



Ship to Shore

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

For Our Boating Safety

Please be sure to sound your horn when entering or exiting the gap. The US Coast Guard requires a "prolonged blast" defined as 4 to 6 seconds. **Boats entering have the right of way** and should sound their horn when approaching the final turn into the gap. Those exiting should sound their horn and give way as needed.

Dock 6 Parking

Please use the new parking area provided along the fence. Please use the peninsula for deliveries and return for parking.

Thank You ~ The Board

Bylaws Proposal:

The bylaws proposal will be discussed at the August Membership meeting. [Click here](#) to login to the web site and review the proposal.

Annual Picnic

Saturday, Aug 26
[FLYER](#) here

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, August 11, 2017 at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

From Commodore Basley

*Dog days bright and clear,
Indicate a happy year;
But when accompanied by rain,
For better times our hopes are vain.*



And so goes our summer weather during the "dog days", we have the sun and heat but also our share of rain. Nevertheless it hasn't stopped any of our planned activities. This year's Junior Sail Camp was very successful with many new young sailors joining the ranks. Jessie Fitzgerald got things rolling organizing and running the program again this year with the help of many of our members. The new ramp and dock set-up also work out well when launching and retrieving the Opti's. It was great seeing how quickly these young sailors acquired some of the basic skills and in no time sailing like pros.

We hosted the HRBYCA meeting on the evening of July 25. The Social committee served some great food catered by Bailey's and of course a variety of tasty desserts along with refreshments. A presentation by Scenic Hudson's Althea Mullarkey took center stage during the meeting on the Bulk Oil commerce up and down the Hudson River. She gave great details on the history and new plans relating to the barge anchorage proposal and plans being coordinated and determined by the Coast Guard. Althea outlined the environmental concerns regarding the transport of crude products in barges and on trains along the Hudson and answered many questions by the attending clubs. It appears that this issue is very fluid and our continued input and participation is extremely important. Janice Anderson,



photo by John Funk

Commodore of the Seaweed Yacht Club, presented a burgee to MYC during the meeting which will be proudly displayed with the other Clubs flags under our pavilion (thanks to Bob Tamagny acquiring and hanging them). The meeting was very informative and it was good to talk with the other members of the clubs that participated.

And what do our members do after a late club meeting? Pour concrete early the next day naturally. Thanks to Dave Tonneson and some willing workers, we poured a connection between the west pavilion walkway and main floor (grill area). The job began a little before 8AM and by 10:30AM, the section was poured, leveled and most of the detail troweling completed. A little later Dave put the finishing touched to the surface and the area was secured just in case one of us geniuses forgot it was still wet. This will really help when moving the grills and cooking in this area...a really good improvement. Next up, the annual picnic on August 26 and that's right around the corner so please get your invitations in.

The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Wednesday August 23, 2017.

Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Lori Schweiker

July's Auxillary meeting introduced our members to valuable lifesaving skills plus an awesome Ice Cream Social at evening's end. Arman Fardanesh, a 2nd year MYC member, provided an excellent, hands-on, captivating training on AEDs and CPR, which was very well received.

Commodore Basley had brought to my attention that MYC owns 2 AEDs (devices for use in cardiac arrest), one in the Snack Shack and one in the Club House), but that the last training on them had been a few years ago. Erik Vandenberg suggested that I contact Arman.

Arman provided 2 additional AEDs and 3 manikins for the CPR training and imbued confidence in the attendees. Everyone got a chance to try out their newly learned skills. Arman's use of humor, his obvious expertise and ability to share years of real life implementation made it a meaningful experience. We had a full house and every comment about the training was very positive. Our members interacted well with the speaker, paid attention, and had time for laughter as well.

Thanks to all the ladies who contributed to this fun-fest, and sincere appreciation from all of us to Arman Fardanesh for his presentation.

We're half way through our boating season and the Annual Picnic is right around the corner. That means the Ship's Store will be up and running. We are restocking Burgees, Minisceongo green doggie scarves, embroidered kitchen towels, caps/hats and clothing items. This is a great time to buy for the FALL SEASON or keep an eye out for overstocked items on sale. We now carry pink or blue FUTURE COMMODORE TEES for babies/ toddlers...Perfect gift for a new addition to your family! If you don't want to wait for the picnic, contact Janice Romano or Lori Schweiker.

Every member should have received (in the mail) a book of MYCA Raffle tickets to purchase or sell to friends and family. If you haven't sent in your paid ticket books, or want to buy more, please act quickly. This annual fund raiser helps us support the club in a variety of ways. This year the MYCA has agreed to provide \$1000 needed to purchase a new Time Capsule.

August 11, 2017 MYCA meeting will begin at 6:45 p.m. in the Snack Shack. We will have a short meeting, followed by a light meal, then off to the Penguin Rep Theater in Stony Point for an 8PM production of SYNCOPATION.

Our Agenda for future MYCA meetings include a Presentation on Camera Techniques and Paint Your Own Nautical Canvas/Wine & Cheese Night in October. The latter will be presented by our own Marianne Frasco. You are welcome to join us....2nd Friday of the month, 8 p.m. in the Snack Shack.

Cruising Fleet Report

From Chairman Don Rubin

The Dinghy safari is scheduled for **Sunday August 6**; meet at the flag pole at 11AM. It might be a good idea to check your out-board to be sure it will start ... and then keep running.

The adventure continues ... After a pleasant night spent at the Harbor One Marina in Old Saybrook Point we continued east on Long Island Sound. It was our first time traveling to Mystic Connecticut by boat. The sail from Saybrook to the Mystic River was uneventful with a light breeze and calm waters and the current was with us! The fair current presented a small problem. We flew by the buoys marking the entrance to the Mystic River. We were well past it before we noticed the buoys on the chart did not match real life. I'm sure we would have had an easier time

if our compass was working (this was before the boat had a GPS or chart-plotter) Purchasing a new compass moved higher on the "to do" list at our next stop. We slowed to a crawl to figure out where we were. Now we had to beat back against the current and watch out for the shallow rocks seemingly everywhere. Major rocks were marked in the water with a warning sign "ROCKS". Once we found the first

buoy, the rest of the marks fell into place. Dan was in charge of matching up the buoys on the chart with the buoys along the narrow, winding, well-marked channel. We were also able to follow other boats sailing upstream. Then we noticed we had to crank up the motor a little higher or risk an extra hour wait at the next bridge opening. There are two bridges on the Mystic River, a railroad bridge which is usually open except when a train is scheduled and the highway bridge in the middle of town opening only once an hour. We were also anxious to meet up with the rest of the crew that was waiting at the Mystic Seaport. They had driven up by car.

We were either the first boat to the bridge or we had just missed the quarter hour opening. Turns out our timing was almost perfect. The bells went off, the gates went down and the gears slowly opened the bridge. Danny grabbed a couple pictures as we went through the bridge opening. We called the Seaport office and the docking crew was waiting for us at the bulkhead as we slowly motored up looking for our slip assignment.

Our slip was along the bulkhead next to the old shipyard. It was as if we were another exhibit at the seaport. Dan took a quick look around for his mother and sister, but they were nowhere to be found. We thought maybe they had walked into town to watch us go through the bridge. We know we can usually find them at the nearest ice cream shoppe and of course, that's where we found them...

What is it like to be in the Mystic Seaport at night? Watch for the next installment in September.

MYCA Annual Raffle

Support Your Club & Its Members

Themed Baskets Galore

Each Filled With Items to Please & Delight

Each Also Includes a "Use Anywhere"

Gift Certificate & Bottle of Wine

Send In Your Paid Book & Buy More!!!

\$2 each or \$10 for a Book of 6.

Call Janet Senackerib or Lori Schweiker

Race Fleet

From Chairman Jessie Fitzgerald

We just wrapped up this year's Jr Sail Camp. It was amazing to see some of our campers who have been in the program for 4 or more years, helping to teach our newest sailors. Nothing is more rewarding to myself or any of our other volunteers. Thanks to John Kime and everyone who worked on the 420 dock. Not only does it make for a convenient place to store the boats during the season, the JR Sailors were able to launch and haul their boats out of the water all on their own. This newly found independence gave them more confidence and pride as boaters. I hope that they will join us as members of MYC with their own boats one day.

Just because camp is over, doesn't mean JR Sailing is. Friday night racing is back! Join us Friday evening at 5PM. Bring your life jacket and dinner for after. Adult Laser sailors welcome as well.

The MYC Laser Regatta is August 12. Bring your Laser down for a fun filled day of racing in the bay, followed by pizza and awards in the pavilion. We will have a second fleet for Jr Sailors. Just give Andy Hudson or myself a heads up that you are coming.

The Women's Regatta is August 5. Ladies, this is open to everyone, whether you have experience or not. It's a great day on the water, followed by dinner on land after. Email me for more info. Forms and information for both Regattas are on the [web site](#). Happy Sailing!

Electrical Committee:

From Chairman Frank Covino

If any member has a problem with the pedestal night light not operating, please write the dock and slip number on a note to me and place it in the information booth by the Snack Shack. I would also like to remind everyone that the GFCI receptacle is for the Electrical, Harbor and Security Committee, not for boats. Thank you.

Grounds Committee

From Chairman Chris Vicidomini

Where is the time going? It's hard to say but summer is half over and before you know it we will be in hauling season. We had the tick and flea spray done on July 19 and all went well, John Funk has been working on the 2 area's we seeded, and has been reseeding and watering to try to get the whole area green, (Thanks John). To all members please remember to put the recycling and garbage in the correct bins, somehow garbage is getting in the recycle green bins, so please select the correct bin, thank you. The grounds crew will soon be getting everything ready for our annual picnic in a few weeks so I hope to see you all there. Enjoy the summer and safe boating to all.

Sunshine

From Andy Hudson and Miriam Raber

♥ Our condolences to Jay and Kathy Taylor McEwan. Jay's father Ned McEwan passed away July 29 in Tennessee after a battle with cancer. Jay and his 5 siblings were all with him. He was a principal in the North Rockland School District as well as a volunteer at Wayne Hose.

♥ Best wishes for speedy recovery to former member Doug Messner after two surgeries.

Yard Committee Report

from 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 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 15. In addition, there will be forms in the Clubhouse on the table by the bulletin board and available on the [web site](#) in the member section.

Please email or mail it back to me by September 15.

Security Committee

From Chairman Peter Alfieri

In preparation for the installation of new yard fencing, the security team will be preparing the grounds behind the storage sheds. We'll need to temporarily relocate the boat trailers by the wood blocking area and move some of the items in the path of the fencing. Ray and Art will be using the heavy equipment to level the ground behind the trailers.

We'll need some volunteers to rake the ground after the heavy ground dirt is removed. Please contact me directly if you are able to help with the raking. Notice of the work party date and details will be sent once we have a crew. Wayside Fence is scheduled to begin installation of the fencing during the second week of August, weather permitting.

Special Request:

The current supply of handheld gate remote controllers is insufficient. Newer vehicles have built in transmitters that can be programmed to replace handheld remote gate openers, so please consider returning your device for a deposit refund. Doing so will save the club the extra expense of purchasing new remotes and put a few dollars back in your pocket. Please contact John Funk or Peter Alfieri to make arrangements for your refund.

Director's Report for July, 2017

From Senior Director Joe Senackerib

- * *The Board has directed the Treasurer to send the financial report to the heads of each committee and to post it on the member's only section of the MYC web site.*
- * *Director Silver reported that the bylaw committee recommends a change in the bylaws that requires a member to attend four meetings in the previous twelve months to have the right to vote. This will be presented to the membership.*
- * *The Board agreed that the new members being presented tonight for membership should have a prorated adjustment to their slip fee for this year.*
- * *Director Hudson reported on the possible use of credit cards for MYC payment.*
- * *Commodore Basley addressed his concern that the club reduced its income to accommodate additional parking for dock 6 and that people are still parking on the road by dock 6.*
- * *The time capsule was discussed by Commodore Basley. The Auxiliary will pay for the time capsule but we need to have someone to oversee the contents and we need to decide at which event we should conduct the ceremony.*
- * *Vice Commodore Brienza reported that only one person showed up for Marina Day. The Board next year will consider if we should do it again.*
- * *Director Silver reported that we will shortly begin the reconstruction of the drainage pit to meet the SPEDES regulations.*
- * *Director Silver reported that approval of our request for aquatic treatment of the seaweeds in the basin appears to be in trouble.*
- * *There will be a HRBYCA meeting held at MYC on July 25.*
- * *Several of the Directors expressed concern about the lack of or improper use of boat horns when coming or going in and out of the gap. When returning the horn should be sounded when your boat is about a hundred and fifty feet from turning to proceed through the gap. When exiting your horn should be sounded when you are about one hundred feet from going through the gap. The horn should be sounded for a "Prolonged Blast" defined by the Coast Guard as 4-6 seconds. Boats exiting must give way to boats entering the harbor.*
- * *The Board discussed the use of decals for cars, trailers and boats. The trailers must have decals on them but it was felt not necessary for the others.*
- * *There are a number of gate cards still held by people who are no longer members. It was decided that these cards should be deactivated.*
- * *The Board decided that the Treasurer should have a debit card for emergency use.*
- * *The town has informed us that we must eliminate all standing water.*

A Look at the Future

Saturday, August 5		Pavilion and River	Women's Regatta
Sunday, August 6	1100	flagpole	Dinghy Safari
Tuesday, August 8	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 9	1900	Pavilion	Race Fleet Social
Friday, August 11	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, August 11	*1845*	Snack Shack	MYC Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday August 12		Pavilion and River	Laser Regatta
Thursday, August 17	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, August 19	1400	River	PHRF Race
August 19 & 20		Kingston	ACBS Boat Show
Wednesday, August 23		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, August 26	Noon	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
Saturday, September 2		River	Sail Fleet Sunset Sail
September 16 and 17		Pavilion and River	Sutherland Regatta
Saturday, October 14	0800	Grounds	Fall Work Day
Saturday November 18	1800	Patriot Hills	Change of Watch
Sunday, December 10	1400	Clubhouse	Holiday Party

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- Please report changes of **address or phone number** to Jim Hawthorne
- Please send **articles and e-mail address changes** to Keira Burtch
 - Please send **items for the web page** to Andy Hudson

Junior Sail Camp - photos by Barbara Fitzgerald



HRBYCA Meeting at MYC - photos by Art Basley



Concrete Pad for the Pavilion - photos by Art Basley

