



# Ship to Shore

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## From Commodore Joe Senackerib

I would like to extend my warmest thanks to all who made the Commodore's Reception so special. I would also like to thank our new social chairman Wayne Mitts for making the Commodore's Reception such a wonderful affair.

I am writing this in mid-January, and so far this winter we have had no major snow storms and almost no ice in the harbor. We have had some very windy days, but no problems have been reported. Let's hope the good weather continues.

Some of you who have been up to the Yacht Club in January noticed the front gate was gone. Security removed the controls from the gate and replaced them with a rebuilt control box. The gate is now back in place and working as it should.



Photo by Ginger Weismantel

MYC officers at Commodore's Reception on January 15, 2012. L. to R. Rear Commodore Andy Hudson, Commodore Joe Senackerib and Vice Commodore Tony Ferraro. More photos are available on the website.

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, February 10, 2012, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

During the winter, we tend to forget about the committees but the committees work all year long. The De-ice committee, the Social committee, the Security committee, the House committee, the Grounds committee and the Cruising Fleet are hard at work this winter cleaning, repairing, planning and preparing for the boating season.

The Cruising Fleet has scheduled a trip to Mystic, Connecticut, and all are invited. They also have come up with a new event, a movie night. Please check the *Ship to Shore* for dates and times.

Please check your boat covers and stands regularly, and please do not leave any electrical lines plugged in when you are not at your boat.

*Think Spring!*

## Important Yard Reminders

*From Yard Chairman Roger Wieland*

- ⌘ Please use caution when working on your boat, and be sure to secure your ladder to the boat.
- ⌘ Check your jack stands because they may loosen during freeze and thaw cycles. If you have a concern about your boat or any other concerns please contact me. *[See hard copy for number.]*
- ⌘ Remember **you** are responsible for removing **your** shrink wrap from MYC property. Please do not leave it under your neighbor's boat or put it in a dumpster.
- ⌘ If you plug into the electric, be sure to unplug before you leave the Club. This is an MYC safety regulation.
- ⌘ All boats in the aisles must be launched before the end of April. If you have any questions call the Yard Chairman.



Photo by Bob Weismantel

Bob Tamagny with Andy Hudson, Kevin Silver and Bob Weismantel picking out used Optimists at the Duxbury Bay Maritime School on January 24, 2012, for MYC to use in the Junior Sailing Program.

**The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Thursday, February 16, 2012.**

## The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

*From Captain Janice Senackerib:* I hope everyone is having a happy and healthy winter.

Although the Ladies Auxiliary does not meet during the winter months, we can stay in touch through the different club functions. Be sure to check the *Ship to Shore* for activities planned. We also use this time to set up for next season. Let us know your ideas, we need your input.

Our first meeting of the season will be Friday, April 13, 2012. This is our Annual Installation Dinner. Please try to attend as we all want to welcome the new Bridge and wish them well. It's our first event of the season, and it's a great time to see everyone, catch up on the news and greet newcomers. Details will follow in next month's *Ship to Shore*.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone to send in their dues for the MYC Ladies Auxiliary. Everyone is welcome to join, and we look forward to seeing you.

### Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Dues Form

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

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please send check (\$10) payable to MYCLA  
c/o Dianne Silver, 493 Summit Avenue, Oradell NJ 07649

## Sunshine

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

- ✶ Condolences go to Steve and Deb Fass on the passing of Steve's father.
- ✶ Condolences and get well wishes go to all of you who wish to remain anonymous.

## Save the Dates for Sail Fleet

*From Sail Fleet Chairman Dennis Doyle:* Your calendars should be marked for our annual Sail Fleet breakfast on Saturday March 31, 2012 at 10 A.M. Also, mark your calendar for the Sutherland Regatta the weekend of September 22-23, 2012!

## Don't Get Locked Out

*From Security Chairman John Funk:* The Security Committee **must have** your Security Card and Security FOB numbers. The purpose is to have an up-to-date system and to delete inactive, especially past members since they still have access until their numbers are deleted. The Committee members want to emphasize that they need the numbers immediately so they can delete inactive numbers ASAP, and it will help if they don't have to track people down. This includes even regular members. Please cooperate so that you are not suddenly locked out. A form is available on the website [minisceongoyc.org](http://minisceongoyc.org) under the "Forms" tab. Please send information to John Funk, 4 Dunderberg Rd., Tomkins Cove NY 10986.

## Ask Cptn. Dick

*From Dick Myers:* Here is an interesting question for you, "How many times does the earth revolve on its axis in one year?"

Even with all the advances in marine navigation, all commercial ocean going vessels have someone on board that can find their position by the sun, planets and stars. Unlike the sun that apparently comes up to the same overhead position every 24 hours, the planets and stars are in a slightly different position every night. This is because the earth is on its yearly journey around the sun. In order to navigate using the stars and planets, a reference point has to be established. That yearly reference point is Aries. Aries is not a star, rather a point in the sky established once a year as being a line drawn from the center of the

earth through the center of the sun at the northern vernal equinox.

If you answered 366 and one quarter days you are correct. 365 revolutions for the year, one revolution for the trip around the sun, and one quarter for leap year.

Last summer Stephen Fass saw a boat coming into New York Harbor flying a yellow flag and wanted to know what it meant. I'm not sure Stephen; I do see the yellow flag flying on boats in Florida ports, along with blue ones with fish on them. I have been told that the blue flags mean that the boat had a successful day of fishing; maybe the yellow flag means that they are coming in with a boat full of bananas. How about yellow fin tuna?

*Till next time.*

# MYC Committees 2012

## Administrative (Electric Meters)

Ferrara, Dominick  
Occhino, Ed  
Plassart, Guy-SPO  
Rosenberg, Harvey

## Building Maintenance

Ferrara, Dominick-C  
Altobello, John  
Hafner, Joe-TLO  
Lindsell, Frank  
Martin, Barry-DL

## Club Historian

Basley, George  
Hudson, Andy  
Kane, Gurran

## Cruising Fleet

Burtch, Jeff

## De-ice

Paccione, Joe-C  
Covino, Frank  
Coyle, Malcolm-TLO  
Gutierrez, Ed-DL  
Kane, Gurran  
Minerick, Don  
Mitts, Wayne  
Moser, Harry  
Rodway, John  
Rosenberg, Harvey  
Silver, Kevin  
Turk, Skip

## Electrical

Lindsell, Frank-C  
Minerick, Don-AC  
Covino, Frank  
Kamisaroff, Robert

## Equipment Maintenance

Basley, Art-C, BHO, TLO, SPO  
Carpenter, Joe-AC, TLO  
Ferraro, Tony-BHO  
Mitts, Wayne  
Moser, Walter  
Tonneson, Dave-DL  
Turk, Skip

## Finance

Doyle, Dennis  
Gerber, Allan  
Martin, Barry  
Tonneson, Dave

## Grounds

Rodway, John-C, BHO  
Adler, Dan  
Bartow, Wayne-TLO  
Forbes, St John  
Funk, John  
Gutierrez, Ed  
Henchy, John  
Kamisaroff, Robert  
Moser, Walter  
Pigott, Bill  
Schweiker, Tony  
Tonneson, Dave-DL  
Turk, Skip

## Harbor

Kime, John-C  
Austin, Tom-AC  
Ferraro, Tony-BHO  
Haines, Vic  
Hechinger, Mark-TLO  
Martin, Barry-DL  
Myers, Dick  
Paccione Joe  
Weismantel, Bob

## Harbor Master

Kime, John  
Paccione, Joe

## House

Pigott, Bill-C  
Kane, Gurran-AC  
DeHayes, Tony  
Doyle, Dennis  
Ferrara, Dominick  
Henchy, John  
Petrosino, Lou-TLO  
Tamagny, Bob-DL  
Vistocco, Dominic

## Long Range/Planning

Hudson, Andy-C  
Austin, Tom  
Bartow, Wayne-TLO

## Membership

Occhino, Ed-CC  
Plassart, Guy-CC, SPO  
Martin, Barry-DL

## Mooring

Kane, Gurran-C  
Bartow, Wayne-AC, TLO  
Plassart, Guy-SPO  
Vistocco, Dominic  
Wieland, Roger

## Nominating

Gutierrez, Ed  
Schweiker, Tony  
Tamagny, Bob

## Plumbing

Moser, Harry-C  
Burtch, Jeff-AC  
Kamisaroff, Robert  
Moser, Walter  
Myers, Dick

## Publications

Weismantel, Bob

## Real Estate/Insurance

Austin, Tom  
Gerber, Allan  
Plassart, Guy-SPO  
Romano, Frank

## Sail Fleet

Doyle, Dennis-C  
Forbes, St John  
Silver, Kevin  
Tamagny, Bob-DL

## Secretary

Austin, Tom  
Basley, Art-Asst,BHO,TLO,SPO

## Security

Funk, John-C  
Kime, John-AC  
Burtch, Jeff  
Kane, Gurran  
Moser, Harry  
Silver, Kevin

## Social

Mitts, Wayne-C  
Rodway, John-AC, BHO  
Covino, Frank  
Doyle, Dennis  
Forbes, St John  
Galetta, Nick-TLO  
Haines, Vic  
Henchy, John  
Myers, Dick  
Paccione, Joe  
Rubin, Don  
Schweiker, Tony-DL

## Sunshine

Ferrara, Dominick-C  
Kane, Gurran

## Treasurer

Romano, Frank  
Plassart, Guy-Asst., SPO

## Wednesday Crew

Ferrara, Dominick-CC  
Wieland, Roger-CC

## Winter Guest Storage

Plassart, Guy-C  
Hudson, Andy  
Occhino, Ed  
Wieland, Roger

## Yard

Wieland, Roger-C  
Hudson, Andy-AC  
Bartow, Wayne-TLO  
Basley, Art-BHO, TLO, SPO  
Burtch, Jeff  
Carpenter, Joe-TLO  
Coyle, Malcolm-TLO  
Galetta, Nick-TLO  
Hafner, Joe-TLO  
Hechinger, Mark-TLO  
Petrosino, Lou-TLO  
Rubin, Don  
Schweiker, Tony-DL  
Turk, Skip

## Key for Abbreviations

AC - Assistant Chairman  
BHO - Backhoe Operator  
C - Chairman  
CC - Co-chairman  
DL - Director Liaison  
SPO - Snow Plow Operator  
TLO - Travel Lift Operator

## Cruising Fleet News

*From Cruising Fleet Chairman Jeff Burch:* Please mark your calendar with the following dates:

- **Saturday, February 18**—Movie Night at the Clubhouse. We will order pizza for any who want at 6:00, and start the movie at 7:00. BYOB and snack to share. We will watch "Pirates of the Caribbean". Most of us have already seen it, but what fun!
- **Cruise to Mystic, CT. Friday, March 2-Sunday, March 4**—We will be at the Whaler's Inn, 800-243-2588. Tell them you are with the MYC Cruising Fleet when you reserve. Contact us at [see hard copy for contact information] with questions.
- **Saturday, May 5, at 5 P.M.**—Organizational meeting and pizza party
- **Saturday, June 30**—Dock-Go-Round

### *Cruising Destination of the Month: Boca Grande, Fl. on Gasparilla Island*

Since it is too cold to think of cruising around here, I am dreaming of the warm waters and beautiful beaches of the gulf coast of Florida. All you Florida residents, take a cruise and think of us.

We chartered a Grand Banks 36 in Sarasota a few years back, and enjoyed some of the loveliest cruising grounds we have ever seen. The waters are turquoise blue and full of dolphins playing. The beaches are white and pink powdery sand, soft and warm. One of our stops was Boca Grande on Gasparilla Island, on the north side of the Boca Grande inlet to Charlotte Sound. I am sure Todd and Fran Cassetta (*Loan Survivor*) could tell you much more about the boating and fishing in this area.

We chose to stay at Uncle Henry's Marina on the north end of the island. The approach at dusk was tricky because of the narrow but very well marked channel. We were greeted and helped into our slip by friendly staff and neighbors. The facilities are excellent and well protected. Since it is a couple of miles to town, we rented a golf cart, which is the standard mode of transportation on the Island, and explored the next day. There is a great Lighthouse Museum on the southern tip of the island, South Beach for a swim and its delicious waterfront restaurant. We also took a spin around the quiet town with shops, restaurants and lovely homes.

If you want to be close to town there are a couple of other marinas. To get a taste of old Florida, try Whidden's Marina with a homey feel and very reasonable fees. If you want the latest modern full service marina you might prefer Boca Grande Marina. Both are walking distance from town, but you might still like to rent a golf cart to explore this lovely quiet Island in the sun.



Boca Grande, Florida, on Gasparilla Island.

Photo from Keira Burch

## A Look at the Future

Tuesday, February 7	1930	Clubhouse	Board of Directors Meeting
<b>Friday, February 10</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>MYC Membership Meeting</b>
Thursday, February 16		Bob Weismantel	<i>Ship to Shore</i> Deadline
Thursday, February 16	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, February 18	1800	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Movie Night
March 2-4		Mystic, CT	Cruising Fleet Winter Trip
Saturday, March 31	1000	Clubhouse	Sail Fleet Breakfast/Planning Meeting
<b>April 14-15</b>		<b>Club Grounds</b>	<b>Work Weekend</b>
<b>Sunday, April 22</b>	<b>t.b.a.</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>New Member Orientation</b>
<b>Saturday, May 5</b>	<b>1700</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>Cruising Fleet Organization/Pizza Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, May 27</b>		<b>Flagpole &amp; Pavilion</b>	<b>Opening Day</b>
<b>Sunday June 17</b>		<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Father's Day Brunch</b>
<b>Saturday, June 30</b>	<b>1630</b>	<b>Docks &amp; Pavilion</b>	<b>Cruising Fleet Dock-Go-Round</b>
<b>Saturday, August 25</b>		<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Annual Picnic</b>
<b>Saturday, October 6</b>		<b>Club Grounds</b>	<b>Fall Workday</b>