



# Ship to Shore

Special  
Web  
Edition

Stony Point, NY 10980

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## From Commodore Joe Senackerib

**Work Weekend** was absolutely outstanding. We had great weather, and a lot was accomplished. The grounds are now beautifully manicured, and the harbor is clear. The water is turned on in the yard, and the docks are ready for the boats. Thank you to all the chairmen who put so much time in planning Work Weekend. Special thanks go to John Rodway for the great job he did organizing the cleanup and to Wayne Mitts for keeping everyone well fed. I would also like to thank the ladies for doing their usual great job serving the food. On behalf of the Bridge Officers, Directors and Executive Committee, I would like to thank all for their hard work and especially the associates who took the time to help prepare for the coming boating season.

Bob Weismantel and Dennis Doyle spent the last week preparing the buoys. They have replaced the shackles and chains and have painted them. On Work Weekend they placed the buoys to properly mark the channel, which is an important job since they are identified on navigation charts.

One of the highlights of our year is **Opening Day**, just around the corner. Since 1941, MYC has conducted opening-day ceremonies to mark the official beginning of the boating season. It is the time of year when we raise our colors, open our harbor and begin to enjoy our love of boating. All are invited to join in the ceremonies at the Clubhouse and the festivities after at the Pavilion.

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, May 11, 2012, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse. **Sea Tow will be making a presentation at 7:30 P.M.**

Again this year we will be honoring the past Commodores with a reception in the Clubhouse immediately before the Opening Day ceremonies. This will start with a toast in their honor at 11:30 A.M.

Please tidy up around your winter storage area. Store your stands in the designated areas, and **take your shrink wrap home!**

Before you launch your boat, please make sure the declaration page of your insurance certificate is on file. The Yard crew cannot launch your boat without it.

Ed Occhino and Guy Plassart did an outstanding job preparing the new members **Orientation Meeting**. This meeting is held to introduce the new members to the club and to welcome them into the MYC family.

For the next several weeks the Yard will be very busy with people working on their boats and the Yard crew launching boats. The slips will fill, and we will again meet our old friends and maybe some new friends. This is what it's all about, enjoying your boat and enjoying your friends. Let's hope the weather stays good and everyone stays healthy. Have a great summer.



L. to R.: Joe Hafner, Lou Petrosino, Gary Kahn, Dominic Vistocco and Glen McAteer on the ladder finishing the front porch of the Clubhouse on Day 1 of Work Weekend (4/14/2012).

Photo by Ginger Weismantel

## Report for March from the Board of Directors

From Director Tony Schweiker

- ✎ Treasurer Romano presented a report regarding the MYC insurance policies and their costs. The Board decided to have the Insurance Committee review our insurance needs and costs with an associate member who has experience with these matters.
- ✎ The Directors decided to elect former Director Art Basley to fill the vacant position of Barry Martin for the remainder of 2012.

### If you need help

regarding the launching of your boat,  
contact Roger Wieland on his cell.  
[See hard copy for number.]

- ✎ Dave Tonneson will serve as Senior Director during 2012.
- ✎ New workboat: an amount of up to \$7,500.00 was approved for a new outboard engine to be installed along with controls.
- ✎ Dredging was discussed, and there is an alternative way to store the spoils or material removed from the river. Kevin Silver will update the membership on this process.
- ✎ Director Gutierrez volunteered to head up a committee to look into the possibility to renovate Dougie's Garage from its current storage to a bathroom/shower facility.
- ✎ Work Weekend projects and a dumpster were approved.
- ✎ Four new associate applications were approved and forwarded to the Membership Committee for reading under "new business."

**The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Wednesday, May 16, 2012.**

## The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

*From Captain Debra Fass:* The Ladies Auxiliary kicked off the 2012 season with their first meeting at Sheeran's in Tomkins Cove. The ladies enjoyed catching up with each other and gave their facial muscles a bit of a workout with lots of laughter. Many thanks go to our outgoing Bridge (Janice Senackerib, Dianne Silver and Sandy Brophy) for a job well done. I'd also like to thank Louise Occhino for once again officiating the swearing in of the new Bridge.

Our dinner was quickly followed by our first activity of the season. Thanks to those of you who served lunch on Work Weekend. I am certain that your smiles were appreciated by those who were working so hard getting the club ready for the season.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday, May 12, in the Snack Shack beginning at 8 P.M. Come join us as we plan for the upcoming season and enjoy the beautiful view of the river. Just to forewarn you – at the meeting, I will be asking for a few volunteers. First, our Auxiliary is very fortunate that Linda Ferraro has agreed to continue to manage the Ships Store again this year. As you can imagine, this is a large undertaking for Linda, and she has been kind enough to fill this role for some time now. Therefore, I will be asking for a volunteer to be her assistant. I will also be asking for a volunteer to take over Sunshine for the Auxiliary so that we can continue to cheer up or congratulate our members when they need it.

As in the past, the Auxiliary will be planting at the Club on Saturday, May 19, at 10 A.M. Please come prepared with gardening gloves and tools, ready to plant so that the lovely flowers contribute to the club being in Bristol condition for Opening Day.

## Sunshine

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

- ✶ Condolences go to Jan and Joe Senackerib on the passing of Jan's brother.
- ✶ Congratulations go to Harry and Lorrie Moser on the birth of their first grandchild.
- ✶ Quick healing wishes go to Fran Kahn and Deb Fass.

There are two phrases coming to my mind after writing this: (1) Smile and the world smiles with you and (2) Many hands make light work. Whether you are new to the club or a long standing member, please come to our next meeting and join in the fun. The new friends are great, the smiles are good for the soul, and helping make the club a great place to spend time is icing on the cake.

*Happy boating! Have a wonderful season!*

## Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Dues Form

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check (\$10) payable to MYCLA,  
c/o Ginger Weismantel, 22 Valley Rd, Ringwood, NJ 07456

## Ask Cptn Dick

*From Dick Myers:* Last month's article might have seemed to be a bit of a knock against sail boaters. While it is true that they normally cannot exceed hull speed – (1.34 X the square root of the length of the water line) – there are other factors to consider: displacement, sail area, wind conditions, hull design, and friction of the water. At true hull speed, water displaced by the bow exactly fills the hole of the water left by the stern; therefore, no or minimal wake. A sailboat that is putting up a wake is exceeding hull speed. I can hear a few power boaters out there saying, "So what. My boat can go three to four times faster than a sailboat." Maybe so, but the sail boaters can sail right past the gas dock even if they never put up their sails. Here is a bit of interesting information taken from the magazine *P.M.Y.* A 60'-catamaran powerboat was tested equipped with twin 1015 mhp cat's. At 600 rpm, each engine was using 2 gallons per hour and the boat was moving at 6.9 knots, well within hull speed and average sailboat speed. The boat was getting 1.72 nmpg. At 2100 rpm total fuel usage was 89 gph and the speed was 34.7 kts, and the nmpg dropped to .39. So the question is, "What's in your wallet, or not." If you wish to do the math, on a 50 nautical mile trip, a sailboat will take 7.2 hours; you will take 1.44 hours. That is if you choose to burn 89 gallons per hour. At \$5 per gallon, you'll be spending \$103 per hour for the five hours you are sitting there waiting for the sailboat to come in.

Frank Craven wants to know what a bottle screw is. Most wine drinkers know that one; there is the time when you are on a boat trip and want a bottle of wine. But then you discover that you left the corkscrew ashore, then what to do. Look around for the proverbial loose screw somewhere on the boat. Screw the screw into the cork in the bottle, then either with a pair of plyers or wedging the head of the screw you can pull out the cork with your bottle screw.

*Till next time*

## Sail Fleet News

*From Chairman Dennis Doyle:* Spring has arrived at Minisceongo. The channel markers are in place, the race markers are ready to be placed, and the races have been scheduled. The complete race schedule and the starting times along with the race marshals can be found on the MYC web page: <http://www.MinisceongoYC.org/SailFleet/sail-fleet.htm>. The first race for the spring series is on Saturday, May 12, at 1400 hours. We will meet at the flagpole in front of the Clubhouse one half hour before starting time.

More hands are needed to repair and upgrade the Optis. Some require fiberglass repair and painting. We will also be building a rack to store the masts, booms, and related sails and sheets. Your help is needed. Many hands make the task easier.



# Minisceongo Yacht Club Opening Day Ceremonies

Sunday, May 27, 2012

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

**Opening Day Reservation Deadline: Postmarked by May 21 2012**

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

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

Wayne Mitts, 13 Lincoln Street, Sloatsburg NY 10974

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
- Ice Cream
- Coffee & Cake

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.

## Father's Day Champagne Brunch

Sunday, June 17, 2012

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 11, 2012**

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



To register make check  
payable to:

Minisceongo Yacht Club

and mail to:

Wayne Mitts

13 Lincoln Street

Sloatsburg, NY 10974

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.

## Cruising Fleet News

From Cruising Fleet Chairman Jeff Burtch

**Saturday, May 5 at 5:00 P.M.** - Organizational meeting and Pizza Party. Bring an appy or sweets and BYOB. We will give a short presentation with pictures about cruising LI Sound.

**Saturday, June 30 at 4:30 P.M.** - Dock-Go-Round

### Cruising Destination of the Month:

Where the winds and whims lead you...

May is the time to make plans for cruising this summer. Everyone does it their own way, and there is no "right" way, but here are some of the things we consider when getting ready for a summer cruise.

- Be sure to get a good cruising guide and paper charts to decide on places you would like to visit.
- Check Eldridge or other sources for the currents and choose the best time to depart. Heading north on the Hudson, you can grab the current and have it with you all day. Going to LI sound is so much easier if you have a favorable current (4-4.5 kts) through Hell Gate and beyond. Heading South past the Verrazano Bridge is a lot easier if you don't have to fight the 2 kt current.
- Think about how many hours you like to be on the water, and how far that will get you. For us that is an average of about 40 nm/day on the water.
- Plan extra time so you can be flexible when deciding "weather" or not to go to the next destination.
- Do you like to stay at a destination for several days or move to new places frequently? The older we get the

## ACBS Boat Show

The 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Hudson River Antique and Classic Boat Show hosted by the Hudson River Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society will be held at the Hudson River Maritime Museum on Rondout Creek in Kingston, NY.

*Saturday and Sunday, August 18 and 19, 2012.*

## Missing Props

*Ship to Shore* heard that Captain Dick had a set of spare propellers in Dougie's Garage. They are now missing. If you know where they have been moved to, please contact Dick [see hard copy for number]..

more we enjoy staying a couple of days in one spot (and we now have the time).

- Do you like to spend lots of time ashore exploring and seeing the sights or do you like to kick back and relax on the hook, swim, read, fish, watch sunsets?
- What stops have easy access to re-provision, fuel and pump-out?
- Plan your daily navigation with waypoints that will get you into a new harbor if there is limited visibility. Write it down so the information is handy when you need it. We like to have the following information included:
  - Chart book page number(s)
  - Waypoint numbers
  - Latitude and Longitude for each
  - Nautical miles to the next waypoint
  - Buoy and/or marker numbers and any descriptions of the harbor that can be helpful
  - Cruising guide pages with marina phone numbers and information
- Modern electronics have made communication on the water easy. Most places have good cell phone service and many marinas have Wi-Fi. VHF radio is a "must", and a GPS/chart plotter makes navigation much easier. RADAR is *very* useful if the fog sets in.
- Leave a float plan with the club, and take an electrical meter reading before leaving. [Forms for both are available on the website [www.MinisceongoYC.org](http://www.MinisceongoYC.org) under the **Forms** tab.]

If you have never gone cruising, try to overnight in Croton, Nyack or up the Hudson. Plan to go with a buddy boat, or join our cruise this summer to LI Sound the week of July 22.

## A Look at the Future

Saturday, May 5	1700	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Organization/Pizza Meeting
Tuesday, May 8	1930	Clubhouse	Board of Directors' Meeting
Friday, May 11	1930	Clubhouse	Sea Tow Presentation
<b>Friday, May 11</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>MYC Membership Meeting</b>
Friday, May 11	2000	Snack Shack	MYCLA Annual Business Meeting
Saturday, May 12	1400	River	PHRF Race #1 - Kevin Silver
<b>Wednesday, May 16</b>		<b>Bob Weismantel</b>	<b>Ship to Shore Deadline</b>
Thursday, May 17	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, May 19	1000	Club Grounds	MYCLA Flower Planting
Saturday, May 19	1000/~1200	River	PHRF Races #2&3 - Forbes/Tamagny
Saturday, May 26	1400/~1600	River	PHRF Races #4&5 - Schweiker/Fitzgerald
<b>Sunday, May 27</b>	<b>NOON</b>	<b>Flagpole &amp; Pavilion</b>	<b>Opening Day</b>
<b>Monday, May 28</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>	<b>Stony Point Bay</b>	<b>Laser Regatta</b>
<b>Saturday, June 2</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>River</b>	<b>PHRF Race #6 - Mitts</b>
<b>Sunday June 17</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Father's Day Brunch</b>
Saturday, June 30	1630	Docks & Pavilion	Cruising Fleet Dock-Go-Round
<b>Saturday, August 25</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Annual Picnic</b>
<b>Saturday, October 6</b>	<b>T.B.A.</b>	<b>Club Grounds</b>	<b>Fall Workday</b>
<b>Saturday, November 17</b>	<b>18:30-23:30</b>	<b>Town &amp; Country, Congers, NY</b>	<b>Change of Watch</b>