



Ship to Shore

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2017 Bridge Officers

Commodore Art Basley
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2017 Finger Captains

Dock 1: Ray Testasecca
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Dock 4: Joe Senackerib
Dock 5: John Funk
Dock 6: Chris Vicidomini

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Same price as last five years:
\$3.50/gallon -
contact John Funk

Save the Date

Holiday Party
December 3, 2017 at 1pm



photo from Art Basley

Happy Halloween

Fall Work Day Oct. 14, 8am

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, October 13, 2017 at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

From Commodore Basley

What a month September was both weather and event wise. Finger one hosted a pig roast organized and coordinated by George Saba and Peter Alfieri with many great dishes brought by all attending. It started in the early hours of Saturday morning with the spit and



photo by Art Basley

fire getting set up, then the pig was put up and the cooking began. It takes a long time and a lot of work to cook the pork just right but by Saturday afternoon, all was ready for a great feast. At the same time, Gary and Fran Kahn were preparing the pavilion for their daughter's wedding reception. And guess what they were cooking? That's right it was a pig roast. That must be a first for MYC; concurrent pig roasts. At 6 PM Jackie's wedding was held on the lawn in front of the Clubhouse and after the ceremony the reception was held under the pavilion. We all wish you both a long, happy, and healthy marriage.

The Sutherland Regatta was hosted by MYC on September 16 and 17 beginning with breakfast under the pavilion. About 21 boats participated from our club and other clubs up and down the Hudson. Although the winds were light, two races were run on Saturday. After the Saturday races there was a great steak dinner and on Sunday some of Andy's famous chili was enjoyed by all who participated as the event wrapped up. Our Social and the Race Fleet Committees did a great job once again organizing and running the Sutherland.

On the following Friday, Jessica Fitzgerald and Martin Keller were married by Dick Bracken at MYC. It was a truly nautical wedding and we all wish them the very best in life.

The fall is now upon us and you can already see the leaves changing. It's a great time to sail and boat up the Hudson to see the change along the shore line. The Hudson Valley is probably the most picturesque area in the fall when the colors are at their brightest. We are beginning to haul some boats and the full schedule will begin very soon. Make sure to get your winter storage form back to Roger Wieland quickly as he is preparing the haul out schedule. Enjoy the fall weather when some of the best boating on the Hudson happens.

If you attended the last meeting some significant developments were discussed and voted on. Just to highlight a few: a proposal to buy a new Travel Lift was approved to move forward; recent developments affecting the Cooler property have come to our attention; a new lease agreement for winter storage with Penny Bridge Marine was approved to move forward and the 2018 slate of Officers was read for the first time. Hope to see you at the next meeting.

The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Wednesday October 25, 2017.

Grounds Committee

From Chairman Chris Vicidomini

Now that fall is upon us, we will be getting ready for our fall work day on October 14. It's a time to get our grounds ready for the winter. It's also a great time to meet other members and enjoy a great day of work, fun and eating. I hope to see you all there. Throughout the fall we will be cleaning up the leaves on the weekends. If anyone would like to help please contact me and I'll let you know the dates. Hope everyone had a great summer. See you on fall work day.

Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Lori Schweiker

September shined and the waters glistened while many members and their families fit in one more get away cruise or local boat outing on the Hudson. In between, the MYC Auxiliary stepped up with volunteers for the Annual Sutherland Regatta, provided a tentative Bridge of Officers for 2018 and were presented with a "learning experience" about the basics and beyond when setting up and taking a great photo. Who knew that the simplest of actions or inactions could so greatly affect your photo?

Barry Sabino from The Photo Shoppe in Stony Point showed us with tips and the reasons each worked...something the photographer can put into immediate use. For instance, Karen Hudson showed Barry 2 photos she had taken within seconds of each other of the same sunset...one was something you'd want to frame and display, the other just so-so. Barry took one look and said that it appeared as if she had slightly changed the angle of her wrists or hands when holding her cell phone camera in between the photo shots. This affected the lovely color which was captured in the first photo.

We learned of the specialty programs and products offered by this knowledgeable, friendly local vendor...some of which the auxiliary hopes to implement with our MYCA History Project and the Auxiliary's upcoming 70th Anniversary.

At the September meeting we learned that Auxiliary volunteer efforts at the August Picnic bode very well for the Basket Raffle and Ship's Store. We want to thank everyone who donated their time, provided baskets or content and those who pulled it all together, as well as those who helped in the Store and sold even more tickets for our Basket Fund Raiser...extra kudos to Janice Romano, Janice Senakerib, Louise Occhino, Ann Poltorack, Helen Brown for their extra efforts. A Very

...MYC Auxiliary, continued

Special note of appreciation to all who helped support MYC and its members with their purchase.

A reminder that October means a winding down to the fast Spring/Summer pace. The Club's Fall Work Weekend invites all members to show up and help put the MYC properties into "end of boating season" mode and prepare for winter. Auxiliary members are asked to join in this annual fete.

We are delighted to tout our October auxiliary meeting which promises to be an excellent way to spend an evening. Marianne Frasco has been readying the canvases, paints, stencils, brushes, etc. for a Sip and Paint event. Attendees will walk away with a nautical canvas that they have created and personalized to their own tastes. Wine, cheese, tasty morsels plus other liquid libations add to the festivities of the Auxiliary's

final meeting of the year. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO ATTEND. It's FREE/FUN and a great way to shepherd out summer. Friday Night, October 13, 8pm in the Snack Shack.

We are planning an ALL NEW LOOK for the holidays and will be decorating the club house in November. The auxiliary is hosting the annual Holiday Party on December 3 with delightful finger foods

and liquid refreshments. COME ONE, COME ALL, but first, see the attached Holiday Party flyer for additional info.

Enjoy the beauty and camaraderie of our club, MYC. It's a treasure we all can appreciate.

Sunshine

From Andy Hudson

♥ **Condolences** to Frank Tonneson and his family for the passing of his wife in Florida.

♥ **Best wishes** for speedy recovery to Miriam Raber who is hospitalized for pneumonia.

Congratulations!

♥ Gary and Fran Kahn for the marriage of their daughter.

♥ Jessie Fitzgerald and Martin Keller for their marriage.

Yard Committee Report

From Roger Wieland

The scheduled haul out days are:

October 21 & 22

October 28 & 29

November 4 & 5

November 11 & 12

If you need to be hauled out sooner contact me. We start at 0800 hrs. When you arrive please sign in on the chalkboard.

Find your stands, repair if necessary and lubricate them. These items must be done before your haul out day. We provide the blocking for your boat and plywood for under the stands.

The schedule will be posted on the MYC web site, in the Club House and the Snack Shack.

Any questions call or email me.

Cruising Fleet Report

From Chairman Don Rubin and guest Lori Schweiker

The Cruising Fleet will have their fall planning meeting and party on Saturday, November 4 at 5pm in the clubhouse. Main course will be provided but please BYOB and an appetizer or dessert to share. RSVP Don Rubin.

Several MYC members have been traveling on their boats to distant destinations and I have been able to convince them to write up a couple paragraphs of their boating adventures. This month's guests are Lori and Tony Schweiker on their Grand Banks 32 "Sweetie Pie." They travelled in company with Steve and Deb Fass on their Grand Banks 42. I will let **Lori tell her story...**

Three weeks and hundreds of miles to complete a round trip from Stony Point to Lake Champlain, and in our case, confined on a 32' Grand Banks. But we weathered it well, had a terrific adventure and great company (on a separate boat), journeying as far north as Mallets Bay and a lovely spot about 5 miles from Canada, ...stayed in great, friendly marinas as well as a few nights "on the hook" on both sides of Lake Champlain plus thoroughly enjoyed a 2-night stay at a high-end marina resort. How many of you men bring a jacket and tie with you on your boat to dine out when cruising?

Several MYC members provided us with travel advice, however, kudos to Helen and Frank Brown for their very helpful notes, quality suggestions and clear directions. The planning for all started when Steve and Deb Fass asked us if we wanted to tag along as they would be making their second trip to Lake Champlain, this time on their gorgeous 42' Grand Banks... another John Kime renovation project that yielded a lovely, truly livable, water-based home away from home. With many excellent extras added by the knowledge and craftsmanship of Steve Fass. Deb's decor and cooking, plus very able boatmanship; she Captained their boat, towing us side-by-side, while Tony & Steve figured out why our GB had suddenly stopped dead in the water. They diagnosed the problem and fixed it, all while Deb was churning us forward. Got to admire that woman! Cruising with them added so much to our fun. Meeting up with them & their friends in various marinas, cruising within sight of them for much of the trip made the journey exceptional and much more relaxing.

The cruise requires that your boat's total height is less than 14 feet (editor's note: The lowest RR bridge north of lock 3 is 15' clearance, and they will lower the water for more clearance with a days notice) to make your way through the low-lying bridges on the canal. And of course, there are those infamous

Sutherland Regatta pictures page 5

Eleven MYC racers were among the twenty-one competitors in this year's Sutherland Regatta.

A heart felt thank you to the race committee for their efforts in running the race. Most important we want to thank all the associate members who volunteered their time to help make this year's regatta a success. Kudos to our social committee and all volunteers for their herculean effort to provide an amazing breakfast, a fantastic Saturday night steak dinner, continental breakfast on Sunday morning and Andy's world famous chili on Sunday afternoon.

Three of our members placed with the following results:

Fleet 2 - 2nd place: **Gusto**

Captained by Jessica Fitzgerald

Fleet 2 - 3rd place: **Tramontana**

Captained by Predrag Knezevic

Fleet 3 - 3rd place: **Anniversary**

Captained by Chris Tsanopoulos

Race Fleet News

Wednesday night racing was concluded on September 20. The final evening's race finished the season with good wind, a beautiful sunset and pizza for all racers at the MYC pavilion. Awards for the Wednesday series to be announced next month.



locks to tackle. These allow you and your boat to be raised or lowered to the next water elevation... the locks are truly a marvel of human ingenuity and nothing to be feared. However, the first lock you encounter, the Federal Lock, is very grungy and does not supply the hanging ropes that you will find in the remaining 11 locks owned and operated by NY State. The current

can affect the ease with which you secure your hanging lines, but keep in mind that the attendants will help in the NY State locks if something goes amiss. 95% of the time, it was a breeze... each experience built my confidence.

The total experience was something we will remember as a highlight of our boating lives. We dined out often, shared some meals on both boats, could keep up with laundry and shopping chores, explored nooks and crannies as well as large open bodies of water with breath taking vistas, found interesting places to discover on foot. Best of all were the people we met, the adventures and conversations we had with those who loved the boating life. I am in my 7th decade, and I'd do it all again.

Director's Report for September, 2017

From Senior Director Joe Senackerib

1. Roger Wieland updated the Board on the activities and concerns of the Yard Committee. Roger's major concern was the travel lift and Roger asked John Kime to attend because he understands the problem with the travel lift.
2. The slate of Officers for 2018 was presented to the Executive Committee. The membership must vote approval.
3. Director Silver presented the recommendations of the bylaw committee. After a short discussion the Commodore suggested that we send the recommendations back to the committee.
4. Director Brienza commented on the new clubhouse location. He stated that the location indicated must be evaluated for underground utilities and that the engineer must approve the site.
5. Director Brienza confirmed that he is investigating the best type of parking permits for trailers.
6. The Board reaffirmed the need to enforce the two new mooring rules previously approved.
7. Commodore Basley advised the Board that the Gooler property has a Health Department notice on the front door. He indicated that we need to keep on top of this situation.
8. The Commodore advised that protocol requires Club Officers in uniform to attend local funerals for members and their immediate family. It is recommended that Board members also attend these funerals.
9. The Commodore questioned why the Social Committee does not have a budget for the Sutherland Regatta since they are now responsible for the food portion. It appears to be an oversight and will be corrected.
10. Director Senackerib expressed concern about two dogs running free at the Annual Picnic. He asked the people to put their dogs on a leash which they did.
11. Director Silver was shown a video conference system that he believed would be of interest to the Board. After a short discussion it was decided not to go any further with the video conference system.
12. Director Silver expressed an opinion that members of the Executive Committee have a responsibility to the membership to try not to take a very active position on contested issues.
13. The Holiday Party Date has been changed to Sunday, December 3.
14. Director Silver advised that NY State, free of charge, will test drinking water for lead.
15. It was suggested that the Plumbing Committee should consider using steel plates to protect the areas with exposed ground plumbing.
16. Penny Bridge would like to use parking lot one for winter boat storage. They would need it from October 1 to May 15. They will pay us \$2,000 per month or a total of \$16,000.

Final Voyage

Joe Hanchrow passed away with his wife Carolyn and family by his side on Sunday October 1, 2017. He was our Commodore in 1991, and later continued as club Secretary for several years. He was a fine musician, and a true gentleman. Our Condolences to his family and friends. He will be missed.

A Look at the Future

Tuesday, October 10	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, October 13	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, October 13	2000	Snack Shack	MYC Auxiliary Meeting
Thursday, October 19	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Wednesday, October 25		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, October 14	0800	Grounds	Fall Work Day
Saturday, November 4	1700	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Meeting/Party
Saturday November 18	1800	Patriot Hills	Change of Watch
Sunday, December 3	1300	Clubhouse	Holiday Party

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Sutherland Regatta - photos by Keira Burtch



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Wedding Bells at MYC - photos by Keira Burtch



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