



Under the Rock

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The Newsletter of the Marblehead Yacht Club

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updates,
Galley specials and info at the end of the trail !*

Commodore's Comment

Ahoy, Ahoy! Greetings from a distant land!

As I write this I'm far away from Marblehead on business. As it happens, I'm in the Southern Hemisphere now where it is decidedly NOT Summer, but I'm returning soon and looking forward to racing my Townie and spending lots of quality time relaxing on the new (old) Pearson Vanguard we've acquired, sunning (and dining) with my family and friends on the deck of the best yacht club on Marblehead Harbor. I have to admit I spend an inordinate amount of time watching the MYC deck cam and checking out the weather from our new weather station that Mike Mentuck installed. I get a little forlorn watching the action on the deck when I travel, but I also know that soon I'll be back to the warmth of home.

I know, from watching the new weather station, that the weather for the start of the season hasn't been ideal, but I'm certain that July and August are going to be more than seasonal providing lots of sunshine and fair winds.

The MYC is in full functioning mode, with Galley service running Thursdays through Sundays, the waterfront has been operating launch service on the summer schedule (check the website for Galley Hours and specials and for launch hours), the house is open, and the deck is ready for grilling (and chilling) on days when the galley is closed. We have a number of events in the planning stage for you to enjoy, our next big event is the Fourth of July Cookout and Fireworks display. Tickets are now on sale and available from KC2. Seating is limited and the view of the harbor illumination and the firework display from our deck is exceptional.

Much of the credit for the successful operation of the Marblehead Yacht Club goes to the many volunteer members of the club, from the flowers on the deck, to the planning and execution of club events by the Entertainment Committee the MYC wouldn't be the special place it is without volunteers so thank you, and if you haven't, please find a committee where your talents can be applied. I'm also thankful to the other members of the Bridge, Vice Commodore Marcel Nyfenegger (Waterfront) and Rear Commodore David Weber (House), and to all the members of the Board of Directors, and of course to our Manager/Dockmaster Mike Mentuck, please thank them when you see them because we wouldn't have a Yacht Club without them.

That's all for now, I'm looking forward to seeing you on the deck soon, and if you hear someone from an old Pearson Vanguard (or a Town Class for that matter) shouting "Molly Waldo" it might just be your Commodore.

David E. Williams

[Manager's Minit](#)

It's hard to believe we are just about to be wrapping up June. The weather hasn't been fully cooperative, but we have had some spectacular days on the water with more to come. I want to thank everyone that came to the parking lot clean up last weekend and embraced the rain, It was all able to get done in a timely manner.

The Galley is in full swing so come and down and grab a bite to eat and make sure you check your emails for weekend

specials. We have the 4th of July cookout right around the corner. Sign-up and purchase your tickets so you can enjoy all you can eat BBQ! We also have the Downeast Challenge coming up July 27-29 which is up to 11 boats so far.

With the Fourth of July right around the corner the Waterfront will be running with "Holiday Rules" and zones as in previous years. Be sure to look for postings around the Club to find out what's up. The zones are roughly defined as:

-Inner Harbor: between the causeway and a line from the MYC docks to "Rocket's House."

-Mid Harbor: inside of a line from the Glover landing Docks to Bowden Point to the Inner Harbor line.

-Outer Harbor: our service area beyond the mid-harbor line.

Lastly, I would like to thank the MYC membership, I have been greatly enjoying my time here and it's beginning to feel like home. Thanks to you all! Every day brings something new and there is never a dull moment!

Regards,
Mike Mentuck

House Committee

It's been a busy spring for the House Committee as well as K/C2 and their staff, as we prepared for the summer season. Even though the weather has been far from perfect, we've been enjoying new menu items, expanded hours and other

improvements in the galley. Hopefully members have found the new digital galley cards easy to use. Remember that they are only usable for food and beverage purchases (not gratuities) and they expire on Labor Day.

For those planning to join in the upcoming Fourth of July cookout and fireworks, please remember to buy your tickets in advance during normal galley hours—cash or check to KC Squared LLC.

The MYC spirit of volunteerism has been very evident throughout the spring, especially during Saturday Work Days and the annual parking lot cleanup. In similar fashion, the House Committee has also been very active in preparing for the season. Special thanks to our Flower Team (Becky Parry, Elaine Greer, Judy Rawding, Marie Petersen, Nancy Proulx and Sissy Walker) who not only purchase and plant the beautiful flowers adorning our deck, but also maintain a watering schedule to keep them looking happy and healthy. Thanks to Mike Mentuck for building the new flower boxes and to Larry Proulx for helping to paint them. We are also grateful to Alan and Marie Petersen for hanging all the buntings for Memorial Day weekend (in addition to their ongoing efforts to sell every last MYC History Book!) We had planned to leave the buntings up through the Fourth of July, but, given some of the inclement weather forecasts in June, decided to take them down and re-hang them again in time for the Fourth. We are also making progress on the proposed deck repair planned for later this fall.

Thanks to House Committee member (and professional

contractor) Dave Graham for his guidance in managing the bidding and construction process.

These are just a few of the many ways our members are stepping up to make MYC the best that it can be – thank you!

Dave Weber
Rear Commodore

[Waterfront Report](#)

The Waterfront is up and running smoothly under the guidance of dockmaster Mike Mentuck. We have a full slate of experienced launch drivers who are eager to get our members out to their vessels. There are several updates to benefit our members. New signage, improved internet in the dock house and a brand-new weather station. To get updated weather info, please make sure to scan the QR code below. This is also posted on the dock house.



For the 4th of July we will extend the launch service until 11:00pm. Last call to hail the launch is 10:45pm.

Regular launch hours are 8:00am – 10:00pm, seven days a week until Labor Day, before the schedule changes to fall

hours. As always, please check the website and web cam for updates and potential waterfront closures.

Happy summer and happy boating to all!

Waterfront Update by Vice Commodore Marcel Nyffenegger

Regatta Committee

Calling all Sailors - MYC Regatta Dates set

The MYC holds two regattas each year and we hope that all sailors can participate. The Downeast Challenge (DEC) is an overnight 80-mile race from Marblehead to Portland, Maine on July 28-29. Hang out with your fellow racers/sailors at the Forepoints Marina in Portland Saturday/Sunday. This is a good race to challenge your long-distance sailing skills or a fun way to get to Maine for summer cruising.

If you will be away cruising in late July and will have an open mooring, please notify

Dockmaster Mike Mentuck when your mooring will be available for a visiting Downeast Challenge boat to use (needed anytime between July 23-28).

Thursday July 27th


Rumson's Rum Tasting will start @ 6 PM Skipper's meeting @ 7PM
To celebrate the DEC kick off K/C2 will have special Caribbean menu selections.
There will be Music in the air!

All members are invited to the Rum Tasting !


Come on out and support the sailors !

Next MYC holds the Clemson Chase Race on Sunday August 27. The Clemson Chase Race is a fun race where we encourage all MYC sailors to participate, whether or not you have raced before. The race is ideal for new racers as you are assigned a start time and no handicap certificate is needed (we will assign a rating based on your boat type). Both races are sponsored by Rising Tide Brewery and Rumson's Rum and you can register on <http://www.regattaman.com>. If you want to help out on the Race Committee boat, or take photos of the races, or any general questions, please contact Eliot Shanabrook at eliotshanabrook@gmail.com


History Committee News



MARBLEHEAD YACHT CLUB
Founded 1884
Originally named Marblehead Yacht Club
Renamed to Shipyard Waterfront Club
Reorganized & Reincorporated 1955
Reincorporated 1995
This structure was built in
1884
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and Thomas A. Waterhouse



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By the Marblehead Yacht Club History Committee

Do you have your MYC History Book yet?

Well hurry before they are all sold out! In addition to ordering from the MYC Shop, you can pick one up at the Marblehead Museum and the Abbott Hall Gift Shop where they are also for sale. Signed books will be available for sale at the MYC on the July 4th weekend on the MYC Deck. MYC co-authors will be present at the Marblehead Museum (July 1 at 11am – 2pm) and Abbott Hall Gift Shop (July 2 & 3 at 11am – 2pm) during the Marblehead Festival of the Arts.

Did you know that since 1979 the Marblehead Festival of Arts has awarded a painting prize in honor of MYC member, Ed Carey? Well you can read about it in the book (page 221) !

John Murray
History Committee Chair

Membership Committee Report



The Membership Committee is excited to introduce the following new members who have joined MYC since the last newsletter.

Joan Brennan
Richard Brody
Christopher Bucknan
Sue Bisek
Priscilla Carone
Sunil Dhaliwal

David Dwortz
Thomas Hanlon
Katya Hempel
Blake Jackson
Mary Landry
Mary Lauro
Robert McNulty
Michelle Mohn
Lisa Nerich
Carol Mohn
Richard Patoski
Ed Principe
Stuart Sleeman
Tim Sullivan
Martha Wheeler
Louis Williams

Welcome Aboard!

The Club has attracted 33 new members this season. Unfortunately each year there is some attrition as members leave or take a year off for a myriad of reasons and this year was no exception with 47 resignations. The current membership stands at 321 which is very consistent with recent years.

Paul Williams

Membership Committee Chair

Entertainment Committee

Summer Greetings!

First, we welcome three new members: Larisa Forman, Danielle Jacobs, and Mary Landry to our committee! And we're planning some new events to follow-up from our popular Kentucky Derby Luck and the Memorial Day Cook-out in May.

Kentucky Derby Day potluck featured our signature Mint Julep tasting, unique and fashionable chapeaus, lots of delicious food, and a little wagering just for fun. The Memorial Day Cookout was hosted by KC2 and drew a capacity crowd on the deck with one of the finest days of weather I can remember for the Memorial Day weekend.

Our next event, Fourth of July Dinner and Fireworks on the Deck, features an "all you can eat" menu hosted by KC2, and an unexcelled view of the fireworks display from our deck.

Tickets can be purchased from KC2 and since this event is always sold out buy your tickets now!

We're still planning for our other events, The Chowder Fest and Wine Tasting later in the season. Plus, we hope to some member Grill Nights on the deck.

As always, Watch your email, The MYC webpage and Facebook pages for details and announcements of other events.

Dave Williams

K/C2



MYC Galley Specials

June 29– July 3

(while supplies last)

- *Asian seafood risotto– mussels, shrimp, scallops, soy, ginger, asian veg, sesame \$29
- *Classic seafood risotto– tomato, spinach, mussels, shrimp, scallops, pecorino \$28
- *Fish cakes– haddock, lemon aioli \$16
- *Bleu Mussel frites– sweet herbs, cream, bleu crumble, tomatoes over frites \$18
- *Bolognese– slow cooked house bolognese, over house made fettuccine, topped with pecorino and house ricotta \$24 (limited)
- *Ricotta– house made ricotta cheese, basil 3 ways, toasted crostini \$13

****4th of July tickets still on sale****

Hours of operation For the long Holiday weekend

Thursday 4:00–9:00

Friday 4:00–9:00

Saturday 8:00–9:00

Sunday 8:00–9:00

Monday 11:00–9:00

Tuesday July 4th – 8:00–3:00

(closed 3:00–5:00)

4th of July cookout 5:00–9:00

*****Wednesday July 5th will be the 4th of July cookout rain date*****

As a reminder we offer online ordering located on the MYC website, order from your boat or home at your convenience!

Grab and Go's

(Weather dependent and while supplies last)

Fridays 11:00–5:00

Saturdays 8:00–5:00

Sundays 8:00–5:00

Here are the Grab & Go's for this weekend:

Shrimp salad sandwich

Chicken salad sandwich

Cheeseburger

Cole slaw

K/C2

