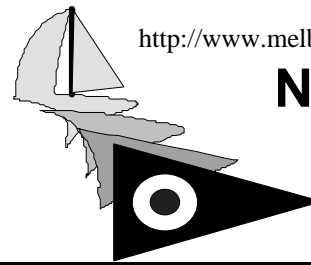


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MYC Christmas Party

Please Join Me (Santa)

On
Friday
December 8th
for our
Holiday
Celebration!



MENU:

\$5/person (Children Free)
Carved roast beef , ham, turkey, wine,
and rolls will be served.

Please bring your favorite holiday dish

If your last name begins with A-O please bring a side dish
If your last name begins with P-Z please bring a dessert.

Schedule of Events

Bar opens as usual at 5:00 p.m.
Craft activities for 12 and under at 6:00 p.m.
Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.
Musical entertainment for all ages 7:30 p.m.
At 8 p.m. a special story and treat
for all the young ones

Advanced reservations required

Please call Betsy Baird at 724-6173
or email her at CABaird@Worldnet,ATT.net

***** Kids *****

If you are 12 or under and plan to attend,
call Betsy and leave your name and age
so I can be prepared with a surprise in my
sack when I come to visit.

Looking forward to seeing



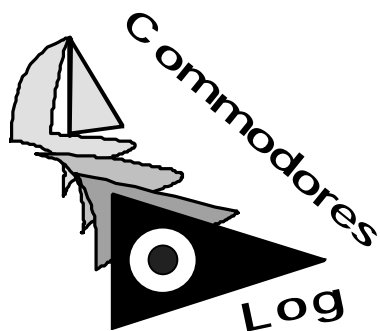
Event Calendar:

November

- 12 Rum Race
- 18 Sharing Supper
- 24-26 After Turkey Cruise
- 29 Board Meeting

December

- 1 TGIF
- 6 General Meeting (7:30)
- 8 Christmas Party



We have had several more break-ins on the west dock. If you haven't checked your boat lately you should do so soon. I think it is important to report these forced entries to the Melbourne Police Department, even if nothing is missing. By establishing a history of problems we have a better likelihood of increased surveillance. I have a call into Officer John Rodgers to plead for increased patrols, but have yet to make contact. The problem seems to be from transients, as only "creature comfort" items are missing, no high dollar items such as electronics have been reported missing on the west dock. It is the responsibility of the individual boat owners to report break-ins as only they have the detailed information.

The general membership of MYC has approved the limited use of the club facilities by the local Coast Guard Auxiliary for their monthly general meetings and weekly staff meetings. The CGA will probably be using

the large room in the annex to conduct their regular staff meetings and the great room for the general meeting.

The annual Fall Regatta was the best I have seen at MYC in over ten years, with lots of boats racing, good food, and lots of beer. My thanks to Dave Noble, Hasty Miller and their committees for doing such a great job. Also, thanks to all of the regatta sponsors, who helped make this one the best regatta in the area. Check Hasty and Dave's articles for all the details.

*Lenny Beckett
Commodore*

The Party Line



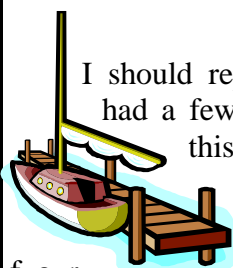
Party Time at MYC

Fall started with a bang at MYC as the Fall Regatta was a huge success, with great participation and a full schedule of sailing and merrymaking activities. Dave Noble, with an enthusiastic following of helpers, put on the grand event that bodes well for Melbourne Yacht Club as a center for sailing enthusiasts throughout the area. See the fleet report for full details and results.

The Fall social calendar started with a Bunco Party hosted by Chuck and Nancy Harris, a fun event that will probably be a regular happening at MYC. An easier game to learn than describe, it promotes mixing and chatting in an exciting, competitive atmosphere. Thanks Chuck and Nancy for a great time.

No October is complete without an Oktoberfest, and the MYC partygoers enjoyed a fun filled festival, complete with excellent German food and drink, an entertaining and accomplished "Oompah" band, and much audience participation. Gabe Denes impressed the ladies sufficiently with his shapely legs and genuine lederhosen flaptrapping to win the "Men in Shorts" contest, while Sue and I outlasted the competition to take the "Wildest Polka" prize. Many thanks to Faye Bitzer, Barb and Mike Ehner, Rachele, Pati Henry, Betsy

Dock Report



I should report that we have had a few boat break-ins of this past week.

Folks should check their boats for signs of intrusion. Four boats were messed with that I know of. It is possible for someone from US-1 to scale the fence; Hasty demonstrated it was possible to hop over even with a sore knee. At some point soon the fence needs some attention

*Rob Van-Name
DockMaster*

Baird, Pat and Gabe Denes, and Stu and Brenda Shadbolt for all their help and loan of German decorations and memorabilia for the occasion. And, most importantly, thanks to my hard working and diligent wife Sue, for organizing such a memorable event and preparing such delicious roast pork loin.

November Events

With the Halloween leftover treats to tempt us, holiday weightgaining season is well under way, and MYC has a full lineup of events to encourage us. On November 18th Bill and Betty Thon will be staging their annual Sharing Party and Auction for the benefit of the Serene Harbor home for abused families. This is an event that illustrates our charitable nature and justifies our existence as a non-profit organization. Please show your generosity by donating desirable handmade items and craft goods, and come enjoy the good food and camaraderie that accompanies this event.

Thanksgiving will be active at the club and on the water this year, with Jackie Leahy and Nancy Eitapence organizing a potluck thanksgiving dinner for MYC members and cruising "orphans" in the area. Call Jackie or Nancy (779-4400) for details.

After Thanksgiving Day join the Becketts on a cruise down the river to Marker 21 Island for a relaxing weekend on the water. To coordinate your plans, contact Sherry at 779-3024.

For the racing enthusiasts, we will have the bar open on Sunday afternoon, November 12th, for the kick-off of the Winter Rum Race series. All are welcome to come down and enjoy the tall tales and near miss

stories after the race.

Holiday Season

Happy Holidays will be the rule at MYC this December, with the tree trimming on Friday, December 1st, at TGIF, in preparation for the annual Christmas party on December 8th. Hosted by Betsy Baird, the Christmas party is a must for all those members with small children, and a happy time for the rest of us. See the display ad. for details.

We are polling interest in having a

New Years party again this year. Last year's Millennium Party was terrific. Let me know if you want a New Year's party and are willing to help organize the event.

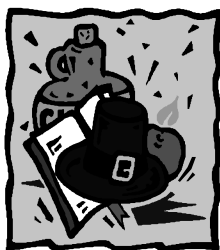
Meanwhile, keep up the high spirits, and we'll see you around this great club.

*Chris Reynolds
Vice Commodore*

After Thanksgiving Cruise

Nov 24-26

Marker 21 Island (or nearby)



Friday Night

Raft up, heavy Hors D'ouvres

Saturday Night

Bonfire on the Island &
Cookout



(BYO Meat + side dish to share)

Sunday Morning

Potluck Brunch
(leave in time for the Rum Race
On Sunday afternoon!)

Communications

VHF 16 & 78a
Beckett's cell 536-8751

No Reservations Required, just show up!

More Info?

Sherry Beckett, Cruise Disorganizer
779-3024 or itbecketts@aol.com



I am sure you noticed the 39 boxes in the clubhouse: THEY ARE THE EVER ELUSIVE chairs and barstools. They arrived and look good. Thanks to the redecorating committee and e Pat's efforts, this saga is over. Within this month the tables will be redone to match the chairs. The flooring all through the clubhouse will be redone, starting on November 6 and completed by November 10. Thank you Karl and all the other muscles for the help to move the stove and refrigerators. The bathrooms were repainted and some wall decorations added. I have planted 35 seagrape bushes, that will grow into small trees, along the West fence. Hopefully they will grow. Everything else I tried perished. Please keep your cars off the grassy areas and away from these bushes.

I had a wonderful time at the regatta, running the chase "ship" (Paul Alexey provided us with a go-fast 25 footer, Thank you Paul) with Jack and Jackie. We had a good time and hardly got wet. Quite an improvement over the MYC chase boat. Maybe Paul won't find a buyer for his boat (b e i n g selfish). The Reynolds' did a wonderful job with the Octoberfest. Pat and I had a great time. I am sure all the ladies enjoyed our boys in their shorts. I am looking foreword to more parties and fun times during the coming holiday season. Please close all doors and gates and turn off the lights.

*Thank you.
Gabriel L. Denes
Rear Commodore*

Membership

Two new resident applicants, named below.

John B. MacNeill

Sponsored by: Ross Herbert

For the last fifteen years, John has worked as a self-employed software developer marketing his permit tracking product nationwide. Currently, he is the vice-chairman of the planning and zoning board in Indialantic, and active in town politics. Writing is his favorite pastime and is volunteering for a wildlife hospital.. After forty years of racing dinghies, the Indian River is truly in his mind and spirit.

A Melbourne native of 1952, John took the Red Cross pram class at MYC in 1961 and grew up on the river sailing a wooden Sailfish with a canvas sail. Then he hot-rodged a 15-foot Flying Saucer with a Windmilljib, trapeze rig and a cutout transom. In the '60s and 70s John and his father raced often in a 505. John's Dad was MYC member from the '60s until 1992.

John has sailed a Force 5 in the last two Regattas, crewed aboard Skimmer, and took prizes in the MYC Fall Regatta. Since he races often, enjoys the hospitality and camaraderie of the club as a guest, he now wishes to help support MYC as a member.

Bruce and Christine Roffi Hopkins

Sponsored by: Jerry Ross

Bruce has a Bachelor of Science in Biology McGill University, Montreal, Canada, studied at the Universite de Nice - Sophia Antipolis, Nice, and did Liberal Arts Studies, at St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland.

His Professional experience includes various aspects of marine science and electron micrography at Stanford University's, Hopkins Marine Station, Monterey, Laboratoire Arago, Banyuls-sur-Mer, France, and the IOLR, flat, Israel. Currently he and his wife are partners in a wine marketing company, Roffi Vinexport located in Ceret, France which represents French and Spanish wineries in North America. Bruce's wife is an excellent translator for the French and Spanish wine business.

Their interests include water related activities sailing, fishing, diving etc. Most of the last three years, though, has been spent restoring their house and taking care of their four month old son, Alex. While they were living in Monterey, Ca. they enjoyed Wednesday afternoon races at their local yacht club. Bruce has owned several sailboats, the largest of which was a C-class cat.

They now wish to renew their sailing and boating activities at the Melbourne Yacht Club.

**Four Corinthian Members :
Sponsored by Dave Noble**

All four applicants are Fla. Tech

www.rchaser.com

We are official. We now have a web site and the more people who hit it the better.

Thanks.
Jacki





Junior Sailing

MYC finished up the Junior Sailing Classes for 2000 in October. My motivation for teaching another class was energized when I saw how much enthusiasm this group of kids had. It was the largest class we had this year with 12 kids. They worked so well together rigging the boats we were able to sail longer and the weather cooperated so well we were able to sail in the river almost every class. The more established sailors were able to attend the MYC Fall Regatta and sail both on Wednesday

and on the sailing team. They are all proficient sailors, and compete in sailing for Fla. Tech. in collegiate sailing. They now wish to be affiliated with MYC. They are as follows:

**Daniel D. Keen
Robbie Eckert
Jose Vogel
Kyle Johnston**

**Respectfully Submitted,
Tony Barile
Membership Director**

and Thursday Night.

I am hoping to have some kids sail one more time late in November to train for the Junior Olympic Regatta scheduled in December in Jensen Beach.

I must add a list of thanks to all those who participated in the Fall Regatta, especially to Mary Williams and Karen Knockel. At the last moment I needed to attend to my business and many tasks that I was required to do either were hurried or not performed, but did any one notice, no, because Mary and Karen were there taking care of things. Also thanks to Sherry Beckett for the hours she dedicated to train and operate the scoring. Rachele as always was there assuring the on-shore events were supported. Hasty Miller and his exhaustive efforts to assure the courses and committees were set. But did you know these other members and volunteers were so valuable, to make the event one of the

best in a long time. Chris Duer, Tauri Powell, Chris Reynolds, Jack Leahy, Joe Oliver, Jacki Leahy, Ross Herbert, Jerry Ross, Nancy Eitapence Chuck Harris, Gabe Denes, Paty Henry, Sue Reynolds, Debra Ball, Sally Wakefield, Paul Wakefield, Jim Gibson, Mike Huck, Kelly Huck, Julie Miller, Sandi Kish, Tony Barile, Lenny Beckett. The Protest Committee, chaired by Rob Van Name, who had too many challenges, but nevertheless did a wonderful job. How many of you did I forget? I'm sure too many and I regret that.

This was a large event, but can be larger. I'm sure there are many lessons we learned, I would like to address them on Wednesday, November 15 at 7:00. If you have any comments or improvement or new ideas please attend this informal meeting.

Congratulations to Jan Crawford winner of the Phantom Sailboat and Dick Martens who will be relaxing at Watercolours Cottages, Lubbers Quarters, Abacos.

Do you all remember who the sponsor were, yes, then I did my Job. No! then you didn't attend. Thanks Canvas Connection.

Thank you all for making this such a fine time,

**Dave Noble
Youth Director**

MYC's Annual Charity Auction and Nickel Social Saturday Nov 18, 2000



All Proceeds go to Serene Harbor (for abused families)

Bar Opens 5:30 p.m. • Dinner 6:45 p.m. • Auction and Nickel Drawings begin at 7:45 p.m.

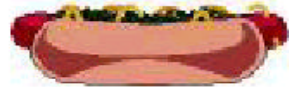
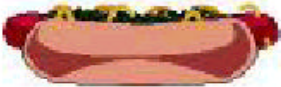
Auctioning lovely hand-made and gift items and raffling 5¢ chance prizes.

The success of this affair depends on our members, please do
your usual great job of donating wonderful items.

Serving: HUGE juicy hot dogs, buns, chili, kraut and all the usual toppings

Potato salad • Pickles • Home-made desserts • Coffee

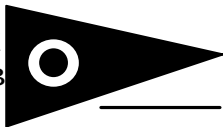
\$4 per person



Please make your reservations before November 14

Bill & Betty Thon 723-1126 • Bob & Arlene Hoopes 727-3609 • Pegge Hill 725-8729

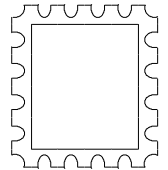
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