



Ship to Shore

Special
Web Edition

Stony Point, NY 10980

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, March 9 at 7 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

2018 Bridge Officers

Commodore Rich Brienza
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2018 Finger Captains

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

From Commodore Brienza

Wow, it's March already. February flew by, but then it is only 28 days. For those that followed February's ground hog spectacle, we came away with....confusion. In PA the ground hog saw its shadow and we get six more weeks of winter. In Staten Island it was cloudy so no shadow and no six extra weeks of winter. Well what did you expect from a rodent? The lesson learned, as they say in the old black & white Noir movies...RATS can't be trusted. Wishful thinking isn't much better, so let's deal with the March weather as best we can. February actually got a little warmer.

On February 3, Stacy and I attended the Stony Point Fire Department's Chief's Inspection Dinner as representatives of MYC. We had a great time and met some very nice people. Lots of young couples there, so I guess the fire-fighting bug is less expensive than the boating bug. I have to say, I never saw so many pickup trucks in the Patriot Hills parking lot and I'm glad we took Stacey's car and not my truck. The circular drop off driveway aka FIRE LANE was filled on both sides with all the chief's parked SUVs. Rank has its privilege.

So, what's going on? The new travel lift purchase was finalized, and approved by the membership during February's meeting, and on February 14, the loan and purchase order were signed. Expected delivery date is near May 24. Not in time for my boat and the other early birds, but a few others will be launched with the new lift. Our Rear Commodore will be setting up meetings this month with all the committee chairs to ascertain what their needs will be for work weekend.

In the meantime, please remember, nothing needs to be done that requires you to do it alone, nor work near the water in the cold weather. Wait until there are a safe number of people to help, or just hold off. To all regular members, please keep a day or two open toward the end of March, as the De-Ice committee will need extra

hands to pull the circulators from the basin. This is a club project lead by Erik and his committee.

A group of members offered to help install a ramp, that was donated by the veterans association, at Don Minerick's home. What a great group of friends this club produces.

Check your stands and remember to secure your ladder to your boat. Think safety as you plan your spring commissioning.



photo by Chris Durland

Reminder:

All members must have insurance information on file with Treasurer Hawthorne to be launched this spring. The form is available on the web site and in the clubhouse.

The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Wednesday March 21, 2018.

Cruising Fleet Report

From Chairman Kevin Silver

This season's Cruising Fleet activities include:

Summer Cruise: Saturday, July 21 thru Sunday, July 29

- * Western LI Sound

Dock-Go-Round: Saturday, June 23

- * Visit the docks and see the boats.
- * Get to know members from all the docks.
- * Followed by a party in the Pavilion.

Nautical Flea Market: Saturday, June 10

Dinghy Safari: Sunday, August 5

- * Theme - TBD
- * Destination - TBD

Croton Raft Up: TBD

Antique Boat Show and Trip up the Hudson:

- * Friday, August 17 thru August 21

Dock-N-Dine Trip to Newburgh:

- * Non-cruisers can join other boats, Date TBD

Classified Ads

Now is a good time to inventory your boat gear. Maybe you have something you need, or a few of those extra items you would like to sell. March-April is a good time to have an on-line boat exchange. Send listings to me with "For Sale" or "Wanted" gear/boats for the members only classified ad section on the web site to me. They will be posted on:

www.minisceongoyc.org/Members/Classified-Adds. Check out the new listing on our web site.

Boat Photos Wanted

Please send a photo of your boat with her name and your names for a gallery on the web site to me

Check out many other club boats at MinisceongoYC.org and on [page 6](#)



Debbie Lynn - Mark and Debbie Hechinger

This is the actual transcript of a radio conversation between a British Navy ship and the Irish Coastguard, off the coast of Kerry:

Irish: Please divert your course 15 degrees to the south, to avoid collision

British: Recommend you divert your course 15 degrees to the north, to avoid collision

Irish: Negative. You will have to divert your course 15 degrees to the south to avoid collision.

British: This is the Captain of a British Navy Ship. I say again, divert YOUR course.

Irish: Negative. I say again, you will have to divert YOUR course

British: THIS IS THE LARGEST SHIP IN THE BRITISH FLEET. WE ARE ACCOMPANIED BY 3 DESTROYERS, 3 CRUISERS, AND NUMEROUS SUPPORT SHIPS. I DEMAND THAT YOU CHANGE YOUR COURSE 15 DEGREES TO THE NORTH, OR COUNTERMEASURES WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THIS FLOTILLA. More later.....

Our cruising Fleet meeting was a resounding success. Initial plans for the year include a nine day-plus cruise to Long Island Sound, a cruise up the Hudson, raft-ups at Croton and more. Stay tuned!

Back by popular demand, the second annual Flea Market will be held on June 10, 2018. Head into your closets, basement, boat or wherever you have extra boat stuff that is no longer of use to you. Odds are those items will be of considerable interest to one of our members. It's an excellent way to locate some "hard-to-find" obscure artifacts that you have been searching for.

Mark your calendars! Our annual Dock-Go-Round, a fun way to meet members and their boats, is scheduled for June 23. Various ideas were brought up to make the day even better and details will be presented to the membership as we get closer to the season.

It was suggested that we create an MYC Cruising Fleet Facebook page. Inviting other members to raft or anchor nearby at Croton on weekends would be an excellent example and use of this means of communication.

.....**Irish:** THIS IS A LIGHTHOUSE YOUR CALL!

Moral of the story: Maintain an awareness of your location using your GPS chart-plotter and paper charts!

Sail Fleet Report

From Jessie Keller

Registration for Sail Camp is officially open. MYC's volunteer program is unique to the Hudson River. Our focus is all about having fun while learning to boat. Our program has become so popular that last year we were forced to turn some people away. While we are happy that its is so successful we'd hate for that to happen to you. Please visit the MYC website for our new online application. Its super quick and easy! As always, you do not have to know how to sail to participate. You just need to know how to swim, have a proper life vest and love the water.

This year we have some sail camp alumni returning as teaching assistants. Our Sail Camp Volunteer meeting has been moved to a new date - March 10 at 10AM. This meeting is for ALL VOLUNTEERS.

Our annual sail fleet meeting will be held on March 3 at 10AM. Join us for a light breakfast and help organize our races for the season.

Don't forget to renew or apply for your 2018 PHRF Certificate if you haven't done so already!

JR SAIL CAMP APPLICATION LINK:

<https://goo.gl/forms/vmSwxIPkNICB3g5N2>

Sunshine

From Andy Hudson

♥ Best wishes to Don Minerick who is now home and recovering his strength. (See photos page 5.)

♥ Also best wishes to John Bogert, who had knee surgery and is home. He is going to rehab and making good progress. He hopes to be able to come to the club soon.

Grounds Committee Report

from Chairman Chris Vicidomini

Can't believe we are finally getting close to spring. It's been a cold winter but soon we will be in the yard getting our boats ready for the summer.

Just a quick note that in march we will be cutting down the rest of the brush on the back hill of dock 4 road and will be looking for some volunteers. I will send an email out on the date. Hope to see all of you around the club soon.

Yard Committee

From Chairman Roger Wieland

I know you are all thinking about getting your boats ready for launching. And some of you have started working in them already.

Thinking about working and actually working on your boats are both good things.

If you are in an aisle your boat must be launched in April.

Please keep in mind the following:

1. When working on your boat secure your ladder.
2. When sanding or painting your bottom spread out a tarp under your boat.
3. Unplug your electric before you leave for the day.

If you have any questions or concerns, call or email me.

Thanks, Roger Wieland

Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Lori Schweiker

The MYC Auxiliary will be celebrating its' 70th Anniversary in 2018 and has decided to waive membership dues for this momentous year. We have been working hard on the monthly meeting agendas, all of which will focus on a little business, but mostly fun and camaraderie. Going forward we want to have the lively gathering we had at our final meeting of 2017, The Sip and Paint delightful night headed by Marianne Frasco...something EVERYONE enjoyed.

Our 2017 Bridge will be thanked and our new 2018 Bridge will be ushered in at the Fireside Inn 84 North Liberty Drive (RTE 9W) in Stony Point, NY on Friday, April 13 at 7pm. Current MYC members are all welcome, including those joining this year. Contact Lori Schweiker to confirm your reservation.

The MYC Auxiliary is committed to supporting the Club and its' members through service, fund-raising, and lending a helpful hand whenever needed. There is ALWAYS room for more members and we encourage you to join us on the 2nd Friday of every month in the Snack Shack at 7pm.

Looking forward to Spring,
Captain Lori Schweiker

Director's Report for February, 2018

From Senior Director Bob Tamagny

- An internal audit of the club's finances was conducted by Director Bob Tamagny, Director Andy Hudson and club member Ed Gutierrez. All records were found to be in order. The Audit team recommended that the past practice of having the Senior Director verify and sign off on all receipts be continued.
- A contract document for Striper Fishing boats needs to be created. Director Andy Hudson will follow up on this.
- A review of a new travel lift was made.
- The Cooler Property is still under review and a meeting with the club's attorney has been scheduled.
- An early haul out procedure for Associate Members was established.
- In the club's contract with members, the requirement to have "hull coverage" will be removed from the contract.
- The Executive Committee will research changing our electric billing for in-water boat usage.
- Continuing membership was discussed with the possible need to change the wording in our by-laws. This action will be further explored.
- Summer land storage for repairs will be modeled on a case by case basis.

Dear Dock Five Friends,

For the first time since the 2004 boating season began at MYC, slip 5-15 will no longer be occupied by a Bracken sailboat. Gerry and I will still happily be at the club, but as partners with long-time friends John and Jean Nonenmacher on a "new" 2007 racing sailboat, a J92s, as yet unnamed. Our good friend, Past Commodore Roger Wieland, will fill 5-15 very nicely with his beautiful new boat; it doesn't get any better than that.

But we could not walk away without expressing our sadness for leaving this great Dock Five community and our gratitude for how warmly and how kindly we have been welcomed and treated there for fourteen seasons. We want to especially thank our next-door neighbors Malcolm and Cheryl Coyle, but John and Marcia Kime, John Funk, Joe and Corlin Carpenter, John and Barbara O'Blenis, Chris Burger, and Barry and Gloria Martin have all been a blessing to us. If I have overlooked anyone, I ask your forgiveness.

Thank you for being such great neighbors and for always being there for Gerry and me whenever we needed a helping hand. Dock Five is as good as it gets.

Very sincerely,

Dick and Gerry Bracken

A Look at the Future

Saturday, March 3	1000	Clubhouse	Sail Fleet Meeting
Tuesday, March 6	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, March 9	1900	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Saturday, March 10	1000	Clubhouse	Jr. Sail Camp Volunteers Meeting
Thursday, March 15	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Wednesday, March 21		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, April 7		Clubhouse	New Member Orientation
April 14 & 15	0800	Clubhouse and Grounds	Work Weekend
April 21		Pavilion and Grounds	Jr. Sail Workday
Saturday, May 26	1130	Flagpole and Pavilion	Opening Day
Sunday, June 17	1100	Pavilion	Father's Day Brunch
Saturday, August 25	Noon	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
September 15 & 16		River and Pavilion	Sutherland Regatta
Saturday, October 13	0800	Clubhouse and Grounds	Fall Work Day
Saturday, November 17	1800	TBA	Change of Watch

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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:

Don Minerick - Home and doing well!

photos by Chris Durland



Grounds Crew Volunteers at Work

photos by Robert Kamisaroff



Featured this month - For Sale:

30 ft 1983 Catalina 30

Price: \$ 15,000

Location: West Haverstraw, NY, USA (Samalot)

Hull Material: Fiberglass

Fuel Type: Diesel

Name: Blue Horizon

"Blue Horizon" has a 2006 Beta Marine 20hp. diesel with very low hours; wheel steering; 2010 mainsail; Harken roller furling system with 2009 genoa; 2017 bimini; 2009 dodger; new winches, traveler, and blocks in 2014 plus so much more. "Blue Horizon" has been very well maintained by a knowledgeable owner. See "Full Specs" for photos & complete details. <http://samalotmarine.com> or Call new member Rick Schoenlank:



A Selection of MYC Boats - photos submitted by the owners



Shenandoah - 1937 Elco Cruisette - Dan Adler



Varka - Seth and Kiki Gannon



Bristol Cream - Tedd Hardman



Halcyon - Susan Glendening



Greylock - Roger Wieland



*Endless Summer - Dave Horne and
Arianne McHugh*



Mutiny - John and Marie Moreno



Summer Sun - Bill and Brigid Pigott



Lisa Marie - Ray Testasecca