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FROM COMMODORE—Brett Cross

Well, depending on where you live, it might be the dog days of summer. I just wanted to use that phrase. We are officially in Summer as of June 21st. Unfortunately, Summer Solstice means the days are now going to be getting shorter. That's just not right. If you live in the Atascadero/Paso region you definitely know what I mean. If you live along the coastal communities you love hearing that it's in the 90's above the grade, while you enjoy the cool breeze.

The cool breeze at the club has been a bit too breezy as there are going to be a few Daysailer ornaments upside down this year on the Christmas Tree. The first Hamburger Night was so windy I'm surprised that none of the burgers got blown off the new grill. I'm hoping the strong winds will be replaced by nicer zephyrs. The weather has been pretty nice as the month of June wraps up.

The summer months are about the Fourth of July and the annual High Sierra Regatta for our members. Unfortunately, the fireworks show had to be cancelled due to permitting issues, but there will still be lots of events taking place, so come down early while there is still ample parking. Make the club your home base for all the events that are planned down the street at Tidelands Park. You can watch the bike parade go by the club on its way to Tideland at around 12:00 to 12:30. The Family Carnival at Tidelands Park starts at noon and ends at 5:00 PM.

The High Sierra Regatta at Huntington Lake schedule for the centerboard fleets is July 8-9th and the keel boat fleets July 15-16th. I'm certain you'll see a lot of the club's racers getting their boats ready for the event. Morro Bay Yacht Club members have been a fixture at the High Sierra Regatta going back a long, long time. It's fun to look at the pictures of a very young Rory McClish who is now in college as well as the "curmudgeons". It's still a tossup after all these years who is more handsome, Pat or Don. Between the centerboard and keelboat classes, the Daysailer North American's are scheduled for the 10th through the 13th.

If you've dropped by the club, you might have noticed a few landlubbers getting their feet wet learning to sail. Well, hopefully not getting their feet wet unless it's the capsized and righting class. The Summer Sailing Program has become exceptionally successful and a lot of the credit goes to Glenda Boatman who had done an incredible job running the program. It's crazy. I've been in the office when she is trying to listen to garbled voice messages and trying to find spots for folks who tried to get in last year but the classes were full and want to make sure they get a spot for their kids next year, "and could you please call back, my number is—".

If you haven't made it out for Hamburger Night, what are you waiting for? It's great fun and the best bargain on the Embarcadero. And you can't complain about your burger not being done just right. Check out the sign-up board upstairs next to the bar to volunteer. Believe me when I tell you, it makes the Galley Chief's job a lot easier if you've got everyone signed up for that week.—From the desk of the Commodore



VICE COMMODORE—Dave Hensinger

Thank you Padlock Fairy - Early in June, Chris Surfleet, the Jr. Yacht Club Advisor, thanked me for replacing the aging lock on the Juniors shed and for providing an identical lock for the new sail locker. I told him that I had assumed he had done it, and after we asked Brett, we were all left scratching our heads. Every week I am impressed with the pride in ownership that members show for the club by cleaning, fixing or arranging to make things just a little better. So, I would like to thank the member who thoughtfully took care of the locks, and I would like to remind them that they can be reimbursed for purchases of materials for club repair and maintenance.

Club Use - Try the Grill! - The new grill (credit goes to the Commodore) is a huge success and we have had some very well attended burger nights. This keeps it busy on Wednesdays, but like the rest of the club, it is otherwise available for use by members. So, grab your favorite grillable, invite some friends, and enjoy your club.

Kitchen Remodel Subcommittee Target September First - The kitchen remodel subcommittee (Judi Forster, Dana McClish, Todd Hansen, and Lex Budge) have identified September 1st as the target date for the beginning of the kitchen remodel. The tile will be removed and an epoxy surface installed. Appliances and work surfaces will be movable for easy cleaning. If you have ideas you would like to have considered for incorporation, please send them to mbyc.veep@gmail.com.



ACTIVITIES — Pat and Orris Cowgill

MBYC IRON MAIDENS AND SHOWBOATS and Santa Maria BBQ

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2017



This will be the coolest Car, Boat and BBQ in Morro Bay. Meet your mates, see the best, eat the best and enjoy a beverage (or two). This Concourse d' Elegance & BBQ was conceived and is being organized by Tim Volpe. Way-to-go Tim!



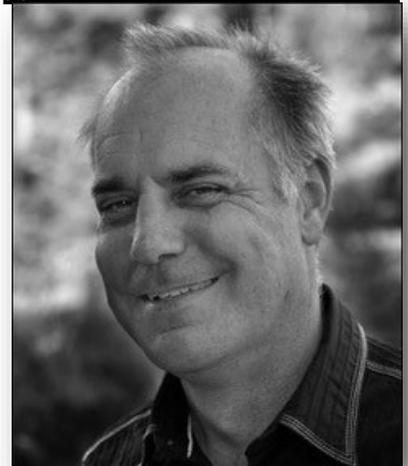
This extravagant event is only \$10. This will go to a great MBYC cause. Costumes are optional. More details in the August Masthead.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS—Jim Phillips

New contact information: Had a change in Address, Phone, or Email? Please let me know.

New Members: At its June meeting the MBYC Board of Directors approved the membership application of **Jeffrey (Jeff)** (left picture.) and **Aia (Stinnett) Smith**. If you see them around the club, please give them a warm MBYC welcome.

Prospective Memberships: We have one prospective memberships headed for the June Board meeting and one headed to the July Board of Directors. For July, we have **Chris Swan** sponsored by Tom & Bobbie Jermin, & Jim & Rachelle Phillips. For August, we have **Mike & Cathy Manchak** sponsored by Ken & Judy Riener, and Teresa & Dana McClish.



REAR COMMODORE —Steve Borges

Hello Fellow Sailors,

Boy, did we have a busy month of racing. First, we had the **Daysailer Fleet Championships** on May 27. Special thanks to the Cal Poly sailors for stepping up every year and being the race pros, and to Michael Measures for manning the race committee boat. With fourteen Daysailers registered, the race committee set up the course on the south end of the bay. This was to try to set a windward leeward tack, and with the wind being moderate to breeze, we were able to complete six races. Capturing three first place finishes of the six races, **Kevin Williams** and **Dallas** in their boat, Satan, was able to take the overall first place. **Mark and Angela Soll** in Katiebee, having one first and three second place finishes, was enough to catapult them into the second place overall. **Greg Miller** and **Dan Hack** in O'Tay, with a couple of first place finishes, and a second place, was able to secure a third place overall



On May 28 we had our **Laser Fleet Championships**.

With six Lasers registered to race, David Hensinger, the Race Pro, and Terry Paris, on the safety boat, were able to complete five races. Some of the Lasers had full sails while others had radial sails making the races a time adjusted event. **Laser Fleet Championships Race Results:** 1st - **Joe Lausten** (5 points), 2nd -**Justin Bradshaw** (11 points), 3rd - **Nathan Hensinger** (14 points), 4th -**Jacob Bulter** (23 points), 5th -**Chris Surfleet** (25 points), and 6th -**Joel Surfleet** (27 points).

The next race on the docket was our **Daysailer Spring III** race.

Daysailer Spring III Race, June 3 Results

Class	Sail #	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Rank	Total	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3
DS	2574	Super Weaner	Patric Gorey	Dan Hack	4	10	3	4	3
DS	163	Beach Party	Carlton Smith	Brett Cross	1	5	1	3	1
DS	268	Ramona	Simon Graves	Bob Walker	2	6	2	2	2
DS	3487	Solar Coaster	Chris Surfleet		5	14	4	5	5
DS	1594	Zopilote	Dave Hensinger	Moe McEwen	3	10	5	1	4

HAPPY HOUR HOSTS—

Greg Barker

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

Contact the other people assigned to you to coordinate the Hosting Duties. If unable to attend, it is your RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement.

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

— July 2017

- 7 Steve & Teri Reeder
Matt & Adrienne Jenkins
Tom & Laurie Wright
- 14 Tony Gomez
Simon & Hilary Graves
- 21 Chris & Andrea Surfleet
Patrick Howe and Heidi Freeman
- 28 David & Alicia Shinn
Josh & Juliana Massie

— August 2017

- 4 Marc Goldberg & Maggie D'Ambrosia
Chanel Channing
Jeff Eckles
- 11 Jeff & Nelia Wass
Werner & Lora Weinstock
- 18 Chris & Suzanne Christensen
Brian Jalbert
Kay Milligan
- 25 Charles & Laura McCarren
Kathy Egan
Henriette Groot

—September 2017

- 1 Mark Brown & Julie Thomas
Brian Crow & Gayle Bruce
- 8 Chris and Lynne Helenius
Jim & Char Bruzenak
- 15 John Dilworth & Carol Maurer
Ken & Mary Bradley
- 22 John & Gwenn Krossa
Harold & Elena Hartsell
- 29 Rich Leamon & Yvonne Lazear
Moe & Megan McEwen

REAR COMMODORE —Steve Borges Continued

For Spring Series Results: **Carlton Smith** and **Brett Cross** in Beach Party winning both Spring I and Spring II, and second in Spring II, had a total of 15 points for first place. **Simon Graves** and **Bob Walker** in Ramona, Proing Spring I, and placing third in Spring II, and second in Spring III had a total of 22 points, for second place honors. David Hensinger and Nathan Hensinger/Mo McEwen in Zopilote, with a total of 33 points placed third.

Next on the agenda on June 10, was our **Daysailer Summer I** race. The day started with wind predictions of over twenty five knots by the afternoon, so Bob Schwenoha, the Race Pro, decided to do quick three races with no breaks. The first two races went off without a hitch for **Simon Graves** and **Bob Walker** in Ramona, taking two first place finishes, and **Carlton Smith** and **Tom Murphy** in Beach Party, taking two second place finishes. But by the third race, the winds had picked up dramatically, and with the fleet heading to the first mark, Simon and Bob in Ramona, got back-winded in their sails which caused their boat to flip over into the water. Katy Crawford and Chuck in the safety boat were able to help them right their boat, then tow them to the dock, where they proceeded the task of removing the water from their boat. By the end of the third race the bay had totally white capped out, and the fleet was struggling to get their sails down.

Final results: first place, **Carlton Smith** and **Tom Murphy** with 7 points second place, **Simon Graves** and **Bob Walker** with 9 points, and third place, **Todd Hansen** and **Joyce Hansen** with 9 points.



Ocean Fleet Captain—Ken Muther

The Ocean Fleet Spring Series races were completed on June 4th. The first race on April 23rd was a high-wind event. The forecast was NW20-25 gusting 35 with waves of 7 to 9 feet. Should we cancel? Naw! It's my job to run races, not cancel them! The course was moved closer to shore where the wind might be lighter. Even so we saw gusts reading 30 knots but the waves were less than five feet. Big boats go fast when there is lots of wind so Guayacan won again. Even the smallest boat (that's me) finished the eleven mile course in a bit more than two hours. Guayacan first, Pangaea second and Evening Tide third.

The second race on April 30th turned out terribly. The forecast said wind of 10-20 knots but where was it? Instead of wind we had steep breaking whitecaps. In other words, terrible conditions to try to sail. Five boats entered, no one finished. The final race on June 4th was forecast to be windy and rough but the wind stayed under 20 knots and the waves were moderate. The Bermuda Start had Guayacan starting at noon with Evening Tide two minutes behind.



Ocean Fleet Captain—Ken Muther (Continued)

Whizbang's start time was 12:26 while the fastest boat (High 5) couldn't start until 12:48. The course was north to Mouse Rock Buoy (Cayucos) and back, 9.8 miles. There wasn't enough wind for Guayacan to make maximum speed which allowed Whizbang and High 5 to steadily gain on her. High 5 turned in the best performance and was closing in on Guayacan as they approached the finish but couldn't quite catch her. Guayacan first, High 5 second and Whizbang third.

With two wins Guayacan was first (8 points) in the Spring Series. Evening Tide was second with 14 points and High 5 and Pangaea tied for third with 15 points. Lynn Meissen and Guayacan will have their name on the Spring Series Trophy for the first time.

Jenkins Memorial—The Jenkins Memorial race to San Simeon was successfully completed on Sunday, May 21st. The start line Saturday morning was at the MBYC buoy and Evening Tide was first to start at 0710. Guayacan started at 1000 and Jessie Marie at 1043. It was foggy but there was adequate wind so the boats made good progress heading across Estero Bay to Point Estero, six miles to the northwest. Of course, when beating upwind good progress does not mean fast progress. Evening Tide did get beyond the point by noon and the wind was now close to 20 knots and the waves were getting steep and difficult. There was lots of water on deck and a bit too much in the cockpit. The weather forecast had said light, variable wind in the morning and 15 knots later so the roughness was a bit of a surprise to all skippers.

At 1245 Guayacan's sail could be seen heading west and only two miles behind Evening Tide who was heading north toward Cambria. Guayacan then disappeared into a fog bank and was not seen again until 1600. Once north of Point Estero the boats met a south-flowing current that greatly hurt upwind progress. At least the fog cleared by 1400 so one thing was going right. By this time Guayacan had quit sailing and was motoring north. Jessie Marie was also affected by the bad current but continued under sail power until 1800 when the rules allowed motoring to finish the remaining distance. All three boats were anchored at San Simeon by 1930. Jessie Marie had made the best progress while sailing and held a three hour lead over Evening Tide. Guayacan suffered a 30 minute penalty for motoring before 1800.

The next morning was sunny and nice as it usually is at San Simeon. Everyone had a restful morning and began getting ready for the start at 1100. Evening Tide started on time while the others were a little later. There was great wind just outside the bay and Jessie Marie headed offshore to look for the strongest wind. Downwind sailing is sure a joy compared to what the boats had faced on the previous day. Now we could make five knots or more in a straight line toward the finish (23 miles away). The water was also much smoother. Guayacan caught up with Evening Tide as we passed Cambria and then headed offshore to look for stronger wind (the wind had decreased).

As Evening Tide approached Point Estero the other two boats crossed ahead and sailed into fog. The wind continued to get lighter and speeds fell to below four knots. Jessie Marie and Evening Tide eventually sailed together for the last four miles but Guayacan was farther east and still hidden by fog. Large boats are always faster than small boats if there is enough wind but now the wind was a bit too light to give an advantage. Somehow Evening Tide managed to pass and finished one minute ahead of Jessie Marie. Before we finished Guayacan appeared out of the fog and finished about 20 minutes ahead of us.

Who won? Jessie Marie's good performance on the first day gave her an easy victory. After the times from both days were combined and the handicaps applied Jessie Marie's total time was 13 hours and 58 minutes. Evening Tide was next at 17 hours and 10 minutes with Guayacan only 164 seconds behind. The Jenkins race had not been run since 2008. A race of this length is a greater challenge than our usual short races inside Estero Bay. To quote from the Jenkins Trophy Deed of Gift, "This race is meant to test not only the sailor's capability in producing raw speed in their yacht, but also to test the sailor's navigational, safety, and seamanship skills."



MBYC JUNIORS —Chris Surfleet

Over Memorial Day weekend junior sailors were successful participants in the Morro Bay Yacht Club Laser Championships, and the Jack Johnson race. The Laser Championship was won by Cal Poly sailor, Joe Lausten, Justin Bradshaw was second, with junior sailor Nathan Hensinger taking third. The Jack Johnson race was dominated by junior sailors with Cole Howe winning the grand prize. Lots of adults braved the cramped conditions and competed, but it did not go very well. Better luck next time!

In June, the junior sailing met twice. Sailing drills, free sailing, and swimming in the bay were the high-



Junior sailors beating to the windward mark on a sunny Morro Bay day



Junior sailings performing sailing in line drills

lights for the warm Morro Bay days. The junior sailing will meet twice in July on the 2nd and the 30th. The scheduled junior sailing day of July 16th has been cancelled.

Do you need some new sailing gear, equipment, or a boat? Then plan to attend the Morro Bay Youth Sailing Foundations Pirate's Booty July 23rd. If you have some boating equipment to sell come on out. All proceeds from the sail support the junior sailing in our area.

FUN FLOAT—Dot Rygh, Grand Poo Mah

Join us for our fun floats:

Sat July 8 at 11:00 AM
Wed Aug 9 at 11:00 AM

Friday July 21 at 10:00 AM
Tues Aug 29 at 11:00 AM

Everyone on any kind of floating boat is welcome. See you on the water!

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YOUTH FOUNDATION—Dana McClish



**Come find your Treasure
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11th Annual Pirate Booty

Marine Swap

Saturday July 23 9 am – 1 pm

541 Embarcadero, M. B.

Donations accepted for youth sailing program

Sellers Space available

Aug 2017	Junior Races 9:30 AM 	Ocean Races Skippers Mtg: 10:30 AM Start: 12 NOON 	BayRaces Skippers Mtg: 10:30 AM Start: 11 AM 			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THURS	FRIDAY	SAT
		1	2 BURGER NIGHT 5:30PM-7PM	3	4 5:15 Membership Mtg Hosts: Marc Goldberg, Maggie D'Ambrosia, Chanel Channing, Jeff Eckles	5 Wysocki Bay Race 
6 Ocean Summer II 	7	8	9 MB Youth Sailing Found Mtg 6PM Fun Float 11AM BURGER NIGHT	10	11 Hosts: Jeff & Nelia Wass Werner & Lora Weinstock	12 Ocean Race Zongo 
13 Juniors 	14	15	16 BURGER NIGHT	17 Board Meeting 6:15PM	18 Hosts: Chris & Suzanne Christensen Brian Jalbert Kay Milligan	19 Daysailer Invitation- al 
20 Daysailer Invitational Coast Guard Auxiliary Mtg 	21	22	23 BURGER NIGHT	24	25 Hosts: Charles & Laura McCarren Kathy Egan Henriette Groot	26
27 Juniors Ocean Summer 	28	29 Fun Float 11AM	30 BURGER NIGHT	31		

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9 High Sierra Regatta	10	11	12 MB Youth Sailing Found Mtg 6PM	13	14 Hosts: Tony Gomez Simon & Hilary Graves	15
16	17	18	19 BURGER NIGHT 5:30PM-7PM	20 Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting 5:30PM-8:30PM Board Meeting 6:15PM	21 FUN FLOAT 10AM	22 Bay Race Summer III 
23 Pirates Booty Youth Sailing Foundation Rummage Sale	24	25 Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting 5:30PM-8:30PM	26 BURGER NIGHT 5:30PM-7PM	27	28 Hosts: David & Alicia Shinn Josh & Juliana Massie	29 Sail, Pedal, Paddle 
30 Juniors Ocean Fleet Summer I 	31					