

# TELL-TALE

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## Event Calendar:

### JUNE

- 17 Father's Day Fun Race
- 22 Summer Rum Race #4
- 23 Ice Cream Social
- 23 Yellow Umbrella Poker Run
- 27 Board Meeting

### JULY

- 2 Membership Meeting
- 4 July 4 Cookout
- 6 Summer Rum #5
- 11 'Wet Wednesday'  
Dinghy Races Begin
- 20 Summer Rum #6
- 28 Board Meeting

## The Party Line

### Seafood Raft-Up A Lovely Night

As usual, Hasty's Seafood Raft-up was a big success (see pics inside). The wind died, the skies were clear, the anchor boat (Liberty) didn't drag, the moon came up full and yellow, and it turned out to be a beautiful night. Actually, it seemed that it no sooner started than it was time to break up the party. The music was great and the food was wonderful. Thanks to all who helped make it possible and to Jack Bibb and Hasty. We'll be looking forward to next years raft-up.

### Spring Regatta

The Spring Regatta was a big success (see Sherry's report inside) and I would like to report that the bar did very well. We sold a lot of chits to non-members and so far doing that for special events has worked out very well. Thanks to Steve Clendenin, who helped bartend for the Pot Luck dinner. Also thanks to Chris who got the bar going until I could get in from racing on Sun.

### New Member Burn-It

We also had a Burn-it on May 25<sup>th</sup> that was hosted by some of our new members. Thanks to Judy and John Drawe and Cheryl and Tom Whitaker. It is nice to see the new members comfortable enough to get right in and volunteer. And, thanks to Brenda Shadbolt for filling in for me that night and being a support person for them, although I don't think they needed a lot of that.

### Bunco Postponed

The June 9<sup>th</sup> Bunco Party that was pencilled in on the entertainment schedule was canceled due to lack of interest in hosting the party. Actually, it has just been postponed. It will appear on the schedule again fairly soon.

### June 17 Father's Day Burn-It

In conjunction with the Father's Day Generations Race, we will be having a Burn-It following the race. (Details inside)

### July 4 Cookout Planned

On July 4<sup>th</sup> Carol and Ed Hakkala will be hosting our traditional MYC July 4th Cookout. It is a great time to bring your family and after a good meal, load up in the boats and watch the fireworks. Or, if you don't want to get out on the water you can watch them from our own

### **On the Water Front**

The last month's major activity, the Spring Regatta, was an outstanding success due to the leadership of our fleet Director, Sherry Beckett, and her fine support team. Fun was had by all, in both on-the-water racing and the social activities later. The prowess of MYC sailors was demonstrated at the regatta, and our reputation is growing throughout the area through increased participation and winning in inter-club races.

As the Spring racing programs simmer down for the Summer cruising season, MYC has been getting into the mood for lazy days on the water—kicking off with a Memorial Day weekend cruise to Marker 21 island by several boats. Rachele organized a burn-it/potluck dinner on the beach, and we all had a fine day with many boats staying for the night. That same weekend Bob Sowden and Karen set off for the Abacos, and we hope they are having a great time, and dodging the afternoon storms that seem to have set in for the season. Other members are following later this month, with Gary Smith, Paul Alexy, and Sherry Beckett leading the challenge for MYC at the Marsh Harbour regatta in early July. They have our best

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docks. Please call Carol for reservations, 984-9479.

### **Host Needed for July 27th Theme Party (You Pick the Theme)**

Does anyone have a good idea for a theme party for July 27<sup>th</sup>? It could be a Spanish, French, or Irish party. Or how about a Country and Western party? Just some ideas. If you have any ideas or are interested in getting involved in this please let me know.

### **Gambling Cruise Slated for August 11**

Anyone interested in gambling? I understand that some of the gambling boats that go out of the Port can arrange to have a bus come and pick up parties who wish to join them. If anyone is interested in finding out the info on this, let me know. We are scheduled to have a gambling party on Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> and I thought this would be something different.

Jo Erickson has resigned as our bookkeeper. After twenty years of a fantastic job she deserves to have some time to herself. But, we will miss you Jo. Because of the change in the book keeping, anyone who is hosting a party will need to get advanced money with a request form. This form will need to be signed by myself, or another Board Member, and requested a few weeks in advance. There may be other changes but for now, that is it.

Guess that is it for me this month. See you on the water.

*- Mary Williams, Rear Commodore*

wishes for good luck and a great time.

### **Down to Business**

After 20 years of service to MYC as bookkeeper, unofficial historian and general advisor to the board, Joe Ann Erickson has tendered her resignation. Jan Crawford, an accounting professional for Authentec and long time MYC member, has agreed to take over as bookkeeper. Jan is already a user of QuickBooks Pro, and this change relieves Joe Ann of the difficulty of learning and setting up a new automated accounting system. Joe, I am just glad that you were willing to keep going while I was treasurer, and I know all of us wish you well in your retirement.

The Long Range Planning Committee held its second meeting June 4<sup>th</sup>, and members are busy evaluating goals and plans for the long-term direction of the club. They will be working over the Summer to develop initial plans, concepts, and recommendations to the board.

To support the LRPC objectives, we have also formed another working committee, the Yacht Club Organizations Exploratory Committee (YCOEC,) to investigate available options and the desirability of joining or

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## Joe Ericson has Retired as MYC's Bookkeeper

After 20 years as MYC's bookkeeper, MYC member Joe Ericson has closed the books, and passed them on to Jan Crawford, another MYC member/bookkeeper. We had a cake at the June Membership Meeting to celebrate Joe's retirement.

*Thank You, Joe, from all of us  
For Many Years of Fine Service!*

Vic Poor, MYC's Treasurer, said at the Membership Meeting, "With Jan Crawford taking over the bookkeeping duties, it is likely that a few things will change. It will be another month before we'll be ready to announce any new procedures and policies."

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forming an association with other yacht clubs. Stu Shadbolt has agreed to chair the YCOEC, and the other members are Hasty, Rob Van Name, and Lenny Beckett. Two meetings have been held already, and I am excited by the ideas and enthusiasm generated by the group. Initial conclusions are that there is no existing association that we could or would want to join, but that we may wish to develop one with similar yacht clubs in the area. The committee will be investigating whether a similar interest exists within these other clubs over the Summer.

The board and I want to thank all those who have contributed their thoughts and opinions regarding the extension of member privileges to domestic partners. They have been distributed and carefully reviewed. No changes are being considered that would affect the rules covering spouses, and a change proposal will only be submitted to the membership if the board feels that it would be fair, and in the best long term interests of the club.

### Board Actions

The board has agreed to move the July general meeting from Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, forward to Monday July 2<sup>nd</sup>, to avoid conflict with the July 4<sup>th</sup> cookout and holiday festivities.

It was also resolved that our custodian, Mike Grayson, be allowed to keep his boat on MYC property on a space available basis at current dry storage rates.

Summer is coming. I hope most of you are able to enjoy the fine amenities of MYC, the Indian River, and the beautiful nearby Caribbean waters that beckon to us.

*-Chris Reynolds, Commodore*

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### 2001 Member Directories are IN

The new Membership Directories are in from the publisher, and should be arriving in your mailbox soon. Please check your entry, and if it's incorrect, make sure your corrections get to Marsha Millar, so it's right in *next year's* directory.

### Got a contribution for the newsletter?

⇒ (Preferred) E-mail it to:

**tell-tale@  
melbourneyachtclub.com**

- ⇒ Drop it off in the box marked 'Newsletter' in the MYC kitchen  
⇒ Bring it to the membership meeting (PC format floppy or print-out)

Please include name & phone number.

## Rum Racing

June 8 marked Rum Race #3 of the Summer Series. The scoring for the fleet is now Racers and Cruisers, and competition is hot and heavy in both classes.



Racers:

Cruisers:

## Spring Regatta, May 10-13

The 2001 Spring Regatta was a resounding success. We had more boats, more races and more fun... The Thursday night potluck attracted about 30 sailors who gathered to share food and sea stories, and to listen to Ethan Bixby of North Sails' talk on Key West Race week and general racing tactics. (Many thanks to Ethan who made a special trip over from Tampa to entertain us).

On Friday night, 18 boats participated in the Rum Race, with Slot Machine first over the line and taking the bottle of rum. On Saturday and Sunday, we had 14 Spinnaker, 7 Non-Spinnaker, 7 Open Portsmouth, 4 Flying Scots, and 12 Multihulls, for 5 races, for a total of 238 boat-races. Winners in each class were:

Spinnaker – Slot Machine – SR Max 21 – Gregg Kowalski

Non-Spinnaker – Sleighride – J/30 – Jerry Ross

Open Portsmouth – Laser – Dave Leible

Open Multihull – Inter 20 – Dave Ingram

Flying Scots – Sail #5398

MYC was victorious in the Cirripedia Cup Challenge by East Coast Sailing Association. Contributing MYC boats were: Slot Machine, Sleighride,

Our two Race Committees, headed by Bill Baker, and Jack Bibb, did a fantastic job of conducting the races. The competitors are to be commended also—we managed to get through the entire weekend with no formal protests filed.

## MYC Holds Its Own in Area Racing

**IRYC Brevard Challenge** – Five Speed (Smith), Volant (Sowden), and Fast Lane (Beckett) took 3rd, 4th, and 5th in the Spinnaker Class. Dick King took 1st in the Catalina 22 class.

**CBYC Memorial Day Distance Race** – Hasty Miller on Skimmer and Gary Smith on Five Speed came in 1st and 2nd in the Spinnaker class in this 92 mile race, with just 28 seconds between them. Gus Williams on Windward took 1st in the non-spinnaker class. Also racing from MYC was Floyd Bryan (and Fast Lane's crew) on Esprit. Esprit was 1st over the line, but 4th on corrected time.

**CBYC Mermaid Regatta** – Five Speed's Women's crew, headed by Tonya Meister, took 1st in the Spinnaker class, with Sherry Beckett's lovely ladies on Fast Lane coming in a close 3rd. Mary Williams looked impressive again on Paul Alexy's Impulsive, beating the competition handily.

**ECSA Spring Women's Series** – Spinnaker Class: 1st Five Speed (Smith), 2nd Fast Lane (Beckett), 4th Volant (Knockel). Non-Spinnaker Class: 1st Impulsive (Mary Williams). Way to go, Ladies!

## Father's Day 'Generations' Fun Race – June 17

See ad on back page for details...

**Our Racing Website:** <http://www.sail-race.com>

- Sherry Beckett, Fleet Captain

# MANY THANKS TO THESE SPRING REGATTA VOLUNTEERS

## Preparation

**Gary Smith - Spring Regatta Chairman**  
Rachele Ross - Flyers & T-Shirt Designs  
Hasty Miller - Marking Shoals & Maintaining Marks  
Karen Knockel - Registration & Race Packets  
Bob Sowden, Gary Smith - PHRF Race Instructions  
Bill Baker, Richard Oliver - 1-Design Race Instr.  
John Drawe, Richard Oliver - Front St Park Arrang.  
Rachele Ross, Gary Smith - Extra Parking  
Mary & Gus Williams - Bar Setup & T-Shirt Pickup  
Rose Baker, South Sails - Flags  
Chuck Baird - Loaned Slip  
Florida Hiway & Marine Insurance - Sponsorship  
T-Shirts - Sandpiper Sportswear

## Thurs Night

Ethan Bixby / North Sails - Guest Speaker  
Sally Wakefield - Pot Luck Dinner  
Bill & Rose Baker - Pot Luck Dinner  
Ed & Carol Hakkila - Pot Luck Dinner  
Gwen Phelps - Pot Luck Dinner  
Richard Oliver - Cleanup  
Steve Clendenin - Bartending

## Fri Night

Richard Oliver - Pizza Organizer  
Deb Ball - Registration  
Karen Knockel - Registration  
Mary Williams - T-Shirts & Bar Support  
Hasty Miller - Rum Race Support  
Ross Herbert - Cleanup

## Saturday

Jim Gibson - Coffee & Donuts  
Maria Stender - Registration  
Paul Siefert - Registration  
Debbie Ball - Registration  
Mary Williams - T-Shirts & Bar Support  
Ross Herbert - BBQ Dinner Organizer

## Saturday Night Dinner (cont)

Dorothy Crowe - Dinner Helper  
Tom Donaldson - Dinner Helper  
Paul & Bonnie Siefert - Dinner Helpers  
Jackie Herbert - Dinner Helper  
Gwen Phelps - Dinner Helper

## Sunday

Jim Gibson - Coffee & Donuts  
Steve & Prill Clendenin - Hot Dogs  
John MacNeill - Cleanup  
Mary Williams - T-Shirts & Bar Support  
Chris Reynolds - Awards Presentation

## Race Committee & Helpers

Jack Bibb - PHRF Race Committee SRO  
Bill Baker - One Design Race Committee SRO  
Rose Baker  
Tony Barile  
Richard Oliver  
Paul Alexy (loaned boat)  
Marty Bibb  
Al Waschka  
Mike Holmes  
Mike & Patti Henry  
Chuck Delmater  
Rachele Ross  
Jim Gibson  
Ross Herbert  
Michele Wilson

## After-Race

Stu Shadbolt - Southwinds Article  
Karen Knockel - Finances

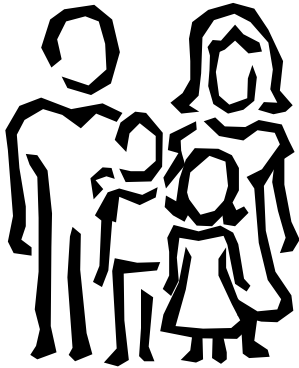
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## Thank You!!!

## Father's Day

### 'All Generations' Distance Race & Burn-It

Sunday, June 17



*Race to Marker 21 and back*

*12pm Skipper's Meeting—1pm First Start*

*Awards thru 3rd place in both 'Racing' and 'Cruising' Class*

*Entry Fee only \$5*

*Non-MYC members invited to join us*

### After-Race Burn-It

*You Bring the Meat, we Supply the Rest \$4pp*

*Non-Racers Encouraged to come feed Dad the Easy Way, too!*

*Bar open at 4pm - Grill Ready at 5pm*

**Ratings:** MYC Rating Corrections Apply

Additional Correction Factors for this race only:

Dodger or Bimini Up	+6
Boat has not raced in the last 3 months	+6
More than 2 years since last bottom job	+6
Each generation aboard	+2*

(\*does not apply if your last name is Smith or Kowalski)

Children Under 10 +2

**Special Rule:** If you are in last place, and have been passed by all other boats, you may start your engine and run it until you are no longer in last place. THIS RULE IS CANCELLED FOR THE LAST LEG BETWEEN MARKER 8 AND THE START/FINISH MARK.

**Trophies:** Winning boat is awarded the MYC Distance Race perpetual trophy. Keeper trophies awarded for 1st through 3rd place in two Classes... Racers and Cruisers.

**Entry Fee:** \$5 Skipper's Meeting at 12:00 to announce the course and finalize Start Times.



## New Membership Applications

### Bob and Wendy Hughes

*Sponsor: Chet Pruszyński*

Bob has been involved in boating since the age of 9. He is both a sailor and most recently a powerboat owner. Wendy started sailing with her family while in her teens and actually met Bob when her father sold him a sailboat in 1971. Bob and Wendy sailed in races at both Eau Gallie Yacht Club and Melbourne Yacht Club in the early 1970's. Since that time, Bob has owned a 21' Irwin, which he completely renovated and sold in the mid '90's. Bob and Wendy currently own a 20' power boat, but are in the market for a cruising sailboat.

Bob is the Manufacturing Manager at Optical Process Automation in Melbourne, and Wendy is a sales coordinator for Bank America Merchant Services, also in Melbourne.

With the imminent purchase of another sailboat, Bob and Wendy are fulfilling a dream of sailing together again after a 27 year separation. Married in January, 2001, at the Melbourne Yacht Club, they are looking forward to joining MYC for social functions, races, and sailing. (Wendy is former Commodore Tom Hett's daughter).



**Please Welcome New Members**

**Cal & Nancy Stow**

**Bruce & Patricia Fletcher**

*-Rhonda Delmater, Membership Chairman*

### FOR SALE

One-owner 1986 Ranger 26 with 7.5hp Mercury outboard motor. Draft 4.5 Ft.

Sail Inventory: Main, 170%. 150% and 130% Genoa's, Spinnaker, and Storm Jib.

Asking \$4,500

More Info: Mary or Gus Williams 727-3456

## Seafood Raft-Up Photos



Hasty Miller's Pre-Raftup Briefing



Karen & Bob Prefer Steaks...



Jack Bibb & Jerry Ross... Pick'n 'n Grin'n

## 17 Beginning Sailors Graduate from Program

The current Beginner Sailing Class has just finished this weekend. This class is the largest in recent memory at MYC—17 students in 9 prams. Dave Noble and John MacNeill have been very busy, and the kids have been having a ball.



### Next Beginner Class Starts July 12

The next beginner's sailing class for ages 8-14 will begin Thursday July 12, 2001 at 6pm at the Melbourne Yacht Club. The class will run for five weeks: Thursdays from 6 to 8pm and Saturdays from 9am to noon. Participation is open to anyone with swimming ability, members, or not. The fee is \$35. Contact Dave Noble at [noblecdc@gateway.net](mailto:noblecdc@gateway.net) for info.

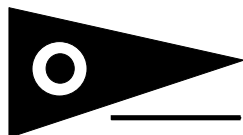
### Next Intermediate Class in Late August

An intermediate sailing class for students who have taken the beginner's class twice (for experience) is currently scheduled to start in late August. Details to follow on: [www.sail-race.com](http://www.sail-race.com)

### Not Just For Kids – 'Wet Wednesday' Dinghy Racing

Dave Noble will initiate a Melbourne Yacht Club "Wet Wednesday" racing series for Portsmouth-rated small boats at 6pm on July 11th, 2001. It will continue throughout Daylight Savings Time. Any sailors are welcome, members or not. The races will be held near the Melbourne Causeway to make launching at the Front Street boat ramp convenient. Visit [www.sail-race.com](http://www.sail-race.com) for more details as they become available. Contact John MacNeill at: [sail@32903.org](mailto:sail@32903.org) or (321) 723-6213 9am-10pm.

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