sure to give them a hearty welcome.

Brian & Marie (Sargent) Moore  
Los Osos, CA 93402

Ken & Sandi Twist  
Morro Bay, CA 92442



**MBYC Roster Changes:** - I haven't received any new corrections for the 2015 Club Roster since posting changes last month. If you are having trouble with opening the Club Roster give me a call, or drop an email to me

*Jim Phillips, Membership Chair*

**Plan Ahead – Put this on your calendar-  
“Commodore's Ball, Saturday, November  
21st at 6PM at Windows on the Water”**



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## MBYC JUNIORS —Dave Hensinger

### August is Upon Us

**Welcome Aboard**—The summer sailing program continues to produce qualified junior members. The last meeting included new Optimist sailors Antonio Silva, and Marina and Charlotte Graves.

**Schooner “America” Visits**—The visit of the replica schooner “America” included an opportunity for the junior sailors to tour the boat on Friday morning. Several junior sailors and their families took advantage of this visit to walk the decks of this very unique vessel. The afternoon light wind sailing outing on “America” was attended by several juniors who also had an opportunity to take the helm of this over 100 foot craft.

**Past Meetings**—The Juniors met twice since the last Masthead (June 28, and July 12). During the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting new members Cash and Wyatt Marchant filled out the Opti fleet for light winds on the bay. During the July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting new members Charlotte and Marina (there's a nautical name) Graves and Antonio Silva packed the Opti fleet, and for the first time in years Juniors rotated in and out of boats. This proved to be excellent as anyone who grew tired could take a break until they wanted to get back into the fun. The excellent coaching from Terry Paris and Dana McClish plus perfect weather provided an excellent first day for the new members.

**Upcoming**—The juniors will meet on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of August. With new junior members coming from the summer sailing program there will be work on the racing rules, starting sequences, and lunch on the water. The current focus is for upcoming Chris Lockwood and Santa Barbara “Goblin” regattas.

**Summer and “Learn to Sail” is on its**

**way**—The Junior Yacht Club is open to anyone between the ages of 8 and 21 who has sailing experience. A fun and affordable way to get that experience is to participate in the “Learn to Sail” program offered through the Morro bay yacht club. Contact information for “Learn to Sail”: (805)772-3981 or gboatmanmb@gmail.com.

Any juniors who would like to attend an out of town race and use a club Optimist or Laser should contact the junior advisor mbyc.jrs@gmail.com.

**Top: Juniors on “America” Nathan, Captain Troy with radio, Logan at helm, Blythe and Fianna on coaming**  
**Right: Juniors practicing leeward rights.**

### Heads Up JUNIOR SAILORS!!!!

The CHRIS LOCKWOOD REGATTA

(for all Junior Sailors 17 and under) is SEPTEMBER 20th. Mark your calendars. Three classes will race- Optis, Lasers & sloops. This regatta features continental breakfast, root beer floats, trophies and a perpetual trophy with first place names engraved on it. See you on the water next month.....Kit





**MYBC HISTORIAN —Andrea Surfleet**

I was happy to hear that Persian Night on June 27th was a great success with delicious food and cultural touches. I hope Ali will forgive us for not attending but we were in Oregon for two weeks and returned on the 28th. We left three days later to seek the food, culture, history and beaches in Greece and Italy. After viewing buildings and ruins from 2,500 years ago, I'll admit that the 60-year history of MBYC represents just a slight breeze in the whirlwinds of time, but no less important to us!



During those breezy times, we've held some fun events. One of the more

unusual was Turtle Racing, in the 1970's, complete with betting, bookies, potluck dinner and a two-foot long alligator! How do you get turtles to race? Very slowly, I'll bet.



Together with Opening Day and the Commodore's Ball, we used to have a big, non-sailing event once a month such as St. Patrick's Irish Stew, Mexican Dinner, Hobo

Dinner, Halloween Party with games, Chili Tasting Party, Ice Cream Social and Bingo Party, Hawaiian Luau, Adult Christmas Decorating Party, Children's Christmas Party, and New Year's Eve Party with Breakfast served at 1 a.m.



**New members, Max & Helen Sicher, enjoy the 1976 Hawaiian Luau.**

Two small pigs were the main entree for the Hawaiian Luau on August 14, 1976. They were killed and hung up four days prior. During the morning of the party, they were cooked underground by Don Wardean in Los Osos. They were brought to the club and unveiled with great ceremony. Anyone have any other pig stories to share?

How do I know about all these happenings? Early Social Coordinators kept notebooks filled with party planning details, tips for next year and pictures of the fun.



If you have pictures of past parties, consider adding them to our growing archives.

Contact me and remember, today's news is tomorrow's history!



**Burger Nights are Back! Every Wednesdays in August!!!**

The Galley will be opening at 5:20PM and the last order will be taken at 6:45PM every Wednesday. We have salmon, bean, cheese, and more types of hamburgers, hotdogs and even mushroom burgers. I'm looking forward to Great Wednesday Burger Nights in August!

*Ari Athari, Galley Chief*

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August 2015						
		Junior Races 9:30 AM		Ocean Races Start: 9am Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM		Bay Races Start: 11AM Skippers Meeting: 10:30 AM
Friday Happy Hour Hosts Serve Snacks and Tend Bar from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Ocean Fleet Summer III 2	6PM Basic Navigation 3	4 6:30 Rules Clinic	5 5:20PM - 6:45PM BURGER NIGHT	6	7 5:15 Membership Hosts: Carlton & Deborah (Pass de Barros) Smith Gary Sage	8 Bay Fleet Sum- mer III
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