

Ship to Shore

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Message from Commodore Bob Tamagny

It's November and MYC will be full of activity this month, but unfortunately that activity will center around hauling boats and preparing them for the winter. I know this happens each year, but that doesn't mean I have to like it! Yes, we have even had a De-ice Committee meeting.

At the October membership meeting, our 2012 slate of officers was voted on, and I wish them well for the coming year. The new officers will be:

Commodore: Joe Senackerib
Vice Commodore: Tony Ferraro
Rear Commodore: Andy Hudson
Secretary: Tom Austin
Treasurer: Frank Romano

Also, I will be serving as a Director for five (5) years.

All of our new officers will be sworn in at the Change

of Watch on November 19. Joe Senackerib has been working hard to make this annual event a success. I hope to see many of you there.

I was pleased to announce at our last meeting that John Rodway,

Malcolm Coyle and Frank Romano have completed their Probationary Period and have now become Regular Members. I know that they are willing and able to take on the responsibilities that go with their Regular Membership status. In keeping everyone informed on our future projects Joe Paccione and the Dredging Committee are still getting cost projections for the club, and we will soon be able to see in what di-

Don't Get Locked Out!

From Security Chairman John Funk: The Security Committee is still missing some card and fob numbers. The form is available from the website: http://www.minisceongoyc.org/ SecurityCardFOBForm.pdf or call John Funk.

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

rection this will take us. Also Dave Tonneson and the New Clubhouse Committee have been meeting. They will be making recommendations soon as to where and what type of clubhouse will fulfill our future needs.

One of the nice things about MYC is the support and recognition our members give to each other. Such recognition was given to Wayne (Slim) Bartow as he re-launched *Windsong*, his rehabilitated wooden boat. Please go to our website and see what he has been able to do. Congratulations Wayne for a job well done! Wayne's work should serve as an inspiration to rehabilitate a few other boats that are in the Boat Yard.

At our November meeting, our 2012 budget will be presented to the membership. Vice Commodore Joe Senackerib has been working on this with input from committee chairmen and the executive board. As it is presented

for the first reading, this is the time to ask questions regarding our budget. Remember the budget reflects the direction our club will be heading! This meeting is very important to everyone.

Remember to Recycle Your Empty Anti-freeze Bottles and Cartons!

Leave them at the Snack Shack!

These Taxing Times

Then there was the fellow who got in trouble with the I.R.S. for deducting flood damages to his home on his tax return.

The government found out he lived on a *houseboat*.

See you at the Change of Watch! Saturday, November 19, at 6 P.M. The Clubhouse at Patriots Hill

The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

From Captain Janice Senackerib: October was our last regular meeting of the season; although we did conduct some business, the highlight of the evening was enjoying everyone's company along with the delicious appetizers and desserts.

2012 MYCLA Bridge

Congratulations to the newly elected 2012 Bridge:

Captain: Deb Fass

First Mate: Ginger Weismantel
Secretary: Donna Stevenson
Treasurer: Janice Romano

Good luck Ladies and we are here to support you.

Holiday Planning

It seems hard to believe that we are already starting to make plans for the holidays.

On Sunday, November 27, at 2 P.M. we will decorate the Clubhouse for the holidays.

Holiday Party – All MYCers Invited

Our annual holiday party will take place in the Clubhouse on Sunday, December 4, at 2 P.M. Please fill out the form below, and let us know if you can attend and if you can bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert.

We will have a full buffet, and most important, Santa will be taking time out from his busy schedule to visit us.

If you are bringing a child, please remember to bring a wrapped gift with the child's name on it for Santa to distribute. All gifts should be no more than \$25.00.

The Ladies Auxiliary will be collecting for a local **food pantry**, so any nonperishable items would be appreciated.

For our members who will be leaving for parts south, we wish you a healthy, happy and warm winter.

Report for October from the Board of Directors

From Senior Director Tony De Hayes

- Probationary upgrades: Commodore Tamagny will announce probationary upgrades later in this meeting. [See Commodores Article on Page 1.]
- E Life Member Plaque: At the request of Guy Plassart, the Board approved an expenditure of \$800.00 to purchase a plaque to honor our life members.
- Red channel marker missing: Commodore Tamagny reported that one of our channel markers was set free off its mooring during the hurricane. To date the marker has not been located. The Commodore noted that the Coast Guard has been notified by Bob Weismantel.
- Predging: Joe Paccione will give a presentation of his findings to date to the Membership later at this meeting.
- Peter Eibert Life Membership: Peter Eibert has successfully completed his 25-year tenure as a Regular Member and is now eligible to be recognized and welcomed into MYC's elite class of Life Membership. Guy Plassart will try to arrange to have Peter be brought to the club by his son during a meeting so he may be honored with the advancement.
- **Gazebo roof:** Director Martin reported on leaks and rot in the roof and expressed his concern about its immediate repairs.
- Clubhouse update: Director Tonneson will give a report to the Membership regarding the progress of the committee.

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To register, please mail this form by November 21 to: Deb Fass 62 Mandon Terrace Hawthorne NJ 07506	Number of Adults @ \$3.00 = \$ Number of Children @ 2.00 = Total
Make checks payable to: MYCLA	MYC Member's Name:
I will bring (check one):	
Appetizer	Dessert Side Dish

Sutherland Regatta 2011

From Wayne Mitts: This year the Sutherland Regatta was held on September 24-25. The weather forecast was for lots of rain and little wind over the weekend. However, we still had 24 boats racing and 63 guests for dinner. As it turned out, we had two great days of racing. There was some sun, no rain, and enough wind to have three good races. The usual breakfast and steak dinner on Saturday was as good as ever, as was Sunday's afterrace chili and hot dogs. I would like to thank all the Regular and Associate Members who volunteered to help, some on both days and some on both days with their wives. Minisceongo racers fared well, with Breakout taking 1st in A division, with Gusto 1st and Transformation 3rd in C division. Everyone had a good time, and the Sutherland Regatta continues to be the "best regatta on the river."

Overall Results for the Three Races for MYC Participants

A Division – 8 boats

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1st	Breakout	John Nonemacher	
	C Division-13	boats	
1st	Gusto	Jessie Fitzgerald	
3rd	Transformation	Wayne Mitts	
5th	A-Train	Bert Rechtschaffer	
6th	Xanadu	John Moreno	
8th	Oscar	Gary Kahn	
9th	Dream Chaser	Bob Tamagny	
11th	Anne M	Walt Moser	
12th	Breaking Wind	Tony Schweiker	
13th	Tranquility	Doug Frank	

Yard Reminders

From Yard Chairman Andy Hudson: By the time you read this, most of you will be hauled for the winter season. The Yard Committee thanks all who helped and will help to make sure stands are tight, and boats are safe over the winter.

If you have **shrink wrap** under your boat, MYC appreciates it when you remove it from the club property and throw it away or recycle it at home.

Have a great winter, and (for those of us that sail in the winter), *think ice!*



The Sutherland Regatta finish line on Saturday, September 24, 2011, the first day of the two days of racing. Jeff and Keira Burtch provided the Race Committee boat *Good Tidings*, and Kevin Silver served as Race Marshal.

Ask Capt. Dick

From Dick Myers: If you were to look at just about any painting or drawing of a sailboat, you would notice a pennant or burgee flying from the top of the mast. That little stick mounted at the top of the mast, used to fly the pennant, is called a *pig stick*. Most modern sailboats do not have a pig stick, as the top of the mast is used to mount various types of wind indicators, or my favorite, the little furry metal stick that is supposed to bleed off excess electrons so the mast won't attract lightning strikes. Actually I think that its best function is to keep seagulls from sitting on top of the mast. What I am curious about is if a power boat mounts a burgee on the bow rail, can that mounting stick be considered a pig stick?

As far as a pushpit, that is the railing around the stern of a sailboat. I guess it is called that because when you are at the helm of a sailboat, you can lean on the railing while pushing or pulling the tiller.

After seven years in dry-dock, and being stripped practically down to the keel, Wayne Bartow launched his 1939 wooden sailboat. Mark Hechinger saw Wayne working on his boat and wondered what he was doing. Wayne said that he was dusting his keel. Not wanting to bother Wayne anymore, Mark asked me what that meant. All I can think of is that Wayne was busy and was just dusting off Mark; therefore I shall do the same and just dust off this question.

Till next time,

Cruising Fleet News

From Cruising Fleet Chairman Jeff Burtch: At our meeting on October 29, we will be discussing winter activities and events. Watch here and on the web page for details.

Cruising Destination of the Month

Oxford, Maryland was one of our favorite stops on our cruise last fall. We arrived on a windy, gray day ahead of predicted stormy weather. We took a slip at Mears Yacht Haven, just inside the entrance to the wellprotected Oxford Town Creek, a short walk to town. There are many marinas and repair facilities as well as good anchorage for a few boats. There is a free dinghy dock next to Hinckley's Ship Store, a great place to browse the boats, also a short walk to town. Oxford is a quiet sleepy town with a small grocery/wine store, a historical museum, a few restaurants and beautiful stately homes with spectacular gardens and views of the water. We enjoyed walking around and seeing the town before going to dinner at the Robert Morris Inn. They are, correctly, known for their crab cakes and homemade pub sauce (we brought home two bottles). We sat in the tavern downstairs with a fire in the stone fireplace. It felt so cozy on a cold, windy October night. If you should be there in the summer, Mears has a pool and picnic area, both of which we enjoyed on our first trip there with Gary and Fran Kahn in July 2006.

Next day we were able to arrange for a repair to our autopilot at the Oxford Marina, (adjacent to Mears). They are a full-service marina with a well-stocked ship's store, and our mechanic was the service manager—excellent service.

Of course getting there is the problem. Too bad it is not closer to home! If you can't get there by boat, it is a worthy stop if you ever take a road trip to the eastern shore of the Chesapeake.

Sunshine

From Dominick Ferrara for MYC and Janice Romano for MYCLA

- Condolences go to the families of Jeff and Keira Burtch and Tony and Lori Schweiker on the passing of Jeff's mother and Tony's father.
- Condolences go to the family of former member George Armston who passed away.
- Pigott and Donna Stevenson for recent surgeries.

For Sale



Catalina 34

\$48,000

Contact Kevin Silver 201-265-0279

Silver Lining

Any MYC member may post nautical items for sale here. Send details to: info@minisceongoyc.org.

A Look at the Future

Sunday, November 6		Don Rubin	RSVPs for Change of Watch Due
Tuesday, November 8	1930	Clubhouse	MYC Directors' Meeting
Friday, November 11	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Tuesday, November 15		Bob Weismantel	Ship to Shore Deadline
Thursday, November 17	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, November 19	1800	The Clubhouse at Patriots Hill	Change of Watch
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