

FEBRUARY 2018 ISSUE

HALF MOON BAY YACHT CLUB



Tell Tales

Kynntana

Carliane Johnson, owner of Kynntana, and club member Beccie Mendenhall participated in the Three Bridge Fiasco.

Captain's Log : *From Carliane Johnson's Facebook post*

After 6 hours battling a strong ebb in 5 knots (and often less) of wind, Beccie made it around Yerba Buena Island (I was napping) before the flood, no wind, and the clock forced us to retire from Three Bridge Fiasco. Before we got released from the conveyor loop at the city front and after having anchored multiple times to keep from getting swept out the Golden Gate, Beccie turns around and asks, Where did everyone go? Everyone had dropped out!! I don't blame them. At one point, we were about 10 feet off the beach and feeling the surf. Not sure how prudent that was. But we did have a really nice sunrise and sunset. It was a gorgeous day to mess around on a boat.

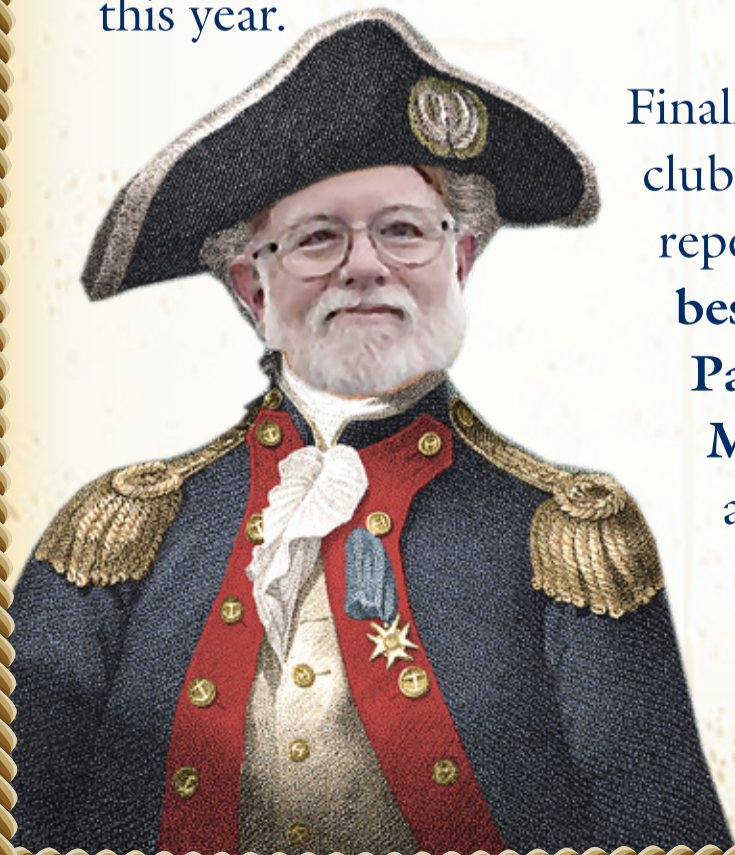
COMMODORE'S FLAG

February 2018

January may be the slowest month at our club, but that's not to say things were actually slow, by any means. Charlie Quest kicked off 2018 in his usual inimitable style with the 18th annual Chili and Mussel Feast, after which we had a month full of winter sailing, boat maintenance, and even the first of 3 winter seminars, thanks to Women Sailing. Plus committee meetings and planning—lots and lots and *lots* of planning for 2018, by the sailing committee, the events committee, and even the membership committee. (Thank you, committee members!)

February is a great time for you to plan out the rest of your club year as well. Have you considered joining one of those committees? They would all welcome additional members. Rumor has it that Facilities Director Paul James will be recruiting for a facilities committee, as well. Better yet, have you considered becoming a Watch Officer? Our volunteer WO's are a crucial part of the club: without a trained WO on duty, the bar cannot open and alcohol cannot be consumed. If you're interested in joining the WO team, please reach out to our Port Captain, Dan Stegink. I'm pleased to say that many board members are WO's and work a shift every month; please join us.

By the way, have you been counting the years? Since HMBYC was founded, that is. Few people are aware of the exact date and rumor has it that those few may be sworn to secrecy (something about a statute of limitations, apparently?), but we do know that the club got its start in the spring of 1978...which makes this our 40th anniversary year! The traditional gift is rubies, so don't be surprised to see the color ruby red making an appearance at some kind of celebration event later this year.



Finally, I have to mention an incredible honor recently bestowed on the club. There's a separate article about this further down, but it bears repeating: **last month HMBYC Youth Sailing was recognized as the best youth sailing program on the entire west coast! PCYA, the Pacific Coast Yachting Association, awarded us the Garrett Horder Memorial Trophy for 2017.** Am I proud of our lead instructor Jacob and the whole youth sailing instructor team? You better believe it!

Fair Winds!!
Scott Pyne — HMBYC Commodore

Note From The Rear Commodore



February 2018



MANAGEMENT OF CHECKED-OUT SKIPPERS, SUNDAY SKIPPERS, AND EXAMINERS

We have instituted new procedures to manage and administer the overall programs of getting people checked-out to sail the club boats (Cal 20's, Lasers, and C 15's) and to schedule Sunday Skippers. We are trying to make getting checked out on all 3 classes easier and more clearly defined, and trying to make it so that there will be Sunday Skippers available every week to take people sailing on Cal 20's as per the sailing calendar. The new procedures are accomplished by putting someone in charge of managing and administering the process of checking people out, and scheduling Sunday Skippers, a role we are calling ***Skipper Lead***. Also, this role will include updating the examiners list, and reviewing binders with checked out skipper tests. I am pleased that ***Peggy Ruse*** has accepted this important new staff position. Over the next few months she will be reviewing our procedures, with the help of the Sailing Committee, and modifying as necessary. And she will be getting a handle on the list (or lists, which is part of the problem) of who is checked out already, and to ensure the list is up-to-date and that all the people on it are indeed currently knowledgeable enough and active to take club boats out.



If you have any suggestions or want to get checked out or be taken off these lists, please email skipperlead@hmbyc.org and ***Peggy*** will take care of it.

We want to thank ***Peggy*** for accepting this important position!

Joe Rockmore

Rear Commodore

Mavericks Invitational

Greetings HMBYC Members

The Maverick's Surf Competition window is now open! Many are anxiously awaiting to hear when this exciting event will take place. We here at HMBYC are too! As many of you know, we will have a mere 48 hours to prepare the club for what we know will be a very fun day and those preparations are already in the works. So we wanted to communicate to all of our members what to expect at the club on that day should you wish to join us. Here are a few friendly reminders:

- ◆ The event room has been rented so members will be restricted to the original building and lanai only.
- ◆ We will be streaming the competition live on the club TVs. You will almost certainly NOT have access to WIFI during that time to ensure that we can stream the event uninterrupted.
- ◆ Safety boats are reserved for event support; they will not be available for other uses.
- ◆ Remember that the club is for members and guests of members only. We are not open to the public. HMBYC member badges will be required not only to get into the club but also to get into the Princeton area as the sheriff will have Princeton closed off at OPL and Airport Blvd. You will need to show your badges at those points to be allowed any further.
- ◆ All guests of members will need to be signed in and wearing a nametag, and the sponsoring member of that guest will need to be on site.
- ◆ Parking will be limited so please plan accordingly.
- ◆ None of the club boats (safety or sail) will be allowed to leave the harbor.
- ◆ The bar will be open at 8:00 am that day and coffee and pastries will be available for our members.
- ◆ Lunch by Denise De Somer will be available for purchase from 12:00-3:00 pm.

Thank you and please reach out to me should you have any questions.

Scott Pyne

Commodore



February & March 2018 Sailing Events

Feb 4	Sunday	11:00-16:30	C-15 practice & racing
Feb 6	Tuesday	19:00-21:00	Sailing Committee meeting
Feb 18	Sunday	11:00-16:30	C-15 Practice & Racing
Feb 22	Thursday	18:00-21:00	Winter Seminar series
Mar 4	Sunday	11:00-16:30	C-15 practice and racing
Mar 6	Tuesday	19:00-21:00	Sailing Committee meeting
Mar 17	Saturday	09:00-17:00	Londerville Cup
Mar 18	Sunday	11:00-16:30	C-15 practice and racing
Mar 20	Tuesday	18:00-21:00	Winter Seminar series
Mar 24	Saturday	10:00-12:00	Sailing Kickoff breakfast

Click here



for More Info on our Sailing Calendar



SATURDAY FEB. 17, 2018 • 4:00 - 9:30PM

Some Unromantic Evening will be an evening of Frivolity, Fun & Food



Affordable yummys to eat!
Come early for a special cocktail (*to be announced*).

We have a lot of good singers in this club.
Come and sing Karaoke, Hosted by John Simons.



Come and play or watch your fellow members play the ***Not so Newlywed Game***, Hosted by Tami Schubert. We will play this fun and funny game during Karaoke breaks. It's a great way to find out some fun things about your friends and family. A \$50 gift certificate will be given to the winning pair.



If you would like to be a contestant,
please e-mail Tami at **journeywench@gmail.com**



\$10/person.

Click here to **RSVP** on line!





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EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AT THE CLUB

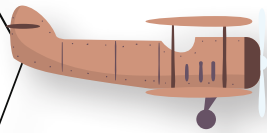
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2018 @ 10:00 AM

JOIN US IN PLANNING & SCHEDULING OUR UPCOMING ON-LAND ACTIVITIES!

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Friday

February 23, 2018

Service starts at 6 pm

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Stromboli!

Golden baked pizza turnovers
- *Italian sausage or gourmet
veggie.* Served with marinara
sauce, green salad.





Time to Get Involved

WATCH OFFICER TRAINING FOR 2018

Saturday • February 10th • 1:30 - 3:30pm

Embrace your inner Kokomo as a Watch Officer! Watch Officers help maintain a club everyone can enjoy by protecting our club & its assets.

Current WO's have the right to open the bar during daytime hours.

Friendly reminder: Alcohol consumption at the club can only take place when a watch officer is present.

And a Watch Officer receives a shift stipend that can contribute \$25 towards their monthly club membership dues (limit 1 per month).

Volunteering as a Watch Officer is a great way to help our club & meet other members.

Class Limit for our February 10th training: 7 members

Register by emailing portcaptain@hmbyc.org

CLICK HERE



TO RSVP

Dan Stegink
Port Captain

EVENT CAPTAINS AND MUSICIANS

Are you a Secret musician,
just looking for an audience?

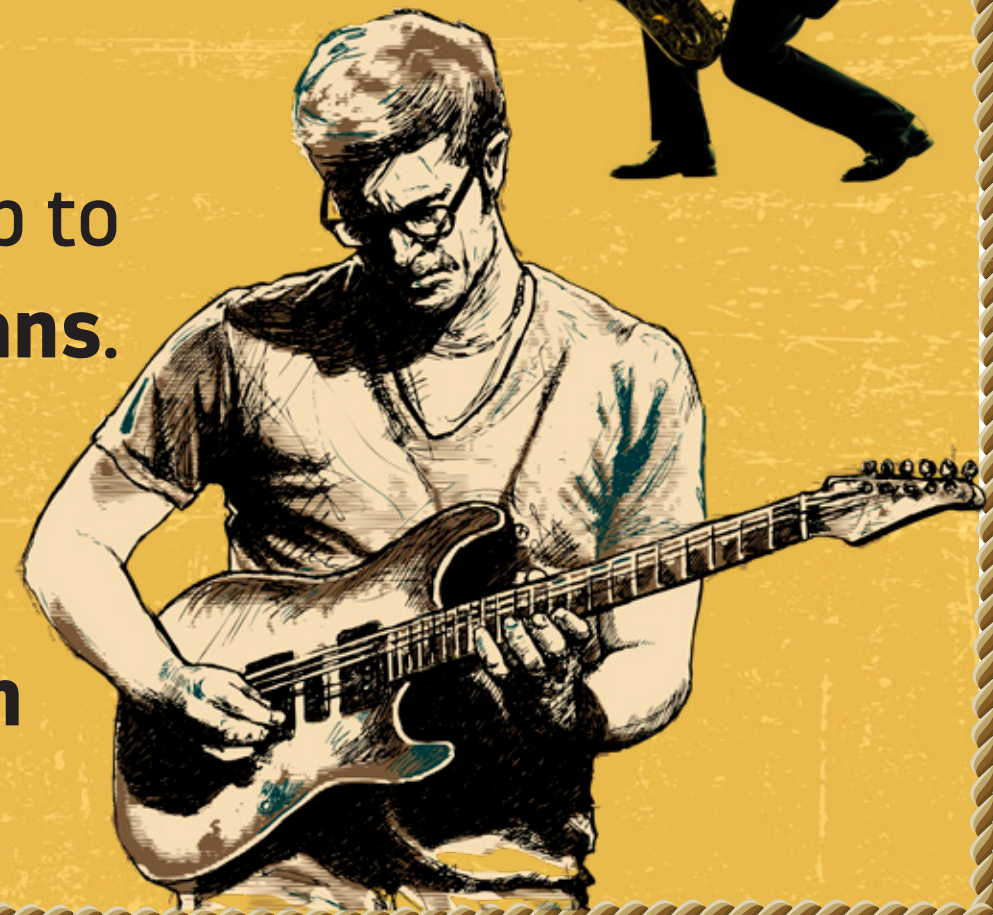
Do you have leadership qualities
that are dying to break loose?

We are searching the Membership to
cast as **Event Captains & Musicians.**
Don't be shy.

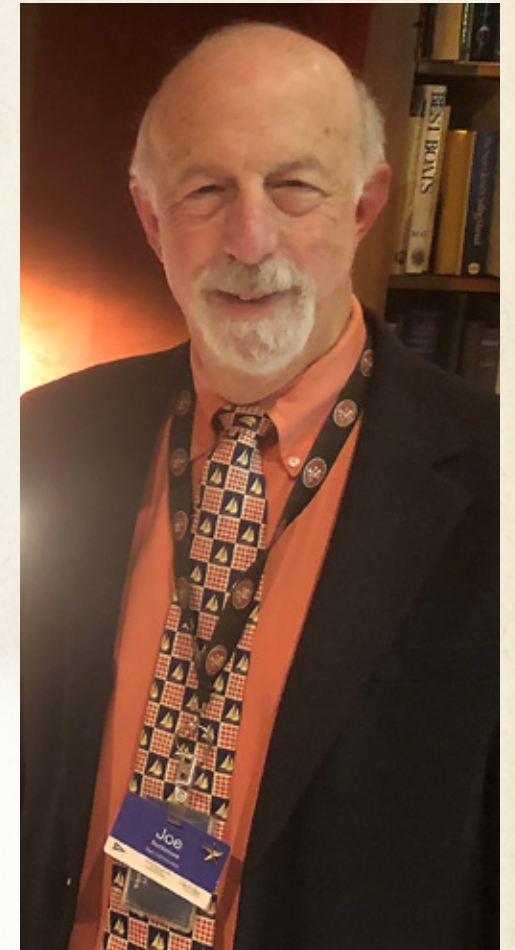


Contact Natalie at
opbaronessa@gmail.com

You won't be sorry!



HMBYC Youth Sailing Recognized As **Best Youth Sailing Program On The West Coast**



Following up on having won the Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Trophy last fall from PICYA, as the best youth sailing program in the Bay Area, last month *HMBYC Youth Sailing was also awarded the Garrett Horder Memorial Trophy from PCYA, as the best youth sailing program on the entire west coast!* PCYA, the Pacific Coast Yachting Association, represents clubs and associations from Vancouver to San Diego, plus Hawai'i. We have always been proud of our youth program, but it is delightful to have our success recognized externally.

The permanent trophy, a famous Currier and Ives print of the sail/steam vessel "San Francisco", is over one hundred years old and occupies a prominent location in the library of the St. Francis Yacht Club. Commodore Scott Pyne and Rear Commodore Joe Rockmore are pictured here with that print. (Yes, they are even wearing ties.) There is also a "take-home" plaque which will be proudly displayed at the club.

Congratulations, yet again, to *Youth Sailing Director Des Cullen* and *lead instructor Jacob Abrahams*, along with the entire instructor team of *Emma, Kiera, Kat, Erin, Anna, and Sonya...Bravo Zulu, instructors!*

From the Membership Committee

Survey Results

Thanks to all who responded to the Member Survey. We had 143 returns! The report provided at the Quarterly Membership Meeting on January 28 will be published on-line on the HMBYC website but here's a snapshot.

Typical HMBYC membership is for:

- ◆ Male/Female couple
- ◆ 55-64 years old
- ◆ Employed full time
- ◆ Have been a club member for 2-5 years
- ◆ 20% of the members surveyed have children
- ◆ 35% have a dog that they bring to the club

Q: Do you come to the club mainly to sail or socialize? Answer: Yes!

We learned a lot from respondents about the value of the two main activities of the club, sailing and socializing (the bar) and it's helping us to work on more opportunities and activities to appeal to each interest. You'll notice a new calendar posted in the bar area by the kitchen. We'll color code sailing activities in blue and green and social activities in orange so that you (and potential members) can see "at a glance" the mix of sailing and social activities for the year.

The Events Committee has received the information about what possible future activities or events are desired. The information included what is of most interest during the winter months. Wine tasting and talks on local marine mammals scored highest interest overall and educational lectures and more social events for winter time. We are indeed a diverse group!

We got terrific feedback on what physical improvements overall are desired. This will better inform expenditure priorities. The deck, deck tables, new picnic tables, the outdoor lighting ranked as top four responses for improvement.

How likely are you to recommend the Yacht Club to a friend?

We are thrilled to see that 64% of 143 respondents responded with a 10 out of 10. That means your Membership Committee is deeply interested in the 36% who want to assist us with making it a 10. The comments provided wonderful insight and there's more to be revealed ahead to understand what we need to do and in what order.

Linda Galindo, Membership Committee Director

Julie Walters, Survey Coordinator, Membership Committee

Women Sailing Presents
Winter Sailing Seminars 2018

open to all club members



THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22

6:00 PM

Documentary film maker Gail Evenari will screen her
60 minute movie “Wayfinders: A Pacific Odyssey”
about Polynesian navigation and take questions.

TUESDAY MARCH 20

6:00 PM

Rules of Racing with Beccie Mendenhall

From Our Women Sailing Seminar Series

“PLANNING & NAVIGATING A DAY TRIP IN SF BAY”

Presented by Lauren Eisele (January 25, 2018)

Thanks to Lauren Eisele for a fantastic, hand on, seminar on reading charts and plotting course. The dividers and parallel rulers were flying as we charted a round trip course around the bay. Lots to learn about different kinds of buoys, how to determine the latitude and longitude of buoys, how to figure the true north course and magnetic north course between buoys and how to log all this information. Still plenty to learn and practice but she had our rapt attention for three hours.



WINTER SAILING

Even though it is now officially winter, and you may prefer some days to stay by your fire with a hot chocolate (or other beverage of choice) in your hand, some days are pleasant enough to go sailing. And your Yacht Club can accommodate your needs on these days. Most of the Cal 20's are on the hard for the winter, but two — Mercury and Venus — are kept in the water all winter long, and are available to any checked-out skipper. They are in the Pillar Point inner harbor, slip C21.

There are several differences between winter and summer sailing, so you need to be aware of our winter sailing procedures.



These procedures are on the club website under the “About” tab, then the “Quick Link” ***Winter sailing procedures Cal 20.***

Please read them and be sure you understand them if you take a boat out.

If you would like a demo of the process, Jeff Ebert has kindly offered to show people how it's done on Saturday, January 6. Meet him at the club at 1100. (If you come late, go to the inner harbor, Docks A-B-C entry gate, and call Jeff on the radio (Channel 69) or his cell phone 650-799-5125.) Sunday, January 7 at 1100 will be the back-up in case of bad weather on Saturday.

For more information, you can contact:



Dave Slater, Cal 20 Fleet Captain, at ***dauidslater34@gmail.com*** or



Martha Huddle, Sailing Committee chair, at ***marthahuddle915@gmail.com.***

Don't let the winter get you down; go sailing!



WANTED

Our Small Boat Fleet needs some TLC!

Qualifications

We are looking for an intrepid volunteer to act as fleet captain for our Optis and Lasers. Responsibilities include rounding up a crew of helpers to do some maintenance before sail camp starts and reporting to the sailing committee on the state of the fleet.

Help keep our club on the water!

**Contact Martha Huddle:
marthahuddle915@gmail.com
if you are interested**



WANTED

Volunteer to serve in the HMBYC's Lunch Brigade!

We would like to train a group of volunteers in how to shop for and prepare a simple lunch for the many occasions when the club needs to feed a lot of hungry mouths during the course of the year. Each occasion would only need two or three volunteers but we would like to have a pool of qualified and willing people to choose from.

**Please email
marthahuddle915@gmail.com
if you would like to be a
part of this important group.**



WANTED

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A FEW MORE
HIRED HOSPITALITY.

YOUNG ADULT CANDIDATES
SHOULD REACH OUT TO THE VICE-
COMMODORE
BY EMAIL AT:

VCOMMODORE@HMBYC.ORG



What!! Save \$300 On Your Annual Club Membership?

Yes, it's true! You can receive a discount of up to 50% on your annual membership dues through our Watch Officer Discount program. This is how it works:

Every shift for which you volunteer to be a Watch Officer, up to a maximum of once a month, you will receive a \$25 credit toward your membership dues.

So, for example...

You take 1 Watch Officer shift each quarter in 2017:

\$25 x 4 = \$100 off your annual dues

or

You take 1 Watch Officer shift a month in 2017:

\$25 x 12 = \$300 off your annual dues



This was a recent update to our policy as a way to recognize our watch officers for the extra responsibility that you shoulder on behalf of the club.

If you are interested in becoming a Watch Officer, please reach out to your Port Captains, Joe and Katy Vohs at portcaptain@hmbyc.org.

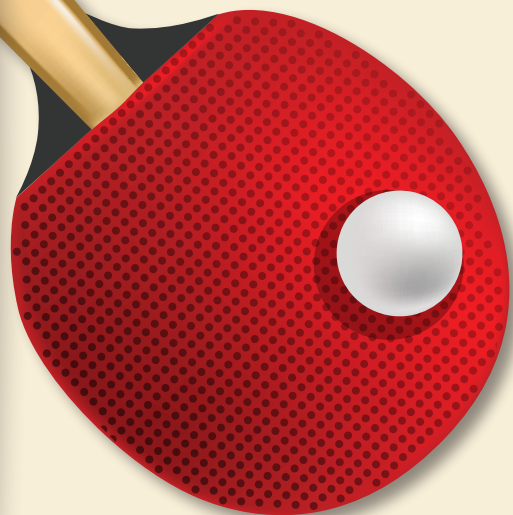


Monday Night Ping Pong at the Club

we have two ping pong tables and advanced teachers. Anyone interested?

When: Third Monday every Month at 6:30 till late

Contact: Paul Pattison at pmpatt@outlook.com



HMBYC is now on Twitter

TWITTER.COM/HMB_YC

If you want something posted to Twitter, please write to our *Updated email:*



twitter@hmbyc.org



WOMEN SAILING



We resume sailing April 2018



Contact Martha Huddle at: wsmanager@hmbyc.org
for more information and updates

RETURNING TO HMBYC IN MAY

Knit Happens

Weekly on Thursdays 6:30 - 9:00 pm

Meeting at Peets Coffee, 142 San Mateo Road, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019
from October to May

A Coastside Fiber Artist Community of Knitters,
Weavers, Crocheters, Spinners, & Stitchers.

Bonnie, Leann, Suzanne & other HMBYC yarnies invite everyone who likes
working with fiber to get together for conversation, sharing & show & tell!

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Contact:

Leann Nassar at lbnassar@yahoo.com

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