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Commodore Comments

by Bill Sweeney

In light of all the strange things that have made 2020 so challenging, Mission Bay Yacht Club continues to thrive and carry on. Our Club is managing to remain financially sound. Our members have managed to get back on their boats both competitively and leisurely. The Junior Program has provided yet another amazing experience for our younger sailors. The Club staff has made our grounds, galley and equipment remain in top condition and available for us all to enjoy.

As state and local health restrictions continue to be in place, it is now clear that most events that are usually scheduled for the remainder of the year will be at risk of being canceled. Please continue to check the Club calendar as posted on our web site or check with the office for status on any upcoming events. This is a good spot to commend our membership for their continued effort to support the local restrictions while at the Club. Face masks, social distancing and boating with only household members has become a way of life at Mission Bay Yacht Club and it is truly being appreciated by all of us.

Our friends at SDAYC have been very active in working with the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to “knock some sense” into them regarding boating with non-household members. There has been some progress in creating awareness and justification for allowing safe multi-hand boating with non-household members. The MBYC Board of Directors have been working with other local yacht clubs in supporting SDAYC’s efforts. Stay tuned to their progress as we have great faith they will prevail.

MBYC welcomed Paula Ganley-Gales and her family as she presented a beautiful perpetual

trophy for the annual Gales Regatta. Staff Commodores Edna Johnson and Ken Wild joined Vice Commodore Gene Ratliffe, Fleets Captain Kathy Dryden, Membership Chair Dave Tillson and me in the Junior Building as we accepted the trophy from the Gales family. We are always pleased to celebrate the legend and leadership that Bob Gales brought to our Club.



While we anxiously move the Club forward with an absolute focus on safety and the well-being of our members, we must continue to adhere to local food and beverage service guidelines. This has been difficult for everyone involved and will only get better. The Club does have limited take-away food and bar service available. The Board of Directors has determined that the \$300 annual Food & Beverage minimum fee will be waived through the end of the 2020.

Recently there has been an abundance of excess fuel, rags, containers and batteries left in the used oil area near the boneyard. We are not allowed to simply dispose of the toxic waste that is being left at the Club. Our staff is stuck taking the toxic waste to city and county approved disposal locations. This is not the responsibility of MBYC staff. Please dispose of your own toxic waste and do not assume our staff is expected to do this for you. There is a barrel for your used coolant and oil, period.

The next few months are some of the best of the year in San Diego. Most visitors have gone back home. Our school aged kids are supposed to be back in school. The weather remains “San Diego awesome” for us to enjoy. The water continues to welcome us. Come on down to the Club. It belongs to all of us and should be enjoyed year-round.





Secretary Treasurer Report

by Steve Cooper

By now it seems everyone has settled in to our "new normal" as the Covid response continues. Life at the club has also adjusted, and members have figured out how to make the most of it.

With the hot summer, our beach has been full of families enjoying the great location. The winds have been nice and a lot of people are sailing.



And the bigger yachts enjoyed a great outing to Catalina.

The juniors had a great summer program and many are continuing with our fall programs.

We're still not doing large events at the club, and somehow that seems to provide a more peaceful environment. The staff is having an outstanding year, and the club is in great shape.

Despite the Covid restrictions, we've seen a flurry of new members this summer, as more and more people appreciate having a local place to go to and enjoy. The club now has a record number of members. The high membership plus some early cost-cutting has allowed to club to continue to be financially strong.

Some things are clearly different, but in many ways the club is still a great place. See you at the club and out on the water.



Vice Commodore Comments

by Gene Ratliffe

The Cruising Fleet organized a great Catalina trip and my family joined the group for the first week aboard our 1978 Tartan 30 Seamist. Our trip up by the way of Dana Point and our return trip saw really good sailing conditions and we made good time....for an old sailboat. Relaxing in Cherry Cove, snorkeling, hiking, and dinghy happy hours were all just what the doctor



ordered!

I've made a couple more Tuesday Night Sabot races and a TNT in the snipe so far this summer and love the fact we are able to keep sailing through the COVID19 times and I am trying to make it more often. If you haven't made it yet I highly recommend it. Thank you to all the volunteers who keep things going.

Club staff continue to chip away at cool projects and keep things running smoothly. Recent examples include new lighting on the north lawn and new flooring in the Scoring room and Chef's office.

We are rapidly approaching the time of year where we work on committees. If you have skills and interests in any of these areas please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Volunteers are a key part of MBYC's success.



Junior Coordinator Report

by Todd Henderson

I guess Summer is officially over and its back to school...kind of.

Our summer program was a huge hit, selling out all of the classes and most with waiting lists! A huge kudos to Chris Wright and all of his coaches for adapting to a constantly changing rule book. We staggered start times, had a variety of staging areas with fantastic results and juniors and parents.



Our program was such a hit that we tweaked the upcoming "after school" program to accommodate a slew of new laser sailors and other single-handed juniors once they are done with their studies, wherever they may take place. If you didn't get a chance to register for these sessions, please contact the junior office to see if there is availability.

We continue to keep up with the most current County of San Diego public health directives to ensure our compliance and most importantly, safeguarding the health and wellbeing of our juniors, coaches, and the general membership.

We are still optimistic and look forward to a healthy Fall for all of our junior sailors. Please check the Juniors website and social media postings for the latest news as it relates to our wonderful programs.



Rear Commodore Comments

by Jim Day

As the summer is winding down I look back on the last few months and how we have all dealt with balancing the use of the club and the pandemic. I think majority of us have done a great job in these difficult times. Our staff and management have done a great job of being creative so we can still enjoy the club and its many services and amenities in these strange times. I can't thank our management and staff enough for all they have done. If you see them around the club please reach out and say "thank you" it will mean a lot to them.



and repaired and will continued to be worked on during the fall. A lot of work goes into the upkeep of these boats so they look and function good let's help keep it that way. If you are using a club boat for a club event please take the time to clean it and leave it in good shape after each use and please be careful not to bang up the boats they are essential to the club and belong to all of us (pride of ownership). They also represent the club for many national events held here so let's keep them looking good.

I was able to bring my boat over for the Catalina Cruise for 10 days. It turned out to a great

time and many in our club participated in the cruise. Thanks to all that helped organize the cruise it was great. When on land in Two Harbors Catalina mask were required and most everyone complied and everything ran smooth. On the topic of masks we are required to wear masks when walking around the club. Most people have been in compliance but with the warm/hot weather I have noticed some members/guests not complying. Please help by complying with this county/city mandate and keep everyone feeling safe. Like most all of you, I look forward to getting back to normalcy (hoping sooner than later).

Enjoy the rest of your summer!





Port Captain Report

by Chuck Weber

Vessel Registration, Documentation, and Insurance

The two-year California vessel registration renewal was due by January 1st. If you have not already done so, please promptly forward a copy of your 2021 Vessel Registration to the Club office and place the decals on your boats. Thanks to all the boat owners who have complied with the club requirements and provided current copies of marine liability insurance and vessel registration or documentation. Please continue to provide current copies of, registration, documentation, and insurance with a minimum of \$300,000 marine liability insurance with fuel and other spill liability, and naming MBYC as additional insured party. Remember that your slip fees will double if you fail to provide current documents.

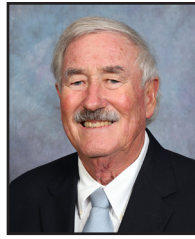
Underway Policy – Deadline December 31st

We all had a slow start this year with club and bay shutdowns, but we are back to having fun on the water now. As a reminder, every boat assigned to and kept in a wet slip or dry storage space must 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 every twelve months, traveling under its own power, and with the Member on board. This activity must be verified and documented by the Port Captain or Assistant Port Captains, General Manager or Waterfront Director, a member of the Board of Directors, a Fleet Captain, or our Front Office Staff, and can be satisfied by participation in the Opening Day Raft Up, TNT events, Parade of Lights, Catalina Cruise, Military Family Day, a trip to the MBYC Front Dock, or similar activities. Please get your boats out on the water and document this activity.

Vessel and Trailer Storage

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 for temporary mooring and we make effort to make space available on a temporary basis to our club members.

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.



Boat Partnership Rules

Rules governing slip assignments and partnership arrangements can be found on page 89 of the 2020 Club Directory and are summarized here:

- All co-owners must be club members
- The slip assignment and billing will remain with the original owner
- Co-owner must be on the Wait List
- Insurance, registration/documentation must include names of all co-owners
- All co-owners must demonstrate active participation in the operation and use of the vessel.
- Annual statement, signed by all co-owners must be submitted to the office

If you are involved in a partnership or co-owner arrangement, or considering such an arrangement, please review this information and take appropriate action. The intended purpose is to permit equitable progression on the waiting list of those members awaiting wet or dry slip assignments and to preclude members from entering into simulated joint ownership agreements for the purpose of circumventing this equitable progression.

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

Assistance

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

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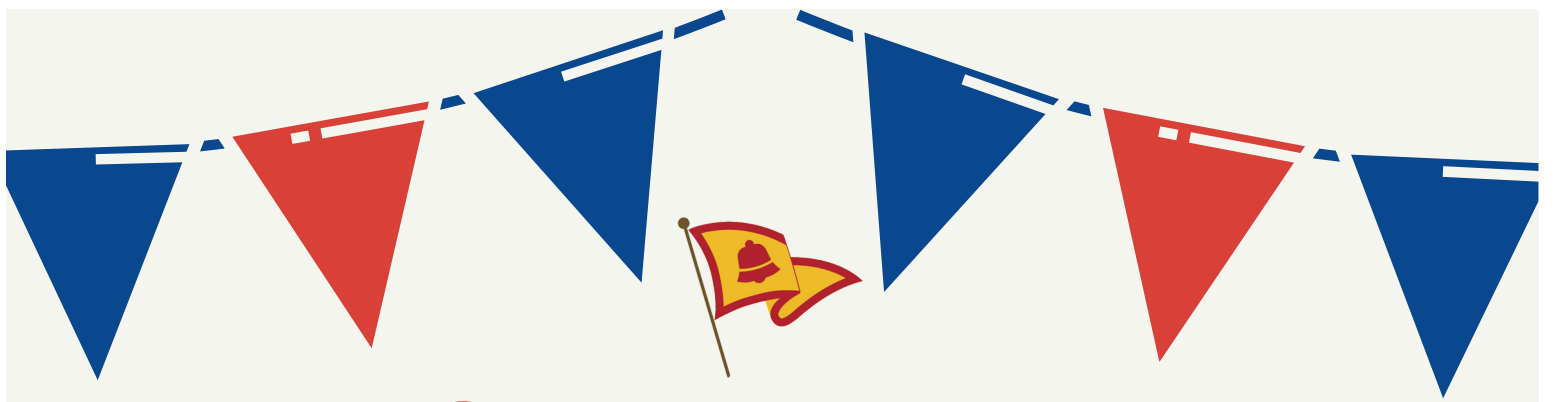
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MISSION BAY YACHT CLUB



Fleet's Captain Report

by Kathy Dryden

Welcome to September! The month that we still get good weather for sailing, cruising and hanging out at the beach... with the added benefit of the tourists being gone from Mission Blvd!

Meet the Fleets

Your fleet captains have all been hard at work building their fleets - despite the challenges with same family household racing restrictions. There has never been a better time to get into a boat and try it out then now! It sure beats sitting at home or walking around Vons in a mask, so, come on out!

We usually host our annual Meet the Fleets / Open House day in June. For obvious reasons, it was cancelled this year SOOOO, your fleet captains have come up with the idea to put together a video series of all of the fleets at the club, their stories, their involvement and how to get involved.

As you may have noticed, we have a record number of new families joining our little yacht club - so, if you are one of them, it's time to get



into a boat! We have 16 active fleets at MBYC - so there really is something for everyone! The office will be sending links to the videos as well as posting on Facebook weekly starting in September.

Club Championship

I am so excited to announce that we are able to host the CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP this year! Every year, each fleet chooses a representative to compete for the title of Club Champion. Some fleets have full competitive races to determine their champ of choice, others do rock paper scissors. However they have been chosen, on September 5th we will host the championship in Lasers... it is the boat that the fleet captains chose at the beginning of the year - and turns out it is perfect solution to racing as they are single handed! Dave Leuck is our esteemed Laser Fleet Captain and has arranged for 12 lasers to be available for the Club Championship. Although we always try to make sure each boat is equally matched, no two boats are the same, therefore, we

will be switching boats in between races. We are using the same sanitizing system that the Junior Program used this summer to sanitize the boats in between races. Grant Williams is our PRO and has prepared a contact-free check in and registration process - so, ladies and gentlemen, we are all set to host a safe and fun regatta. If you are so inclined, please wear your masks and social distance on the deck and North lawn to watch some of the best racing at MBYC. You might learn a thing or two and will be the first to know who gets the coveted parking spot!

Racing

We are doing a lot of racing these days! Although it is not our usual schedule, it has been fun trying out new things. We race every Sunday at noon, Thursday at 6pm for TNTs and the sabot fleet races Tuesday evenings. All of these dates, times and fleet information is available at www.mbycracing.com. Please sign up if you plan to be there so that you can be scored!

Looking forward to seeing you all on the water soon!



RC News

by Mark Young

Congrats to Grant Williams for solving the mystery of MBYC Buoy #4! - MBYC yellow racing Buoy #4 was found out of place in Ventura Cove, about a mile south from its intended location, with the only plausible explanation that it was placed there by aliens as a portal to a parallel Mission Bay where recreational and competitive sailing were still active in a COVID-free world. A boat simply has to touch the mark, do a single turn and 'poof' would be transported to a place with no jet skis, no party boats, fair winds and no protests. Grant kept this a well-guarded secret, which might explain his happy smile. Sadly, I didn't know any of this and returned the buoy to its proper location at the north side of Sail Bay. I invite anyone to try the 'bump and turn' at Buoy #4, and report back on whether the trick still works. Thanks to Grant - who'll receive a coupon for beverage of his choice at the 'still socially distanced' MBYC bar!

Don't forget to use the 'mbycracing.com' Google Sheets to sign up for racing and for Race Committee. Thanks to all the competitors and RC members who are using this to the best ends - making it easy for the scoring effort and for RC



planning. Thanks also to the BOD and the Front Office for instituting the \$25 gift certificate for 'same-household' Race Committee volunteers. Any 'same-household' crew of 2 or more who staffs the Barca or a chase

boat will receive a certificate for food, beverage or merchandise at MBYC.

Don't forget to **GET YOUR CALIFORNIA BOATER CARD!!** Lots of ways to do it, but the easiest (and cheapest - \$10) can be found at the following link: http://dbw.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=28734#homeStudy. Download the PDF course booklet and do the home study, request the test packet by email, take the test and mail it in. The course is free and your lifetime card is \$10.

The Club Championship is coming up September 5, and we plan to extend the TNTs through the end of September. Keep in touch with your Fleet Captain about efforts to improve the racing until things return to normal. Staywell,

stay in shape, read up on tactics and rules, and come back ready to mix it up on the course!!



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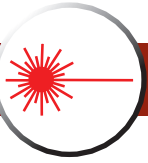
ANGLER'S CLUB

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



Laser Beam

by Doug Hart

I had the privilege of coaching our youth Advanced Laser group this summer. These sailors will be the next generation of Laser sailors. Two of Mission Bays' outstanding "graduate coaches", Diego Escobar and Max Karmel did a terrific job of assisting. During the past 8 weeks, I watched these sailors progress from good Laser sailors to very good. Many of them have just recently become Laser owners and are committed to become experts in this competitive class.

We began the summer working on basics from sailing fitness, efficient tacking, gybing and starting. As the summer progressed, emphasis switched to more advanced concepts, such as downwind "S" turning to facilitate improved surfing and wave riding. The last few weeks focused on starting and accelerating at starts, mark rounding and at other critical points on the race course.

At the end of the course most of the sailors registered for the Olympic Classes regatta hosted by San Diego Yacht Club. Our sailors sailed in a 54 boat Laser Radial class with sailors from all over the west coast attending. The competition level was extremely high, and our young squad sailed extremely well.

Devon Owen was our top finisher in 8th overall with a very consistent score card showing finishes of 5th through 11th.

Oakley Cunningham sailed a very solid regatta finishing 9th. Oakley's performance was especially impressive because she too was consistent and sailed conservatively without taking any unnecessary risks.

Allie Shand sailed very well despite having some setbacks that were out of her control. Allie could easily have been top 10.

Ben Conroy, who is very new to Lasers, sailed very well. Ben was within easy striking distance of a top 20 place but slipped a bit in the end

to finish in mid fleet.

Cole Tillson was one place behind Ben despite not having sailed Lasers much this year due to his other coaching commitments.

Charlotte Plant, Efe Derman, Mitchell Janes and Carolina Ternero, all of whom were sailing in their first big Laser regatta, did a great job of demonstrating how much they have learned in a very short time.

Several sailors, Sarah Ozaki and Sean McDermott were unable to attend the regatta but made considerable improvements over the summer.

Midway through the summer it became apparent that there was an overwhelming demand for more sailors to join the Laser group, Chris Wright, made the decision to start a beginner/intermediate level Laser class. Jimmer Montgomery coached this class. Many additional sailors started learning how much fun Laser sailing can be. This group is very young and new to Lasers. Many of these sailors will continue sailing in the fall.

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As we go to press, 3 of MBYCs Laser Master sailors are heading up to Santa Cruz for the Master PCC regatta. We wish Dave Leuck, Mark Young and Clay Karmel good luck!!!!

The MBYC Junior program needs more Lasers and Laser spare parts to accommodate the increased Laser Junior activity. If you have a raceable Laser that you would like to donate to the Junior program or would be interested in chartering one to a young sailor...please contact me or Chris Wright.

We can also use spare Laser parts ...so again, contact me to let me know what you have stored in garage that you will not need. Any extra parts that you don't need may help a young Laser sailor get on the water.

THANKS!!!!



CHANGES IN ACCESS TO THE WASTE OIL AREA

Effective immediately, the waste oil area by the boneyard will be accessible by key only. A key will be available on a daily basis at the office. Waste oil drop off will be allowed between the hours of 9AM-5PM. There will also be a log that you will need to fill out with what it is you are dropping off and the quantity. This will help make our contact process for pick ups more efficient.

What is available to drop off:

- Used Oil
- Used Coolant
- Oily Rags
- Used Filters

Not Allowed:

- Batteries
- Used Oil or Coolant Containers



Please do not leave any waste outside the gate unattended!

Just about everything in the attached picture would constitute at least a fine from the County of San Diego, if not worse. Here are some of the issues:

- Yellow Used Oil Container Left Open
- Used Oil Drum Left Open with Filter In
- Batteries Left on Ground (Please dispose of batteries on your own)
- Used Oil in Containers on Ground
- Oily Rags Left Out on Container
- Lid Not Secured on Used Coolant Drum (Not Pictured)

Please try and keep this area neat and tidy and do not leave items that are not allowed for staff to dispose of. MBYC prides itself as good stewards of the bay and by following these simple rules we can make sure that no contaminants end up in the Bay.

Thank you for your cooperation!



Left to Right Max Sipes, Garrett Bedford and Colin Krebs.



Tom Nute passed away on July 18, 2020 at the age of 78 in Anacortes, WA. Tom grew up sailing at MBYC., sailing Sabots against some of the future National and World Snipe Champions. His father, Staff Commode Bill Nute, put him into a Sabot at the tender age of ten. The event sparked

a keen interest for the sport of sailing which turned into a passion and career in sail making and racing.

Tom worked for North Sails in San Diego, founded by Lowell North, the famed American sailor and Olympic Gold Medalist for 25 years. When Earl Elms opened his own loft, Tom went to work for Earl, which lasted several years.

Tom went back to North Sails and ran the repair department. During that time he was picked to run the Sail repairs in Long Beach for the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles. That was a great spot for Tom to expand his sailing friendships from around the World.

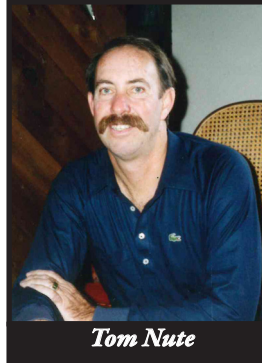
Tom's long history in the Snipe Class International Racing Association (SCIRA) started in the mid 1960's. The top of his Snipe sailing career had to be winning the 1977 US Nationals in Dallas with Carolyn Nute, and placing second in the 1977 SCIRA World Championships held in Denmark. Known for his big mustache, Carl Eichenlaub even built Tom a Snipe with mustache-shaped drain holes in the transom.

He basically started the San Diego pilgrimage to the Snipe Southern Circuit - Clearwater, Miami, Nassau. All of us who have enjoyed sailing at Royal Nassau Sailing Club, owe a thank you to Tom for being the first to travel to Nassau and opening the door to that special Snipe regatta. He showed the wonderful people of RNSC what an expanded regatta could do for the class in the Bahamas.

Tom was able to retire early because of his early investments in apartments over the years. He did a lot of traveling and Snipe sailing during those years and also did an Olympic campaign in the Star Class.

In 1988, when Lowell North decided to take a multi-year cruise of the South Pacific, he asked Tom to join him on Lowell's Tayana 52' sailboat, WANAGO. In the era before all this high speed communication, it was quite a treat to get some letters from Tom from some very exotic locations and we loved hearing the stories years later.

Tom was able to spend a bit of time in New Zealand traveling in a



Tom Nute

rented MotorVan with some other cruising friends. Lowell and Tom made it back to the Hawaiian Islands, and decided to spend some time there. That is where Tom would meet this gal working on the Fuel Dock, that would be Anita.

When Tom and Anita left Hawaii and returned to San Diego, they got married shortly after. Tom still had the bug to cruise, so they bought ExCape, a Compass 47 that turned out to be a wonderful cruising boat that they used for many years. Tom and Anita sold their San Diego home and moved with ExCape to the Pacific Northwest, ending up in Anacortes, Washington their gateway to endless cruising trips into the British Columbia area. Tom and Anita got all the way up the inside passage to Southern Alaska one year.

Ten plus years of Buddy Boating with friends was the highlight of the cruising season for them. It was such a pleasure to be invited to spend a week or so with them. It was Tom who taught us to bring down the hurry up lifestyle to the "cruise" level. Tom purchased another Snipe that he and Anita campaigned in the Pacific Northwest and raced in the 2001 US Nationals at Cascade Locks in Oregon. That would be his final Snipe US Nationals.

Tom would do some crewing on the local Anacortes Yacht Club boats when they were not gone for the summer on a cruise. He spread his sailing experience around the club. Anita and Tom even became bar tenders to help out at the club.

When the Lewy Body Dementia started to take over Tom's body a few years ago, they had to stop cruising and sold ExCape. Tom and Anita spent the remaining years of his life mostly in Anacortes with their beloved dogs. Tom Nute is and was a huge plus to the Snipe Class, the sailing community, and to his many friends. Anita Nute said MBYC has always been a home to her and Tom and she'll always remain a member.

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Sunfish Bites

by Lisa Venditelli Karmel

Sunfishers haven't been racing much at the club, but have had fun sails on Wednesday afternoons. Come and join us! Some of us have also been sailing with our friends across the water, the Bahia Group.

We do welcome new Sunfishers, Simon Clark and Larry Schmitz to the fleet. Larry is representing our fleet in the Club Championship. Yay, Larry!

Sadly, Derek Gauger has moved back to Vancouver, but promises to come back and sail with us in wintertime. Can't blame you, Derek, brrrrr. He sailed his big boat homeward, but had to finally put in at Half Moon Bay and truck it, due to a big, slow gale in the waters north.

More Sunfish facts: Many of the sunfish's various names allude to its flattened shape. Its scientific name, *mola*, is Latin for "millstone", which the fish resembles because of its gray color, rough texture, and rounded body. Its common English name, sunfish, refers to the animal's habit of sunbathing at the surface of the water. Adult sunfish are vulnerable to few natural predators, but sea lions, killer whales, and sharks will consume them. – Wikipedia



Lido Lines

by Chris Dorociak

The Lido Fleet has been sailing through summer and excited about the fall. It was great to see a few different boats mixing it up in August. Those include the Armstrongs, Kozaks, McLeans, and Markworths. Lidos have been active both in Sunday races and TNTs. Skipper and crew of the same household have been getting out on the water. "Same household" rules do favor the Lido. And another advantage of sailing a Lido 14 right now is that it makes your home (regardless of size) feel palatial.

Email me if you are interested in joining us. cjdorociak@gmail.com

In September, we are excited for the Club Championship in Lasers. Two of our rock star Lido sailors—Ty Beach and Dave Leuck—are also rock star Laser sailors. I guess that's like Jimmy Page being in The Yardbirds and Led Zeppelin, Dave Grohl being in Nirvana and The Foo Fighters, or Jack White in The White Stripes and The Raconteurs. Or maybe it's like Jack White releasing a solo album (i.e., Laser sailing) and also being in the White Stripes

duo (i.e., Lido sailing). Anyhow, this is rarified air, folks. Ty Beach received the Lido Fleet's nomination after winning the tally of Lido racing scores this year. We're pulling for you!

Other Big News. The Lido Fleet is working on a bid to host 2021 Nationals at MBYC. Planning is in preliminary stages. A timeframe will be fall 2021. We all hope the world will be healthier and we can compete against our friends from across the country. If you need something to look forward to, this is it. The event will be a wonderful way to ring in a new era of Lido sailing.



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Sabot Scene

by Bob Henderson

As life grinds on under the weight of the COVID-19 pandemic and it's multitude of conflicting proclamations, public health orders, face mask face offs and weird utterances from witch doctors – we the senior skippers of Naples Sabot Fleet #2 sail on.

Reporting some (possibly) fake but amazing news, there have been recent rumors that the ingenious design of the Naples Sabot might have originated not from Popular Mechanics but rather on the planet Mars! Allegedly, Mars once had plenty of water and a constant 6 knot breeze – ideal Sabot conditions. When the planet suffered a massive climate change, the Martians took off looking for another home with good sailing potential. Earth here we come with our Sabots aboard. If this rumor is born out, it would explain the recent discovery of Sabot- like craft buried beneath the Antarctic ice shelf, as well as the golden Sabot buried with King Tut for his enjoyment in the afterlife regattas on the Nile. This theory could also explain many of the Native American petroglyphs that include what appear to be Sabots and ancient myths regarding

travel across the Bering Sea to North America by small sailing craft using leeboard technology. Perhaps these findings do not meet the rigorous journalistic scrutiny expected for inclusion in such an august publication as the MBYC Mainstay, but I'm certain my sources at BuzzFeed, Twitter and TicTok would not spread unreliable gossip about such earthshaking concepts. Of course, there is also the story about the Sabot skipper who took on an oil tanker over right-of-way and prevailed – or maybe not.

Now for real, folks, we have been having fun racing on Tuesday evenings and sailing around the bay on Fridays. There have also been some very positive relationships built with the Jr. Sabot sailors who joined the Tuesday events and provided RC support as well.

In closing, we want to thank and cheer on Jim Hecht for his courageous offer to serve as our Senior Sabot Fleet skipper in the upcoming MBYC Club Championship. Go Jim - and don't forget, if you win you could share the coveted parking spot with all your best buds in our fabulous fleet. Right?



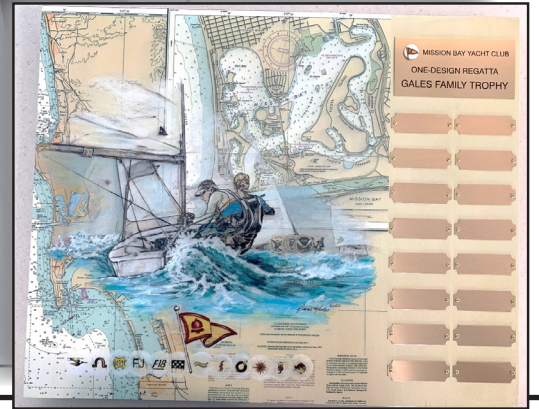
Little Puff Sabots

Gales Family One Design Regatta



Thank you to the Gales Family for this wonderful trophy for the Gales Family One Design Regatta that was as scheduled for August 15th and 16th 2020. We look forward to hosting this fantastic event in 2021!

Pictured from Left to Right are: Fleets Captain Kathy Dryden, Membership Chair Dave Tillson, Junior Sabot B Fleet Captain Paige Tillson, Commodore Bill Sweeney, Paula Ganley-Gales, Robbie Gales, Vice Commodore Gene Ratliffe.



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Power Fleet

by Eileen Turk

Dear Cruising Fleet Members & General Members of MBYC!!

Wow!! Considering I haven't had much to report since Feb/March due to Covid...now I have a story to tell you!!!

The Annual Catalina Cruise took place!!! It was an appropriate trip since everyone is pretty much on their own boats anyway, and it's easy to social distance at Dingy Parties!

I will give you some general info and personal accounts as well.

The trip was scheduled from Sat. July 25 - Sun. Aug. 9th. Over 30 boats reported that they would be making the annual trip to Two Harbors. We had people go that had been going for years and some first timers as well.

Due to having out of town company, Steve and I departed early on Monday, July 27th around 7am. We went approximately 10 mph as our boat was loaded down with supplies! It was a gray day and about 4 foot swells. We arrived in Avalon about 7 hours later and gassed up. It was

\$7.10 per gallon. We gassed up 100 gallons so you do the math!! Lesson learned, go up the coast to Dana Pt. or Newport Beach and gas up before you make the crossing. Well, since all of our other vacations were cancelled this year we figured we would support the economy!!! Fuel pumps are run by the City of Avalon. The next hour was an adventure. It was sunny (good), but windy and going right into the waves as we went 10 miles to Two Harbors. We moored at Echo 16 in Cherry Cove originally but it was kind of exposed so the next morning the Harbor Master moved us to Echo 3, which would be our "home" for the next week.

Thanks to Andreas Graf & Ryan Teele for your assistance.

It was great to see so many MBYC Burgees displayed in Cherry Cove.

Thanks to all for hosting Dingy Happy Hours -

The Hammonds on July 28th

The Turks on July 29th



The Krebs on July 30th

The Kovaliks on July 31st

The Hammonds (again) on Sat. Aug. 1st

My ship's log reflects a lot of swimming, paddleboarding, eating

& drinking!! It was a tough week 😊. Steve & I have been to Catalina many times, in fact we got engaged in Avalon in August of 1995! In recent years we had taken our McGregor Sailboat out of Oceanside, Dana and Long Beach, however, this was "Another Woman's" maiden voyage to the Island. Our Navigator 336 handled well and we enjoyed spending time on her.

I enjoyed swimming off the back of our boat daily, water temp 69-70 degrees, but crystal clear water. We were moored in about 30-40

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feet of water and could see the bottom. We saw lots of fish and even saw a batray one night.

Others enjoyed hiking, spearfishing, fishing, scuba, snorkeling, kayaking, windsurfing & floating.

Thanks to Ali & Tony Wilson for bringing the lilypad (huge float)!! I loved it!!!

Thanks to Tamara Sipes, Mark Haigler, Ryan Teele and Hugh Vanderspek for hosting the Morning Net. Always entertaining and informative!!

Thanks to Johanna Haigler & Muppy Haigler for coordinating the "Squeeze The Bag" contest.

The winners were sisters Miranda and Mindy Poltorak. They were given an award as well as some runners up!!

The Poltorak's arrived to the Dingy Parties in their jumbo sized, double wide inflatable paddle board!! Making a grand entrance indeed!!! See pics later!!

Some friends hopped on the Ferry and came to stay at the Banning House. We were delighted to spend time with Lisa & Rod Coffman at their palapa to celebrate their wedding anniversary!

Thanks to the Hall's and the Hammond's for having us over for dinner on their boats. So nice!

The Two Harbors Grocery Store & Restaurant/Bar were open (outdoor seating only). Bags and blocks of ice for about \$10.

Delighted that current Commodore Bill Sweeney and family arrived on "Morgan" and partook in many activities.

A brief Fleet Meeting was held on Sunday, Aug. 2nd @ 5pm on the beach. We met at socially distanced picnic tables and enjoyed hot dogs & cocktails together. We had a great turn out.

What I most enjoyed about this trip was getting to know Cruising Fleet members better. It was fun to socialize with other boat owners that were moored near us too. I would also like to mention how helpful everyone was to one another....as occasionally folks forgot something or something broke or whatever, everyone was willing to help one another. The yachting corinthian spirit was in action.

After a week of fun in the sun, on Monday, August 3rd, Steve and I "followed" Bob and Patrice Hammond to Newport Beach. I think it took about 3 1/2 hours or so. The City of Newport Beach opened up Marina Park a few years ago and there are 20 spaces to dock your boat. We made reservations back in February. Everything was very nice there, hot showers, free laundry facility, and free pump out services. It was within walking distance to the American Legion Yacht Club (great restaurant, good food & cheap drinks) and the Lighthouse Cafe....right on the sand, overlooking Newport Beach Harbor.

We spent two nights there. One night the four of us walked to Woody's Wharf Restaurant for dinner on the harbor. We were even entertained by a magician!

Website for Marina www.newportbeachca.gov

On Weds. August 5th the four of us cruised to Dana Point. It took less than two hours and it was a beautiful day down the coast. Since most yacht

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clubs are closed for reciprocity due to Covid....we docked at The Marina At Dana Point. We wanted to dock close to our friends, but because of the size of Bob and Patrice's boat they had to dock east of the bridge. We were able to dock across from the Dana Point Yacht Club, near Baby Beach for those familiar with the area. The dock area was very nice, hot showers, laundry, ice were all nearby. Pump out station was right there. We were in walking distance to a multitude of outdoor dining establishments. One night the four of us went to dinner at Harpoon Henry's - guess what? Happy Hour goes until 7pm!! I highly recommend it!! Good food, drinks, service & ambiance!! On August 6th we had some friends drop by our boat for a quick visit....they hopped up from Carlsbad. For more info about the Marina their website is www.themarinaatdanapoint.com

Another bonus about staying at these two marinas was meeting other travellers. We spoke to several folks and they talked about where they were from, where they were headed, shared stories and made recommendations to one another. I saw a few MBYC burgees and went over and left my "Social Card" on their boat but I missed them...name of boat Poco Loco? Who is that? We met some nice folks. Boating people are fun!!

On Friday, August 7th our two boats "Another Woman" and "On Holiday" made the final voyage south. A super highlight was seeing dolphins on our way south!! I got some video (of course) and put it on my FB page (Eileen Lohner-Turk). I think I may have gotten carried away taking pics on this trip but everything was so beautiful I couldn't stop!!! I will try to put a bunch of photos on the MBYC Catalina Cruise FB page too!! One fun side note, we were greeted by Rick Hall on his sailboat as he came out to greet us coming into Mission Bay.

Phew!! What a trip, now on to laundry and cleaning up the boat. The whole trip was so worth it!! Next year I think it will be easier, I definitely over packed clothes, food, etc. on this trip....next year I will simplify!! Ha ha!!!

Looking forward to modified activities in the Fall. Hope to see you at the Club soon!!

Wear your mask but keep smiling!!!

Enthusiastically,

Eileen Turk

Cruising Fleet Captain

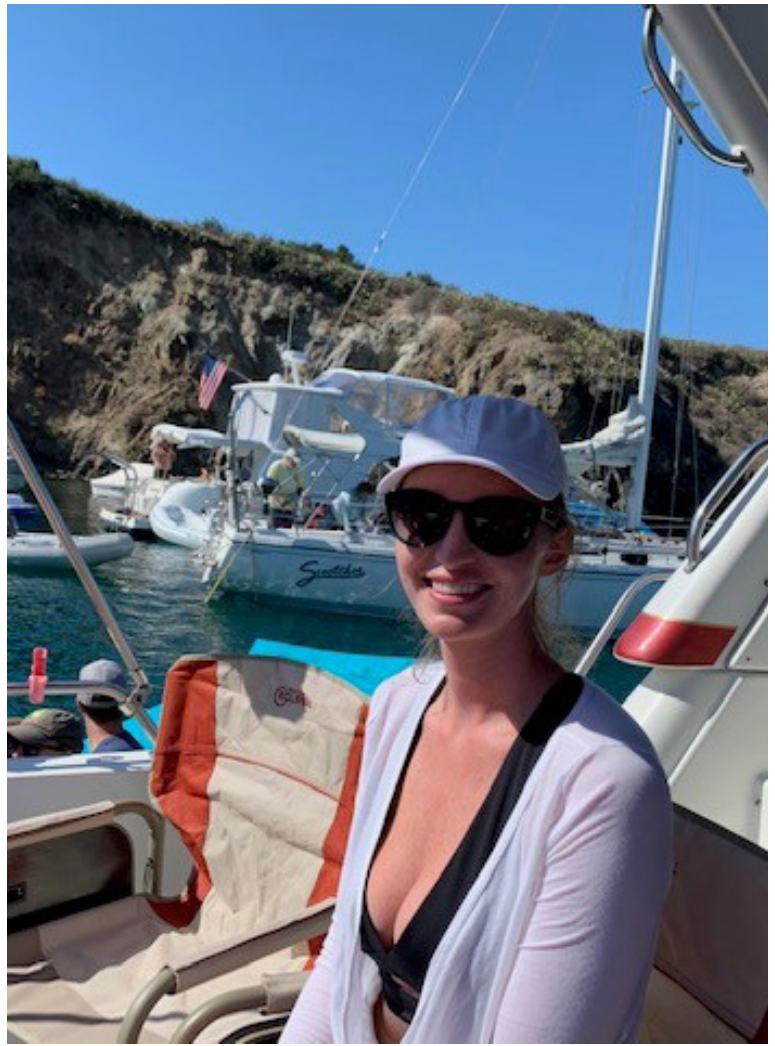




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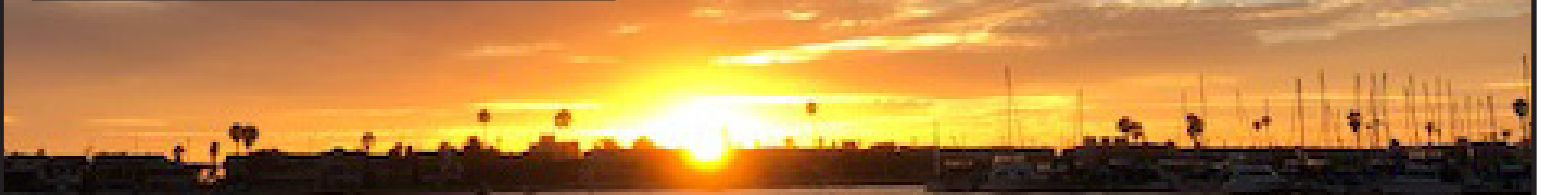


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