



Ship to Shore

Special Web
Edition

Stony Point, NY 10980

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, September 8, 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

Kingston A.C.B.S. Awards

Best Fiberglass Cruiser:

Sweetie Pie - Tony Schweiker

Best Maintained:

Summer Sun - Bill Pigott

Time & Tide Award:

Windsong - Wayne Bartow

People's Award:

RiverRat - John Kime and his
Grandfather John Kime

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MYC Ship's Bell.

The bell now hangs on the flag pole and is heard calling the crew on work weekend, ringing in memory of departed members on Opening Day. Where did the "Navahoe" 1907 Bell come from? What journey led it to MYC? George Basley researched and wrote the attached fascinating history. Also on the [web site](#)

From Commodore Basley

On August 26, we held our annual picnic and what great weather it was; temperatures around 80, low humidity and a bright clear sky all day. About 250 attended the event which included our usual activities, the water slide, horse rides, badminton, horse shoes, egg toss, the rope pull, and of course our famous beer slide. Under the pavilion we were treated to an abundance of good food and drink throughout the day all through the tireless efforts of the Social Committee with the Auxiliary helping alongside.

Our new PA system and speakers was a valuable addition to the day's events



providing us the ability to move about the area with uninterrupted and clear announcements. The Auxiliary worked their tables selling a variety of Club wear and later hosted the annual raffle giving away 10 gift baskets including a \$25 cash award with each. After dinner we topped everything off with a fantastic desert selection. Everyone had a great time and that's what it is all about.

This month Peter Alfieri worked with

Dave Tonneson and Ray Testasecca digging out and leveling the area behind the yard garages in order to complete the fence project. The new fencing will close the perimeter gap between the existing fence around the west section of the yard and the north section ending at the walkway to the Snack Shack bathrooms. A gate will also be installed for access to the shore area along the northwest section of the yard, when needed. Also Dave and Associate Stephen Altomonte removed the old gravel and material from the haul out area and reinstalled new stone and filter material with the help from a few other Regular members and volunteers. We are now ready for fall haul out and in compliance with the State regulations to inhibit water waste runoff from entering our basin.

The next event is our signature Sutherland Regatta on September 16 and 17. Please sign-up to help with either Jessie Fitzgerald or Andy Hudson as soon as possible. Hosting the Sutherland Regatta is a long standing tradition and one of our oldest events so please volunteer your time.

*Personal Note from Art Basley:
My family and I would like to thank the members of MYC for their many cards, letters, and thoughtful words on the loss of our Sister Pam and my Mother-in-Law Lucille. Your thoughts and prayers are comforting during this difficult time and are really appreciated.*

The next Deadline for Ship to Shore is Wednesday September 27, 2017.

Yard Committee Report

From Roger Wieland

If you have not submitted your Winter Storage form, please do so to insure a space for your boat in the Yard. If you need a form you can pick one up in the Club House or get it on the MYC web site. Please mail it to my home: 92 N. Island Avenue, Ramsey, NJ 07446 or email it to me. Additionally, check your jack stands before your hauling date. Check the wooden tops and replace if broken and lubricate the adjustment handle. It makes it a lot easier for the Yard Committee to set your boat up when we are not dealing with rusted stands that are difficult to adjust.

If you are planning to remove your mast please contact me.

The haulout schedule will be posted in the Club House, the Snack Shack and the MYC web site by October 1, 2014.

If you have any questions please contact on my cell or email.

At Right: Cruising Fleet Dinghy Safari visited Haverstraw and Stony Point Marinas

Minisceongo Yacht Club Auxiliary

From Captain Lori Schweiker

August is a busy month for everyone at MYC. It's the height of the boating/cruising season, the month of the Annual Picnic and all that entails, and always means a flurry of activity for the Auxiliary. Our August meeting included a very short business report, then a dinner before ten of the members took off for the Penguin Rep Theater in Stony Point to see SYNCOPATION. We thoroughly enjoyed the play and each other's company.

The next day Janice Senackerib, Louise Occhino and Lori Schweiker gathered in the Snack Shack to put together TEN terrific baskets for the annual MYCA Raffle. EVERY basket this year is sure to please its' winner. Wonderful items were donated and/or bought, plus this year, each basket winner will receive a separate envelope with \$25 in cash to spend on whatever they wish. This is our main fund raiser for the club, and we appreciate all who donated, worked on the baskets or bought tickets. We can't do this without you.

Janice Romano and the Auxiliary volunteers were busy at the Annual Picnic providing attendees with a wealth of MYC clothing, accessories, and other articles. We hope that you dropped by, and remember, you can buy from us all year long. Profits all go to support the club.

Grounds Committee

From Chairman Chris Vicidomini

Hard to believe but Labor Day week-end is just around the corner. As for grounds crew, everyone did a great job to keep the place looking great for our annual picnic. Hope everyone had a nice time. It was a great day. John Funk took the Wednesday crew and trimmed some large tree branches over on dock 5. It looks really nice, with a great view of the river now. Just a reminder, when going on vacation by boat, please leave your cars in the proper parking area over by the emergency shed on the gravel. Happy boating to all.



photo by John O'Brien

At our September 8 meeting, **Barry from Stony Point Photo Shoppe** will be stopping by give us camera tips and techniques. Please join us at 8pm in the Snack Shack.

In October, our MYCA meeting will feature "Paint Your Own Nautical Canvas" plus wine & cheese refreshments. Marianne Frasco will help us each create a canvas we can display on our boat or in our home. If you are interested, please contact Lori so that we can make sure that canvas and paint is available for everyone.

We have had so much fun this year, and invite you to join us. You will make new friends, share stories, get, and give advice and most importantly leave happy. There is ALWAYS room for one more.

*Congratulation to the raffle winners
And a big thank you to all who supported MYCA.*

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| 1 Donna Stevenson | 6 Sue Hawthorne |
| 2 Tedd Hardman | 7 Bob Tamagny |
| 3 John Henchy | 8 Cheryl Coyle |
| 4 Kathy Sestak | 9 Curtis Whitfield |
| 5 Carol Tyler | 10 A. LaMantia |

Race Fleet Report

From Chairman *Jessie Fitzgerald*

Come one come all to the **Sutherland Regatta!** (September 16&17) This is a very big Minisceongo Yacht Club tradition. Boats from all over the Hudson come to our club to race and enjoy all that MYC has to offer. It's a favorite regatta of many Hudson River racers. So come out and show them what MYC is all about: Eating! For anyone interested in racing or just the steak dinner, information can be found on the [website](#).

Friday night sails have been affectionately renamed, Pie-Day Night Sails. Come out and jump on a Laser, 420 or Opti. Adults and kids welcome. Then join us for pie after.

Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Laser Regatta. We had a total of 12 boats on the line. The winds started out pretty light, but then boy did it fill in! The next Laser Regatta is on Labor Day at Nyack Boat club.

Congrats to all the participants in the HRYRA Women's Challenge Cup. We had a full day of racing followed by a great party afterward. Thank you to Liz Sugg for organizing the affair. Everyone had a great time.

Cruising Fleet Report

From Chairman *Don Rubin*

The cruising season is still very active. Several members are currently traveling on their boats. Several members have also completed their summer cruises. Steve and Deb Fass have been very active this summer cruising their Grand Banks 42. They currently have headed north through the locks

to Lake Champlain. Tony and Lori Schweiker have also headed north on their Grand Banks 36 "Sweetie Pie."

Todd and Frances Cassetta returned from a 7-week trip north into Canadian waters on Loan Survivor. Kevin and Dianne Silver spent 2 weeks on Long Island Sound on their Catalina 36 "Silver Lining"-they were met by friends along the way to share the pleasures of cruising. Robert and Holly Kamisaroff and pup Charley spent a week on their Cutwater 30 "Decisions" on Long Island Sound.

Nick Galetta and son Nicholas cruised in company with Dave Shrage to Capri Marina at Port Washington for a long weekend.

As you can see, MYC cruisers have been active this summer. There may have been other members who have untied the dock lines and headed "out there." If I have missed anyone please drop me a line and let me know. What would be even better, if you have completed your trip, write up a couple of paragraphs and we will share your story in future additions of Ship to Shore. I'm sure each of you have had an adventure worth sharing.

Special Thanks for Saving the Day

From Doug *Wechsler*

We were out sailing in great conditions Wednesday on the Cape Dory *Sea More*. Winds ranged from 10-18 knots as we went up to the Bear Mountain bridge and back - great day. The weather forecast was calling for about the same conditions on Thursday so Deb Maidman and I ventured out on the bay. Winds ranged from 8 -14 knots with cool temperatures - a 'Ten' Day.

After 4 hours, we noticed the training edge of the jib seam had a 5 inch opening. At that point, we decided to furl the jib and head back in. We started the engine, pointed the boat into the wind and rolled up the sail. After a few minutes, the very dependable Yanmar diesel stopped cold. I attempted to start the engine again. It started, but once in gear it immediately stalled. I also noticed I could only move the rudder about 10 degrees. Trying to keep calm Deb and I realized something was caught up in the prop and rudder.

We could only sail in a circle due to the jammed rudder and happened to be about 300 years from the MYC channel.

Unfortunately, we were also in the river channel and this made us both very uncomfortable. After calling many people we called Sea Tow who told us it would take 40 minutes to get to our boat as we were number 2 in line for a tow.

At this point my blood pressure was raising or at

least it seemed that way. I felt going in the water with the wind and current would be too dangerous.

We happened to see a boater about 75 yards off our bow and waved for assistance. Initially the boater, **Jay McEwan**, waved back as he thought we were being neighborly. Shortly thereafter he motored over to our boat and we asked for a tow which he immediately agreed to. I can't tell you how good it was to know we were not going to be facing down a 300-foot tanker being stuck in the channel.

Jay mentioned to us that one of our bow lines was off the boat. It was my spring line and evidently wrapped around the prop and rudder. I am generally very careful about lines but since we were tacking it must have come loose and ended up in the water.

As jay brought us into the marina we were again challenged getting the boat into the slip. With some maneuvering and help from Bill Gooley and Rich, we could secure *Sea More* in our slip.

I again thanked all the people that assisted knowing that at MYC people are always willing to help. Thanks everyone.

Classified Adds

Login to see what's for sale or wanted.

Send wanted/forsale items to keirab53@me.com

New Arrivals include:

For Sale: MacGregor 25' Sail Boat. Erik Vandenberg

Wanted: 25' - 28' Lobster Boat. Dick Bracken

For Sale: 5/16" galvanized chain. Tom Hemmerle

For details and contact information login

www.minisceongoyc.org/Members/Classified-Adds

Director's Report for August, 2017

From Senior Director Joe Senackerib

- Chris Vicidomini Chairman of the Grounds Committee addressed the Board on the accomplishments for this year and the future plans for Grounds.
- The Board was also addressed by Bill Pigott Chairman of the House Committee. He discussed the overall operation of the house committee and personnel needs.
- Director Tamagny gave an update on the Membership Committee.
- The Board decided that all Associate Members will be invited back for the 2018 season.
- The Board reaffirmed the regulation that if a member does not launch their boat for two consecutive years they no longer have an assigned slip. When ready to launch they will be given priority for a slip.
- The Board decided that for trailered boats two decals will be required. One will be for summer storage and use of the launching ramp. The other will be for winter storage if they store their boat in our yard.
- Director Silver expressed concern that we have not completed work on the runoff pit. This work was to have been completed by now.
- It was recommended in April that we get new travel lift straps. The Board will discuss with the Commodore when

- he is available.
- Director Silver reported that our request to treat the sea weed in the basin chemically has been turned down.
- The Board expressed a strong opinion that whatever decision will be made now about the location of the new clubhouse should be the final decision.
- Director Tamagny expressed concern that the rule requiring a person to remove a boat purchased from a member within two weeks has not been enforced.
- The Board has decided not to increase the rates for the 2018 boating season even though our property taxes and other expenses have increased.
- The Stony Point Ambulance Corps has requested a donation for an information sign they intend to place on 9W. MYC will donate \$250.00 to the Ambulance Corps.
- The gas problem at the pavilion is partly corrected now and the gas should be fully operative before the Annual Picnic.
- The Board has been informed that several people have used house plugs on the dock pedestals. The pedestal house plugs are for working on the docks and it is against club rules for anyone to use them for any other purpose.

Sunshine
From Andy Hudson and Miriam Raber

- ♥ Condolences to the family of former MYCA member Barbara Skala who passed away in August.
- ♥ Condolences to the family and friends of Bud Whitnall who passed away in June.
- ♥ Best wishes for speedy recovery to Gary Kahn who fell and broke his hip.

A Look at the Future

Saturday, September 2		River	Sunset Sail
Tuesday, September 5	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, September 8	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, September 8	2000	Snack Shack	MYC Auxiliary Meeting
September 16 and 17		Pavilion and River	Sutherland Regatta
Wednesday September 20		Pavilion	After Race Fleet Social
Thursday, September 21	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday September 23	1400	River	PHRF Race
Wednesday, September 27		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday September 30	1400	River	PHRF Race
Saturday, October 14	0800	Grounds	Fall Work Day
Saturday November 18	1800	Patriot Hills	Change of Watch
Sunday, December 3	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:

Dinghy Safari - photos by John and Bobbie O'Brien



Laser Regatta at MYC - photos by John O'Brien



ACBS Kingston Boat Show ... The People

photos by John O'Blenis



ACBS Kingston Boat Show ...The Boats



Annual Picnic

photos by John O'Blenis - plus many more on the [web site](#)



Thanks, Social Committee for a great day!

