



## Notice !!

### MBYC Membership

Membership cards were mailed to new and renewal memberships last month. If anyone paid dues and did not receive a new membership card, please contact Jim Taylor or David Jacoby. Additionally, not all members returned the renewal applications with the dues payment. Replacement forms will be made available for completion and return. These forms are important for keeping the Club roster up to date. Thank you.

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## Commodore's Log



Jim Taylor

Our Fleet Captain, Paul Lagier, must be thinking of an island theme as we have two back to back cruises to the island of Alameda. The first is Encinal Yacht Club in

June and second to Ballena Bay Yacht Club in July. Both are fun destinations with excellent hospitality. I look forward to a good showing at both cruises with the boating season in full swing and the great weather.

Remember too, the days are getting longer as we approach the Summer Solstice, the longest day of the year, about June 22. Summer begins at 8:57 PM EDT on June 20. For us non-astronomer types, the word "solstice" is derived from the Latin "sol", sun, and "sistit", stands. For several days before and after each solstice the sun appears to stand still in the sky, that is, its noontime elevation does not seem to change. At noon on the summer solstice, the sun will be directly overhead on the Tropic of Cancer. There is more to the phenomenon, but I will save it for another time.

For those interested in some informal Club racing, Mike Dranginis has volunteered to organize a few races over the next few months. For those that would like to help, please call

Mike during the day at (707) 773-1870 or email [mjd@abdi.com](mailto:mjd@abdi.com).

Welcome to the eight new members voted into membership by the Board in May. We look forward to seeing you around the Clubhouse and other Club events.

One of our Lifetime members, Erwin Gove, and his wife Joan, have sold their home in Orinda. They are moving this month to the Central Coast, near San Luis Obispo, to be closer to children and grandchildren. Erwin will leave his boat, Maenad, here at Marina Bay until he decides when and if he will be moving it to Morro Bay. I will miss Erwin and Joan's annual Chicken Cacciatore dinner at the Club. Erwin has always been a Club supporter and contributor including his term as Commodore and Signal Editor. Lately, he is the person picking up mail at the post office and seeing to it name badges are made for all members. Thank you Erwin and Joan for your friendship and all you have done for Marina Bay Yacht Club.

Life's a reach....

Jim Taylor



## MBYC Hotlines



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**Jim Taylor      Mike Green**  
**Phil Coker**

## New Members

At its regular meeting on May 15th, 2004 the Board voted the following applicants into membership of the Marina Bay Yacht Club:

**Michael Cloutier &  
Janet Ferraro**  
8029 Regency Drive  
Pleasanton CA 94588

**Beneteau 40  
Serenity**

**Ronald Price & Deanne  
Atkins**  
918 Cape Cod Court  
Napa CA 94558

**46  
Sea Star**

**Melina Corona**  
280 Geraldine Way  
Hercules CA 94547

**Associate  
Membership**

**Michael Tryon**  
153 Shoreline Court  
Richmond CA 94804

**Islander 30  
See Bee Diver**

**Peter & Kim Johnson**  
900 Galvin Drive  
El Cerrito CA 94530

**Valiant 40  
Star Passage**

**Lance & Kathi Warren**  
4496 Lawson Court  
Concord CA 94521

**Catalina 36  
Sterling Silver Rose**

**Jesse & Shanna Hibdon**  
1039 Cloverbrook Circle  
Vacaville CA 95687

**Beneteau 36.5  
Jessies Girl**

**Barry Eldridge &  
Judy Murray**  
1648 El Nido Way  
Sacramento CA 95864

**Lancer 30  
Pixy Trails**



The next regular meeting of delegates to the Pacific Interclub Yacht Association will be on Monday, June 7, 2004, hosted by the Bridge Marina Yacht Club in Antioch. One of the primary function of these meetings is to provide a common forum for the representatives from yacht clubs located in the Bay and Delta to discuss matters of mutual interest to yachting. The best decorated boats in the Opening Day Parade received awards at the last meeting. Concern for the future of the Department of Boats and Waterways is a current hot topic.

## Rear Commodore's Log



Ardelle Cirino

We had a fantastic month with eight new memberships being approved at the May Board Meeting. Among those joining the club at this time was one Associate member, (who has requested the use of the Boathouse on June 12<sup>th</sup>). One new member joined after visiting our club with his current club (IYFR). Four of our new memberships were received during our last Open House on May 1<sup>st</sup>. This was very encouraging for those of us that spent that day at the club to allow for visitors from the Marina

Bay Harbor "Swap Meet" to come by and check us out.

We have decided to continue our efforts to recruit new members, concentrating on Marina Bay berthers. Commodore Jim Taylor has submitted a letter to be included in the "Tides", extending an invitation to join in June and take advantage of a Special Offer to receive 4 one-half price dinners in July. While it is not our belief that people will join just for "discounted meals", it would hopefully get persons who are thinking about joining, to go ahead and do it sooner rather than later. The club has suffered a significant loss of membership in the past

year, and so the new memberships are most welcome and appreciated. Part of that is the increased revenues that enable us to "pay the bills". However, the most rewarding part of having the new members is the new ideas, new stories and sharing of experiences, and of course the bigger parties possible at the club.

We welcome all of our new members this year with the hope and anticipation that many of you will want to become active at the club, on cruises, and seek to become members of the board. We look forward to seeing you all at the club and on the water.

Ardelle Cirino

## Cruising with MBYC

One of the best ways to justify that beautiful yacht you now have sitting in a marina is to take it out on one of our MBYC weekend cruises. These cruises are set up in advance by our Fleet Captain and are always "destination" oriented. The usual cruise begins on a Saturday morning when you sail or motor your boat alone or in a small group of other MBYC boats to a specific place such as another marina or an anchorage where you will stay overnight. On Sunday you might visit around the local area awhile and then you sail back to your home port.

Of course, you notify our Fleet Captain a week or two in advance if you want to go on a cruise so that he or she can

arrange for a slip, a moorings, or meals with the Harbormaster or Port Captain at the destination marina or yacht club. This can be pretty important. You may not be able to get a slip or eat with the rest of us in a sister club without a reservation. It has happened.

There are generally four types of club cruises:

1. To another yacht club, where there is usually a slip or a mooring and dinner, perhaps even breakfast;
2. to another marina where we may dine on our boats or at a nearby yacht club or at a local restaurant;
3. to an anchorage such as Paradise Beach, China Camp, Clipper Cove or



Docked Mediterranean style at Loch Lomond

Ayala Cove where we often get together on one of the boats for a pot-luck.

Sometimes we raft the boats together. Of course, if we bring our dinks we might also go ashore for meals or shopping.

4. Long, more ambitious cruises that fill up the three-day holidays or even go longer. These are the cruises to places such as Half Moon Bay, Drakes Bay or into the Delta.

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**Rafted at Ayala Cove**

We sometimes have taken “land cruises” by car to a sister club, area restaurant or a member’s home but these are usually impromptu rather than set up by our Fleet Captain. Day sails are also arranged by our members individually.

The weekend cruises are popular because most of us live and work outside the Bay Area and cannot come to our boats conveniently during the week.

The least demanding cruise is one to another yacht



**In the marina at the Corinthian YC**

club. No only can you get a slip but you also get a nice meal, a hot shower ashore and shore power to your boat. It’s the same at most marinas except that getting dinner might take a little more effort.

Anchoring or rafting over a week-end is a little more demanding because you might need to be self-sufficient (food,

## Such A Beautiful Sight !! Picture taken May 1, 2004: “The Great Vallejo Race”



*Mariah's Eyes Photo*

**WHEN THEY HAD WIND** — *Mojo Rising* leads *Tout Suite* and one other Beneteau 40.7 racer during Saturday's Vallejo race. The Beneteau boats were photographed after rounding the windward mark heading for Vallejo.

water, bathing, etc.) for the whole trip. Further, you would want to be certain that your auxiliary power, electrical system, and other gear are up to snuff. The longer trips are the most demanding of all because you must plan to live on your boat for several days. But planning for this is just plain fun.

The greatest benefit of all is that when you are part of an MBYC cruise you will be



**Getting together for hors d'oeuvres** surrounded by (well, within hailing distance of) “friendlies” who, together, can get you through just about any problem with ease. - Phillip Coker

**Pictures from the Chili Dinner hosted by Michael and Claudia Pordes at the Boathouse on May 15th. Yet another fabulous meal at the Marina Bay Yacht Club.**



**Commodore Jim Taylor presents a burgee to new MBYC members Lance & Kathi Warren.**



**Mike Green receives an award for his outstanding service as our 2002 Commodore. Making the presentation is Commodore Jim Taylor.**



# MBYC Upcoming Events June 2004

Cruise-Out  
Encinal Yacht Club  
June 12-13, 2004

## Bringing in the Summer

Saturday June 19, 2004



### Surf & Turf B-B-Q at the Boathouse

Board Meeting 4:00 pm  
Bar Opens (approx.) 5:30 pm  
Dinner 7:00 pm

#### Menu

Steak & Salmon

Potatoes & vegetables

Salad, Dessert & Coffee

**Cost pp \$15.00 Kids <13=free**

Hosted By: *Ardelle Cirino*

Contact Paul Lagier for  
details and to sign up.

(See Fleet Captain  
page 2 for contact  
information.)



## Come Join the Fun

### Cruise to the Delta July 3-6, 2004

Contact Paul Lagier for details  
and to sign up.

(See Fleet Captain page 2 for  
contact information.)



**RSVP for dinners: Ardelle- 510 816-3059**  
or [PortCaptain@marinabayyc.com](mailto:PortCaptain@marinabayyc.com)

## Special Offer

Let your boating friends know that we have a special membership promotion offer for June 2004. Persons submitting application in the month of June are entitled to up to 4 one-half price meals for dinner at the Boathouse on July 17th, 2004.

# 2004 Calendar of Events

## January

- 10-11 Cruise-out to China Camp
- 17 Sausalito YC Cruise-In  
Board Meeting  
Dinner [Naill]

## February

- 14 Berkeley YC Cruise-in  
Board Meeting  
Valentine Ciopino Dinner [Lagier]
- 21-22 Cruise to Sausalito YC
- 28 Eden Isle YC Cruise-In

## March

- 13-14 Cruise to Loch Lomond
- 20 Board Meeting  
St. Patrick's Dinner [Meighan]
- 26 Chico YC Cruise-in  
Chicken Dinner

## April

- 3-4 Cruise to Benicia YC
- 17 Alameda YC Cruise-In  
Board Meeting  
Cajun Dinner [Thornberry]
- 24 IYFR San Francisco Fleet Cruise-in  
Women Aboard Cruise-in  
Shrimp Scampi Dinner [Coker/Decker]
- 25 PICYA Opening Day

## May

- 1 Marina Bay Yacht Harbor Flea Market
- 15 Board Meeting  
Vallejo YC Cruise-In  
Chili Dinner [Pordess]  
"If you know beans about chili, you know  
That there are no beans in chili."
- 29-31 Memorial Day Cruise to Half Moon Bay

## June

- 12-13 Cruise to Encinal YC
- 12 Private Party hosted by Melina Corona
- 19 Board Meeting  
Surf & Turf Dinner [Cirino]  
(Steak & Salmon)

## July

- 3-6 Delta Cruise
- 17 Board Meeting  
Red White & Blue Dinner [Coker/Decker]
- 24 Cruise to Ballena Bay YC
- 31 Catalina 24 Fleet Cruise-in  
Clam Bake

## August

- 21 Board Meeting  
Dinner[Duvall]

## September

- 4-6 Labor Day Cruise to Drake's Bay
- 18 Festival by the Bay co-sponsored with  
Marina Bay Yacht Harbor  
Board Meeting  
Dinner

## October

- 9-10 Cruise to Alameda YC  
Napa YC Cruise-in
- 16 Board Meeting  
Octoberfest Dinner [Jacoby]  
General Membership Meeting

## November

- 13-14 Cruise to Point San Pablo YC
- 20 Board Meeting  
Western BBQ & Chili Cook-off [Cirino]

## December

- 4 Boat Parade  
Board Meeting  
Christmas Dinner
- 11-12 Cruise to Ayala Cove



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## Fleet Captain's Log



Paul Lagier

Those of you who decided not to make the trip to Half Moon Bay over the Memorial Day weekend because of small craft warnings missed out on a great cruise. Conditions were close to ideal with winds less than 25 knots, low seas and no fog. It is always best

to be conservative but predicted conditions were never more difficult than what we all consider routine for a summer afternoon in the slot.

The dinner menu for the Encinal YC Cruise will be chicken, beef, or catch of the day; salad, veggie, potato or rice. Tax and tip are included in the \$30 dinner price. They have asked me to collect the money in advance from those of you who will be attending. I can do that earlier that evening but I need to let them know at least one week in advance. - Paul Lagier

### 2004 Cruising Schedule

<b>January 10-11</b>	<b>Raft-up at China Camp</b>
<b>February 21-22</b>	<b>Cruise to Sausalito Yacht Club</b>
<b>March 13-14</b>	<b>Loch Lomond YC</b>
<b>April 3-4</b>	<b>Benicia YC</b>
<b>May 29-31</b>	<b>Half-Moon Bay</b>
<b>June 12-13</b>	<b>Encinal YC</b>
<b>July 3-6</b>	<b>Delta Cruise</b>
<b>August 14-15</b>	<b>San Rafael YC</b>
<b>September 4-6</b>	<b>Drake's Bay</b>
<b>October 9-10</b>	<b>Alameda YC</b>
<b>November 13-14</b>	<b>Point San Pablo YC</b>
<b>December 11-12</b>	<b>Ayala Cove</b>