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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

Our new website has been quietly running in the cloud while we populate it with information, forms and pictures. Trustee Jim Walsh has been spending a lot of time on getting everything ready, working with each section of the club to add calendar items, sign-up forms and photos. Our website will be the same mryc.org as it has always been.

We will make the transition this month, and turn on the additional features of the club management software in steps.

One of the first items will be the Upper Deck bar point of sale system. You may have seen this system in operation at Lavalette YC, Normandy Beach etc. It is similar to the new airport ordering systems in which you order a drink from the tablet or your phone and the bartender prepares it in the order received and serves you. It will take a few moments to learn, but will benefit members and accounting by insuring the tabs are accurate.

The new club management and website software has more nice features that we can add on over time, such as interest forums, surveys, bill payment and much more.

Tricia Surdovel Commodore

CELEBRATING THE GREEN AT THE UPPER DECK





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JAYNE DROGE, EDITOR Email all information, articles, and flyers to: office@mryc.org



March 25, 1999

Dear Skipper:

I was asked by Commodore Dave Kuykendall to write a short history about auxiliary sailing at the Manasquan River Yacht Club. This year the Tri-Sail Regatta is celebrating it's 20th year and an auxiliary sailing history of each club involved, Manasquan, Bay Head, Metedeconk and Toms River, will be included.

Those of us that lived those years will enjoy remembering, and the younger skippers should enjoy learning how we started.

Thanks to Howard Wright and Al Bessemer for their recollections and to the crew of Wizard for faithfully keeping our yacht's log for twenty five years.

See you sailing,

Michael Heinrich

Past Commodore, Fleet Captain

The history of boating at Manasquan River Yacht Club dates back 100 years. At the turn of the century cat rigged sailboats and power boats were raced from the club. In 1907 club member Bart Pearce's Dixie captured the Hannsworth International speed boat trophy from a Briton. The fastest speed boat in the world in a breath taking speed of 43 miles per hour. He successfully defended the cup in 1908. In 1910 Clinton Fisk sailing Phantom and Albert Ellis sailing Ariel retired the Tiffany tooled Challenge Cup from the Belmar Yacht Club. The local interest in this series, that had started in 1906 was great. A quote from the New York Times described the event, "The shores of the Manasquan River were lined with people." The Challenge Cup will be retired in 1999.

Today the club races fleets of Optimists, Lasers, M-Scows, Blue Jays and the unique Manasquan River Pram.

For several years members were required to travel to race their auxiliaries. The only local ocean race was the annual Bay Head Race.

Club sponsored ocean auxiliary racing did not start until 1973. It was organized by owners that established their own performance rating systems. Discussions, usually supported by liberal libations, comparing various boat speeds were held. "Your boat is ten seconds faster than mine and I'm fifteen seconds faster than etc."

The first race was sailed off Manasquan inlet. It was decided that a triangular course would be set with a windward mark four miles off shore. These were the days before aids like loran were common. The committee asked how they should measure four miles. "When you can see the boardwalk, but you can't see the sand, drop the mark." The winning boat in the ten boat fleet was a converted lifeboat, the Dolphine sailed by Al Bessemer.

In 1975, supported by the discovery of the Atlantic handicap racing fleet organization, racing as we know it today was started.

The first ocean trophy race was the Wardell Memorial Trophy Race. On June 14, 1975 the fleet sailed out of Manasquan inlet at 9:00 AM into a pea soup fog. There was a fine breeze, 10 knots from the southeast, however visibility was zero. At 11:00 AM with no clearing forecast, the race was postponed. It was rescheduled and sailed on September 6th. Eighteen boats started under spinnaker from the inlet to the Shark River. They finished back at Manasquan, most under double reef. The winner was Al Bessemer's American Jane.

The following year a full series was established with two additional trophy races. Twenty one boats sailed the first Heinrich Race on July 24th. Al Bessemer's American Jane again was the winner. Sixteen boats sailed the first Bessemer Race with Howard Wright's Ziggurat, the winner.

The first John Rodgers Memorial Commodore's Cup overnight race was sailed in September 1977. The pre-published course was 52 miles, Manasquan inlet to the inner Barnegat inlet buoy then offshore to the Barnegat ship lane buoy and back to Manasquan. Fifteen boats started in light northeast air under spinnakers south to Barnegat at 7:00 PM. During the night the wind increased to 20 knots. The beat back was cold and sloppy under reefed main and small jibs. Howard Wright's Ziggurat was the winner. The race was especially interesting for the crew of Wizard. She lost a hull fitting off Barnegat and sailed home with the crew pumping. In recent years this race has been sailed at night between the Manasquan and Shark River inlets.

In 1980 Manasquan joined with Bay Head Yacht Club to form the Bay/Man race weekend. In 1981 the Kettelar, Mixson and Chargette races were added to the schedule.

Some of the early boats were Dave Masey's Cricket, Harry Wardell's Highlife, John Wardell's Phantom, Al Bessemer's Dolphine and America!). Jane, Howard Wright's Ziggurat, Mike Heinrich's Wizard, Grand Dame sailed by Tom Dames and Carl Weidman and Bob Bossett's Bodacious.

Over time these owners were joined by Bob Beavis in Green Machine, Rich Halajian's Chargette, Wayne Patterson's Family Affair, Pete Kettelar's Dutch Treat, Ken Dimon's Sweet Air, Harry Wardell and Jim Dunn sailing Sabrella, Bob Warren's Aubrey Burr, Al Robert's Griffin, Dave McFadden's John B, Don Shield's Pandora, Mike Mixson's Shadowfax and Hot Tub, Tri Star owned by Patterson, Bessemer and Doug Calhoune and Force Ten owned by the Beavis syndicate.

The present fleet lists Wizzard, Ziggurat, and Griffen along with Courageous, Ned Thomson's Merlin, Rick Zimmerman's Invictus, Win Miller's Alley Cat and Purple Haze, Jim Walsh and Dave Cook's replacement for Killer B.



REGATTA NEWS

Whew! Winter still had a hold on us for the March and April Pram Races. Despite the chilly weather and crazy wind, we had plenty of competition! Will Kernan's "For Sail" is still in the lead. Greg Hart's "Red Rum" is solidly in second place but Sharon Borgatti's "Almost Perfect" is a close third. The last Pram race is April 22nd with dinner to follow. Come down to the club around 1:00 p.m. to jump on a patrol boat if you'd like a ring side seat for the races. Sign up on Friday by 10:00 a.m., if you'd like to come to dinner.

Look for e-mails that include Sunday's menu, or check the MRYC web site. Pram Series meals are \$10.00 per person, cash/club bar,



contact Jayne at office@mryc.org to sign up or Sharon Borgatti at scborgatti@gmail.com for more information.

Pram Dinner: Sunday, April 22nd 3:30-5:00 p.m. Hope to see you!

> Sharon Borgatti Rear Commodore

Sharon Borgatti, RC | scborgatti@gmail.com | 908-403-3641

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2018 MRYC - ADULT LEARN TO SAIL PROGRAM

What: A sailing program for MRYC adult members to introduce sailing basics. The program will include land sessions, but unless notified in advance, all participants should be prepared to be on the water with a proper life vest and footwear. Participants will receive printed material to help facilitate the program and some light homework/study will be expected prior to lessons each week.

MRYC members who enroll in the program may request to enroll a non-member friend into the program as their guest. That request should be sent by the club member to Chuck Drawbaugh and copy Jayne at the club office. Guest acceptance will be based on availability after member registrants and is limited to one season of the program. (The member must accompany their guest at each session.)

While club boats are available, you will be asked if you own your own boat during registration. For best results, we encourage all who are interested to consider their ability to make at least 50% of the lesson dates before registering.

When: The program will begin on Wednesday May 30 (Land session) and run through the summer on Wednesday afternoon/evening. In the first week there will be an additional Friday capsize recovery and rigging class for new sailors, plus a Friday class for all in the second week. The Tentative Schedule below may be modified to some degree to better conform to the availability of the participants and depending on time of high tide each week. (The goal will be to start no earlier than 5 p.m. and no later than 6 p.m.)

Tentative Schedule:

Wed.	May 30	7:00 pm	Land Session
Fri.	June 1	5:30 pm	Tip & Swim, Rigging
Wed.	June 6	5:30 pm	
Fri.	June 8	5:30 pm	
Wed.	June 20	5:30 pm	
Wed.	June 27	5:30 pm	
Wed.	July 11	5:30 pm	
Wed.	July 25	5:30 pm	
Wed.	Aug. 8	5:30 pm	
Wed.	Aug. 22	5:30 pm	
Fri.	Sept. 7	5:00 pm	Graduation Regatta

Fees:

MRYC members: \$80 (Billed to member's account)

Guests: \$160 (Billed to member's account)

Contacts: Chuck Drawbaugh: 732-757-5871 or

Chuck@collegefundingassociates.com

Other Information: The Adult Sailing page is a sub-menu of the Sailing page. Online registration is available at http://www.mryc.org/Sailing/2016AdultSailing/tabid/460/Default.aspx

Registration deadline is May 15.



Past Commodores Keith Kernan and Rob Zilai, Deb Zilai and Peter Brown welcome the addition of the MRYC Golf Cart.

DOCK LINES

Dock & Harbor would like to "Welcome Aboard" a new addition to the club. D&H purchased a Utility Cart to help with the everyday chores around our property. The Cart is a 2005 reconditioned Club Car Golf Cart.

The primary purpose of the cart is to help move boats and trailers. Our staff will also use the cart for setting up for parties and special events. Jr. Sailing can use the cart to re-position trailers and equipment. The cart will also be available to members with a drivers license.

The golf cart will be kept in the Bluffs garage. A key to the door is available from Joe Amoroso, House Manager.

> Eddie Flynn Fleet Captain

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MRYC SWIM COACH

Tripper Brannick has informed us that he has accepted a teaching position and will not be returning to MRYC.

We want to thank him for his 16 years of service.

He always managed to excite, motivate and teach our swimmers. We wish him well in his new endeavor.

Lauren Ianniello is our new Swim Coach. A former Brick High School Varsity swim coach, as well as the Swim Coach for 20 years of the Brick Recreation team (who swim against MRYC).

Lauren is a Brick High School counselor, an Adjunct Professor at Kean University and holds a Masters degree in Counselor Education.

We want to welcome her to MRYC, and believe she will be a great asset to the club.

Brian Hart MRYC Pool Trustee



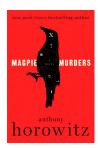






EGG HUNT AND BRUNCH

On Sunday March 25th we braved the snow and had our Egg Hunt outside after a great visit from the Bunny! The kids greeted the Bunny with tons of hugs! A great day had by all! Thank you to all those who attended! Special thank you to Brian Hart for driving our Bunny in by boat! The kids eyes light up when they see him coming down the river!



BOOK CLUB

Magpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz is our book club selection for May. We meet on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. We eat and drink great food and talk about amazing books. If you would like more information contact Sharon Borgatti at scborgatti@gmail.com.

BLAST FROM THE PAST



Al Bjorsted in light blue sweat jacket



Joe Schaad, Mr. Hakim in blue shirt, Mike Mixon with the beard, Hank Trost in red collard shirt, Mel Wood in the striped shirt, and Frank Delaney on the right.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Please welcome new members ...

Charlie & Jessica Tice Matthew & Tara Kinsey Rob & Meghan Kinsky

Paul & Karen Beavis

Mark your calendars for New Member Orientation Day on Sunday, May 20th 3-5 p.m. and stay tuned for more info on this important day for our new members.

LOCKERS & SUP RACKS AVAILABLE

Contact Jayne in the office to reserve!





Spring Fling Dance Party

With DJ Jersey Joe

When: Thursday May10th Time: 6:00-7:30 pm

> Ages: 3-10 Guests Welcome \$8 per person

RSVP by May 6th Jessica Booth 412-874-6087 (text is fine)





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Please join us on **Saturday, May 26th** for our

Spring Cocktail Party & Dinner

Cocktail party starts at 5:00 p.m.

No charge for the Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres.

Members only Event



Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

hosted by the Tennis Committee

\$40.00 per person - Complete dinner with Cash Bar

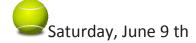
<u>Dinner Reservations are required</u>

Please R.S.V.P for dinner by May 19th to Jayne at 732-528-MRYC or office@mryc.org

Adult members only



WOMEN'S DOUBLES DERBY







First 24 members to sign up will play

RSVP: Chris Bryant or Stacey Landfried

(by June 6TH) 732-492-1466 / 732-674-6198

Breakfast, Lunch and Beverages Served!!

Always a FUN MRYC event !!





TENNIS TUNE UP DAY

Saturday, May 12th
at 9am
Coffee and Light Breakfast
\$5.00



Join us for some fun social tennis!



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TENNIS TOURNAMENT DRAW PARTY

Friday, June 8th at 5pm

Meet us at the Tennis Courts

Snacks, Beer and Wine

Play some tennis and find out the

2017 Tournament Draw



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MRYC Boatique

Did you know you can order MRYC apparel any time of the year? Just email the office for information. And, the ON-LINE MRYC Team stores will open soon.....stay tuned!

Hoodie Sweatshirts	\$35	
Long Sleeve t-shirts	\$22	
Vests (S-XL) (XXL-XXXL \$45)	\$40	
Visors	\$20	
Baseball Caps	\$20	
MRYC Socks	\$10	
Car Burgees	\$12	
Notecards (5 pack)	\$10	
Coozies	\$2	





Cordially Invites

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS ALONG WITH THEIR SPONSORS AND REFERENCES
TO MRYC ORIENTATION

Join Us

SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2018 3:00-5:00PM

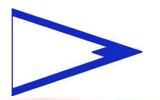
FOR A TOUR OF THE GROUNDS, AND OPPORTUNITY TO MEET REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DIFFERENT COMMITTEES INCLUDING POOL, TENNIS AND SAILING.



LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.
PLEASE RSVP TO JAYNE AT 732-528-6792 OR
BY EMAIL OFFICE@MRYC.ORG BY MAY 16TH.



Ahoy there....All parents of MRYC sailors.



Important Reminder!!!
Sailors' Parent's meeting.

Thursday, April 26th @ 7:00 pm.
Please mark your calendars.

Need to finalize head count, review schedules, and assign sailors to their proper group.

Questions?

Please contact Christine Laufer

Tel: 732-232-4409

Juniorsailing@MRYC.org