

# MBYC Newsletter September 2010

## Club Managers Report

September brought the rain, rain and more rain.

Our main event had to be postponed by 1 day – you can read all about it later in this newsletter. The Fishing Tournament scheduled to start on the 29th was postponed until the 30th.

Our 1st ever ‘Sail de Harbour’ for members was hosted by Winston Dear on his boat Stoshus. We had a wonderful day with Soraya Abbas at the helm.



This is going to be a regular feature as we encourage our new members to come and get involved in a new pastime and meet new people.

We need, urgently, photos of Past Commodores to create a wall. I will be reaching out to you for any images ideal 10" x 12".

The club finances continue to struggle as some members have accounts continually in arrears. The club cannot continue to support these members and further action will be taken if accounts are not brought to current status

*Beverley Russell, Club Manager*

## New Members

Please welcome new members: Michael Baugh, Antoinette Chan-Ueker, Libarta & Derick Hanlan, William Clark

## Yout' Sailing

In case you have not already seen the flyers, there is a half term camp arranged in the Picos with special invited instructor.

In response to requests for more time, the deadline for registration has been extended to Monday, October 11, 2010

You are invited to make the camp fee payments by then to ensure a space on the camp.

We are pleased to invite seasoned and new Youth Sailors back on the water.

And, let's remind you to have the following items ready: Life Jacket (if you have them), & Gloves, Sun Cream, Hat, Sun Block, Glasses with String, Footwear,

Towel. We are ready for another fun sailing camp with Uncle Raph!

## Fishing Tournament 2010

*Cheryl Atkinson reports*

The 49th Annual Marlin Fishing Tournament got off to a late start due to the weather conditions attributed to Tropical Storm "Nicole".

We however, were not to be completely disappointed as we experienced a very exciting conclusion of this year's tournament.

Although we had originally twelve canoes booked to participate on Wednesday, the 29th, they were unable to go out and only three turned up on the rescheduled day, Thursday. One canoe eventually landed seven dolphins and one barracuda with a total weight of 76lbs and one brought in three barracudas and one dolphin with a total weight of 28lbs. We would like to thank our sponsors of this event, **Dragon Stout/Red Stripe, Clinicare Pharmacy, Morewood Limited and Restaurants of Jamaica (KFC).**



**Reverend Anthony Ottey** for blessing the tournament and **Mr. Winston Dear, Acting Custos** for starting the

The "big boats" started there tournament a day late on a very wet Friday and we would like to thank



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tournament. This was a very quiet day with Marlin Mania with visiting anglers Steve Rivers and Chris Weir from Canada landing three tunas with a total weight of 22lbs and No Problem with angler Peter McConnell landing a 10lb dolphin. Both Deputy and Marlin Madness however each had a strike but lost them.

**Day 2** was very similar to day one in quietness although the weather was much better than the day before. Three boats, Shalako, Marlin Mania and Persistence released one marlin each but our star for the day was seven-year-old Onam Benitez, angler on Deputy who landed an 18lb tuna.



**Day 3** and final day of the tournament, was a very beautiful day. The sun was shining, the water was warmer and we were optimistic for the tournament.



We however were only doing a half day of fishing from 6:30am to 2:00pm as our boat owners and anglers who came from all over Jamaica had to return home. This once again started as a very quiet day. Courtney Wilkinson on Persistence once again hooked and released a marlin as they did previously and Paulette Hossman landed an 18lb barracuda on the boat Keepin it Jiggy.

Whilst the big boats were off the dock, we had the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual David Charley Kiddies Tournament. Fourteen kids of different ages took part with the youngest angler being age 1 ¼ yrs. Quite a number of fish of different sizes were hooked, measured and released. We would like to thank the following persons for all the assistance they gave for this event. s **David Charley**, who made sure all the lines and hooks were ready, **Scott Stanley**, for supplying the

bait, **Lynn Langford**, for overseeing the entry process and being the MC for the awards, **Bev Russell**, for recording the catch, **Kathy Charley and Soraya Abbas**, for presenting the awards and certificates and all the parents, aunts, uncles and friends who came out to support these kids.



Little Issac Edwards was awarded for being the youngest angler 1 ¼ yrs, Jude Edwards for the 2<sup>nd</sup> most fish caught (4), Adrian Vanderhoof for the most fish caught (5), Matthew Fulton for the first 2<sup>nd</sup> longest fish and the big winner of the David Charley Trophy was Joshua Williams for the longest fish a 12" barracuda and for the most unique fish a 5 ½ "Welshman". We would like to thank Dolphin Cove, Palace Amusement Co. and Chukka Caribbean for the prizes for this event.



It was then back to concentrating on the "big boats". We all hung around to hear if there was anything biting. With only twenty-six minutes to lines up, the call came in....Deputy with angler Rolan Benitez had hooked a marlin and was fighting it. Everybody around the club became excited; we could not hear much more of what was going on onboard. Eventually

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at 2:06pm, the marlin landed and we awaited the boat's arrival at the dock. When measured, the marlin weighed 335lbs, Rolan was very happy as it was the first ever marlin caught by him. We congratulate the Deputy Crew and Anglers for this win which turned a very quiet tournament into un-forgetful one.



Winners for the Tournament Were-

## Plaque

First Mate – Boat with the Heaviest Marlin  
Michael Donalds on Deputy

## Capt. Oscar Stoddart Memorial Trophy

Capt. Of Boat - Best Sportsmanship  
Clement Mullings on Scooper Dooper

## Everton "Reds" Memorial Trophy

Capt. of Boat with the heaviest marlin  
Peter Donalds on Deputy

## George Ryan Memorial Trophy

Boat releasing the most marlins  
Shalako and Marlin Mania

## Tai Flora Trophy

Boat with most non-billfish  
Marlin Mania

## Peter Charley Memorial Trophy

Boat with the most marlin  
Deputy

## Montego Bay Yacht Club Trophy

Angler 1st ever marlin  
Rolan Benitez on Deputy

## Plaque

Angler with the heaviest barracuda  
Paulette Hossmann on Keepin it Jiggy

## Plaque

Angler with the heaviest tuna  
Onam Benitez on Deputy

## Gwyn Jones Memorial Trophy

Angler - 1st marlin landed for the tournament  
Roland Benitez on Deputy

## Bill Taylor Memorial Trophy

Angler – 1st marlin released for the tournament  
Peter Charley on Marlin Mania

## Red Stripe Trophy

Angler with the Heaviest Marlin  
Rolan Benitez on Deputy



Fishing committee Chairman Sascha Hossmann and its members would like to thank all those who helped to make this a successful tournament. Owners and Crew of the boats that entered, our wonderful Sponsors, the Club Manager, Bev Russell and staff especially Dock Master Mighty Mike and Club Secretary Heather, Seahorse Restaurant's management and staff, the Marine Police, Reverend Anthony Ottey, Mr. Winston Dear, Denise Taylor, the Charley Family, Lynn Langford, Soraya Abbas and the families and companies that sponsored the trophies.

*Ed's note: thanks to Cheryl for her help with the fishing tournament arrangements*