

The action was competitive and exciting. Photo by Martin Offenhauer.



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Commodore Comments by Bill Kenney

The 2019 year has already seen plenty of action, and your Board of Directors is working hard to keep up the momentum. The Snipes

had their Las Vegas Regatta, and the Thistles hosted their annual MidWinters Regatta. February will bring the Casino Night fundraiser (a favorite!), the SCYA MidWinters Regatta, Valentine's Day, a Swing Time Band, and the Laser Masters California Championship. Coffee House nights, in both January and February, gives

everyone a chance to enjoy member's musical talent. So much fun!

January marks a significant challenge for your Board of Directors because this is when we hammer out the budget details for the coming year. Both General Manager Jason Proctor and Club Accountant Mark Langman have worked incredibly hard to scrutinize the expenditures over the past year, and even looked further back for averaging comparisons. They jointly presented the first draft of the 2019 budget to the Board and we all looked for areas to improve the overall health of Mission Bay Yacht Club. Our discussions led to some cost cutting, and a bit of revenue increases.

The cost of supporting our Club continues to rise due to natural economic forces like inflation, and through the progression of utilities, labor, and rent. As conscientious members, we look at the best ways to keep our Club financially viable. Over the past few years the Board of Directors has settled into a rhythm of raising member fees. There are two main categories: dues and storage. By adjusting these at a managed pace, we can assure the viability of our finances while minimizing the discomfort to our wallets. A couple of years ago we raised dues quite a bit, about 9%, because it had been a while since the last adjustment. Four years ago we raised storage fees. The prevailing theory is to gently adjust each every two years or so, but each only rising every 4ish or so years, as needed.

Now is the time to raise storage fees, and your Board approved a very modest increase of 4 percent across all storage areas: wet, dry, lockers, and racks. This will amount to a few extra dollars being added to your storage bill. No one likes paying more for their yachting lifestyle, but ignoring the rise of costs jeopardizes that lifestyle for all of us.

The Board also looked at ways to lower costs where the opportunity exists. One area is labor, and the senior managers have been asked to watch this closely. We want to look for efficiencies without sacrificing our comfort and experience. A

second area is costs, and we are always looking for the possibilities of lowering them. One of those costs is the Mainstay. Many

members have told me how much they enjoy reading their Mainstay every month, cover to cover. Several have even said it is the only periodical that comes to their address. The internet has replaced how all of us enjoy current events and other modes of news, and many printed publications have felt the pain of declining readers. Going

to an online only presence has been an effective way to continue to share your message, while also lowering costs significantly.

Now, I really enjoy the Mainstay. As your editor, I have serious reservations about changing this favored publication. The Mainstay is a primary channel of communication to the membership, but has also become quite a large expense. The current unit cost per member is simply too much. We need to look at reducing this cost, and serve our membership in the most efficient way possible.

One of the options is to eliminate the printing of the Mainstay altogether and have it go to an online format only. Our newly redesigned website is a fantastic portal to discover what is going on at MBYC. The calendar is very robust and constantly up to date. Racing and scoring is updated quickly. Social Media adds another method of communication. Offering the Mainstay online in the traditional format might be creating unnecessary dualities. Maybe the Mainstay will become web exclusive, or the webpage the primary focus of MBYC representation, but not quite vet.

What we are planning to do is change the delivery frequency of the Mainstay. Starting with the March issue, the Mainstay will go to a bimonthly publication. Look for it in your mailbox during the odd numbered months. This will make it a bit less timely, and a bit more historical and less promotional, but the cost savings will be quite substantial. The website and the weekly emails will become the more important avenues for event promotion and more immediate news.

I would like to conclude with reiterating my continued dedication to MBYC and the membership at large. My fellow members on the Board have already begun to make a difference, and with plenty of 2019 still ahead, we will all be working hard supporting Mission Bay Yacht Club. As always, contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns, and I'll look forward to seeing you at the Club.



Vice Commodore Comments by Bill Sweeney

Get ready for the March 2 Work Party. This as well. The pigeons have been making quite a

year we are only scheduling one day to get all the projects completed. The list of necessary repairs and cleanups will be available when you show up to work. There will be projects for everyone regardless of skills that each of us has or don't have. The numbers of volunteer that show up at Work Party every year is quite impressive.

The Bodrero Building is in full use. The beautiful new stainless and cable deck railing is almost complete. Many of you may have noticed many pigeons are attracted to the new building



mess that has been addressed. The Club Management is monitoring the problem and is making great progress in helping the birds go somewhere else.

The asphalt under the dry storage area is being scheduled for a fresh resurfacing. This will require a quick,

but large temporary relocation of the boats and trailers in order to do a complete and necessary job. Please make sure your individual dry stored trailer has air in the tires and can be easily moved. We are working the logistics and will send out notification when we are ready to move the boats. The resurfacing is necessary and will clean up the entire area where the boats are stored.

Executive Chef Javier is introducing new menus this month that will include many new items that membership has requested. Breakfast, weekend all-day and Friday dinners will all have fresh new and tasty selections that I am sure you will enjoy. The Galley operates to serve MBYC membership. The more of us that enjoy the food that Javier's team makes, the more they can provide greater varieties of great menu items and various specials that Chef creates.

Enjoy February at the Club.



Welcome to February my friends! As the year progresses, we have been making some great strides in the membership category. I'm happy to say that I've figured out a good way to categorize our members into the sections of interests, fleets, social, etc and am excited to implement direct communication within our membership throughout 2019.

I'd like the news you receive from the club to directly reflect your interest in events and activities but also allow

the members that haven't yet become involved with their club to have an opportunity! I'm also excited to bring the member orientation

Membership

by Kathy Dryden



breakfast back this year - these aren't just for new members, but existing members too! Anyone who wants to learn more about the history of the club, the future and how to get involved should consider coming on down! Breakfast is on the Commodore (thanks Bill!) and I'm sure we will end in the bar at the ed of the tour.

The first member breakfast is scheduled for March 9th at 10am. Look out for more information coming soon in the Mainstay, from the office and on Facebook. looking forward to seeing you all!



Secretary Treasurer Report by Jim Day

Well this is the first month of the new year and the board was met couple of times to work on the new budget. All going well and we should have a finalized budget by the next meeting. The new board members got introduced and are working with Mark Langman our club



account. Mark is doing a great job and is a huge asset to the club.

Work party is coming up in March so if you have any projects that you feel would be appropriate please email them to Jason Proctor our club manager. Until next issue-



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I will continue the new year with a few of the usual reminders. We are in our stormy weather season (a relative concept in San Diego) and we can expect a few rainy and windy days. Please be sure your vessels are securely moored or tied down, in order to avoid unwanted damage or a missing boat, kayak, SUP, canvas, or equipment. Check your shore power and batteries and ensure that your bilge pump float switches are operational.

A State requirement implemented in 2018, by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW), requires

that a person operating a motorized vessel carry a Boater Card issued by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW). This requirement is being enforced by the Mission Bay Lifeguard Services. A fine for the first offense can be up to one hundred dollars. As of January 1, 2019, persons age 25 or younger must carry a California Boater Card.

Please familiarize yourselves with the following MBYC Rules pertaining to vessel ownership and storage at the Club:

Insurance: Members must provide proof of continuous marine liability insurance, with fuel and other spill liability, with a minimum of \$300,000. Please forward current insurance documents to the office.

Registration/Documentation: All vessels must have properly displayed registration or Coast Guard Documentation, in compliance with State and Federal requirements. Please forward current registration or documentation to the office.

Underway Activity: Members assigned a slip or dry storage space must demonstrate underway activity once every twelve months. This activity must be verified and documented by the Port Captain, General Manager, a member of the Board of Directors, or a designee, and can be satisfied by participation in the Opening Day Raft Up, TNT events, Parade of Lights, Catalina Cruise, Military Family Day, a trip to the MBYC Front Dock, or similar activities. The 2019 deadline is April 30.

Seaworthiness and Dead Storage: Club Rules prohibit the "dead storage" of boats and trailers and require that all boats moored or stored at the Club must be Seaworthy. The term "Seaworthy", as employed in its various forms throughout the MBYC Rules and regulations, shall mean, "In good enough condition to venture under its own propulsion onto the waters of Mission Bay and beyond".

Boat Partnership Rules: Rules governing slip assignments and

partnership arrangements were approved by your Board of Directors in August 2018 and are effective for new or pending partnerships and co-owner arrangements since that date. If you are involved in a partnership or co-owner arrangement, please review this information and take appropriate action. The intended purpose is to permit equitable progression on the waiting list of those members awaiting wet or dry slip assignments and to preclude members from entering into simulated joint ownership agreements for the purpose of circumventing this equitable

progression.

Poly Tarps: Poly Tarps are prohibited for use at the Club in both wet and dry storage areas due to the detrimental impact of disintegrating plastic materials in our marine environment. The plastic materials degrade over time with exposure to sun exposure and wind and pieces end up on our property and in our bay. Please take immediate action to remove all Poly Tarps from your boats, kayaks, SUPs, paddle boards and bikes. Your immediate attention to this matter is appreciated and will help to maintain our clean marine environment.

Bike Storage: Bikes stored at the Club must be identified with a 2019 sticker and stored in the bike rack near the manager's office. Bike stickers can be purchased in the front office. Bikes without current stickers will be removed.

The following individuals are assisting with wet or dry storage issues. Please contact the appropriate person if you require information or assistance.

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Entertainment News

by Selby Winkler



The club is hosting several special events during February. We look forward to seeing you at the club this month!

1) Saturday, February 2nd: The 10-member Swing Time Band playing music inspired by the 1940s. Please join the fun at 6 o'clock in the main dining room.

2) Thursday, February 14th: You are invited to celebrate Valentine's Day with a special dinner

designed by Chef Javier and music by Greg Feldman, a club favorite. Vickie Brady will set a romantic mood with her creative Valentine's Day decorations.

3) Saturday, February 16th: The annual Casino Night Junior Fundraiser

is always a fun evening as members and their guests test their gambling skills to benefit the MBYC Junior Program. The band, "Modern Day Moonshine," will start their performance at 3 o'clock.

4) Saturday, February 23rd: The first of the 2019 MBYC Coffee House Nights will start at 6 o'clock in the main dining room near the fireplace. This is a family-friendly, acoustic music get-together open to all members, adults and children, to perform or be part of the audience. If you are interested in performing, contact Charlie or Barbara Hochart, email: *hochart@att.net*.



Jr. Coordinator Report by Todd Henderson



Although the first few months of the new year may be slow in other parts of the country, our MBYC Junior program has been quite active in kicking off 2019!

January saw Junior action every weekend including: High School PCISA Rose Bowl, the Winter Junior Invitational at Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, the Shadden Series FJs in the ocean, a Nacra 15 clinic, and four winter clinics for double-handed and Laser sailors. You can see a review of these clinics on the website @ www.juniors.mbyc.org/news

Winter after school sailing is still going strong; Wednesdays are doublehanded, Thursday is Open Bic and beginning/intermediate Lasers, and Fridays are Sabots and advanced Lasers. These sessions run through March 15 and are a great way to keep your young sailor engaged through the winter. Registration is available via the Junior website.

We had 15 parents at the January parent meeting where Chris Wright, the Junior Sailing Director, briefed us on upcoming events. The next parent meeting is February 13th @ 6 PM, please plan on joining us. We are also working on a call-in option; stay tuned to the Junior website for updates on this.

Casino Night, the Junior Program's big fundraiser, is February 16 and we could still use assistance in several areas, particularly day of the event all hands-on deck for setup etc. Please contact our Casino Night chair, Carolyn Krebs @ 619-981-4422 or *cbkrebs@cox.net* to lend a hand. This year the Junior Board is organizing pizza and movies in the Junior Clubhouse. For a small donation, bring your kids and have them enjoy the camaraderie while you try your luck in the main clubhouse/ casino! Contact MBYC office @ 858-488-0501 or office@mbyc. org to reserve your spot now.

As always, I welcome your thoughts so please stop me in the parking lot or email me directly at *mbycjuniorcoordinator@gmail. com.*



RC News by Martin Offenhauer



Racing is off to a good start in 2019. The first races went off well and we have had good participation. We have new 2019 medals for prizes to add to the ones racers won last year. At the end of the year there will be a brochure of prizes that racers can choose from based on the number of medals won over the course of the year. Please make sure to hang around after the races to get your medals and applaud the winners!

My first job was to check on the locations of the racing marks. Based on the locations Staff Commodore Kendall Wild provided

to me from the Coast Guard Auxiliary, I found that marks 2, 3, and 6 are out of position. I brought this up at the Board meeting and it was decided that we would move marks 3 and 6 back to their recorded positions. Mark 2 has moved to the east from it's recorded position putting it out of the mouth of the cove. We plan to leave it there since there will be less interference with other traffic moving in and out of the cove. Mark 7 will also be moved a short distance to the west allowing for more room to turn before you would hit the beach.

Staff Commodore Brian Anderson helped me organize the Race Committee room and gave me pointers on how to keep everything in order. We looked over the spare flags and replaced several on the Barca including new orange flags for the pin buoys to replace the faded ones there. Please make sure to put things back where they are kept after each race and dispose of any trash in the bin by the wash rack. That way everything will be ready for the next race.

The Thistle Midwinters and the Larry Kline Match Race went off January 24 – 27. Thanks to Andrea Caroe for taking on the PRO for these three races



and the Soling and Victory/Sunfish fleets for providing Race Committee support. It's always difficult to find enough people when races are scheduled on weekdays so all the help is really appreciated. I scored the Thursday and Friday races (my first time scoring a regatta). Darnelle Hopps finished off the final results on Saturday.

Coming up in February – February 9: Single Handed Race February 10: Bay Races Come out and race. Lasers will provide Race Committee.

February 16 – 17: SCYA Midwinters. Katie Ham will again be doing a great job running the races as Regatta chairwoman. Our PROs will be Andrea Caroe (Ocean) and Stan Betts (Bay) and the Handicap and Senior Sabot fleets, respectively, are providing Race Committee.

Mark your calendars for February 16, Casino Night to benefit our Junior Program. Come out and support the kids!

February 23: Mission Bay will host the Laser Masters California Championship Regatta. The NOR can be downloaded from the calendar. Tom Laube is the regatta chairman this year. Grant Williams will be PRO with support from the Soling Fleet.

February 24: The Lido fleet will provide race committee support for bay short courses on Sunday.

Your Board has many things planned this year and we're off to a great start. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments about Race Committee. See you at the Club!

Lightning Strikes

by Donna Collins



Sailing in light wind is a bit like painting your house, it's a bit slower than you would like, but afterwards you are happy you did it(most of the time). For whatever reason, Lightnings didn't sail the first January series. In the second series, the wind was so light we only got in two races with five Lightnings out on the start line.

We have exciting news, we have a new Lightning skipper, Larry Baker. He has a long sailing resume since he has been racing since mid 1950's. First at Royal Vancouver Yacht Club, then San Diego Yacht Club, and finally, since 1973, at MBYC. He has raced a variety of large and small boats over the years, but never a Lightning. We hope he does sail his Lightning frequently and becomes an active fleet member.

Our goal is to build our fleet, I heard this many times in our last fleet meeting. We are always looking for ideas about how we can engage our juniors. In order to provide them an opportunity to race on a Lightning, we have talked about providing a Lighting sailing clinic for the juniors and will have further discussion in our next fleet meeting.

US Sailing at Work Olympic Development Program Race Clinic

By Diego Escobar

From the 23rd through the 25th of November I participated in the US Sailing Olympic Development Program Race Clinic. The clinic, put of by the US Sailing Olympic Team coaches alongside the ODP director, Leandro Spina, revolved around the development in the betterment of the top US sailing Junior talent. The clinic was invite only and some of the best youth sailors from all over the country rushed to the waters of Miami to attend this must come event.

The format of the training camp was as a clinic/regatta. We would receive morning briefings and seminar discussions by the likes of Morgan Reeser, Ed Baird (from Quantum Racing), Erika Reineke and some other world class sailors/coaches. Next we would hit the water for racing to apply the skills we had discussed in the classroom setting. However, this racing was not like ordinary racing as coaches were allowed to coach you the entirety racing and races were not scored.

I was pleased with my performance throughout the clinic as I felt that my racing improved each day at the camp. I was particularly impressed with my ability in the breeze. I think one of the biggest takeaways for me was to play cross grain shifts to get out of a pack when deep in the fleet. Furthermore, this camp served as great preparation for the US Laser National Championship in January.

I think that by attending these camps where I am able to train against the country's best youth talents, my development as a sailor is accelerated and I am ultimately facilitated in achieving my goals in this sport. I would particularly like to thank JIB and my coach/mentor Doug Hart for providing me with such support throughout my career as a youth sailor.



Ladies Group

by Vickie Brady

February brings an exciting speaker for our ladies' luncheon on February 23. River Rob, Rob Hutsel, Founder, President and CEO of the



San Diego River Park Foundation will be enlightening us. There is so much going on around our beautiful San Diego River and we can't wait to learn more. Rob was a member of MBYC as a child, in 2017 he spoke at our luncheon and everyone was educated and entertained. I have had numerous requests to have him back and we are so pleased he has accepted our invitation. Javier will be serving a delicious Chicken Cesar Salad with

bread and dessert. We hope you will be available to join us! Please put the future meetings on your calendar: Feb. 23, May 11, June 15, Aug. 10, Oct. 12 and Dec. 7. Be kind to one another!

Racing Cruising by Bill Black & Doug Brady

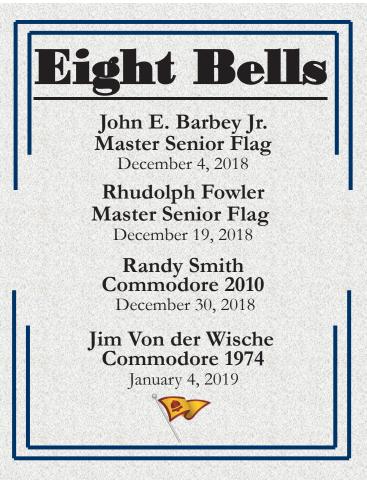
I would like to welcome everyone into 2019 and into the Racing Cruising Fleet... This year the Racing Cruising Fleet will have Bill Black and Doug Brady as your "Co-Captains" and we would also like to welcome back Cathy Anzuoni as our Treasurer and new comer Eileen Peternouschek as our Secretary.

2019 is already shaping up to be a great year, a little well-needed rain hasn't keep many of our fleet member away from enjoying the Winter months at the club. Some of our highlights this year as a fleet will be the upcoming Work Party (Saturday March 2nd), Crew Classic (Saturday April 6 & Sunday April 7th), Opening Day (Saturday April 27th), Catalina Cruise (July 20th through August 4th), Endless Summer / Chili Cook-off (Saturday Sept. 21st) and Military Family Appreciation Day (Saturday Oct. 5th). Also please don't forget to get Cathy your annual \$10 fleet dues if you haven't already paid.

See you at the Club... Bill & Doug.

PLEASE WELCOME CAITLIN BARTLEY

Hello Mission Bay Yacht Club! My name is Caitlin Bartley and I recently have become the Membership Secretary here. I'm originally from the Bay Area, but San Diego has been my home for the last couple of years. I enjoy traveling to new places, boogie boarding, sports, and live music. My fiancé and I are currently planning our wedding, so when you see me please come say hi and wish me luck! Thank you for being so welcoming in my first few weeks and I look forward to getting to know all of you!







The Fleet started off 2019 with some mighty fine social events. Many members attended the Commodore's New Year's Eve Ball, enjoying great company, food, and some excellent dance music. A good time was had by all. Bright and early on New Year's Day, the Power and R&C Fleets gathered on the back dock to start the new year with our traditional potluck breakfast.

Thanks to all that attended and to those creative home chefs that shared their favorite breakfast fair. A Bloody Mary and fine food has my vote as a fine way to start the year. We're all looking forward to the group pics taken by Dennis Anzuoni and, from the traditional angle, by Van Barr.

On January 11, we held our first dinner meeting of the year. It was a fun gathering with enthusiastic participation and good comments from the crowd. In particular, my thanks to Bill Black, Andreas Graf, Art Athans, and Chuck Weber for their contributions and comments.

By popular demand, last year's officers will make a repeat appearance in their same positions: yours truly as Fleet Captain, Debbie Hall as Treasurer, and Ted Terpstra as Secretary. We're looking forward to serving again, doing our best to improve the condition of the Fleet and to honoring our obligation to the members and to the Club.

Chef Javier scored big with his dinner entrée suggestion of Pork Adobo. It was most delicious. Always a treat, what a great idea to have each monthly business meeting include dinner. I love the tradition. Please consider joining us at our next meeting on Friday, February 8.

Last bit of housekeeping is to prepare and present a new budget. Hope to have this together for the next meeting. At the meeting various "investment" ideas were discussed, focused generally on contributions

toward back dock improvements, for example the need for shore power upgrades.

The idea of a fundraiser, in support of the Club, was also discussed. Still in development, we're open to your ideas as well. Maybe multiple Fleets could join to make it happen. Hey, how about a garage sale of donated items with all proceeds going to the Club. Just a thought.

Bill Black announced that this year's Crew Classic will include permission for a raft-up for MBYC participants. Get

with Bill for details, but the idea is to gather near the finish line over that weekend, April 6 & 7. Sounds like a great time!

Finishing up with a safety note: If you're wearing shoes that don't mix well with a marine environment, e.g. Cole Haan leather soled loafers, be careful when maneuvering the back dock. What might be great for dancing, may not be so good for gripping a slick dock surface. Ouch!

Until next time,

Cheers.





The Victory Nationals were in San Diego Bay with the wind from an unusual direction. This made fitting a course into the bay that was long enough and not plagued by traffic or tides was near impossible. Having sailed 100's

of races in San Diego Bay I didn't think it could be done.

Andrea Caroe the PRO for the Victory Nationals and Doc Caroe found a solution and did an amazing job. Setting a race course that was great. Starting lines that were very good. The races were excellent. All of the Victory sailors thank Andrea and Doc for making the Victory Nationals a great success.

On a MBYC race I managed to win a race with "Old Guy Trickery" again. After rounding buoy 6 heading for 3 in spite of having a two boat length lead I didn't cover the fleet and went port tack all the way to the corner. I had this feeling that it was like when I was a kid and it usually paid to go all the way on port tack. It hasn't been a good bet doing that for 20 or 30 years. I always attributed it to the big buildings that have been built along the shore messing up the wind. Has the dredging changed the bay or was it a one time special wind? Now I wonder if the tidal currents may have changed in other parts of our bay?







ADULT SAILING!!

Saturdays and Sundays 11am - 4pm

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Winter Classes now open:

- Learn to sail
 - Jan 12 & 13
 - Feb 9 & 10
 - Mar 9 & 10
- Into to Racing
 - Jan 26 & 27
 - Feb 23 & 24
 - Mar 23 & 24

Cost: \$200 per session

*Maximum 4 students per session. *Current MBYC members only please.

Learn to Sail!

We are excited to continue our Adult Learn to Sail Program! You'll get 10 hours of instruction over two days on Capri 22's with US Sailing Certified coaches.

Intro to Racing

We are excited to introduce an Introduction to racing class. We will teach all aspects of racing as well as spinnaker demos so you can participate in club races!!

Questions?

Contact us in the Junior Office at juniors@mbyc.org or 858.488.0501

UPCOMING RACING @mbyg

Feb 3 - Super Bowl in the Bar Feb 9 - Single Handed Racing Feb 10 - Bay Races 1-3 Feb 16-17 - SCYA Midwinters Feb 23-24 - Laser Masters Feb 24 - Short Courses 1-5 Mar 3 - Bay Races Mar 13-17 - Bic NA's Mar 15-17 - Soling Regatta Mar 17 - Single Handed Racing Mar 30-31 - Cat Fight 1 Mar 30-31 - Earl Elms Jr. Regatta *complete calendar and additional information at mbyc.org

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS @MBYC

Feb 14 - Valentines Dinner Feb 16 - Casino Night Feb 23 - Coffee House Night April 6 - Coffee House Night

*complete calendar and additional information at mbyc.org

For more info about Wednesday Bridge 858-278-0594



Laser Beam by Mark Young

This is my first Mainstay article as 2019 Fleet Captain. Let me start by recognizing the great efforts from Jamie Moran, last year's Laser Fleet Captain. Thanks Jamie, for leading the fleet on and off the water! Jamie's continual presence at the club, on emails, and in the Mainstay has been an effort to rally the Fleet and make a true contribution to MBYC.

But it's more than a single individual effort I see making the Laser Fleet what it is. I have to recognize the number of people who contribute daily and weekly, and who have impacted me as a new Laser sailor and MBYC member: Ken Wild, Joe O'leary, Clay Karmel, Tom Laube, Ted Bremer, Rob Bayliss, Dave Leuck, Ty Beach, Doug Hart, Doug Seeman, Jim Hecht, Paul Didham, Jamie Moran, Ken Hurd, Tom Johnson, Leif Gihbsson, Rob Christiansen, Rob Pinkel, Barney Rickett (and a bunch of others). From the day I purchased my used Laser nearly two years ago, this group have made me feel welcome, shown me the ropes of MBYC, and been an endless source of experience and education. As an example, my first regatta with MBYC (or in a Laser) was the 2017 Laser Master's where I embarrassed myself with a last place overall finish and made every mistake possible, including a loose drain plug and probably 3 gallons of water in the hull by day's end. But what I remember from that regatta is a ton of encouragement from the Fleet and a lot of room for improvement!

So what do I want for the Fleet in 2019? 1) I want to encourage the new guys, juniors and old guys alike, to grow the weekend number of boats. It's everyone's goal to be consistently competitive, but consistent improvement is a way to get there. There isn't a day of racing where we don't learn something; 2) I want to grow the number of days we all sail, including club races, singlehanded racing, and practice sessions. In an interview written in the ILCA Winter Quarterly, Masters World Champ Bill Symes said his target is 85 days/year on the water; 3) I want to improve race committee participation. Our weekly enjoyment (and that of other Fleets) relies on a willing and practiced group of race committee members who share in contributing a relatively small amount of time. Few things are more satisfying than a day on the water helping others improve their racing; 4) I want to grow the Singlehanded series with the Finn, Scow and Sunfish Fleets. We've had big numbers from Lasers on some days, but few on other days. Come out and enjoy these races where there are fewer classes, more clear air, and no multihulls to watch out for! 5) I want to organize the Fleet's participation in club events like work party, fleet day, new member day, Crew Classic, etc. I welcome suggestions from all to improve the experience for everyone. Let me know how I can help you.

Lastly, in the near term we have Singlehanded racing on Feb 9, Race Committee duty on Feb 10, ABYC Laser Midwinters at ABYC on Feb 16 – 17, and MBYC Laser Master's Regatta Feb 22-24.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve the Fleet and the Club. I look forward to seeing all of you in 2019!!



by Chris Dorociak

Southern California bears don't hibernate! I was on our national Lido fleet call, and fleet captains in the Pacific Northwest provided their updates. The Pacific Northwest fleets "hibernate" until April. Racing starts when the winter weather clears. I know we've seen some rain recently and there's a temptation to live the Portland lifestyle (sit inside, wear flannel, listen to vinyl records, drink fancy coffee, and claim to have the best microbreweries in the country). It sounds comforting, but let's not take San Diego for granted. With our week of rain behind us, get out and sail! The MBYC kitchen serves great coffee, and Al will pour you a San Diego beer that's superior to anything the Pacific Northwest has to offer. Lido fleet sailing is already underway. Our top two finishers for the January 6 Bay Races were Kathy Dryden and Jenn Rohr (1), and Lina Carper and Randy Carper (2). Great to see the Carpers on their boat and racing well. Keep it up! The January 13 Short Courses proved very short with very little wind. We had two races and a three way tie in points between Kent Foster and Pam Fairley, Chris Dorociak and Bob Cassietto, and Roger and Ann Hinton. Kent and Pam broke the tie to win by finishing first in the second race.

Our next fleet meeting is Friday, February 8. Our next two races are on Sunday, February 10, and Sunday, February 24. Come join us. Don't hibernate!



The Fleet's highlight for January was our annual Las Vegas Regatta the weekend of the 19th/20th. The term "Regatta" is used very loosely here. As usual, there was no entry, no registration, and no trophies just some great racing on Mission Bay. We saw about a dozen boats out for the weekend and a mix of conditions.

Saturday began light and ended with gusts to 12

knots along with some record tides. The light teams did great for a few races then when hiking off toenails their performances were eclipsed by those teams up closer to the 300 lb range. After the five races, and some boats able to plane in post-race, we were rewarded with crazy low tides that caused many boats to opt out of retrieving boats from the beach and head for the old school hoist method. Later, some great bar talk and sharing of tuning and tips occurred while enjoying what was left of the warm January day.

Sunday began with lighter winds and saw a 30 minute postponement before a decent course could be set. Finally a westerly blew in for five knots

Shipe Droppings by Don Bedford

and the racing commenced. The lefts and rights blew down the course and the wind died and built again, giving lots of room for improvement and lose over the three-leg courses. When it appeared that the wind was going fade completely we lost a few boats but the remaining boats were rewarded with enough breeze to squeeze in a few more for a total six races.

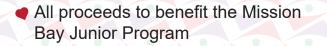
While Randy Lake was one of the skippers who headed to the barn a little early, he never finished a race lower than second! We had a few other teams mix into the top five positions and everyone said the improved over the short sailing sabbatical we have during the holiday season. A big thank you goes to our own Craig Storms and the Sunfish Fleet for running the R/C for the regatta. We'll be paying that back with a couple of Single Handed Saturday days coming this year.

Our next big event will be our annual golf tournament on February 2nd and the SCYA Midwinters at MBYC (in the bay) February 16/17. Also, stay tuned to an upcoming announcement for our next clinic to get the boat / skipper / crew up to speed for 2019.

We'll hope to see you on the water!



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Many thanks to Bob Sherman for stepping up to share the Fleet Captain position with me this year. Also Scott and Patty Miller have volunteered to be regatta co-chairs for Cat Fight #1 which is just around the corner on March 30-31. We still need someone to volunteer to be regatta chair for Cat Fight II the weekend of May 4-5.

2019 got off to a slow start with limited wind the two regatta weekends in January so no multihulls ventured out. This must mean that everyone is ready to start racing again! Our first major event for the year is the SCYRA Midwinter regatta out in the ocean the weekend of Feb 16-17. We already have one boat from Utah planning on attending the event with his new Nacra Infusion Mark III so let's get a good turnout for this event! Then we have the San Diego NOOD regatta on south bay March 15-17. I will work with the Navy's Fiddler's Cove Marina to obtain permission to launch from their facility.

The major F18 event for 2019 will be the North American Championships held on Lake St Claire in Michigan from September 14-19. We anticipate a few MBYC boats attending this event. Contact me if you are interested in attending for more information.

There are several good F18's For Sale which is an easy way to get into this exciting fleet. Earlier people were looking all over the country to find a good used F18 and now we have several available here in San Diego. Contact me for information on the different boats available.

2019 will be another exciting year and racing never stops in San Diego. See you on the water!

Sabot Scene

by Bob Henderson



The Senior Sabot Fleet is ready to set sail into the new year following our first dinner meeting on Jan. 4. The taco bar was well received and several good suggestions were offered for future menus.

For those not in attendance, please note that the winter schedule for Friday sail-arounds is now in effect: meet for lunch at 11:30, rig boats and be off the beach by 12:30. Those who might want to socialize more over lunch can agree on some earlier eating schedule. Unfortunately, our very first shot at the new schedule turned out to be a cold and windy Friday. Several sailors showed up to sail but opted instead for a nice walk followed



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Another new wrinkle in the Sabot fabric is a plan to institute a special Sunday Sabot only series to be held in Chicken Cove using tower starts and some form of handicap protocol. These would begin as soon as the spring weather starts to warm up and would be run concurrent with the regular club short course schedule. The handicap system will provide some of the less experienced sailors with a chance to develop skills and confidence while giving more experienced sailors a greater challenge and chance to hone skills as well. Grant Williams has already offered to run these events and Gary Pearson has some preliminary thoughts on working out the handicap protocol. Anyone wishing to put in their 2 cents should contact Charlie Hochart. Stay tuned for more info as plans solidify.

The fleet has RC duty for the SCYRA Midwinters on Feb. 16-17. If you haven't already volunteered, contact Charlie Hochart today and maybe plan to hang around Saturday for some fun at the Jr. Program Casino Night fundraiser. A big thank you to Stan Bets and the Lido 14 Fleet for offering to help fill any unmet staffing needs we might still have. Let's be sure to reciprocate when asked and pay the favor forward.





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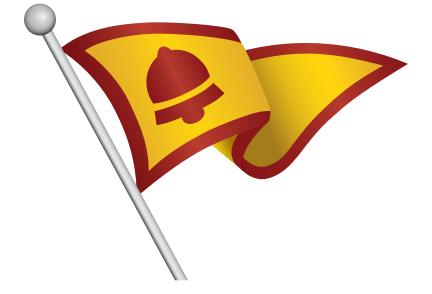
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