



Ship to Shore

Special
Web Edition

Stony Point, NY 10980

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on
Friday, August 14, 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 July 2015

From Director Ed Gutierrez:

- ☞ The board has set the 2015-2016 rates for associates and regular members.
- ☞ The board authorized the treasurer to pay down a portion of the outstanding equity line.
- ☞ The board will forward names of probationary candidates.
- ☞ Non boat storage trailers will be charged \$200/summer and only after approved by the board of directors.
- ☞ The board did not extend the existing warranty on the work boat engine.

Special Digital Edition

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From Commodore Kevin Silver:

I recently attended a meeting of the Hudson River Boat and Yacht Club Association ([HRBYCA](#)). This is a great organization whose goal is to protect the enjoyment of the Hudson River for over 3,000 recreational boating families which is, coincidentally, closely aligned with Minisceongo Yacht Club's charter as indicated in my article last month. MYC is part of this organization and by extension so are all of our members. I encourage all of our members to become familiar with HRBYCA and I invite those who are interested to join me in attending any of their published bimonthly meetings.

The month of July belongs to our Jr. Sailors. Three cheers to all our young sailors, our young at heart volunteers who assisted every night and of course to our Jr. Sailing program Captain Jesse Fitzgerald. While we always refer to the program as Jr. Sailing, Jesse has put together something that is so much more. These young people are instilled with a beginning knowledge of boating in general including learning how to tie critical knots, understanding marine terms beyond port/starboard, safe boating practices, good sportsmanship and how to help each other be the best that they can be. These lifelong skills are infused while learning how to sail Opti's, Lasers and the 420. The camaraderie of the Jr. Sailing experience is further enhanced with the incorporation of a one night camping extravaganza on the front lawn. It was a sight to behold and will be remembered by the participants for years to come. This year's tent city boasted twelve tents. There was live music, marshmallows to roast, goodies to eat and the incredibly wonderful sounds of kids having a great time. MYC members hung around just to be part of the scene. The continuous stream of laughter was infectious. You couldn't wipe the smiles off Joe and Maryann Paccione's face if you tried, as they watched and listened to the evenings events unfold while sitting on their boat on Dock One. Lorraine Austin gets the "Grandma of the Year" award for sleeping in her car while her granddaughter Alexis camped out. What fun! It takes an extraordinary amount of work to foster this kind of fun. Thank you Jesse for making our Jr. Sailing program so popular. Members can view the hundreds of pictures taken during the program by going to the MYC youth sailing Facebook page. For members who are not registered and would like to view this Facebook page email [Jesse](#) and she'll send you a link enabling you to be friended by the site. Click [here](#) to see a sky-high video of our club and the Jr. Sailors taken and compiled by Patrick Heaphy.

With all this activity going on, I would be remiss if I didn't remind all our members to please drive slowly! Please respect that the speed bumps on the roadway are there for everyone's safety and refrain from the urge to drive on the grass to avoid these important safety controls.

If you stroll out to docks five and six you will be able to enjoy our new canopies. Ray Testacecca and John Rodway put the finishing touches to the project by levelling out the ground and moving the grills /tanks to their

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Junior Sailing Camp

From Chairman Jesse Fitzgerald

Here marks the end of yet another MYC Sail Camp. For those of you who didn't catch sight of us around the boat club and out in the bay, you missed a lot of excitement. We started our two week session with two full days of learning how to rig, capsize and right the boats, find the wind, and sail. Our impressive fleet of 420 and Laser sailors jumped right into racing on the first day and the Optis followed on the 2nd day! To commend ourselves we celebrated with ice cream sundaes provided by the generosity of the MYC Auxiliary. The rest of the week was filled with great wind and clear weather. After six days of sailing in the bay, the sailors celebrated with our 2nd annual camp out. Despite the bad weather predictions, we all stayed dry as we gathered around the campfire for pizza, s'mores, and live music. After a long night of fun, the last of the campers settled into the dozen or so tents dotted across the MYC Clubhouse lawn. Thankfully we all had the weekend to recuperate.

The campers returned to the water Monday evening. Unfortunately the wind did not. So we played water games in the bay. Tuesday brought thunderstorms, leaving us to our knot tying competitions and other fun activities in the pavilion. We then utilized the rest of the week to practice for an upcoming regatta. Our last night together we presented prestigious awards and celebrated over various desserts.

For those of you that do not know, we are a very unique sailing program in that we are volunteer based. We are so lucky to have so many dedicated club members, parents and friends that make up this valuable support system. These individuals give up so much of their time and put in a great deal of effort to make this program happen. I would like to thank you all on behalf of myself and the MYC Jr Sailors. I hope you are all enjoying having dinner at a normal hour this week.

This past Saturday, 12 Juniors headed to Nyack Boat Club for the annual Halfmoon Regatta. Despite the heat, little to no wind and very strong current, our sailors displayed their positive attitudes and smiles. The Opti fleet got one race off while the Lasers and 420 fleets managed to squeeze in a couple. All together it was a great learning experience and a good

Race Fleet News

From Chairman Bob Weismantel:

Well, is the season half over or the better half still to come? At mid-season we have had quite a few races completed, but there are still seven races to go for 2015. So if you still want to compete you have a very good chance to get into the awards.



photo by Barbara Fitzgerald

Junior Sailors out on the Lasers and 420

Standings as of July 27/2015 are:
First Place - "J-Ale Time"
Second Place - "Anne M"
Third Place - "Dream Chaser"

The MYC Sail Fleet of PHRF continues into August, September and October:

Aug 1, 8, 15, 29, September 5 (2 races), October 3, and make up race October 10.

And of course the *Sutherland Regatta September 19 and 20, 2015.*

A reminder to all PROs: be sure to e-mail race results to me or to Kevin Silver or put in the envelope on the Sail Fleet bulletin board. This way we can keep the standings up to date.

Fair winds, Bob Weismantel

Junior Sail Continued:

opportunity to meet other sailors from Shattemuc, Chelsea, and Nyack boat clubs. Thank you to all of the members, fellow campers, parents and grandparents that helped out and came to show their support for our sailors. Go Team MYC! (Pictures digital edition [page 6](#))

Halfmoon Regatta Results:

Laser Fleet:

1st Place: Alexa Austin and Anna Ingraham

2nd Place: Connor Paul and Leni Hanley

3rd Place: Nicholas Galetta and Adriana Cymerman

Opti Fleet: 3rd Place Liam Noonan

Special Recognition for great sportsmanship and positive attitude was given to Megan Heaphy.

Safety/Security Note:

If you borrowed the extension cords from the **EMERGENCY SHED**, please return as soon as possible. If you know where they are, please call: John Funk 845-323-6106

The Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Janice Alfieri:

Everyone is talking about the Annual Picnic, so it must be August! It seems like we just started the season. Time really does fly when you're having fun.

We sponsored an Ice Cream Social after our July meeting and were happy to see the MYC Members join us after their meeting adjourned. We enjoyed more ice cream flavors than I could list here, toppings, whipped cream, candies, cakes and cookies. What a great way to end a warm summer evening!

Discussions at our last meeting included making plans for the Ship's Store Annual Picnic inventory. We will be ready for business and hope you stop by to replenish your supplies or to add a new color to your MYC wardrobe.

We will also have the MYCA Photo Contest entries posted for your viewing pleasure and for your voting consideration. Thank you and good luck to all who have submitted MYC pictures. Please stop by our table during the picnic and cast your vote for your favorite photo.

Thank you to Janice Romano and Janice Senackerib for setting up the Saturday breakfast on July 11. We had a few extra guests, as some parents of the Junior Sale Camp participants joined us for a continental breakfast. We hope to see you all at our next breakfast on August 15.

See you around the docks!

For Sale:

Larry Schustermann's Racing sails. Several sails of various types in excellent condition.

Please call Jay Pomerantz at: 845-783-0259

Cruising Fleet

From Chairman Don Rubin:

The annual dinghy safari is scheduled for Sunday August 2, a beautiful summer day. There is talk of a trip across the river for lunch, always a favorite destination. Nick Pastore held a ballroom dancing party on Saturday August 1, an always enthusiastic group of excellent dancers also bring appetizers, snacks, and drinks to warm up followed by a potluck dinner. If this party is anything like previous dance-athons this was also a great event. He emphasized no experience was necessary and MYC members with two left feet were also invited. Finally, the cruising fleet fall meeting, scheduled for Saturday, October 17, will feature a pasta dinner at no cost to members. All we ask is that you bring an appetizer or dessert and BYOB. (continued above right)

Sunshine

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

- ♥ Our best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery to Kathleen Doyle after eye surgery.
- ♥ Sincere condolences to the family and friends of Donald Reenstra who passed away at age 75 in Florida. He was a long time regular member of MYC, and avid sailor. He will be missed.

August Travel Destination: Milford Harbor

(Continued From Cruising Fleet): This very busy, well-protected harbor is easy to enter if you follow the buoys. The harbor has many moorings and floating docks and facilities for visiting boaters.

For years I stayed at the Milford Boatworks. The facility has a fuel dock, marine supply store, nice restrooms, wifi and pump-out station and repairs on-site. The marina is within walking distance of the town and many very nice restaurants.

Further up the harbor is the town-run Milford Landing. This marina has nice restrooms, wifi and pump-out facilities. Across this narrow section of the river are athletic fields that may have activities continuing later than some boaters like to stay up. Since this marina is further up the river it is also a little closer to the town.

The Town of Milford has a little main street with a green that runs down the middle of the street. There is a CVS at the far end of the green. I usually have dinner at a sports bar, Archie Moores, a short walk from the waterfront. A simple meal of burger and fries, bbq chicken with blue-cheese and bacon and fries, or wrap with chicken, tomatoes and mozzarella are very reasonably priced. There is a variety of beer on-tap also. Milford Landing was giving out discount coupons for local businesses and I tried Taste of Thai restaurant off the main street. The Pad Thai and stir-fry vegetables were excellent and of course reasonably priced. Another restaurant just a short walk from the harbor is Southport Brewing Company Restaurant & Brewery. Dinner was chicken rollatini, steamed vegetables and baked potato; of course judging by the name there is also a fine selection of local beers.

As you can see from the number of restaurants listed above, I have been to Milford many times and there is always some new restaurant to try.

*NEW ICE Freezer at MYC
Honor system: \$2/bag and 3 bags for \$5.*

new homes.

Many thanks to Bill Pigott for getting the Bath/Shower Trailer cleaned and outfitted with only a few days' notice and for running such a tight ship. A special thank you to Dan Adler and Andy Hudson as I have received numerous positive comments about the cleanliness of the snack shack bathrooms this year... and that's no small feat!

By now all members should have received the results of membership survey regarding a new Club House. Thank you to those members who took the time to respond and make their opinions known. There are many thoughtful suggestions to consider and two points appear irrefutable. 1) The membership wants a new club house. 2) There is no shortage of opinions on how to move forward. In light of the survey results, committee members felt they have gone as far on this project as they can and the consensus was that a new committee should be formed to bring the project in

line with the wishes of the membership. I thank Dave Tonneson, Tom Austin, Joe Senackerib, Gurran Kane, Roger Weiland, Keira Burtch, Tony Schweiker and Dominick Ferrara for their invaluable contributions towards this endeavor. A new committee has been formed and will be chaired by Ed Gutierrez. Ed will be supported by Chris Viccidomini, Bob Tamagny, Rich Brienza and Keira Burtch. The new committee will continue to move the project forward, benefiting greatly from the herculean effort put forth by their predecessors. It is my understanding that the committee's first task will be to ask for approval by the membership of a specific budget to work under. Please feel free to share your thoughts with members of the committee.

If you haven't been out on the water this summer, it's time to do so! Dianne and I have had some great days and overnights at Croton this year. There's nothing better than forming an impromptu raft and what else?.. Laughing a lot!

MYC Annual Picnic

Saturday, August 22, 2015
starting at noon

Great food, drink and games all day
Reservation Deadline: Monday, August 17
Click [here](#) for the sign-up form and mail to:
John Verrengia
2 Timp Brook Road
Stony Point, NY 10980

Change of Watch

Saturday, November 21, 2015
6-11 PM

The Clubhouse at Patriot Hills
Open bar all evening!

A Look at the Future

Saturday August 8	1400	River	PHRF Race #10 - Hudson
Tuesday, August 11	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, August 14	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, August 14	2000	Snack Shack	MYC Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, August 15	900-1100	Snack Shack	MYCA Breakfast
Saturday, August 15	1400	River	PHRF Race #11 - Rechtschaffer
August 15 and 16		Kingston	ACBS Wooden Boat Show
Thursday, August 20	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, August 22	Noon	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
Wednesday, August 26		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, August 29		Pavilion and River	Laser Regatta
Saturday, September 5	1400	River	PHRF Races 13/14 - Fitzgerald/Wellens
September 19 and 20		Pavilion and River	Sutherland Regatta
Saturday, October 17	1700	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet meeting and party
Saturday, October 24	0800	All Club Facilities	Fall Work Day
Saturday, November 21	1800	Patriot Hills	Change of Watch

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- Please send *items for the web page* to Andy Hudson:

New at MYC in 2015

photos by Keira Burtch



New Ice Freezer

Located on the east side of the clubhouse.
Thanks to Mark Hechinger, Tony Schweiker and Wayne Bartow (not shown) for making this happen.
\$2/bag, 3 bags for \$5 on your honor



New Bath House Trailer

Located in the dock 1 parking lot next to "Dougies"
Thanks to Chris Viccidomini and Ed Gutierrez who led the team of electricians, plumbers, ditch diggers and cleaning crew who made this possible. Each unit has a shower, toilet and sink.



The Memorial Garden

Located on Dock 5 peninsula near the gazebo.
Replanted with bright flowers.



Dock 4, 5 and 6 Canopies

Permanent picnic canopies have been installed on dock 5 and 6. Dock 4 now has a canvas canopy.

MYC's second annual Boating Safety Course was held on May 30

From member Jim Barnard, USCGA

USCGA's second annual course was attended by 19 members and family. New members "Bobby" Noonan and Emory Thomas attended as well as their families (great way to introduce them to a value of being at MYC). We had several youths attend and our "seasoned" shipmates contributed by their experiences. Pete Alfieri and Bill Gooley helped greatly in setting up our facility and chow comforts.... Thanks guys! The lead instructor was FC Dan McGlynn of Flotilla 10-04 and we both wish you a happy and safe boating season! Any member looking for a vessel safety check and decal, either put your name on the board list or call me.

Junior Sail Camp



*Photos by
Barbara Fitzgerald*

