

Ship to Shore

web edition

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, August 10 at 7 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

2018 Bridge Officers

Commodore Rich Brienza Vice Commodore John Verrengia Rear Commodore Chris Vicidomini Treasurer Iim Hawthorne Secretary Keira Burtch

2018 Board of Directors

Bob Tamagny Andy Hudson Kevin Silver Wayne Mitts **Art Basley**

2018 Finger Captains

Dock 1: Ray Testasecca Dock 2/3: Wayne Mitts Dock 4: Joe Senackerib Dock 5: Frank Romano Dock 6: Chris Vicidomini

New on the Web Site

There are some changes to the menus, but all the content is there. Notice the new page of "MYC News" with the calendar, club news and announcements. Check it out!

Reminders, Please -

- ***** For your safety; No swimming in the basin.
- * Your trailer should be clearly labeled with your name when it is at the club, even just for the day. See Roger or Malcolm for a sticker.
- Walk your dog OFF the grass and clean up after them.

From Commodore Brienza

Here we are midsummer, smack in the middle of boating season, so I'll "try" keep this short. While the members were hopefully using their boats, MYC held its annual SAIL CAMP and what a great success it was. The kids had a fun time learning and sailing the Opti's and the older ones sailing the 420's. On behalf of the entire membership, I want to thank Jessie Keller for doing a fantastic job of teaching these young children the joys of being on the water. Also thank you to the members who chipped in and helped Jessie. It is greatly appreciated.

Aquatic weed control was discussed at the July board meeting. Since the state will not allow any type of herbicides to be used in the water it was agreed to test "weed control blankets". Harbor Chairman Iohn Kime bought 2 razor rakes and one 10'3" x 40' submersible blanket



Junior Sail Camp Opti Fleet returning on a beautiful evening

and 9 pieces of rebar that holds it to the bottom. John and a few members then cut the weeds around the basin, and placed the blanket behind Dock-4 clubhouse side of the ramp. We will compare the difference between cutting the weeds and seeing the time it takes to re-grow, to the blanket that should cease growth. If the blanket works, the plan for next season will be to purchase enough blankets and rebar to cover the shallow edges behind all the docks where the weeds seems to grow. This is needed to keep the small slips available for seasonal use.

Kevin's cruising fleet planned a nice Long Island Sound trip for the week of July 23. Twelve boats had planned to go, but due to severe weather warnings of high winds and heavy rains only three boats departed. We hope they catch a break and can get some nice weather in and wait for their safe return. That's it, go boating. Cruising Fleet has a Croton raft up planned for August, so join us and make it a raft up to remember. The more boats the more fun. And of course, SEE YOU ALL AT OUR ANNUAL PICNIC ON SATURDAY AUGUST 25. DON'T MISS IT!

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Cruising Fleet Report

From Chairman Kevin Silver

I want to apologize now if this article sounds a bit disjointed. While Deb and Steve Fass are enjoying their dinner on an adjacent mooring, the rest of us are enjoying this spectacular evening in Port Jefferson by watching the sunset aboard Silver Lining. Dianne & I, Kiki & Seth and our friends Louise and Ed Barber have been partying on the bridge. This article is the last thing that I really want to be doing so it is being written collectively by all!



The poor weather forecast understandably discouraged people from participating on this summer's cruise. Sustained southerly winds built up the sea state the further away from the North Shore of Long Island so the three remaining boats elected to alter our cruise destinations and remain on this shore line. Silver Lining, Varka and Southerly stops included Manhasset Bay, Northport, Port Jeff, Matituck and Greenport. All fun stops with excellent eateries and places to explore.

Our next planned club cruise commences Wednesday August 15 for points north in the river culminating in Kingston Friday and Saturday for the antique boat show. Hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate.

Sail Fleet Report From Chairman Jessie Fitzgerald-Keller

Hello Sailors! July at MYC is Junior Sailing month. We kicked off our seventh year of Junior Sailing! (Also known as The Year of the Llama.) The kids enjoyed two weeks of fun in the sun. We worked on knot tying, finding the wind, boat handling, and the two most important things: staying safe and having fun! The kids lucked out with great weather: only one stormy night was spent in the pavilion playing Sailor Family Feud. Otherwise it was business as usual. The campers learned to setup, launch, and sail their boats. As the only volunteer program on the river we have a lot of people to thank for volunteering their time and resources to the kids. Thank you to Wayne, Bob, Peg, Kevin, Tony, Robert, Predrag, Elenora, Jim, Renee, John, Jean, Sandy, Nick, Liz, Desiree and Carolee.

This is the first year having senior campers at MYC Sail Camp. This year we had 6 sailors from previous camp 💆 years come and volunteer their time. They taught most of the land lessons on the first day, coached younger campers on the water and helped with rigging. Thank you to Graceanne, Connor, Alexa, Nicholas, Brendan, Ava and Charlie. Alexa, Connor and Brendan have attended camp since our first session in 2011. Nicholas since 2012 and Graceanne. Ava and Charlie since 2013. Their dedication and enthusiasm for sailing has already inspired our younger campers to ask how they can become Senior Campers and help out.

Yesterday 6 of our MYC Jr Sailing team attended the Halfmoon Regatta at Nyack Boat Club. Thank you to Andy, Desiree, Carolee, Hunter, Predrag, Vanda, Eric and Beverly for helping us pack everything up and move boats to and from Nyack. Thank you to Renee and Pat as well for helping us rig and derig. Despite a very HOT and windless start to the

day, the wind finally filled in and our racers got in 4 races. 5 clubs attended from all over the Hudson River. There were divisions for 420s, Lasers and Optis.. In the Laser Division, Connor took 4th and Alexa took 6th. Hunter received the Outstanding Character Award. Thank you Alexa, Connor, Hunter, Meghan, Erin, Vanda and Addison for doing such a great job representing Minisceongo Yacht Club. We were all impressed with how you helped one another as well as racers from other clubs. You showed the world what Minisceongo is all about!

The Hudson River Women's Challenge Cup is this coming Saturday, August 4. Please go to the HRYRA website for the NOR and Registration form. If you would like to crew, contact me. You don't need experience, just a willingness to learn.

The MYC Laser regatta is August 11. This year we will add a fleet of 420s so that more of our JR sailors can participate. Contact Andy Hudson or myself for more info.

Grounds Committee

From Chairman Chris Vicidomini

This summer is flying by and we have had some of the worst weather. Weeks of heat, humidity and now winds and rain... seems like it will never stop. Between the rain the guys are trying to keep the grounds looking good and will continue so we'll have everything looking great for our annual picnic. We have a lot of weeds growing because of the weather so we will be taking care of this soon as the weather breaks.

Looking Forward to seeing everyone at the picnic. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Lori Schweiker

Our July meeting, a mix of creative skills and our Annual Ice Cream Social was SO MUCH FUN! MYCA members extraordinaire, Ann Poltorack and Marianne Frasco did an outstanding job of preparation and helping each attendee create something they were proud to wear. First Marianne created wonderful invitations and sent out to MYC members, then Ann searched her favorite haunts for jewelry making items/ hardware. Each of them brought in a wonderful assortment of beads, existing jewelry, trinkets, the hardware needed and a variety of clasps to finish them off. The "Take Something, Make Something" moment was great to experience. Working in tandem, they consulted, then helped, providing excellent advice on everything



Skip Turk's First Boat ...
"Hmm, which way is up?
Where's the engine?"

Photo supplied by Elizabeth Turk and Tony Schweiker

from an ankle bracelet to necklaces, bracelets and stunning earrings, to a very chic eyeglasses necklace holder. The results were excellent. Ann and Marianne were there every step of the way for the creation. Smiles, laughter and appreciation for what they had created were evident all night long.

At the end of the meeting, we set up for the Annual Ice Cream Social, and were joined by a throng of MYC men. Thank you John Verrengia for providing MYC's portable Ice Cream freezer. It was filled with decadent offerings of a vast variety of ice cream treats and frozen fruit bars, with six different syrups and sauces, sprinkles and whipped cream, an assortment of Italian cookies, amazing chocolates and anything else with a high calorie count available to make or adorn your own Sundae.

All in all, a very good meeting. Thanks to Helen Brown, Susan Koster, Sue Rubin, Ann Poltorak, and others who provided refreshments for this Gooey Gala. Best one ever!

A short discussion on our Annual Raffle, the Picnic and our on-going Women in MYC History Project, will be held during the August MYCA meeting and segue in to the highlighted "Create a Mini Succulent Garden" session. Attendees will be provided with an assortment of beautiful rosettes, and large variety of 3" Echeveria cacti and sedum, including "string of pearls", plus a flat of sedum in an array of colors to choose from.

Please Bring Your OWN Container to plant in (6" to 8" in width & length), and a small garden shovel or large serving spoon to work in the soil. This may get messy, so bring an apron, or wear appropriate gardening clothes. MYCA will provide the plants, a few of the tools, soil and in-

Yard Committee

From CO-Chairman Roger Wieland Please check your jack stands:

- ~ Be sure your name is on them.
- ~ Replace the poppets (tops) if broken.
- ~ Grease or oil them to insure they work easily.

Now is the time to do this... Not on your haul out day.

If you are a new member and need jack stands please contact me at 201-788-7317.

If you are going to remove your mast bring at least two people to assist you and speak to me prior to hauling.

I will be emailing the winter storage form by August 15th. Additionally there will be forms in the Clubhouse, on the table by the bulletin board and on the website. Please email or mail it back to me by September 15.

struction, and may have a few extra containers. If it's a nice night, we can even work out on the picnic tables. Otherwise, we will work inside on plastic draped tables. By night's end, you will have created something you can be proud to display, and leave to cruise weeks at a time, without watering. These gardens seem to thrive on neglect (up to a point).

I will be sending out a reminder about upcoming events that effect all members of MYC. Look for it in your email.

Our boating season is at the half way point. Hope to see you around the club, or hear that you're enjoying a getaway cruise or a nice day out on the Hudson.

Next MYCA meeting is Friday August 10, 7 p.m. in the Snack Shack. Bring an apron or dress to dig into some dirt. All are welcome.

Director's Report for July, 2018

From Senior Director Bob Tamagny

Committee Chairman Guest: New Clubhouse Chairman Ed Gutierrez reported where we are in the permit application process with the town of Stony Point. All appears to be going well and the hope is that all permits will be approved soon. It should be noted that all our land and the abutting land is classified as "Planned Waterfront" which limits the use of all the properties. With a number of properties abutting our property going up for sale the Executive Committee is investigating the cost and usefulness of all these properties.

Treasurer's Report: The club will soon be sending billing invoices out via e-mail. Secretary Burtch will send a paper mailing giving members a chance to "opt out" and receive paper invoices.

New Travel Lift: Director Basley explained some of the changes that will be needed to perform routine maintenance. The future purchase of an aerial lift would aid in the safe maintenance of this new travel lift. The addition of a diesel fuel facility will be included in the 2019 budget.

Winter On-Land Storage: Plans are being made to winter store a few sailboats from the Great Hudson boat dealer. This will give us added income with minimum word required from our members.

Boating Safety Course: Secretary Burtch is working with Jim Barnard to arrange for a USCGA course at MYC.

MYC ANNUAL PICNIC

Saturday - August 25, 2018 at Noon
This is your club event
It can't be done without your help.

Volunteer: 1 hour
Setup Friday @ 5pm
Lunch Service 12 to 2
Games 2 to 4
Cleanup Sun @ 10am
Dinner Service 5 to 7

Other

Lunch: 12 Noon Dogs, Burgers, Sausage & Peppers Dinner: 5:00 Appetizer, Steak, Chicken filets

Deserts, Ice Cream

Please fill out the attached flyer

Members Family and Guests 12 & older: \$24.00 Children 5 thru 11: (Under 5 FREE) \$14.00

RESERVATION DEADLINE: Sat, Aug 18

(including the mailed responses)

* NO tickets sold at the gate..No exceptions *
Reserved tickets must be paid for, attended or not
Email: John Verrengia mondoblu0546@gmail.com

or text 201-315-8970

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A Look at the Future

Saturday, August 4		Pavilion and River	Women's Challenge Cup
Sunday, August 5	10:30	River	Dinghy Safari
Tuesday, August 7	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday,August 10	1900	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, August 10	1900	Snack Shack	MYCA Meeting
Saturday, August 11		Pavilion and River	Laser Regatta
Thursday, August 16	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Wednesday, August 29		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, August 25	Noon	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
Sunday, September 2	1000 & 1400	River	MYC 420 & PHRF Series
September 15 & 16		River and Pavilion	Sutherland Regatta
Saturday, October 13	0800	Clubhouse and Grounds	Fall Work Day
Saturday, November 17	1800	The Hudson Terrace	Change of Watch

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Jr. Sailing Campphotos by John O'Blenis - many more on the web site































Cruising Fleet TripPhotos by John O'Blenis and Kevin Silver



Southerly Deb and Steve Fass



Silver Lining Dianne and Kevin Silver



Varka Kiki and Seth Gannon

















MYCA Jewelry Making and Ice Cream Social Photos by Lori Schweiker



















