

# MBYC Newsletter October 2010

## Club Managers Report

October ended with lots of rain and even a threatening storm TOMAS.

Our entertainment for October was Ernie Smith live on the Friday night of the Marlin Tournament. Those in attendance had a wonderful time.

Thanks to our members who participated and supported the Lucea Cross the Harbour Swim & Regatta on Heroes Day. By all indications, it was a wonderful experience.

Three of our members, Dr Lee Bailey, Winston Dear and George Thomas were awarded Orders of Distinction from the Governor General for their outstanding service to the country. Congratulations to them!

Past commodores please remember to submit your pictures in order for us to complete the 'Commodores Wall' we have only received one thus far.

The festive season is almost here and there is no better place to have your parties than the Yacht Club, so please keep that in mind and call us early to make reservations.

Our annual Christmas Lunch will be on December 19th. Please save the date.

Last but not least, I cannot emphasize enough how important it is for members to pay their dues and docking fees on time. The economic crunch is reaching us all and it is becoming increasingly difficult to keep the club afloat.

*Beverley Russell, Club Manager*

## New Members

Please welcome new members: Andrew Salm, Maricruz Salvader, Martin Taylor

## Lucea Cross Harbour Swim

Inspired by Dr Clarkes vision of rafting up overnight in Lucea harbour in a flotilla of boats from the club, several boats from MBYC did venture out despite the weather warnings.

The mornings events included a trick water skiing display, jumps and a never seen before hydro-foiling sit on wake board that looked surreal as it skimmed along 2' out of the water with the occasional back loop being thrown in. Congratulations to **Jackie Hamilton** for her second place woman in the cross harbour swim and to the boats that made the effort to be there.

## Pineapple Cup report

The 2011 Pineapple Cup race entry list is shaping up nicely, there are 4 confirmed including 2 from the USA, 1 from the Netherlands and 1 from Canada. There is a possibility of a MBYC entry

## Jamin' J22 regatta – December 10 & 11

Our annual J22 sailing regatta is scheduled for December 10 and 11. This invitational regatta was started in 1989 and is a fun regatta that welcomes international crews from around the world to compete in the cool blue waters off Montego Bay.



**Figure 1 - Not a J22**

Cayman has always had a strong showing in recent years and has two teams confirmed and we expect that the newcomers from the Bahamas will in contention to knock the Champions from their perch. Three boats from the Royal Jamaica Yacht Club have signaled their intention to do battle and we welcome their efforts knowing the trouble of towing boats across the island. The rest of the boats will be Montego Bay's finest.



**Figure 2 - Some J22's**

All are welcome to come and watch, there will be activities organized for visiting families. Volunteers are need for start boat duties, all are welcome to apply!