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The Club meets in Javea or Moraira every week on a Monday evening, to talk (or moan as the case may be) and enjoys a meal afterwards - there are plenty of restaurants nearby. Do join us even if you do not have a boat at the moment.

There are currently 100 energetic members with sailing ability ranging from zero up to beginner level to &lsquo;Yacht Master&rsquo;; from those that have sailed extensively on Sail Training vessels to individuals that have sailed across the Atlantic; from sprightly naughty forties to those of more mature years!

The CBYA competes in the &lsquo;5 Clubs&rsquo; Spring and Autumn series of Regattas which start from the Club Nauticos in Moraira; Altea; Campomanes and Real Club Nautico de Calpe. As a result of our support for the &lsquo;5 Club&rsquo; Regattas, CBYA is invited to attend additional events that the individual Club Nauticos organise. Social sailing events at Les Bassettes, cruising in the Balearics and chartering in the BVI and Greece have proved very popular

in recent years. Boat owners or those that wish to crew in these events are more than welcome to join in.

The majority of our boat owner members have their yachts and motor boats moored at marinas along the stunning 'White Coast' of the Costa Blanca, while other members have chosen France, Greece and the UK. Plenty of experienced crew are looking for skippers and skippers are looking for enthusiastic crew! However, you do not need a boat to join the club... you may never even wish to go sailing... all you need is an interest in sailing where you can join up with other sailing enthusiasts and even learn to sail on other members's yachts.

How to join? Ring Steve Phelan (Club Hon. Secretary) on 662 922 388 or email [stephenphelan1sdp@hotmail.com](mailto:stephenphelan1sdp@hotmail.com) and he will be able to persuade you to join... we hope. Also visit [www.cbja.org](http://www.cbja.org)

See you on the water... very soon!