



# Ship to Shore

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## **Message from Commodore Bob Tamagny**

April showers bring May flowers but at MYC, Work Weekend brings the start of Boating season.

Work Weekend went very well with both days starting with the Social Committee having "coffee and" ready for the workers. Of course with the help of the Ladies Auxiliary, lunch was also a hit.

The amount of work completed over two days was monumental with everyone pitching in. I don't think anyone was over worked, but yet a lot was accomplished.

Thanks to all of our Associate Members that volunteered their time and energy. As I have said in the past, it is great to see all our members working side by side, socializing and working at the same time. I'm sure new friendships were made which makes the MYC family stronger.

At our April meeting, a few items came up that need to be noted. The Yard Committee has had an ongoing problem dealing with shrink wrap. Everyone that had their boat wrapped is responsible for removing the used shrink wrap from the grounds. It really is not fair for the Yard Committee to clean up after they have launched our

boats. Please help everyone by taking your shrink wrap home to be disposed of. This also helps the club meet the County health standards of not having standing water on our grounds.

Under the area of special committees, the Clubhouse review has been "making progress" and a report is still to come. Also the dredging committee reported that we have a dredging permit on file until 2015. Cost of this project is being obtained to see if this is a doable project.

Membership voted to have two pilings installed as pivoting points by our haul-out pit. This should make for a safer operation around the pit area.

Spring means activity, and there is a lot going on at MYC. The Membership Committee held its New Member Orientation meeting. Our new members are welcome additions to the club. Many were working with us on Work Weekend.

Opening Day is May 29, starting at noon followed by a lunch. Please get your reservations in early to help the Social Committee make their plans. I would like to encourage everyone to "Dress" their boat with flags for this occasion.

### **Attention all Past Commodores!**

I would like to honor you with a reception in the Clubhouse immediately before our ceremonies. This will start with a toast in your honor at 11:30 A.M.

With boats being launched I would like to share this poem with you. The author is unknown, and I can not remember if I gave this to Peggy or if she gave this poem to me.

### **MY JOB**

*It's not my job to run the yacht  
The horn I cannot blow  
It's not my job to say how far  
the yacht's allowed to go  
It's not my job to throttle down  
or even clang the bell  
but let the damn thing hit the dock  
and see who catches hell*

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, May 13, 2011, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

SeaTow will be at the Clubhouse just before the next regular meeting from 7:30-8:00 P.M. offering discounted membership.

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

*From Senior Director  
Tony De Hayes*

- ☞ Commodore Tamagny discussed the goals and activities for Work Weekend which included the grounds cleaning assignments, pavilion roof work and other committee requirements.
- ☞ Vice Commodore Senackerib discussed equipment needs for the various work parties and the need to repair the signs on each dock gate. The Board approved funds for this work.
- ☞ The Board approved three new applicants for associate membership. Names [were read at the membership meeting].
- ☞ Director Martin gave an update on the bulkhead work by Sound Marine. Although the project is behind schedule, it is progressing well.
- ☞ Director Tonneson spoke about the Yard expansion planned for Work Weekend.

### **Yard Notes**

*From Yard Chairman Andy Hudson:* The Yard Committee will launch boats on Saturdays in May. Please let Andy know when you plan to launch. The best way to contact him is by email:

[andrew.hudson@usma.edu](mailto:andrew.hudson@usma.edu)

Limited launching is also available on Wednesdays. Contact Roger Wieland for that.

Also owners of deep draft boats should be aware of tide height. The guys appreciate it if you help with your stands and blocking.

**All shrink wrap must be disposed of off MYC property.**

**The next Deadline for  
Ship to Shore is  
Wednesday, May 18, 2011.**

### Security Reminder

*From Security Chairman John Funk:* Now that boats are being launched, the dock gates are closed. Remember to carry access cards or fobs!

### Sunshine

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

Quick healing wishes go to Sue Heaphy and Deb Fass with knee replacements.

Get well wishes go to all of those of who have had recent surgery or are recuperating from illnesses.

### Sail Fleet News

On Wednesday, April 6, the Sail Fleet held its annual meeting to finalize the sailing activities for the upcoming season. The meeting was very well attended despite being the first time it was held mid-week. Due to the increased number of regattas being held on the river this year and the number of club functions, the Sail Fleet race schedule had to be condensed into a single series instead of the traditional Spring and Fall series, with a break in the summer to allow for vacations and the normal light winds experienced at that time. To compensate for the long time span there will be four throw outs. The Laser schedule is dominated by both MYC races as well as regattas. This schedule should be great for our sailors to sharpen their sailing skills and tactics.

This year MYC will be hosting three regattas. In addition to our long running and popular Sutherland Regatta in September, and the Laser Regatta in August, we will also host the Women's Regatta on June 25. This regatta is held in cruisers, and all the crew on each boat have to be women.

The Sail Fleet is increasingly widening its program by adding sail training and sailing demos where MYC members can become acquainted with small boat sailing in addition to their larger sail or power boats. These are open to all members and their children and grandkids. These will be held after the Fathers Day celebrations and again during the afternoon break at the MYC Picnic.

#### Sail Fleet Race Schedule

Race #	Date	Time	Race Marshal
1	Sunday, May 15	1100	John Moreno
2	Saturday, May 21	1400	Bob Tamagny
3	Saturday, May 28	1000	Gary Kahn
4	Saturday, June 18	1500	Bob Weismantel
5	Sunday, June 26	1000	Eric Schreck
6	Sunday, August 14	1100	Walt Moser
7	Sunday, August 14	1330	Tony Schweiker
8	Sunday, August 21	1400	Eric Schreck
9	Sunday, August 21	1600	Wayne Mitts
10	Saturday, September 3	1400	Andy Hudson
11	Saturday, September 3	1600	Bert Rechtschaffer
12	Saturday, September 17	1400	Dick Bracken
13	Saturday, September 17	1600	Ted Mehlig
14	Sunday, October 9	1100	St. John Forbes

### The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

*From Captain Janice Senackerib:* On April 8 we enjoyed our first meeting of the year at Noel's Irish Pub. It was well attended, and we had a super great evening of camaraderie. We were happy to meet a few of our newest MYC members. It was a wonderful evening.

I want to extend a special thanks to our outgoing Bridge (Janice Romano, Sandy Brophy, Lorraine Austin, Dianne Silver) for a "Job Well Done." I also want to thank Louise Occhino for once again officiating the swearing in of our new Bridge.

As the boating season begins, I would like to wish all MYC boaters a safe, sunny and fun filled summer. As Captain, I am looking forward to a great year with my new Bridge: First Mate Dianne Silver, Secretary Sandy Brophy, and Treasurer Debbie Fass.

On Saturday, May 21, the Ladies Auxiliary will be doing the annual Flower Planting. We will meet at the Pavilion at 10:00 A.M. Bring gloves and small garden tools, and we will all have some fun.

Thanks in advance to Linda Ferraro who has agreed to continue managing the Ship's Store. We will again have our table of clothing etc. during the Opening Day activities, Sunday, May 29. This is a big job, and volunteers will be needed.

Many thanks goes to all of the Ladies who assisted in serving lunch on Work Weekend.

If you have not joined the Ladies Auxiliary, now would be the perfect time. Our first general meeting will be Friday, May 13, at 8:00 P.M. in the Snack Shack. Please join us as we discuss the events for the 2011 season. We need your ideas and input and look forward to much fun, support and most important friendship. Come and see what we are all about.

Everyone is welcome, and if you would like to join the MYCLA you can fill out the coupon below.

#### 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

#### Laser Race Schedule

Race #	Date	Event	Start
1	Friday, June 17	MYC Races	1800
2	Sunday, June 19	MYC Races	1500
3	Friday, June 24	MYC Races	1800
4	Monday, July 4	Nyack Laser Regatta	
5	Sunday, July 17	MYC Races	1400
6	Sunday, July 24	MYC Races	1400
7	Saturday, August 6	Chelsea Laser Regatta	
8	Saturday, August 20	MYC Laser Regatta	
9	Saturday, August 27	Leukemia Cup Nyack	
10	Monday, September 5	Nyack Laser Regatta	



# Minisceongo Yacht Club Opening Day Ceremonies

**Sunday, May 29, 2011**

**Ceremonies at Noon By the Flag Pole & Lunch at 12:45 P.M. at the Pavilion**

**Opening Day Reservation Deadline: Postmarked by May 23, 2011**

**Extra late \$5 fee per person at the door.**

Please make checks payable to Minisceongo Yacht Club and mail to:

Don Rubin, 7 Prides Crossing, New City, NY 10956

Number of Adults  
(age 12 and older) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 16.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children  
(age 5 to 11) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 8.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Infants  
(up to age 4) \_\_\_\_\_ Free

Total \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Sutherland Punch Bowl
- Beer and Soda
- Hot Dogs/Hamburgers
- Salads
- Coffee & Cake

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to volunteer to setup.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to volunteer to clean up.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to bring a dessert.

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

## Father's Day Champagne Brunch

**Sunday, June 19, 2011**

**Served 11 A.M. through 1 P.M.**

Champagne, Orange Juice, Eggs, Home Fries, Pancakes, Sausage, Pastries

### Father's Day Champagne Brunch

**Reservation Deadline: Postmarked by June 13, 2011**

**Extra late \$3 fee per person at the door.**



To register make check  
payable to:  
Minisceongo Yacht Club

and mail to:  
Don Rubin  
7 Prides Crossing  
New City, NY 10956

Number of Adults  
(age 12 or older) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$16.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children  
(age 5 to 11) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$6.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of infants  
(up to age 4) \_\_\_\_\_ Free

**Totals** \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to volunteer to setup.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to volunteer to clean up.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to bring a dessert.



### Division of Youth and Family Services

"Mike" and Roger Wieland are hosting foster care children and their mentors to a fun afternoon at MYC on June 5. If you would like to take a child and their mentor for a boat ride, help with the picnic or make a donation, please call Roger. [See hard copy for numbers.]

### Free Boat Inspections

MYC Member Ken Heller is offering free boat inspections at Minisceongo. He is the chair of Vessel Safety Inspections for the Lackawanna chapter of the United States Power Squadrons in Morristown NJ.

Any MYC member can reach Ken to schedule these inspections. [See hard copy for contact information.]

## Cruising Fleet News

**From Chairman Jeff Burtch:** At the time of publication, we will have already had our May 7 spring organizational meeting and safety equipment demo. Special thanks to Dave Tonneson, and all who came to help organize the season's events.

• **Saturday, June 18, 10:00 A.M.–2:00 P.M.** with a light lunch break  
Guest Speaker Hugh Lupo from New England Marine Electronics – Presentation with question and answer session on the following topics:

- DSC/Rescue 21
- AIS (Automatic Identification System) and the chartplotter
- RADAR
- Satellite TV, internet and marine communications
- Open to all questions

If you have any issues you would like addressed on your boat, Hugh will make an appointment for his professional service fee of \$150/hour. If a few people schedule one day, it will be less per person for his travel time.

• **Sunday, June 25, 4:30 P.M. – Dock-Go-Round – details to follow**

• **July cruise** up the Hudson

• **Mid-summer cruise** to Long Island Sound TBA

**Cruising Destination of the Month – Especially for sailors**  
**Nyack Boat Club** welcomes all boaters to their friendly and active club [www.nyackboatclub.org](http://www.nyackboatclub.org). If you have questions you can also e-mail Commodore Peter Moltzen at [ptemoltzen@hotmail.com](mailto:ptemoltzen@hotmail.com). NBC maintains three free guest moorings on the southern most side of the mooring field, available on a first come first served basis. Their mooring field is north of the large pink apartments at the foot of Main Street, but south of Peterson's Boatyard, centered on their clubhouse and docks.

The facilities include a beautiful clubhouse with large shaded deck, snack bar (open Wednesday and Friday evenings, Saturdays and Sundays), head and showers. Launch service is available evenings and weekends (hail VHF channel 9 or air horn), and there is dinghy dock space if you prefer.

NBC is a short walk to the corner of Broadway and Main Street (Route 59) and all the shops and restaurants of downtown Nyack. Whether you go for the day or the weekend, can you resist a stop at The Runcible Spoon bakery, Pickwick's Book store, O'Donohue's Pub or a chance to browse the antique shops?

### Ask Captain Dick

Ah, the *bitter end*. Seems like there are so many scenarios for the bitter end. In many ways we have all done it, hung on until the bitter end. Sitting through a bad movie, holding on to an idea, not giving up on a lost love, and of course yours truly, I just keep writing these articles, and I probably will continue until the bitter end.

As far as boating is concerned, the bitter end is the unattached end of a line. A rope can never have a bitter end, as by definition a rope is an unused line with no specific purpose. As soon as you pick up a rope to use it, it becomes a line. The loose end of the line is the bitter end, and the other end of the line that is tied to a bit or other item, is the working end.

Don Rubin wants to know what a dead man's switch is. Actually the term originated back in medical school, when interns would switch stuff around to fool their fellow interns. This practice was especially prevalent during Halloween and April Fool's Day. The practice was stopped by the American Medical Association in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century because of some articles being published in medical journals claiming that there was a direct pathway between the stomach and the heart, and that was the reason for heartburn.

Till next time,  
Captain Dick Myers

## A Look at the Future

Saturday, May 7	1600	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Spring Meeting
<b>Tuesday, May 10</b>	<b>1930</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>MYC Directors' Meeting</b>
<b>Friday, May 13</b>	<b>1930</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>SeaTow followed by MYC Membership Meeting</b>
Friday, May 13	2000	Snack Shack	MYCLA Business Meeting
Sunday, May 15	1100	River	Sail Fleet Race #1 (John Moreno)
<b>Wednesday, May 18</b>		<b>Bob Weismantel</b>	<b>Ship to Shore Deadline</b>
Thursday, May 19	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, May 21	1000	Grounds	MYCLA Flower Planting
Saturday, May 21	1400	River	Sail Fleet Race #2 (Bob Tamagny)
Monday, May 23		Don Rubin	Deadline for Opening Day Lunch Reservations
Saturday, May 28	1000	River	Sail Fleet Race #3 (Gary Kahn)
<b>Sunday, May 29</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>Flag Pole &amp; Pavilion</b>	<b>Opening Day Ceremonies and Lunch</b>
Sunday, June 5	T.B.A.	River & Pavilion	Youth Day
Monday, June 13		Don Rubin	Deadline for Father's Day Brunch Reservations
Saturday, June 18	1000-1400	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Electronics Presentation
<b>Sunday, June 19</b>	<b>1100-1300</b>	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Father's Day Brunch</b>
Saturday, June 25	T.B.A.	Pavilion	Women's Regatta @ MYC
Sunday, June 26	1630	Docks & Pavilion	Cruising Fleet Dock-Go-Round
<b>Saturday, July 9</b>	T.B.A.	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>North Jersey Concert Band</b>
<b>Saturday, August 13</b>	T.B.A.	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Annual Picnic</b>
<b>September 24-25</b>	T.B.A.	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Sutherland Regatta</b>
<b>Saturday, October 22</b>	T.B.A.	<b>Entire property</b>	<b>Fall Work Day</b>
<b>Saturday, November 19</b>	<b>1830</b>	<b>The Clubhouse at Patriots Hill</b>	<b>Change of Watch</b>