

TELL-TALE



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Mark your calendars for the



Melbourne Yacht Club
 July 4th, 2014
 Party



MENU

BBQ Pork Ribs & Chicken
 Hot Dogs, BBQ Bean, Coleslaw,
 Macaroni Salad, Brownies & Watermelon
 Bar opens at 4:00 and dinner about 6:00

Watch fireworks from your boat or the club house
 Weather Permitting

Cost: \$10.00 Adults / \$5 under 12

Reservations for dinner by June 30

Bob Hughes

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I will reply to all reservation requests





Commodore's Log



The origin of modern clubs goes back hundreds of years to a time when people with common interests would gather, generally at a tavern, to pursue their interest while “clubbing” together, their term for sharing the expenses and the work. Sounds familiar doesn't it; “clubbing” is what we do well at MYC. It didn't take long for those original clubs to realize that they needed to establish policies and

rules to help everyone in their “club” go in the same direction. Since becoming Commodore, I have received quite a bit of “input” lately from members asking me to remind our members of the policies and rules here at MYC. When it comes to MYC there are a few biggies that impact us all: Bringing personal alcohol into the club could cost us our liquor license and the bar would be closed- that would be a bad thing! Don't park in the “no parking” areas, particularly by the gate –emergency vehicles couldn't get in, which is important. Gate and door codes should never be given to non-members; that's for everyone's safety and the security of the club itself. A few other general rules that we have include a no-smoking and no-open flame policy and animals are not allowed inside the clubhouse due “animal vs food” problems, as well as possible flea and sanitary issues (not your animal of course, but maybe someone else's).

These and the other policies/rules were created over the years to help several hundred people coexist in a very small space. Most of them are followed, most of the time, which is why it's easy to forget they even exist. So let's keep our “policies/rules” in mind while doing what we do so well; “clubbing” together while pursuing our common interest – SAILING!

Lynde Edwards / Commodore



House



It's already the end of May, what happened to the year! June, July and August are looking busy for House. **Bob Hughes** is revamping the club's sound system. He is currently making sure that we can put the same output to all of the TV screens. **Ann Knowlton** and **Tony**

Godden have gotten together to study the details for replacing the carpet and installing the new tile. **Ann** and **Ross Herbert** have discussed the compass rose that is being designed into the carpet in the upstairs lounge. **Ross** has made all of the calculations so the compass rose will really point to true north! You have seen some of the preliminary work (blue tape in the bar area) and everyone has been able to provide input. How much to carpet and how much to tile. One change, from last month, is the area around the bar. Instead of using a simulated wood engineered vinyl product **Tony** and **Ann** are going to use a wood look tile product. If any fluids come from underneath the bar, it can potentially cause a mold build-up underneath the vinyl product. They are working through that issue this month and getting the final quotes for the project. The events are to demo the floors, smooth out the hump in the bar area and install the new products. **Tony** has us scheduled for two weeks in August. When the time comes, I will need volunteers to help move the bar furniture upstairs while the renovation is underway and to remove the rug and some of the tile to help reduce the cost of the project.

Here are a few notes from House issues that have popped up.

If the AC in the upper area doesn't seem to cool correctly, please let me know. We continue to have condensation pan issues. We will be resolving that in June.

Brighthouse has installed a new box for each TV. There is a new remote to use for the TVs. You no longer just turn on the TV. It is a bit confusing so ask if you need help.

For the member house parties, everyone has done a great job cleaning up! Please remember to take your trash bags to the dumpster at the end of the event. The bags tend to attract bugs.

Tom Knowlton / Vice Commodore / House



Fleet



The July 4th Rum Race has been moved back to June 20th due to a day overcrowded with events and festivities on July 4th.

Please keep an eye out for two of the Dragon Point marks that managed to float away during April. The likely cause was a failure of the ground tackle. The marks will be replaced as soon as the necessary parts can be found. We are working to have these marks replaced.

The first of the Ladies Spring Dragon Point Series was held in May. Turnout was not up to previous levels of participation, with only three J24's competing. We encourage any new ladies teams to come out and sail. Please contact me if you need help, coaching or have any questions. Results: 1st – **Erin Walters**; 2nd – **Rochelle Yates**; 3rd – **Suzanne Dunphy**.

The second Spring Dragon Point Series was held on May 31. Participation included 6 J24s and 2 PHRF boats. Results: J24 – 1st – **Erin Walters**; 2nd – **Jim Henry**; 3rd – **Suzanne Dunphy**. PHRF A: 1st – **Jerry Ross**. PHRF B: 1st – Patrick Lambert.

There will be one or two Fleet Committee planning meetings the 3rd week in June to begin development of plans for the Mermaid Regatta in September and for the J24 Southeast Regional Championship Regatta in October.

Melbourne Yacht Club was well represented at the joint PCYC / MYC Cinco de Mayo Regatta held at the Port Canaveral yacht Club on May 3rd and 4th. Four of the seven entries in the regatta came from MYC. **Floyd Bryan** sailing *Esprit* placed 1st in the PHRF A class, with **David Keane** sailing *Chivaree* placing 1st in the PHRF B class. **Tony Godden** sailing the J30 *Gold Rush* was 4th in PHRF A and **Jim & Amy Lacy** sailing *Mamook* placed 3rd in PHRF B.

Floyd Bryan sailing *Esprit* represented MYC at the 52nd Brevard Challenge at Indian River Yacht Club on the weekend of May 17 and 18, finishing second in the PHRF A fleet.

That same weekend, **Dave Noble** and **Craig Rastello** each took J24s to the J24 Rodeo at Davis Island Yacht Club in Tampa. **Dave** was third overall and **Craig** finished mid-fleet.

The following weekend **Paul Anstey, Toby Anstey, Bob Roots, Geoff Swain (FIT), Charlie Lush, and Craig Rastello** represented Melbourne Yacht Club in the J24 UK National Championships in Poole, England, placing 10th out of 20 boats participating in the 10 race series. All but one of the crew on the boat either currently live in Poole or were originally from the Poole area. Conditions ranged from moderate winds and seas on Saturday to winds of 20 to 25 knots on Sunday accompanied by choppy seas and surfing. The final day of races was sailed in light air. The crew was filmed as part of a British TV show, Harbor Lives, a series about people and places in and around Poole Harbor. The episode will air in July or August on ITV.

Coming Events

June 14 – Dragon Point Coed Race
June 15 – Father's Day Race and "Burn-It"
June 20 – Rum Race
June 28 – Dragon Point Women's Race
July 4 – Rum Race (**Moved back to June 20th**)
July 5 & 6 – PCYC Firecracker Ocean Race
July 12 – Seafood Raft Up
July 12 – MYC Single Handed Race

Craig Rastello / Fleet Captain

Membership

We continued to hear from prospective new members this month. A follow-up email was sent to the eleven (11) active prospects. MYC membership information was emailed to all non-members enrolled in the adult sailing class. The Membership Committee did not meet in the month of May.



Junior Resident applicants **Wyatt & Lilly Hoover** have been provisionally accepted in a June 8 email board meeting. Both Florida natives, they have lived in and explored much of the state. Their love for the region is directly tied to it's beautiful natural resources, both along the coast and inland. Wyatt and Lilly moved to Melbourne Beach after 6 years in Jupiter, FL in September of 2012. **Lilly** is a dentist and owns a wonderful family practice, River Oak Dental, on Palm Bay road. She attended the University of Florida for both her Undergraduate and Doctorate degrees and has been practicing since 2006. **Wyatt** attended the Florida State University and graduated with his Undergraduate degree in 2005. He worked as Education Director for the Institute for Health Technology Transformation until 2012, when he resigned to manage the business operations at River Oak Dental. They both work very hard to maintain the lifestyles of their two dogs, Griffin and Buoy

We received no resignations on the last month.

Membership Statistics:

Resident 153, Non Resident 20, Corinthian 6, Emeritus 1, Junior Resident 2, Provisional 2, Extended Provisional 0, Honorary 13
Total of 196

Gary Briand/ Membership Director

Dock Notes

Welcome to the 2014 hurricane season. The experts are predicting nine tropical storms and three hurricanes for this season. The lesser number of storms is supposedly due to an El Niño. if you have a boat on the docks and you haven't yet read the section of the Dock Policies pertaining to what to do when we are expecting a hurricane yet then I recommend you do so, even if you have a boat, but not on the docks, there is some good stuff in the policies on how to prepare for one.



The Florida Department of Environmental Protection informed us they will allow us to create a steward slip and I have asked Gabe Denes add that look to our Submerged Lands Lease Slip Survey. On the other hand they have refused our request to put slips at the end of the T-docks. I have requested a meeting at their offices with their management so that we can fully understand their decision on this topic.

I Have confirmation from **Hasty Miller** that there is an galvanic problem on the docks. **Eric Stord** checked out the AC power ground for the docks and found it to be nonexistent. He and **Jack Leahy** have installed a new ground and it is working; however, there appear to be additional problems where the ground and neutral wires are tied together. We're currently looking at the docks to try and resolve those issues. Once we have that done I am going to look for somebody that can explain how we can detect these problems before a member walks in with their pitted boat pieces.

Finally, we need to replace the dusk-to-dawn sensor on the east dock.

Well, that's it for this month. I hope you have a great day and enjoy using the docks

Ross Herbert / Dockmaster

Entertainment

May was a fun, active month for Entertainment. MYC honored Mothers with a Mimosa Brunch and a record attendance. Expertly crafted custom omelets by **Gary Briand** were popular to the point of depleting some of his stash of ingredients, the Mimosas flowed freely, and twinkling lights bathed the rose-decorated tables. We greeted Mothers with fresh fruit, blueberry pecan French toast, biscuits and gravy, baked ham, rolls and bread, and coconut and chocolate cakes. As a remembrance, Mothers were given flowers as they left so that they could recall their day of honor – at least for a week!



A good turnout rocked to the music of “Encore” until 10:00 p. m. at Peace, Love & Rock n’ Roll – the 70s Party - on a flashing color-lighted dance floor. Lots of laughter was generated by “your best 70s- look photo” game, as we tried to figure out who the guys and women with long hair – some straight, some Afro - and beads were. Sipping Harvey Wallbangers and Sloe Gin Fizzes recalled memories of fun, younger days of 45 years ago. Were we ever that young? As we nibbled on Sloppy Joe sandwiches, meatballs, and jello molds, decades-old images of parties with friends looking like Art Crocker, in his Afro, his ‘stache, tie-dyed t-shirt, and fringed vest for the total 70s “peace dude,” or Patti and Dean White, in their neon chartreuse, white go-go boots disco mode, found us reminiscing and smiling.

June brings the Father’s Day Burn-it and race, which is being handled by **Craig Rastello**, always a popular summer party. Come join in the fun.

Tradition rules the 4th of July grill celebration, with **Bob Hughes** grilling ribs and chicken at the Club at \$10.00 per person. Favorite picnic items of potato salad, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, and dessert will be included. The Sunday bar will be open for drinks.

Saturday, July 12, promises an early, full moon for the Seafood Raft-Up. **Del Wiese** has determined the per person cost at \$14.00 this year, based on market price of shrimp. A flyer with details is also in this issue of the Tell-Tale.

I will be in Maui from June 15 until August 2, during which time **Gary Briand** has graciously agreed to serve in my absence. While events taper off in the Summer, we can all enjoy the rum races, the 4th of July party and fireworks from the perfect view of our deck, and look forward to the Mermaid Regatta in September. Enjoy your Summer.

Pamela Crocker / Entertainment Director

Grog Locker

Bar sales for the month of May were \$3391 That is a increase of \$1,081 or 51% over last year.

We had 3 parties, 2 private and the 70’s party, which helped with the May sales

Year to date sales are \$15,476. This is \$698 more then last years sales.

I will be out of the country from June 14th to July 28th.

Page Proffitt will be standing in for me with all bar duties.

Please reach out to Page with any questions or concerns regarding the bar.

Bar Joke of the Month:

Two guys are sitting at a bar. One guy says to the other “Do you know that lions have sex 10 or 15 times a day?” the other guy says “ Darn, I just joined the Rotary Club.”

Dean White / Bar & Kitchen Director



Sailing Education



In May, 19 people of all ages, mostly with limited sailing experience, were exposed to sailing and indications are that they are enjoying it. The first adult class has twelve really good students who take a class on Thursday evening and sail on Sunday mornings. They sailed J/24s with two instructors aboard the first Sunday to get a feel for being on a boat and steering. The next Sunday they began sailing 420s. The course lasts a total of 5 weeks. It's an enthusiastic group and **Gary Briand** is taking many of the students out on Rum Race nights for more sailing. Many thanks to **Paul Anstey, Tony Godden** and The NQR syndicate (**Jim Henry, Will Moore, Suzanne Dunphy, Bryon** and **Catherine Allen**) for the use of their J/24s. Also thanks to lead instructor **Dave Oatway** qalong with **Tommy Clough, Gary Briand, Dave Silverman, Dave Keene, Kyle Smyth, Scott Bell, Mike Gallagher, Tom Knowlton, Pat Brown** and **Logan Pfeiffer**. Thanks again to **Will Moore** and **Suzanne Dunphy** for lots of support and guidance.

Also thanks to **Floyd Bryan** for taking five members of MYC's Venture Crew 370 and two of the leaders sailing on *Esprit*. Again, for many it was their first exposure to sailing. Next they will begin sailing classes on the 420s. Our Venture Crew, along with an FIT fraternity, has acquired responsibility for one of the spoil islands off of Grant. It is the second island south of Grant Farm Island. On it, they will build shelter, add grills and identify/flora and work to keep it clean – a very worthwhile project and possible cruising destination.

The next class to start will be Youth Sailing in July. As of this writing, the class is very near full. There are a wide range of ages and skills. I am really looking forward to the class which will be conducted by **Craig Rastello** and myself using both 420s and Optimist Prams.

We have already received three deposits for the fall adult class. I am also exploring an advanced class where people who have completed our learn-to-sail classes can continue to acquire and develop small boat skills.

Finally, I hope to see you out sailing, showing our students the pleasures and challenges of the sport and in a fun environment where they can continue to grow as sailors and add to everyone's enjoyment of the club.

Phil Spletter / Youth & Sailing Education Director

Fund Raising Dinner



Good will and enthusiasm was pulsating throughout Melbourne Yacht Club Friday evening, May 23. On behalf of two teen-age sailors, **Chris Nagy** and **Cameron Smith** (Pictured here with Dick Tillman-ed.), who sail our regattas and crew with our members, MYC held a fabulous homemade dinner -- stuffed roast pork loin, potato cheese casserole, and more. **Chris** and **Cameron** are one of only 24 teams that were invited to learn advanced sailing techniques this June at the Neill Coaching Clinic in Chicago June 11-15 where they will receive advanced coaching from top-tier college coaches and world-class sailors. They were so anxious to learn but lacked the considerable funds needed to make it happen. With awesome generosity, MYC members responded and raised more than \$1,600 in donations for dinner towards their expenses.

Everyone is looking forward to hearing about the experience and meeting them on the race course with their newfound skills -- and maybe necessarily sharpening their own in the face of new competition!

So many members volunteered to make the evening possible including **Patti White, Gail Oliver, Peggy Snead, Brenda Spletter, Jack & Jacky Leahy, Mary Pietris, Page & Claudia Proffitt, Art & Gayle Greenman, Gabriella Gruber, Simon Koumjian, Jim Gibson, Gerry Moores** and **Floyd Bryan**.

We want to thank the volunteers and the participants who made this special evening such a success.

2014 Seafood Raft-up

Saturday 12 July

\$14 per adult/\$7 under 12



Time Schedule

- 6:00 pm – Meet In clubhouse, sign In and get the meals for your boat.
- 6:20 pm – Skippers meeting
- 6:40 pm – Leave the dock
- 7:00 pm - Hasty Race for the Wine (Instructions at the Skippers meeting)
- 8:00 pm - Raft up complete
- 11:00 pm – Raft Break Up

Menu

Shrimp, fish dip/crackers, potato salad, Cole slaw, dessert. Please bring your own drinks

Reservations




Please make your reservations no later than Thursday July 3rd by 9 pm. Earlier if possible.

Please identify what boat you are making reservations for. Send reservations to del@sallordel.com or home phone 321-773-4884. If you need a ride on a boat we will help you find one. If you are allergic to seafood or need sides only, please contact Del.



Mid-June – July 2014



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 15 Fathers Day Race & Burn-It	16	17 Art group 10am	18	19	20  Rum Race TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	21
22  Bar Opens at 2PM	23 	24 Art group 10am	25	26	27  TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	28  Dragon Point Women's Race
29 Small Boat Racing Bar Opens at 2PM	30	July 1 Art group 10am	2 General Membership meeting	3	4  July 4th BBQ	5 PCYC/MYC Ocean Race
6  Bar Opens at 2PM	7	8 Art group 10am	9	10	11  TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	12  Dragon Point Single-Handed Race  Seafood Raft-up
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Bulletin Board



INVOICE REMINDER: Please remember to use (and print clearly) the PRIMARY MEMBER'S LAST NAME on all purchases; Bar Checks, House Checks, Bosun Locker Checks, etc., including membership number. Also, please include your membership number on personal checks, so bookkeeping errors can be kept to a minimum.

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ARTISTS GATHERING Every Tuesday morning at 10:00 AM.



US Sailing Number

MYC is a cooperating group member with Boat US. The Group ID Number is **GA80782Y** and can be used to sign up for half-price Boat US Memberships.

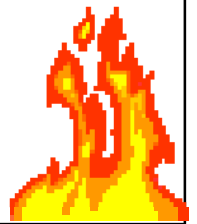
Tabs and Box Tops Challenge



The Entertainment Committee of MYC is challenging the membership to fill, fill, and keep on filling the containers which have been placed in the bar area.

WARNING

**FUEL STORAGE IS NEVER ALLOWED IN THE ANNEX!
NOT EVEN A LITTLE!!**



Calling All Artists

Mark your calendars for January 17th, 2015 for the
MYC Arts & Crafts Show.

If you are interested, please see Ross Herbert.

Mystery Burgee



Do you know which Yacht Club this burgee represents? If you do, please provide the following to our club secretary:

Burgee Represents: <Club>

Burgee From: <Location>

Burgee Donation date:

Burgee Donor: <Name>

MYC Donor: <Name>

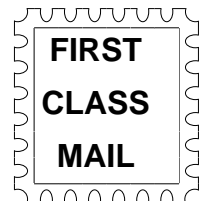
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The Tell Tale is the official newsletter of the Melbourne Yacht Club. Deadline for submissions is the first Wednesday of the month. All MYC members are encouraged to submit articles or notices of interest to the Club.



June 15th

Fathers Day Race & Burn-It

July 4th

Independence Day BBQ

July 5th

PCYC/MYC Ocean Race

July 12th

*Dragon Point Singlehanded Race
Seafood Raft-up*