



Ship to Shore

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, December 11, 2015, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.



2015 Bridge Officers

Commodore Kevin Silver
Vice Commodore Wayne Mitts
Rear Commodore Art Basley
Treasurer Frank Romano
Secretary Keira Burtch

2015 Board of Directors

Ed Gutierrez
Bob Tamagny
Joe Senackerib
Tony Ferraro
Andy Hudson

Director's Report for November 2015

From Director Ed Gutierrez:

☞ The Board is reviewing open invoices and requesting all invoices be paid ASAP to properly close out the club's books for the year.

☞ The Board has approved the completion of probation for John Verrengia and elevated him to regular member.

☞ The Board is in negotiation with Sterling bank to change account status to an account with a better transaction allowance and lower fees.

☞ The Board has authorized Commodore Silver to enter into a new rental agreement with Pennybridge.

☞ The 2016 MYC Calendar was reviewed and approved to be posted on the website.

From Commodore Kevin Silver:

Is there anyone who attended this years Change of Watch who didn't have a blast? I can't see how. Our new Commodore, Wayne Mitts, sure knows how to throw a good party. Great Food, great music and of course, great company. A recipe that is a sure fire winner.

During the evening two members commented how much they enjoyed meeting new members and really getting to know them. At the end of the day there is more to each of our members than simply boating. The fabric that makes up all of our individual members goes well beyond this common interest and expanding ones knowledge of each other offers the promise of long standing friendships. And subsequently makes being a part of Minisceongo Yacht Club an even richer experience.

This month we will start rebuilding the bulkhead facing dock four. A constructed vertical stone wall will replace the rotted timbers that currently make up the bulkhead. A new electrical distribution panel, placed on the opposite side of the road close to the existing O&R transformer

is also part of the reconstruction. In the spring, a new concrete pad will be poured for the ramp and gate. A new canopy, identical to the canopies recently installed at the foot of docks 5 and 6 is also on order and will be installed this spring. Woo Hoo, 2016 is off to a good start already!

The new clubhouse committee, chaired by Ed Gutierrez, has also been very busy this past month interviewing architects. The goal is to present renderings to the membership from the selected



photo by John O'Blenis

Change of Watch

The new Bridge and Junior Director are sworn in.

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architect, along with a modular and log cabin design. Following discussions with the membership and the subsequent vote, the committee will move the process forward.

At December's general meeting we will be voting on the 2016 budget. If you see any omissions or have comments please be sure to contact Wayne Mitts prior to the meeting with your thoughts and suggestions.

I can't thank the membership enough for the honor to be Commodore of MYC this past year. I've relished every moment and enjoyed working with everyone in our MYC family. I especially want to thank that one member who informed Rear Commodore Basley of my running aground no less than 50 feet from the gap. I can't think of a more fitting way to end my year as Commodore than to have received the cherished Mud Hook. The kindness of that member certainly deserves my thanks and I look forward to demonstrating my gratitude to her next year.

In January as the new Bridge takes the helm, Frank Romano will be stepping down as treasurer. I want to thank Frank for all the time, effort and dedication to this most critical position. Please join me in wishing Wayne Mitts, his new bridge and the board all the best in 2016, our 75th year!

And remember, only 135 days 'till boating season!

Sunshine

*From Andy Hudson for MYC
and Miriam Raber for MYCA*

♥ The MYC family sends sincere condolences to Nada and Chris Viccidomini on the recent passing of her mother.

♥ Jeff Burtch is improving and will be home soon. Thank you all for your support and help during this time.

De-Ice Committee Report

From Chairman Joe Paccione

All hoses and fenders left on the docks have been removed. They have been left at the entrance gates to the docks or on the side of the club house by the ice cooler.

Thanks, Joe P.

Yard Committee Report

From Chairman Roger Wieland

This year we hauled 108 boats. The following Associates helped during the hauling season: John Bogert, Frank Brown, Yogi Scheffold John O'Blenis, Phil Kennedy and Chris Durland. And the Probationaries: Erik Vandenberg, Dave Horne and Peter Alfieri. Thank you for your hard work.

My thanks and gratitude go to the Yard Committee for their dedication, strong work ethic and great attitude.

Thanks to the members for their donations to our coffee fund and those who provided food, doughnuts, bagels and liquid refreshment.

On more serious note here are some things to remember when you visit your boat this winter:

- * Secure your ladder to your boat when climbing aboard.
- * If you plug into the electric, be sure to unplug before you leave.
- * When checking your boat, if something doesn't look right, call me.
- * Do not tie your cover to your jack stands.

Have a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Save the Date:

Commodore's Reception

Sunday, January 17 at 2 pm

Details to follow

Cruising Fleet

From Chairman Don Rubin:

Can you believe the yachting season is over for 2015? The annual winner of the Cruising Fleet award was presented to Yogi Sheffold's daughter Deborah at the Change of Watch dinner. She has a trailerable boat and travels all over the northeast. Her name will be engraved on the plaque that hangs on the wall in the clubhouse.

Members Marvin and Miriam Raber have done some research about Philadelphia places of interest for a potential cruise fleet trip in March.

* Philadelphia Trolley Works bus tour of Philadelphia. This would be a good way to start on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning.

* The Kimmel Center of Performing Arts puts on something called "best free performances by professionals" on weekends.

* The Independence Seaport Museum. It is possible to tour two historic naval ships. One is a survivor of the Spanish American war and the other is a world war two submarine.

* The Franklin Institute Science Museum. We toured this museum some years ago and found a lot of fascinating exhibits.

* Academy of Natural Sciences Museum. Exhibits here include dinosaurs, Egyptian mummies, and much more.

These are just a small sample of the places of interest in Philadelphia. There are also many fine restaurants and hotels in town.

The preliminary dates are March 18, 19, and 20, 2016. We will get back to you when we have more information. We are also researching a possible trip to Cape May, NJ.

This month we travel to the **Crab Capital of the World – Crisfield, Maryland.**

Crisfield has a protected harbor where many crabbers and oystermen bring in their catches of the day. The harbor is lined by seafood packing plants that process the daily catch. I was able to get a tour of one of the crab packing plants and watch the highly skilled pickers remove the tasty crabmeat from the shell. The downtown area rests directly on the waterfront where there is a large

city pier. While wandering the streets of Crisfield, I found a small crab shack to buy my dinner, one dozen steamed blue-claw crabs that were wrapped in a brown paper bag to go. I found a quiet spot along the harbor to enjoy my meal, but before I could crack the first crab, I was immediately besieged by a squadron of hungry mosquitos! Plan 'B' was a picnic table in the middle of town. There is nothing sweeter than crabmeat that was harvested that day!

If you were to arrive by boat the obvious place to dock would be Somers Cove Marina on the Little Annemessex River. This is the largest state-owned marina in Maryland. The water on approach is approximately 10 feet, with about 12 feet at the docks. Be sure to follow your chartplotter

and charts carefully to avoid shoaling areas. The marina holds about 150 transient slips. Facilities available at the marina include wifi, clean restrooms with showers, laundry room, swimming pool, fuel dock with gas and diesel and pumpout service. The marina is within walking distance of the downtown area. You should be able to find a suitable restaurant for seafood in Crisfield. A Food Lion grocery is a little further hike in Crisfield.

National Hard Crab Derby is an annual Labor Day weekend event. The crab-themed festival features crab races, crab cooking and picking contests, carnival rides, arts and crafts, vendors, live entertainment, beauty pageants (Miss Crustacean), a parade, and fireworks. If you can't make it by boat, a land trip would certainly be worth it if you love seafood.



Independence Hall

photo from www.aviewoncities.com

Holiday Party

Sunday, December 6, at 1 pm

Lunch and desert will be served. Parents (or Grandparents) should provide a gift from Santa with a value of not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00).

Adults: _____ @ \$3.00 = _____
Children: _____ @ \$2.00 = _____
Total enclosed: _____



***Mail registration form and check to:
MYCA c/o Janice Romano 45 Cherry Avenue
Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520
RSVP before Dec 2***



***Clubhouse un-decorating: Sunday January 3, 1 pm
Contact Janice Senackerib to volunteer, set up or clean up***

A Look at the Future

Tuesday, December 8	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, December 11	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Thursday, December 17	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Wednesday, December 23		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Sunday, December 6	1300	Clubhouse	MYCA Holiday Party
Sunday, January 17	1400	Clubhouse	Commodore's Reception
Sunday, January 24	1300	Clubhouse	ACBS of the Hudson Meeting

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- Please report changes of *address or phone number* to Frank Romano: 45 Cherry Ave., Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520
- Please send *articles and e-mail address changes* to Keira Burtch:
- Please send *items for the web page* to Andy Hudson:

Change of Watch: The Ceremony

photos by John O'Brien





The Party
photos by John O'Brien

