



Ship to Shore

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From Commodore Joe Senackerib

It's hard to believe that it's already fall and time to haul our boats. The boating season seems to go faster every year.

You may have noticed that the **Yard has been re-configured** to store boats in a more efficient way. The new storage design was developed by Roger Wieland and the Yard crew to permit the storage of more boats in the Yard and to make it easier on the equipment. While preparing the Yard, it was necessary to move the stands. All of the stands are now in one area so please find your stands before you haul your boat. If you have not returned your haul-out schedule yet, please do so as soon as possible.

This year MYC was privileged to host the **Women's Regatta**. To say the least it was a very exciting day with gusts above 20 knots. There was a spirit of adventure as the boats sailed through the churning sea. Congratulations to all the ladies who competed, great job.

Again this year the **Sutherland Regatta** was a great success. The enthusiasm and excitement of the captains and the crews was very evident. As usual, many of our members contributed their time and energy to make this year's Regatta one to be remembered. A big thank you goes to the race committee, to the members who set up the dinner, to those who cooked and served the food and especially to all those who organized and scheduled the races. We again showed that MYC is one of the best yacht clubs in the area, and we should all be very proud to be a member.

November is just around the corner, and it's time to make plans to attend the **Change of Watch Dinner**. This is more than food, drink, music and a good time.

Non-toxic Antifreeze Available

From Past Commodore John Funk: Haul out time and winterizing is starting soon, non-toxic antifreeze is available again this year, for those who want it. See John Funk, call him at cell: 845-323-6106, or e-mail him at: johnefunk@aol.com to order. Price: \$3.50/gal; \$21.00/case of six gal.

All the empty cartons and bottles and your used zincs can be left where there is a sign at the pass-through window at the Snack Shack for recycling.

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, October 12, 2012, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

We hold the Change of Watch Dinner to introduce and install the newly elected officers of our club. Of course there may be a few laughs when we hear about the Mud Hook award. It's a fun evening, and I hope to see all of you at this year's Change of Watch.

Our **Fall Workday** is scheduled for October 6, 2012. Please remember that all regular members are expected to be present so we can finish our projects and prepare the club for the coming winter. As always, associate members are welcome, and their help is greatly appreciated.

The **October general membership meeting** will be an important meeting as we will introduce the new slate of officers for the 2013 year, discuss the bulkhead behind Dock 4, possible dredging of the channel and other important matters. I hope to see you all at the October meeting.

Report for September from the Board of Directors

From Senior Director Dave Tonneson

- Roger Wieland gave the Board a report on the new yard layout and the timeline to implement the plan.
- John Kime brought the Board up-to-date on his efforts regarding the new bulkheading behind Dock #4. John's considerations were both financial and disruption during construction.
- Kevin Silver attended this meeting in reference to dredging the channel along with use of spoil material for back-filling around the club property. The discussion included the volume of material and cost of the project.
- The Commodore updated the Board on the insurance coverage of MYC.
- Vice Commodore Ferraro discussed the possibility of a boat trailer for the Boat Yard.
- Director Tonneson advised the Board on the completion of the Boat Yard expansion project. The Yard is now complete and ready for fall haul outs.

The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Thursday, October 18, 2012.

The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

From Captain Debra Fass: As we close out the boating season, the Ladies Auxiliary is starting to plan for next season. I'd like to thank our nominating committee for their efforts. Nominations for next year's bridge are as follows:

Captain: Dianne Silver **Secretary:** Sandy Brophy
First Mate: Louise Occhino **Treasurer:** Janice Romano

At our September meeting, we were lucky enough to have a speaker from the Coast Guard Auxiliary, who spoke about the responsibilities of a first mate. From the show of hands in the room, it is clear to me that we know what we don't know.

We had a full house for our final Sunday morning coffee. I hope that everyone who stopped by enjoyed themselves. Many thanks go to Janice Romano for overseeing the event.

Don't forget that the holidays will be here before you know it. If you missed the opportunity to purchase the perfect gift for that special someone in your life from the Ship's Store, please feel free to contact Linda Ferraro, Jan Romano or me.

At our final meeting of the season, we will continue with the tradition of ending the year on a social note. We will have a brief business meeting and then enjoy appetizers, desserts and friendship. Please come enjoy the evening with us on October 12, at 8 P.M., in the Snack Shack.

Lastly, for those of you who have not stopped by one of our meetings this year, please check us out next year for a bit of fun on a Friday night. We hope that you will be pleasantly surprised.

Sail Fleet News

From Sail Fleet Chairman Dennis Doyle: Welcome to fall and the winding down of our racing season. MYC hosted the Ladies Regatta held on Saturday, September 15, and organized by Jessie Fitzgerald. The winds were at 20+ knots at times, but three races were completed with 10 boats participating. Some boats were from MYC and the remaining boats from other yacht clubs on the river. A picnic was provided and a good time was had by all. By the time you read this, the Sutherland Regatta will have been held on Saturday and Sunday, September 22 and 23, thus capping the season with another well-known MYC tradition.

Sunshine

*From Dominick Ferrara for MYC
and Miriam Raber for MYCLA*

- ☞ Mend quickly wishes go to Dick Bracken and Sheilah Rechtschaffer.
- ☞ Get well wishes go to Corlin Carpenter.

Need some MYC holiday gifts?

We have new MYC Tree Ornaments in stock.



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*Call for suggestions or
to make purchases!*

Contact:

Linda Ferraro

Deb Fass

Janice Romano

Yard Committee Report

From Yard Chairman Roger Wieland: The Haul-out Schedule will be posted in the Clubhouse and the Snack Shack on October 1, 2012. If you have not sent in your form or contacted me and want to store at MYC, call me on my cell: [see hard copy for number].

Prior to being hauled, locate your stands and lubricate them; and be sure your name is on them. If you haven't noticed, all the stands look alike.

On all weekend haul-out days, we start at 0800. Please sign in on the chalkboard located on the Yard Container door. We will haul boats according to the list unless the tide dictates otherwise, i.e. boats with a draft >4.5 ft.

If you are unstepping your mast, contact me for instructions and bring additional help with you when we haul your boat.

This year we are starting to implement a change to the Yard layout. The first three rows are reserved for larger boats, i.e. >40 ft. Rows 4, 5 and 6 will be for all other boats. There will still be boats located in the aisles. The aisle boats will be the first launched in the spring.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me [see hard copy for number].

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Junior Sailing Program Report

From Jessie Fitzgerald: So ends another season for our Junior Sailors, and what a season it has been. This year we were blessed with terrific weather, wind and no sewage spills. Sailors started their day by rigging and launching their own boats (many of which the kids named; e.g. *Pirate's Booty* and *Singing in the Wind*. It was great to see how much pride they took in doing all of this on their own as well as helping one another in the process. Our time on the water consisted of exercises in boat handling, speed and getting from point "A" to point "B." On Wednesday night, our sailors got a taste of PHRF racing when we did a ride along with the Haverstraw Bay Racing Association boats. Sailors got a chance to crew on boats from Minisceongo and Hudson Cove. As the weeks continued we practiced our starting drills and eventually started racing. As tough as some of our nights were out on the water with our lessons or races, our evenings always ended on a high note with a game in the basin, especially if that game happened to be "Capsize." Who knew that what is essentially a safety drill could be so much fun? With the conclusion of our games came the toughest part of the evening, getting everyone off the water!

After participating in our program, some of our sailors still refuse to come off the water. Paul Triana and Liz Partridge raced Lasers in the Chelsea Laser Regatta and Alexa Austin sailed in the Women's Regatta with Wayne Mitts on *Transformation*. It's great to see some of our 2012 class already representing our club on the river!

It was great to have so many of our sailors reunited the day of the picnic. From 9 A.M. to 12 P.M., we tried to hold races on the river, but the lack of wind left us learning new ways to move the boat in such situations and playing lots of games. We then came to meet our friends and family who started to arrive. After a quick bite, we were back out in the boats for a few games. The rest of the afternoon seemed to fly by coming on and off the water every hour. Time in between boating was filled with a few runs on the wa-



Photo by Ginger Weismantel

Opti Ball being played in the Minisceongo basin during the Annual Picnic on August 25, 2012.

Results for the Picnic

Capsize Game:	1. Nicholas	2. Alexa	3. Connor
Opti Ball:	1. Katie	2. Kaylee	3. Connor
Picnic Races:	1. Alexa	2. Emily	3. Nicholas

ter slide, which I have to admit, I had more fun on than the kids. Our day ended with three sunset races on the river. It was great to see our 2012 class taking some new faces out and sharing their love of boating with them.

I would like to thank the parents of our 2012 class and all of our helpers this year. There is so much that goes into putting all of this together and making it happen before, during and after. Without this incredible support system, it would be impossible. From taking attendance each night, to putting marks out, chasing kids, painting boats and mending sails, all of you have made this such a pleasure. I look forward to working with all of you in years to come. I would also like to thank our membership for providing us with eight Optis and Nyack Boat Club for giving us two Optis and a 420. Having the right tools makes teaching a lot easier. I saw many of you on your boats at the dock those July weeknights watching our games and laughing along with us. I can only hope that you all got to see how much our sailors enjoyed them.

Last but certainly not least, I would like to thank our 2012 Sail Training Class. It was a pleasure to sail with you all. You should be extremely proud of yourselves. To learn to race a sailboat in two weeks is something most adults wouldn't even attempt. Just when I didn't think that I could get any more passionate about sailing and racing, I see you on the water and it makes me want to sail more.



Photo by Ginger Weismantel

2012 Beer Slide Results

From Debbie Hechinger

1st place:	Sarah Muldoon (Art Basley clan)
2nd place:	Cheryl (Malcom Coyle clan)
3rd place:	Nick Cillo (Ed Occhino clan)
Booby Prize:	Christine Occhino

Cruising Fleet News

From Chairman Jeff Burtch: On Sunday, August 26, we had a flotilla of six dinghies take a sunny ride down to Bowline Cove. Guess who had to get towed home between Bob and Peg Tamagny and Wayne and Suzanne Mitts—I confess, it was us, rescued by sailors. We then had a BBQ to bid a fond farewell to Dick Myers. He is now safe and sound with Bonnie in Vero Beach, FL, planning his next projects and fun events.

Nearby Cruising Destinations

If you have a beautiful crisp sunny day and want to take a final fall outing, there are several places nearby that offer dock and dine opportunities. Many club members are familiar with *Torches on the Hudson* in Newburg 845-568-0100, where you can dock for free if you dine. The approach is deep, and there is a swift current. Pass the large green roofed restaurant and pull alongside the long facing dock.

If your travels take you south, you can visit Tarrytown, just north of the Tappan Zee Bridge. There are two options here. To the north is the Tarrytown Marina. They have a free floating dock in front of the *Striped Bass Restaurant* 914-366-4455. There is outdoor seating with a very nice selection of seafood dishes, raw bar, pasta and sandwiches at reasonable prices. When approaching the marina, follow the markers carefully especially when the water is low. The marked channel runs diagonal (southeast) in toward shore, and parallel to the bulkhead until you come to the entrance of the marina. Continue straight to the long floating dock that is next to the restaurant patio.

Just to the south is a small marina that houses the *Washington Irving Boat Club and the Sunset Cove Restaurant* 914-366-7889. This is a lovely spot with an upscale menu, a wide variety of trendy dishes and a beautiful deck looking out over the Hudson River and the TZ Bridge. To approach the Washington Irvington Boat Club, go south to the Bridge, and follow the local markers northeast into the small marina and ask to tie

up on the facing dock on the left. There is not much space to turn, so it is only for boats under 30 feet.

Or simply get out on the river for a spin and come back to have a friendly BBQ at MYC. *Enjoy these last boating days of the season!*

Ask Cptn. Dick

From Dick Myers: And just when you thought it would be safe to read *Ship to Shore* again, here I am back by popular request. Actually, I had almost three people ask me to continue writing my article.

I would like to say thank you to the Cruising Fleet for the nice send off. I was going to write individual thank you notes to everyone, but when you consider that everyone in the club plus their partners can be considered members of the Cruising Fleet, that amounts to over 300 stamps. Again, thank you, the one third of my life I spent at MYC and the wonderful people I met will always bring back beautiful memories.

A retired member of MYC, Bob Novas explained what a Genoa is. A sloop has a mainsail and a jib. The jib fills the forward triangle formed by the mast, deck and forward stay. A Genoa, also known as a jenny, is used instead of a jib and extends beyond the mast. Its size is expressed as a percentage of the forward triangle. At 110%, the smallest of the jenny is called a lapper. At 135% it is a Genoa 2, 150%, Genoa 3, then comes the drifter at 160 to 165%

The name Genoa comes from a 6-meter boat racing in a regatta back in 1927. The crew aboard *Genoa* won the race by sewing extra sail material onto their jib. At that time there were no rules against the larger jib.

While researching Genoa, the name Spinnaker kept popping up. Everyone knows that the *Spinnaker* is a hotel in Ocean City, Maryland, and also a resort vacation provider. I guess they are trying to get some sailors who are tired of playing with their Genoa to go out and have some real fun.

Till next time,

A Look at the Future

Saturday, October 6	0800	Club Grounds	Fall Workday
Sunday, October 7, 14, 21, 28	1400	Stony Point Bay	Laser Races
Tuesday, October 9	1930	Clubhouse	Board of Directors' Meeting
Friday, October 12	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, October 12	2000	Snack Shack	MYCLA Final Meeting for Season
Saturday, October 13	1000	River`	PHRF Race #16 - Bert Rechtschaffer
Thursday, October 18	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Thursday, October 18		Bob Weismantel	Ship to Shore Deadline
Oct. 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11	0800	Basin and Yard	Regular Haul-out Days
Saturday, October 20	1500	River	PHRF Race #17 - Ted Mehlig
Saturday, November 17	18:30-23:30	Town & Country, Congers, NY	Change of Watch

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