FROM YOUR COMMODORE—Todd Hansen

Carpe Diem – seize the day. Since we just passed the summer solstice, the days to be seized are especially long. I hope that everyone is making the best use they can out of the long days of summer. I know I have, and I have seen a few others out on the bay, or just enjoying a sundowner on the deck at the club.

My wife, Joyce, and I have had the opportunity to visit two other sailing clubs this summer to attend regattas with our Daysailer. Both were similar to MBYC in that they were all volunteer clubs with a great group of friendly and welcoming members. Both clubs have nice facilities that are appropriate to their needs and make the best use of their surroundings. Visiting those clubs, and many other more traditional clubs, when I was traveling to Optimist regattas with my son, just makes me appreciate what a wonderful facility we have. I hear it all the time from visiting guests, but it’s not until you travel that you can see your own home through the eyes of another. I guess what I am getting at is a thank-you to all the people who have made the Morro Bay Yacht Club what it is today; a facility and an organization that I truly appreciate and enjoy.

Speaking of thank-yous, I have a few more recent ones to share. If you have not noticed yet, our stair has been rebuilt now in preparation for installation of a chair lift. This project was accomplished with volunteer efforts. Staff Commodore Dana McClish was the crew boss and spent at least four long summer days directing myself and the other volunteers, Terry Paris, Bob Walker, Brett Cross, & David Hensinger. A special thank-you also goes out to Joe Huntsinger for coming along after us and painting and patching things to make it all look great. A shout out to Bob Smirl too, as his bar hoist was just the thing to help us safely lift down the old stair stringers.

Hamburger nights are in full swing for the season. Make sure to come and enjoy an evening of good company at the club. And when you are there, sign up to help the galley chief. He needs help both with set up and with clean up each week. He has a sign-up sheet out.

Just a reminder to check the doors when you leave the club. Often I find a sliding door closed but not locked. We recently have had an incidence of theft from the club and I want to avoid any more.

Contact me at mbyc.comm@gmail.com, or call 805 991-7245.
2nd ANNUAL SHENANIGANS RACE —Dawn Huntsinger

Shenanigator [shuh-nan-i-gator]  Noun, 1. a person who instigates Shenanigans

Do you ever feel…silly? Mischievous? Shenanigany?

After a while people just need some nonsense in their lives. After a month of serious racing for Summer Series and competing at Huntington Lake, you need to lighten up and come out and play with us as we have a day of tomfoolery and monkey business. Bring any boat that you want, anything goes, no rules, just a day of fun on the water.

Saturday July 30. Funny Business starts at 10:30 am. Are you up for it?

“Life’s more fun when you’re up to something.” ~Dawn Huntsinger

PIRATE BOOTY —Dana McClish

10th Annual Pirate’s Booty
Sunday July 31st : 9am-1:30pm

Marine Swap

In past years the Pirate Booty swap meet has been held in late spring. This year the Marine Swap will be held mid summer on Saturday JULY 23 in hopes of more interest from buyers and participation of sellers. The Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation will be accepting donations and selling such items along with baked goods as part of this annual fundraiser. If you have items you would like to donate you can place them in the dinning area the day before or call 471-1235 for pick up locally. If you are interested in cleaning out all that unused boat gear and want to reserve a space to sell, please call and let us know.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS—Jim Phillips

New contact information: If you have changed your email address, phone number, or home address please notify Jim Phillips at jprp@charter.net.

Life members: You may be interested in knowing that so far in 2016, the club has had 3 members resign, 5 members achieve Life Membership status, and 5 new memberships.

New Members: At its July meeting the Membership Committee will hear from sponsors Dave Hensinger and Chris Surfleet regarding the membership application of Pat & Heidi (Freeman) Howe. We also have a number of prospective members who are eager to get through the membership process, and they are, Larry Gorman, Malcolm McEwen, and Andrew Kok. If you know these folks, and are willing to sponsor their membership, let them, and me, know of your interest.
Yeah, the stairs are pretty much finished. There is a temporary bottom step currently but that will be replaced when the new concrete step arrives. The chair lift will be installed shortly once the mounting details are worked out. That should be fairly simple with some angle brackets attached to the beams which then the chair lift can be attached to. The deck piles are also finished so you and all your friends should be safe congregating out on the lower deck without fear of collapse. Actually I doubt that would have happened anyway, but better safe than sorry.

Speaking of the decks. I’d like to thank Joe Huntsinger and Tom Fee for the fresh coat of paint on the lower and upper decks. I’ve supposedly been banned from any more painting after I used the same color paint on the outside of the Club house where there needed to be some touch up from the stair project that I used on painting over the guide lines on the stair beams. I knew the color was a bit off but I now know the building and the deck are two different colors. Rumor has it that our own certain resident electrician has also come to the conclusion that please call me first and let me take care of it before you mess it up even worse. I knew my handyman incompetence would someday become invaluable.

The new super duper web cam should hopefully be installed in a couple of weeks, thanks to Dave Tibbitts and his desire to spy on Tony Gomez. Maybe I will get Dave’s friend who he pawned off the job of installing it, since he left to go do his river rafting stuff for the summer, to install the new weather station which I’d better order.

I think I might have fixed the sticky inside door in the hallway. We’ll see. I also learned that you can’t drill a hole in a FOB if the key ring hole wears out, and you need another hole to put in on your key ring. Sorry Bob. Fortunately I had two left. Which brings me to the FOB problem. Please try and keep from losing, washing, breaking or similar demise of your FOB until I can get the Secure Key folks out to fix our system issues.

Anyway, try not break anything.
Race Results

BAY

Memorial Day holiday weekend (May 28, 29, and 30th) was a smorgasbord of sailing fun.

Saturday the 28th-10 fleet boats, and one guest boat sailed in the Daysailer Fleet Championships. Kerian Hansen (PRO) headed up a race committee that included Thomas Niemesto, Maya Aslam, Jim Kerman, Dallas Butler, Bob Schwenoha and Chuck Losness. Six windward-leeward races were run in the turning basin area with the RC on Fioghra. The wind started off fairly strong but ended up fairly light and variable by the end of the day. Justin Bradshaw and crew, Olliver Kunz in Amorcita were the fleet championships with a total of 20 points. Second place went to Carlton and Deborah in Beach Party, and third place to Dana, and Rory McClish in Sundance.

Sunday the 29th of May was the Laser Fleet Championships. Chuck Losness provided his sloop Hale Moana as committee boat. Bob Schwenoha and Patrick Gorey worked the safety boat. Chuck Losness, Katie Crawford and Orris Cowgill helped Dave Hensinger (PRO) on the committee boat. A total of seven boats raced, two of them under radial rigs. The wind was light to moderate mostly from the west, and the tide was slack to moderate flood.
Monday the 30th the Jack Johnson race was held in a multiple heat format with a total of 21 sailors competing in 7 club Optimist Prams. The PRO was Tony Gomez assisted on deck by Dot and Pat Rygh, and Don and Kit Lockwood. Brooks and Michael Measures provided mark set and safety services from their ranger tug. An initial series of three races winnowed the field down to the final seven in the winner-take-all championship race. As a side note, the leader going into the final was Olliver Kunz (champion from Saturday and Sunday). In the final race Coleman Howe casually ran away from field to take first place in front of Joel Surfleet (Last Year’s Champion) followed by Olliver Kunz.

OCEAN-Summer I on June 12th was cancelled for lack of boats.

Upcoming Races
JUNE - The Bay Fleet contests Summer I on June 25th, and the Ocean Fleet has Lady at the Helm on the 26th.
JULY - The High Sierra Regatta is July 9th and 10th. Summer II for the Bay Fleet is the 16th, and the Mullens ocean race is the 17th. The Ocean’ fleet’s Summer II will be on the 24th which will be the first in the series since Summer I was not run. The last race in July is the Shenanigans presented by Dawn Huntsinger on July 30th.

Summer Sailing is off to a wonderful start this year. Before classes even began we were full in several of the sessions. So many people are helping with this great program that I would like to take a moment and say thank you. Working on the boats to be ready for a crew of “learning to be sailors”, was a group of wonderful men: Michael Measures, Pat Rygh (not pictured), Howard Grisham, Bob Walker and Rory McClish. Making our very nice flyers was Roger Marlin at ASAP. And of course Carla Sousa, our bookkeeper, is an enormous help. And lastly, the ones who make the program not only successful but super FUN, the INSTRUCTORS!
Junior sailing had another fun filled month. The first meeting of June we worked on boating safety. Sailors learned techniques associated with safely boating in Morro Bay, and elsewhere and rescuing overboard sailors. Volunteers practiced righting capsized lasers. Afterwards, we sailed over to the sand spit, and practiced landing on the beach. Fun, safe boating, will keep young sailors coming back! We make safety a priority in our junior sailing program. At our second meeting sailing coaches Dana McClish, Terry Paris, and Bob Schwenoha worked with the junior sailors on different sailing and racing techniques.

In July we have several junior sailors representing Morro Bay at the High Sierra Regatta. The junior sailors are a mix of college aged and younger sailors. The juniors will be competing in the Daysailer and Laser classes. Regular junior sailing meetings at Morro Bay will be on July 17 and 31.

Pirate’s Booty is coming! Be sure to come and participate in the Pirate’s Booty, fundraiser for the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundation. Notably, the small motor boat “Bay Bee” will be on sale along with an FJ or two. Of course, miscellaneous sailing gear and hardware will be for sale. Here is your opportunity to get a new boat, gear, or hardware for a good price.
We had one really great paddle on June 4th, as the tide and the winds were the best ever. We tried to do a couple of Saturdays with the hope of getting more yacht club members involved. We did get one of the working gals paddling with us, as well as Mark Brown & Julie Thomas. Just ask Gail Riley and she will tell you how great it is to get out on the water and paddle with the rest of us regular paddlers. (I will report on the Saturday, June 18th one next month.)

Dates to put on your calendar for the summer: (Meet at the club and bring lunch.)

We have only one scheduled for July on Tuesday the 19th at 10:30am. The two in August are the 2nd, and 18th at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome at any one or all the paddles. Happy summer.

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This could happen, NOT!
# July 2016

## Morro Bay Yacht Club
541 Embarcadero
Morro Bay, CA 93442

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### Independence Day
- **9:30 AM**

### Ocean Mullens
- **Skippers:**
  - Chris and Lynne Helenius
  - Andy Arzena

### Ocean Summer II
- **Skippers:**
  - Lee & Bonnie Patek
  - Katy Crawford
  - Chuck Losness

### Bay: Shenanigans
- **Skippers:**
  - John & Wendy Mitchell
  - Dick & Charlene Evans

### BURGER NIGHT
- **5:30PM-6:45PM**