

## Commodore's Log



**Mike Tryon**

**Saturday Sept. 3, 2011**

*Labor Day at Half Moon Bay*  
Sailing through the eyes of others...

On Labor Day weekend I took three of my students, Jorge, Dan and Tyler on Windlock, to our Cruiseout in Half Moon Bay. I enjoyed there reactions from the mo-

ment they first came aboard . Janice said they were "wide eyed and bushy tailed," which said it all.

After I covered basic safety criteria; the need to keep their life vests on and to stay in the cockpit if we encountered rough seas, we motored into the estuary. Wind was very light, from the north. The guys wanted to know how all the equipment worked and what they needed to do. I explained that the best way to learn would be through a 'hands on' experience. So they hoisted and sheeted the main in and out, and moved the traveler back and forth . They did all the work.

Jorge had been on the ocean many times, but Dan and Tyler had the thrill of sailing out under the Golden Gate for the first time. Dan, took motion sickness pills the night before but he was still green around the gills throughout the trip South. Tyler, who was the youngest and barely out of high school, seemed mesmerized by all the sights.

Shortly after turning South, we saw Pilot Whales. Jorge set up the fishing gear and we began trolling for salmon. We had four to six foot seas from the Northwest and waves from the South about

the same size. The confused seas didn't help Dan but Jorge and Tyler seemed to do just fine. When Jorge caught the thirty-six inch salmon, salmon fever swept across the deck. Dan kept switching positions, trying to find a location that made him fell better.



*What is it? Don't loose it! Where's the net? Will it bite?*

While sailing South at about four knots, we hooked two more, but failed to land them. It was getting late and as I didn't want to sail into HMB after dark, so we started the engine and hauled in our fishing lines.

We dropped the hook about twenty minutes before dark, jumped into the dinghy and made our way over to the dock. After meeting up with our MBYC friends at the Yacht Club, we walked up-town for a nice dinner.

Sunday morning, it was all about fishing. From the moment they awoke the guys had lines in the water. Tyler caught a stingray but that was all we caught at anchor.

After breakfast we weighed anchor and headed out to sea. The boys had two lines out and soon

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## Club Officers

To Email a Club Officer, see Club Hotlines on the club's Web Site: [www.marinabayvc.com](http://www.marinabayvc.com)



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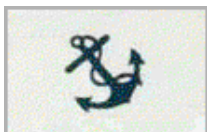
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## New Membership Applications

No new applications at this time



## New Members

No new members at this time



## True Story

Last summer, down on Lake Isabella, located in the high desert an hour east of Bakersfield, some folks new to boating, were having a problem. No matter how hard they tried, they couldn't get their brand new 22 foot power boat going. It was very sluggish in almost every maneuver, no matter how much power they applied.

After about an hour of trying to make it go, they putted into a nearby marina, thinking someone there may be able to tell them what was wrong. A thorough topside check revealed everything in perfect working condition. The engine ran fine, the out-drive went up and down, and the propeller was the correct size and pitch. So, one of the marina guys jumped in the water to check underneath.

He came up choking on water, he was laughing so hard.

Under the boat, still strapped securely in place, was the trailer.



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we hooked five more, but only netted one. The ocean was much calmer though, so Dan did fine, he actually enjoyed the ride.



**WOW!**

Tyler watched closely as I laid our route on the chart. The trip North was all motoring, as there was no wind at all and the ocean was basically flat, but Tyler was just as wide eyed.

We fished all the way into the bay and didn't pull our lines until we encountered the winds you find east of

the Golden Gate. Anticipating this, we hoisted sails before the bridge. Then we encountered that field of dancing waves that rise up two or more feet like little white caps below the bridge. I don't know why but every time I see it this phenomena reminds me of Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker March.

We had a nice down wind sail all the way to the Bay Bridge. By the time we docked their eyes were quite as wide, but the sailing is, as always, a wonder to behold. Their memories of this trip will last them a lifetime.

Michael Tryon,  
Commodore MBYC  
"My heart is in the Wind"

## Club Officer Positions

To encourage MBYC Members to serve as a club officer. we will provide information on one of the Officer positions that govern your club.



**COMMODORE:** The Commodore shall be the chairperson for all meetings of the Board of Directors and the general membership.

1. Business Manager: The Commodore shall have general and active management of the business of the Corporation and shall see that all orders and Resolutions of the Board of Directors.

The Commodore is also a voting member of the Board of Directors.

1. Presiding Officer: As presiding officer the Commodore shall be guided by these bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised. 2. are carried into effect.
2. Business Manager: The Commodore shall have general and active management of the business of the Corporation and shall see that all orders and Resolutions of the Board of Directors are carried into effect.
3. Corporate Responsibility: Together with the Secretary and Treasurer, the Commodore shall execute all contracts of the Corporation.
4. Extended Powers: The Commodore shall be exofficio member of all committees and shall have the general powers and duties of supervision and management usually vested in the office of the president of a corporation.



## Thought for the Day



*Beware of Man with camera...*

## Fleet Captain's Report

### July Cruise-out to Ballena Bay Yacht Club

The July 30th cruise-out to Ballena Bay YC's Island Party was a great time.

Point San Pablo Yacht Club and the Corinthian Yacht Club were also there, so it made for well attended event. The Poker Run had great participation, as always and the steak dinner was great. Chico & the Band performed and were very good indeed.

### Labor Day Cruise-out to Half Moon Bay YC

The end of September cruise-out generated the usual interest and was well attended by several clubs. I was unable to make the trip due to a prior commitment.

Glen Bigelow, Fleet Captain, MBYC



*Earlene Lagier is serving the Brandy she made, ...Good Stuff! Paul's watching her back.*

And a good time was had by all...



*Art and Anny Caya, observing people watching people observing people...*



*Tom Wolinski is about to share the moment*



*Dave Jacoby and Mike Tryon conspiring...*

## Half Moon Bay Cruise Out



*Judy Murray will not be distracted ...*



*Interesting people watching, i.e. the first to jump off. If he falls in, it's back to the boat .*



**Great Club and Wonderful Folks**

*Great Club and Wonderful Time...*



*Winter's Coming, time to pick up the yard*

## Editor's Note

The August Bar-B-Q was fun and the weather held in the 80's and a good time was had by all. Unfortunately, the Photographer discovered the beer cooler and then he couldn't find his camera.

## Worthy Sayings

What is there about life afloat that has always appealed to people? It is cold, wet and uncomfortable, often accompanied by bad food and danger. - T.C. Lethbridge

The lovely think about cruising is that planning usually turns out to be of little use. - Dom Degnon

I cannot not sail. - E.B. White

There is nothing more enticing, disenchanting and enslaving than live at sea. - Joseph Conrad

The single commandment of anchoring is "Thou shalt create scope!" - Reese Palley

If you haven't run aground you haven't really been cruising. - Sailor's Adage

## Nautical Terms of Y'Oor

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**Aback** - Condition of sail when the wind pressure is on the leeward or forward side, with sails backed or trimmed to windward (wind on the wrong side of the sails) Also known as "backwinded"

**Above-Board** - Above the deck, and therefore open and visible. This gave rise to the term used to denote open and fair dealing.

**Abyss** - That part of the ocean lying below 300 fathoms from the surface

**After Bow Spring Line** - A mooring line fixed to the bow of the boat and leading aft where it is attached to the dock. This prevents the boat from moving forward in its berth. Its opposite, the forward quarter spring line, is used to keep the boat from moving aft in its berth.

**Aftermost** - The farthest aft.

**Agonic Line** - Lines on the Earth's surface joining point where there is no magnetic variation.

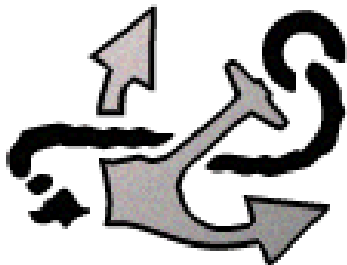
**Aladdin Cleat** - A cleat that attaches to the backstay over the cockpit, usually used for hanging a lantern

**Alee** - Away from the direction of the wind; the side away from the direction of the wind.

**Anchor is Aweigh** - Anchor is off the sea bottom when being heaved in

**Annual Variation** - The amount by which magnetic variation changes up or down each year in a particular area. The annual increase or decrease is printed in the compass roses on each chart and may make a significant difference over a number of years.

**Avast** - A command to stop or cease immediately what one is doing.



## Anyone You Know?

A blonde & her husband are lying in bed  
Listening to the next door neighbor's dog.  
It has been barking for hours & hours.  
Suddenly, the blonde jumps out of bed and says,  
"I've had enough of this," and goes downstairs.

She finally comes back to bed and her husband says, "The dog's still barking, What have you been doing?"

The blonde says, "I put the dog in our backyard...  
*let's see how THEY like it!"*



*What's that expression???*

## Say What?

### What Confucius didn't say?

- ◇ Man who wants pretty nurse, must be patient.
- ◇ Lady who goes camping must beware of evil intent.
- ◇ War does not determine who is right, it determines who is left.
- ◇ Man who stands on toilet is high on pot.



## *Marina Bay Yacht Club*

### **June**

25-26 Loc Lomond Y. C.  
Board Meeting & Dinner

### **October**

29th Marina Bay Meeting Room  
"Open House" with Pizza,  
Salad and Desert of course

### **July**

30-31 Ballena Bay Y. C.  
Board Meeting & Dinner  
Island Party

### **December**

10-11 San Francisco  
South Beach Marina  
Board Meeting & Xmas Party  
at Gordon Biersch

### **September**

3-4-5 Half Moon Bay Y.C.  
Labor Day Weekend  
With lots of other clubs...



Make reservations for each Cruise Dinner you would like to attend by contacting the Fleet Captain - (916) 996-4241 - for email info, see the Club Hotlines page.

### **Brief from the Minutes Past**

Briefly, there were no Board meetings during the months of July, August or September.