



Ship to Shore

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Message from the Commodore

It's May and this means another boating season is upon us. Our Boat Yard Crew, headed by Andy Hudson and Lou Petrosino, is busy launching members' boats.

Our **Work Weekend** turnout was excellent! Thanks to all for your efforts to get **our Club** ready for Opening Day Ceremonies on May 24. Please be sure to get your reservations in for this event, because we are going to have a great one. All members and guests are invited to bring their vintage cars and motorcycles.

New this year—we're going to hold a **Nautical Flea Market/Garage Sale**. Bring your boat parts and anything nautical, or with a nautical theme, that you wish to sell or trade to the Opening Day Picnic Area. Please see notice below.

The 2008 electric bills will be mailed out shortly. Normally, this billing takes place in the Fall, but due to technical problems, they were delayed. Keep an eye out for them.

Our Cruising Fleet Captain, Dick Myers, has reported that 22 boats have been signed up for *the parade of boats*, which will be celebrating

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, May 8, 2009, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

Henry Hudson's discovery of the river that bears his name. Scheduled for June 7, the *Half Moon* 400th Anniversary Parade up the Hudson River should be a sight to behold and create some memories for all involved.

I am happy to report that our new dock (#6) on the East Bank is fully operational and filled with new members. This project, initiated last year by Commodore Dave Tonneson, was completed with the help of so many people that it's impossible to mention them all. Instead, I'll try to encompass

Recycle Used Zincs!

Put in bucket by
Grounds' Shed.

Contact John Funk
(845-323-6106) for questions.

everyone by recognizing the hard work completed by our Harbor, Electrical, Grounds and Plumbing committees and all those volunteers who made this a successful project.

Our pump-out grant was approved by The State Of New York, and this is terrific news to report. We will have a state of the art facility, at relatively little cost to MYC, which will be vastly better than our troublesome clunker of a pumper. We should all be grateful for John Kime's persistence in getting this funded in time for our boating season. I will have to come up with an appropriate award for this achievement!

This summer the front security gate will remain open on weekends for you and your guests' convenience.

See you all on Opening Day.

Wishing you all happiness, good boating and the health to enjoy them all.

Tony Schweiker

Board of Director's Report for April

From Senior Director Ron Drago

- Ed Occhino gave a report to the Directors regarding the on-going electric meter reading and billing problem. As a result, a new committee is being formed to handle electric meter readings, billings and equipment maintenance for all the dock meters.
- The front entrance gate will be left open on weekends during the boating season. This schedule will begin after our official Opening Day.
- The Directors have approved new "Dry-sail Guidelines" for those individuals wanting to leave their dry-sail boats in the water. See Director Wieland for a copy of these guidelines.
- The peninsula behind Dock 5 has a major sinkhole in the ground. Most likely, the cause is due to the loss of sub-surface soils through deteriorating bulkheads. Do not drive vehicles out onto this peninsula beyond the Dock 5 entrance ramp. Also, be careful when walking in this area. We are soliciting contractors for repair and replacement estimates of these bulkheads and will report to the members upon receipt of this information.

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LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!

*Find a new home for
your old boat stuff.*

Opening Day Nautical Flea Market/Garage Sale

Bring your nautical-themed and boat stuff to the Pavilion on Opening Day. Tables will be set up for you to use.

Make sure you tag your items with your name and asking price. \$20 per table (or \$10 for 1/2 table) to sell your items. Remember items offered for sale or swap must be nautical.

Direct any questions to
Tony Schweiker or Ed Gutierrez.

Second Annual Vintage Car and Motorcycle Show

Bring your special show or collectable car, hot rod, or custom motorcycle to Opening Day!

Park it on lawn across from the Pavilion!

Yard Notes

From Yard Chairman Andy Hudson: For a launch on Saturdays (May 9, 16, 23 or 30) contact the Yard Chairman [see printed copy for contact information]. Your insurance declaration page should have been sent to the club with your summer slip payment. If you did not do so, send it to Allan Gerber. Your boat cannot be launched without proof of insurance. Limited launch is also available on Wednesday mornings by contacting Roger Wieland. Additional days may be scheduled as demand warrants.

The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

From Captain Janice Senackerib: As our boating season begins, I would like to wish all MYC Boaters a safe, sunny and fun-filled summer.

First of all a thanks goes to Linda Ferraro for an outstanding job last year as captain of the Ladies Auxiliary.

As Captain I am looking forward to a great year with my new bridge; First Mate Janice Romano, Secretary Sandy Brophy, and Treasurer Ginger Weismantel.

Welcome to all the new members of MYC. Many have already joined the Ladies Auxiliary and attended our Installation Dinner. We had a great turn out and a lot of fun. Anyone who has not yet joined the Ladies Auxiliary may do so by sending their \$10 dues to Janice Romano (see coupon below).

The next Ladies Auxiliary meeting is Friday, May 8, at 8 P.M. in the Snack Shack. This is our first general meeting of the season. We need your ideas and input to help plan for coming events. Looking forward to much fun, support and – most important – friendship.

On Saturday, May 16, the Ladies Auxiliary will be doing our **Annual Flower Planting**. We will meet at the Clubhouse at 10 A.M. Please bring gloves and a planting tool.

Lastly, a special thanks goes to Louise Occhino for officiating the swearing in of the new bridge.

On behalf of all the ladies, may this summer bring lower gas prices and wind in everyone's sails.

Ladies Auxiliary of MYC Dues Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/e-mail: _____

Please send check (\$10) payable to MYCLA,
c/o Janice Romano
45 Cherry Avenue
Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520

Sail Fleet News

*First Race 23rd May. Lets plan for a big turn out.
See you all out on the water.*

From Sail Fleet Chairman St. John Forbes: On March 28, the Sail Fleet held its annual planning meeting. The meeting was preceded by a delicious breakfast cooked by the Sail Fleet celebrity chef Dominic Vistocco.

The schedule for the Spring and Fall series was established. It was decided that MYC would not use the Wednesday courses but rather develop their own. These will be developed using mostly "H" starts and will be in the 2009 Race Instructions. The Rule stating that the first mark should be rounded 60 minutes after the race start will be changed to "should be rounded 90 minutes after the race start." Barbecues are planned for after the afternoon races. All sailors are invited to enjoy the camaraderie.

The Laser races will be on Friday evenings this year as the Sunday races consumed too much of the weekends. The races will be composed of multiple short courses. **Any sailors or power boaters who wish to assist are invited to join in or to operate the rescue/chase boat.** This can be a lot of fun on the water. A Laser Regatta will be organized, separate from the Sutherland Regatta, one or two weeks either side of Labor Day when the sailing calendars of the other clubs in the area are determined

MYC sailors are strongly encouraged to enter and sail in as many of the HRYRA regattas as possible

A **Sailing Dinghy Fun Race Day** is to be organized in the summer for all MYC members and their families to bring their boats down to the club for a fun race day. All sailing dinghies will be accepted: Lasers, Sunfish, Optimists, 420s or whatever boats you may have. These will be handicapped. This should be a great fun day.

MYC Spring 2009 PHRF Series

Date	Time	Race Committee
May 23	1000	Bob and Peggy Tamagny
May 23	1200	Ron Watkins
May 31	1600	St. John Forbes/Barbecue: Tamagnys
June 20	1000	Eric Schreck and Jessie Fitzgerald
June 27	1500	Tony Schweiker
July 11	1400	Bert Rechtschaffer
July 11	1600	Wayne Mitts
July 18	1600	Makeup Race – Dick Bracken

Fall PHRF Series Schedule to be published in August issue, can be viewed now on the Sail Fleet page on the website.

Laser Series

June 19
June 26
July 10
July 17
July 24
July 31
August 7
August 14
August 21
August 28 – Proposed Laser Regatta
September 18

Father's Day Champagne Brunch



Sunday, June 21, 2009
Served 11 A.M. through 1 P.M.



**Champagne, Orange Juice
Eggs, Home Fries, Pancakes, Sausage, Pastries**

Father's Day Champagne Brunch

No Reservations accepted after June 16

To register make check
payable to:

Minisceongo Yacht Club

and mail to:

Joe Senackerib
319 Castle Drive
Englewood Cliffs NJ 07632

Number of Adults

(age 12 or older) _____ @ \$15.00 = \$ _____

Number of Children

(age 5 to 11) _____ @ \$9.00 = \$ _____

Number of infants

(up to age 4) _____ Free

Totals

\$ _____

Name: _____

I/we volunteer
to help.

Opening Day Ceremonies

Noon, Sunday, May 24, 2009

No reservations will be accepted after May 17.

For details of activities, please see April issue of *Ship to Shore*.

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Kids Go Boating

On Sunday, June 28, MYC will be hosting a group of 15 less fortunate kids and their mentors for boat rides on the Hudson River followed by a picnic. We are looking for volunteers to make this a fun day for all. We'll need at least 12 boats; both power and sail, for about 2-3 hours in the afternoon. We will then have a picnic (something simple) afterwards for those who would like to stay around. Volunteers are also needed to make salads, beans, desserts, etc., as well as help collect life jackets to use for that day. Those wishing to help out, please call "Mike" or Roger Wieland (see printed copy for cell number). Additionally this will not be funded by MYC, therefore we will appreciate any donations. Thanks, this will be a day they won't forget! (Legal guardians and the volunteer center, Volunteers in Protective Services, will sign waivers before the kids are allowed to participate.)

Note from Social Chairman

I would like to thank all the Ladies who worked so hard serving the food at Work Weekend.

Joe Senackerib

Cruising Fleet News

From Chairman Dick Myers: As our club awakens from its winter hibernation and our boats shed their winter trappings, we give thanks to our Yard and Wednesday crews for their diligent efforts placing our prized possessions back into their natural element.

This month the Cruising Fleet will have its **spring meeting at the Clubhouse**. A spaghetti and meatball dinner is planned, so please try to attend. A sign up sheet will be posted at the head of each dock. We will be discussing possible **cruising destinations** and the annual **dock-go-round**.

Next month is the **Quadricentennial**, thanks to all that signed up; it's nice to know that our club will be well represented at this event. Details will be forthcoming as soon as I hear from HRBYCA.

Ask Captain Dick: After A little research I have come to the conclusion that buoys outside the channel aren't there to snare fast boats, although there are a few captains that can attest to occasionally running afoul of them.

There are many different buoys, of different colors and shapes, and usually placed by various organizations for a variety of reasons. Some of the most common mark no wake zones, rock or other hazards, racing buoys used to mark a course, mooring buoys and NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) buoys. These buoys are usually smart buoys transmitting ocean temperatures and wave heights. NOAA also has free-floating buoys tracking ocean currents.

John Kime asks where on a boat is the proper place to fly the American flag and why are there two types flown on different boats?

Personally I don't know where to fly the flag on my boat, the manufacturer stuck a stick on my boat and that's where it goes. As far as different types of flags, I guess that some boaters just like to be different.

'til next time,

Sunshine

From Dominick Ferrara for MYC and Mike Wieland for MYCLA

- Janine Verrengia lost her father, John "Emmett" Griffen on St. Patrick's Day.
- Also the Verrengias have two more grandchildren—Owen and Reese.
- Recovery wishes go to Stu Chaney and Sandy Brophy.

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mation. Temporary stabilization is being done until this work can be scheduled.

- Both the Dock 5 expansion project and the Clubhouse deck repair will be complete prior to Opening Day Ceremonies.
- County highway official, Joe Arena, has made an inspection of our driveway exit sight problem. He has prepared an engineering survey that shows both MYC's rope fence and our neighbor's new white fence are both substantially encroaching into the County Right-of-way. MYC will immediately remove our encroachment and Commodore Schweiker will request that the County have our neighbor do the same.
- MYC has been approved to receive New York State grant money to cover the cost for the purchase and installation of a new pump-out station. John Kime will provide more information on the schedule.
- Defibrillators have been installed on MYC property. Instructions for their use can be found in the Emergency Shed. Director Wieland can help anyone interested in being trained for the proper use of this equipment.

A Look at the Future

Tuesday, May 5	1930	Clubhouse	MYC Directors' Meeting
Friday, May 8	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, May 8	2000	Snack Shack	MYCLA Annual Business Meeting
Saturday, May 16	1000	Clubhouse/Grounds	MYCLA Flower Planting
Sunday, May 17		Joe Senackerib	Deadline for Opening Day Ceremonies Lunch
Wednesday, May 20		Bob Weismantel	Ship to Shore Deadline
Thursday, May 21	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday, May 23	1000/1200	River	Spring Series Race #1 & #2
Sunday, May 24	Noon	Flagpole & Pavilion	Opening Day Ceremonies
Saturday, May 30	1700	Clubhouse	Cruising Fleet Planning Meeting
Sunday, May 31	1600	River	Spring Series Race #3 & Barbecue
Sunday, June 7	TBA	River	Escorting <i>Half Moon</i> for Quadricentennial Celebration
Sunday, June 21	1100-1300	Pavilion	Father's Day Brunch
Saturday, August 22	TBA	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
September 26-27	TBA	Pavilion & River	Sutherland Regatta
October 24-25	TBA	Entire Club Property	Fall Work Weekend
Saturday, November 14	TBA	Nyack Seaport Restaurant	Change of Watch