



Under The Rock

September 30, 2016

The Newsletter of the Marblehead Yacht Club

Upcoming MYC Events

Chowder Party, October 15th 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Annual Meeting, November 20th 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Launch Driver Training Course January 14 and 15, 2017

2016 Fall Chowder Party

Saturday October 15th, 4 to 6 pm

Say goodbye to the 2016 boating season and your MYC friends at our annual chowder party

Chowder (Clam, Fish & Corn)
Corn Bread
Various Desserts

\$10 per person / Guest Limit of 75

This is a very popular event
RSVP by Thursday October 13th
to
marbleheadyc@gmail.com
or see Club Manager Bill Kilham at the Club

Please bring your own beverage

Commodore's Comments

As the season winds down, I would like to thank our members and staff for making the 138th year of boating and camaraderie at the MYC so fulfilling and enjoyable. Whether heading out of Marblehead Harbor under Sail, Power or Paddle or "Dining on the Deck", we can all look back on great weather and excellent services provided by MYC Waterfront Staff, Club Manager Bill Kilham and Diamond Catering while looking forward to a few more weeks of boating and activities at the Club.

The Annual Chowder Party, the last social event of the season, will be held on Saturday, October 15th from 4 to 6 pm in the Cliff Room. This event is open to members and their guests and features famous Causeway Restaurant Chowder! Be sure to RSVP Bill Kilham at marbleheadyc@gmail.com by Thursday, October 13th! Thank you to all the hardworking members on the Entertainment Committee for their time and energy this season.

The MYC Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 20th from 1 pm to 3 pm with refreshments following the meeting. This is an informative business meeting pertaining to Club budgets and expenses, committee reports, and membership voting on the new slate of officers for the 2017 season. All members will receive a Meeting Notice and Agenda two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting.

In addition, Boating members will shortly be receiving a request by mail for contribution to the Gratuity Fund for Launch Drivers. Your generous contribution to this fund will serve to reward the great service provided by MYC launch drivers and encourage their return in 2017.

I would like to thank the MYC Board of Directors, Flag Officers, and Members who volunteer countless hours to keep the Club running so well and for their encouragement and friendship during my time as Commodore. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Commodore!

Best Regards,



MYC Membership

With the final figures available September is the best month to compare membership from year to year to view the overall health of the Club. The 2016 Club membership grew by 11 members. MYC welcomed a net 8 new Associate Members representing most of the growth but it is important to note the increase of a net 5 new Active Members reversing the decline of recent years.

2016 Membership		2015 Membership	
Active Members	266	Active Members	261
Life Members	8	Life Members	10
Associate Members	72	Associate Members	64
Total	346	Total	335

Club Manger's Comments

Pardon me, did anyone see where the summer went? It seems like I just set it down right here a minute ago, and now it's gone! I guess time does fly when you're having fun. Not only was the boating superb, but I haven't mowed my lawn in months.

The Waterfront and House both had wonderful seasons this year despite a couple of "plumbing hiccups" which our membership took in true MYC stride and with much appreciated understanding.

Both rooms were rented successfully, as usual, and our good neighborhood relationships continue as well. The new Kayak Rack along the front garnered praise from those using it as well as those viewing it from beyond our Club.

Off season plans for a new, similar yet more functional, gate continue, as well as proposed concrete pier work to be performed by the town. Transmissions will be rebuilt and more wiring upgrades are in the works for our launches.

Once again I am grateful for the support and kindness the Board of Directors and MYC Membership have shown regarding my efforts here at the Marblehead Yacht Club; truly the "Friendliest Club in the Harbor".

See you around the Club.

Bill

Remaining Waterfront Schedule

Sadly, all good things must come to an end, including this great MYC season. Launch service will end on October 10th Columbus Day and the waterfront will be secured the following Monday October 17th. After that date, there will be one of the Club skiffs available for limited use at the town dock until the launches are hauled for the season. To use the skiff please contact Bill Kilham as it will be locked for security.

The remaining schedule:

September 19th to October 9th
Closed Monday and Tuesday
10:00 am to 6:00 pm Wednesday through Sunday

October 10th (Columbus Day)
10:00 am to 6 pm last day of Launch Service

Removing Dinghies. The gangway will be raised for the season Monday October 17th. Dinghies must be removed prior to that date.

All personal property including kayaks must be removed from the club by Nov 1st.

Marine Tech program at Marblehead High School

Do you have a small marine engine that may need general maintenance, i.e. oil change, tune-up or minor repair issues?

Then maybe Marine Tech can help! This year, the Marine Tech program at Marblehead High School has expanded, and we now offer two Marine Tech II classes to our students. Because of this expansion, we can now offer our services beginning this fall, into the winter and early spring.

We are looking for boats or engines that may require minor repairs and/or general maintenance for our Marine Tech students to work on. PLEASE NOTE you will be required to pay for all parts for the repairs, and a minimal equipment usage fee will be charged. Any usage fees will go back into the Marine Tech program and help defray costs for class materials, i.e. tools, etc.

This is a unique opportunity for both you and our students. Students will provide labor and will apply the basic skills they have learned through our program. If you (or someone you know) would like to take advantage of our program, please email John Payne at payne.john@marbleheadschoools.org.

We welcome the opportunity to show you what Marine Tech students have learned in just a short period of time, and would appreciate your consideration!

MYC Launch Operator Licensing Class

MYC is again partnering with Boatwise, a USCG approved marine training organization, to offer a Launch Operators Licensing course on site at Marblehead Yacht Club on the weekend of January 14 and 15. Successful completion of the course meets the requirement for the US Coast Guard examination. Details of the course are available at the [Boatwise website](#). If you are interested and can't attend on the January date, Boatwise offers the same program at other locations and dates on the North Shore.

For members looking for the training and access to part time work in one of the best work environments imaginable this is a golden opportunity. MYC offers a reimbursement program for the course and licensing fees paid out over three years for those who make a commitment to work at MYC. To register and reserve a space contact Boatwise directly at 800-698-7373 or captains@boatwise.com.

MYC Committees

As a largely volunteer club, much of the activity and functions of MYC are handled by active committee members. We all owe a thanks to these members who make things happen. If you are interested in joining one of the groups please contact any of the committee Chairs.

Waterfront Committee

Alan Petersen, Chair	Bill Key
Tom Anderson	Chet Mazer
Paul Mervis	Kevin Neumann
Jack Mace	Tip O'Neil

House Committee

Paul Mervis, Chair	Judy Rawding
Elaine Greer	

Finance Committee

Paul McCauley, Chair	Theo Kuliopulos
Glen Kewley	

Entertainment Committee

Marion McCauley, Co-Chair	Carol Fullerton
Ellen McGrail, Co-Chair	Deborah Gates
Lisa Anderson	Elaine Greer
Karen and Mike Brown	Ed Mackey
Doug Burgess	Carol Neumann
Jeannine Camarda	Tere Nyren
Jack Caunter	Becky Parry
Pat and Dick Charbonnier	Marie and Alan Petersen
Nancy Clemson	Judy Rawding
Tom and Judy Despres	Judy Scrymgeour
Kim Downing	Anne Steadman
Pat Flaherty	Jean and Rufus Titus

Program Committee

Tip O'Neil, Chair	Bill Key
Carol Kent	Bert Williams

Race Committee

Tom Anderson. Chair	Ernie Greer
Bill Betters	Paul Mervis
Jack Caunter	Kevin Neumann
Dave Gardner	John Vigneron

Cruise Committee

Chuck Nyren, Chair	Dick Steadman
Jay Michaud	

Capital Planning Committee

Tom Despres, Chair	Kevin Neuman
Bill Betters	Larry Proulx
Glen Kewley	Bob Zarelli

Communications Committee

Tom Despres, Chair	Stu Newman, Webmaster
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MYC Board of Director Meetings

Meetings of the Marblehead Yacht Club Officers and Directors are held monthly in the Cliff Room at 7:30 on the third Tuesday of each month. MYC is a volunteer Club and these meetings are open to Club members with all invited to attend and participate.

The 2016 Officers and Board of Directors

Officers		
Marion McCauley	Commodore	781-631-7569
Alan Petersen	Vice Commodore	781-631-1362
Paul Mervis	Rear Commodore	781-631-4567
Ellen McGrail	Secretary	781-990-3830
Glen Kewley	Treasurer	617-957-4374
Directors		
Bill Betters		781-631-1013
Tom Despres		781-631-8158
Carol Kent		617-719-3001
Kevin Neumann		781-631-3139
Tip O'Neil		617-842-4752
Staff		
Bill Kilham	Dock Master/Club Manager	781-631-9771
