



June 2013



Under The Rock

The Newsletter of Marblehead Yacht Club

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SUMMER SOLSTICE AND WINE TASTING

We are bringing back a club favorite, our annual Summer Solstice Wine Tasting Event on Saturday evening June 22nd from 6 to 8 pm. Enjoy a casual evening of camaraderie, appetizers, and wine tasting.



Tickets go on sale June 7th at \$15/person and are limited to 75 people. Tickets must be pre-purchased from Carol Neumann by either mailing a check, payable to MYC, to her at 30 Dartmouth Rd., Marblehead, MA 01945 or dropping a check off in a "box" on Carols's side porch. Some tickets will also be available from Club Manager Bill Kilham. You may contact Carol at carolneumann@verizon.net to verify if tickets are available or to check the status of your payment. Please provide Carol your email address with your check.

Coming Events

June 22:

Summer Solstice Wine Tasting

July 4:

July 4th Cookout

July 27:

Downeast Challenge

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August 18:

Ice Cream Social

MARBLEHEAD'S FRIENDLIEST YACHT CLUB

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Commodore's June Comments

Hello all,

Welcome to the beginning of the 2013 boating season. We now look out from the deck at an almost full harbor of beautiful boats, seeing sails being raised, boats cruising in and out of the harbor, and fisherman returning from a day of fun filled fishing and sometimes with a great catch to show for it.

I want to thank all the volunteers who prepared the clubhouse and the deck for opening day, who worked on the floats, and the launches to serve the waterfront. Our Club Manager and Dockmaster, Bill Kilham has done a yeoman's job in making the club a better place and has put in a significant amount of time readying the launches for the season. Kim and her crew from Diamond Catering did a wonderful job of cleaning the kitchen for our annual inspection in preparation for our dining room opening, which was earlier this year than past years. Bill Kilham has successfully rehired most of the friendly faces of our launch driver staff and things seem to be

operating like a well greased machine.

Thanks to the wonderful effort by the entertainment committee this past Memorial Day weekend for the opening cookout. Many hands make little work for all. Despite the forecast of dismal weather, the rain gave way to sun and we had a great group of 80 people at the event.

I look forward to seeing you all on the deck, on the water, and perhaps at our upcoming events, the Summer Solstice wine tasting hosted by the Entertainment Committee and the 4th of July Cookout hosted by Diamond Catering.

Kevin Neumann

MYC Commodore

MYC Committees and Members as of June 1

Communications Committee

Chuck Mara, Chair
Tom Despres (newsletter)
Stu Newman (webmaster)

Entertainment Committee

Kevin Neumann, Chair
Barb and John Capellotti
Nancy and Newt Clemson
Steve Dugas
Deborah Gates
Elaine Greer
Carol Neumann
Judy Rawding
Anne Steadman
Jean and Rufus Titus
Bert Williams

Financial Advisory Committee

Paul McCauley, Chair
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Theo Kuliopulos
Calvin Powers, Treasurer

House Committee

Kevin Neumann, Chair
Marion McCauley
Judy Rawding

Membership Committee

Marion McCauley, Chair
Sandra Barry
Karen Brown
Donald Cahoon

Race Committee

Bill Betters, Jr. Chair
Tom Anderson
Kevin Neumann
Fred Schmidt

Waterfront Committee

Bill Betters Jr. Chair
Rick Cuzner
Neal Johnson
Jack Mace
Chuck Nyren
Don Stubbs

Club Manager's Comments

Greetings from the MYC Waterfront! The warming weather has brought with it returning launch drivers, freshly slimed pennants and the lovely aroma of recently applied bottom paint. With the 2013 season fast approaching I'd like to address the parameters and procedures regarding transient and temporary mooring use at the Marblehead Yacht Club and Marblehead Harbor in general.

A general overview of the Manual for Marblehead Waters (MMW) puts the assignment of all moorings, permanent and temporary, under the control of the Marblehead Harbormaster. To ease this tremendous task, the dockmasters of the five yacht clubs have been given specific abilities in regards to the assignation of short-term temporary mooring usage. To ensure fairness, each club must keep and have available for scrutiny current listings of temporary and transient mooring usage. Dockmasters have been given a reasonably free hand to serve the needs of their respective club memberships, as long as they abide by the fairly simple and straightforward rules set forth.

All long-term (more than two weeks) assignments must be obtained through the Harbormaster's office, following the

guidelines given in the MMW. The yacht club dockmasters are limited to temporary assignments of no more than two weeks in duration. This limit can allow a greater number of boaters to visit and enjoy Marblehead Harbor. Boaters can revisit a given temporary assignment providing no more than the maximum stay is observed and another boater has a chance for a temporary assignment at that location.

To bring this message down to a level that really affects the MYC membership, the more our waterfront staff knows of your cruising plans and short term availability of your mooring, the more likely we will be able to offer up short stays for our many members that moor outside of Marblehead Harbor. Please feel free to tell any member of the MYC waterfront staff if you plan to be away from your mooring for more than a night or two and we can (if you wish) make that spot available to a grateful member or paying transient cruiser.

Thanks for your attention to this matter and Happy Boating this June. See you on the water.

Bill Kilham



LAUNCH SCHEDULE FOR June and Summer

May 20th to June 16th

9:00am to 9:00pm Monday *through* Thursday

9:00am to 10:00pm Friday

8:00am to 10:00pm Saturday

8:00am to 9:00pm Sunday

June 17th to September 1st

8:00am to 10:00pm Monday *through* Thursday

8:00am to 10:30pm Friday

7:30 to 10:30 Saturday

7:30 to 10:00pm Sunday

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The Galley is open with regular hours for the season:

Fridays from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Saturdays 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Sundays 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Starting Thursday June 20th dining will be available Thursdays from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM with a nightly theme and specials.



We hope to see you Thursday the 20th for Tortilla Night.



Helpful Suggestion

What is Your Location?

Answering this question sounds easy enough. But when asked by a launch driver who can't find you, it may not be immediately obvious. You are most likely to be asked early in the season, or in the fall when we are using replacement drivers. It can be difficult to describe your mooring location if you are not near a prominent landmark at the edge of the harbor. Here are some suggestions that may help:

- ❖ If you are near the edge of the harbor, there are a number of prominent shore features that will fix your location. They include Red Steps, Parkers Boatyard, Dolphin Yacht Club, Boston Yacht Club, Crocker Park, Boden Point.
- ❖ If you are not near the edge of the harbor, you can use your mooring number to explain your location. The harbormaster has divided the harbor into grids, and assigned mooring numbers by grid. The letter and first digit of your mooring number designates the grid in which you are located. For instance, mooring number H624 is in grid number H6.

Here are some other suggestions that may be helpful.

- ❖ It is useful to keep your radio on until you know the launch driver is approaching your boat. If he can't find you, he can call you on the radio for help.
- ❖ At night, the launch drivers may find it helpful if you use a flashlight or other lights to identify yourself as the launch approaches your location. Please shine the light on your boat not at the launch drivers to preserve their night vision

Marblehead Yacht Club Flag officers and Directors

Flag Officers

Commodore	Kevin Neumann
Vice Commodore	Bill Betters, Jr.
Rear Commodore	TBA
Secretary	Doug Burgess
Treasurer	Cal Powers

Board of Directors

Director	Brian Schanning
Director	Tom Despres
Director	Marion McCauley
Director	Chuck Mara
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Recent MYC Events

May 6th Meet and Greet
Brisk wind, good company and Orb wins the Kentucky Derby



Opening Day May 26th
More brisk wind, clearing skies and we are officially open. Kudos to the entertainment committee and especially Past Commodore Jack Caunter and Colin and Chris Maura for manning the grills.



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Notices and Callouts

Wanted, New MYC Members

The best promotion for the club is the recommendation of existing members. To encourage all of us to spread the word, MYC is offering \$50 in cash to any member who recommends a new member who joins the club for the season.

Marblehead Yacht Club is the best kept secret and deal on the Marblehead waterfront. This is a great opportunity to get the word out and have a little cash for a new boat widgeet.

Volunteers

MYC is a volunteer club. Without the work of many folks who give their time and share their skills much more of the work necessary to open up and maintain the clubhouse, launches and waterfront would become an additional expense. We are looking for additional volunteers for both the Entertainment Committee and House Committee. Please contact Kevin Neumann at ktneumann@verizon.net or 781 631 3139 if you are interested in helping out.



Work Assessment

This year we will be reimbursing members for work assessments in June and in August. Anyone that has worked 4 or more hours will be reimbursed ½ of the work assessment fee and those that have contributed 8 or more hours will be reimbursed all of the work assessment fee.



Note From The harbormaster

It has come to my attention there are still winter sticks in place out in the harbor and many of them represent MYC members. Complaints have been coming in, and with current spring activity in the harbor they are becoming a hazard. Could you please print and post this in the club house for member awareness.

Respectfully,

F. Webb Russell III
Harbormaster
Town of Marblehead

781-631-2386



DownEast Challenge

2013



Notice of Race

Event: The Marblehead Yacht Club invites all sailors to participate in the DownEast Challenge, an exciting overnight sailboat race of approximately 90 nautical miles from Marblehead, MA to Portland, Maine on Saturday, 27 July 2013. First gun for all boats will be at 1400, unless changed at the skipper's meeting.

Eligibility and Standards: The event is open to all boats 24' or over, with valid PHRF handicap certificates. In the event that a boat does not possess a valid PHRF handicap, an uncontested rating will be provided for you by the MYC race committee based on similar boats' ratings. The yacht club reserves the right to inspect and refuse any boat not meeting eligibility requirements

Safety and Offshore regulations: All boats are strongly encouraged to comply with the requirements of ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for a category 3 race (2012-2013) except for the following – at the skipper's discretion a boat must have either an easily launched dinghy or life raft capable of carrying the entire skipper's crew in an emergency. It is the skipper's responsibility to ensure the safety of his own boat and crew.

Skipper's Meeting: There will be a mandatory skipper's meeting in the Cliff Room, Marblehead Yacht Club at 1800 hours 26 July 2013, to discuss any last minute changes. Hors d' oeuvres and beverages will be served. Skippers are invited to bring their crew. Please call that week (781)-631-3170 and leave a message of how many will attend by boat name so that we may plan accordingly. Scratch sheets and any changes to the SI's will be available at that time.

Following the skipper's meeting, there will be a question/answer session for anyone who may be unfamiliar with sailboat racing or feels somewhat adrift at a starting line. We want to make this an event that all experience levels can enter and have a good time. Racing makes better sailors.

Entry: Entries must be submitted online at <http://tinyurl.com/akf4ljz> no later than 1800 EDT, Wednesday July 24, 2013. The entry fee is **\$75**. Any entry received after the deadline but before the skippers' meeting may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority and will require a **\$25** late fee.

For further information please to to <http://www.marbleheadyc.org/> or call Kris Kristiansen at (781)-631-3170.

The DownEast Challenge Venue

Post Race Party Venue

Sailboat races are generally judged by the post race party. What happens on the water is just a means to an end. This year's DownEast Challenge will be no exception with the race committee wrestling with the choice of two great venues. Both Portland Yacht Club and Handy Boat in Falmouth Maine are available with great facilities and waterfronts.



Portland Yacht Club

(<http://www.portlandyachtclub.com>)



Handy Boat

(<http://www.handyboat.com>)

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Contact: Bert Williams

978-369-7601 or 617-943-7240

CLASSIFIED ADS

Do you have a boat or gear that you want to sell, swap or buy? Other MYC members and friends are your prime market.

Send an email to marbleheadyachtclub@gmail.com with the description of your item for a listing in the next edition of *Under the Rock*.

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