



# Ship to Shore

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## Message from the Commodore

Although it's August and the summer is in full bloom our club members continue to make upgrades and improvements.

### Travel Lift

This month we should all thank Mark Hechinger and his crew of volunteers for their painting of our travel lift. During the course of three hot weekends the task was completed with the aid of a rented bucket truck, which was secured by Frank Lindsell. We all know how important our 40-ton lift is to our club, so it's great to report that we had a routine maintenance done on it early in July by the Acme Travel Lift Company's authorized mechanics, so we are ready for the fall haul-out season.

### Information Center

Soon we will have a central place where you can find useful information about MYC and be able to retrieve forms and documents etc. Our recently retired fuel dock shack will be given a new life. It will be moved near the pump-out dock, at the site of the old fuel dock ramp. For example we will have float plans, newsletters, tide tables, a VHF radio, and as suggested a mailbox where you can drop off correspon-

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, August 14, 2009, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

dence to MYC instead of mailing it. I'd call it a convenience center but that implies more uses than I care to explain.

Our old fuel dispensers (gas pumps) were sold to Marlboro Yacht Club recently for \$800.00, thanks to Guy Plassart's connections.

I would like to thank the Ladies Auxiliary for the gift to MYC of three new dock carts. They are really appreciated.

Our social committee is planning a really great **Annual Picnic** on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August, so be sure to get in your reservations early. They need to plan ahead on how much food to purchase etc. There will be lots of games for the kids and the water slide will be the hit of the day as always. Dick Myers' beer-slide and horseshoes are my favorites. We will have lots of games for the children and volleyball too.

Wishing you all good health and enjoyable boating.

*Tony Schweiker*  
Commodore

## VIPS Kids Outing

The "VIPS Kids' Boat Ride and Picnic" was a huge success! We don't know who had more fun—the kids, the mentors or those who volunteered. A special thanks to all the captains and crew who took the kids out for a ride they'll never forget, the crew who helped with the food supplied by the generous donations of MYC members, the set up and take down committee, the cooks and the supervisors, as well as those who supplied the various sizes of life jackets to keep the kids safe. We got a wonderful letter from the Program Director, Faith Samples Smart and her last paragraph sums it up.

"We very much appreciate your generosity in hosting this event with the assistance of the broader Minisceongo Yacht Club family. The warmth and friendliness everyone showed our group was far beyond what we could have expected. And the generosity of your time, energy and effort did not go without notice. Please extend our humble and heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped to make this event possible. We could not be more blessed and thankful for all that each of you gave to our program that day."

**You guys are the best!**

Thanks again,  
"Mike" and Roger

[Ed. note: For a summary of the day from Volunteer Center of Bergen County see: <http://bergenvolunteers.blogspot.com>. Scroll down to Thursday, July 16, 2009.]

## Board of Director's Report for July

*From Senior Director Ron Drago*

- ☞ The Directors are continuing to look for solutions on how to remedy the ongoing problem related to the electric meter readings at the dock pedestals. The results of this investigation will be forthcoming and will be reported to the membership.
- ☞ The Coast Guard Auxiliary has made a \$200.00 donation to MYC in appreciation for the use of our Clubhouse and our facilities over the years.
- ☞ Vice Commodore Gutierrez praised Social Committee Chairman Joe Senackerib for doing an outstanding job in balancing social expenses for our MYC events.
- ☞ Rear Commodore Tamagny reported that 12 to 15 children along with their mentors attended the VIP Kids outing at MYC. They thoroughly enjoyed their day and wanted to thank MYC for their consideration, especially to the boat owners who participated in this event.
- ☞ The Board approved the removal of a mulberry tree in the vicinity of the Dock 5 picnic area. The tree is said to be causing several continued nuisances.
- ☞ Laser fleet rates were ratified in accordance with the approval by the membership.

## Sail Fleet News & Upcoming Events

**From Chairman St. John Forbes:** MYC members can now have a 2<sup>nd</sup> sailboat at reduced fees provided they partake in Sail Fleet events regularly. The boat has to be a recognized one-design class sailboat under 16' and dry sailed. MYC boat owners with paid up slip fees would be charged a flat rate of \$100 for members and children under 18. For member's children and grandchildren that are juniors or recent college graduates, there will be a charge of \$150 for storage. See St. John Forbes or Bob Tamagny for details.

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

**9 A.M.–11 A.M.  
August 16**



*Coffee, Tea, Juice, Bagels, Rolls, Muffins*

Donations gratefully accepted. Sponsored by MYCLA.

### The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

**From Captain Janice Senackerib:** Our Ship's Store has been doing well this year. We will be introducing a few new items at the Annual Picnic. So, check it out!

We would like to remind everyone that if you have not purchased your raffle tickets for the \$200 VISA card plus bucket of boat cleaning goodies, please see one of the ladies.

Besides the Ship's Store at the Picnic we will have a representative from Tupperware and a percentage of the sales goes to the Ladies Auxiliary. Brochures will be available at the August meeting.

At our August meeting we will have a "Tastefully Yours" presentation by Nicole Gerber. So come and bring your appetite.

Please do not forget to contact Dianne Silver with any Sunshine information. On a happy Sunshine note congratulations to Lorraine and Tom Austin on the birth of their new grandson and to Dottie and Guy Plassart on the birth of their great grandson.

And to Mike Wieland well wishes from all of us. We're thinking of you and look forward to seeing you soon.

Remember our Ladies Auxiliary is for everyone, so please join us. It's a great way to meet new people and make new friends.

Mark your calendars for the following events that the Sail Fleet will be initiating in August.

- ☞ The **Fall Season** will kickoff on Saturday, August 15. This will be followed by a **barbecue**. The races followed by a barbecue proved to be very popular in the Spring, so let's make this a bumper kickoff to the new season.
- ☞ On Sunday, August 16, there will be a **Dinghy Fun Race** for all club members and their families who have sailing dinghies. So clean up your old Lasers, Sunfish, etc. that you've had stored in the backyard. And get them ready for a fun day on the water. Please contact me or Bob Tamagny.
- ☞ The Sail Fleet is organizing a **Sail Training Day** for juniors of all MYC members on Sunday, August 23, at 1100. Please contact me at the above e-mail address or Bob Tamagny. Training will be by St. John Forbes, Andy Hudson and Bob Tamagny. This will be in dinghies in Stony Point Bay. The course will be to teach the basics of sailing, including safety and small boat handling. Safety boats will be available to assist.
- ☞ The **Laser Regatta** is on Saturday, August 29. This regatta will be open to all MYC members, HRYRA sailors and their friends. This should be a great day for all Laser sailors with at least four races planned followed by trophies and a chili dinner. Entry forms will be available at the MYC website and on the notice boards at the club.

### PHRF Fall Race Series Schedule

Date	Time	Race Committee
Saturday, August 15	1600	John & Pat Henchy
Sunday, August 23	1200	Kevin Silver
Sunday, August 23	~1400	Ron Watkins
Saturday, August 29	1600	Tony Schweiker
Saturday, September 5	1000	Bob & Ginger Weismantel
Saturday, September 5	~1200	Eric Scheck & Jess
Saturday, September 19	1000	John & Pat Henchy
Saturday, September 19	~1200	Joe Paccione
Saturday, October 10	1400	Mo Moser

### Laser Race Dates

Friday, August 14	Saturday, August 29 (Laser Regatta)
Friday, August 21	Friday, September 18

### Sunshine

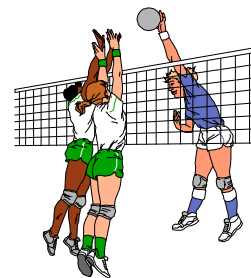
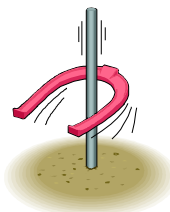
*From Dominick Ferrara for MYC and  
Dianne Silver for MYCLA*

Continued get-well wishes go to Dominic Vistocco, Mike Wieland, Vic Haines and Allan Gerber's mother.

Congratulations go to Dot and French Plassart on the birth of a great grandson and to Lorraine and Tom Austin on the birth of a grandson.

# MYC Annual Picnic

Saturday, August 22, 2009 – Starting at Noon



**Food**  
 Hot Dogs  
 Hamburgers  
 Grilled Chicken  
 Grilled Steak  
 Seafood &  
 all that goes  
 with it

**Activities**  
 Horseshoes  
 Beer Slide  
 Water Slide  
 Volleyball  
 Tug of War  
 Sack Race  
 Egg Toss



**This is your club event – it can't be done without your help.**  
 Please volunteer for a **one-hour** job in one of the following categories:

Setup Friday Evening       Food Service Lunch       Cleanup  
 Games       Food Service Seafood       Food Service Dinner

Yes, I/we will volunteer for the jobs checked above.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time preferred: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Time preferred \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Members and immediate family 16 years and older \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 20 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adult Guests 16 years and older \_\_\_\_\_ @ 22 each \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teens & Youths – ages 9 through 15 \_\_\_\_\_ @ 12 each \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children – ages 4 through 8 \_\_\_\_\_ @ 6 each \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children younger than 4 \_\_\_\_\_ @ 3 each \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to be responsible for the conduct of my guests.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number in party \_\_\_\_\_ Amount = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Minisceongo Yacht Club. (No cash please.)  
 Send to Joe Senackerib, 319 Castle Drive, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632

**Reservation deadline**  
**Friday, August 14, 2009**

## Cruising Fleet News

*From Chairman Dick Myers:* The annual **Dock-Go-Round** was well attended by over 90 people. Quite a few people even made the trip to our new Dock 6 to view Peter's Bluewater *Beautiful Dreamer*. The dinner after, consisting of filet mignon and the trimmings, was considered by many to be excellent. Thanks once again to our head chef, Ed Occhino, and to all who worked so hard to make this event happen.

Don't forget about our **Raft Up at Croton** on August 8. Come on over for the day or the weekend.

**Ask Captain Dick:** Joe Paccione says that the big bulb on the front of many ships was an accidental discovery. It seems that in the early days of sonar, the Navy designed a big bulb on the bow of a few ships to try and get the sonar transmitter and receiver as far away from existing ship noise. While this idea did have some benefits for sonar, the real benefit came from increased speed and efficiency on the vessel itself. While I'm not positive how it works it has something to do with modifying the bow wave to reduce drag.

Bert Rechtschaffer wants to know what roaches and leeches have to do with boating. Well, Bert, I'm hoping nothing, because I'd hate to have roaches on my boat; and I'm pretty sure that leeches cannot live in salty bilge water.

*'til next time,*

## Classified

**Spinnaker sheets, 5/16" New England Flightline**, Dyneema SK75 core w/ polypro cover; low stretch, very light, will not absorb water, 4,000# tensile. Ideal for 20'-30' boats. Red or green w/ yellow tracer. Any length. Limited supply. **\$.85 / foot**. Compare at \$1.50 (APS). Dick Bracken, 845-268-2863.

**Taylor #1072 Hull Gard inflatable vinyl dock wheels**, 12" diam., corner mount, new, unused. **\$70.00**. Compare at \$142 (Defender). Dick Bracken, 845-268-2863.

## Note for Dock 6 Boat Owners & Guests

Please do not park on the road accessing the Dock 6 ramp. This is for drop off only. Park in the designated area or the large lot available. Signs will be posted shortly warning that the road is a fire lane and for emergency vehicles only. Thanks for your cooperation.

## TV Cable Information

*From Dick Myers:* Note from your friendly cable guy. Some of you may have noticed the Clubhouse is sporting a brand new antenna. All the docks, except for Dock 4, are wired for digital TV, with excellent reception. Over 30 channels are being received, including 7.3, which is continuous weather. In order to receive the signal, you must have a digital TV or digital converter box. Also, all connections from the pedestal to your TV must be in excellent condition and only RG6 cable can be used.

## A Look at the Future

Tuesday, August 11	1930	Clubhouse	MYC Directors' Meeting
Friday, August 14	1800	Stony Point Bay	Laser Fleet Races
<b>Friday, August 14</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>MYC Membership Meeting</b>
Friday, August 14	2000	Snack Shack	MYCLA Meeting
Friday, August 14		Joe Senackerib	Deadline for Annual Picnic Reservations
Saturday, August 15	1600	River & Pavilion	Fall Series Race # 1 + Barbecue
Sunday, August 16	0900-1100	Snack Shack	Sunday Morning Coffee
Sunday, August 16	TBA	Stony Point Bay	Sail Fleet Fun Sailing Dinghy Race
Wednesday, August 19	~1900	Pavilion	HRYRA After-race Gathering
<b>Thursday, August 20</b>		<b>Bob Weismantel</b>	<b>Ship to Shore Deadline</b>
Thursday, August 20	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Friday, August 21	1800	Stony Point Bay	Laser Fleet Races
<b>Saturday, August 22</b>	1200	<b>Pavilion</b>	<b>Annual Picnic</b>
Sunday, August 23	1100	Stony Point Bay	Youth Sailing Instructions
Sunday, August 23	1200/~1400	River	Fall Series Races #2 & 3
Saturday, August 29	TBA	Stony Point Bay	Laser Fleet Regatta
Saturday, August 29	1600	River	Fall Series Race #4
Saturday, September 5	1000/~1200	River	Fall Series Races #5 & 6
Sunday, September 13		Roger Wieland	Winter Storage Forms Due
Friday, September 18	1800	Stony Point Bay	Laser Fleet Races
Saturday, September 19	1000/~1200	River	Fall Series Races #7 & 8
<b>September 26-27</b>	TBA	<b>Pavilion &amp; River</b>	<b>Sutherland Regatta</b>
Saturday, October 10	1400	River	Fall Series Race #9
<b>October 24-25</b>	TBA	<b>Entire Club Property</b>	<b>Fall Work Weekend</b>
<b>Saturday, November 14</b>	TBA	<b>Nyack Seaport Restaurant</b>	<b>Change of Watch</b>