

# TELL-TALE



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## MELBOURNE YACHT CLUB



# 2014 FALL REGATTA

## Oct 18-19 & Oct 25-26



### SMALL ONE DESIGN BOAT RACING

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**  
**Saturday, October 18, 2013**  
 Registration at Ballard Park & Continental Breakfast 0930 - 1100  
 Competitors Meeting, Ballard Park 1130  
 First Warning (other races to follow) 1300  
 Snacks/sodas at Ballard Park 1600  
 Dinner at MYC (approx) 1800 -1900

**Sunday, October 19, 2013**  
 Continental Breakfast, Ballard Park 0930  
 First Warning (other races to follow) 1100  
 Awards at Ballard Park approx. 1500  
 snacks/drinks/ hot dogs available

**Classes expected:** Sunfish, Laser, Collegiate 420's, Monohull Portsmouth, & Raiders  
 3+ boats make a class, with advance notice to Fleet Captain

**Entry fees, per boat:**  
 Adults: \$40 (includes 1 MYC Saturday dinner ticket)  
 Students: \$10 (Dinner not included)  
 Extra MYC Saturday dinner tickets are \$15 each  
 Beer provided for entrants over 21

### LARGE MONOHULL BOAT RACING

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**  
**Friday, October 24, 2013**  
 Yankee Rebel Rally; Rum Race format 1800

**Saturday, October 25, 2013**  
 Registration at MYC & Continental Breakfast 0900-1045  
 Competitors Meeting 1100  
 First Warning (other races to follow) 1200  
 Dinner at MYC (approx) 1800 -1900  
 Wine & Cheese Awards follow dinner

**Sunday, October 26, 2013**  
 Continental Breakfast 0900  
 First Warning (other races to follow) 1100  
 Awards (approx) 1500

**Classes expected:** PHRF Handicap, J24, Catalina 22, Sportboats  
 4+ one-design boats may have a class start

**Entry fees, per boat:**  
 PHRF classes \$50 (includes 1 MYC Saturday dinner ticket)  
 Extra MYC Saturday dinner tickets are \$15 each  
 Beer provided daily for entrants over 21

NORs on [www.sail-race.com](http://www.sail-race.com)

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MYC Club House  
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 (Day of Race Only)

### Wine & Cheese Fleet

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: Saturday Only!**  
**Saturday, October 25, 2014**  
 Registration at MYC & Continental Breakfast 0900-1045  
 Competitors Meeting 1100  
 First Warning generally around (Come to meeting!) 1200  
 Dinner at MYC: 1800-1900 (approx.)  
 Wine & Cheese Awards follow dinner

**Classes Expected:** Sailboats  
**Entry fees, per boat:**  
 Wine & Cheese Fleet: \$30 (includes 1 MYC Saturday dinner ticket).  
 Extra MYC Saturday dinner tickets are \$15 each.

Please be sure to read this month's Membership article as it contains recommended Bylaw and Policy changes to be discussed in the November General Membership meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2014.



## Commodore's Log



First of all, I want to thank our members who have agreed to serve as our Nominating Committee this year; **Rhonda Delmater, Bob Hughes, Page Proffitt, Dave Silverman and Peggy Snead**. This is a very important task; over the next two months this group will select our 2015 Board of Directors. Thank you, we appreciate your dedication!

Being just over half way through the year made me stop and count our accomplishments this year; the great new carpet and flooring, the resurfaced parking lot, the new windows in the annex apartment quickly come to mind. Regattas and racing, dock repairs, lots of sailing classes, plenty of new members and great parties, dinners and bar events. Everyone has been busy! As I've shared before, I've had the opportunity to visit other clubs and compare challenges and successes. And as far as I can see, we are doing pretty well; we are not afraid to take on new opportunities to continuously improve.

So, I'd like to share again - last month at the Newport Boat Show I compared notes with two NE yachts clubs, and one of the interesting traditions they each had was a minimum 1-year probationary period for new members. A new member is required to contribute 100 hours of service per year, before being accepted as a regular member. Their experience is that after 100 hours of working on committees a new member is really comfortable with all of the activities, traditions and people of the club. Those people then continue to volunteer and serve as board members in subsequent years, and stay active; they have a very low turnover in membership, in fact. Plus, the Newport Yacht Club has a 15 year waiting list to have your boat on their docks, so it's quite an incentive to stay active! So, even though MYC does not keep a track volunteer hours, the lesson here is that when people are involved, they have fun and stay active! So get involved! And talk to the Nominating Committee (above) if you are interested in stepping up to a higher level of contribution.

*Lynde Edwards / Commodore*



## House



The club upgrade is complete and now onto the next "steps". It will take about two days to complete the steps. They will be completed in the near future without any impacting any of the club events.

The paving project is complete and a special thanks to everyone in the club for allowing the contractor two days to complete the job. It's great to be able to see the parking lines and especially the No Parking and 30 minute loading zones. Thanks to the Club member Brad Stowers helping move the boats out of the way and the Sailing Education team for putting them back in their place.

After the busy the regatta month of October, House will work the issues with the deck issues. There will be times where the East side of the deck will be closed. I will schedule a member work party for November.

### Gardening Day Spruces Up Club

On October 4th we had a Gardening Workday to spruce up the club for the Fall Regattas. Please thank the following people for working so hard to make the club 'ship shape': **Larry & Connie Etheridge, Art Greenman, Tim Williams, Simon Koumjian, Jim Lacy, Betsy Baird, Gerry Moores, Commodore Lynde Edwards, Jack Leahy, Vice Commodore Tom Knowlton, Ross Herbert and Page Proffitt**.

Instead of having more Gardening Workdays, we are going to try something different. Individuals will be able to 'adopt' an area of the gardens, like the 'adopt a highway' program. Anything that does not

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## *Entertainment*

Hi, everyone, hope you all enjoyed the Mermaid Regatta. The Hawaiian music during dinner was lovely, and the talented hula group seemed to perform forever – they certainly earned their fee! I have heard good feedback about the food, especially the roast pig -- well done Charlie & Jakes. Of course, much appreciation is in order for all the MYC members who helped, especially **Al Waschka**, who volunteered an entire day to cook and pull the pork.



On to a new month, new regatta: on Saturday, October 18, 2014, the Small Boat Regatta dinner will be held. Grilled strip steaks, baked potatoes with a topping bar, salad or vegetable, and dessert are the order for that day. The menu for the next weekend's Big Boat Regatta is in the works and will be published as soon as it is finalized. Waypoint Magazine has received a notice regarding the race, so perhaps we will see some new or returning faces.

Please let me know if anyone is interested in hosting the Orphans' Thanksgiving dinner this year. There is much guidance and advice from past hosts available to anyone who would like to step up. The turkeys can be as simple as purchasing them already cooked from Publix, Winn Dixie, or other markets, as **Pat Brown** did last year. Pat had a great turnout, and with everyone choosing a clean-up job, I believe Pat would agree it was pretty smooth and painless.

See you at Fall Regatta . . .

***Pamela Crocker / Entertainment Director***

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## *Sailing Education*

There are two more weeks in the adult learn-to-sail class which is being taught by Dave Oatway. On Sunday the class had breeze and commented that compared to light or no wind, having some breeze makes sailing easier and more fun. Smart class!



Throughout the year I have been fortunate to have very good volunteer support. This month I am very grateful to **Jillian Aydelotte, Tommy Clough, Dave Keane, Amy Lacy, Jim Lacy, Dave Lister, Will Moore, Dave Oatway** and **Page Proffitt**.

Respectfully submitted,

***Phil Spletter / Youth & Sailing Education Director***

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## *Dock Notes*

I would like to thank **Grant Ball** for being the acting Dockmaster while I was on vacation. There were no reported problems, **Jack Clark** replaced the dusk-to-dawn sensor on the East dock, and **Jerry Ross** for donating & replacing the life ring lines on both docks.



Commodore Lynde coordinated a visit by FDEP to inspect the docks. We had no problems. Now with a clean slate, we can proceed with the addition of the Stewards slip and our case for slips on the T-Docks.

It is my understanding that all boats that required slip space during the Mermaid Regatta were able to find space. I plan to use the same approach for the Fall Regatta.

If you have not yet turned in a copy of the new Slip Agreement with the supporting documentation, please do so. Boats not in compliance with the current Policies will be treated as Disused starting November 1, 2014.

***Ross Herbert / Dockmaster***

# Membership



The Membership Committee met September 4<sup>th</sup> and finalized wording of proposed by-law and policy updates. The updates are intended to:

- Align with current members' status,
- Facilitate Officer status for more active contributors to the club,
- Consolidate all sections of the bylaws which specify which membership classifications may hold elective office to one location, in Article 1 Section 1.

In summary, Bylaw updates afford unmarried but otherwise committed couples to enjoy joint membership and Membership Policy changes ensure that those privileges are extended only to committed couples. As a volunteer based club, by enacting these changes we hope to allow a broader base for involvement in club leadership and volunteerism.

## Proposed Bylaw Change

Key to proposed changes:

Insertions are underlined,

Deletions are ***BoldItalic***.

~~~~~ Proposed bylaw changes ~~~~~

**Article 1, Section 2:** MYC Membership, excepting the Corinthian class, may be held individually or jointly by a ***married*** couple who has entered a marriage, civil union, or domestic partnership. Each ***spouse*** person in a Joint Membership is a full member of the club subject to the privileges afforded to their *member's* class of membership. Corinthian class membership may only be held by an individual.

Only one ***spouse*** member in a Joint *Resident* Membership may vote in elections or on motions before the general membership. The ***spouses*** joint members must decide which one will cast their vote on any given issue. Only one member in a Joint ***Resident*** Membership may hold elective office at any given time.

If a ***Resident*** member ***marries*** enters a marriage, civil union, or domestic partnership, ***the new spouse automatically becomes a member and*** the membership may become a Joint Membership. ***A Nonresident member may not confer membership by marriage.***

Upon ***the*** a death ***of a spouse*** in a Joint Membership, the surviving member will retain the membership.

Upon the ***divorce*** dissolution of the relationship between *of* members in a Joint Membership, both members may continue their membership as individuals. However, both members must agree who will retain the current membership. The other member must pay prorated dues for the balance of the fiscal year from the date of the ***divorce*** dissolution. No initiation fee will be required. The club secretary must be notified in writing which member will retain the original membership and whether the other member desires to remain a member.

~~~~~End of proposed bylaw changes~~~~~.

## Proposed Addition to Membership Policy

The following MYC Membership policy changes are not subject to general membership approval but have been developed to ensure the equitable application of the proposed bylaw changes, if approved.

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~~~~~ Addition to Membership Policy~~~~~

In lieu of a marriage certificate or proof of civil union, domestic partners or an individual wishing to establish a joint membership may apply and demonstrate that they meet the spirit of this type of membership by providing the Board of Directors with two of the following criteria:

Common ownership of property or shared lease

Common ownership of a motor vehicle

Joint bank account or credit account

Primary beneficiary of retirement plan or life insurance policy

Will which declares the other as a primary beneficiary

Durable power of attorney or health care power of attorney which appoints the other as agent

In the absence of the above, the BOD may review the applicants' situation and make a ruling; if the BOD approves the Joint Membership, that ruling will continue for the duration of the membership.

~~~~~ End of Addition to Membership Policy~~~~~

Other membership action:

**Tim Erickson** indicated that he would be moving back to Kansas and would like to resign from the club. While we're sorry to see Tim leave, we wish he and his new fiancée, Patty, all the best.

Membership Statistics

Resident 153, Non Resident 21, Corinthian 6, Emeritus 1, Junior Resident 4, Provisional 1, Extended Provisional 1, Honorary 12 Total of 199

**Gary Briand / Membership Director**



## *Fleet*

**We received no Fleet report for this month.—Ed.**

***Craig Rastello / Fleet Captain***



## *Grog Locker*

With the Mermaid Regatta this month, I was expecting an increase in bar sales but with the nice weather this year the ladies spent all their time on the water instead of in the bar.

Sales for the month of September were \$1833. That is a decrease of \$1116 or 62% of last year

Year to date sales are \$23,446. This is below last year sales by \$521.00



**Dean White / Bar & Kitchen Director**

Melbourne Yacht Club  
Fall Regatta  
Adult Pram Races and Potluck Dinner  
Thursday, Oct. 23, 2014, 5:30 PM - till it's too dark to see!



**This is real racing!!!** Come out and challenge your crew and usual competitors in one of MYC's 8' prams!

Racing instructions:

- We will race as many qualifying races as time and twilight allows and a championship finals race
- All racers will sail one of MYC's 6 Optimist Prams, which are in roughly equal condition
- Starts will be a 3-minute sequence with flags and whistles, in case you forget your start watch
- We will sort of follow the general rules of racing

Sign up on the T-dock on Thursday evening for your turn to race – and don't forget your life jacket!

Grab something from the bar and hang out on the T-dock cheering for your favorite competitor if you aren't racing, and even if you are!  
Bring a dish to share for the potluck dinner and enjoy the spirit of the Fall Regatta when it's too dark to race.

We will have a little work party starting about 4:00PM before the races to set-up the prams and get them into racing form; please join us if you'd like to help.

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get done by members will be done by a landscaping company. An email will go out about a month before the landscaping company is scheduled asking the individuals to tend to their areas before that date in order to save the club the cost of having the landscaper do it. Wouldn't it be wonderful not even to need the landscaper! I will get out an email soon to explain the program further and to give you the breakdown of the jobs. I have divided the areas of the landscape into 25 different areas to make the work light. The longest a job should take would be about an hour with most jobs much less than that. I will send out an email in the near future to explain the program in more detail and give you a list of the areas to be adopted.

#### Landscaping Chores:

Fertilizer can be found in box by shed on the east side of the clubhouse. Palm fertilizer is to be used on palms and ixora.

1. RoundUp Tire Store (monthly)
2. RoundUp boatyard (monthly)
3. RoundUp behind trellis by kitchen being careful not to spray juniper. (monthly)
4. RoundUp area on west side of parking lot by oleander and philodendron. (monthly)
5. Weed & prune island in upper parking lot containing areca palms and ixora (Amy Lacy (6x a year)
6. Trim the Confederate Jasmine on front fence (Art Greenman) (6x a year)
7. Weed among oyster plants along condo fence in upper parking lot, remove trash, trim back anything growing through condo fence, sweep up leaves along curb. (4x a year)
8. Prune oleander bushes on west side of parking lot by road, plus the one in front of the fence by sign area. Try to prune as far back as possible from fence so it doesn't grow through it to the sidewalk. (6x a year)
9. Weed, tidy up, pick up sticks, etc. by sign area. (4x a year)

**Tom Knowlton / Vice Commodore / House**



Thanks to **Chris Gates**, **Art Greenman**, and others for providing pictures of the Mermaid Regatta-Ed



# Mid-October – November 2014



| Sun                                                        | Mon | Tue                     | Wed | Thu                         | Fri                                             | Sat                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| 12<br><b>Rum Race</b><br><b>Bar Opens</b><br><b>at 2PM</b> | 13  | 14<br>Art group<br>10am | 15  | 16                          | 17<br>TGIF<br>Bar opens at 5:00                 | 18<br>MYC Small Boat<br>Regatta          |
| 19<br>MYC Small<br>Boat Regatta                            | 20  | 21<br>Art group<br>10am | 22  | 23<br>Club<br>Pram<br>Races | 24<br>Yankee Rebel<br>TGIF<br>Bar opens at 5:00 | 25<br>MYC Big Boat<br>Regatta            |
| 26<br>MYC Big Boat<br>Regatta                              | 27  | 28<br>Art group<br>10am | 29  | 30                          | 31<br>TGIF<br>Bar opens at 5:00<br>Halloween    | Nov 1<br>Dragon Point<br>Co-Ed Race      |
| 2<br>Small Boat Racing<br>Bar Opens<br>at 2PM              | 3   | 4<br>Art group<br>10am  | 5   | 6                           | 7<br>TGIF<br>Bar opens at 5:00                  | 8<br>MYC/PCYC Ponce<br>to Canaveral Race |
| 9<br>Rum Race<br>Bar Opens<br>at 2PM                       | 10  | 11<br>Art group<br>10am | 12  | 13                          | 14<br>TGIF<br>Bar opens at 5:00                 | 15<br>Dragon Point<br>Women's Race       |
| 16<br>Small Boat Racing<br>Bar Opens<br>at 2PM             | 17  | 18<br>Art group<br>10am | 19  | 20                          | 21<br>TGIF<br>Bar opens at 5:00                 | 22                                       |
| 23<br>Rum Race<br>Bar Opens<br>at 2PM                      | 24  | 25<br>Art group<br>10am | 26  | 27                          | 28<br>TGIF<br>Bar opens at 5:00                 | 29                                       |



# 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.

## MYC Board/Officer Email Addresses

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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.

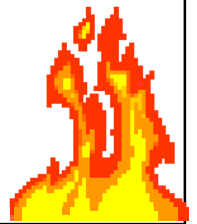
## Tabs and Box Tops Challenge



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>

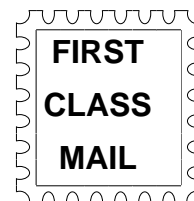
**Burgee History:** <Short text paragraph about how the burgee was donated>

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YACHT CLUB**



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**October 18th—19th**  
*Fall Regatta Small Boats*

**October 23rd**  
*Club Pram Races*

**October 24th**  
*Yankee Rebel Rally*

**October 25th—26th**  
*Fall Regatta Big Boats*

**November 1st**  
*Dragon Point Co-Ed Race*

**November 8th**  
*Fall Regatta Big Boats*

**November 15th**  
*Dragon Point Women's Race*