



# Ship to Shore

Stony Point, NY 10980

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, November 13, 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 October 2015**

*From Director Ed Gutierrez:*

The Board of Directors reaffirmed some long standing club rules.

☞ Member/owner is to be present when boat is hauled or launched.

☞ Winter guest boats are to be stored outside the yard.

☞ Members storing their boats in the water for the summer are to also store at the club for the winter unless they haul their boats home by trailer.

☞ Sails are not to be raised or removed from a sailboat while on land and the mast stepped.

## **From Commodore Kevin Silver:**

It's November and MYC is a very busy place indeed. This month is the Yard Committee's turn to shine. Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday for five weeks, the Yard Committee does yeoman service for the club. In point of fact many committees are extremely busy this month. The Plumbing Committee is busy winterizing the water system. The Electric Committee is finishing up as much as it can before the winter. The De-ice Committee will be deploying some ninety circulators throughout the dock systems to protect our harbor from any potential damage due to winter's ice buildup. Grounds was busy raking and picking up loose brush throughout the property. Security went through all the systems to insure our Yard is secure during the winter months. Harbor is busy opening up dock hatches for the plumbing committee as well as preparing some docks to keep them safe from winter's wrath, pulling in all our channel buoys and getting ready to close the gap. Building Maintenance preps the club house and snack shack to be more protected against winter's freeze. Our Electric Meter department made their final rounds enabling the treasurer to incorporate electric usage into January's bills to the membership. Last but not least, Equipment Maintenance is busy insuring our snow removal equipment is in tip-top shape this winter. Our maintenance shop (Jerry's) will be warmed by our recently installed waste oil heater.

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## **Electric Meters Committee Report**

*From Ed Occhino*

During a routine reading and inspection of electrical pedestals it was noticed that someone spray painted the top covers of several pedestals on Dock 1. Although we made some inquiries as to who is running around with a can of paint spray we did not come up with anything or a reason.

The resultant problem is that whoever did the painting got some of the over spray on a few lens counters making it difficult to take a meter reading. A lens that covers a counter is made of plastic and cannot be cleaned with a solvent.

It should be understood by all members that no one is to perform any work on the pedestals without first speaking to the Electrical Committee or someone on the Pedestal Committee. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

## **Race Fleet News**

*From Chairman Bob Weismantel:*

Congratulations to the skippers and crews for completing the MYC race series. We had 10 races in all starting May 16 and ending October 10.

The top five boats are:

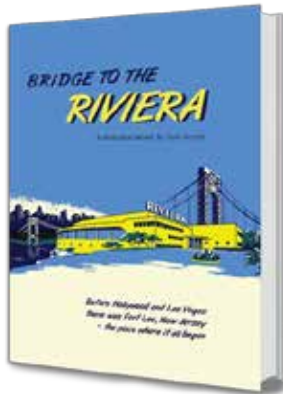
1. *J-Ale Time*, Evan and Sally Wellens
2. *Gusto*, Jessie Fitzgerald
3. *Dream Chaser*, Bob Tamagny
4. *Anne M*, Walter Moser
5. *Transformation*, Wayne Mitts

Awards will be given to the top three boats at this year's Change of Watch party.

## **A Historical Novel**

*by Tom Austin*

Before Hollywood and Las Vegas, there was Fort Lee, New Jersey – the place where movies and lavish nightclub entertainment first began under the watchful eye of the mob (and some say the law). If you enjoy reading about the lawless decade of the 1920s, right through the Great Depression, and want to learn firsthand of the people who pulled it all together, you might like to read:



**"BRIDGE TO THE RIVIERA"**

[www.TomAustinBooks.com](http://www.TomAustinBooks.com)

## **De-Ice Committee Report**

*From Chairman Joe Paccione*

De-Ice Committee will meet Saturday, November 7, 2015 in the club house at 9am. We will be placing the circulators on the docks in preparation for installing them. This is an **"ALL HANDS"** work party. Volunteers welcomed. Contact committee chairman Joe Paccione for more info or questions.

## **Commodore**, continued from page one

WhewBoy! Did I say MYC was busy? You bet. Sadly all this activity is in preparation for the coming winter. While undeniably sad to see this year's season coming to an end, I am humbled by the incredible dedication of our members who always come together to get things done... usually at a frenetic pace.

Our 2016 slate of officers was voted on at the October membership meeting. I congratulate them all and wish them well in the coming year.

The new officers will be:

- Commodore: Wayne Mitts
- Vice Commodore: Art Basley
- Rear Commodore: Rich Brienza
- Secretary: Keira Burtch
- I am honored to serve as Director for five years.

Our Treasurer will be selected from two very qualified candidates at the November general membership meeting. Also at this meeting, Vice Commodore Wayne Mitts will present the membership with a first reading of next year's budget.

All of our new officers will be sworn in at the Change of Watch on November 21, 2015. I look forward to this wonderful event every year and hope you will join me to show your support for Wayne as he begins his year as our new commodore.

Have a great Thanksgiving this year and remember on Turkey day there are less than 150 days 'till boating season!

## **Harbor Committee Report**

*From Chairman John Kime*

The club is investigating installation of jet ski/dingy lifts in various locations at the club. We are trying to get a feel for how many members would like to rent a lift next season. The lifts will be big enough to hold up to a three person jet ski and, depending on location, will be either parallel or perpendicular to the dock. Although rates will be set by the board, I've been using \$500.00 per season as a ballpark figure. Please let John Kime know if you are interested.

## Cruising Fleet

*From Chairman Don Rubin:*

The cruising fleet fall meeting and pasta dinner was held on October 17. All who attended did a great job with appetizers, multiple dips, shrimp, cold cuts and cheeses and other goodies. Desserts included some great pies with ice cream and excellent chocolate-double chocolate brownies. The pasta portion of the evening, though the oven took forever to cook, included, veggie lasagna, mac and cheese, eggplant parm and meatballs. We are still waiting for the sausage and pepper to arrive ... darn!

And yes, we discussed the winter 'cruise' destination. There was a passionate conversation about both, Philadelphia, PA and Cape May, NJ. There is research going on about accommodations, restaurants and sights to see. The preliminary dates are March 18, 19, and 20, 2016. We will get back to you when we have more information.



photo by John O'Brien

*Cruising Fleet Meeting and Pasta Party  
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## Yard Committee Report

*From Chairman Roger Wieland*

Our last hauling is or was Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> depending on when you receive this newsletter. Please make an effort to visit your boat throughout the off season. Check you cover or shrink wrap, your jack stands and let me know if you have any concerns. The Yard Committee will also be checking all of the boats periodically. And lastly be sure your cover is secure and remove any loose shrink wrap around your boat. We do not want anything blowing into the beam path that could set off the alarm on our security system.

*Secure your ladder and be careful when working on your boat*

Thanks for your cooperation, Rog

## Sunshine

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

It is with deep regret that Lackawanna Sail and Power Squadron reports the passing of D/Lt Kenneth L Heller, P this morning. (Oct. 28.) Ken was a long time member of MYC and a faithful member of Lackawanna, serving in many capacities. Currently he was serving on the Executive Committee, on the Audit Committee and as Chairman of Vessel Safety Check. He also taught Engine Maintenance, and organized the boat handling course and did many boat inspections at MYC. Ken had 9 MM and was recently presented with his USPS 25 year pin at the LSPS annual clam bake in September.

The Minisceongo Yacht Club family sends sincere condolences to his family and friends.

The cruising *destination this month is Cuttyhunk*, the western most part of the Elizabeth Islands off the end of Cape Cod. It's a nice destination traveling to or from Block Island to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. I always think of this area as having strong currents and lots of rocks around. It's always a good idea to pay attention to the current tables and chartplotter (and paper charts). The tidal range is approximately 3+ feet. Cuttyhunk Pond has a charted and marked anchorage dredged to 7 to 12 feet. Town moorings are available at the northern end of the pond. The outer harbor has an anchorage in 12-18 feet of water. It should be comfortable in all but a northern breeze.

Cuttyhunk Marina is the lone facility on the island, so reservations are recommended. There is a public dinghy landing near the marina. Public restrooms, but no showers, are available. Ice, block or cubes is available. Fuel is available near the abandoned Coast Guard station. Pumpouts can be arranged by calling the BAY KEEPER.

The Island Market is the place to buy some supplies, sandwiches, deli goods and beverages. I don't think liquor is available. Sopranos Pizza, about a 5-minute walk from the marina, is known for its excellent pizza, friendly service and rustic atmosphere. The Harbor Raw Bar on the Fishermen's Dock sells fresh shellfish, chowder and clam rolls, either at the shoreside shack or delivered to your boat. Lobster and lobster bakes are also available; sometimes fish can also be purchased.

If you are looking for an island for a quiet and restful stop, Cuttyhunk may be what you are looking for.



## *Change of Watch and Installation of Officers*

*Saturday Nov 21, 2015 6:00 pm.  
The Clubhouse at Patriot Hills  
19 Clubhouse Lane Stony Point, NY 10980*



## *Holiday Party*

*Sunday, December 6, at 1 pm*

***Lunch and desert will be served. Parents (or Grandparents) should provide a gift from Santa with a value of not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00).***

Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$3.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$2.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_



*Mail registration form and check to:  
MYCA c/o Janice Romano 45 Cherry Avenue  
Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520  
RSVP before Dec 2*



***Clubhouse decorating: Sunday, November 29, 1 pm***

***Clubhouse un-decorating: Sunday January 3, 1 pm***

***Contact Janice Senackerib to volunteer to help decorate, un-decorate, set up or clean up***

### ***A Look at the Future***

Tuesday, November 10	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, November 13	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Thursday, November 19	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Wednesday, November 25		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, November 21	1800	Patriot Hills	Change of Watch
Sunday, November 29	1300	Clubhouse	MYCA Holliday Decorations
Sunday, December 6	1300	Clubhouse	MYCA Holiday Party
Sunday, January 17	1400	Clubhouse	Commodore's Reception (proposed)

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- Please send **articles and e-mail address changes** to Keira Burtch:
- Please send **items for the web page** to Andy Hudson:



# *Cruising Fleet Meeting and Party*

*photos by John O'Blenis*

