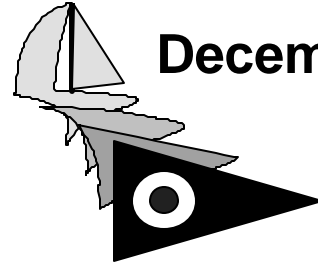


# MELBOURNE YACHT CLUB

# TELL-TALE



December 2003

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## DECEMBER

- 12 MYC Christmas Party (TGIF)
- 14 Small Boat Sunday
- 28 Small Boat Sunday
- 31 New Years Eve Party

## JANUARY

- 4 Rum Racing
- 5 Board Meeting
- 7 Membership Meeting
- 9 Undecorating Dine-In
- 11 Small Boat Sunday
- 18 Rum Racing
- 25 Small Boat Sunday
- 28 Board Meeting

## The Party Line

MMMM MMMM GOOD! Mary William's Soup cook-off was great! Ten members competed for top honors and the club members won!!! Look for the top competitors in Ross's report.

After we filled up, we had a "pick & grin" with our boys, Hasty, Jack, Jerry & Chuck joined by "We Three" a local Celtic/folk group. I don't know who had more fun, the singers, trying to top each other or the listeners.

A week before the annual auction, it looked as if it was going to be smaller than usual this year with only 30 people signed up. Then 40, then 50, well, 70 people were there to feast on three different types of smoked pork loin.

Joyce & Paul Alexy headed up the food part of the dinner. Helpers were Bill & Charlotte Parker and John & Nancy Fox. Most of all, many thanks must go to Bill's brother Bob for bringing three smokers and the know-how to cook the roasts! Club members brought side dishes to round out the meal.

After dinner, Betty Thon and Peggie Hill organized the auction and Jackie Herbert ran the White Elephant table. As usual, Bill Thon did the auctioning with Faye Bitzer, Marsha Millar & Jacki Leahy acting (?) as clowns while presenting the items for auction. The Club made over \$1000 for the charity this year.

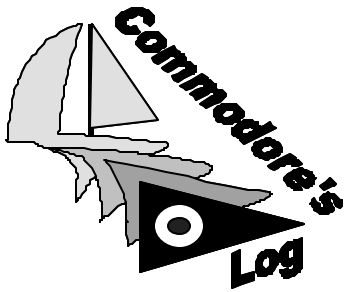
As if we hadn't eaten enough, Thanksgiving was another party. All of us who do not have biological family in the area gathered with their MYC family. Added to this were ten lonely cruisers who happened to be passing by on the ICW.

Jack & I cooked two turkeys and a ham, and Jim & Rochelle Yates cooked another turkey for the 50 lucky "orphans".

Turkey, dressing, gravy and ham might have been the centerpiece, but once again, the side dishes & desserts were spectacular.

Thanks to Barb Madson (from Highborne Lady) and Janet Martin for the lovely decorations. Thanks to Ross Herbert for doing some of the bar duties and Jackie Herbert for always being by my side with "what next?" Dorothy Crowe and Kathryn Barile took charge of the \$\$\$. And especially the cast of thousands who make this my favorite party of the year.

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The Board and the LRPC have worked to ensure the MYC has an adequate revenue stream for both continuing operations, upcoming capital and repair expenses. A summary of proposed rate increases to provide this revenue stream are given below.

- The replacement and cash projections and the impact of current operating costs were reviewed by the LRPC. Increased annual operating costs of \$1,310 and increase due to capital improvements of \$2,500 were recommended. Based on 140 members and 15 new members, the increased expenses & capital needs can be met by the proposed annual dues of \$315 ( was \$290 ) and initiation fee of \$420 ( was \$386 ).
- The LRPC reviewed the dock repair expenses and determined the revenue required could be met with a dock slip rental rate of \$3.67 per foot ( was \$3.38 ). The average increase in slip rent with the proposed new rate averages \$8.69 per month. The dock reserve input rate of 30% was found to be excessive.

The Treasurer's report and the bylaw changes required to implement the LRPC recommended rate increases are presented elsewhere in the Tell-Tale. Thanks to the LRPC for all the hard work and discussion to generate the rate increases recommendation ( Special mention to the smoking spreadsheets of Brent Saunders & Chris Reynolds ). We will present the proposed rate increases for discussion and vote at January's General Meeting.

The LRPC Ad hoc piling committee labored mightily to provide the Board with written recommendations of the specific deteriorated pilings needing replacement or close watch. The key points are given below:

- Any pilings observed with "Dry Rot" to be replaced. Specifically, these 12 particular Pilings: ERO-02, ERO-06, ERO-08, ERO-09, ERO-11, ERO-12, ELO-13, ELO-14, ELO-15 WO-14, WO-15, and WO-16.
- Outer "Stand Alone" Pilings on the West Side of East Dock as well as the "Interconnected" pilings beneath the decking to be replaced when the observed minimum underwater diameter of the "Hard Material" is less than 5-Inches (i.e. = 4.9999-Inches). **Specifically, these 21 particular Pilings,** EL-02, EL-03, EL-06, EL-07, EL-09, EL-10, EL-15, ER-07, ER-09, ER-11, ER-12, ER-13, ER-14, ER-16, ER-17, ER-28,

ER-29, ER-30, WR-04, WL-05, and WL-20.

- Use of the LRPC determined low bidding contractor for the initial round ( 12 ) of piling replacements.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Rachele Ross on the passing of her mother.

The Board voted not to go forward with a proxy bylaw modification.

Thanks to Joyce & Paul Alexy and crew and Betty and Bill Thon and all members for making the Sharing Dinner a great success with well over \$900 collected.

Nominating Committee is proposing the following slate of officers for 2004 MYC Board:

Commodore: Rhonda Delmater  
Vice Commodore: Ross Herbert  
Rear Commodore/Dock Committee: Gary Smith  
Secretary: Rochelle Yates  
Treasurer: Will Garvey  
Director Youth: Simon Koumjian  
Director Fleet: Jim Edwards  
Director Bar: Jay McClure  
Director: Entertainment: Delores Miller  
Director Membership: Bob Hughes

The proposed slate of officers will be presented at January's General Meeting. Please plan on attending this important meeting. At the January General Meeting I've also asked Chris Reynolds to give us a summary of the LRPC cash flow/expenses.

The Board authorized Jack Bibb to proceed with the construction of four new purpose built dock carts. MYC appreciates that Jack proposed this project. Our current dock carts are tired.

The Christmas decorations are up at the clubhouse. Thanks to all the members that turned to for this effort.

I'm the default Dock Master until the new Board takes over in February. I'm ably assisted by Lloyd Millar ( update of various dock lists ) and Gary Smith ( inventory of the dry storage/small boats ). Please respond to Gary's requests to identify several unknown vessels currently on club grounds.

I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving holiday. Maria and I enjoyed Thanksgiving in Atlanta with our family. This was our first official offspring prepared Thanksgiving dinner and it seemed to taste better since we didn't have to cook it.

- Rob Van Name, Commodore

## Second Annual MYC Soup Cook-off

This month we held our annual soup cook-off here at the club. Mary Williams sponsored and arranged the event. There were 61 members in attendance. We had 11 contestants and their favorite soups for sampling; Rachele Ross - Italian Wedding soup, Vera Kiessling- Goulash soup, Betty Thon - McCall's Best Clam Chowder, Debra Ball - Black Bean soup with Roasted Red Peppers, Jeff & Debbie McGregor - Nantucket Chowder, Lisa Tillman - Corn Chowder, Nancy Garvey - Cream of Plantain soup, Alice Ahrens - Alice's South Beach Shrimp Bisque, Amy Lacy - Italian Sausage Tortellini soup, Art Ahrens - "Dad's Chili", and Gus Williams - Jail House Chili. The entrees were judged by a superb team of soup connoisseurs: Nancy Etipence, Marsha Millar, Delores Miller, Richard Oliver, and Jack Bibb.

The winners were:

First Place was "Alice's South Beach Shrimp Bisque" by Alice Ahrens,

Second Place was the "Corn Chowder" by Linda Tillman, and

Third Place was the "Italian Sausage Tortellini soup" by Amy Lacy.

The prizes were gift certificates (\$60, \$40, & \$25) from the Green Turtle Market on Eau Gallie Blvd.

Of course, all of this would have been near impossible without the help of this year's Soup Cook-off Committee of Charlotte & Bill Parker, Marsha & Lloyd Millar, and Mary & Gus Williams.

Thanks to all the contestants, judges, committee members, and participants for contributing to a satisfyingly successful contest.

Here is our first place winner by Alice Ahrens:

### **Alices' South Beach Shrimp Bisque**

4 med. potatoes peeled and quartered  
1 sm. carrot peeled and finely chopped  
1/2 stalk celery finely chopped  
1 sm. onion finely diced  
1 1/2 cups chicken broth  
1 tsp. salt  
2 1/2 cup milk  
3 Tbls. butter, melted  
3 Tbls. flour  
1 Tbls. parsley  
1/2 t pepper  
1 cup shredded swiss cheese  
2 cups sliced shrimp  
Add paprika to taste

1) In large saucepan bring potatoes, carrot, celery, onion, chicken broth, and salt to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer until tender. Do not drain, mash slightly, stir in milk.

2) In small bowl blend butter, flour, parsley and pepper. Stir in potato mixture, cook and stir over med. heat until thickened and bubbly.

3) Remove from heat, add cheese and shrimp until cheese is almost melted, let stand for 5 min. Add fresh parsley and paprika on top. Serves 6.

I tripled this recipe for the Soup Cook Off. I used butter red potatoes, a new potato I had never used before.

## Bulletin Board

### Your Mother Doesn't Live Here

Remember the sign in your college dorm that said "Your Mother doesn't live here—please clean up after yourself?"

Please keep that in mind when you're leaving a table in the bar—take a minute to clean up after yourself and your friends...

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### Got a contribution for the newsletter?

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Please include name & phone number.

## Fleet Report

All of our major regattas for the season are over, and we have just a couple of rum races left in 2003. We had a wonderfully successful Thanksgiving sunfish regatta with 20 entrants, half of whom braved the Saturday's 25 knots in what felt like freezing conditions. We had the whole fleet out on Sunday and were treated to some really close racing where Nancy Haberland, Linda Tillman and Bill Haberland put on a how-to-sail sunfish day for the rest of the fleet. Overall winner for the weekend was Dick Tillman who was consistent with top finishes. I'd like to thank all my race committee crew who came out during less than wonderful conditions, especially on Saturday.

Jack and Jacki Leahy ran the club chase boat. Jim and Rochelle Yates brought their boat down, and Paul Alexy brought his boat down on Saturday morning in truly trying conditions. Thanks once again to everybody involved, both on the water and off, for yet another very successful weekend.

### ASSISTANT DOCKMASTER REPORT

As most of you know, we have been trying to update the dry storage inventory at the club so that Jan can be properly billing for dingys, inflatables, sunfish, etc., stored on club property. I'd like to thank all those of you who have replied to my emails, and we have trimmed the list down to just a handful of boats being stored that we can't match owners for. On the lower rack, we have a tropical inflatable, number XDCE9060J495. We have an aluminum canoe and a seaworthy inflatable which is mostly deflated. We need the canoe moved immediately as it is way too long for the 10-foot size limit for the lower rack storage. In the east yard, we have an aluminum Grumman powerboat FL1550HF on a trailer, no motor. I need the owner to contact me. Also, there is a sailboard being stored on Mary Williams's L24 trailer.

Whose is it? Number 7 locker in the old clubhouse is being used, we don't know by whom. There are several unused lockers which are available for anyone who needs that kind of storage. Just contact me if you need one.

You may contact me by emailing me at Fivespeed05@hotmail.com or simply calling me at 674-0886 as I would like to get the last of this dry storage stuff straightened out in the next week or

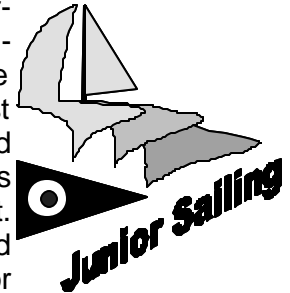
two.

Once again, a special thanks to all those who have helped during the year make my life so much simpler by volunteering for the various regatta jobs. Thank you all.

Happy Holidays to all.

- Gary Smith, Fleet Captain

New member Wallie Everest has fixed the hull damage to Steve Bell's old blue Laser that he left in our East Yard. Ryan Everest cleaned up the spars. MYC now has three club Lasers in our fleet. Jack Bibb has constructed three new "pin" marks for use in sailing classes and small-boat racing. He will tackle the leak in one of the club Sunfish soon.



The "ad hoc" Saturday Sailing School continues with a very high instructor to student ratio. Kurt Nicholls is helping teach the classes. Plenty of personal coaching is available on good weather Saturdays from 10am to 2pm. \$5 per session. Snipe, Lasers, Sunfish or Opti Prams. You pick one of our boats or bring your own, and we will teach you. You get plenty of tiller-time. Any age -- member or not. Cold, wet, or nasty weather cancels classes for that day. Call me at 9am on Saturday (723-6213) if you can't decide if it's good or bad weather.

By popular demand of the racers now regularly traveling from out of town (including South Florida!) -- The MYC Small Boat Sunday Races are moving to 1pm for the Winter season. We will have four short races instead of three to provide a throw-out accommodating the late-arriving church-goers.

Don't forget to bring food for the grill after the races. (Please add a side dish or bar snacks to share with 3 or 4 people.) The bar will be open, the fireplace aglow, and the brick pit lit. We will be off the water at about 3pm and the grill ready for cooking at about 3:30, or so. Non-racing club members and guests are welcome to bring food to cook and join us for the ever-popular bench-racing in the bar.

- John MacNeill, Youth Director

## Whispers from the Grog Locker

The Bar and Kitchen had a fairly active month in November. In addition to the usual TGIF, the Sunday Rum Races, the alternate Sunday Dinghy Races with their associated Burn-its afterwards, we also, supported the November Dine-in/Soup cook-off on the 14<sup>th</sup>, the MYC Sharing Supper/Auction on the 15<sup>th</sup>, the MYC Orphans Thanksgiving dinner on the 27<sup>th</sup>, and the MYC Thanksgiving "No-frills" Sunfish regatta on the 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>. And I thought Regatta's were busy.



Since we held our wine tasting, and I added the Blackstone California Merlot to the Bar's inventory, the wine drinking portion of our membership seems to be moving from the Cabernet to the Merlot as the red wine of choice. If enough of the membership feels that there are other beverages you would like to have at the bar, I would be glad to replace undesired stock with preferred stock as long as we can keep the cost of the new stock close to the existing prices. Please remember, that we are still storage space restricted in both the bar and the kitchen.

You may have noticed that the rotating keg tap is currently empty. That is because the distributor we have been using has greatly reduced the 1/6 keg options from which to choose (Budweiser, Michelob, Michelob Light, and Michelob Ultra). To get some variety, I am looking at a larger keg size, or possibly a draft keg from another distributor. More on this as it unfolds.

As usual, if there is anything, bar or kitchen, you see that we need, please send me an eMail at ross2629@bellsouth.net (the best way), or let a Bar Committee member know at the next TGIF.

- Ross Herbert, Rear Commodore  
Director of Bar & Food

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And here comes December!!!

Betsey Baird is planning our Christmas party for Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>. Hope you have already signed up as this is always one of the more popular parties and it has to be limited in size. See more in this issue.

Not too early to think about New Year's Eve. Pat Denes and Faye Bitzer will once again help us say goodbye to the old year and hello to the new with a "Silver & Blue New Year's Party". Plan to Shimmer & Sparkle with the Fireworks display and to toast the New Year with Champagne. Please bring your special treats to share with others.

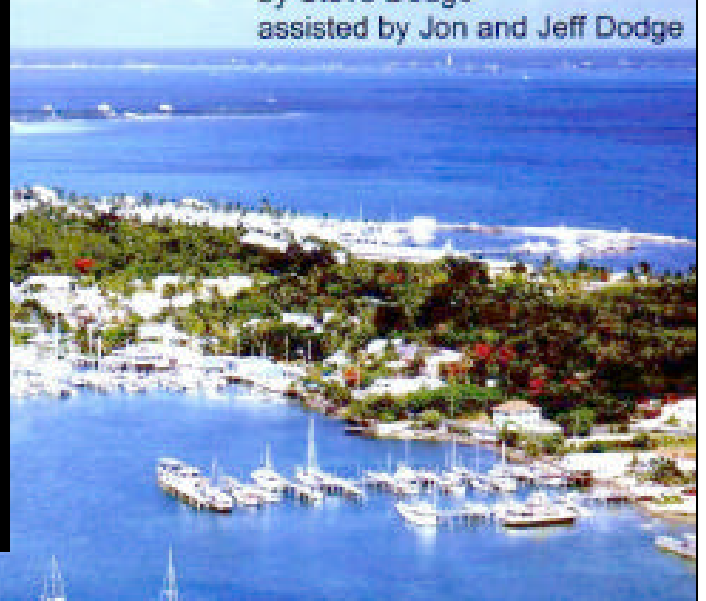
Please sign up in the lounge or call Pat or Faye for Reservations.

Finally, we will have an "Undecorating" dine-in party on Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. More later.

- Jacki Leahy

# The Cruising Guide to Abaco 2004 Bahamas

by Steve Dodge  
assisted by Jon and Jeff Dodge



**Inset Photos: Scenes from the MYC Thanksgiving party.**

**Big Photo: The new 2004 Dodge Cruising Guide to Abaco features an aerial photo of Marsh Harbor on its cover. The boat circled above belongs to MYC's Denny Scott. His Maine Cat just happened to be in the right place at the right time.**

## Membership News

### Welcome New Members!

**Pam and Ron Vanderveer**

Sponsored by Rachele Ross

and

**Shambie Hammett**

Sponsored by Scott Hubel

- Tony Barile, Membership Chairman

## MYC Christmas Party & TGIF December 12th

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Entertainment, good food and a special visitor for the kids. Crafts will be available to keep the kids (young and old) busy.

### Main Course Furnished by the Club

Bring Your Favorite Christmas Dishes

If your last name begins with A through P, bring a side dish. If it begins with Q through Z, bring a dessert.

Cost is \$10.00 per person  
Children eat free

### RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY TUESDAY DEC 9!!

Call Betsy Baird at 724-6173. Email at  
CABaird@worldnet.att.net

Please feel free to bring an unwrapped toy  
for Toys for Tots!

## Dry Storage and Lockers

We need to complete our inventory for rental income from dry storage and lockers. We have some members who have not been billed for possibly as long as 12 months for Sunfish storage or other dry storage of boats or equipment. We have identified most owners during the Thanksgiving Inventory. There are a few we still don't have, as follows:

### Lower Rack

Tropic inflatable XDCE9060J495

Large aluminum canoe (Must Be MOVED)

Seaworthy inflatable

### At the Old Tire Store

Blue Laser #90 & trailer

### East Yard

Aluminum Grumman FL1550HF/ trailer

Sailboard stored on Volant's trailer

### Lockers in the Old Club House

Numbers 7 and 10 are being used by unknown persons. If you own, or know who owns the boats or lockers listed above, please contact me at fivespeed05@hotmail.com, and copy Jan Crawford (jancrawford@earthlink.net), our bookkeeper.

If you have questions or problems, contact me by E-mail or phone 674-0886.

If you are already paying, please contact me anyway, and I apologize in advance.

If you know you are in arrears for storage, please include a note as to how long you have been using MYC's dry storage facilities, so we can make sure our billing is in order.

*Gary Smith, Fleet Captain, Assistant Dockmaster*

# Proposed Bylaw Changes

## Summary and examples of Proposed Rates:

- Resident Member Annual dues = \$315 ( was \$290 )
- MYC slip rental rate \$3.67 per foot ( was \$3.38 )
- Category A ( One Design Mast up @ waterside )= 50% of MYC slip rental rate per foot per month ( = \$1.84 , was \$1.70 )
- Category B ( Dinghy rack storage at waterside)= 3.75 X MYC slip rental rate per month ( = \$13.77, was \$13.00 )
- Category C ( One Design trailered storage at street level )= 25% of MYC slip rental rate per foot ( \$ 0.92 per foot, was \$13.00 per month regardless of length )
- Category D ( Dinghy rack storage at street level)= 3.75 X MYC slip rental rate per month ( = \$13.77, was \$7.00 )
- Initiation fee = \$420 ( was \$386 )

The proposed bylaw wording changes to incorporate the changes are as follows:

### ARTICLE 6: Privileges: Section 3:

FIRST PARAGRAPH, FIRST SENTENCE **WAS**: Rental dockage, when available, shall be for use of Resident Members only, for a fee of \$3.38 per foot per month plus applicable sales taxes.

FIRST SENTENCE CHANGE **IS**: Rental dockage, when available, shall be for use of Resident Members only, for a fee of \$3.67 per foot per month plus applicable sales taxes.

### SMALL BOAT DRY STORAGE POLICY, Spaces definitions ( page 25, 2003 directory):

CATEGORY A FIRST SENTENCE **WAS**: Category A spaces are eight feet wide and 24 feet long, from trailer ball to transom.

CATEGORY A FIRST SENTENCE **IS**: Category A spaces are eight feet wide and 24 feet long, from bow to transom.

CATEGORY A LAST SENTENCE **WAS**: They shall rent for \$1.70 per foot per month.

CATEGORY A LAST SENTENCE **IS**: They shall rent for 50% of the dock rental rate defined in ARTICLE 6 Privileges: Section 3 per foot per month

CATEGORY B LAST SENTENCE **WAS**: They shall rent

for \$13 per month.

CATEGORY B LAST SENTENCE **IS**: They shall rent for three and three quarters times the dock rental rate defined in ARTICLE 6 Privileges: Section 3 per month

CATEGORY C LAST SENTENCE **WAS**: They shall rent for \$13 per month.

CATEGORY C LAST SENTENCE **IS**: They shall rent for 25% of the dock rental rate defined in ARTICLE 6 Privileges: Section 3 per foot per month

CATEGORY D LAST SENTENCE **WAS**: They shall rent for \$7 per month.

CATEGORY D LAST SENTENCE **IS**: They shall rent for three and three quarters times the dock rental rate defined in ARTICLE 6 Privileges: Section 3 per month

ARTICLE 3: MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FEES Section 1: Dues Resident Membership **WAS**: \$290.

ARTICLE 3: MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FEES Section 1: Dues Resident Membership **IS**: \$315

Membership Policy 1/1/00: **WAS**

Annual dues..... \$290.00

Florida State Sales Tax.....\$ 17.40

Membership Policy: **IS**

Annual dues.....\$315.00.

Florida State Sales Tax.....\$ 18.90

ARTICLE 3: MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FEES Section 2: Initiation Fee **WAS**

Resident Member.....\$386.00

ARTICLE 3: MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FEES Section 2: Initiation Fee **IS**

Resident Member.....\$420.00

MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION PROCEDURE ( page 20, 2003 Directory ): **WAS**: Membership fees are as follows:

Initiation Fee\*.....\$386

Annual Dues.....\$290

Florida State Sales Tax.....\$17.40

*\*The initiation fee must be submitted with the nomination.*

MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION PROCEDURE ( page 20, 2003 Directory ): **IS**: Membership fees are as follows:

Initiation Fee\*.....\$420

Annual Dues.....\$315

Florida State Sales Tax.....\$18.90

*\*The initiation fee must be submitted with the nomination.*



## From the Treasurer

After the latest LRPC meeting, we are glad to announce a consensus on the rate increase. I want to start out by thanking each of the LRPC members who took time from their Thanksgiving holiday to come together and pound out this consensus. Especially Chris Reynolds who reworked his "Repair and Replace" spread sheet until his fingers were numb.

Here is a summary of what we came up with:

Increase slip rate by 8.5%	from \$3.38 to \$3.67
Increase membership dues by 8.5%	from \$290 to \$315
Increase initiation fees by 8.5%	from \$386 to \$420

Here is the justification provided by the LRPC.

### Membership Dues & Initiation Fees

Increase for Maintenance & Operation	\$1,310.00
Increase for Capitol Improvements	\$2,500.00
Total Revenue increase from general membership	\$3,810.00

<b>based on 140 members + 15 initiation fees</b>	
<b>Increase to membership dues and initiation fees</b>	<b>\$24.58</b>
<b>Which is an increase of</b>	<b>8.5%</b>

### Dock Rate

Pilings next year (300 * 30)	\$9,000.00
Future outer pilings ( 400 * (44-10) )	\$13,600.00
Future dock support pilings ( 400 * (116-20) )	\$38,400.00
50% of decking quote	\$53,000.00
Piling inspection	\$5,000.00
New LRPC Dock replacement estimate	\$119,000.00
Old LRPC Dock repair expenses	-\$33,000.00
Additional Revenue Required in next 25 yrs	\$86,000.00
Annual increase to fund above	<b>\$3,440.00</b>
Annual increase for maintenance + Cap. Improvements	\$1,150.00
	<b>\$4,590.00</b>

This represents an average monthly increase to Dock of 8.50%

You will see the exact Bylaws amendment we will be proposing at the January General Membership meeting elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and look forward to our new year at MYC.

R. Brent Saunders  
Treasurer



# **New Year's Eve Silver & Blue Gala Shimmer & Shake to Music & Fireworks**

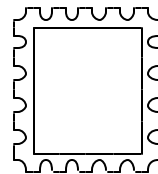
**Please bring heavy appetizers to share  
For more info call Pat 773-3376 or Faye 728-8841  
Time: 8PM til ??? Cost \$10**

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**To: Rob Van Name, MYC Commodore**

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**From: Chris Gates, Chairman of MYC 2003 Nominating Committee**

**Date: 04-November-2003**

**Subject: Report of the MYC 2003 Nominating Committee**

During our initial meeting we commenced discussions to help us resolve the most appropriate technique of identifying Resident Member candidates for the various officer positions of the MYC 2004 Board. After considerable discourse, the overwhelming consensus favored a selection strategy characterized by the following three (3) tenets.

1. The primary focus of the selection strategy is to identify the best candidate, in our opinion, for each individual officer position;
2. The selection strategy must be tempered by the undeniable benefit of preserving continued proven leadership for the Club by maintaining the traditional progression sequence through the three Commodore positions.
3. Considerations of previous Club traditions pairing a unique functional responsibility with each individual officer position must not compromise the primary focus of the selection strategy.

Our diligent adherence to this selection strategy was constrained only by those few officer positions specifically identified in the MYC Constitution and Bylaws with particular functional responsibilities. Once we had identified a set of candidates, we then addressed the subsequent pairing -- between each individual officer position and the various functional responsibilities to be executed -- envisioned to maximize the overall effectiveness potential during the proposed Board's Administration.

After successfully soliciting from each candidate their pledge to serve if elected, we are pleased to unanimously recommend the following slate of Officers to serve MYC as the 2004 Board.

<u>Officer Position</u>	<u>2004 Candidate</u>	<u>Duties / Functional Responsibility</u>
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<b>Commodore</b>	<b>Rhonda Delmater</b>	<b>per Bylaws Article 2, Section 2</b>
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*Qualifications Summary*, since joining MYC in 1998, Rhonda has served MYC as the:

- 2003 Vice Commodore and House Committee Chairperson;
- 2002 Rear Commodore and Entertainment Committee Chairperson; and,
- 2001 Director and Membership Committee Chairperson.



**Officer Position**

**2004 Candidate**

**Duties / Functional Responsibility**

**Vice Commodore     Ross Herbert**

**House Committee Chairman, plus  
per Bylaws Article 2, Section 3 and  
per Bylaws Article 7, Section 12**

*Qualifications Summary*, since joining MYC in 2000, Ross has served MYC as the:

- 2003 Rear Commodore and Bar Committee Chairman; and,
- 2002 Director and Bar Committee Chairman. Please note that during 2002 (the last full fiscal year for which the accounting books are completed), the Bar Activities generated more than \$3,700 in profits -- that is, with respect to the MYC Budget records, income realized beyond the direct expenses incurred. This profitability -- far exceeding any here-to-fore "self sustaining" expectation -- is due in no small part to Ross' demonstrated enthusiasm to serve MYC by executing this functional responsibility.



**Rear Commodore     Gary Smith**

**Dock Committee Chairman, plus  
per Bylaws Article 2, Section 4**

*Qualifications Summary*, since reinstating his prior MYC Membership in 2001, Gary has served MYC as the:

- 2003 Director and Fleet Captain; and,
- 2002 Director and Fleet Captain. Please note that during 2002 (the last full fiscal year for which the accounting books are completed), the Regatta Activities generated more than \$3,900 in profits -- that is, with respect to the MYC Budget records, income realized beyond the direct expenses incurred. This profitability -- far exceeding any here-to-fore "self sustaining" expectation -- is due in no small part to Gary's demonstrated enthusiasm to serve MYC by executing this functional responsibility.
- Previously, Gary served two consecutive terms (1995 and 1996) as Commodore of ECSA.



**Officer Position**

**2004 Candidate**

**Duties / Functional Responsibility**

Secretary

**Rochelle Yates**

per Bylaws Article 2, Section 5

*Qualifications Summary*, Rochelle “assimilated” into MYC in 2003. She is;

- Computer literate and knowledgeable in Word Processing Software; and
- A past Secretary of the Office Education Association of the Tri-River Career Center



Treasurer

**Will Garvey**

per Bylaws Article 2, Section 6 and  
per Bylaws Article 7, Section 12

*Qualifications Summary*, Will joined MYC in 2002, and is;

- Computer literate and knowledgeable in Accounting Methods and Software
- Will was a member of the Sheridan Shore Yacht Club for 25 years. During that time Will served as
  - Commodore for 2-years, (including their training / continuity progression through the ranks)
  - Chairman of the Finance Committee 4-years.
- Additionally, Will also served a 4-year term as the Chairman of the Finance Committee for the Sheridan Shore Harbor Association (a completely separate entity from the Sheridan Shore Yacht Club).



<u>Officer Position</u>	<u>2004 Candidate</u>	<u>Duties / Functional Responsibility</u>
Director	<b>Simon Koumjian</b>	Youth Committee Chairman

*Qualifications Summary*, since joining MYC in 2003, Simon

- Active and board member of ECSA
- Secured a pledge from John MacNeill to not only serve on the Youth Committee but also to be the Primary Instructor for our various envisioned sailing classes.
- Previously, Simon has been very involved with the Boy Scouts and Church Youth Group.



Director	<b>Jim Edwards</b>	Fleet Captain
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*Qualifications Summary*, Jim joined MYC in 2002, and is:

- An accomplished Regatta Competitor in both One Designs and Cruisers, to whit
  - Started Sailing at age 6,
  - Commenced Racing at age 8,
  - Competed in SORC for 13 years;
- A significantly experienced Regatta Administrator, and was Chairman for MYC 2003 Spring Regatta;
- Charter Boat Captain in the Caribbean on vessels from 49 to 116 feet in length;
- Managed large charter yachts around the world for more than 6 years.



<u>Officer Position</u>	<u>2004 Candidate</u>	<u>Duties / Functional Responsibility</u>
Director	<b>Jay McClure</b>	Bar Committee Chairman

*Qualifications Summary*, Jay joined MYC in 2003, Jay has:

- A flexible schedule, without over involvement as a racing participant, and willingness to be ‘bar guy’
- A Past President and Other Officer of, as well as a current active member of, the Scots American Society of Brevard
- Regional Vice President of the “Clan McCleod Society” for Florida and Georgia
- Jay has been a Practicing licensed Physical Therapist for 17 years. His practice is in outpatient orthopedics and sports medicine at Holmes Regional Medical Center, Pro-Health and Fitness center.



Director	<b>Delores Miller</b>	Entertainment Committee Chairperson
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*Qualifications Summary*, Delores joined MYC in 1997, and has

- Assisted with or sponsored several MYC Entertainment events
- Already rounded up a group of enthusiastic party planners for next year’s entertainment suite
- In a former life, Delores was in Public Relations for the Florida Solar Energy Center at UCF



<u>Officer Position</u>	<u>2004 Candidate</u>	<u>Duties / Functional Responsibility</u>
Director	Bob Hughes	Membership Committee Chairman

*Qualifications Summary*, Bob joined MYC in 2001, and has:

- Participated in MYC Cruises
- Been a regular Rum Racer
- Put on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party for 2 years

