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Commodore Comments by Bill Sweeney

Who would have imagined that on Friday, March 13, 2020 we would all go into what we can now refer to as the "COVID Hokey Pokey?" While the pandemic virus is no laughing matter, we have done our best to abide by the constantly

changing Health Department defined safety protocols and found many ways to still enjoy MBYC. Keeping up with the daily news releases from the City, County and State have been a full-time job for many of us. Throughout all of this uncertainty we have been able to depend on the amazing professional



and organized MBYC staff under Jason Proctor's leadership.

Jason has been able to provide a safe and functioning environment for our staff and membership. The Club is in strong financial shape due to the incredible efficiencies that Jason and his team have implemented. If you have not already done so, please reach out to any and all the staff and extend your sincere appreciation for a difficult job well done.

The Club has been experiencing another round of thefts. Bicycles, dry stored equipment, lockers, back dock boxes and boats, Junior Building restrooms have all had some type of unwelcomed disturbances or thefts. Please be reminded that you are responsible to secure your

private property while being stored on MBYC grounds and docks. Club rules require current and specific private insurance on all vessels kept on property. MBYC does contract a local security company to provide a presence during off-hours.

Clearly, they cannot be at every corner of the Club at the same time. They are aware of the level of thefts and trespassing and are doing their best to prevent future problems. The Board of Directors is aggressively exploring additional security tools like motion detectors and other monitoring

technologies. Remember, our primary focus is the safety and security of our membership.

2020 is coming to an end. We will have a change in leadership by the next Mainstay publication. I would like to say that it has been an honor to serve as the 2020 Commodore during what may go down as the least yachting celebrated year in Club history. Regardless, I am proud of what this year's Board of Directors has been able to accomplish. We have some big projects happening over the next few years and I give each of you my word that I will continue to focus on providing the best Corinthian yachting experience possible while not breaking the bank.

Let's hope 2021 is a great year for the Club and membership. See you at the Club.



It has been one of the most unique and challenging years at MBYC. With the Covid 19 situation we had to adapt and we did adapt in many ways around the club. In my opinion MBYC did a great job in some tough circumstances. The utilization of the club continued in a modified fashion and our club

membership did a great job of following the protocols. In addition we were able still keep our club running and in good financial condition. We also had many new members join during the year despite the Covid situation.

I can't thank Jason and his staff enough for making hard but prudent decisions through out the year that kept the club running and financially sound during during these crazy times. By staying in close contact with city officials Jason was able to make good decisions and have MBYC be a great example for the community.



No one thought this would continue this long and we are not sure much longer this will last. So I ask everyone to be patient and understanding about event scheduling as it can change sometimes weekly because of Covid rules and our concern for the safety of our members.

Everyone have a great holiday season and stay safe.





Secretary Treasurer Report by Steve Cooper

As we move into the holiday season, it's a and the club's staff have done an excellent job

great time to reflect and give thanks for the many wonderful things in our lives - even in this strange year. This is also the time of year for planning and changes that will make 2021 a fantastic year of recovery.

The club will soon be electing a new board of directors and many of us will be changing roles. I've served as

Secretary-Treasurer this year and am particularly pleased with how well the club has managed through the Covid-19 pandemic. Many club members were able to enjoy the club while staying safe. At a time when many other activities where shut down, our club continued to be a nice place to escape to; whether enjoying the beach, going out sailing or cruising, racing, participating in the dinghy boat parades, or enjoying Monday Night Football on the deck. During the pandemic, we also had a record number of new members join the club which I believe is due to people focusing on local activities and appreciating the value of MBYC.

I believe our Club Manager, Jason Proctor



This month I am using my article to discuss security at MBYC. Obviously we are not a fortress and so occasionally we have thefts of items that are easy to grab and offer easy resale value. (small outboards, SUP's, kayaks, etc) Most recently several lockers were broken into. As you know, our property is

sprawling with access points by land and water and there is a lot of homelessness in the area. Any parent who's ever had to find their kid at the end of the day knows how sprawling our grounds are!

The Board of Directors and Club management takes member and property safety very seriously. It's important you know what is being done, what is in the works, and what you can do to help.

• A private security company patrols the property and locks the buildings at night. Management works with this company to monitor and make changes where necessary.

• Club management and staff keep an eye out during the day. Jason and team and longtime members can often spot non-members. Maintaining privacy of our grounds is a key



through these trying times. Jason's team took actions early on to reduce the club's expenses during the full shut-down, and then managed through the frequently changing rules and regulations regarding reopening. Financially, these early actions combined with the increasing membership allowed the club to

operate ahead of our budgeted profitability and continue to add to our savings. In addition, the club's staff worked diligently to improve the shape of the club and the service levels to the membership.

Looking forward, I expect 2021 to be another challenging, yet hopeful year. With improving Covid treatments and vaccines becoming available, I am hopeful that the worst of the pandemic will soon be behind us. That said, I expect the rules and regulations to continue to change frequently as the government leaders deal with an evolving situation. I expect the club will be able to add back more services and events as the rules allow, and slowly through the year

return to a more traditional "normal".

Our major upcoming project is the major re-model of the main clubhouse. A clubhouse planning committee has been diligently working on developing a multi-year plan with a vision for a fantastic facility. The member survey completed earlier this year provided valuable insights as has all the feedback from committee members and others. We now have a preliminary scope of project document and are working to refine the cost estimates, funding and our priority list. Construction is likely to begin in late 2021 and take until 2023 to complete. Construction will be done in phases so that portions of the clubhouse remain open through the construction to continue to serve the membership.

Perhaps the moral of the story is "Life goes on". Despite the pandemic that has affected the ways we live in so many ways, we are all adapting. The MBYC organization remains strong due the unique value that it provides. With strong leadership and member support, the club will continue to not only survive, but to thrive as we move forward.

See you at the club and out on the water.

Vice Commodore Commen

by Gene Ratliffe

part of our security goal as unlawful access can range from folks paddling onto our beach to homeless persons gaining access to our bathrooms.

We are currently evaluating some improvements and repairs;

• Meeting with security companies on ways to enhance our

systems

• Updating 'private club' signage

• Adding coverage hours to the security contract

· Adding keycard access options to the bathrooms

Please be vigilant and remember the following;

• Keep your eyes out for suspicious activity and report everything suspicious to Jason.

o From 6pm to 6am call security directly at (858) 232-3117.

• Lock up your stuff, keep it covered, or take it home

• Check your insurance coverage, your property is not covered by club policy



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Junior Coordinator Report by Todd Henderson

As we prepare for the last few months of 2020, many of us will be just glad to say adios, bon voyage, fair winds and a hearty heave ho to a strange and challenging year to say the least.

On a more positive note, our afterschool program is full steam ahead, with additional classes being added recently

to meet the revised guidelines regarding doublehanded sailing options. Check the website for our calendar of newest offerings - there is something for everyone! Our beginning sailing and racing classes are extremely popular and it is uplifting to see so many new, young faces grinning from ear to ear as they attempt to navigate new waters.

The local junior regatta scene is starting to see some action from Coronado, to the SDYC/ SWYC basin/open ocean. We continue to have great MBYC fleet participation at these



events with fantastic results and opportunities for all levels of our Race Team. And don't forget our very own, world-famous, Screaming Chicken Series for all levels of Sabots, right off the shore of your club. A very spooky Halloween edition may be in the

works, check with the Junior office for details...

** If you happen to know of any serviceable, single-handed boats that might not be in active use, we have a Marketplace section on our website. Lasers and associated parts are in high-demand; several MBYC Juniors are looking to move up to this fleet but they can't find a boat! We field a lot of inquiries from families looking for starter boats all the way up to highly competitive rigs. Entry-level and race-ready sabots are also popular, while the Bics are always a hit. This current wave of juniors are eager and excited so if you can help perpetuate the Corinthian spirit at MBYC, I highly encourage you to get in contact with us.**

Our Junior Program staff and coaches have been asked to adapt and flourish in times that have proven to be challenging for all of us. Based on the feedback and overwhelming interest in our program, I would give them all an A+ for their 2020 performance. If you see one of them in the parking lot or by the wash rack or Junior clubhouse, take a moment to give them a compliment, I know they'd be stoked to hear from our members.

As always, check the Juniors website and social media postings for the latest news as it relates to our wonderful programs. We remain optimistic and look forward to wrapping up 2020 with a healthy and thriving MBYC Junior program.





Anthony@awicpa.com





Trailer Parking update for 2020

With more and more activity at the club, trailer parking has become an increasing issue. Prior to leaving a trailer in the parking lot, you must check in with the Front Office, complete a trailer request form, and obtain a Temporary Parking Tag, MBYC members are allowed to leave a trailer for ten days, reciprocating club members are allowed three days, and organized regatta participants and allowed seven days prior to and after the event. Trailer loft in the parking lot in violation of this policy will be



Trailers left in the parking lot in violation of this policy will be impounded (locked) and the owner will be charged a fee of \$10 per day for

Underway Policy

additional or unauthorized days.

We all had a slow start this year with club and bay shutdowns, but we are back to having fun on the water now. Please remember to document the operational status of your boat for 2020 by submitting a completed Underway Documentation form to the Front Office. Our Underway Policy continues with every boat assigned to and kept in a wet slip or dry storage space required to be actively engaged in yachting activities and be capable of getting underway and performing the underway yachting activities appropriate to comparable boats. Each Member assigned a slip or dry storage space must demonstrate that the boat can get underway a minimum of one time each calendar year, traveling under its own power, and with the Member on board. This activity can be verified and documented by the Port Captain or Assistant Port Captains, Front Office Staff, General Manager, a member of the Board of Directors, or Fleet Captains. This must be completed no later than December 31st. Non-compliance will result in doubling of storage fees, as of January 2021, and could result in loss of storage privileges at the Club.

California Boaters Card

As of January 1, 2021. A California Boater Card issued by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is required for **individuals age 40 or younger**, operating a motorized vessel. Vessel operators must carry the card on board the vessel and have it available for inspection by an enforcement officer. Not carrying your California Boater Card when it is required can result in a fine of \$100 to \$500. The San Diego Lifeguards on Mission Bay are enforcing this requirement. BoatUS offers a free online course and test and the one-time cost of the card is \$10.

Rigging Docks and Temporary Slip Assignments

Please contact the port captain or the office if you want to leave a boat on the rigging dock for more than a few hours. The rigging dock is often committed for regatta or other events or used as temporary mooring for MBYC members or for reciprocating club visitors if slips are not available. Often, there are slips that can be used on a temporary basis. We make every effort at MBYC to provide temporary space for our club members, if available, and to serve as a gracious host to members of reciprocating yacht clubs requesting guest slips or temporary mooring assignments. This year so far, we have been able to accommodate numerous requests for temporary space from MBYC members. You can help by advising us if you plan to vacate your slip for more than a day or two. This helps greatly in our ability to respond positively to these requests.

Safety

The next several months will likely bring some rain, wind, and inclement (relatively speaking) weather. Please take the time to get down to the Club and check your mooring lines and replace old, worn, frayed lines, for the safety and security of your boat and your neighbor's boat. Check your boats for wind and water damage and check and test your bilge pumps and automatic float switches and ensure that they are functioning properly. Please don't let your bow obstruct the dock as this is dangerous and could result in injury. Club policy prohibits storage of kayaks, paddle boards, dinghies, and other items on the docks.

Poly Tarps and Storage Racks

Poly Tarp covers are prohibited in all areas due to the detrimental impact of disintegrating plastic materials on our marine environment.

All storage racks MUST be approved by Waterfront Director prior to placement on property.

Boat Donations 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".

If you find that you are not using your boat, and don't want to continue paying \$2,500 to \$3,500 each year for slip fees, plus the cost of bottom cleaning, or anywhere from \$200 to 1,600 each year for dry storage, options are available if you wish to dispose of your unwanted boat. Consider donating your boat, receiving a tax deduction (with receipt), and supporting the San Diego Oceans Foundation. Please contact Richard Sheppard at (858) 483-8697 or *richardshep@hotmail.com*, to arrange for pick up by a San Diego Oceans Foundation representative or to obtain additional information.

Thank You

I would like to end the year by expressing my gratitude to you for allowing me to serve the Club as your Port Captain for 2020. I have enjoyed and appreciated both the positive feedback and the comments relating to "improvement opportunities". I would like to recognize the tremendous efforts, the time commitment and support of Bill Black, Assistant Port Captain, Chris Wright, Assistant Port Captain for Dry Storage, , Phil Taylor, Assistant Port Captain, Kayaks & Lockers, Kendal Wild, assistant Port Captain, Bikes and Lockers, Mark Langman, our very patient and accommodating accountant, our outstanding office staff, our club management, and our overwhelmingly supportive 2020 Board of Directors. A special thanks to Paul Culkin, Assistant Port Captain for Sabot Storage who has served the Club in this capacity for several years and has made substantial improvements in the Sabot storage area. To all our members and staff, best wishes for the holidays and a productive 2021.

The following individuals are always willing and available to answer your questions and assist you with boat storage issues. Please contact the appropriate person if you require information or assistance.

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MBYC RACING CALENDAR

Updated 10.08.2020

NOVEMBER

NOV. 7-8: JUNIOR COMMODORE REGATTA

NOV. 15TH: SUNDAY BAY RACES (ALL FLEETS)

NOV. 21-22: TURKEY DAY REGATTA BAY AND OCEAN COURSES

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DECEMBER

DEC. 6TH: SUNDAY BAY RACING (ALL FLEETS)

DEC. 13TH: SUNDAY BAY RACING (ALL FLEETS)

DEC. 19-20: HOT RUM REGATTA



Hi friends and welcome to November... are you all asking yourselves if 2020 is over yet?!

2020 PERSPECTIVE

On January 1st of this year, we took some friends out on our boat to enjoy the SD sunshine in January! We opened a nice bottle of sauvignon blanc and

one friend said "Cheers! To big things in 2020!", to which his wife responded, "Does that mean I don't have to go to the gym anymore!". We had a good laugh over that, of course, but little did we know that she didn't have to go to the gym anymore because it was shut down most of the year!

On that same boat ride, we saw a school of dolphins right there in Mission Bay enjoying riding the wake of the boat. If you have been lucky enough to see dolphins within an arms reach, in the wile, you will agree that it is a beautiful experience. There is something unique to that moment. It is that you just don't want it to end. At the time, I thought the dolphin sighting was a sign that 2020 was going to be a "good" year, a "blessed" year. While many would say that 2020 has been a horrible year, as I look back at that experience, I am reminded that for the first time in a long time, life sort of stopped.

As you look back on your 2020 year, it is my hope that you have a few moments to remember – just like watching the dolphins, that you didn't want to end. It has given us a unique perspective on appreciating the little things in our lives; the extra moments with our kids, the longer walks with the dogs, the longer sunsets to enjoy AND most importantly our wonderful little sailing club that we get to be a part of. In the midst of feeling trapped with no outlet or escape, think of how blessed we are to have Mission Bay Yacht Club. It really is a home away from home and no matter how much or



how little you were able to enjoy it this year, I hope that you can take a moment to appreciate not only the "big things" of 2020, but the little moments that you didn't want to end in our special little corner of Mission Bay.

WWW.MBYCRACING.COM As your Fleets Captain, its my duty

to make sure the fleets are organized and have the opportunity to both race and do race committee. Jason, the Fleet Captains, Mark Young and myself have all worked hard this year to maintain racing at MBYC (despite the various rules about same family household). I want to thank both the fleet captains and fleets for being flexible this year with the change up of racing schedules.

The website to sign up for both racing and race committee is above – so please keep your eye on it, sign up ahead of time and go have some fun on the water!

When we got the good news that we are able to race with non same family household members, Mark and I got to work and created an updated calendar for the rest of 2020. We have a LOT of racing ahead, both bay and ocean, and we are looking forward to playing a little catch up for missed days on the water.

MEET THE FLEETS

One of the things that we missed this year was our annual Meet the Fleets Day. This is one of my favorite days of the year because we get to see all of our fleets on the water and it gives prospective and new members the opportunity to learn more about the various boating activities at MBYC. From Sabots to Lidos to Solings to the Cruising Fleet – and everything in between.

So, in the interest of pivoting (Friends fans, anyone??), the fleets have decided to create a

virtual meet the fleets – so be on the lookout for videos of each fleet – their unique personalities and

For all of our new members who are boatless, check out the MBYC YouTube Channel for information about our fleets but also club news and updates as well.

2021 RACING

As we look forward to 2021, I think we are all excited to get back to a more "normal" schedule.. if that even exists anymore! The 2021 Racing Calendar has been created, including a few key regattas that we will be hosting. Sabot Nationals will be the first week in August, Lido Nationals the third weekend in August and Victory Nationals in October. It is alway an honor to host these events and show off our fine club to members of our fleets from other clubs! I look forward to a wonderful year of great racing!

THANK YOU

I suppose this will be my last Fleet Captains article for 2020 - so, its with a bit of sadness I say goodbye to this year. As weird as it was, it was an interesting challenge to keep everything afloat and do the best we could to make sure our members could enjoy not only the club but our beautiful bay! I would like to thank all of the fleet captains, who are all volunteers and corral their fleet members to get involved in the club, show up for race committee and come out racing. Mark Y, Mark T, Dave, Chris, Dan, Brian, James, David, Eileen, Phil, Don, Mark B, Charlie, Kole, Lisa and George your efforts are appreciated and so is your time. Thank you for your contributions and for your enthusiasm for not only your fleet but MBYC. Our great little sailing club is a GREAT little sailing club because of people like you!

Ladies Group

by Alison K. Wilson





Happy end of Fall ya'll. It's been so nice that we've been able to open up the club a little more over the last month or so, and I am very excited to say that by the time you read this, we have been able to host at least one small event. At the time of this writing, I have 2 wine nights on the books, presented by our incredible office manager, Veronica Carrillo. I received several responses to my email survey, so I am planning to fit in a few more get-togethers before the end of the year. Look for flyers for a daytime speaker or a class of some kind. And, if we can pull it off without getting the club in

trouble, I will try to put together an end of year holiday fashion show. If you are not receiving my emails, PLEASE email me at alikaywilson@gmail.com to be added to the Ladies Group Roster.

"Winter is an etching, Spring a watercolor, Summer an oil painting and Autumn a mosaic of them all." Stanley Horowitz

See ya around the club!



Fleet's Captain Report by Kathy Dryden

information about how to get involved.





WINE + CHARCUTERIE + YOU

Please join our very own MBYC Office Manager, Veronica Carrillo, as we explore Baja Wines; how to taste them, enjoy them and pair them with food to share with friends and family

Wednesday, November 11th Main Deck | 6:00pm \$ 30 Personal Charcuterie Board will be Included Silent Auction

This is Not Just for the Ladies

Social Distancing Guidelines will be in Place. Limited to 16 Guests!

Please RSVP to the office by November 4th 24 Hour Cancellation Policy 858.488.0501 or officeembyc.org





Summer is winding down but quality Laser racing continues at Mission Bay Yacht Club. Our fleet is thriving with great comradery and racing on the bay and in the ocean. There is racing for all levels and quality used boats are available as some of our sailors upgrade to new boats. If you are interested in joining the action let me know!

Our most recent Ocean Racing Series attracted 13 Full Rigs and 3 Radial sailors. Conditions were challenging with variable breeze in the sub teens and plenty of chop. It seemed everyone had good and bad races. Congratulations to Diego Escobar who took the regatta with outstanding down wind speed. Sarah Ozaki squeaked out a 1 point win over Allie Shand in the Radials.

Several of our fleet members made the trek to Santa Cruz for the Laser Masters PCC's in August. Clay Karmel and Mark Young sailed Full Rigs at this challenging venue with open ocean swells and breeze that saw gusts in the mid 20's. Clay, finally getting his hands on a boat that didn't leak, sailed very well in the windy conditions pulling out a 5th place finish in the talented fleet.



The Club Championships was sailed in Lasers this year. Thank you to all off our fleet members who volunteered their boats for this important event. I am genuinely proud of the volunteers who helped make this event happen. The efficiency and professionalism displayed on race day was nothing short of amazing. The VHF communication between the Race Committee, scorers and boat rotation crews was as good as any professionally run regatta. Conditions were challenging with unusually strong breeze in the low to mid-teens. Congratulations to Steven Leuck for winning the event and the parking spot!

There is plenty of racing on the calendar, if you have any questions about the schedule feel free to send me an email and we'll sort it out. We have two especially big regattas coming up in February, The SCYA Midwinters on February 20th and 21st and the California Masters on the 27th and 28th. We will have midweek practice sessions in the ocean and a clinic on Friday the 26th. Mark your calendars for some quality racing with fun on and off the water!

Dave Leuck - jdleuck@cox.net





Cooks needed: If you can make an omelet without breaking eggs...

you can plan and execute the racing schedule for 2020/2021 at MBYC! It might not be good or pretty, but the substance and sustenance is there - we might be picking shells out of our teeth for a while... The good news (great news) is that San

Diego City has lifted the boating restrictions and we are slowly resuming some semblance of a racing schedule expanded beyond the TNTs and the split-fleet Sunday races for singlehanded and 'same-household' crew. Thanks to the work of our fleet captains and race committees the TNTs and Bay races (including the Club Champs) have been an unqualified success! TNTs were extended an extra month and had good breezes until dusk.



Sunday races have been well attended, but better for singlehanded boats and families than for boats with nonfamily crew. That's now changed and we can move toward normal (see the schedule for Nov Dec below).

The challenge: We need RC volunteers with and without experience!

We need bay- and ocean-boat drivers!

October 25th: November 7-8: November 15th: November 21-22: December 6th: December 13th: December 19-20:

RC NGWS by Mark Young

We need scorers to analyze and publish racing results!

We need to provide the structure for successful racing with Covid-19 still lurking in the background!

So come join the challenge and experience the fun of a day on the water and the gratification that we can make good racing for many fellow sailors! Contact your fleet captain or me at myoung.sd@ cox.net.

Sunday Bay Racing: Split Fleets. October 31-November 1: Two Day Bay Racing / Snipe / Lido Fall Regattas Jr. Commodore Regatta (Bay and Ocean Junior Fleets) Sunday Bay Races (ALL FLEETS) Turkey Day Regatta Bay AND Ocean Courses Sunday Bay Racing (ALL FLEETS) Sunday Bay Racing (ALL FLEETS) Hot Rum Regatta



MBYC Anglers Club by Bill Black

I am very excited to report that we had a very successful first fishing tournament on Saturday September 26th. The first annual "Gene Merrill Fishing Derby" went off without a hitch... The festivities began with Friday night Pre-Fishing "Captains" Meeting / BBQ on the south end of our club's sandy beach. Chef Oscar and his staff did an amazing job serving the 25 Anglers and their families an awesome burger with all the fixings and some tasty beverages. We explained the fishing derby rules and had a great raffle with amazing prices from our

sponsors; Dana Landing, Salty Crew, Bay Park Fish Company, San Diego Marine Exchange, Baja Jerky, the Marine Group, Fire Etc, Balboa's Tap House, and Propeller San Diego.

The In-the-Bay Catch-and-Release style tournament started at 6am with some exciting action... while big winner Max Sipes was off hunting Spotted Bay Bass in his secret spots Alex Ray caught a 24" Barracuda still tied up to the front dock at 6:14am. Alex's Barracuda won the "other species" category with this nice fish and received a \$300 Gift Card from Salty Crew. Ryan Teele won the "halibut species" category with a 24" Halibut and Max Sipes won the "bass species" with a nice 16" Spotty... both Ryan and Max also received \$300 each from Salty Crew for their 1st Place fish.

The fishing action was hot all day inside Mission Bay. We had a total of 25 Anglers enter and 104 total fish were caught before the 4pm final call on getting fish posted to the leaderboard. Max Sipes was the big winner with 20 total fish caught (239 total inches of fish). Other notable mentions



were Colin Crebs with 17 total fish (184.5 total inches), Alex Ray (10) fish, Tyler Teele (9) fish, Brian Vanderspek (9) fish including a very rare amberjack that resembled (3) Pacifico Beer Cans... Hmmmmm! Representing the girls Sophie Sipes did a great job at managing to catch (10) famous mission bay smelt while sitting off their diving board off the back of their boat Swell.

The day finished up with an Awards BBQ and a final raffle with over \$2500 in total prizes provided by our

amazing sponsors. They were so generous I need to mention them again; Dana Landing, Salty Crew, Bay Park Fish Company, San Diego Marine Exchange, Baja Jerky, the Marine Group, Fire Etc, Balboa's Tap House, and Propeller San Diego.

The MBYC Anglers Club will be hosting a Lobster Tournament Friday October 30th and Saturday October 31st followed by a Lobster

Fest on the beach at the club Sunday November 1st. Details soon....

15" Rare Mission Bay Amberjack – Angler Brian Vanderpek





MISSION BAY YACHT CLUB ANGLER'S CLUB

> The purpose of the MBYC Angler's Club is to encourage sportsmanship, integrity, conservation, and development of the skills and knowledge needed to be successful anglers. The Angler's Club is to provide a positive and safe learning environment for adults, juniors and their families through boating, fishing and other social and recreational events.

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For more information please visit our website mbyc.org



Left: First Place Winners: Ryan Teele, Max Sipes, and Alex Ray.

Right: Sophie Sipes catching Smelt off a diving board

Left: Tournament Director Bill Black showing off Max's winning 16" Bass

Bottom left: 9" Halibut "Fish Stick" – Angler Kjeld Oxfeldt

Bottom center: Raffle Prize Winner Alex Ray... Swag donated from Dana Landing

Bottom right: Raffle Prize Winner Ben Pinard









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The Sunfish is fine, but unmannered

The Sunfish joined Sunday racing in the beginning of October for a beautiful day on the water. Les, Larry, Allen and I sailed 5 races in the awesome Sunshine. Let's get some numbers back on the line for upcoming races. We also covered race committee for the Sunday races, Oct. 11. Thank you John and Jade Huebner, Dave and David Alexander Love for their expert RC, and Clay and I ran the Barca with our Beagle Stella calling the line.

In other Sunfish news - Sunfish bob and sun at the ocean's surface. In the ocean off Wareham, Mass, one Sunfish created quite a stir. Residents kept

reporting it to 911, thinking it was stranded or a shark (they are a little shark paranoid after all the Great White sightings there). There were so many calls that the town officials went to their Facebook page and urged residents to STOP reporting it. They said the Sunfish was FINE!:)

Sunfish move by oscillating their dorsal fins at the water's surface. It looks clumsy and like they are hurt. They do at times get stranded in coves or inlets. They may make a

wrong turn and get confused on how to get out.

Sunfish are very powerful fish and can dive to over 2,500 feet. Though they aren't anywhere near as cute as a Beagle :) They are very curious like Beagles though.

A Maine biologist, Carol Carson said the most aggressive a Sunfish will get is to spit! So we know they don't have manners.

One time while sailing off San Diego Harbor to whale watch, my



mother-in-law said she saw a pink, translucent shark floating at the surface. None of us saw it. We all thought off to the home for her! Clay and I now look back and think she must have seen a Sunfish :) But we still arenâ€[™]t letting her out of the home! Just kidding. Thanks, Nancy Tomich for the article!



https://www.nytimes.com/2020/10/13/us/sunfish-wareham-police.html











MISSION BAY YACHT CLUB Happy Thanksgiving!

Dear MBYC Members,

Thanksgiving is the perfect time to show our appreciation for what you do for the club. We would like to thank you for believing in our services and making MBYC thrive. We look forward to serving you at the Club in the years to come.

We hope you will have a fruitful Thanksgiving celebration this year. Sending warm wishes for a holiday celebration filled with everything that brings you happiness.

Sincerely, MBYC Staff



As our "year of the Covid" draws to a close, it is comforting to report that the Senior Sabots have managed to avoid having any member struck by this scourge and the very first Naples Sabot built by Bryan Thomas has been resurrected and returned to his care.

We were still out racing on Tuesday evenings – sometimes it really is a benefit to sail single handed craft – no crew to complain and no Covid distancing restrictions. Although no one bothered to keep score, the unofficial word is that Scott Finkboner performed his usual magic most evenings but Ruth Jones and Chris Fuller may have taken a couple of wins with their own mojo working.

There have been at least seven Sunday races with enough Sabots to get a fleet start and scoring. Possibly the highest number we have seen in several years with between five and seven on average. Again, Scott has a solid 1st overall to date with Serena Hanby 2nd, Jason Brooks 3rd.

In other racing action, Jim Hecht garnered a respectable 3rd place finish as our representative in the Club Championship. Scott Finkboner



placed 1st in the inaugural BYC seven mile Bridges Marathon and another 1st in the BYC Little Old Ladies Regatta on September 12 in the Men's Division. Lanny Coon grabbed a nice 3rd in the same race and Serena Hanby sailed in Women's A to represent MBYC.

The Friday sail-around has also remained above average in attendance as well as good sailing conditions, with the exception of one day floating for an hour and one day of gale force winds providing challenges to sailors at both extremes.

Happy holidays to all!





Rules Refresher

MBYC prides itself on being a heavily used, family-friendly Club and provides our members with some amazing racing and a great location to accommodate the many activities held here. Whether it's sailing, power boating, kayaking, paddle boarding, enjoying the beach, or using the bar and galley, there is seemingly always something happening at the Club.

As our membership continues to grow we thought it would be a good time to remind everyone of some of the rules around the Club that we would like to encourage everyone to follow to keep the Club a safe and enjoyable place for all.

Guests are always welcome at MBYC! If you are planning to have a group of family or friends here and your guest count exceeds six people, please visit the website *www.mbyc.org* and fill out an online event request form. You can find this form as a drop down link from the Calendar tab. We check these requests often and will respond to you as soon as possible. If you plan on having an event over 50 guests (hopefully in the near future this will be possible again), that request will be held for approval from the Board of Directors at their monthly meeting. That meeting is held the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Currently, based on the County Public Health Order, we are unable to hold large events indoors for families or friends from more than three households. Please keep that in mind if planning an event. Reach out to me at *manager@mbyc.org* if you have any questions regarding the County Guidelines and how it affects us.

Alcohol can only be served to members and guests by the Club and is not permitted to be brought on the Club Grounds unless bringing alcohol to own boat.

Dogs are also allowed to be brought to your boat and allowed for walks on the grass along the fence on the west end of our property. Unfortunately, dogs are not allowed on the deck, beach, grassy area north of the bar, or in either building unless they are registered service dogs with a vest and the proper paperwork.

Please lock your things! As you have read previously there have been some thefts around the Club recently. Currently we have many unlocked lockers, kayaks and paddle boards in storage. We do have security on property every night from 6am-6pm. They can be reached at (858) 232-3117.

We try our hardest to provide as much parking as possible on the weekends. This can be a challenge during holiday weekends and on race days. If you are bringing in a boat for a period of time, check in with the office to receive a temporary storage tag. There is a 10 day limit for your trailer to be stored in the parking lot. After that, a \$10/day penalty is enforced. This policy is on the form you must fill out when you bring your trailer in. Having your contact information helps us immensely when we do need to move a boat to a different area of the Club.

If racing, return your trailer to its spot! Do not leave it in the parking lot or on the pier head by the hoist.

All members should have parking stickers on their vehicles. Attach these stickers to the windshield. They will not be recognized if not on the windshield. The current stickers read for 2020-2021. This will not be the case and in the beginning of the year, each member will receive two new parking stickers for 2021. The old ones will need to be removed. During a recent audit we have found more stickers than necessary assigned to individual memberships.

Our Member Only Parking on the weekends is now over and will not commence again until Memorial Day Weekend of 2021. During the summer weekends through the end of September, only members are allowed to park at the Club. Please have your guests make other arrangements.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Jason Proctor, Club Manager

2020 MBYC Employee Recognition/Vocational Scholarship Awarded to Paulette Iniguez

Paulette Iniguez has been selected to be the first recipient of the MBYC Employee Recognition/Vocational Scholarship award. At a brief ceremony on October 18, 2020, in honor of her hard work and cheerful and helpful performance in our front office, along with her demonstrated educational success, Paulette was presented with a certificate of recognition accompanied by a generous cash award. As the first in her family to pursue a college education, the club is happy to assist Paulette in achieving this goal.

Paulette is a senior at SDSU, pursuing a double major in both Indian Studies and International Business, while maintaining a GPA of 3.78. Following her expected graduation in December of this year, Paulette will pursue a career in education to include graduate studies at Cal Berkley with a plan to earn a PhD in ethnic studies and to teach at the university level.

Originally created and funded in 2019, the club thanks the members of the Power and Racing Cruising Fleets (now combined as the Cruising Fleet), the Senior Sabot Fleet, and the Ladies Group for their guidance and financial support. If you or your Fleet would like to participate in the process and financial support of this program, please contact Chuck Weber.







AHOY Cruising Fleet Members & MBYC members!

As you can imagine, regular events, potlucks, etc. have been "corona-fied" as in canceled. :-(

However, I decided to plan a trip on Sunday, Sept. 27th to sail on the "America" Schooner. I invited members of the Cruising Fleet to attend. 33 attended!! Due to it being an outdoor activity, SD County guidelines allowed us to partake with masks on while moving about. The staff did a great job in seating us with social distancing. Our goal was to have a fun outing on the sea with our Captain Mike Poltorak (MBYC member!) and look for sea life!! Generally, whale watching... though it really wasn't the season. :-)

Here is some info from the Next Level Sailing Company's website:

"Without exaggerating, America is the world's most famous racing yacht. It is also one of the most beautiful yachts in the world. The reason is simple: The original America put yachting on the map. It is why the most famous trophy in sailing is called The America's Cup. In 1851, a boat named 'AMERICA' won the 'Royal Yacht Squadrons'



100 Guinea Cup given to the winner of a race around the Isle of Wight. It is said that the margin was so great that watching America sail past the royal yacht, Queen Victoria famously asked "Who came second?" "Your majesty... there is no second,"

was the reply. The winners, members of the New York Yacht Club, donated the trophy to the Club, to be held as a 'challenge' trophy. Thus was born the America's Cup, named after the boat not the country."

In the mid-1990's this 138 foot replica was built and has been docked at Shelter Island. Capt. Troy Sears from SDYC is the owner/operator. We went out on a four hour tour, out of San Diego Bay and in the Pacific... while sailing we were entertained by two huge pods of dolphins that hung around for quite awhile. We enjoyed socializing with fellow yacht club members and had a great day.

Generally, the price for this trip is \$95 per

person, but we were fortunate to get the trip for \$70 per person. It was so much fun, I hope to organize another trip in March 2021. Let me know if you are interested. Please enjoy the pics that I submitted.

Hope to see you at the Club soon & hoping to return to some normalcy down the road.









The MBYC Junior Sailing Program is now accepting registration for the 2020 After School Sailing Program.

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We will be offering everything from learn to sail to advanced racing. Classes run weekly Tuesday through Friday. Session 2 is currently sold out. Registration for Session 3 will open October 28th.

For all class offerings, dates, times and to register, please visit the MBYC Junior Sailing website at juniors.mbyc.org or contact the Junior Sailing Office at juniors@mbyc.org or 858.488.0501.



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Soling Starts by John Walton

Soling Lynch Regatta Redux

On Saturday September 19th the Soling Fleet had another iteration of the mildly successful replacement Lynch Regatta. Eight of the eleven Solings participated and were rewarded with almost Soling conditions.

The basic plan was to start at the Tower, sail to Mark 'A', which was placed in the approximate location used in the TNTs (when mean people, like us, place the mark). From the first mark proceed downwind to a second mark located off Vacation Isle and take that mark to

starboard. From the second mark of the course sail out the channel to the ocean and proceed on a course of 318° true from the end of the North Jetty approximately 1.9 nautical miles to the string of 3 marks that locate the HMS Yukon. Round the furthest of the three to port and proceed to a second ocean mark, which locates another sunken wreck, on a course of 157° true for a distance of 0.9 nautical miles. From that mark sail back to MBYC, rounding the mark off Vacation Isle to port and proceed to the start/finish line.

The wind was very nice at perhaps 10 knots for the 11:30 start. The wind direction was north of west, probably 290°, which made Mark 'A' almost fetch, except for the MBYC docks and some powerboats. The wind direction, the obstructions, and the course to the first mark caused some congestion at what would have been the boat end of the start/finish line. Jon Mendham (USA-743) with his steady crew of Brian Collick and Andy Folz, and John Walton (USA-839) with Bill Kivlen and Dave Morse both got to the line just a little early and needed to luff because Ed Chambers (USA-171) with his wife and son timed the start a bit better. That eliminated the option of falling off down the line to get some boatspeed and Ed cruised past. In the process Walton shut the door on Steve Ross, who was sailing with steady crew Patrick Morrissey and Karen Batcher, causing Steve to hit the starting pin, and dutifully take his turns shortly thereafter. Scott Bennett (USA-770) and crew James Harvey and Tiem Tran got a reasonable start further down the start line and that allowed him to get to the first mark with Chambers.

Dave Snodgrass (USA-812), who was sailing two-up with daughter Maddy, got an excellent start at the pin but the extra distance proved to be a hindrance.

Mark Baker (USA-791) with crew Doug Wheeler and Doug Bodenstab and Tony Imbimbo (USA-606) were blanketed off the start line and needed some time to recover.

Jon Mendham recovered from the down-speed start and led at the first mark. Ed Chambers and Scott Bennett were next to round. Walton got squeezed out the back at the start, tacked to get clear air and recovered somewhat to round fourth. The wind direction suggested a jibe set, i.e. a port spinnaker pole for the run to the second mark. Walton chose to go with a bear away set and separate from the fleet. The crew is old but experienced, and got clear air and extended away passing both Chambers and Bennett and set off to chase Mendham.

At mark 2 Mendham had the lead and chose to continue with the spinnaker. Walton doused and shortly thereafter regretted the decision. Bennett and Ross jibed at the mark and under spinnaker quickly advanced to second and third as the fleet progressed toward the bridge.

Baker, Snodgrass and Chambers rounded together with Imbimbo close behind. Chambers got the better at the rounding and forged ahead of Snodgrass and Baker.

The lee of the shore before the bridge resulted in Bennett and Ross giving back the places they had taken. Once past the bridge the decision regarding the distance to sail off Mission Point Park was the next challenge, but ended up providing no drama. There were no further lead changes as the fleet progressed to the ocean.

On the fetch from the end of the jetty to the first ocean mark, Mendham had a nice lead, although Walton was quicker and advancing. Ross and Bennett were fast but losing gauge. Bennet passed Ross by sailing faster even though he gave up some



gauge. Mendham and Walton approached the mark, but Mendham inexplicably overstood giving Walton the lead at the start of the spinnaker leg to the second ocean mark. Walton sailed higher than the prescribed heading because it was simply easier to keep the sails working at the higher angle. Mendham sailed closer to the mark and regained the lead heading back to the jetty. The two boats converged a couple of times approaching the mouth of the channel. Mendham was inside with starboard rights, but at some point around the entrance to the channel was going to be forced to jibe. Roughly when Mendham jibed

to port, Walton luffed and took their transom with speed to regain the lead and was protected from any leeward boat luffs by the continuing obstruction of the jetty. Bennett held Ross at bay from the Yukon mark all the way down the channel. Baker followed in fifth followed by Chambers, Snodgrass and Imbimbo.

The next decision point was again Mission Point Park because the wind went far forward resulting in a tight spinnaker reach. Approaching the bridge it was necessary to douse the spinnaker. It was rather obvious that the two leading teams were rusty, as both had horrible douses. The Mendham team was simply slightly less horrible and regained the lead. Further back the same dynamics were taking place, Bennet and Ross held on with the kite towards the bridge followed by Baker. Bennett had a horrible takedown allowing Ross to retake third and Mark Baker proved that sometimes conservative is the best tactic by dousing early and also passed Bennett into fourth. Ed Chambers held off Dave and daughter in sixth and seventh.

At the final mark Mendham continued on port tack towards the right side of the course. Walton tacked to starboard looking for the advantage that is typically present on the left side (and you cannot just follow) approaching Bahia Point to no avail. Ross finished third followed by Baker, Bennett, Chambers, Snodgrass, and Imbimbo.

The general consensus was that it was great fun, and that we will repeat it in the future. We have eleven boats in the fleet, including a fleet boat that we will loan to a seriously interested crew. If you want to race with competent sailors in a competitive boat, let us know.



Here is the 2020 Club Champion Steven Leuck representing the Laser Fleet. Pictured from left to right is Kathy Dryden Fleet Captain, Steven Leuck, and Bill Sweeney Commodore.

Labor Day Parade Of the Bay















JEAN LISLE 1918 – 2020

n August 31, 2020, Jean Lisle passed away peacefully at her home in La Jolla. She was 102 years old. Born in Marble Rock, Iowa, at the end of WWI, Jean always remembered watching her mother, grandmother and great-grandmother at the polls in 1924. It was the first time women could vote for the president of the United States. When the Great Depression hit, her family moved to Des Moines, where she graduated from Roosevelt High School.

Jean attended Iowa State University for two years and then transferred to the University of Minnesota, where she graduated with a B.A. in Journalism in 1939. While at the University of Minnesota, Jean pledged to the Chi Omega sorority, cultivating friendships that lasted her lifetime. Returning to Des Moines, her first job out of college was editing magazines for the Locker Publication Company which targeted the frozen food industry.

In 1940, the Chi Omega sorority at Drake University asked Jean to fill in temporarily as house mother. Since she was close in age to the girls, they set her up on a blind date with an older student, Wendell Lisle, who was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Jean & Wendell married on June 20, 1942. A year later, they welcomed their first daughter, Judith Jean.

During the summer of 1945, Wendell accepted a teaching job in San Diego. Pregnant with their second child, the doctor agreed that Jean could ride in a car for the four day journey from Des Moines. On the last day of the trip,



Jean began labor. Wendell drove straight to Scripps Hospital in La Jolla. Days before it was declared that World War II had ended, their second daughter, Veeda Jean, was born.

The family first lived in Mission Beach, and later bought a house in Pacific Beach. Once both daughters were in school, Jean returned to work. In 1955, she began her career with San Diego County, working as a field assessor.

Since Wendell was a teacher, Jean & Wendell devoted their summers to travel. While their daughters were young, they drove cross country to visit relatives in Iowa, Ohio and New England. Their biggest road trip was in 1957, when they drove from San Diego to Circle, Alaska. They



discovered their love of international travel in 1970, and spent each consecutive summer visiting such places as Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Kenya, South Africa, India, China, Peru, Europe and Australia.

Jean & Wendell joined the Mission Bay Yacht Club in 1957. They learned to sail on Sabots, owning two so they could race against each other. They later upgraded to a Snipe, starting a new fleet to compete with other members.

The family moved to Mount Soledad in 1960. The next year, Jean & Wendell helped start the Mount Soledad Presbyterian Church.

In 1977, Jean & Wendell bought a 30' Catalina Cruiser they named 'The Frisky Fox.' Every August they would sail to Catalina.

Jean retired in 1981. Her last job for San Diego County was with the Health Department as the Chief Deputy for the department of Birth and Death Certificates.

In 1989, with another couple from the Mission Bay Yacht Club, Jean & Wendell embarked upon their biggest sailing adventure, sailing up the coast of California to San Francisco. The highlight of the month-long trip was sailing underneath the Golden Gate Bridge.

Jean played the piano throughout her life. She also enjoyed playing bridge every Wednesday at the Mission Bay Yacht Club.

When Wendell passed away in 2006, Jean continued to travel with her daughters, revisiting Iowa and Minnesota. She also enjoyed road trips around California to visit family.

She is survived by her two daughters, Judy and Veeda Lisle, her granddaughter, Cynthia Kovalesky (Steven), grandson Raymond Swank (Tess), great-grandson Austin Swank, greatgranddaughter Vanessa Swank and 'kid brother' George Reis of Point Loma.

A 'Celebration of Life' service is planned at La Jolla Presbyterian Church after Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.



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After what we all would agree was an "interesting" year, we wanted to take a moment to thank all our members for your support of MBYC.

Wishing you an awesome 2021!



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