



# Ship to Shore

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## Message from Commodore Bob Tamagny

As some of you know, in order to get *Ship to Shore* sent out a week before the membership meeting, the editor sets a deadline a week or so before the next month's mailing. So when I tell you spring is coming, it is because it was 60 degrees yesterday and should reach that again in a day or so. Other signs of spring are that the "Groundhog" said spring will be early, and my World Fishing and Outdoor Exposition postcard came in the mail. This March 3-6 show attracts all types of "Cabin Fever" people.

At February's membership meeting the **Clubhouse Committee**, chaired by Dave Tonneson, made a report and a request. The committee's report explained that there has been much talk as to what we should or should not do to our present clubhouse. Over the years I have heard members say that we should renovate the present clubhouse with an addition. This would give us more room and ground floor bathrooms with showers. Others want to add some type of lounge, decks and everything else that you can think of. Another group of members have talked of a new clubhouse. Their thinking is that the present clubhouse cannot or should not be renovated due to their belief that we could get more for our money by building something new. Also if we build something new, where do we build? Some members have thought that another location would better serve the club. So as you can see there are lots of questions, and nothing has been decided as to what we would like as opposed to what we need. Then there is the little question that goes like this—how much do we spend and how much can we afford? Dave's report was much of what you just read. His request was to spend up to \$2,000 to have an independent report made as to what our options are. This request for money was discussed, voted on and approved by the members and a report will follow. I felt that we had

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, March 11, 2011, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

a very good discussion at February's meeting regarding our clubhouse. As with any group, many different ideas were shared. It is often said, "Get three people together and you have six different ideas." But this was a healthy and helpful discussion for our club and long overdue. One thing that we should keep in mind while we are only at step one is *what can we and what can we not do with our present clubhouse*. Hopefully this report will answer many of our questions, and I am sure will raise many more. So for now think about our clubhouse and think about what would best serve us in the future.

Regarding our continuing **bulkhead project**, Sound Marine has started work at Pennybridge and will be coming to us next. Let's hope our bulkhead repair goes as well as our gap improvement did.

Lastly, check out "A Look at the Future" in our *Ship to Shore* to keep up with our planned events—your participation is always encouraged and beneficial to MYC.

## Boat Trailer Advisory

**From Yard Chairman Andy Hudson:** All boat trailers stored in the Boat Yard and anywhere on MYC property must be registered with Andy Hudson. Trailers should be stored initially in the Finger One parking lot and moved into the Boat Yard later in the spring when the Yard has room. A member's name must be on the trailer. The Chairman would appreciate an e-mail (see hard copy for address) if you are going to store a trailer at MYC.

**The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Thursday, March 17, 2011**

## **The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC**

*From Captain Janice Romano:* Spring really is getting closer! It's March already, and it will soon be time to get our boats ready for a new season and the start of a new year of activities for the Ladies Auxiliary.

Once again, I would like to take the opportunity to encourage everyone to send in their dues for the Ladies Auxiliary 2011 season. The auxiliary is a great way to meet new people besides being a lot of fun! The membership form is below.

MYCLA will be starting off the 2011 season with our Annual Installation Dinner. The dinner will be held on Friday, April 8, at 6:30 P.M., at Noel's Irish Pub on 9W in Stony Point. The primary focus of the dinner is to install our new bridge for 2011; but, it's a great way to catch up on how everyone fared the long winter. Lots of great food and laughter! The cost remains \$30 per person. We look forward to seeing you there. Please send in the reservation form below. If you have never been to an auxiliary meeting before, the annual dinner is a fun way to get acquainted. Hope to see you there!

### **Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Dues Form**

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

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

Phone/E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check (\$10) payable to MYCLA  
c/o Sandy Brophy  
31 Orchard Street  
Stony Point, NY 10980

### **Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Installation Dinner Reservation Form**

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

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

Phone/E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check (\$30) payable to MYCLA  
c/o Janice Romano  
45 Cherry Avenue  
Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520

## **Final Voyages**

*From Dominick Ferrara for MYC and  
Barbara O'Blenis for MYCLA*

Our sincerest condolences go to two families this month.

Bob Schirmann, an Associate Member of MYC since the late 1980s, passed away on February 8, 2011, at age 71. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Susan. They kept *General Sue* on Dock 2 and often cruised up to Catskill Creek.

MYCLA member Denise Jensen from *It's About Time* on Dock 1, also passed away on February 8, 2011, at the age of 50. She is survived by her husband Bruce, her son Bruce Jr., her parents, sister and brothers and their families.

## **Announcing Our New Website Address**

**[www.MinisceongoYC.org](http://www.MinisceongoYC.org)**

***Check out our new  
Members Corner on the site!***

## **Yard Note**

*From Yard Chairman Andy Hudson:*  
Please remember to check your stands and those of your neighbors' from time to time, especially after a rainstorm when the ground thaws.

**All members who are blocking others  
should be ready to launch by the end  
of April.**

## Security Update Reminder

*From Security Chairman John Funk:* The Security Committee is updating the records. Please forward your card and fob numbers (see photo below) to John Funk. You can send them by e-mail (see hard copy for address and telephone numbers), call him, see him at the club or mail form below. (Form is also available on the website.)

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

1<sup>st</sup> FOB Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> FOB Number: \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail or give to:

John Funk  
4 Dunderberg Road  
Tomkins Cove NY 10986

## Report for February from the Board of Directors

*From Senior Director Tony De Hayes*

### Finger Captains list of responsibilities:

Commodore Tamagny assigned the task of designing an outline of responsibilities to be carried out by the appointed Finger Captains to Vice Commodore Senackerib and Rear Commodore Ferraro. The Vice and Rear Commodores will report on the assignment at the March Directors' meeting.

**Tell Tale Publications:** Commodore Tamagny is considering the idea of implementing a plan to have the MYC *Ship to Shore* publication available to affiliate Yacht Clubs, on a reciprocity basis, (Nyack for example) to exchange items of mutual concern to clubs on the river.

**North Jersey Concert Band:** The North Jersey Concert band requested permission to perform once again at MYC on July 9, 2011. A motion was made to approve the request by Director Schweiker. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

**Electric Meter Readings:** The Board recommended that the meter readings take place on a semi-annual basis instead of an annual basis. Ed Occhino and Harvey Rosenberg will coordinate this function.

**Update on docks:** Director Martin reported that the committee will check the docks for ice damage and make recommendations as to directional adjustments of the circulators where damage is found.

**Clubhouse Committee:** Director Tonneson reported that the committee had two meetings. [He gave a report at the February membership meeting.]

**ACBS conflict with MYC Annual Picnic:** The Board agreed to change the date of the club's Annual Picnic to August 13, 2011, to accommodate the ACBS event in Kingston NY.



Photo supplied by John Funk

The fob number is the last 7 digits (2290985 in photo example) and the card number is the last 6 digits (966414 in photo example).

## Cruising Fleet News

*From Captain Jeff Burtch:* Cruising Fleet's first meeting plans for Saturday, May 7, are:

4:00 P.M. Flares and safety demonstration –  
Dave Tonneson

5:00 P.M. Organizational meeting in the Clubhouse  
Pizza, snacks, soda and BYOB

If you have a favorite cruising destination that you would like to include as "Cruising Destination of the Month" in *Ship to Shore*, please e-mail your idea to: (see hard copy for address)

### *Cruising Destination of the Month*

**Northport Yacht Club** 631-261-7633 or

VHF channel 71 [www.northportyachtclub.com](http://www.northportyachtclub.com)

Northport Yacht Club welcomes MYC members as reciprocal visitors. They have moorings available with launch service to their beautiful club facility. You are welcome to swim in their dockside pool, eat at the snack bar by the pool, pub menu on the deck or in the bar, or on the weekends in the formal dining room (appropriate attire required). Comfortable restrooms and showers are near the pool.

A half-mile stroll or a short dinghy ride to town is a must. There is a town park, regular farmer's market, several cute shops and restaurants, and breakfast at Tim's Shipwreck Diner is our favorite. We discovered a well-stocked marine store in the "Britannia Yachting Center" at the southern end of Northport Bay, also a nice dinghy ride, full service with fuel dock.

Northport Bay is the Eastern section of Huntington Bay on the north shore of Long Island. Enter Huntington Bay, continue south, follow the markers carefully through the sandbar as you turn east into Northport Bay. Cross the bay

## Ask Captain Dick

About now you are asking what does dew point have to do with boating; actually, nothing and yet a lot. Boating is not fun when the dew point reaches the air temperature. At that point, it is really foggy or it is raining. So at this time most of us are not boating. But at least when your guests ask what causes fog, you can tell them that the air can only hold so much water vapor. When the air temperature starts to drop, colder air does not hold as much water vapor as warm air. Therefore, the water vapor in the air will form fog or rain. So the next time you set that cold beverage on the counter, and a puddle of water forms around it, you know you just took a little water vapor out of the air.

Gloria Martin wants to know what is meant by a square meal. Actually, a square meal consists of the four basic food groups: meat, grains, vegetables, and chocolate. In 1992, the Department of Agriculture modified the food groups to form a pyramid with meat at the smaller top and below grains, vegetables, and chocolate. Now I'm quite sure that beer is made from grain and wine is made from fruit, so I must be eating pretty good.

*Till next time,*

*Dick Myers*

and turn south as you approach the eastern shore. Northport Yacht Club is on the East (left) shore. The guest moorings are yellow.

## A Look at the Future

Tuesday, March 8	1930	Clubhouse	MYC Directors' Meeting
Friday, March 11	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Thursday, March 17		Bob Weismantel	<i>Ship to Shore</i> Deadline
Thursday, March 17	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
April 9-10	T.B.A.	Entire property	Spring Work Weekend
Saturday, May 7	1600	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Spring Meeting
Sunday, May 29	1200	Flag pole & Pavilion	Opening Day
Sunday, June 19	T.B.A.	Pavilion	Father's Day Brunch
Saturday, June 25	T.B.A.	Pavilion	Women's Regatta @ MYC
Saturday, July 9	T.B.A.	Pavilion	North Jersey Concert Band
Saturday, August 13	T.B.A.	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
September 24-25	T.B.A.	Pavilion	Sutherland Regatta
Saturday, October 22	T.B.A.	Entire property	Fall Work Day