

Ship to Shore

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2017 Bridge Officers

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Dock 4: Joe Senackerib

Dock 5: John Funk

Dock 6: Chris Vicidomini

Pedestal Meter Readings From Chairman Ed Occhino

If any boater plans to put their boat in their slip before the MYC official launch schedule date, please make sure you take your pedestal electric reading once your boat is in your slip. The Pedestal committee will be taking beginning readings also and will likely zero in on boats that occupy a slip prior to launch schedules. By doing the above it will help avoid incorrect billing in the future.

If for some reason your meter (counter) is not legible, do not guess at a digit that is not clear; simply write "not readable" along with your name and slip number and email to Ed Occhino. Any questions or conflicts contact Ed Occhino.

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, March 10, 2017 at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

From Commodore Art Basley:

Winter finally kicked into gear with a few good snow storms in February. We even managed to get a fine covering of ice in the basin around all off our fingers. Not much to fret about as it warmed up nicely and mitigated the wintry blast with virtually no need for member inter-



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vention except a little snow plowing and shoveling. But since then the snow has melted with milder temperatures, it feels more like spring than winter with days in the 50s and 60s. All things considered, March has a good chance of coming in like a lamb. Activities are livening up with the better weather as we start to get ready for spring launch.

Many of our committees are starting to make plans this month toward getting things ready. The Ice Committee will soon start removing the



circulators when the threat of ice is gone. The Yard Committee will put together its launch schedule, Maintenance will get all of the equipment ready for service and all the other committees will be busy with one thing or another. We will also hold a committee chairman

meeting this month to make plans for work weekend projects in April. The time and date will be discussed at our next meeting.

On the finger 4 bulkhead and ramp project, we will soon be setting the pre-poured ramp sections and start to form the rest of the area for concrete. The stone bulkhead work is also moving along nicely with the wall adjacent to the ramp taking shape. If the weather holds, we should be

able to complete this major project as scheduled.

A New Member Orientation will be held on April 1 in the Clubhouse for those joining our ranks for the first time. The Membership Committee Chaired by Gurran Kane will be presenting to the new members all the information needed



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photo by Art Basle

Yard Committee

From Chairman Roger Wieland

I know you are all thinking about getting your boats ready for launching. And some of you have started working in them already.

Thinking about working and *actually* working on your boats are both good things. With that said, I must caution those of you who are in the aisles. Stop thinking and start working. Your boats must be the first ones to be launched, because you are blocking boats.

We plan on start launching in April.

Please keep in mind the 3 things I harp on every year:

- 1. Be safe when working on your boat and secure your ladder.
- 2. When sanding or painting your bottom spread out a tarp under your boat.
- 3. Unplug your electric before you leave for the day.

If you have any questions or concerns, call or email.

MYC Auxiliary Dues Form

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
E-mail: _	

Please detach form and send check (\$15) payable to MYCA c/o Helen Brown, 241 Jaycox Rd. Cold Spring, NY 10516

MYC Auxiliary Installation Dinner

Friday, April 14, 2017 at 7:00 PM Sign-up needed by Wednesday, April 12th Lynch's Restaurant 79 S. Liberty Dr. (Route 9W), Stony Point NY

Name:							
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Please detach form and send check (\$30) to Helen Brown at the above address

New Member Orientation and Brunch Saturday, April 1 at 10am

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to navigate our great Club. That's a lot of information in this short session but Membership runs it like a ship on autopilot.

It's also good news to hear that our Vice Commodore Rich Brienza is out of "Sick Bay", a real understatement, and recovering very nicely. We all know, he'd be back at the Club as I'm writing this if it was up to him. I'm glad it's not and he's following the Doctor's advice. We all look forward to his speedy recovery.

Well not being a member of the Ice Committee, I am glad we are running on thin ice. See you around the Club.



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Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Susan Koster

It still feels like winter, even though Spring officially begins on March 20. Before you know it, it will be time to put the boats in the water.

We are getting closer to our annual dinner and installation of new officers. Our installation dinner will be held on Friday, April 14, at 7:00 PM at Lynch's on 9W in Stony Point. The primary focus of the dinner is to install our new bridge for 2017. It's great food, good fun and lots of laughs. Please submit the coupon to Helen Brown if you would like to attend. 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.

As a reminder, now is a good time to renew your auxiliary membership or to join if you are not now a member. Dues are \$15 for the year and can be sent to Helen Brown. (See Coupon). The Auxiliary is a great way to meet new people and have lots of fun.

Please join us for the camaraderie of fellow boaters.

Cruising Fleet

From Chairman Don Rubin

MYC held another successful mid-winter get together. It was great to catch up with friends we may not have seen in a while. Of course the food is most important; shrimp and cheese and crackers to start, meatballs, ziti, shepherd's pie, chili, sausage and peppers, veggie stew, chicken wings and a salad. I hope I haven't forgotten anything. Dessert included a nice cheesecake, and other cakes and cookies.

The Silvers presented a tentative itinerary for a twoweek trip to Long Island Sound. If you contact him he can get you a copy of his figure of tentative ports and a table of dates. We will also prepare a plan for members who would like to travel up the Hudson.

Start going through your closets for extra underutilized nautical equipment for our *nautical equipment flea market* on Saturday, March 25 starting at 9am under the pavilion. Don't forget your wallet!

The cruising destination this month is Black Rock Harbor, two miles west of Bridgeport, Connecticut. I was traveling west after cruising Long Island Sound and meeting in Newport, R.I. for a rendezvous weekend. I was traveling in company with a Catalina 38 and Catalina 42. The Catalina 42 was the lead boat because they had plenty of food and drink leftover in the fridge after a two-week trip. We were told we had to finish the chicken parmesan, lasagna and salad with chocolate eclairs for dessert by the end of the trip.

Entering Black Rock Harbor you need to watch for Penfield Reef, Black Rock and numerous smaller rocks. The channel is wide and deep and well marked. There are numerous boating facilities along Cedar Creek. We were staying at a slip at the Captains Cove Seaport. Guest moorings are also available at the Black Rock Yacht Club and the Fayerweather Yacht Club. The crowded harbor has almost no room to anchor out. The marina has water, electric and free WIFI on the docks and excellent showers and laundry facilities. The facility has gas, diesel and pumpout available. The boat shop has engine repair, fiberglass repair and rigging replacement on the premises.

After a long day sailing from Cedar Island Marina in Clinton, we arrived just ahead of a storm passing through the area; luckily we were tied up at the dock before it hit. This was one of those mostly wind, little rain events. The boat was heeled over about 20 degrees at the dock as the wind whistled in the rigging. When the storm passed through we stopped at the marina bar for some drinks and live entertainment. The bar is designed around a tug boat and hanging from the

Race Fleet Report

From Chairman Jessie Fitzgerald

Hey Folks! Is this unseasonably warm winter getting anyone else excited for the 2017 boating season? It seems like it can't come soon enough.

Just a few items of note for the Sail Fleet this month. The Sail Fleet is meeting on *Saturday, March 4* at 10am to plan for the upcoming season. All are welcome to come out.

Registration is currently open for the 2017 Junior Sail Camp which will be held July 8 - 21. Submit your paperwork and secure your spot for a fun and educational time on the water!

Lastly, Nyack Boat Club is hosting a seminar on the rules of sailboat racing on Friday, March 10. You can find more details and register for the event on their website: nyackboatclub.org. That's all for now. Just a couple months until we're back on the water!

Sunshine

From Andy Hudson for MYC Miriam Raber for MYCA

- **♥** *Congratulations* to Robert Kamisaroff and Holly Papa who were married on February 13, 2017. They are Honey-mooning in Mexico. We gladly welcome Holly to the MYC family.
- ♥ Best wishes to Ted Mehlig's wife Susan, who is undergoing chemotherapy.
- ♥ Best Wishes to former Commodore and life member Bud Whitnall who is now in assisted living in Florida.

ceiling is a model of the Titanic. A nice place to hang out before turning in for the might.

After a peaceful night we were invited to lunch at the Fayerweather Yacht Club. Our host had been a member for almost 40 years. The club was founded shortly after the end of World War I. The club was named after Captain Fayerweather an early settler in Black Rock. Like most clubs they started small with whatever was easily and inexpensively available. After the landlord raised the rent, the club was forced to find a new location. For approximately \$4,500 they purchased a new property and were incorporated. Over the years the facilities were updated and modernized. The clubhouse was continuously updated and more docks installed. Now the club is a model of a modern yacht club.

Director's Report for February 7, 2017

From Senior Director Joe Senackerib

- * At the request of the Commodore, Peter Alfieri made a presentation to the Executive Committee on current and future security needs within MYC.
- * The Commodore pointed out that MYC as a nonprofit club needs to keep good records for tax audit purposes. The Executive Committee will discuss the best way handle this requirement.
- * The Commodore would like to design a set of standardized criteria for associates to better understand what is expected for evaluation to a regular member.
- * The Board discussed the possibility that a requirement be established for voting at general meetings. This is still under review.
- * In the past members with diesel boats have filled their boats while the boats were still on the stands in the yard. A question was raised about continuing this practice. No decision was made.
- * Director Silver presented the information he had obtained about weed control in the basin. He will share this information with the membership at the General Meeting.
- * Commodore Basley has established a Long Range Planning Committee consisting of six members to better prepare for future projects and expenditures.

- * There was a brief discussion about the new launch ramp, wall and hoist as to when it would be ready for use. Everything should be ready by mid-March.
- * The Audit Committee reaffirmed to the Board that the audit was conducted and the books were found to be in proper order.
- * Director Silver reported on the annual SPEDES report.
- * HRBYCA will hold it July meeting at MYC. The meeting will be on July 25.
- * MYC will place a one half page ad in the HRBYCA publication.
- * The Grounds Committee requested to purchase a lawn and leaf vacuum. This was not a budgeted item and needs to be considered as to how it impacts on other budgeted items.

With Gratitude

Special Thanks to all the MYC family for your support at this difficult time. Please also accept sincere gratitude from Lorraine's family.

Sincerely, Ray Testasecca

A Look at the Future

Saturday March 4	1000	Clubhouse	Race Fleet Breakfast/Meeting
Tuesday, March 7	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, March 10	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Thursday, March 16	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, March 25	0900	Pavilion	Nautical Flea Market
Wednesday, March 29		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, April 1	1000	Clubhouse	New Member Orientation
April 22 and 23	0800	Grounds	Work Weekend
Saturday, May 27	Noon	Pavilion	Opening Day
Sunday June 18	1100	Pavilion	Father's Day Brunch
July 8 - 22		Pavilion and River	Junior Sail Camp
Saturday, August 26	Noon	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
September 16 and 17		Pavilion and River	Sutherland Regatta
Saturday, October 14	0800	Grounds	Fall Work Day
Saturday November 18	1800		Change of Watch
Sunday, December 10	1400	Clubhouse	Holiday Party

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Cruising Fleet Pot Luck photos by John O'Blenis















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New Ramp Construction

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