



Ship to Shore

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Message from Commodore Bob Tamagny

The Irish and "the wannabe Irish" had their day last month.

This month the "Fools" have had their day to play tricks, so what could be next?

Well around MYC the club is springing into action after being somewhat dormant for the last few months.

The Committee Chairmen have met to plan for our Work Weekend which is April 9 and 10. The importance of this meeting is to organize our committees so we can best get the club up and running for our boating season. A lot of effort is required by the Grounds Committee which has the task of going from a state of hibernation to one of life and vitality. Also our water system comes on which means new life in the Boat Yard preparing our boats.

Sign-in for Work Weekend starts at 7:30 A.M. with coffee, then at 8:00 A.M. the fun begins. I know that at times the work may become tiring, but this is also a time to meet new members and to catch up with our boating friends after that cold spell

of winter. Remember that camaraderie comes easy when working side by side with each other.

As I *write* this I had hoped to say that Sound Marine had started working on our bulkhead repair, but that is not the case. However, as you *read* this, they could well be working at MYC.

Yard Notes

From Yard Chairman

Andy Hudson: If you are in the aisles or blocking others, we would like to launch you on April 30 and May 7. Please be ready!

If you have a trailer at MYC, please make sure your name is on it. It should be in the Finger 1 parking lot or picnic grounds until the yard clears out a bit.

This winter we had some hard freezing in the basin, and due to that some poles have been lifted out of the ground. Sound Marine will also reset them along with the new poles for Dock 6. The members at our February meeting voted to purchase two more fingers for Dock 6. When we take delivery of the new fingers, the installation will be ready to go. With this addition Dock 6 will be completed, and we can set our goals to improving the appearance around that dock.

In February I wrote about the Clubhouse Committee, chaired by Dave Tonneson, getting an indepen-

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dent architectural report on our present clubhouse. Presently this is being prepared and our membership will soon get all the details of the report. We can then plan our next steps regarding the present clubhouse.

Plans are coming together for our Cruising Fleet meeting, and I look forward to having an educational component to them. Remember none of us are too old to learn something new. As we age the hard part is remembering what we have learned.

Our Sail Fleet will also be meeting soon to set the club's race dates. Sailors are now able to get new PHRF forms on line by going to the new Hudson River Yacht Racing Association web site: www.hryra.org.

This month our Membership Committee will be holding its New Member Orientation meeting. I mention this so when you see new faces be sure to introduce yourself to them. Remember my request at the Change of Watch, "Take someone new onboard your boat." This is your chance!

Ed Gutierrez has asked where are the quotes at the end of this article which he did every month in his articles. Well Ed.....To quote Jimmy Buffett in one of his songs, "*A good navigator doesn't know where he is going until he gets there and even then he still may not know where he has been.*"

Work Weekend

Sign-in at Clubhouse
at 0730 on
Saturday, April 9 and
Sunday, April 10!

The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Thursday, April 21, 2011

Sail-Fleet Annual Meeting

Wednesday, April 6, 2011

At 6:30 P.M.

Pizza at 6:30

Meeting to commence at 7:00

Sail Fleet to supply beer and soda

Agenda

Schedule of Spring and Fall Races

Laser races

Laser and Sutherland Regattas

Women's Regatta

Leukemia Cup

Summer Sailing

Any other business

The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

From Captain Janice Romano: Spring is finally officially here! The days are longer, the birds are chirping, and we're hoping for no more snow! As I prepare for the installation of our 2011 bridge, I would like to thank my bridge (Sandy, Lorraine, and Dianne) for their continuous support and guidance. Without the help and advice from all of the MYCLA members, last year would not have been a success. Thank you all for the opportunity and special thanks for making it a great experience.

As a last reminder, our **Installation Dinner** will be held on Friday, April 8, at 6:30 P.M. at Noel's Irish Pub on 9W in Stony Point. The primary focus of the dinner is to install our new bridge for 2011; but, it's great food, good fun and lots of laughs. The cost remains \$30 per person. Please call me, 845-534-7105, if you would like to attend so we can get a count for the restaurant. You do not have to be a member of the auxiliary to attend. Make the dinner your first meeting! It's a fun way to get acquainted. Hope to see you there!

Work Weekend is April 9-10 and MYCLA usually helps with serving lunch. Please contact Janice Senackerib, 201-871-1259, if you can lend a hand.

Once again, I would like to take the opportunity to encourage everyone to send in their dues for the Ladies Auxiliary 2011 season. The Auxiliary is a great way to meet new people besides being a lot of fun! The membership form is at the right.

Sunshine

*From Dominick Ferrara for MYC and
Barbara O'Brien for MYCLA*

Get well wishes go to Dick Myers recovering from spinal surgery.

Sincerest condolences go to Josephine and Rich Martishek on the passing of Josephine's mother, Vincenza Albanese, on March 4.



Photo by Andy Hudson

Karen Hudson (center) standing with Past Commodore George Bitler and his wife Barbara at the Bitler's home overlooking Lake Champlain on March 18, 2011.

Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Installation Dinner Reservation Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/E-mail: _____

Please send check (\$30) payable to MYCLA
c/o Janice Romano
45 Cherry Avenue
Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520

Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Dues Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/E-mail: _____

Please send check (\$10) payable to MYCLA
c/o Sandy Brophy
31 Orchard Street
Stony Point, NY 10980

Report for March from the Board of Directors

From Senior Director Tony De Hayes

- ✶ **Dock 6:** A request for two additional fingers for dock #6 was made by membership and harbor. The Board approved the purchase of these two additional 40 foot fingers for dock 6. Later in this meeting, John Kime will give a presentation and answer any questions with the assistance of Guy Plassart.
- ✶ **Electric meter readings will take place twice seasonally** – first on July 15 with billing to follow on July 31 and second at the end of the season.
- ✶ **MYC event costs:** Commodore Tamagny spoke with Social Committee Chairman Don Rubin to formulate an opinion on what would be the best and most economic direction the board should take for future planning of club events that involve food and beverages. The commodore will report back to the board at a future date.
- ✶ **Hudson River Boat and Yacht Club:** The Commodore opened discussion on the subject of “reciprocity” among the yacht clubs on the river. Secretary Austin explained that over the years, MYC members have routinely complained that when they requested the free night’s dockage at clubs offering reciprocity their requests were denied. Based on those incidences the Boards of the past had opined that MYC would no longer offer the free night to any transients.

Commodore Tamagny volunteered to send a letter of clarification to our neighboring clubs on the roster of the HRBYC to find out what their interpretation of “reciprocity” means to them and report back to the MYC Board with his findings. In addition Secretary Austin explained that he along with Guy Plassart and Art Basley had been attending random meetings over the past years and reporting back to MYC on the topics discussed. Commodore Tamagny encouraged the three MYC members to continue attending.

- ✶ **Re-positioning the Gazebo:** The board took the position that the Gazebo should be reinstalled in the exact position from whence it came.
- ✶ **Fire inspection:** Commodore Tamagny assigned the task of contacting the local fire official and having him do his yearly inspection at the club to Rear Commodore Ferraro.
- ✶ **Plans for Work Weekend:** Vice Commodore Senackerib and the Commodore will set the date to have the committee chairmen attend a meeting to discuss the chores that need to be attended to during the Work Weekend detail.
- ✶ **Finger Captain’s guidelines:** Vice Commodore Senackerib presented a comprehensive outline of a list of do’s and don’ts for Finger Captains to be

aware of in carrying out their dock assignments. The Board adopted the list as a good starting point. The Board instructed the Vice Commodore to purchase six small signs to be installed on each of the gates to their respective docks with the warning that all children under twelve must wear life jackets at all times when entering the dock area.

- ✶ **Playground:** Rear Commodore Ferraro spoke about the acquisition of “Playground Mix” to satisfy the MYC insurance agent’s request.

- ✶ **Work Weekend targets:** Commodore Tamagny assigned the task to Rear Commodore Ferraro to arrange a Committee Chairmen’s meeting to prepare for Work Weekend; some of the targets are as follows:

- Playground ground cover
- Finish porch on Clubhouse
- Pavilion roof
- Ladies Auxiliary storage room in Snack Shack
- 30-yard dumpster.

- ✶ **Membership:** The Board approved three new applicants. Their names will be read later in this meeting.

- ✶ **Building Committee:** Director Tonneson spoke with the Architect about the condition of the Clubhouse. The Architect will report in document form as to the condition of the building, etc. The Board then requested that the Architect attend a meeting with the Board and the Building Committee together to present his findings and submit his written report so the Board may then approach the Membership with the results.

- ✶ **East Bank deteriorating foliage:** Director Gutierrez requested that the east bank be spruced up with some new plantings.

- ✶ **Re-seating the 5 pilings:** Director Gutierrez inquired as to the reinstallation of the pilings that became loose over the winter. It was explained that Sound Marine had agreed to drive them in once again at no charge.

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 at: [see hard copy or directory] to schedule these inspections.

Cruising Fleet News

From Chairman Jeff Burtch

Cruising Fleet Dates to Remember:

Saturday, May 7—4:00 P.M.

Organizational Meeting and Safety Demo

Saturday June 18—10:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M.

with 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 chart plotter
- 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 26—4:30 P.M.

Dock-Go-Round

Cruising Destination of the Month

Waterford Town Dock is free on a first come first served basis. Get there early to get one of the spots on the floating dock with power and water. If not, there is room to tie to the concrete wall, and you will still have access to the head and showers.

Take a short walk to town to several restaurants or across the Hudson River to a large Hannaford's grocery store. You can even push the grocery cart back to the dock, and they will come and pick it up later. You can also watch the boats in the first lock of

Ask Captain Dick

I received an e-mail the other day at luckyusns@bellsouth.net from Herman Berzon. He says that there is another definition for dew point among racing sailors. Due point is the time that you want to arrive at the finish line in order to place first, second, third, and of course last.

While I'm on the subject of correspondence, if you have a suggestion for ask Cptn. Dick, please don't hesitate to send it my way. If I can use it I will. Also, sometimes I will pick a name from the membership list to use in my articles. If you don't want me to use your name, please let me know.

Back in the days of wooden ships and canvas sails, the men aboard these ships would eat poorly, usually bread or gruel, but once a day they would get some sort of meat and that would be served on a square platter. Hence the name **square meal**, as it was the best meal of the day.

Debra Fass wants to know what the **bitter end** is. The bitter end is like the impossible dream. Something like winning the lottery or contributing in some big way toward the good of our club. Of course if I had my choice I'd take winning the lottery.

Till Next time,
Dick Myers

the Erie Canal or get fresh produce at the weekend farmer's market.

It is easy to find on the Hudson River just north of Albany/Troy and the Federal Lock. Follow the sign that points to the Erie Canal, and the dock is on the right. This is a great stop if you are heading North toward Lake Champlain, or west on the Erie Canal.

A Look at the Future

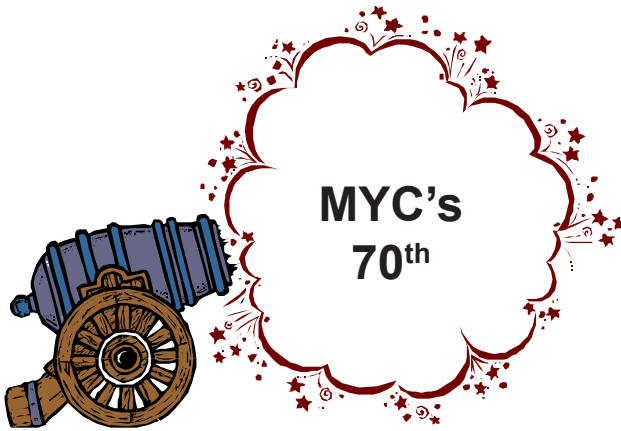
Tuesday, April 5	1930
Wednesday, April 6	1830
Friday, April 8	1830
Friday, April 8	2000
April 9-10	0730
Saturday, April 16	1130
Thursday, April 21	
Thursday, April 21	2000
Saturday, May 7	1600
Sunday, May 29	1200
Saturday, June 18	1000-1400
Sunday, June 19	1100-1300
Saturday, June 25	T.B.A.
Sunday, June 26	1630
Saturday, July 9	T.B.A.
Saturday, August 13	T.B.A.
September 24-25	T.B.A.
Saturday, October 22	T.B.A.

Clubhouse
Clubhouse
Noel's Irish Pub
Clubhouse
Entire property
Clubhouse
Bob Weismantel
Clubhouse
Clubhouse
Flag Pole & Pavilion
Clubhouse
Pavilion
Pavilion
Docks & Pavilion
Pavilion
Pavilion
Pavilion
Entire property

MYC Directors' Meeting
Sail Fleet Dinner Meeting
MYCLA Installation Dinner
MYC Membership Meeting
Spring Work Weekend
New Member Orientation Meeting
Ship to Shore Deadline
Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Cruising Fleet Spring Meeting
Opening Day
Cruising Fleet Presentation
Father's Day Brunch
Women's Regatta @ MYC
Cruising Fleet Dock-Go-Round
North Jersey Concert Band
Annual Picnic
Sutherland Regatta
Fall Work Day

Minisceongo Yacht Club Opening Day Ceremonies

Sunday, May 29, 2011



Ceremonies at Noon

By the Flag Pole

- Raising of the Colors
- Cannon Salutes
- Past Commodores Honored
- Recognition of Guests
- Official Opening Speeches
- Moment of Silence

Lunch at 12:45 P.M.

At the Francis X. Sutherland Pavilion

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

***All are invited to the Opening Ceremonies
even if you do not sign up for the lunch.***

**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 _____ \$ _____

_____ 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: _____