



# Ship to Shore

*Special  
Web  
Edition*

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## **From Commodore Joe Senackerib**

What happened to the winter? I guess it forgot to show up this year. Let's hope this is a good sign for the coming boating season. Unfortunately, the thoughts of happy boating must give way to the reality of getting things ready for boating. This year **Work Weekend** is April 14 and 15. Sign in will be at 7:30 A.M. both days. The Social Committee will prepare breakfast and lunch. All associate members, if they would like, are invited to help prepare the harbor, docks and grounds for the coming boating season. It's a great opportunity for new associates to meet the members and for the members to meet the new associates.

Our **New Members Orientation** meeting is planned for Sunday, April 22, 2012. Check-in is at 11:30 A.M. in the Clubhouse. Ed Occhino, as usual, has prepared the orientation meeting to highlight the club's rules and regulations and to answer any questions the new associates may have. The Commodore, the Senior Director and the committee heads will be present to meet and greet the new members.

We are evaluating a new and possibly less expensive approach to **dredging** our channel. A special committee has been formed to evaluate the possibil-

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, April 13, 2012, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

ity of using this new approach. The committee will be chaired by Kevin Silver. Another special committee has been formed to evaluate the possibility that in the future we could install our own **bulkheads**. This committee will be chaired by Tony Ferraro.

The twenty spots for the **children's sailing lessons** filled quickly. There is a waiting list if anyone is still interested. The Sail Fleet has been hard at work preparing the Opti sailboats for the lessons. They have installed flotation devices in the boats and are mending the sails and patching the fiberglass. It takes a lot of effort

and time to get the boats ready. Thank you to the hard working sailing committee.

Don't Forget!

**Work Weekend**

April 14 & 15

Check in at the Clubhouse  
at 7:30 A.M.

## **Important Note from the Board of Directors**

The Board has asked that if any member has any personal items stored in Dougie's Garage (building in parking lot by Dock #1), please remove them.

The building will be undergoing a clean-up, and those personal items could be put in the trash.

## **Important Yard Information**

*From Yard Chairman Roger Wieland:* The Yard Committee will start launching boats on Saturday, April 21, at 0800. We will launch on Saturdays through the end of May. Additionally we will do a limited number of boats on Wednesday mornings. Contact me with your preferred launch date or if you have a problem with the dates.

Email: [rogwieland@verizon.net](mailto:rogwieland@verizon.net)

Cell phone: 201-788-7317

**Please take your shrink wrap home.** It is your responsibility to dispose of this material – **not in the club dumpsters.**

Unplug the electric to your boat before you leave for the day. Do not leave it plugged in overnight. This is a safety policy that is strictly enforced.

Remember to secure your ladder when working on your boat!

**The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Thursday, April 19, 2012.**

## ***The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC***

*From Captain Janice Senackerib:* This will be my last report as Captain of the MYC Ladies Auxiliary. My experiences have been rewarding, fulfilling and lots of fun. I would like to thank each of you for giving so generously of your time to make this year a great success.

We will be installing our new bridge on Friday, April 13, at 7:00 P.M. at Sheeron's Restaurant. If you haven't sent your reservation in yet, it's not too late. Please call Dianne Silver [see hard copy or roster for number] to let her know you are coming and send in the coupon with your check. Old members, new members, all are welcome, hope to see you there.

Special congratulations and best wishes go to our incoming Bridge for the 2012 season:

**Captain:** Deb Fass

**First Mate:** Ginger Weismantel

**Treasurer:** Janice Romano

**Secretary:** Donna Stevenson

The Ladies Auxiliary will continue the tradition of helping serve lunch on Work Weekend, April 15 and 16. Anyone able to lend a hand for a few hours either day, please contact me at 201-871-1259.

Friday, May 11, will be our first official business meeting of the year. As usual we will meet in the Snack Shack at 8 P.M. It's a great way to get to know your fellow boaters and have some laughs and fun along the way. Please join us.

In closing, our good wishes go to our New Bridge for a year of smooth sailing. Let's all continue to give them our full support.

### ***Report for March from the Board of Directors***

*From Director Dave Tonneson*

- ✎ Director Gutierrez suggested planning a renovation to the storage building in Parking Lot #1. This would include bath and toilet facilities for the east side of the club property.
- ✎ Director Tamagny began a discussion on having a review of costs and coverage of our insurance policies. This will be done at a future directors' meeting.
- ✎ Board members discussed dredging the MYC channel on a more cost effective plan.
- ✎ A letter of resignation was received from Director Martin. This was accepted with regrets. A replacement will be selected soon.
- ✎ The Board discussed winter boat storage options, but no concrete options were proposed.
- ✎ Vice Commodore Ferraro proposed a plan to install the new bulkhead behind Dock #4 using in-house workers rather than contracting the project out.

### ***Ladies Auxiliary Installation Dinner***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check (\$30) payable to MYCLA  
c/o Dianne Silver  
493 Summit Avenue  
Oradell NJ 07649

### ***Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Dues Form***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check (\$10) payable to MYCLA  
c/o Dianne Silver, 493 Summit Avenue, Oradell NJ 07649

After 4/13, send check (\$10) payable to MYCLA  
c/o Ginger Weismantel, 22 Valley Road, Ringwood, NJ 07456

## Sail Fleet News

*From Kevin Silver:* Three words describe the goings on with the Sail Fleet Committee.... *Busy, Busy, Busy.* Preparations are underway for our Annual Sail Fleet Meeting, 10:00 A.M., March 31, 2012. Dominic Vistocco and Wayne Mitts will be your breakfast chefs for those who arrive at 9:00 A.M.

We have a jam packed agenda which includes:

- Racing Program for Spring and Fall Series for Cruisers and Lasers
- Cruising destinations in conjunction with the Cruising Fleet.
- Various ways to promote Sailing
- Laser Regatta
- Sutherland Regatta

And last but not least...

- Junior Sailing Program

Junior Fleet Captain, Jesse Fitzgerald, reports that the Junior Sailing School program is full and has a waiting list. For those still interested in attending, please send in your form; as circumstances change, there may be an opportunity to attend.

Thanks to this wonderful summer weather in March, Wayne Bartow and his assistants have started the minor fiberglass work on the Opti's. The sails have been inspected and with the help of Bob Weismantel and his trusty machine in his sail loft (family room) repairs have already begun.

By Work Weekend the additional Opti's and 420, from Nyack Boat Club, should be here as well.

Other sundries, like dolly's straps, etc. are on order. The Junior Sailing Fleet will be ready to go for the classes in July.

Quote for the month...

You can't change the wind,  
you can however adjust your sails.

— Author Unknown



Slim Bartow doing fiberglass work on one of the newly acquired Optimists on March 23, 2012, in Jerry's.

## Sunshine

*From Dominick Ferrara for MYC  
and Janice Romano for MYCLA*

Congratulations go to

Ted and Susan Mehlig on the birth of their first grandchild, a girl named Abigail Mileski, born to daughter Mary on March 2,

and to

Robert and Ginger Kamisaroff on the birth of a second grandchild, a boy named Noah, born to daughter Tara Anne on January 20.

Get well wishes go to all those who were recently hospitalized: Debbie Tonneson, Art Basley and Peggy Tamagny.

Glad to hear that Tony Ferraro is doing well after being thrown about 50 feet in a road accident while trying to be a Good Samaritan.

## Final Voyage

Our condolences go to long-time Associate Member Dave Muller and his family on the passing of his wife, Marie in Florida on February 22.

## Ask Cptn. Dick

*From Captain Dick Myers:* One of the benefits of writing this monthly article is discovering some new fact. Last month's question, on a punt, lead to some interesting information. A punt is a flat-bottomed boat without a keel, rudder, or any form of attached propulsion. It is propelled with a pole by pushing off the bottom. Punts are still common in England; they are used for racing, tourist boats, and general recreation. Originally, punts were used to ferry cargo up and down the Thames. Punts are not prevalent in the US; although, in the early to mid-1800s punts were used to mount punt guns (very large shot guns), some of which had a two-inch diameter barrel and could fire over a pound of shot. Most states outlawed the killing of water fowl in this manner due to the decimation of flocks by the mid 1860s. And all this time, I thought a punt was to take three steps back and kick.

Malcolm Coyle wants to know what hull speed is. Hull speed is strictly a sail boating term. Power boaters yell, "Full speed ahead." You probably have seen movies like that. Since sail boaters can't go faster than hull speed, they can only say, "Hull speed ahead." I don't recall any movie when that term was used — just, "Batten down the hatches; hoist the main." Wait a minute, I do remember one — "Damn the torpedoes; hull speed ahead."



## **Cruising Fleet News**

*From Cruising Fleet Chairman Jeff Burtch*

### **Dates to remember:**

Saturday, May 5, 5 P.M. - Organizational Meeting  
and Pizza Party

Saturday, June 30, 4:30 P.M. - Dock-Go-Round

The first weekend of March found nine "boats" cruising to Mystic, CT. We met Friday at the Whaler's Inn right next to the bascule bridge. We enjoyed good company and many laughs. The next day we went to the Aquarium and enjoyed exploring the town and Seaport. Again we had good food, drink and especially good company. Next time we will really be in boats!



Photo from Keira Burtch

Mystic land cruise on March 3, 2012. Left to right: Gary Kahn, Fran Kahn, Debra Fass, Peggy Tamagny, Steve Fass, Bob Tamagny, Robert Kamisaroff, John O'Brien, Barbara O'Brien, Ginger Kamisaroff, Keira Burtch, Jeff Burtch, Kevin Silver, Dianne Silver, Janice Romano, and Frank Romano.

### ***Cruising destination of the month: Essex, CT***

The town of Essex is located about five miles up the Connecticut River. Upon arrival you have many choices of where to stay, and things to do. The first option to the south is the Essex Yacht Club where you can pick up a mooring with launch service included. They have a restaurant on site, and it is a short walk to town. Next door is the Brewer's Dauntless Marina also with moorings, launch service and a short walk to town. If you want to splurge, the Essex Island Marina is a lovely spot to get a slip. They have a large pavilion, pool, lawn, barbecue grills and picnic tables, deli, game room, and lovely facilities. It is a short ferry ride—about two minutes—across to town.

Once in town, you will find many shops and restaurants including the Griswold Inn. The Connecticut Maritime Museum is worth the stop. After a day or two in town, you might enjoy a ride up river about two miles to Hamburg Cove. The river is lovely with views of the marsh lands and many birds. This charming protected cove has moorings available for \$20.00/night. If there are none available, you can ask if there are any private ones available for the night. The swimming is in fresh water, and a short dinghy ride up the creek will bring you ashore where you can get provisions.

The entrance to the river is well marked with two lighthouses. Stay between the breakwaters and follow the channel carefully! Out of the channel it is shallow in many spots. There are several no-wake zones, so it can be slow, especially when the current is running against you. Be aware of the current when approaching the marinas or moorings. Essex is a lovely town, and well worth the trip up river.

## ***A Look at the Future***

Tuesday, April 10	1930	Clubhouse	Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, April 13	1900	Sheeran's Restaurant & Pub	MYCLA Installation Dinner
<b>Friday, April 13</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>MYC Membership Meeting</b>
<b>April 14-15</b>	<b>0730</b>	<b>Club Grounds</b>	<b>Work Weekend</b>
Thursday, April 19	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
<b>Thursday, April 19</b>		<b>Bob Weismantel</b>	<b>Ship to Shore Deadline</b>
Saturday, April 21	0800	Boat Yard	Start of spring boat launching
<b>Sunday, April 22</b>	<b>1130</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>New Members Orientation</b>
Saturday, May 5	1700	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Organization/Pizza Meeting
<b>Sunday, May 27</b>	<b>NOON</b>	<b>Flagpole &amp; Pavilion</b>	<b>Opening Day</b>
<b>Sunday June 17</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Father's Day Brunch</b>
Saturday, June 30	1630	Docks & Pavilion	Cruising Fleet Dock-Go-Round
<b>Saturday, August 25</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Annual Picnic</b>
<b>Saturday, October 6</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>	<b>Club Grounds</b>	<b>Fall Workday</b>
<b>Saturday, November 17</b>	<b>18:30-23:30</b>	<b>Town &amp; Country, Congers, NY</b>	<b>Change of Watch</b>