



Ship to Shore

web edition

Stony Point, NY 10980

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, May 12, 2017 at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

2017 Bridge Officers

Commodore Art Basley
Vice Commodore Rich Brienza
Rear Commodore John Verrengia
Treasurer Jim Hawthorne
Secretary Keira Burtch

2017 Board of Directors

Joe Senackerib
Bob Tamagny
Andy Hudson
Kevin Silver
Wayne Mitts

2017 Finger Captains

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

Membership Cards:

If you did not receive your card on work weekend, please see your finger captain.

MYCA Ship's Store:

Will be Up & Running
Opening Day
All things MYC will be available in the Pavilion

Digital Edition Special:

Work Weekend Pictures: [page 5](#)
Dock 4 Ramp Pictures: [page 6](#)

**New Web Site:
Coming Soon!**

From Commodore Art Basley:

The ramp project is complete and it looks great. The final section was poured on April 14 and after a few days to cure, Jeff Conklin finished the stone and gravel work. Walter (Moe) Moser fabricated railings for the walkway along the Travel Lift pit and our members made short work of installing them. The final touches were made to shore up the platform at the top of the small dock ramp and it's now ready for use. The wall along finger 4 was capped by Jeff Conklin and the roadway was finished on both ends. I want to thank John Kime for heading up this project and all the members who helped get it done. Great job all around.

On work weekend we had a good turn-out and accomplished pretty much all we needed to and more. Saturday weather-wise didn't really cooperate but nevertheless was not a deterrent to the work crews; Sunday was a home-run. Chris Vicidomini and his grounds crew cleaned out the shrub and flower beds, cut and removed the necessary brush and trees and raked up the area. Ed Gutierrez, with



photo by John O'Brien

MYC Bridge on Work Weekend

his trusty Kubota tractor, helped spread out the mulch and worked on special landscaping and repair projects. After the grounds were in good shape, his crew helped extend the curbing on the finger 4 roadway adjacent to the new ramp. The Yard crew launched quite a few boats during the weekend and cleaned up block and other Yard areas. Harry Moser completed the Hot-Box connections and finished the project. Frank Covino's "bright idea" was having his Electrical crew spend their time up-in-the-air installing the new LED lighting fixtures all around the Club. After driving through that Sunday night I have to say, "Frank you are pretty smart".

Over at Jerry's, Joe Carpenter had the guy's busy keeping equipment running and getting a few projects done. Moe and Skip completed the steel storage rack in the east annex, Frank Brown and Associate Shaun Foran framed in the new lift area and Yogi with the rest of the crew were fixing everything else. They even had time to grease the Travel Lift. Associate Keith Yodice framed out the cooking area south end of the Picnic Pavilion, fabricated and installed working window panels and enclosed the west section of the wall. The Harbor committee worked on the usual dock preparation stuff and began installation work on a new Opti dock system at the location of the old launch ramp.

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The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Wednesday May 24, 2017.

Commodore: *continued from page one*

To help get all this outside work done, our heavy equipment needed to be operated. Dave Tonneson and Ray Testasecca manned the skid steer while Tony Ferraro ran the backhoe. These guys were non-stop throughout the weekend loading brush in the white dump truck, spreading gravel, moving mulch, picking up and loading debris into the dumpster and just about anything else that needed to be done. By the end of the weekend, their efforts made all the difference in getting everything completed. And with all this work going on naturally our members get hungry. We all need to thank Chairman Bill Gooley and his Social committee along with Captain Lori Schweiker and the Auxiliary for all the hard work in preparing, setting up, providing and cleaning up food service for our members. They all did a great job serving delicious meals and fantastic deserts.

I want to acknowledge my Bridge Officers Richard Brienza and John Verrengia for their hard work in coordinating and overseeing the work weekend effort. It was a very successful 2-day effort getting the Club prepared for the 2017 boating season. I especially want to thank Associates Eric Bicknese, Chris Burger, Daniel Cirruzzo, Shaun Foran, Predrag Knezevic, John O'Blenis, Gary Raffa, Peter Rucci, Jordan Parker, Debra Thomas and Keith Yodice for all their help. Volunteering your time to the work of the Club is greatly appreciated by all of us.

Now that our launch season has officially begun, we will turn our sights to Opening Day. This will be our 76th commissioning of MYC for the boating season. Let's hope for good weather and a great boating season "Fair Winds and Following Seas".

Race Fleet Report

From Chairman Jessie Fitzgerald

River racing officially starts this month with HBRA's first Wednesday night race on May 10. Our first MYC Club Race is on Saturday May 20 at 1400. Bob T's boat is already in the water ready to be the RC Boat. All we need are participants! So throw your boat in the water, make sure you update your PHRF certificate on www.HRYRA.org and do a quick study of those new racing rules. Its going to be a great racing season!

Registration is still open for **JR Sail Camp**, but filling up quickly, so make sure you get your applications in. You can

Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Lori Schweiker

The Club is abuzz with activity year round, however, April seems to kick it into high gear for everyone including the ladies. On April 14, the annual MYCA Dinner/Installation of 2017 MYCA Officers was held at Lynch's in Stony Point. 14 members attended.

With an emphasis on camaraderie and "getting to know you's" along with a bit of business, the night was thoroughly enjoyable.

Thank you's and tokens of appreciation were in order for the departing Bridge (Captain Susan Koster, First Mate Lori Schweiker, Treasurer Helen Brown and Secretary Kathy Bogart) who, with the help of a great group of MYCA members completed a successful, social & service-oriented 2016.

The following 2017 MYCA Bridge was installed by Life Member, Lorraine Austin:

Captain Lori Schweiker, First Mate Susan Koster, Treasurer Helen Brown, Secretary Marianne Frasco.

Janice Romano will continue doing her superb job of managing the Ship's Store.

April 22 & 23: MYCA members rallied to show their support during the Spring Work Weekend with humor and a

great work ethic. Both days of the weekend witnessed Janice Romano's terrific organizational skills, Janice Senakerib's ir-repressible can-do spirit, Marcia Kime's **amazing** baking and serving skills, and Lori Schweiker's «come early, stay late», multi-tasking. Also much appreciated were the services in the Lunch Line/clean up on Saturday from Helen Brown, Susan Rubin and Nada Vicidomini, while Barbara O'Blenis played an important part interacting with all from the kitchen. On Sunday, Marianne Frasco joined us for awhile to help clean/straighten up.

We have some great ideas for the coming year and invite any and all MYC women to join us in our endeavors to support our club, learn new skills, make new friends, renew old ones and share experiences...all in a relaxed, fun environment. If you are inclined to give us a try, our first official meeting will be held in the MYC Snack Shack, Friday night, May 12 at 8 p.m. You will be warmly welcomed.

find a copy on in the Clubhouse under the bulletin board. There is a lot to get done before camp starts, so join us on May 13 at 11am to get the boats ready.

Happy Sailing!

Minisceongo Yacht Club Opening Day Ceremonies

Saturday, May 27, 2017

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

**Please see attached flyer to signup
before the May 18 deadline**

Cruising Fleet

From Chairman Don Rubin

The MYC boating has begun and the yard crew is busy launching boats undaunted by intermittent bad weather. The harbor is beginning to look like a marina once again. The cruising fleet is getting busy with plans for the 2017 season. Saturday, May 6, we will have our **spring meeting/pizza party** at 5pm. Please bring an appetizer or dessert and your own beverages. We will discuss summer travel plans. The **nautical flea market** will be held under the pavilion on Saturday, June 3 beginning at 9am. Get your old stuff out of storage and bring it on down. We will be inviting some of our neighboring boats clubs and marinas to join us. The annual **Dock-Go-Round** is scheduled for Saturday, June 17 at 4pm. Details will be discussed at the spring meeting party. The date for the annual dinghy safari will also be discussed at the meeting.

This month we will continue our trip out to L.I. Sound. After taking refuge on the East River ...

The Sunday weather forecast was for rain with a chance of thunderstorms and plenty of wind. We could see the wind whipping the flags along the top of the bulkhead; the wind is from the north and we are headed north! The remains of a large storm was affecting the northeast coast weather pattern. The favorable current up the East River and through Hell's Gate was scheduled to start early afternoon.

There was some anxiety as we untied our docklines and slowly motored out into the River. "Hey, this isn't so bad!"

Grounds Committee

From Chairman Chris Vicidomini

The grounds crew is in full swing. We have been very busy the last month getting everything ready for work weekend and opening day. April 22-23 was our work weekend and although Saturday was rainy and damp we had a great turn out and completed cleaning up leaves, getting all the flower beds ready for mulch, setting up all the docks with tables and BBQ's, trimming tree branches, cutting grass, putting out bench chairs, putting new curb cut around new launch ramp and dock 4 road, and yes, eating great food and desert from our social committee. Everyone seemed to have a great time and had fun working together. I'd like to thank all the workers and volunteers for all their help, it made the day go smooth.

As for the summer I would like to remind everyone to please curb your pets and keep them on their leash at all times on the grounds, please do not park on any grass or lawn area by the pavilion. Park in designated parking areas only. Please have a safe boating season and enjoy the summer.

Sunshine

From Andy Hudson for MYC

Lori Schweiker for MYCA

Best wishes for speedy recovery to:

- ♥ Miriam Raber who is having her second knee replacement.
- ♥ Louise Occhino who is in rehab recuperating from a serious fall.
- ♥ Susan Mehlig who is recuperating from debilitating radiation and chemotherapy.
- ♥ Ted Hardiman who will have shoulder surgery.
- ♥ Dave Tonneson whose shoulder is doing much better.

SEATOW and BoatUS \$15 Discounts

Seatow program: Use source code: HYC

Call 800-4-SEATOW or www.seatow.com

New to the program? for more info call MYC member Joe Paccione 845 429-0410

BoatUS program: use code: GA82439Y

www.BoatUS.com when renewing or joining

The light rain couldn't dampen our spirits, but the 3-5 foot waves didn't help. It wasn't too bad until we sailed under the Throgs Neck Bridge; then it got wet and nasty. It's always hard to judge the wave heights and wind speed from the deck of a small boat. All we knew was that every wave that broke over the bow was blown in our faces. Even having Dan sitting in front of me to help block the waves didn't help much.

We decided to take a short-cut between City Island and Hart Island to get to our destination for the day behind Glen Island in New Rochelle. The islands cut down the wind and the waves, we just had to find the buoys to stay in the channel. The light showers weren't too much of a problem, but the spray on my glasses made finding the tiny buoys in the distance a little more challenging. Friends greeted us at the dock; they were expecting us a day earlier. We were directed to our slip and the showers to clean up. We felt almost human again. We were two days away from home by boat and one hour away by car!

The whole gang piled into the car and went to dinner for pizza and pasta. There were too many choices of pizza and too many combinations of pasta and sauces. Manicotti with cheese and marinara sauce and pizza with sun-dried tomatoes, onions, prosciutto and mushrooms, a nice salad and some red wine. Isn't this what sailing is all about.

The adventure continues next month...

Director's Report for March 7, 2017

From Senior Director Joe Senackerib

* The Board has decided to call in front to the Board any members who consistently are late payers. Three members will be called in front of the Board this month.

* Andy Hudson and Keira Burtch made a presentation on the new MYC web site. This included a visual presentation of what will be included in the web site. Expectations are that the web site will be up and running before Opening Day.

* The Rear Commodore discussed the preparations for Work Weekend. Breakfast will be served starting at 7:00 AM and all members are expected to be present by 8:00 AM.

* A shrink wrap dumpster will be made available in the boat yard again this year.

* A 350 gallon tank will be made available in Jerry's for waste oil.

* The permits have been submitted for the sea weed treatment in the basin.

* The Commodore continued to update the Director's manual. This month he updated the part referring to the Change of Watch.

* The Board approved the purchase of new straps for the travel lift.

* Our insurance carrier discontinued working with our current agent and required us to go directly to the company for information or claims. The Commodore contacted our agent and asked if he could look into getting us a policy from another company. This would allow us to continue to use our agent as a source of information. Our agent was able to offer us a policy from another company that offers the same protection and coverage at a \$1,000.00 less. The Board agreed to accept the new insurance carrier.

* The Board decided to replace the time capsule that was unearthed for the seventy-fifth celebration. It was decided to look into options for a time capsule that would withstand the time underground. A decision was made to replace the capsule at the dedication of the new clubhouse.

* The Commodore explained that the government regulation for people in uniform, military or not, to show respect for the flag, is to salute military style.

* We will return to the distribution of MYC membership cards to all members.



photo by Marco Knezevic

Thanks to my gardening helpers (L-R): Eleanora Knezevic, Fran Kahn, Bobbie O'Blenis Betty McAleer, Debra Thomas. Not pictured; Wanda and Marco Knezevic - Keira

A Look at the Future

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|----------------------|------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Saturday, May 6 | 1700 | Clubhouse | Cruising Fleet meeting/Pizza Party |
| Tuesday, May 9 | 1900 | Clubhouse | Executive Committee Meeting |
| Friday, May 12 | 2000 | Clubhouse | MYC Membership Meeting |
| Friday, May 12 | 2000 | Snack Shack | MYC Auxiliary Meeting |
| Thursday, May 18 | 2000 | Clubhouse | Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting |
| Saturday, May 20 | 1400 | River | PHRF Race |
| Wednesday, May 24 | | Keira Burtch | Ship To Shore Deadline |
| Saturday, May 27 | Noon | Pavilion | Opening Day |
| Saturday, June 3 | 0900 | Pavilion | Nautical Flea Market |
| Saturday, June 3 | 1400 | River | PHRF Races (2) |
| Sunday June 18 | 1100 | Pavilion | Father's Day Brunch |
| July 8 - 22 | | Pavilion and River | Junior Sail Camp |
| Saturday, August 26 | Noon | Pavilion | Annual Picnic |
| September 16 and 17 | | Pavilion and River | Sutherland Regatta |
| Saturday, October 14 | 0800 | Grounds | Fall Work Day |
| Saturday November 18 | 1800 | | 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:

Work Weekend - photos by John O'Blenis

Special thanks to John Verrengia for the ride in the cherry picker for the aerial photos.

More photos available on the new web site - coming soon!



New Plumbing "Hot Box"



Aerial View



Launching Channel markers



Finishing curbs on dock 4



Ed's mulch delivery system



MYCA serving lunch



Cherry Picker - installed LED lights



Back of the Pavilion
Thanks to Keith Yodice



Aerial View



Cherry Pickers



Aerial View



Grounds workers

The New Ramp Project is complete and ready for the Season.



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