



# Ship to Shore

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## **Message from the Commodore**

Our **Annual Picnic** on August 22 was a great success. The water slide was, as usual, the most popular attraction. Horseshoes were officiated by Ed Occhino and the beer slide by Debby Hechinger and Trish Drago along with Dick Myers. Tom Austin was on the microphone exhorting children and adults to enjoy the egg-toss and tug-of-war. A classic American picnic.

Great job done by our social committee and volunteers. The weather barely held up – it was a muggy one with some showers, but we all had a great time under the pavilion's roof.

I must say the 2009 season was the wettest and coolest one in memory. We probably have had more thunderstorms this summer than central Florida.

### **I'd like to relate a short but poignant story -**

I was contacted by Henry Knoblick earlier this summer regarding the purchase of an "abandoned" dinghy in our Boat Yard.

I suggested he send me a letter of interest and the amount he was willing to pay. I brought the subject up at the August general meeting recently. I asked if any others might be interested in bidding on it, or I would sell it as offered. Someone stated that the boat in question might belong to Don Minerick, one of our electricians. Ooops... I thought I should call Don and see if, in fact, it belonged to him. Yes, it was his, he explained, but he would be happy to sell it since he hadn't used it in many years. I said, "Sure, I'll just have the check made out to you."



Water slide at the Annual Picnic on August 22.

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, September 11, 2009, at 8 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

"No," Don insisted, "Have the check made out to our Ladies Auxiliary as a donation so to speak."

"Okay, that's very generous of you Don." and we hung up. It's now a few days later and, as I write my monthly letter, I think that this has a lot of relevance to how we do things at MYC. As I recount the story of the donated dinghy and how it will have a loving home, while helping support the Ladies Auxiliary's projects, I can't help but think, "That's

the way we at Minisceongo often do things...so many people donating materials, time and hard work for the benefit of all."

Thanks Don for the generosity of your thoughtfulness, and thanks to all (and there are so many of you), who have anonymously contributed without expecting thanks. That's the spirit of MYC that I have witnessed for more than thirty years. I fill with pride knowing that I am blessed to be part of such a wonderful organization and have so many friends amongst its membership.

A reminder to everyone that our premier sailing event of the year is coming up... the Sutherland Regatta which is scheduled for September 26-27. All members are invited for dinner on Saturday; contact me, St. John Forbes, Sail Fleet Captain or Rear Commodore Bob Tamagny for cost and reservations.

Wishing you all good health and enjoyable boating.

*Tony Schweiker*  
Commodore

## **Sutherland Reminder**

*All MYC members  
(sail or power)  
are invited to join in the  
festivities.*

See page 3 for more information!

## Yard Reminders

*From Yard Chairman Andy Hudson:* Boaters should ensure that their stands and chains are present and ready to go. Please send your completed forms (enclosed with last months *Ship to Shore* and available on the web site at [www.designinc.com/myc.htm](http://www.designinc.com/myc.htm)) into Roger Wieland by September 13. Those members who choose to haul earlier in the season will have a greater choice as to their yard location, and will be less likely to block other members from launching in the spring. Members that block others from launching should be ready to launch by the end of April.

## The Ladies Auxiliary of MYC

*From Captain Janice Senackerib:* September already! It seems we were just celebrated Opening Day.

A big thank you to Linda Ferraro and Lorraine Austin for organizing the Ship's Store and again making it a great success. Also, a special thanks to all the ladies that volunteered their time and energies to work the Ship's Store and assist at the Annual Picnic. The time and effort these people extend is much appreciated. Congratulations to Grace McAteer (Glen's mother) on winning our raffle!

Mark your calendars for our next meeting—Friday, September 11, at 8 P.M. We will have a presentation on **Identity Theft**. During these hard economic times many people have been victims of fraud. At our next meeting, Joan O'Keefe from the Consumer Protection Department of Rockland County will give a presentation on Identity Theft and things we can do to avoid becoming victims. All women associated with MYC are invited and encouraged to come to our next meeting to hear our guest speaker.

Also, at this meeting the Nominating Committee consisting of Linda Ferraro, Louise Occhino and Ginger Weismantel will be presenting the slate of officers for the 2010-2011 term. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted at that time. Elections will be held at our October meeting.

Our year is already winding down, but we still have several beautiful weekends ahead to enjoy. So now let's just relax and enjoy.

## Special Speaker at the Next MYCLA Meeting

### Identity Theft

September 11 at 8 P.M.—Snack Shack

## Report for August from the Board of Directors

*From Senior Director Ron Drago*

- ✦ The "in-water" winter storage rate for associate members has been reset to equal associate "on-land" winter rates at \$33 per foot.
- ✦ Short-haul guidelines have been revised to allow regular members free short hauls for emergency repair reasons only. All other haul outs will be charged at our normal rates.
- ✦ Commodore Schweiker and Treasurer Gerber are working with the electric meter reading committee on a new procedure for reading and billing for electric usage at the docks. In addition, we are hoping that the on-going problem with the pedestal digital readers has been resolved.
- ✦ The Board has approved the committee assignments for our new probationary members.
- ✦ Associate member Knoblick has offered to purchase one of our abandoned wooden dinghies for \$200.
- ✦ The former gas dock house is being set up as a Kiosk and will serve as a message and service information center for members and transient guests.

## Sunshine

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

- Continued good wishes to Mike Wieland, Dominick Vistocco and Joe Senackerib on their roads to recovery.
- Get well wishes to Susanne Mitts, Ann Medlicott, Betty Abrams and Ann Young.
- Quick mending wishes for Debra Fass on her knee surgery and Robert Kamisaroff on his hand surgery.



Photo from Mike Wieland

Good to see Lew Dunham back shooting again. Note his new vehicle!

## Sail Fleet News

*From Chairman St. John Forbes:* Congratulations to Eric Schreck and Crew for their outstanding winning of the **Spring Series** and to the rest of the boats and crews for their efforts.

<i>Place</i>	<i>Boat</i>	<i>Skipper</i>
1	<i>Gusto</i>	Eric Schreck
2	<i>A-Train</i>	Bert Rechtschaffer
3	<i>Fuzzy Logic</i>	Tony Schweiker
4	<i>Dream Chaser</i>	Bob Tamagny
5	<i>Transformation</i>	Wayne Mitts

This summer the Sail Fleet held a fun race for small sailing dinghies which had a great turnout with many members bringing their dinghies, many of which had not been used for a long time. All had a great day of fun on the water.



Photos by Bill Feigle

Rear Commodore Bob Tamagny and crew Peggy at the Sailing Dinghy Fun Day on August 16.



Kevin Silver at the Sailing Dinghy Fun Day.

## Sutherland Regatta

*Saturday, September 26 & Sunday, September 27*

**Two races on Saturday and one on Sunday**

- Breakfast
- After race Snacks and Libations while meeting with your fellow competitors
- Our acclaimed Saturday Steak Dinner
- On Sunday our Sutherland secret recipe four- star Chili Lunch

*See notice board or website*

*([www.designinc.com/myc.htm](http://www.designinc.com/myc.htm))*

*for application form for sailing and/or dinner.*

If you are a power-boat cruiser or not a racing sailor, keep in mind that the shore-side activities are for all MYC members as this is a Club event; so sign up and enjoy the company of your fellow boaters from MYC and the other Hudson River yacht clubs.

**Please contact St. John Forbes or Bob Tamagny to volunteer for cooking, serving or assisting in setting up. [See roster or hard copy for telephone numbers.]**

Late August and September plans to be a very busy time with a Laser Regatta on August 29 and the Sutherland Regatta on September 26 and 27. See notice. Registration forms will be available on the club's website and in the Clubhouse for both the racing and for dinners only.

## Cruising Fleet News

*From Chairman Dick Myers:* The Cruising Fleet raft up was a lot of fun and well attended by at least 12 power boats and a few sailboats. Two of the sailboats even rafted up for the night, although they chose slightly deeper water than the power boats. The sail boaters said something about those long things under their boats hitting the bottom at low tide. The weather cooperated for the day, and the evening was so calm that a few people thought that we must have gone aground.

**Ask Captain Dick:** Just like a power boat, that has its main propulsion from an engine, sailboats main propulsion is its sail. And just like the engine, there are parts of the sail that make up its ability to propel the boat. There are different designs for main sails. All sails have a leech that is the aft edge of triangular and quadrilateral sails, and on a square sail the two sides of the sail. The roach is usually found on triangular sail, although some specialized sails can also be equipped with a roach. It is common for sail makers to add an arc of extra material to the leech, this provides extra power for a given mast/boom size. There are other names



Cruising Fleet's Croton Raft Up on Saturday, August 8.

Photo from Dick Myers

given to other parts of the sail, the head, foot, throat, and I don't have a clew why sails need all these names.

I asked Wayne Bartow when he is going to get his boat in the water. He said that he was still working on his gripe. Wayne, I have a lot of gripes, but I think that it is so much better to work on them in the water.

*'til next time,*

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## A Look at the Future

Saturday, September 5	1000/~1200	River	Fall Series Races #5 & 6
Tuesday, September 8	1930	Clubhouse	MYC Directors' Meeting
<b>Friday, September 11</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Clubhouse</b>	<b>MYC Membership Meeting</b>
Friday, September 11	2000	Snack Shack	MYCLA Meeting
Sunday, September 13		Roger Wieland	Winter Storage Forms Due
<b>Thursday, September 17</b>		<b>Bob Weismantel</b>	<b>Ship to Shore Deadline</b>
Thursday, September 17	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
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>	<b>0800</b>	<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>

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