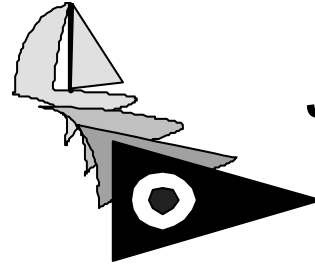


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July 2002

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Event Calendar:

JULY

July 12 - July Carry in Dinner

July 19 - Friday Night Burn It

July 27 - No event - Pizza Raft Up
Postponed

July 31- Board Meeting

AUGUST

Aug 2 - Birthday Celebration

Aug 7 - General Meeting

Aug 9 - "Carry-In" Dinner

Aug 17 - Hurricane Party

Aug 23 - Burn-It

Aug 28 - Board Meeting

Aug 31-Sept 2 - Labor Day Cruise

The Party Line

Completed Events

The events that were planned for indoors were the only ones that didn't have to contend with wet weather in the last month.

The **Ballard Park Cruise** was moved to the club due to lousy weather. Everyone enjoyed the great food anyway. Paty Henry and her committee (John and Judy Drawe among others) put on another delicious low country boil (shrimp, potatoes, corn on the cob, etc.). Thanks once again, Paty & crew!

The **Fathers' Day Burn It** was attended by about 55 people. Thank you Amy Lacy and Cheryl Whitaker for making it a success.

Did we say **Wet Dock Party** on July 4?! Almost two weeks later, and still raining! Bob Hughes led his party committee to a well planned event that was moved inside the clubhouse. Bob was a dashing figure, decked out for the occasion in a stars & stripes chefs apron & top hat. The BBQ ribs and chicken were absolutely delicious. Thanks to Wendy Hughes, Jim Gibson, Kyle Hughes, and Cale Weston; and also to Harvey Melfi and guest Rick Greyson for carving the water melon. A few hearty souls participated in the boat decorating contest. Runners up were Windsong (Thon) and Sirveyor (Denes) and first place was awarded to Sleighride (Ross).

Also thanks to the bar committee (Ross Herbert, Jack and Jacki Leahy) for faithfully covering our events of the last month.

We are still celebrating birthdays each month, although participation by the honorees has been somewhat sparse recently.

Upcoming Events

July 19 will be a Friday night **burn it** hosted by Rachele.

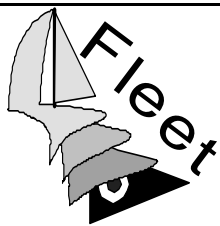
The **Pizza Raft Up** that had been planned for July 27 has been "rained out" due to the lack of a host. The alternate date is Sept. 21 if someone would like to volunteer for that date.

The next theme party will be a **hurricane party** on August 17, hosted by Jacki & Rachele. Watch for more information next month.

We have new hosts for the **Charity Auction Dinner** that will take place November 16, the Whitakers and the Delmaters. The date does not conflict with SCA or Thanksgiving weekend. It's still four months away, but not too soon to start collecting donations. If you have a treasure you'd be willing to provide, or suggestions for donations, please let me know.

Thanks again to all of the volunteers who are supporting this year's very active social calendar!

- Rhonda Delmater, Rear Commodore and Entertainment Chair



Kudos to MYC Racers- We are in the middle of a Rum Race series. Jerry Ross leads the Racers and Yankee Rebel leads the Cruisers. Race #3 was rained out and not rescheduled, so this series will be 5 races long. The remaining

two races will be July 19 and August 2, with awards at TGIF on August 2.

Planning has started for the Mermaid Regatta, scheduled for September 14-15. The ECSA Women's Series has continued to increase the number of regular women racers, so we expect a big turnout and great competition this year, in both the Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Class. The Saturday night frivolity is also in the planning stages. Rachele and Rhonda have dreamed up a 'Paris' theme, and were whispering in the bar last Friday night about 'men with good legs' and wondering who could do the Can-Can. Men who wish to volunteer to help with the dinner (vs. getting drafted to be the entertainment) should do so immediately.

Planning has started for the Fall Regatta, scheduled for October 19-27. Dave Noble is again the Regatta Chairman. He plans a full weekend of dinghy racing and a full weekend of PHRF racing. He has also arranged (with the help of Mary Anne Ward) for an expert from Melges to come to Melbourne for Friday to give a classroom and on-the-water session on racing Melges 24's. He expects this to draw as many as 30 Melges 24's to Melbourne for the 2nd weekend of the regatta. Here is the tentative lineup:

Sat/Sun - October 19/20 - Dinghy Racing - Awards 3:30 Sun; Expecting classes in Opti, Sunfish, Laser, Flying Scot, MC Scow, and Portsmouth (others if enough boats register).

Wednesday - October 23 - R/C Racing, Seminars, Pizza

Thursday - October 24 - Adult Opti Racing (Wagering!); Melges 24 Welcoming party

Friday - October 25 - Melges 24 Seminar - All Day; Reverse Handicap 'Rum' Race - 6:00

Sat/Sun - October 26/27 - PHRF & Multihulls Racing: Melges One-Design (others, if enough boats register)

We are actively recruiting volunteers for the regatta. To make this a success, we need EVERYONE to volunteer a small part of his/her time to help out. Please contact Gary Smith or Dave Noble if you are available to help.

We are also looking for regatta sponsors. If you own, or know someone that owns, a business in the area



With the help of some parents, the eighteen students are progressing very well in the current sailing class.

The next class will be at the intermediate level (with beginners allowed) starting July 25. Students of the current class have priority status in registering for the next class.

Starting September 5, I will offer an adult sailing class along with an advanced youth class.

The 25hp motor is back in the shop. After Space Coast Marine rebuilt it, it now will not shift into reverse. When it comes back, it is still in break-in mode for the next 15 hours of operation. 25:1 gas/oil mix and keep it below half throttle until next month.

Contact John MacNeill at sail@32903.org or 723-6213 from 9am to 9pm.

- John MacNeill, Youth Director

August Birthdays

We will be celebrating August Birthdays at MYC on Friday, August 2nd.



August 1	Bill Jacobs
August 2	Julie Miller
August 4	Chuck Baird
August 7	Kristin Apotsos
August 9	Lloyd Millar
August 13	Nancy Eitapence
August 18	Andrew Lazarewicz
August 20	Richard Oliver
August 28	Clay Morgan
August 30	Marion Valin

that might be interested in a sponsorship--from \$100 to \$1000--please let Dave Noble know. For as little as \$100, a local business can get its logo placed on the regatta T-shirts, and be allowed to distribute literature and hang a banner in the race area. Please contact Dave Noble for an information sheet about sponsorship before you approach someone.

-Sherry Beckett for Gary Smith, Fleet Captain



Whispers from the Grog Locker

We had a great time at the Memaw's Pork Rib dinner. We served 31 diners. I want to thank Nancy Eitapence, and Jackie Herbert for helping on the serving line.

The next Dine-in dinner will be in August on Friday, 9 August 2002. At this time I am still planning it. As usual, I will put a sign up sheet in the bar about two weeks prior to the Dine-in date, so please sign up to ensure your dinner. There will be a single seating at 6:30 PM. Dinners will be served to those who sign up and if there are extras, they will be sold on a first come basis.

I have had several requests for specific brands of "Top Shelf" liquors. While I would like to satisfy all of these requests, there are a number of reasons why I may not be able to do so. One, there are minimum order requirements for many of the distributors. Two, there are at least five individual liquor distributors in the Brevard area (that I am aware of), and they have divided up the various "Top Shelf" liquor brands among them. And three, the Club doesn't have the storage space for everyone to have his/her own bottle. However, where possible, I will be glad to look into acquiring the more popular "Top Shelf" liquors, but in some cases, because of minimum order amounts I may not be able to get a particular brand of liquor. Please be aware that sometimes the distributors change the brands they carry, and I will keep an eye out just in case. In the mean time, I have the product lists for most of the distributors in this area, and if I can't get you your first choice, maybe we can find an alternate brand.

The next rotating keg will be Michelob Black & Tan; once we have consumed the rest of the Michelob Honey Lager. There has been a request for Michelob Light for the next choice after we use up the Black & Tan. For your reference, the choice of beers available in the smaller keg size are: Budweiser Light, Michelob, Michelob Light, Michelob Honey Lager, Michelob Hefe-weizen, Michelob Black & Tan, Redhook, Redhook Seasonals, Kirin Ichiban, "Doc" Otis, and Killarney's Red. If one of these beers interests you, let me know.

As usual, if there is anything, Bar or Kitchen, you see that we are out of, please send me an email at ross2629@bellsouth.net (the best way), or let me know at the next TGIF.

- Ross Herbert, Director of Bar & Food

Membership News

HAIL, TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER BRENT K. KAMLER who joins us after seven years of membership at the Sausalito Yacht Club, in California.

AND FAIRWELL, TO OUR PAST COMMODORE OF MELBOURNE YACHT CLUB--1970



ROBERT D. HOOPES 1928-2002

Bob was a very active and enthusiastic member of our club for many years.

Bob and his wife of 50 years, Arlene, were married while he was at Officers Candidate School. Later Bob served as an Army 2nd. Lieut. during the Korean conflict. Bob hired on with the Link Corp. so that his family could move to Florida. He was an electrical engineer on the Link Trainers for the Apollo program. After the end of the Apollo program he was with Documation Inc. and other high tech companies in the Melbourne area.

In addition to serving as MYC Commodore, he also held a number of MYC board of directors positions and as dockmaster for several terms. A number of great socials were hosted by Bob and Arlene. He will be remembered for many reasons, including his love of sailing, his cheerful personality and his beautiful smile. All members of the club are invited to attend a Celebration of His Life, to be held at the club on Friday, July 12, 2002 at 12:30 p.m.

Many Thanks to Brent Saunders for continuing the software maintenance task on the MYC Web Site and the Membership Database.

- Tony Barile, Director of Membership

MYC House Report—July 2002

1. Parking lot perimeter fence construction completed.
2. Gate required servicing after refusing to close on 6/17/02.
3. The dinghy class has its own gate code now. Check with John MacNeill for the particulars.
4. Obtained two cleaning service quotes that came in at \$150 more per month than our current charge. I will stay with current company for now.

- Rob Van Name, Vice Commodore



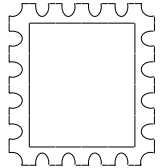
Bob Hughes and able crew treated the Club to mouth-watering BBQ chicken and ribs at the July 4th dock party.

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