



Ship to Shore

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Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, June 12, 2009, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

Message from the Commodore Schweiker

Another season has begun, and I am pleased to report that Minisceongo is fully operational. The **Opening Day** ceremonies and picnic went well, with the weather cooperating perfectly, although the forecast had been questionable. Our grounds were gorgeous, and the Social Committee once again delivered picnic fare that everyone seemed to appreciate. Many people admired the new porch on the Clubhouse. All the extra effort the different work crews invested in our grounds and structures were noticed. This is *our* club, and it is with pride and appreciation that I thank all of those who participate in the maintenance and expansion of its beauty and modernization.



Commodore Tony Schweiker and wife Lori at the podium at Opening Day Ceremonies on May 24.

The new pump-out dock has been delivered and set up with a dedicated ramp. The only thing left to do is connect the utilities, which should be accomplished in a matter of days.

Welcome to all of our new members on Dock 6, our newest addition to our in-water facilities. Soon we will have adequate lighting and other amenities, please be patient.

One Saturday afternoon in May, we were surprised to see Eric Wood and his wife Judy, who had stopped by while they were up from Florida. Eric, otherwise known as Woody, was one of those energetic former Commodores. He and the MYC work crews of the 70's-90's decades completed much of the work on our infrastructure which we still en-

Are You Ready to Go Cruising?

From Harbor Master John Kime: As in past years, MYC will use vacant slips for transient guests. If you plan to be gone from your slip, even for just a night or two, please let us know so we can accommodate transient requests.

Each dock has a designated member who will assist in this process. Please contact your dock member, or any other (if your dock member is unavailable), and they will help with float plans, reservations, etc.

Dock	Dock Member	Home phone	Cell phone
1	Jeff Burtch	[See hard copy for #s.]	
2/3	Robert Kamisaroff		
4	Joe Hanchrow		
5	Joe Paccione		
6	John Funk		

Additional information regarding float plan copies, where to get and leave them, etc. will be discussed at the next club membership meeting—June 12. This information will also be available from your dock member. NOTE: It is important to always record your departure and return electric meter reading on your float plan so you are not billed for electric usage in your absence. ☞

Important Reminder

From Electrical Chairman Frank Lindsell

- Electrical cords at the dock must be properly locked in position to prevent loss of power and electrical fire.
- All electrical plugs are twist to lock, not just inserted. If you are unsure how to do this, see your finger captain or Frank.
- Before removing or inserting the plug, turn off the switch on the pedestal. This will prevent an electrical arc, which will protect the club's and your equipment.

joy today. Eric was impressed with the changes that have taken place since his tenure and was very complimentary. It was great to see them again.

One last comment: before our next general meeting, there will be a short presentation at 7:30 P.M. by Walter Garschagen of SeaTow. If you are interested in the service, make sure to come by and receive a discount for the 2009 Boating Season. ☞



MYC Recycles

We now have recycle containers at the Clubhouse, Snack Shack, Dock 4 and the Picnic Pavilion.

Pitch in by recycling your plastic/glass bottles and steel/aluminum containers!

The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

From Captain Janice Senackerib: May has always been a favorite time of the year for me. It is such a pleasure to see MYC come alive. Each year the beauty of MYC is renewed as the boats are launched and the grounds are manicured. This year is no exception. Under the direction of Keira Burtch, the ladies came with tools and gloves and completed our planting. Thanks to all the ladies who gave up their time to plant the flowers. It really looks great.

Our first meeting was held on May 8. It was so good to see new members and also to catch up with some familiar faces that we haven't seen all winter.

Kathleen Doyle and Miriam Raber were acknowledged as **new life members**. Congratulations to both of you.

Dianne Silver is our new **Sunshine Person**. So if there is anything of a congratulatory nature or one of concern, please contact Dianne at [See hard copy for #.]. A special thanks goes to Mike Wieland for her outstanding work as our past Sunshine Person.

Thanks to Linda Ferraro and Lorraine Austin for keeping our **Ship's Store** stocked and manned on Opening Day. We have some interesting new items as well as our old favorites. Special orders may be placed by contacting Linda Ferraro [See hard copy for #s].

Our **annual raffle** prize this year will be a VISA gift card (\$200) and a bucket of supplies for cleaning a boat. See any of the ladies to purchase raffle tickets. The raffle drawing will take place at our Annual Picnic on August 22, 2009.

The Ladies Auxiliary once again will be serving coffee, bagels, muffins, etc. one Sunday each month. The next **coffee get-together will be on Sunday, June 14**. We will also get together for coffee and goodies on July 12 and August 16. This is a great chance to get to know one another over a cup of coffee. All are welcome.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday, June 12, at 8 P.M. in the Snack Shack. Come and join us for a fun night of Bunco. It's fun, it's easy, it's special. ☺

Bunco Night June 12—8 P.M. Snack Shack

Come roll the dice with us at June's MYCLA meeting. We'll be playing an *easy* game called Bunco (if you can count and can roll three dice at a time, you'll be a pro at this). Win or lose you'll have a different partner each round, giving you an opportunity to chat with everyone there during the course of the evening (almost like speed dating). *Join us! It's fun, it's easy and it's social.*

All MYCers, Come join us in the Snack Shack for Sunday Morning Coffee!

9 A.M.—11 A.M.
June 14, July 12, August 16



Coffee, Tea, Juice, Bagels, Muffins

Donations gratefully accepted. Sponsored by MYCLA.

Board of Director's Report for May

From Director Roger Wieland

- St. John Forbes and Andy Hudson made a proposal to the Board to encourage sailboat racing to attract younger people to MYC. The proposal would be for members' children and grandchildren, to receive a lower rate to dry-sail a one-design sailboat not longer than 20 ft. They will be required to race in at least 50% of the organized races. Others who apply for membership would pay the going rate to dry-sail their one-design sailboat. The Board will discuss this proposal in more detail at their June Meeting and report to the Membership with their recommendations.
- Commodore Schweiker informed the Board that the Opening Day invitations have been sent out to local dignitaries and local yacht clubs.
- Director Wieland asked the Board to consider lowering the overnight fee for dry-sailors to leave their boat on the water. He indicated that several members had approached him in the last month about the high cost. He discussed this with the Dry-sail Committee who agreed that the cost should be lowered. The Board, on a motion, reduced the overnight in the water fee from \$20.00 to \$5.00 for Regular Members and \$10.00 for Associate Members.
- The Board approved a new Associate member to be presented to the Membership at Fridays' meeting.
- The Board had a lengthy discussion concerning the work ethic of some of our Regular Members. It seems that for Club projects, the same people step up and volunteer to get the job done. Unfortunately, we have some Members that seldom step up. The Commodore will meet with the Committee Chairmen to discuss some of these issues.
- Director Tonneson spoke with the County representative concerning the Herring fence. It seems that Mrs. Herring disputes the accuracy of the County survey and will have her own survey done. The County will keep us informed. ☺

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:	Number of Adults (age 12 or older)	_____ @ \$15.00 = \$ _____
Minisceongo Yacht Club	Number of Children (age 5 to 11)	_____ @ \$9.00 = \$ _____
and mail to:	Number of infants (up to age 4)	_____ Free
Joe Senackerib 319 Castle Drive Englewood Cliffs NJ 07632	Totals	_____ \$ _____

Name: _____

I/we volunteer to help.

Dry-sail Boat Guidelines

Yard

- All dry-sail boats must have the owners name on their trailer and a Minisceongo sticker affixed to the boat or trailer.
- The Yard Chairman will designate where the dry-sail boats will be stored in the Yard.

In The Water

- Dry-sail boats can be launched utilizing the ramp or they can use the hoist next to the pit if they do not exceed 1000 lbs.
- Dry-sail boats can be temporarily tied up at a dingy dock with one line from the bow. (Tie up not to exceed 4 hours)
- They can also temporarily tie up in a slip, with the approval of the Dock Master or Finger Captain. (Tie up not to exceed 4 hours)
- The dry-sail member cannot leave the Club while his boat is temporarily tied up in the event that it has to be moved.
- A dry-sail boat may be left in the water overnight if a slip is available. There will be a fee of \$5.00 for Regular Members and \$10.00 for Associate Members for any dry-sail boat left in the water overnight whether or not it is in a slip. The Dock Master will be responsible for assigning slips. And will only assign a slip if there is no transient available to use the slip.

Yard Notes

From Yard Chairman Andy Hudson: Thanks for your cooperation this spring. By the time you read this, most of the boats will be in the water. Please don't forget to clean up your area after your boat is in the water. Besides not looking good, all the "stuff" tends to break equipment. Stands should be put on the end of the row, or at the perimeter, and blocking should go to the pile.

Andy

Conflict Resolution

- Disputes or concerns should be brought to either the Finger Captain, Harbor Master, Bridge or Board Member to resolve. If the dispute cannot be resolved it will be presented to the Board of Directors for resolution.

February 23, 2009

Cruising Fleet News

From Chairman Dick Myers: Normally in this month's newsletter I would be reporting on our first Cruising Fleet meeting. Since this year's meeting is later than normal, I can only guess at the date for our annual **Dock-go-round**. Normally it is held on the last Saturday of June, and this year that is the 27th of the month. There will be flyers posted at the head of every dock and in the Clubhouse with the information for the Dock-go-round right after our first meeting. For all of our newcomers to the club, welcome aboard — you have just become members of the best yachting club around; and a great way to get to know other members is to get involved with our various club functions, starting with the 2009 Dock-go-round. A lot of boats will be open for inspection, and then we will move on to the Pavilion for a buffet style dinner. See you all there.

Ask Captain Dick: Originally the U.S. flag code provided general guidelines for the display of the U.S. flag and the nautical flag based on traditions dating back over 300 years. In 1998 the U.S. Power Squadrons in association with other governing interests updated the code to eliminate confusion on how to show proper respect for flying the U.S. flag on your boat.

While points of honor have been established by long traditions, new configurations of boats, rigging, and the likes have modified these points. The U.S. national ensign (50 stars) is the proper and preferred flag for all U.S. vessels. The flag should be flown from 0800 to sunset and at all times while underway. Generally the flag is displayed at the peak of the gaff, i.e. the outer end of the spar from the mast of your boat. If you don't have a mast, the flag is flown from the flagstaff at the stern. On a sport fishing boat where the flag might interfere with the gear, it can be flown from a halyard amidships on the aft part of the superstructure. On Marconi rigged sailboats, fly the ensign on the backstay ap-

Security Note

From Chairman John Funk: Questions regarding security system usage, or obtaining access cards, fobs, or clickers, call John Funk — home: 845-786-3188 or cell: 845-323-6106.

proximately at the same height where it would be if it were gaffed rigged.

The U.S. yacht ensign with 13 stars and a fouled anchor can be flown by all recreational boats, but only in domestic waters. This flag was originally devised to identify documented yachts.

Bob Kieffer, who has put a lot of effort into his boat, wants to know what a Z drive is. I'm not sure Bob, but I think that it's some sort of a propulsion system that actually makes your boat go somewhere.

'til next time,

CAL-29 Sailboat for Sale

*Boat with many extras, from cover to cradle.
Formerly owned by Larry Schustermann.*

*Price \$10,000. Any reasonable best offer
will be considered.*

For information, call Jay at [See hard copy for #.].

A Look at the Future

Tuesday, June 9	1930	Clubhouse	MYC Directors' Meeting
Friday, June 12	1930	Clubhouse	Sea Tow Presentation
Friday, June 12	2000	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, June 12	2000	Snack Shack	MYCLA Meeting & Bunco Night
Sunday, June 14	0900-1100	Snack Shack	Sunday Morning Coffee
Tuesday, June 16		Joe Senackerib	Deadline for Father's Day Brunch
Wednesday, June 17		Bob Weismantel	Ship to Shore Deadline
Thursday, June 18	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Friday, June 19	1800	Stony Point Bay	Laser Fleet Races
Saturday, June 20	1000	River	Spring Series Race #4
Sunday, June 21	1100-1300	Pavilion	Father's Day Brunch
Friday, June 26	1800	Stony Point Bay	Laser Fleet Races
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