



Manchester Yacht Club • July 2003

Announcements

Upcoming Events and Dates to Note

Commodore's Notes

Spring is officially over, but did it ever really begin? Despite the dismal weather, the 2003 season is off to an excellent start.

On June 12, approximately 150 Members and guests from the Essex County Club enjoyed a lobster bake and historic tour of Manchester harbor narrated by Dan Senecal and Reg Foster. The participants in this event toured the harbor in *Carl V. Magee* and *Henry E. Hall*, launches named after two gentlemen who watched over the harbor for most of the 20th century. Thanks to David Martz and the Entertainment Committee for organizing this new and obviously popular event.

The Cruising Committee, having organized the Peddocks Island cruise, is completing preparations for the Maine cruise in August. You should have received a special mailing describing the various events on the cruise. Thanks to John Kiley and the Cruising Committee for organizing what promises to be a memorable adventure.

In an attempt to increase participation by Manchester boats in the Patton Bowl, the Manchester Yacht Club Canvas Class sailed on Saturday, thereby permitting boats to participate Sunday in the PHRF racing. Thanks to Race Committee Chair Bill Barton for organizing this weekend of racing.

As you can see from the numerous mailings you have received in recent months, the Membership Committee has been extremely active this Spring and is continuing to review applications for membership. If you have a candidate in mind, please contact Membership Committee Chair Alex Felton.

The activities described above require considerable time and effort throughout the year on the part of the members of the various Committees. I encourage Members who would like to become more involved in a specific area of the Club to contact the appropriate Committee Chair and offer to help out. The telephone numbers of the Committee Chairs are listed on the bulletin board in the entry way to the Club. Volunteers are always welcome.

I hope that the absence of weekend sunshine during the Spring that never was means that we can expect nothing but weekend sunshine throughout the Summer to come.

Enjoy the season on the water and at the Club.

Peter B. Tarr,
Commodore

Clubhouse Notes

New Outer Float

Thanks to the generous donation of Ray and Dawna Ozzie, we will be installing an additional float attached to the outer float on the southern end of the channel. This 40' by 12' timbered float should accommodate at least one additional yacht, some times two - for access to the club and facilities. This should ease the congestion at the floats during busy race days and weekends.

Jack and David are procuring the necessary chain and irons to make the float extension secure and safe. The float was built by Crocker's Boat Yard, and of the high quality we have come to expect from Crocker's.

The float was approved as an extension of our existing permit by the Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Coastal Zone Management and the Manchester Harbormaster.

Installation should be complete by the Crocker Race.

Safety Ladders

We will also be installing safety swim ladders on each end of the outer floats. These are to be used only in emergencies should someone go overboard accidentally. The NO SWIMMING rule will still be in force for safety reasons.

Cruising Canvas News



Memorial Day Race - Finally held on June 7th. Seven boats were on the line in light winds and rain squalls. Blitzen blitzed the fleet, hotly pursued by Incentive with Skagerack taking third.

RACING

Results:

Tiller Trophy:

The Tiller Trophy was sailed on June 15 with Alden Winder, Casey Thomas and Kyler Hamilton sailing for the Junior Team and Sam Philbrick, John Winder, Schuyler Glidden, Steve Hamilton and Charlie Thomas racing for the Seniors. Winds were light and full moon currents strong in the harbor, making for challenging sailing in the Optimist dinghies. The final match race was between Kyler Hamilton and Charlie Thomas. In the end, Kyler won for the Juniors and Charlie was runner up for the Seniors.

MYC Spring Cruising Canvas:

Ten boats started the Spring Cruising Canvas Race on June 21. In the end, Carl Doane took first place in Incentive in a light air race of about ten miles with an average boat speed of just over 3 knots. Brian Owen placed second in Blitzen and Jack Bishop finished third. Check the Club's web site for full results.

Patton Bowl:

This year the Patton Bowl saw an increase in participation with 28 entrants for the two race series sailed on June 22. Winds gusted to 28 knots and rain showers and building seas made the event a challenging competition for all. Several boats retired from the second race, some due to gear failure in the heavy winds. MYC boats took silver with Steve Kasnet's Skagerrak finishing second in the Cruising Division and Tom Townsend's Windslipper taking third. Other racers representing the MYC included Cilista, Family Affair, Narada, Incentive, Frolic and Blitzen. Full results are available online at www.manchesteryachtclub.org.

Coming Events:

Spring One Design – Day One Sunday – June 29, 2003 at 1300

Get your Megabyte, Rhodes, Optimist or 420 to the outer harbor for the start of the racing season! The Spring One Design Series begins on June 29 with other race days on July 13 and 27. Laughter and on-the-water camaraderie prevail, but you never know who might win. For any class with two or more boats on the line, Trident will run a start. Sailing Instructions are available before hand at the Club; these include starting sequences and courses. Come out and sail fast!

Spring One Design – Day Two Sunday - July 13, 2003 at 1300

The series continues with another day of racing in the outer harbor for all one-design classes.

Crocker Memorial Race Saturday - July 19, 2003 at 1030

There is still time! Sign up now for the Crocker Memorial Race, one of Mass Bay's most popular competitions. Crocker Race Chairman, Carl Doane, and his Committee have planned another great day on the water. This is one race where everybody seems to turn out in boats new and old. It is a pursuit style race that creates excitement because the staggered start means the first boat across the line wins it all! History shows that anything from a Rhodes 19 to a forty-foot ocean racer stands an equal chance of winning. Set the date aside for racing and a great awards party back at the MYC. End the day with the MYC's Hot Summer Night's Dance at 1900

**Spring One Design – Day Three
Sunday – July 27, 2003 at 1300**

If you don't race, you can't get a prize. Join the growing fleets of Rhodes and Megabytes for racing in the outer harbor.

**Vaughan Trophy - Jr. vs. Sr.
Sunday – August 3, 2003 at 1300**

Sailed in Rhodes 19s, this is another opportunity for young and old to battle it out on the race course. Sign up early by contacting Bill Barton at race@manchesteryachtclub.org or 781-820-3267. The Juniors won the Tiller Trophy this spring, who will win the Vaughan Trophy. It is always lots of fun, laughs and feisty competition. So, get out and race!

Other Racing in Mass Bay:

Date	Event	Club	Contact
Jul 4	EYC Annual Regatta	EYC	Jack Wells 781-631-7307
Jul 18 – 19	Beringer Bowl Overnight Race	BYC	Geoff Smith 508-358-7542
Jul 21 - 23	Marblehead Race Week – Juniors		www.mheadrace.org
Jul 24 – 27	Marblehead Race Week – Seniors		www.mheadrace.org
Jul 26 –27	Downeast Challenge (Gloucester to Rockland)		fschmid@crystalsystems.com

Entertainment Committee

Lobster Bake / Harbor Tour



During the chilly months of last winter, the seeds of a potential Yacht Club event began to take root in Dan Senecal's mind. At the year's first Entertainment Committee Meeting, Dan put forth the idea of a joint MYC, Essex County Club event which would include an Inner Harbor Tour. We decided to combine it with a return of last year's very successful Lobster Bake.



By all accounts, the evening was a huge success. The fickle weather cooperated beautifully while Dan and Reg Foster presided over seven individual harbor tours in the club's two new launches. The tours lasted over thirty minutes each and by evening's end, over 150 people had been given the grand *Inner Harbor Tour*. Dan's exhaustive historical research and ensured that everyone learned something new. Special thanks to Ron, Kate and George for driving the launches and navigating the crowded harbor well past dark.

For those who missed the event, David Martz made an audio tape of Dan Senecal's presentation while Heather Dalton took a video of Reg Foster's tour. These will be made available in the library for those who are interested in seeing what they missed.

And yes, the Steamers, Lobster and steaks were terrific. Everyone seemed thoroughly fed and well-watered by evening's end. Sincere thanks go to Sue Geer and Heather Dalton for coordinating this successful event. No doubt, there will be significant demand for an outer Harbor tour next year.

Upcoming Events

Friday, July 4th 1700 Hrs. Independence Day Barbeque

With a return of Tennessee's BBQ. If you are not familiar with Tennessee's, you are in for a treat. They will provide mouth-watering, finger-licking good smoked Memphis ribs, BBQ chicken, cornbread, watermelon, and other BBQ favorites. Draft beer will be provided at no extra cost, while it lasts. The BBQ starts at 1700 hours, and reservations are required. The price is \$24 per person.

Saturday, July 19th 2000 Hrs. (please note the time change) Hot Summer Nights Dance

A new MYC Event for 2003

Get a latitude attitude, grab your friends and come join the fun at the club on Saturday, July 19th for the Hot Summer Night's Dance. A Caribbean setting, island nibbles, JJ's famous rum punch, Mercury brews and the legendary Brian Maes Band.

Come join us after the Crocker Race whether you are celebrating a victory or drowning a defeat it's sure to be a good time. Come at 8:00 and rock the dock till 11:00 pm. Tickets are \$20. Guests and non-members (especially all Crocker Racers!) are welcome and encouraged to come join the party!

From The Boston Herald "Veteran North Shore singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Brian Maes came to fame in the '90s with Boston's Brad Delp and ex-Bostonian Barry Goudreau in RTZ, a band that also featured several members of Maes' current aggregation. Brian has been a key man in the Boston rock scene for years."

Thursday, July 31st 1830 Hrs. Dinner-by-the-Sea - Catered by The Grapevine Restaurant of Salem

According to Zagats 2000 Restaurant Guide, The Grapevine is "Hands down one of the best on the North Shore – this chic Salem gem may be in the 'burbs but it's the equal of many high-priced Boston spots"

**Sunday, August 24th 1830 Hrs.
Dinner-by-the-Sea - Catered by Ipswich's Stone Soup**

This dinner features a return of last year's very popular dinner with Stone Soup. Reservations will be limited to 96 members, and we expect to have a waiting list. There will be reserved/assigned seating. We will have a cash bar and wine available, but members are welcome to bring their own wine or cocktails. For this dinner we also expect to have a choice of two entrees, and two appetizers.

9/20/2003 Late Summer Dance - Details to Come

Cruising Committee News

July Events

Power Fleet Whale Watch, July 12, 1:00

This is a new event at MYC. Vessels representing MYC's mighty power fleet will be embarking those members interested in seeing whales puffing and jumping about on Stellwagen Bank. This will be an extremely popular event. If you are interested, sign up *early* at the Yacht Club. This is going to be an extremely popular opportunity to see those diesels in operation. For those sailors who are curious about how a powerboat works, this is a great chance to see life at 15 knots. For more information, contact Chris Abbott who is coordinating this event.

Final Reminder, Summer Cruise Ahead August 2-13

If you have not advised Peter or Betsy Madsen or John Kiley of your intention to join the cruise, please note the deadline for registration is July 1. In addition, if you want crew or want to offer yourself as crew, please give your name to Peter or Betsy Madsen.

Events for July 2003

Date	Time	Event	Committee
Fri, Jul 4	1700	Independence Day Barbeque	Entertainment
Sat, Jul 5	0900	MSA Saturday Morning Sail	MSA
Mon, Jul 7		MSA Second Session Starts	MSA
Fri, Jul 11	1300	Ladies Sailing Program begins	
Fri, Jul 11	1300	MSA Junior Race Series	MSA
Sat, Jul 12	0800	Commodore's Breakfast	Entertainment
Sat, Jul 12	0900	MSA Saturday Morning Sail	MSA
Sat, Jul 12	1300	Power Fleet Whalewatch	Cruising
Sun, Jul 13	1300	Spring One Design: Day 2	Racing
Fri, Jul 18	1300	MSA Junior Race Series	MSA
Sat, Jul 19	0900	MSA Saturday Morning Sail	MSA
Sat, Jul 19	1030	Crocker Memorial Race	Racing
Sat, Jul 19	1900	Hot Summer Night's Dance	Entertainment
Mon, Jul 21		Marblehead Race Week - Junior Division	
Thu, Jul 24		Marblehead Race Week - Sr. Division and Offshore	
Fri, Jul 25		MSA Misery Island Day	MSA
Fri, Jul 25	1300	MSA Junior Race Series	MSA
Sat, Jul 26	0900	MSA Saturday Morning Sail	MSA
Sun, Jul 27	1300	Spring One Design: Day 3	Racing
Mon, Jul 28		MSA Third Session Starts	MSA
Thu, Jul 31	1830	Catered Dinner - Dinner-by-the-Sea #1	Entertainment

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