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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thank goodness the holidays are over, and we can get on with our lives!

The **Holiday Brunch and Decorating Party** took place on Dec 7. Thanks to "Merry" Williams for hosting the event and to her helpers Barbara Ehnert, Betsy Baird, and others.

The **MYC Holiday Dinner** on December 13 was once again hosted by Betsy Baird. Betsy was assisted by Amy Lacy, Bev Drysdale, Joyce Alexy, Pat Denes, Paty Henry, Wendy Hughes, Karen Jun-kunc, Susan Kiser, Harvey and Nancy Melfi, Jim and Delores Miller, Chuck Baird, Sue Reynolds and Rob Van Name. A special goes thanks to Betty Thon for making up delightful gift packages for Santa Claus to hand out to the children in attendance and for arranging a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. Melanie behind the bar worked extra hard that night because the club was so crowded.

Entertainment at the Holiday Dinner was presented by Melbourne High School. After dinner, Melbourne Yacht Club's own great singers, Hasty Miller, Gabe Denes, Chuck Delmater, Bob Boska and Jerry Ross--to name a few--lead us in the singing of Christmas Carols. And, then there was the visit from that most important one, Santa Claus, himself along with Mrs. Claus (Erik and Victoria Mareth). All others that pitched in--thanks. The delicious food brought by the members is one of the things that make this party what it is.

Pat Denes hosted the New Year's Eve party featuring Karaoke. From what I heard, no one enjoyed the party more than Pat!

The January Birthday celebration featured some special snacks contributed by Wendy Hughes (thanks)!

In Ross Herbert's absence, the January Dine-In was hosted by the Delmater's and the Melfi's. Harvey and Nancy have been great helpers for club entertainment this year and I really appreciate their help with many events.

Upcoming Events

The "big" party for January will be a **Medieval Banquet** hosted by Sue Reynolds On January 18, so start planning your costumes.

Changing of the Guard: New and old board members have been

Event Calendar:**JANUARY**

18	Medieval Banquet
19	Winter Rum Race #5
25	2003 Entertainment Planning
29	Board Meeting
31	TGIF: Changing of the Guard

FEBRUARY

2	Winter Rum Race #6
5	General Meeting (6:30pm)
16	Spring Rum Race #1
26	Board Meeting

MARCH

2	Spring Rum Race #2
5	General Meeting (6:30pm)
16	Spring Rum Race #3

The Commodore's LOG



I am so glad to be 'outgoing commodore' that I forgot to do my column this month!



Gabe Denes, Commodore

MYC Board for 2003

Commodore	Rob Van Name
Vice Commodore (House)	Rhonda Delmater
Rear Commodore (Bar)	Ross Herbert
Treasurer	Brent Saunders
Secretary	Art Ahrens
Director-Entertainment	Jackie Leahy
Director-Docks	Gabe Denes
Director-Membership	Tony Barile
Director-Fleet	Gary Smith
Director-Youth	John MacNeill

House Report

1. Thanks to all the folks that turned out for the MYC work day. I appreciate all your efforts. Improvements were made in the tire store building and a lot of clean up was done around the clubhouse.
2. Awaiting responses from three electricians to bury the clubhouse power feed.
3. Painting the Annex, repairing stairs and removing unused chimney will commence shortly.
4. Replaced club house wireless telephone.

Helpers

Deb/Jeff McGregor
 Rob Van Name
 Larry Etheridge
 John MacNeill
 Lachlan Smith
 Gary Smith
 Chappie
 Floyd Bryan
 Courtney Smith
 H. Jim Parker
 Harry Stapor
 Lloyd Millar
 Jim Edwards
 Cal Stow
 Chris Gates
 Garry Hart
 Harvey Melfi
 Sherry Beckett
 Bob Boska
 Nancy Garvey
 Art & Alice Ahrens
 Tom Whittaker
 Rose & Bill Baker
 Jay McClure
 Hasty Miller
 Gary Killian
 Joe Wise



Glen Gray & John Higgins Board up a Window at the Tire Store

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asked to bring hors d'oeuvres for a special TGIF on January 31st to celebrate the "changing of the guard".

Entertainment Planning Meeting for 2003

The 2003 Rear Commodore and Entertainment Chair, Jackie Leahy, will be hosting a planning meeting at MYC on Saturday, January 25 at 9 a.m. If you have party suggestions or you're interested in hosting an event, please let Jackie know before the meeting.

- Rhonda Delmater (Old Ent / New House)



Gabe Denes Leads the Singing at the Christmas Party

Bulletin Board

Your Mother Doesn't Live Here

Remember the sign in your college dorm that said "Your Mother doesn't live here—please clean up after yourself?"

Please keep that in mind when you're leaving a table in the bar—take a minute to clean up after yourself and your friends...



New Year's Eve Hat People

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Please include name & phone number.

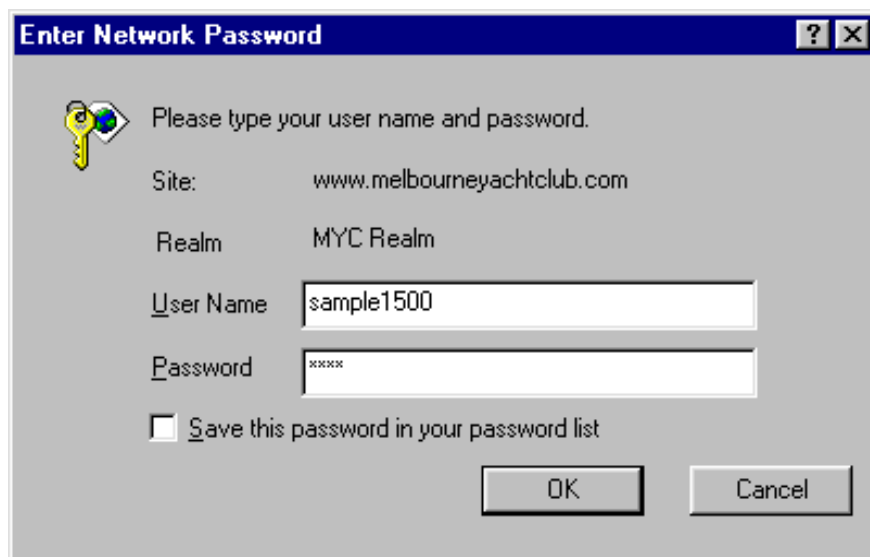
How to View and Update your Info in the MYC Online Membership Database

The purpose of the MYC Membership Database is to maintain an accurate central repository of information about MYC members for use by club members and officers to support club operations, racing and social activities.

The system provides security to restrict access to authorized users and to provide update privileges for members to maintain their own contact information and personal information (names, address, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, birthdays, committee interests and boat information).

General members have Read-only access to similar information for other members. Access to the database is through any supported web browser (e.g. MS Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator).

1. Go to <http://www.melbourneyachtclub.com>
2. Click the 'Member Information' link at the BOTTOM of the page
3. A pop-up window will ask for your Username and Password.
 - Your Username is your Last Name and your Member Number run together, for example: Beckett2345 (it does not care about uppercase/lowercase).
 - Your Password is usually your member number (unless you have changed it online). When you type, you will only see asterisks (*). But your password is there. Just type carefully.
 - Click OK to log in.



- If you have trouble logging in, and want to retry again, you MUST close your browser completely, and start it up and start all over again.
4. You will then see all members' info, listed in alphabetical order. This is a handy reference for all members to use, accessible from anywhere, to look up current address, phone numbers, and email addresses (so keep YOURS up to date!).
 5. You can **view** everyone's info, but only update your own info.

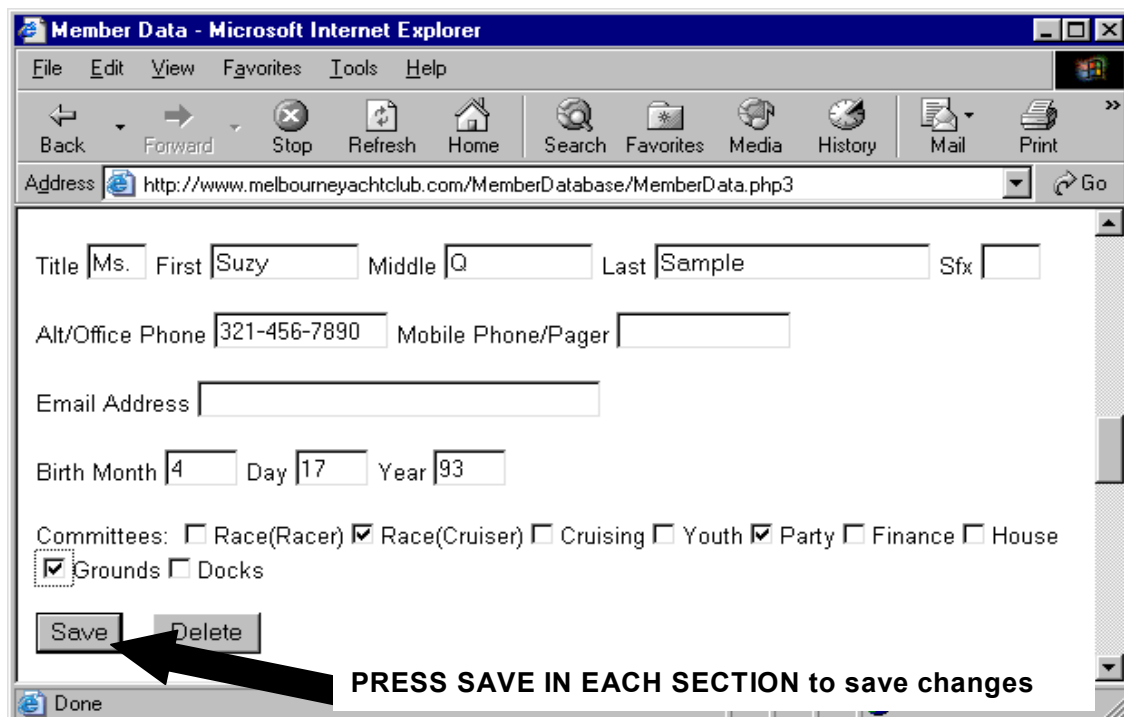
To Make a Change to Your Membership Information

To update your info, click on your member name in the membership list, and your detailed information will be displayed.

The detailed information is divided into sections of information (one for the general membership info, one each for each family member, one for each boat owned by the member, and one for changing the password).

Change any item you wish, merely by typing over the information that is displayed, add a your kids (if not already there), input your birthdate, add or correct your boat info, etc.

**YOU MUST PRESS THE SAVE BUTTON ASSOCIATED WITH EACH SECTION
to save changes made in that section!**



Member Data - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Address <http://www.melbourneyachtclub.com/MemberDatabase/MemberData.php3> Go

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Alt/Office Phone Mobile Phone/Pager

Email Address

Birth Month Day Year

Committees: Race(Racer) Race(Cruiser) Cruising Youth Party Finance House
 Grounds Docks

PRESS SAVE IN EACH SECTION to save changes

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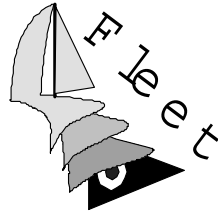
The Newsletter Mailing Labels and other important Club info mailing lists are extracted directly from this database. If you have seasonal address changes, you may now control your own address changes.

The MYC Membership Directory is also extracted directly from the information in the Online Membership Database. If you have not recently checked your information online, please do so in January, as the directory is due out soon.

If you have problems logging in, contact Membership Director, Tony Barile, who can give you some help, and can also reset your password to its default value (your member number).

More technical issues should be directed to Rhonda Delmater and Brent Saunders, keepers of the database.

Melbourne Yacht Club sweeps ECSA Awards Banquet



At the annual ECSA Awards Banquet held on January 4th in Cocoa Beach,

Melbourne Yacht Club members collected most of the racing hardware. Floyd Bryan and Hasty Miller won a couple of individual distance race first place trophies. Bob Sowden won the Lazowska trophy for best overall score in races run out of the Port by Cocoa Beach Yacht Club. These, of course, were short-course races, not distance races, right outside the Port.

Five Speed with the Smith boys, Lachlan, Warwick and Courtney, won the Jubilee trophy as winners of the ECSA Winter Series, the Bob Perry Memorial for top boat in ECSA river racing and the Gene King Memorial for the best overall river and ocean racing.

Sherry Beckett had most of her women's crew there to pick up the ECSA Women's Fall Series award and the top honor for Women's Racing in 2002. Congratulations Sherry. You and your crew showed poise and consistency throughout the year.

Melbourne Yacht Club Rum Racing resumed on January 5th on a beautiful, if not cool, Sunday afternoon. Subsequent Rum Races in the Winter Series run January 19th, February 2nd. The Spring Series kicks off on February 16th.

On alternate Sundays from the Rum Races, we feature Sunday Small Boat Racing (aka 'Wet Sunday') with Sunfish, Lasers, etc. The local Sunfish Fleet has really taken off with over 30 boats registered with the fleet. The fleet is based out of Melbourne Yacht Club. MYC Members and internationally-ranked Sunfish sailors, Dick and Linda Tillman, were out on the MYC course on the 12th to pace the fleet.

ECSA Women's Racing kicks off early, with races on January 26th and February 9th.

Melbourne Yacht Club's Spring Regatta will again be a two-weekend affair, this time with PHRF racing on the 5th and 6th of April while small boat racing is set for the 12th and 13th.

-Gary Smith, Fleet Captain

Big Hoopla Planned for 25th Mermaid Regatta in September 2003

This year will be the 25th anniversary of MYC's Mermaid Regatta. We would like to make it a very special occasion, and you can help. If you have any photos of past Mermaid Regattas (the older the better) or T-shirts from previous regattas, or just memories that you are willing to jot down, please contact Rachele Ross (254-8326/674-8963 or jerryrachelross@aol.com).

We would like to make a display/presentation at this year's regatta. Also, if you have any ideas for a top women's sailor to have as a guest speaker or thoughts on other entertainment, we are open for suggestions at this time.

Youth Sailing report for Jan. 2003

A few club members have come forward to provide assistance for the adult and youth sailing classes next season. I'm still looking for more help, especially folks who can bring small powerboats to provide more coaching platforms.

The sailing program just acquired two more used Sunfish. Thanks Jack Bibb and Chris Gates! We now have six. Watch for a club fleet fix-up day to prepare all of the boats for the upcoming teaching season.

Youth & Adult Classes Set for 2003

April 12—Adult

May 24—Youth

July 5—Youth

August 16—Adult



All classes will be held on Saturdays from 10am to 2pm for six weeks each.

John B. MacNeill, Youth Director

sail@32903.org

(321) 732-6213 9am-9pm 7-days/week

Membership News

Welcome New Members!

Scott and Dior Hubel

Carol Mairs

Andy and Dinata Misovec

- Tony Barile, Membership Director

This month we have one new nomination for resident membership

Donald and Dorothy Lea

*Sponsored by Melfis, Bakers,
and Nancy Eitapence*

Donald and Dorothy have been active members of the Santa Cruz Yacht Club in Santa Cruz, CA. They are both retired, and Donald from Research Engineering, at Lockheed Martin.

Donald has been sailing since the 60's, when he purchased a French built 18 foot wood sloop. Leas next boat was a Pacific Seacraft 25', named Seawind. Their current boat is a Pacific Seacraft Dory 24', named Seawind II. Leas have sailed extensively in Monterey Bay, San Francisco Bay and the California coast.

They are looking forward to the sailing camaraderie of the MYC.

- Tony Barile, Membership Chairman

Sharing a Trans-Atlantic Crossing February Membership Meeting

At the February general meeting, Ed Roberts will present a 30 minute video with highlights of his trans-Atlantic crossing from Poquoson, Virginia to Lisbon, Portugal. Ed and two friends crossed in June of this year aboard a Whitby 42.

Features of the video include the beautiful island of Flores, Horta with the famed Pete's Bar, whales, dolphin, and Old Lisbon.



Mike Henry and John MacNeill Split Logs for the Fireplace

All you fireplace sitters owe a big thanks (and maybe a cold beer) to Mike Henry and John MacNeill, who spent 8 hours one Saturday with a rented log-splitter to create this huge pile of logs.

John is also our primary fire starter and fireplace tender.

(Mike Henry shown at left).

MYC Medieval Fayre

January 18th, 2003, 6:30pm

Partake of the frivolities, including:

A Somewhat Shakespearean Excerpt

The "Men in Tights" Contest

*Ye Olde English Games: Jousting, Archery,
Who's the Princess....?*

Minstrels, Jugglers, and Bawdy Balladeers

Medieval Fare

Loaves of Bread, Cheese, Fruit, and Wine

Roast Chicken Leek and Vegetable Soup, English Trifle \$12.50 Per person

Reservations by January 12th please, to Sue Reynolds 777-5622 (ReynoldsCC@AOL.com),
or Faye Bitzer 728-8841

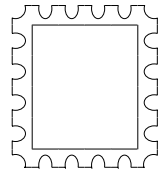


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