

Mission Bay Yacht Club



# MONTHLY STAY

September/October 2019

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CFJ Nationals  
One Design Regatta  
Sailing the South Pacific



Chris Wright sails with his son Porter in the Dutch Shoe Regatta.  
Porter is sailing his own boat along with Dad. Photo by Martin Offenhauer.





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Sunday:	Breakfast & Lunch

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Friday:	5:00PM - 10:00PM
Saturday:	Noon - 10:00PM
Sunday:	1:00PM - 8:00PM

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& the Sportsmanship  
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## Commodore Comments

by Bill Kenney

Summer is fading away and Fall is coming upon us. I truly enjoy summer days at Mission Bay Yacht Club. Southern California affords us so many opportunities to enjoy an active outdoor lifestyle, and many of the days when I am looking for fun, I go down to the club for sun and relaxation and good friends.

A couple of months ago, my wife Heather and I attended the Staff Commodore's Dinner. This is a great opportunity for a sitting Commodore to speak with and listen to past Commodores. Topics usually range from updating the SC's on current Board actions to hearing suggestions on areas needing improvement. At this dinner, most of the conversation was about the condition of our beach.

Our beloved picnic tables were universally in a bad shape. Several of them were decades old, according to some with knowledge. The barbeques were also showing signs of excessive wear and several burners were broken. The slide, a donated item from many years ago, was cracking and falling apart. Clearly, something needed to be done.

Stepping up to the challenge was Staff Commodore Ken Wild. He and his small army of volunteers spent several days cutting lumber, spraying paint, and constructing 26 tables, 52 long benches and 11 short benches. The short ones being a suggestion from Ken's wife Danah for putting at the end of those tables with parties needing a bit more seating. Great idea!

Ken coordinated the volunteers, and organized the removal of the old benches and gave them away for free. Many of them were picked up by members who wanted one, and several were donated to those who were in need. This demonstrates the power of the internet and social media for spreading the word.

A small round of fundraising was collected, and a new slide was purchased, and as of this writing, still needs to be installed. Ken plans to finish this project off before Labor Day. I am hoping to be one of the first to try it out!

As mentioned, the barbeques needed attention.

They receive a lot of abuse every year, and were very expensive when first installed. Replacing them is a significant cost. The Board decided to be a bit prudent, and called in a manufacturer approved technician to overhaul them and replace broken parts. They are improved, but we still have more to do. Some lids and concrete areas need repair and these will be dealt with soon.

Some of our light poles needed bird spikes, and we need a few umbrellas for the beach. The spikes were installed and the umbrellas have been ordered. With diligent effort, our beach and picnic areas will be ready for 2020.

I had the distinct honor of hosting Paula Ganley for lunch back in July. Paula is the wife of Robin Gales who passed away last year, and she wanted to provide legacy funding to the Junior program. We coordinated with Juniors In Boating, and are sincerely grateful to Paula and the Gales family for their generous donation.

I cannot think of a better way to contribute to the future of sailing and MBYC than to support Juniors; a healthy Junior program leads to a healthy Club membership.

One more thing to mention about the Junior Program. Besides being the best program on the west coast, maybe even west of the Mississippi, our program also has some of the best leadership available. Christ Wright has been steady at the helm of our Juniors, and every year our Program gets better due to his leadership. After discussion with Jason Proctor, our General Manager, and my fellow Commodore's on the Bridge, I am proud to announce the promotion of Chris to Waterfront Director. This advancement recognizes the contributions Chris has brought to the Junior Program, and has also charged him with new responsibilities to compliment our current staff. Chris will have a much broader role at MBYC, and we are thankful to have his excellent talents bring more to our organization. Stay tuned for more details!

I would like to conclude by recognizing an award. The San Diego Lifeguards had their Hardy Awards Dinner on August 6, at Mission Bay Yacht Club. For the second year in a row, MBYC has been named Citizen of the Year! This is a testament to all the volunteers and events we have supporting our community. Many of us give our time, and more volunteers are always welcome. I am incredibly proud of our yacht club and the membership, and you should be too.

See you at the Club!



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# Vice Commodore Comments

by **Bill Sweeney**

That was a fantastic summer!  
Lots of great things happening at MBYC.

There has been a constant flow of scheduled maintenance and improvements to the house and grounds.

You should have noticed the new fencing along the walkway to the back docks, the improved bird spikes on light posts, deep cleaning of the BBQ grills and brand new homemade picnic tables.

The effort to build the picnic tables is a great example of how awesome our membership is when asked to participate in a project to improve the club.

Staff Commodore Wild organized a work crew to transform a stack of raw lumber into 26 picnic tables with matching chairs in less than a week. Thank you Picnic Table Crew!

It is time to start planning for one of the four



best seasons of the year in San Diego – fall (they are all fantastic which is why we live here).

Monday Night Football should be in full swing.

The Galley will continue to serve Friday Night Dinners and weekend meals.

It is a great time to come down and enjoy what the Club has to offer.

MBYC continues to sponsor and host national regattas.

The Junior Program continues to be recognized as one of, if not the best program in the nation.

During recent visits to reciprocal yacht clubs over the summer I had officers and members of many clubs asking about the secret to our programs success.

My answer was simple.

We have an outstanding team including the Coordinator, coaches, Junior Sailors and parents that work as a cohesive team.

It is all of our privilege as members to have this caliber of reputation.

Nice job Junior Program!

The Board of Directors would like to remind our members that MBYC does have a current rulebook available to all members.

Please ask the front office for a copy if you do not have one.

The approach is simple and is based on common sense and courtesies.

The basic rules are in place to promote and maintain an environment of Corinthian Yachting.

All of us make MBYC a unique venue to enjoy boating, camaraderie and fun for our families and friends.

Enjoy the last few days of summer and an awesome fall.



# Port Captain Report

by **Chuck Weber**

While the official Summer season has ended, the boating and sailing season in San Diego never ends, and it is necessary to keep up with the responsibilities of boat ownership and storage at the club. The following are a few helpful reminders:

A California Boater Card issued by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is required for individuals age 35 or younger, as of January 1, 2020. 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.

Check your mooring lines and replace old, worn, frayed lines, for the safety and security of your boat and your neighbor's boat. Please don't let your bow obstruct the dock as this is dangerous and could result in injury. Kayaks, paddle boards and dinghies may not be stored on the docks.

Check and test your bilge pumps and automatic float switches and ensure that they are functioning properly.

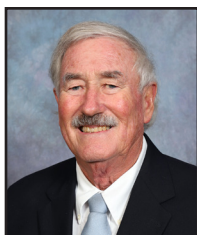
Secure canvas, tarps, hatches, windows, SUPs, kayaks, dinghies, and loose equipment, in anticipation of rainy and windy weather later in the year.

Forward copies of insurance and registration document to the club office. You must have continuous marine liability insurance with fuel and spill liability with a minimum of \$300,00 and MBYC must be named as an additional insured party. This is critical as we have experienced several severe and devastating fires in the marina in prior years. Your attention to this minimizes the time and expense necessary to mail reminders.

Keep your vessel in operational, seaworthy, and in well-maintained condition. Dead storage at the club is prohibited.

Please notify the port captain if you plan to move your wet-stored boat from your slip for more than a day or two. We frequently have requests from club members or members from reciprocating clubs for temporary mooring.

Please remember that approval is required to leave a trailer in the parking lot



or to moor a vessel in a space that is not assigned to you. That includes the rigging docks. Please do not leave a vessel on the rigging docks overnight, or for extended periods of time without authorization. The space that you occupy may have been assigned to someone else. Check in with the office and obtain a temporary trailer permit if you plan to leave your trailer in the parking lot. Members are permitted to store, with authorization, a trailer for ten days, guests are allowed three days, after which a storage fee of \$10 per day will be charged.

While Club security has improved, it is still important to be alert and vigilant. Please report suspicious activity, and secure your boats and equipment. Thefts should be reported to both the SDPD and Club Management.

Your attention to these reminders assists in maintaining a comfortable, pleasing club and a safe boating environment. Come on down and enjoy your Club and your boating experience.

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

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## Fleet's Captain Report

by Steve Cooper

As summer gives way to fall, there are still plenty of activities going on at the club.

Our final TNT for the year is on September 5th. Again this year, the final races will be organized by the Thistle fleet and will feature the "special" group starts and backwards courses. It's always a lot of fun.

Our club championship is set for September 7th. This year, the championship will be sailed in the club's CFJ boats. Each fleet will nominate



their entry, and we expect 12 boats to compete.

We are planning on 8 races, and we have enough boats so all competitors will be racing in every race. The boats are all set up to be identical, and we will be rotating the boats after each race so that no one has a particular advantage. Let the best of the best prevail!

Our Sunday bay races continue year-round, and this time of year is particularly nice out on the bay.

The club has gone ahead and purchased an

additional ocean-going boat – a 19-footer with a 250 HP engine. It should be a great addition to our fleet of race-committee support boats.

Looking ahead, we're in the process of finalizing the 2020 calendar. Overall, we're planning to have the same number and types of races and regattas. In addition, we've decided to hold four of next year's Sunday races in the open ocean. This should add an exciting element to those who prefer the wide-open spaces and longer race courses.

See you at the club and out on the water.



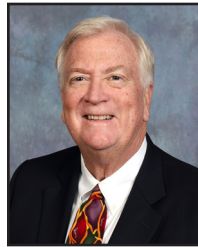
## Secretary Treasurer Report

by Jim Day

Again finances at the club are going well and we are starting to plan for future projects. We will keep everyone one updated as things develop.

The summer season is slowly coming to a close and it has been a great summer for most everyone. During the summer we had some great volunteer work accomplished with the building

of the new picnic tables and benches. Thanks to a large number of volunteers for getting this done and very quickly.



We also had the BBQ's cleaned and refurbished and they are looking and working much better. These projects not only help the club but it results in meeting new friends and creates great camaraderie. I know from my experience

over the years at MBYC that these events have created many life long friends for which I am very grateful.

In addition to our yearly work party these volunteer projects help us keep MBYC looking good and reduce our cost. So thank to everyone who participated. Hope to see everyone out enjoying the club the rest of the summer.




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## CELEBRATIONS

*At Mission Bay Yacht Club*

**August 31st - September 2nd**

### **LIVE MUSIC**

Saturday August 31st: 6:00-9:00pm The Distractions Band

Sunday September 1st: 6:00-9:00pm Stylus Overhang

### **BAR & GALLEY**

#### Bar

Saturday & Sunday: 12:00-10:00pm      Monday: 12:00-8:00pm

#### Galley

Saturday & Sunday

*Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner: 8:00am-8:00pm*

Monday

*Breakfast and Lunch: 8:00am-3:00pm*

### **SATURDAY & SUNDAY NIGHT BBQ ON THE BEACH**

**5:00pm-8:00pm**



**MEMBER PARKING ONLY**



by Martin Offenhauer

Can you believe that it's already September? What happened to summer? Well, we had great races all summer and a lot of fun at TNT's. In August we hosted the One Design Regatta with 60 boats participating. The One Design saw racing in both the Ocean and the Bay with PROs Grant Williams and Joe O'Leary running the shows and Lidos and Senior Sabots doing Race Committee duties. We even used our new, as yet unnamed, Grady-White powerboat for the windward mark boat. We had some great views of the start from the committee boat Aqua Vida, courtesy of Van Barr.

The next weekend we hosted the Finn Nationals from August 23rd through the 25th hosted by our Finn Fleet with RC provided by the Multihulls. Again a great turnout.

Many thanks to everyone who provided Race Committee for all these races. None of these would have happened without your help. We've also had a couple of new faces show up to help with Race Committee. Welcome to Jeff Carota and Tom Matkov!

September is rather busy this year. September will see the last TNT on September 5th. Let's see if we can make this a really great turn out to bid farewell to summer. And of course, the Club Championship is on September 7th. That should be a great race. Who will be our Club Champion this year? Make sure that if your fleet has a competitor that you provide coverage for the Race Committee.



Grant Williams will be the PRO for this fun competition. From September 13th to 15th is the Soling PCCs with Finns and MC Scows providing Race Committee. Sunday racing continues with Bay Races on September 8 and Short Course on the 22nd.

October is shaping up to be very active as well. We start off with the Lido Invitational on October 5th and 6th with RC by the Snipes. The next weekend we host the SDAYC Luff-in on the 12th and 13th with RC by the Juniors. Also on the 13th are Bay Races with Solings providing RC and Short Course on the 20th with RC by the Thistles. We end the month on the 26th and 27th with the Snipe Knute Regatta with RC by the Lidos.

I would also like to extend a special thanks to all our scorers who turn out to support the races. Without them we would never know how the race came out! Anyone who would like to learn to score and help the RC in this vital task please contact Selby Winkler or me for training. See you at the Club!

**SAFETY NOTE** - If you need emergency assistance on the bay because of a collision, injury, high speed boat, etc., it is fastest to use the marine radio on channel 16 rather than calling 911. When you call 911 you have to

wait for the operator, then they have to transfer the call to the Mission Bay Lifeguards. If you call Mission Bay Lifeguards on marine channel 16, you will get an quick response and one of the patrol boats may be nearby and can respond more quickly. They can also dispatch other asserts (fire, police) directly.

When you call on the radio, say "Mission Bay Lifeguards, Mission Bay Lifeguards, this is (your boat name or Mission Bay Yacht Club) with emergency traffic on channel 16".

Do not say "MAYDAY" unless your boat is on fire or sinking or there is a life-threatening emergency on your boat.

Wait for Lifeguards to answer. Shift channels if they request.

Explain the emergency calmly and clearly (i.e. injury, collision, high speed boat, etc.) and give them the location (i.e. east of MBYC dock, at North Ingraham Street bridge, south of the Catamaran Hotel dock, etc.)

Make sure you let off the talk button when you are done speaking so they can answer.

Follow any instructions they give or additional information they request.

Be ready to respond to the Lifeguard boat if they need additional information or an update on where the problem is located.

**Photos by  
Martin Offenhauer**



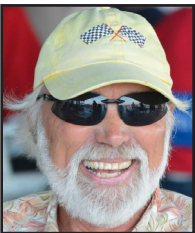


# One Design Regatta



## Victory Lap

by Dave Love



Summer 2019 for the Victory Fleet is in full-swing! Especially the TNT's which saw either a pair of Victory's or the Fleet on every TNT start line! After the 4th of July Fleet party and winning the Tower raffle (where much fun was had), thanks Doug!

We had John Killian, the Rollinson, Diepholtz, and Kammerer families travel to High Sierras and Victory Nationals at Lake Huntington where Joe Rollinson and his daughter Nicole won 4th place. Joe traveled to Chicago YC, where he crewed on a Rhoades 19, thanks to our adopted (MBYC sole Rhoades 19) Sailor, Tim Haines networking.

We just finished the perfect ocean conditions One-Design Regatta where Dave and Kim took 1st. Next up is the Dorsee Cup, the Coronado offshore battle between Convair Sailing Club, Torrey Pines Sailing Club, MBYC, and a Santa Barbara Victory owned by Dave Velez, who will soon make MBYC his home.

Back to TNT's, where "Old-Guy Trickery"; i.e. Mike Tabler, is leading in the points scoring, due to his; well..."Old-Guy Trickery" that

we just can't figure out. So far, this summer has been a blast! See you on the water! And that's a wrap....





The Racing Cruising Fleet Presents

The Endless Summer Party

# CHILI COOK OFF

Saturday, September  
21, 2019

Buffet begins 5:00pm

The Racing Cruising Fleet is inviting all individuals, (Members & Non-Members) fleets and organizations to find the BEST chili recipe! Enter your chili and compete for Prizes and Glory!

Prize Pool of \$150

Chili Entry Fee \$10.00 (per entry)

Entry Fee includes one Endless Summer Ticket.

All other attendees are required to purchase additional \$15 tickets in advance. Tickets go up to \$20 the day of the event.

Contact Alex Ray: [Raysreddog@cox.net](mailto:Raysreddog@cox.net) OR  
Bill Black: [BillBlacksd@gmail.com](mailto:BillBlacksd@gmail.com)



# *The Endless Summer*

# CHILI COOK OFF

## - GUIDELINES -

1. Contact Alex Ray at [raysreddog@cox.net](mailto:raysreddog@cox.net) or call Bill Black at (858) 243-4371 to confirm participation. Let him know if you are representing a fleet or group (one per group). It is very important as he needs to know how many tables to set up. You may also contact Cathy Anzuoni at (619) 971-6451.
2. Call the MBYC office to make your reservations for the Endless Summer Event. You will receive one free dinner as part of your entry. Call to reserve all other guests attending by September 20th for the \$15 adult fee. If you reserve after this date, will be required to pay the cost of \$20.00 per adult ticket, and \$10 per child.
3. You will be making your Chili at home and will transport it to the club. Please arrive between 2:45 pm to 3:15 pm, as the tasting begins promptly at 4:00 pm.
4. You may use a crock pot for your chili and there will be some electrical outlets available. Other options are using propane stoves or chafing dishes etc... If bringing a crock pot, bring an extension cord and an electric strip. You might want to bring an extra pot of chili to make sure you don't run out early.
5. You will be providing small servings to approximately 150 to 175 individuals. You should provide approximately 2 ounce servings. Please bring serving cups and spoons. The chili can be served in dixie cups or other small cups. Check on line, restaurant supply, Costco or Smart and Final.
6. Chili may be prepared any way you want it, with or without beans, ground beef, turkey, sausage, steak and assorted spices. If you already have a great Chili recipe, be prepared to make it. If you need ideas, google Chili Cook-off recipes etc. to help get you started.
7. Bring additional condiments if you want to enhance your chili. This can include shredded cheese, onions, peppers, hot sauces, chips/crackers, and other fun items to add to your sample. Providing shots of tequila or cerveza does not necessarily give you an advantage in judging, but it can't hurt!
8. Decorate your table and make it festive and unique. Name your "Chili" and dress the part. Be creative and have fun. Each table will be covered with a plain table cloth, but you may bring additional bright colored tablecloths. If you don't have time to decorate, don't worry. You are judged on the taste of your chili and we want you there!
9. Chili Tasting goes from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. During that time, there will be anonymous judges tasting your chili. Cash Awards will be given out at approximately 6:30.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT SIMPLY BY PARTICIPATING, YOU WILL MEET MANY OF OUR MEMBERS AND HAVE A GREAT TIME. THIS EVENT ENHANCES THE ENDLESS SUMMER FUNDRAISER! THANK YOU!**



# UPCOMING RACING @MBYC

Sept 7 - Club Championship Regatta  
 Sept 8 - Bay Races  
 Sept 13 thru 15 - Soling PCCs  
 Sept 14 thru 21 - Veterans Summer Sports Clinic  
 Sept 22 - Short Courses  
 Oct 5 & 6 - Lido Fall Invitational  
 Oct 12 & 13 - SDAYC Luff-In #3  
 Oct 13 - Bay Races  
 Oct 20 - Short Courses  
 Oct 26 & 27 - Snipe Nute Regatta

*\*complete calendar and additional information at mbyc.org*

# UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS @MBYC

Sept 2 - Labor Day  
 Sept 21 Endless Summer Party  
 Oct 5 Military Family Appreciation Day  
 Oct 12 - Ladies Luncheon

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# Lightning Strikes

**by Donna Collins**

**Jeff Coppens, comments about the Lightning mid August Master's & NAs at Buffalo Canoe Club:**

Larry Schmitz sailed in the Masters with very high wind that cancelled the racing one day, wind over 30 knots and the next started at 15 knots and built to 25 knots. Unfortunately could not keep the boat upright in the big breeze.

Bob Martin and I sailed in the NAs at the Buffalo Canoe Club which is definitely a very special place for the lightning class, basically an entire yacht club dedicated to lightning sailing. Many juniors are sailing lightning's also and coaches for Stanford and Coast Guard are here looking at kids for college teams. Home club for Allen Boat works and their factory is nearby in Buffalo. If you ever want to attend a North American event, this venue would be highly recommended.

**Bob Martin, more comments from the road:**

The Lightning North American Championship is a nearly week-long event with 72 entrants. It starts with 2 days of qualification races. The top 34 boats in the qualification races get to race for the NA Championship. The remaining boats race in the Presidential division. Two boats are participating from MBYC: Team Jeff Coppens and Team Bob Martin. Both Jeff's and Bob's teams qualified to sail in the Championship series.

Today, we sailed the first 3 races of the Championship series and the weather today took a dramatic turn. Rather than blowing from the typical southwest direction, the wind blew from the southeast. This made conditions very difficult, with huge differences in wind direction and pressure across the course. Consequently, almost everyone had a combination of good and bad races. For example, my team finished the day with scores of 25-4-4. Three more races are scheduled across Thursday and Friday. If six races are sailed, there will be a throw out.

The host yacht club, the Buffalo Canoe Club, is centered on racing Lightning's. The facility and the racing venue are fantastic. It's great to see so many people, including a very active junior contingent, racing these wonderful boats.

On the home front, we hope you enjoyed some tasty ice cream sponsored by the Lightning fleet on "Lightning Sundae". We hope to make this an annual calendar event; it is our small way to give back to the club and its members somethin' sweet to make your day just that much better.



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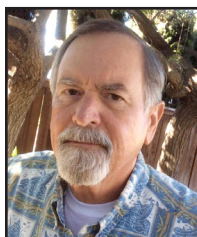




Is it my imagination or has this summer been milder than usual? Sure, we've had some warm days; however, I don't think we've had many opportunities to complain about the heat. You, know, "OMG, when will it end?" Not this year. Especially here at our beautiful club. The marine effect has been a good friend.

Not that warm isn't good. In August, we enjoyed a toasty trip to Phoenix, a family visit. That'll warm you up all over. I like that too. But you do have to adjust. Take it easy and all. What a beautiful state. There's something very special about the great Sonoran Desert. We're all lucky to have it as such a close neighbor.

After cancelling the August Power Fleet meeting, our next get together is scheduled for Friday Sept 13. Please take a chance and join us for that meeting. You may have heard, there is a movement afoot to merge the Power and Racing & Cruising Fleets. Conceptual at this stage, it was discussed at the July meetings for both fleets. Feel



free to share your thoughts with me, Doug Brady or Bill Black, or bring them to the meeting. We hope to have had a "committee" meeting by that time; so, we may have progress to report.

I'd like to recognize the efforts of Ken Wild and all those that helped him with the picnic table project. A few guys and gals kept their nose to the grindstone, finishing this majorly big deal in a little over a week. My thanks to the Power Fleet members that also helped. Nick Muller and I helped for a single day, having a great time meeting new people and enjoying the progress made that day. I tip my hat to those that sacrificed clothing to the god of Red Paint. I hope, elsewhere in this issue a list of participants is shared. Again, thanks to them all.

Racing and Cruising will hold their annual

Endless Summer / Chile Cook-off Party on Saturday September 21st. Please plan to attend this always fun event. Do you have what it takes to win a Chile cook-off? Only one way to find out. Give it a shot. If not, there'll be plenty of pots to sample. Spend a dime, come on down and join the party.

In October we have two civic events planned. On Saturday, October 5th, the Club will hold its annual Military Family Appreciation Day, offering a day at the beach, lunch, and entertainment for these deserving service families. Volunteers are needed. You'll have a fun time too.

The Power Fleet is the sponsor for the annual Foster Kids Day, scheduled for Sunday, October 20th. This event provides a day at the beach, boat rides, and other fun for foster kids, mostly siblings that are separated for most of the year. Think of it as facilitating a reunion and showing the kids a good time as well. Volunteers are also needed for this event. Please contact Chuck Weber if you can help in any way.

Is it too early to mention the Annual Fish Fry? Hope not. It is scheduled for Saturday, November 9th. Great food and cheerful company are guaranteed. Please start thinking of donating an item or two to be included in the gift baskets and raffle items. If last year is any indication, there will be lots of interesting, bid worthy, items to choose from. Mark your calendars now.

Until our next issue, keep enjoying our beautiful club and be safe on the water. Cheers!

## Adult Sailing Classes

Sailing program designed to meet your needs. Our coaches are US Sailing certified and we have classes to suit your busy schedule.

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Classes will be taught in a Capri 22 to add comfort and stability to the class. Call us, email, or stop by MBYC to ask questions. We welcome your interest.

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If you are interested in taking the adult sailing class, contact the Junior Sailing Office today by calling 858.488.0501 or emailing us at [juniors@mbyc.org](mailto:juniors@mbyc.org)

Registration will be live soon so stay posted for updates!!

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by Steve Stroebel

For MBYC's Ocean One Design Regatta in August, the wind was light but the competition was intense within the fleet of seven F18's. Saturday provided very light winds out of the south which had the left side of the course favored most of the time. Good starts were critical to be able to head left in clear wind. At the end of Saturday, James Orkins/Clement Maestri had a strong lead with 4 point followed by Scott Miller/Treat Bedford who were tied with Travis Vetter/Emily Allina for second place. Laser sailors were commenting on how fast we were sailing in the light wind but we all felt that we were going so slow.

On Sunday the wind continued light but returned to a normal westerly so some breeze filled in but we never trapezed and our boat only once got a hull out of the water. Close starts with several individual recalls made the racing exciting and the leads were changing. Final results after winning two races on

Sunday and one throw-out put Scott Miller/Treat Bedford in first place, with a 3-way tie on points for second place which James Orkins/Clement Maestri won due to two first place finishes on Saturday. The other teams part of the point tie were Travis Vetter/Emily Allina and Steve Stroebel/Michael Risoer.

Speaking of Travis, the multihull fleet will be losing one of its stalwart fleet members since Travis will be moving to Madrid, Spain shortly taking on a new job. We wish Travis the best and hopefully will see him back in San Diego in the future. Unfortunately Travis needs to sell his boat so one of the best boats in the fleet is for sale if anyone wants to join in the MH fleet fun.

The F18 North American Championships will be held on Lake St Clair near Detroit, Michigan in mid September and MBYC will be represented by Steve Stroebel and Michael Risoer.



## Laser Beam

by Mark Young

MBYC Laser sailors have been busy traveling to regatta and training venues. In July, 4 MBYC boats competed in a fleet of 30 at the Masters Nationals at Monterey Bay – won by Doug Hart in breezy and shifty conditions. A few weeks later, Doug Seeman and Dave Leuck finished 2nd and 4th, respectively, at the Masters PCCs in Oregon. Meanwhile, Marcus Huttunen was finishing well in the Gold Fleet of the Youth World Championships at Kingston Ontario. Congratulations Doug H, Doug S, Dave and Marcus!

Last August I wrote about the dog days of summer, feeling like we would never see any breeze again in San Diego. Well, the dog days are BACK in full swing but didn't diminish the enthusiasm of Laser sailors as the largest fleet in MBYC One Design Regatta. We had 15 boats comprised of seven locals and eight visitors from Phoenix, Park City, and Long Beach. Paul Didham, back in town during a break from his Olympic campaign, showed off his training and won the event with five 1st place

finishes, followed closely by Dave Leuck, Ty Beach, and Jamie Moran. Nice to see everyone turn out for this event.

Keep in mind our continuing effort to get out for practice sessions, both on the bay and ocean. These sessions undoubtedly are paying off and making our own fleet better at home and away! Upcoming local events are the Singlehanded Series (Sept 1), SDYC Olympic Class Regatta (Sept 6-8), our own Club Championship (Sept 7), and Short Course Series (Sept 22).

Finally, I'll leave you with an inspired description of dismasting at the ISA Training Week in Oregon, reminiscent of Longfellow's 'Wreck of the Hesperus'...

*'...the Radial base broke at the tang broad reaching in 25 knots. Puff came in, shoulders back to the deck, boat carves downhill. Then softness and light. Everything got quiet as the sail floated down to the water...' Clay 'Wadsworth' Karmel, Aug 2019*



## Lido Lines

by Chris Dorociak

The Lido Fleet sailed through summer. July brought strong winds and great competition. We've had up to eight boats on the water for Sunday races and up to six for TNTs. Several racers have contested the top spots in our fleet championship series, meanwhile newer racers have been improving dramatically. Socializing after sailing has been a great way for our fleet to come together. You'll see the group catching up and sharing stories on the MBYC patio, an ideal setting for a Sunday afternoon or Thursday evening.

The Lidos designate a champion through a series of spring and summer races, including Bay Races, Short Courses, and TNTs. We would like to congratulate skipper Ty Beach as 2019 Lido Feet Champion. Ty is sailing with wife and crew Sara Beach in the MBYC Club Championship. Ty and Sara joined our fleet about two years ago. Ty grew up sailing a Lido but

was (and still is) competing in a Laser. Sara joined him as crew for the Lido with no racing experience. She has taken to racing very quickly and has also participated in several clinics. Together, Ty and Sara sail with great boat speed. We are cheering them on!

If you're looking for a fun weekend of sailing, the Lido Fall Invitational is October 5 and 6. This is one of two invitational regattas that the Lido Fleet hosts. Our competitors represent what makes the Lido a great boat. We run multiple fleets, ranging from national champions to novice racers. Each fleet will be competitive in its own way. Similar to our weekend races, everyone gets together for food and drinks after racing. Please join us and spread the word. Contact Alaura Dorociak, Regatta Chair, for details ([artbrbs@gmail.com](mailto:artbrbs@gmail.com)).



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# U.S. Sailing Youth Match Race Championship for the Rose Cup

**By Marianna Shand**

The U.S. Sailing Youth Match Race Championship for the Rose Cup began the day after the U.S. Sailing Youth Championship in New Jersey. As soon as I got off the plane on June 26th I headed straight to SDYC, who hosted the event. June 26th was the day for weigh-in, registration, and practice racing. June 27th was a clinic run by Dave Perry. The actual racing began on June 28th and ran through June 30th. Skippers must first apply for an invitation to sail in this event, and the committee selects the top ten skippers to attend.

Our team was on the light side; so much so that we ate full meals before the weigh in. One of our teammates, Patrick Mulcahy (jib trimmer) was still eating his burrito and drinking his soda as they were weighing him on the scale. Dave Perry laughed and took a picture of that one. The total weigh in cannot exceed 650 lbs. Our team was obviously under that amount, so it was no problem for us. But there were other teams that had to go to extreme measures like strenuous gym sessions, sauna sweat-offs, and fasting to get there.

We raced in J22s, with a four-person crew. I sailed this event with the same team I sailed with in last year's Rose Cup in New York: Ansgar



and Soenke Jordan and Patrick Mulcahy (skipper, main trimmer and jib trimmer, respectively). I did bow. The venue was right in front of the Star of India in the Bay (awesome for spectators), and the wind was about 5-10 knots every day.

Starting off the event we did very well, and only lost one race the whole round robin. Leaving day one we were in second place. Therefore the next day in the quarter finals we would be paired up against the 7th place boat, Porter Killian.

Day two did not go so well for us; Porter beat us three out of five races, and went on to the winners bracket while we went into the losers bracket. This meant that the best we could get was fifth place. Our next matches would be the best of three, instead of the best of five. We won our next match against the Richmond team, which set us up for the next day where we raced for fifth against Sidney Gathrid and his team. Sidney got the best of us and won the fifth place spot, leaving us in sixth.

Last year we placed third and were hoping to do better, but that's match racing - not everything goes so smoothly all the time. Next year we will come back stronger than ever, with our burritos in hand.

Thank you to my team: Ansgar, Soenke, Patrick, and to JIB, for your support for this event.



## Sailing at the US Youth Championship

**By Diego Escobar**

The flags atop the masthead of Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club rustled vehemently in the air as the sun beamed down the immaculate beach town of Beach Haven, NJ. Here, over 150 sailors would gather to compete in what US Sailing calls the "premier youth sailing event" of the country. Unlike other youth events each sailor had earned their way to this event and thus, they all knew what was at stake. From Hawaii, to Maine, and even as far as the U.S. Virgin Islands, sailors had been selected for this event by the US Sailing Selection Committee, which reviewed the resumes of sailors to only select the very best in the country. Also, sailors had come about to sail at this event by having top scoring results at major regattas to be pre-

qualified for a shot at the youth championship.

In the Laser Radial Fleet, which I competed in, 40 respectable boats lined up on the line in Little Egg Harbor. The forecast for the event was for breeze ranging from 8-18 knots for the entirety of the event. Thus, without lack of wind, the warning signal for the first race of the regatta was off at 1200 on a pleasant Saturday afternoon. Day 1 on the event tested a sailor's knack for adaptation. With wind speeds ranging from 5-16 knots out of a shifty Westerly offshore breeze, those who managed to react first to shifts and sail in more pressure would come out ahead at the finish line. By the end of the first day and 3 races scored, I was in second overall in the standings. Come day 2 conditions changed to a much more stable conditions with a strong 15-18 knot seabreeze. It was a drag race of who could hike the



# Juniors in Boating Application

## c420 North American Championships 2019

**By Ximena Escobar**

The cool San Francisco breeze blows strong in the boatyard of St. Francis Yacht Club, creating the tune of lines and halyards hitting the masts of the club 420. With a steady wind of 18- 24 knots, ripping current, and substantial chop, c420 North American was an event to challenge one's endurance and resilience. Ninety-three boats on the starting line, from both coasts of the United States and Canada, competed for the trophy. My skipper, Aidan Hoogland and I were able to qualify for gold fleet and place 39th out of 47 gold boats, given it was not our best performance.

Sailing out the first day, we had high hopes of placing in the top fifteen of gold fleet. Unfortunately, things didn't go as planned. As we rounded the windward mark in 7th place, our first gybe ended up with us swimming in the icy water of the city front. I remember being in complete shock as I came up for air out of the water. My first instinct was to get the boat upright, and that is when I ran into my first challenge. As I hail to my skipper that we must hurry to make the best of this race, he mentions that he has to take a break because he is too tired at the moment. I felt extremely discouraged then. I suddenly realized that we both had different mindsets and our goals were not the same. I wanted to compete to do the best I could and from my skipper's attitude, it seemed like he was just along for the experience. Throughout the rest of the regatta, it was a battle keeping my skipper's spirits up, but I've learned how to deal with other people and how to work as a team.

One of the most valuable lessons learned throughout the event was communication. In any situation, the first thing that we didn't do was communicate the plan and what each person in the boat would have to do. We quickly learned that the teams that did communicate better were winning races and having a much better time out on the water. It not only helped our sailing but improved our relationship as a team and we sorted out our goals for the rest of the regatta. On the last day, we were able to come together and had our best race.

For the remainder of the year, I hope to attend the Orange Bowl Regatta in Florida, where I can practice my heavy wind crewing and hopefully do much better. In addition, I plan on attending the local Perry Series and possibly skipper some of them so I can widen my skill set. J.I.B. is immensely helpful in making all of my sailing endeavors possible, which continues to help me grow as a sailor and as a person.

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hardest and surf the best and I squeaked away with another solid 3 races however fell down to 3rd by a few points. The last two days were raced in medium 8-13 knot winds with oscillatory and stable conditions. A combination of bad tactical decision making and impatience led to a few deep races which had me finish the event off in 5th. A respectable position, but nonetheless a little heartbreaking to see myself fall from a strong start. If anything, it helped me realize my weaknesses and improve upon my strengths, which gave me the confidence to come back next year with more hunger for the national title. This whole experience would not have been possible without the help of my parents, my coach at home, Doug Hart, and JIB, for continuously supporting my sailing endeavors as I seek to advance in the sport.

# The 2019 Laser Worlds

**By Paul Didham**

The 2019 Laser World Championship was hosted in Sakaiminato Japan. The city is located on the west coast of Japan facing the Sea of Japan. This event was not only the World Championship, but it was also the first part of the US 2020 Olympic Trials for the Laser. I went into the event after a week of training feeling confident in the amount of work I put in over the past couple of months.

From January as well as leading into the worlds I had the opportunity to train with Chris Barnard, a senior member on the US sailing team, as well as receive coaching support from US Sailing. My main goal of the event was to finish the 3rd American. In addition, I wanted to gain experience competing in the Olympic Trials. If the conditions would have been the same as the training days, I believe I would have been able to achieve the first goal, but as things would have it the regatta served up different conditions. This coupled with two big mistakes on the first day resulted in a poor performance.

After six days of racing, I finished the first part of the 2020 Olympic trials in 6th. Although I am disappointed in my world's performance, I am wise enough to know that it just wasn't my week. To begin with the first day, we had conditions where I could have performed well, but I ended up with a yellow flag at the start of the first race and then a black flag on the second start (Starting penalty). This was not an ideal way to start a six-day event, let alone the Olympic Trials.

The next two days we had big waves and big breeze. As far as weaknesses go, this is a big one. I did not have the speed I needed to be competitive. After three days the damage was done. During the final series we had moderate breeze with a large ocean swell, and I was able to post some good scores. In addition, I used the final series to work on different skills such as winning the pin. I ended up having the 5th best final series, in my fleet out of 52 boats, with the majority of my scores below 13th for the last 6 races. I believe this reflects progress; last year I struggled putting up a good score in the final series. Now I can consistently race at a higher level.

For the rest of the summer I will be training in San Diego before I move up to Long Beach to continue to train as well as study at California State University Long Beach. My next big event will be the College Singlehanded Championship in November, so I will have plenty of time to improve on my weaknesses. I would like to thank Mission Bay Yacht Club for their continued support. It was an honor to represent MBYC at the World Championship, and I look forward to continuing to represent MBYC as I build towards my 2024 Olympic Campaign.

# Oakcliff Sailing Center

**By Sam Merson**

I recently attended my first 49er training camp at Oakcliff Sailing Center in Oyster Bay, New York. There were twelve other 49er/FXs with ranging experience along with five of the best coaches in the country which is incredibly rare. During this two-week camp we had a range of conditions from a couple of days with not a breath a wind resulting in lots of chalk talks, to days in the high teens with beautiful steady breeze.

This was my first major training camp against other 49ers that are starting to build their foundation for an Olympic campaign. It was one of the most productive camps I have attended. This was due to the ease of getting out on the water with the environment Oakcliff provided and the unheard-of level of coaching with five of the best coaches in the country all working together to give us a jump start into a new class. This would normally take beginning teams months of training to accomplish. My crew and I were able to dial in our boat handling quickly with the fine tuning critique of our high level coaches, and learned more than we could have anywhere else about tuning these very delicate, skinny, fully carbon fiber rigs that take years to learn.

This event helped us prepare for our first 49er regatta which will be CORK OCR (Olympic class regatta) in the third week of August. To further prepare for this regatta we spent a few weeks in San Francisco and Long Beach training with the Olympic hopefuls in the FX and US 49er squad. The start to building a foundation for a campaign is very expensive as one doesn't have as many credentials to fundraise off of and so JIB helping start this track will allow me to get my foot in the door to hopefully enter the Olympic stage.





# Racing Cruising

by Bill Black & Doug Brady

The fleet has had a fun and busy summer... We started with a fun Dinghy Poker Run Saturday July 13th, we had a total of (8) Dinghy's with 19 Participants; Congrats to Bobby and Missy Chaplin for the winning hand and big money winner. Also thanks to Doug Brady and Will Blozan for helping out.

Our Annual Catalina Cruise held July 27 to August 11th was a huge success. We had a total of 33 Boats visiting the Two Harbors area over a two week period. I want to thank the Teele Family and Krieb Family for sponsoring the Ice Cream Social on the Island. The island adventures included Fleet Picnics and Dinghy Parties. I would also like to thank Hugh Vanderspek, Mark Haigler and Alex Ray for handling the morning "Net" every morning at 0900.

Please mark your Calendar for September 21st; this is our Annual Endless Summer / Chili Cook-off on the beach of our club. This is always a good time with a Chili Tasting followed by live music on the sand. Sign up for the Chili Cook-off either at the club office or contact Bill Black or Alex Ray at [billblacksd@gmail.com](mailto:billblacksd@gmail.com) or cell 858-243-4371.

See you at the Club... Bill & Doug (Fleet Co-Captains)







# Thistle Patch

by Mike Poltorak

The San Diego Area Thistle Fleet #13 was well represented at the 2019 Thistle Class National Championships. Our fleet sent two boats (Daddy's Mistress and Little Devil) on a double stack to the very northern area of the Idaho Panhandle in the resort town of Sandpoint, Idaho. Team MBYC, AKA Team Poltorak had been busy refurbishing ye old double rig. With the assistance of FE Trailers in Lakeside (high recommendation for the work they provided) the trailer was assembled and with optimism and prayers the team loaded up and headed north.

I was very pleased that the boats, the vehicle and the crew all made it intact, and without incident. Miranda Poltorak (#3666 Little Devil) picked an amazing venue to skipper in her first Class Nationals. She had John Lucas (former owner of her boat and MBYC member) and Sergio Delgado (Mindy's boyfriend) sailing with her. They had a blast and accomplished two major goals of 1. not finishing last, and 2. having a great time. Michael Poltorak

and his middle daughter Mindy were joined by Karin Lucas (former owner of Miranda's boat). They had a fantastic time and enjoyed the beauty that Lake Pend Oreille (pronounced Pond-e-ray) had to offer. Both boats were supported by their shore crew, Belen and Margaret Poltorak.

The lake was breathtakingly beautiful with the water's edge bordered by a continuous majestic pine forest. The conditions had us on our toes with wind velocities fluctuating from 3-5 knots during some races, and then having storm influences providing some heavy air sailing with sustained winds in the 18-23 knot range. We had some races with reported gusts of up to 29 knots. There were many capsizes, and some wise competitors simply stayed ashore for some of the heavy air racing. We were joined by many old friends, including former MBYC member Chris Gedrose and his crew of local Thistlers, Cesar Romero and Moni Lampe. A big shout out and congratulations to club member Steven Leuck who crewed for Paul Abdullah from Florida. They finished 3rd overall!!! The regatta was a great experience and further reinforced our desire to go to travelling regattas.

On the local front, the Thistlers have been regularly coming out for the TNT's and enjoying all that MBYC has to offer. We still have a fleet boat and welcome anyone with interest to come check out these great classic boats.



*Miranda Poltorak on Little Devil (3666) and Michael Poltorak on Daddy's Mistress (3410) at Thistle Nationals*



*Team MBYC at Thistle Nationals (from Left to Right), John Lucas, Sergio Delgado, Miranda Poltorak, Margaret Poltorak, Belen Poltorak, Michael Poltorak, Mindy Poltorak, Karin Lucas.*







# CFJ Nationals

Photos  
by Judy  
Tillson



2019 MRYC CFJ National Championship



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Special Report

# Sailing to the South Pacific

By Terrie Canon



When embarking on a great adventure, of course everyone anticipates growth in your character and soul. The funny part is that I have grown in ways I did not anticipate. Being at sea for 23 days sailing from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico to Hiva Oa, Marquesas Islands, French Polynesia gives you plenty of time to think about what is important in life. Its right here, our family, friends, loved ones, our tribe, it is the simple things.

A few highlights, as we are all sailors and sea stories can get big!! The climate crisis did cause us challenges, as we were waiting in Mexico for the high between Hawaii and California to enable the trade winds down south to carry us across the Pacific Ocean. It was a long month having the boat ready hearing weather updates and other boats just seemed to leave whenever. Finally, we loaded up with fuel and sailed to the Socorro Islands 300 miles off Mexico to wait a few days for the breeze to fill in. I spent my birthday snorkeling with reef sharks and many beautiful colorful fish. After snorkeling we cleaned the bottom before our long journey and we saw a good size bull shark circle the boat 4 times and we stared from the safety of our deck in amazement.

Preparing mentally for a 3200 mile ocean crossing with a crew of three was interesting. I was not worried about living on a boat that many days; as I knew I could do that. It was hard for me to look at charts before we left to realize just how far we were sailing. For me, I sailed a few hundred miles at a time, just kept on making

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progress, 150-180 miles a day. In my mind, being in the middle of the ocean looks no different than being out of sight of land offshore as I was simply at sea. The funny part, when we arrived in Hiva Oa and I would awake I would try and see the instruments and stand watch. Twice when I saw land I was startled and thought we were going to hit something as I was not accustomed to seeing land.

On one of my night watches it started with winds in the 20's and it was predicted to get lighter, it did not. After 2.5 hours of driving I could feel the boat getting a little squirrely. I called Sterling, our crew on standby for assistance. He woke up and started assessing the situation. The funny part was he thought I was so calm. Our conversation went like this: Sterling: "What's up?" Terrie: "Winds sustained 25-27. What do you need? I don't know? Do you want me to drive? Yes, that would be nice; I'm tired, maybe 10 minutes? He hops on the wheel and quickly braces himself. Terrie you've been surfing!! How long have you been driving like this?" The waves moved aft in the darkness of the night. We quickly reefed the main and jib to make our ride a little calmer. Keeping the boat safe was our primary goal as being this far offshore assistance of any kind is 24 to 72 hours away.

I am officially a shellback as we crossed the equator at 4:00 am in the dark. Of course we all awoke for our ceremony. Captain Chris started with gifts to King Neptune followed by a bucket of water on him. At that time, first mate, Sterling was asked to speak for King Neptune. He jumped off the back of the boat to swim at sea. After this it was my turn, Sterling announced that King Neptune asked that I jump



off the bow of the boat and swim between the catamaran hulls. I was quite nervous and not sure I could do it. He chased me to the bow with his trident, of course we were both laughing. As my toes curled the edge of the bow I had one choice, a big cannon ball and swim fast!! I saw many dinoflagellates or small jellyfish glowing in the water and quickly boarded the boat.

My favorite watch was the end of the night into sunrise. I saw 3+ shooting stars a night, the Southern Cross rise and set, and more stars than I could ever imagine. Before sunrise the stars start disappearing, and then the sky starts to

light up, and then the sunrise amidst huge puffy squall clouds, and the sea as far as the eye can see, and then a brief burst of cold for 10 minutes. That is sunrise at sea.

It was truly a life changing adventure. The sea life was amazing, I saw turtles, dolphins, reef sharks, manta rays flying in the air, and many colorful reef fish. In the middle of the ocean there were only flying fish and gulls. I hope to visit the French Polynesia again in a few years. It's truly beautiful, many wonderful places to visit including the Marquesas, Tuamotus, Moorea, Tahiti and the Society Islands.







# Sabot Scene

by Bob Henderson

Once upon a time, Dave and Barbara Watry were the proud owners of two classic Brian Thomas Sabots. One of their boats has become the property of Dave's namesake, David Hochart, son of Staff Commodore Charlie Hochart. The other boat is now in the hands of Dave Watry (Jr). David and Charlie just completed a total restoration of the Sabot in time for the Hochart's grandson, Michael, to skipper # 7675 in the most recent Dutch Shoe Marathon. Age 11, Michael traveled all the way from Hawaii to race, finishing 5th in his division and 12th overall out of 195 competitors! The other Sabot is also nearing restoration by Dave Watry Jr. and should soon be ready for his children to sail. Dave Sr. would be pleased.



Following last year's cancellation of the Sabot Scramble, considerable effort was made to ensure a revival for 2019. With valuable input and staffing assistance from the MBYC Junior Program and many Senior Sabot Fleet members, Judy Newton chaired a very successful event this year. The Tilson family dynasty managed to sweep the top three spots in the Parent-Child division, with Barbie and Paige taking the cherished Apache Trophy. Sharon Brown picked up 1st place in Women's B, earning her the Gillitzer Trophy. John Movius provided surf music with singers Judy Westlake, Mary Makey, Pat Henderson and Gerri Moncilovich.

Our annual July 4th fleet meeting/ BBQ was really memorable this year. In celebration of Pat Whitcraft's birthday, we were treated to a live band and enhanced beverage service. Holding the event in the new Fleet Room really added some special ambiance to go along with all the great food. In August, the quadruple birthday celebration for Grant Williams, Mike Howe, Ken Wild and Charlie Hochart features a musical salute by the ukulele ensemble of Mary Mackey, Serena Hanby, Barbara Hochart and Suzie Borzage.

Congratulations to Team Serena for their recent first place in the inaugural World Synchronized Sabot Sailing competition. A real display of precision sailing in close formation with hair raising choreography at every turn! No doubt the big name sponsors like Geritol and Miralax will soon come knocking to put this event on national TV. Stay tuned for more crazy Senior Sabot events like relay races, obstacle courses, etc.

If you haven't been coming out for the Sunday Funday races you've not only been missing some good racing but also the chocolate rewards and fantastic "fruit pizza" creations by Ruth Jones -- yum yum.



**MBYC Ladies Lunch Presents  
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Brandon McDonald began his quest to help the disadvantaged while employed as a teacher in Chicago's notorious south side. In 2013 he became Operations Manager at WSWA, an all volunteer association. Members help with survival needs and advocate on a collective level to help each other throughout the entire County of San Diego. Formed in 1977, WSWA has a year round, free- of -charge, self help benefit program plus seasonal cost-savings plans. Come and learn about this amazing organization!

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