



Under the Rock

Summer 2021

The Newsletter of the Marblehead Yacht Club

Commodore's Comments

Technically, summer just began on June 20 with the Summer Solstice, but no one told Mother Nature. We have already had a late summerlike heat wave, the sailors among us will tell you the wind has been great, and though sadly none have landed on the deck of my boat, I am told that the stripers are biting.

We have a busy summer planned at the Club. Unfortunately, one of the few rainy days we have had was on Memorial Day when we planned to hold a Bring Your Own Everything social event. Undeterred, we are looking forward to the return of our traditional MYC July Fourth cookout. Great people and good food will make for an enjoyable evening and will take away some of the disappointment over the lack of fireworks. [Buy your tickets soon](#) so you don't miss out!

Please watch for Club emails, website postings and check our

website often as we have many activities planned as we enjoy our first post-Covid summer. To name a few:

- Rear Commodore, David Williams, organized our second annual parking lot clean up on June 26.
- Music on the Deck on Thursday, July 15 in coordination with Diamond Catering. Enjoy dinner at the Club and stay awhile after to enjoy your beverage of choice and mingle with members.
- On Thursday, July 29, in coordination with a skipper's meeting for those participating in the Downeast Challenge, there will be a Steel Pan band playing on the deck between 6 and 9 PM and members are encouraged to come and enjoy.
- On Tuesday, August 10, we will be providing Social Member harbor tours on the MYC launches. Grills will be open.
- Wednesday, August 18, will feature music by the Melody Makers on the deck and grill night. Bring your favorite protein and show off those grilling skills.
- The annual MYC wine tasting will be held on Saturday, September 11 and hosted by Shubies. Always a popular event so watch for details regarding hours and cost.

Too much information to list here. As noted above, please keep an eye out for details on the above and perhaps an additional event of two may pop up.

Before I close, I want to recognize the hard work and dedication of Bill Kilham and his waterfront staff. The season has gotten off to a flawless start and that is not an easy feat. Bill and his team spend countless hours performing often unseen and underappreciated

tasks. When you are at the club, please take a moment to thank Bill and his staff.

See you at the Club,

Bill Keyes
Commodore

Manager's Minit June 2021

Isn't it nice to see people's faces again!

I'd like to thank everyone for the patience and understanding shown during these preceding months. I wish all a full and uneventful boating season this year.

If I may, here are a couple simple notes regarding launch service this year to help things run smoothly. We have a number of new faces in 2021 (both drivers and members) and a quick reminder of radio etiquette will surely benefit us all.

When calling for the launch, please include our name (MYC, Marblehead Yacht Club Launch or whatever is comfortable for you), followed by your boat name and a request for pickup. After you hear our response; we may ask for vessel type and location (again, new faces), please acknowledge or confirm that we've completed the call.

There has been a significant increase in midweek evening/nighttime usage since last spring, and we ask for your patience and perhaps even some lights left on to more readily find your boat after dark. We only run one boat during these hours so there may be a wait if we have to search for you.

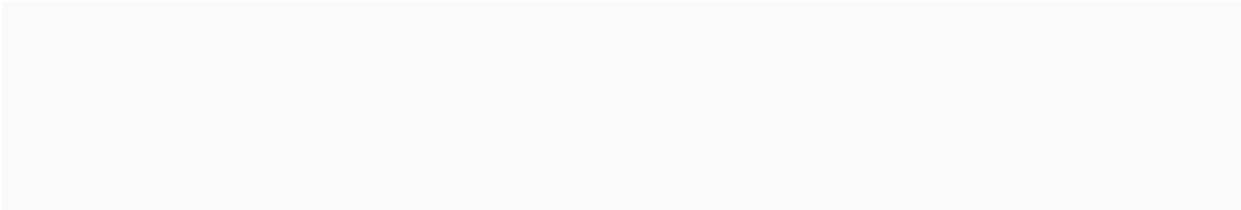
A final request: while it may be calm and peaceful on your boat and you've been quietly enjoying your time afloat, please speak up when calling the launch. No need to shout but be at least loud enough to wake up the cat. Radio traffic on Ch. 71 is way up and of course the joyous member banter on our launches can make it hard to hear quieter calls.

Thanks for listening to my requests and let's all look forward to a great maskless 2021 boating season!

Bill

Fourth of July at MYC

There will be no fireworks this year but there will be a party.





HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!



COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

JOIN US AT THE MARBLEHEAD YACHT CLUB FOR A CELEBRATION!

5PM-7PM

\$20 PER HEAD

HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, BBQ CHICKEN, SAUSAGE PEPPERS AND ONIONS,

POTATO SALAD, PASTA SALAD, GARDEN SALAD

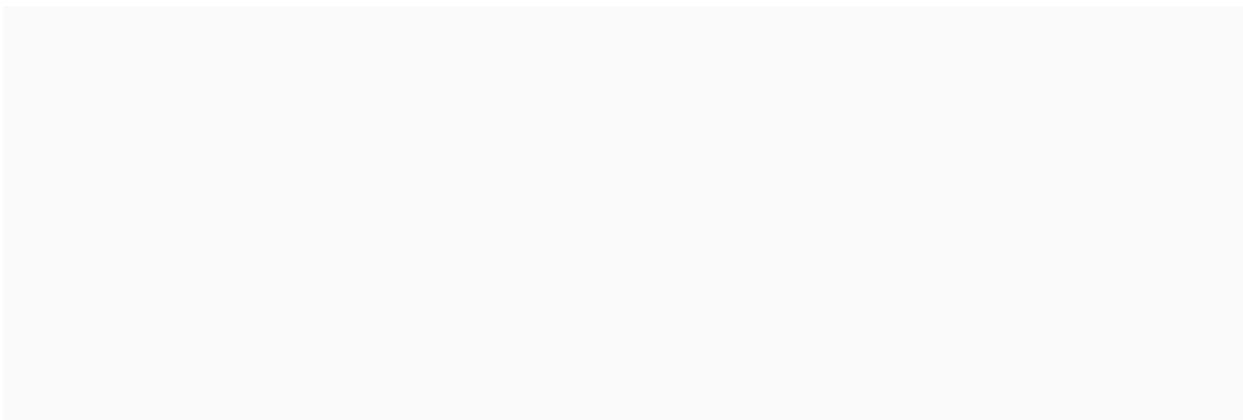


TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM YOUR SERVER DURING REGULAR GALLEY HOURS
OR BY CALLING KIM AT 781-589-7113 BEFORE WEDNESDAY JUNE 30TH.
MYC CARDS CAN NOT BE USED TO PURCHASE TICKETS



Parking Lot Clean-up

A BIG thank you to the 2021 Clean-up Crew:





Standing: Bill Sert, David Graham, Ken Steadman, Mike Keating, Will Sirois, Bob Dibbs, Gary Siden, Vice Commodore Jane Clayton, Paige Driscoll. Seated: Peggy Farrell and Charlene Tyler. Not pictured Al Doherty and Rear Commodore David Williams.

MYC Membership

With new member applications coming in, reporting an accurate count of MYC membership is a nice challenge. Based on the latest figures from Membership Chair, Charlie Maney, the latest count is 253 Boating members and 65 Social members for a total

MYC membership of 318.

Welcome aboard to our newest MYC Members!

Boating Members

Mathew Antonello

Mark Bucknam

Neal Cohen

Kathleen Corrigan

Douglas Doben

Daniel Evans

Tyler Gelineau

Peder Hamilton

Robert J. Maerz Jr.

Nicholas Michaud

Barry Nichols

Fred W. Russell III

John Seaver

Paul Williams

Social Members

Kate Barry

Alexandria Marie King

Julie Matuschak

Marcelo Pereira DaSilva

Liz & Dave Roache

Scott Smith

MYC Regattas

This season MYC will host what have become our 2 traditional events, the Clemson Chase Race and the Downeast Challenge as well the Baker's Island Time Trial.

Baker's Island Time Trial: June 1 – Labor Day

This is a great way to add some fun to a daysail around Baker's Island. It is a self-timed 'Round the Island' style race. You sail a predetermined course, at your convenience, and record your own

start and finish times to post on Regattaman. It can be run at any time during the specified period...you pick the day, wind, tide conditions, crew and beer. More information and registration is available [here](#).

Downeast Challenge: July 30

This is a 100 mile overnight race from Marblehead, MA to Boothbay Harbor, ME for Spinnaker, Jib & Main, and Shorthanded classes. In the past few years it has become one of the largest shorthanded races in New England. It starts off with a skipper's meeting and great party on the MYC Deck and after sailing all night ends with another party in Boothbay Harbor. Registration and additional information are available on [Regattaman](#).

Clemson Chase Race: August 29th

The Clemson Chase Race rounds out our racing season with a fun, low key event for captains who have little or no racing experience, as well as seasoned racers. Each boat is given its own starting time to eliminate the crowding at the starting line. The slowest handicap boats go first, and the faster boats go later. The object is for faster and slower boats to finish at about the same time to join the after race party at MYC. Check [Regattaman](#) for more information and registration.

MYC Merchandise

With access to the clubhouse we can resume the sale of MYC clothing and gear.

The photo displays some of the options available to show your MYC colors. Watch for emails and notices of times when the ship's store will be open.



An assortment of clothing items will be available for purchase at MYC social events. Members may also call or text Alan/Marie Petersen at 781-248-4845 or email alreepetersen@verizon.net to arrange a convenient time to meet at the clubhouse to check out our clothing items and select what you would like. In addition, we are always looking for new items to offer. Please feel free to communicate your suggestions

for new clothing items you think might be popular and we will look into adding new selections to our inventory!

MYC History Committee

Boat Photos and Stories Wanted for MYC Book

The MYC History Committee is preparing to publish the MYC history book. Included will be a section with member boat photos with the goal of including a picture of as many current 2021 MYC boats as possible. To have your boat included and to help defray the publishing expense the cost per boat picture is \$20.



We are also looking for your favorite MYC story. Please email your short story to jmurray97@yahoo.com and include the member name, boat name and boat type. Call John Murray with any questions stories at 781-632-8828.

For your boat pictures mail the \$20 check payable to "Marblehead Yacht Club" to MYC, PO Box 943, Marblehead, MA 01945.

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