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MARBLEHEAD YACHT CLUB

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## CHANGE TO LAUNCH SCHEDULE

Launch service will move to the Fall Schedule starting

Tuesday September 3<sup>rd</sup>

Launch Hours

10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

See page 3 and the website for additional details

## COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup>

LAST DAY OF LAUNCH  
SERVICE

OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup>

WATERFRONT CLOSES  
FOR THE SEASON

NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> 1:00 P.M.

ANNUAL MEETING



### FACEBOOK GROUP

Yes, you can join our Facebook group to post photos and memories, and see what's happening at the club. Go to [www.marbleheadyc.org](http://www.marbleheadyc.org) for the link.

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# COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

September 6th

I can't believe it is September. After all the heat in July, to wake up this morning to almost frost conditions, gets everyone thinking about great fall sailing, fishing, and sitting on the deck. That gas fireplace in the Cliff Room just might come in handy to take the chill out of the air while watching a Pat's game. At the August Board of Directors' meeting, we finally voted on an operating budget and capital improvement budget. I was surprised to learn that there had never been a budget as long as anyone I talked to remembers. Scrupulously tracking the income and expenses over the past two years provided great insight to establish this working budget. What we have learned is that we are in need of some capital improvements to the launches and to the building. We are replacing the rotted windows on the third floor this fall with some funding help from the Harbormaster's office (our landlord) and next need to replace the rotted sliders on the second floor. This will stop the water infiltration we have been experiencing. We are looking at a schedule of completely overhauling the launches one by one over the next few years. This work is necessary to maintain operating costs and continue delivering great service and will need to be funded. The Finance Committee will be making recommendations of how to fund the capital improvements at our next board meeting on Tuesday September 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. All members are welcome to attend. An actual vote on these expenditures will occur at our annual members' meeting scheduled for Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. Last month we also elected a nominating committee consisting of Brian Schanning, Jack Caunter, and Neal Johnson. Their role is to put together a slate of officers and directors for election at our Annual Meeting. If you are interested in serving or have suggestions, please talk to these gentlemen.

Have a great September and don't forget to thank this year's waterfront team with a compliment and contribution to the MYC Gratuity fund this fall.

Kevin

## MYC Committees and Members as of September 1<sup>ST</sup>

### Communications Committee

Chuck Mara, Chair  
Tom Despres (newsletter)  
Stu Newman (webmaster)

### Entertainment Committee

Kevin Neumann, Chair  
Barb and John Capellotti  
Nancy and Newt Clemson  
Steve Dugas  
Deborah Gates  
Elaine Greer  
Carol Neumann  
Judy Rawding  
Anne Steadman  
Jean and Rufus Titus  
Bert Williams

### Financial Advisory Committee

Paul McCauley, Chair  
Chris Booth  
Theo Kuliopulos  
Calvin Powers, Treasurer

### House Committee

Tom Despres, Chair  
Kevin Neumann  
Marion McCauley  
Judy Rawding

### Membership Committee

Marion McCauley, Chair  
Sandra Barry  
Karen Brown  
Donald Cahoon

### Race Committee

Bill Betters, Jr. Chair  
Tom Anderson  
Kevin Neumann  
Fred Schmidt

### Waterfront Committee

Bill Betters Jr. Chair  
Rick Cuzner  
Neal Johnson  
Jack Mace  
Chuck Nyren  
Don Stubbs

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## CLUB MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Greetings,

It hardly seems possible that the Labor Day weekend is upon us already, but time does fly when you're having fun. Some of the best boating of the season can occur during the cool uncrowded days of September, when the water is still relatively warm and we're not quite so worried about washing the boat every time it gets used. With shorter days ahead I would ask all to review the fall launch hours to ensure that there are no unwanted surprises regarding service to and from your boats. As always the MYC Launch Schedule can be found on our website and posted at the Dockhouse.

With the majority of the 2013 summer boating season behind us, it's time to start thinking about boisterous autumn weather and the preparations it calls for. We all know that this time of year, a few weeks can slip by without getting out on the boat; so button her up well each time you leave and we'll all sleep better for it.

Looking back on the busy summer months, I can't thank our drivers enough for the help they've given me in this transitional first year of mine. I have relied heavily on their knowledge of the MYC policies, practices and membership to provide the services this club deserves. Without their support, I feel my job at the MYC would have been much more difficult. I hope everyone appreciates their efforts as much as I do and here's to hoping we get them back next season.

Hopefully we will be able to get some serious work done before next season on the launches, gangway and clubhouse, so stay tuned for news from your Committees on those projects as they arise.

See you on the deck,

Bill

### FALL LAUNCH SCHEDULE

#### SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> TO SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>

10:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

8:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

#### SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> TO OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>

CLOSED MONDAY AND TUESDAY

10:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY

#### OCTOBER 14 COLUMBUS DAY, FINAL DAY

10:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

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**The Galley closes Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Open with regular season hours until then.**

**Thursday from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.**

**Fridays from 4:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.**

**Saturdays 8:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.**

**Sundays 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.**

**End of Season Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Potluck Specials with a limited menu for our closing weekend  
Saturday and Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Early Bird Specials: 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Fridays and Saturdays**

Thanks to the Galley staff: Kim, Christine, Haley, Taylor, Robin, Gabby, Colleen, Seth and Kerry for a great season and service. You are all part of what makes Marblehead Yacht Club special.

# WATERFRONT COMMITTEE REPORT

## ***Thank You, Waterfront Staff!***

As the season begins to wind down, the committee would like to express our appreciation to our launch drivers: Chris Foley, Steve Lalond, Megan McCauley, Liam O'Keefe, Doug O'Leary, Jake Waldman, and Dan Walsh-Rogowski. Each of our drivers contributed to make this boating season enjoyable and effortless. They have consistently answered the bell to assist Dock Manager Bill Kilham with seamless maintenance and operation of the launches, safe and efficient transit through the harbor, and have provided courteous service to all. For that we thank you, and sincerely hope that we will be seeing you back at the club next season. But if the winds of change send you off, we wish you the very best in your future endeavors.

We also ask that the boating members remember the ***Launch Drivers Gratuity Fund***. Our drivers work for a modest wage and it is our desire to provide additional recognition and a send-off with a much deserved gratuity. You may contribute by mailing an amount you believe reasonable and fairly reflects your usage to: **MYC Gratuity Fund P.O. Box 943, Marblehead, MA 01945** or contact Bill Kilham directly to contribute.

Other business: the Waterfront Committee and Club Manager have identified several critical repairs that are necessary to begin at the season's closure:

- 1) The deck in Launch #1 has to be repaired and should begin as soon as possible.
- 2) When this is done, the launch is in need of painting of both the deck and the hull.
- 3) At that time, the engine will undergo some diagnostics to assess whether a full rebuild is required or can be postponed.
- 4) In addition, similar diagnostics have to be done to the low-oil condition of the engine in Launch #2. If needed, this may be the engine that is rebuilt in lieu of #1, or at a minimum, the oil pump may require replacement.
- 5) At the end of the season, the gangway needs to be hauled onto the deck over the winter and the decking replaced. It is anticipated that this may be done circa the first week of November.

As other maintenance items are identified, they will be reported. We encourage members to contact Bill Kilham if they are interested and able to assist with some of these skilled work assessment items.

## **MARBLEHEAD YACHT CLUB FLAG OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

### **FLAG OFFICERS**

COMMODORE	KEVIN NEUMANN
VICE COMMODORE	BILL BETTERS, JR.
REAR COMMODORE	TOM DESPRES
SECRETARY	DOUG BURGESS
TREASURER	CAL POWERS

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DIRECTOR	BRIAN SCHANNING
DIRECTOR	MARION MCCAULEY
DIRECTOR	CHUCK MARA
DIRECTOR	DICK STEADMAN

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## AMERICA'S CUP FILM



On Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> about 80 members enjoyed a wonderful evening on Marblehead Harbor tasting samples of Shellback Rum followed by the showing of the film "The America's Cup 150 years in the Making." With ooh's, ah's, and chuckles during the film, it seemed to be enjoyed as much as the rum. Congratulations to Pam Derringer the lucky winner of the Shellback treasure chest.

We hope Shellback returns to MYC and perhaps will sponsor another event. In the meantime you can check their products and coverage of this year's America's Cup at [www.shellbackrum.com](http://www.shellbackrum.com)

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## ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND FAMILY FUN DAY



Kids of all ages enjoyed an afternoon on the deck with ice cream sundaes scooped out by the Diamond catering crew. With balloons, a clown, and face painting competing with the rapidly melting ice cream, the MYC deck was transformed into a carnival atmosphere.

Thanks to the Galley staff for a great afternoon.

## NOTICES AND CALLOUTS

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Welcome aboard to Marblehead Yacht Club's newest member.

**Full Member:**

Ben Wittner

SV Sarraband

### MYC Membership Figures

Full Members	287
Associate Members	52
Life members	10

Total	349
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For your reference a binder with a complete list of members and their yachts is available in the Cliff Room.

### INTERNET UPGRADES AND MYC LOFTCAM (STILL) IN THE WORKS

**New Wireless Access Point:** As reported previously, in an effort to improve the club's wireless access point, a range extender was added in the house. This shows up as MYC-Guest-EXT. This seems to have done the trick, with wireless access available in all areas of the club and the deck. At this stage, we will finish the year with this arrangement and explore the idea of extending the range beyond the dock, if feasible. This move will likely require some additional wiring and moving/changing some hardware items. As before, the wireless access remains unrestricted (no password needed) and we'll continue to monitor it for traffic issues.

**Club Access and Security:** At the last monthly meeting, an update was provided on the club security measures. At this stage, the club needs members to weigh in on a policy for an appropriate level of security and enhanced club access. **We are looking for members to join an adhoc committee to develop this policy and strongly encourage member input on this subject. Please indicate your interest to be on the committee and/or send comments to [marbleheadyachtclub@gmail.com](mailto:marbleheadyachtclub@gmail.com)**

**MYC LoftCam:** The club has trialed two webcams. The first cam worked well initially but incurred some hardware glitches, so a second one has been installed. We will be working on an upload link to the MYC website that will take images from the CAM every several seconds for easy access and viewing by members.



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SELL, SWAP OR BUY? OTHER MYC MEMBERS AND  
FRIENDS ARE YOUR PRIME MARKET. SEND AN EMAIL TO  
[MARBLEHEADYACHTCLUB@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MARBLEHEADYACHTCLUB@GMAIL.COM) WITH THE  
DESCRIPTION OF YOUR ITEM FOR A LISTING IN THE NEXT  
EDITION OF *UNDER THE ROCK*.

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