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LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

Carl Durham and Bob Bingham hauling out LMYC boats

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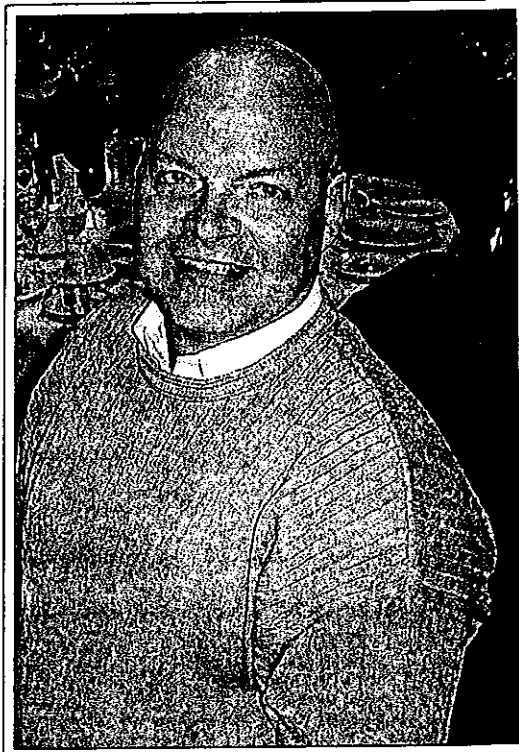
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From the Commodore and Vice-Commodore



Commodore Chris Barron



Vice-Commodore Ralf Fiedler

Another sailing season has finished and all the hardware has been passed out at the awards banquet. Hopefully playing darts and watching the America's Cup will make for a short winter. I look forward to working with the members and new executive towards a successful year at LMYC. See you around the club.

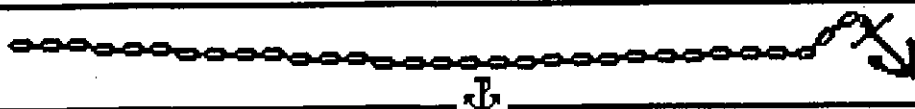
Commodore Chris Barron

I look forward to working with all of you this year as you know I am in charge of work hours and they start now if you wish to get a early start call me and we may have something after the first meeting of the next executives.
month.

Vice-Commodore Ralf Fiedler



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News and Information

Monday Lunchtime Dining is Back . . .

The very popular Monday Luncheons are back. From Haulout through to the end of April (Launch Day), feel free to join fellow members in the Dining Room at LMYC. **The Chef of the Day** will create a special menu for his or hers particular week.

Entree selections in the past have ranged from Grilled Hamburgers stuffed with onions and Swiss cheese, Spaghetti and Meatballs, Roasted Turkey with all the trimmings etc..

Not only is the menu superb, but each luncheon features nautical videos and great conversations. Members and visitors are encouraged to try their hand at being **The Chef of the Day**. Create your own special recipe or use one from a cookbook and tantalize the palate of the Luncheon crowd.

If you plan to attend with extra guests please contact **The Chef of the Day** (see board in clubhouse) so that there will be plenty to go round.

**PLEASING
You
PLEASES US**



Welcome Aboard



LMYC welcomes **Guy Meseck** and his wife **Paulette** as new Associate Members at LMYC. Many members already know Guy from the many races he has participated in with this club on his boat *Dragonfly*. **Guy Welcome Aboard**



LMYC welcomes **Terri Mangile** as a full member in LMYC moving from an Associate membership. She is the proud owner of a Tanzer 7.5 *Indigo Lady*. **LMYC Welcomes You.**



Kevin Conrad The Chef of the Day

Deepest Sympathies

The officers and members of LMYC would like to extend their deepest sympathies to Dennis Douthart on the passing of Dennis's mother Beatrice in the month of October. Burial was at Victoria Memorial. Your prayers are greatly appreciated



Thank You Note

To all LMYC members.
Thank you for the lovely Fruit Basket and your thoughts while I have been recuperating from surgery. The fruit reminds me to eat HEALTHY.
Thanks again

Ralph Allen

P.S. To all male members of LMYC — Don't forget to get your P.S.A. test done.

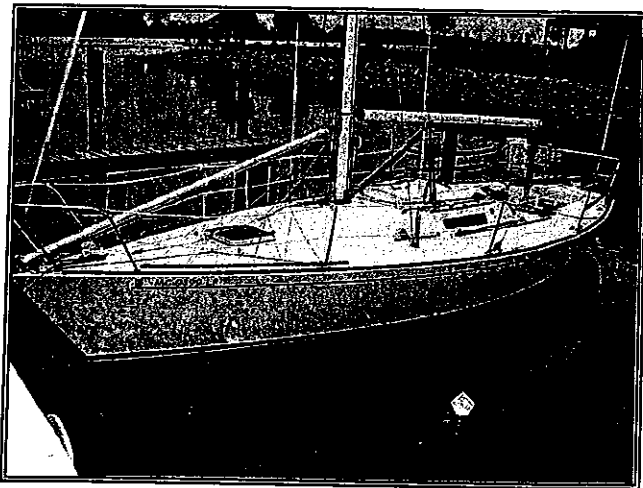
Did You Know

1. In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the > > phrase "goodnight, sleep tight".
2. It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month or what we know today as the honeymoon.

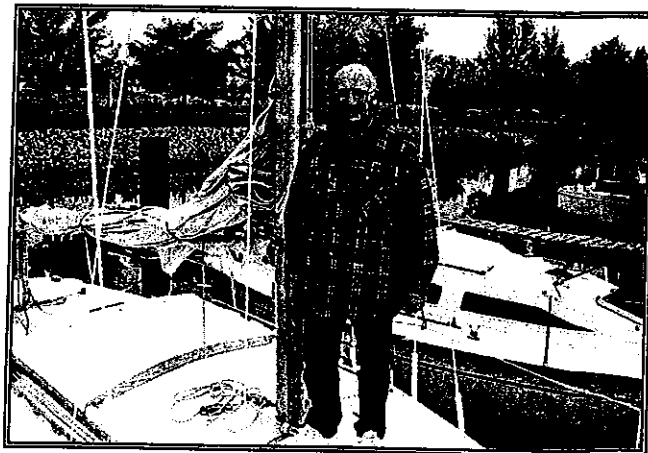
New Boat Owners

Right at the end of this year's sailing season LMYC saw two new boat owners. Rick Beresford purchased Windsong from member Bob Henson. Rick's old boat Spindrift has found a new home at South Port Sailing Club. Bob Henson is now looking for a new boat, the type yet to be decided.

Mad Max was sold and still not on its way to its new home in New York when Al Buliga purchased his new J29 named Blitz. Al has the honour this year of being the last boat to be haul out for 2002.



Alex Buliga's new J-29 named Blitz purchased from Ford Yacht Club



Rick Beresford proud new owner of Windsong .





Passing The Flag at LMYC



Outgoing Commodore Bob Ferguson passing The Commodore's Flag to new Commodore Chris Barron

Highlights of November 10, Club Meeting

- The meeting began approximately 1:05 on Sunday November 10, 2002 with Commodore Bob Ferguson empowering incoming Secretary Steve Kepran to read the minutes of the last meeting due to the absence of current Secretary Alan Prettyman.
- Commodore Bob Ferguson made notice that due to a glitch no meeting reminders were mailed out. Great effort will be made not to have this problem occur



Commodore Chris Barron passing Vice-Commodore Flag to Ralf Fiedler the new Vice-Commodore.

again in the future.

- Vice-Commodore Chris Baron stated that work hours were closed and some members did not complete their required 12 hours. Chris also thanked members who put in more than the allotted 12 hours.
- Treasurer Yvonne McRobbie brought members up-to-date on the club finances. Members who have not completed their work hours will be billed out. If there are problems contact Chris Baron. Books will be closed December 15, 2002.
- Harbor Master Ralf Fiedler stated that haul out progressed without any problem. He suggested that the last boat out should help Carl winterize the lift.
- House Director Steve Kepran thanked the club for have been able to serve in this capacity for the last three years.
- Social Director Denise Melanson reported that 135 tickets for the Awards Banquet were confirmed and is hopeful that she will reach the projected figure of 150. Denise thanked the members who participated and attended the social functions for the year.
- Jeff Williams volunteered the services of his company Arrow Mailing Canada to mail out club reminders at no cost to LMYC.
- LMYC confirmed Terri Mangile a Full Member in LMYC.
- LMYC confirmed Guy Meseck as an Associate Member in LMYC.
- The proposed slate of executives passed. Commodore Chris Baron, Vice-Commodore Ralf Fiedler, Treasurer Yvonne McRobbie, Secretary Steve Kepran, Race Director Ted Popel, Social Director Mary Nantais.
- Some discussion on Reciprocal rights and agreements with other clubs. New executives will look into this in the near future. Some type of protocol for visitors to LMYC was discussed with more to follow.
- Some discussion about the resurrection of the Planning Committee and what direction the club should go in. More discussion in the near future.
- Yvonne indicated that members could still buy burgees and decals. If interested please contact treasurer.
- Yvonne also thanked Kevin Conrad for his assistance during the haul out. His efforts

were greatly appreciated.

Those members who wish to pay by the month. Please contact Treasurer for further information.



Steve Kepran receiving Secretary's Flag from new Vice-Commodore Ralf Fiedler

From The Vice-Commodore *Ralf Fiedler*

I would like to express my appreciation to all members to your positive response to in preparing your boats for haul out. The haul out worked smoothly because of our members.

The following is a list of reminders for members who store their boats at LMYC.

- Lock your ladders to your cradle.
- Keep the area around your boat and cradle clean.
- Remove outboards from boats to prevent theft.
- If possible move your boat box to your cradle area. We have already had one blown into the water.
- Do not leave any valuable items in your boat during winter months if possible.
- Make sure you give a copy of your current boat insurance to Bob MacKenzie.

Change of Address or E-mail

If you have moved or changed your phone or E-mail please contact Secretary and Editor of The Currents.



Haul Out Breakfast



Denise Melanson, Dave and Mary Nantais

It was a cold and windy November 2, 2002 as I arrived at LMYC at around 9:00 am for the Annual Haul out Breakfast with my stomach rumbling and grumbling. This breakfast carries on the tradition of having breakfast for the LMYC members as they haul out their boats for winter storage. At that time LMYC employed a crane to haul out the boats with all members present on that day to assist each other. A few years ago LMYC began hauling out their boats with our own lift, beginning the first of October and finishing around November 18th. The breakfast now is mostly traditional for most members and for others still practical as they use this day to haul out their boats.

The hosts for this breakfast was Dave and Mary Nantais Social Directors for the upcoming year with past Social Director Denise Melanson assisting.

In most clubs, walking into the clubhouse can be a cold frightening experience. This was not the case at LMYC. The Saturday morning atmosphere was relaxed and the food, eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, toast coffee, juice etc., was excellent and the price was right. - Just \$5.00

Approximately 40 members came and just loved the breakfast. The ummms and ahhs were a little loud as all enjoyed the food before us. but also



Dave Nantais

appreciated all the little things that made our stay so pleasant! The smiles, the conversations, the great humour and stories expressed by club members.

Most club members forgot that there was a charge for the breakfast; we felt just like invited guests at the home of a family friend.

The successful breakfast came to an end around 11:00 am with members assisting other members who still had their boats to haul out. Thanks again to Dave and Mary Nantais and Denise Melanson for a successful breakfast.

This is the place to be next year at this time.



George Mooney and Laurel Venney



Bob Henson & Brian Casey



Kevin Conrad, Judge Mangile & Craig Morrison



John Metcalfe, Rick Beresford, J Murray



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Tapani & Nick Lintunien

Haul Out Breakfast at LMYC



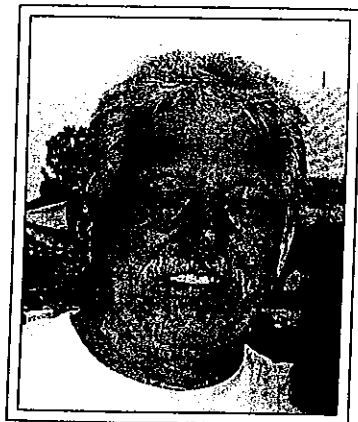
Chris Barron -- Haul out Breakfast



Alan Prettyman & Ed Wing -- Haul out Breakfast



Merry Christmas From The Staff of The Currents



Ralph Kepran



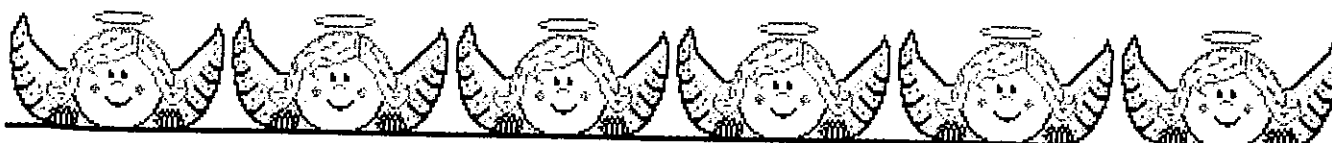
Jeff Williams



Richard Parchoma



On behalf of the Publisher Ralph Kepran, Distributor Jeff Williams and the Editor Richard Parchoma I would like to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with the very warmest wishes for a happy holiday.





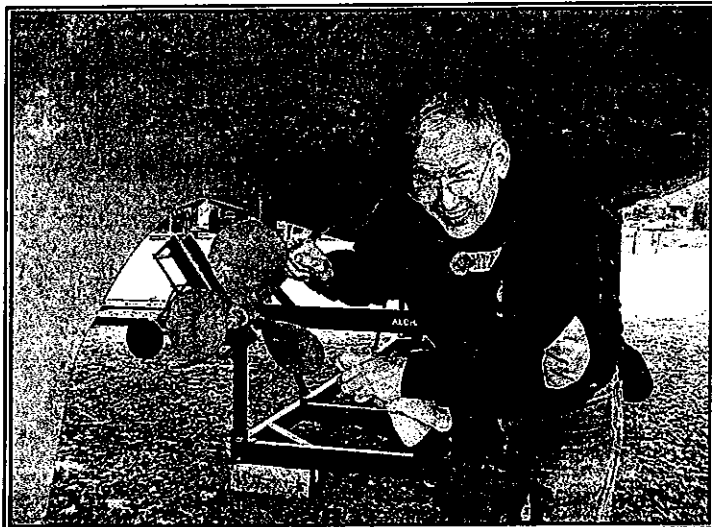
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John Amyot Senior



Lothar Bauer



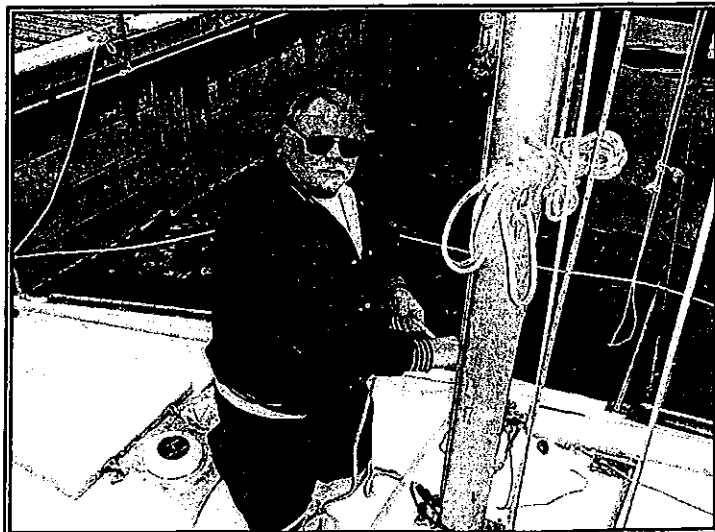
Perry Basden



Jack Penney



Charles Schindler



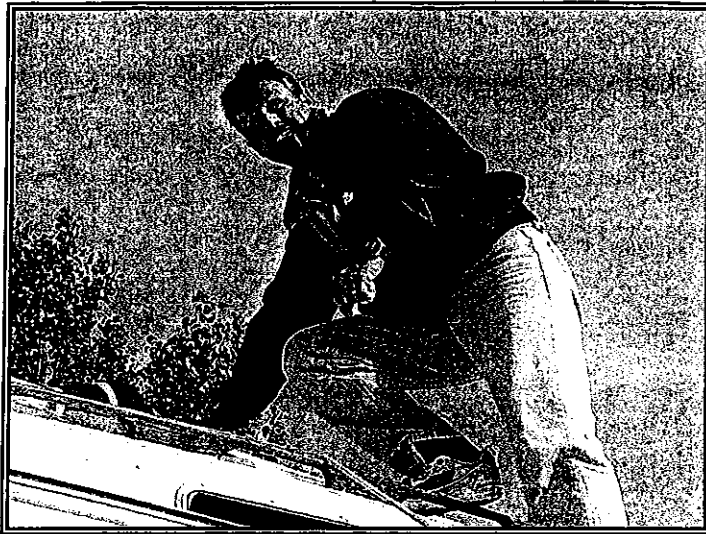
Craig Morrison



Around The Club—Haul Out



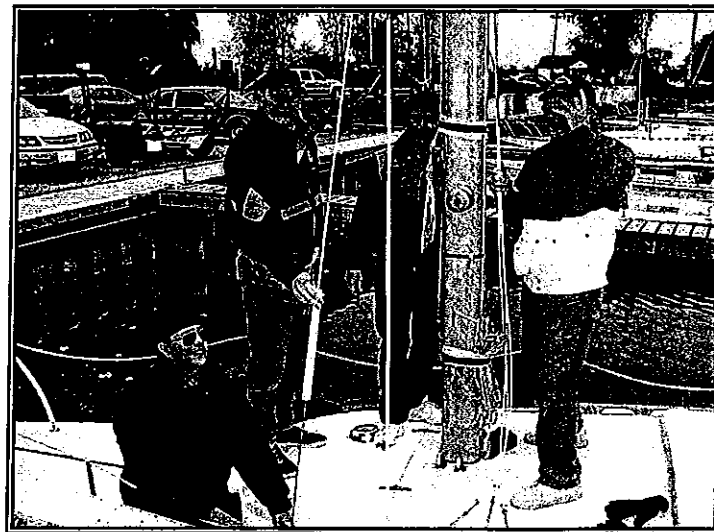
Tom Boyce



John Vandereerden



Steve Kepran



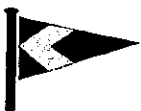
Bob Henson, Brian Casey, Rick Beresford, J Murray



Bob MacKenzie



Alan Prettyman



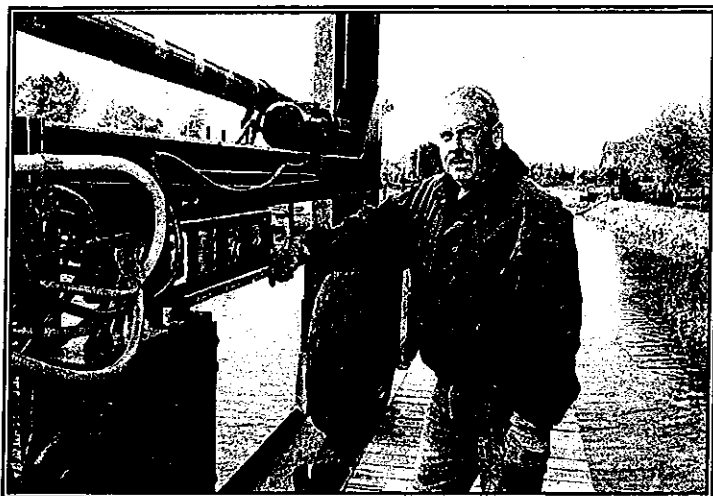
Around The Club—Haul Out



Dennis Pare



Rick Worr & Kevin Conrad



Ian Henderson



Doug Warford



Gus Martin



Judge Mangile & Juergen Hendel



Awards Banquet



The annual LMYC Awards Banquet was held at Fox Glen Golf Course on November 16, 2002. Attendance was over 150 consisting of members, crew and friends. Special thanks to the Social Director Denise Melanson and her husband Carl for an outstanding job in preparing for this event. It was certainly first class.

After the dinner George Mooney and Bob Reaume began the first part of the evenings entertainment and awards. Bob assumed the role of Admiral and George the role of Rear Admiral sitting in small desks on stage with the title news desk. Behind them was a device that resembled a rear projection unit and screen, which would project silhouette images on the screen. This device was the main impetus for tonight's gags.

The first award was given to Judge Mangile in his everlasting fight with geese on LMYC property. Judge was presented with a Magnum 747 flare gun to help him in his ongoing battle with the geese. Judge is able to try out his device as a full grown Human goose which emerged from the shadows. The results are inevitable.

Mike Puchantj was presented with the Puchantj Pole. This is a specially designed pole just for Mike, a person who needs both hands free at all times. This pole has a specially designed mouthpiece at one end. Bob and George then began A YEAR IN REVIEW. They told the stories as they saw it or heard about it at the TABLE OF KNOWLEDGE. All the stories were enhanced with silhouetted images projected on a white screen. Sue Ouellette and Mary Nantais carried signs to indicate to the audience on whether they should applause or not.

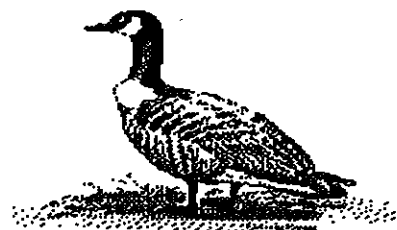
- We learned why Bob Bingham has the nick name Bingy Yo-Yo.
- We learned about Patrick Holland on how his has launching and rigging down to a science.
- We learned about the arrival of Trilogy or Try logic and the song they must have been singing as they came down the river.
- We learned things about Shake-



George Mooney and Bob Reaume at the NEWS DESK



Bob Reaume and George Mooney presenting Judge Mangile with a Magnum 747 flare gun to help him in his battle with LMYC geese



down, Thames River Regatta and the weddings.

- We learned about John Vandereerden Wedding, Paul Andersons Wedding and Gillian Nantais wedding and the dilemma sailors encountered. To attend or to race.
- We learned about Gloria and Perry Basden new boat Northern Spirit, her arrival and her consequent stay at the dock.
- We learned about Bay Week and some of the exciting circumstances that occurred on Bob Bingham's boat.
- We learned about the LMYC Regatta and the challenges it provided. Participants had to decide if they drifted faster forward sideways or backwards.
- We learned about the Annapolis Boat show and how one of our members was un-ceremoniously kicked out of his free camping spot at one of the posh marinas after five years of continuous use.
- We learned about Harvest Moon, The River Rat Race, Pelee Island Wine Cruise and The Cedar Island Regatta
- Rob Dorion Race Director was presented with the Prestigious Flower Pot Award for having the most excuses to not go sailing this year.

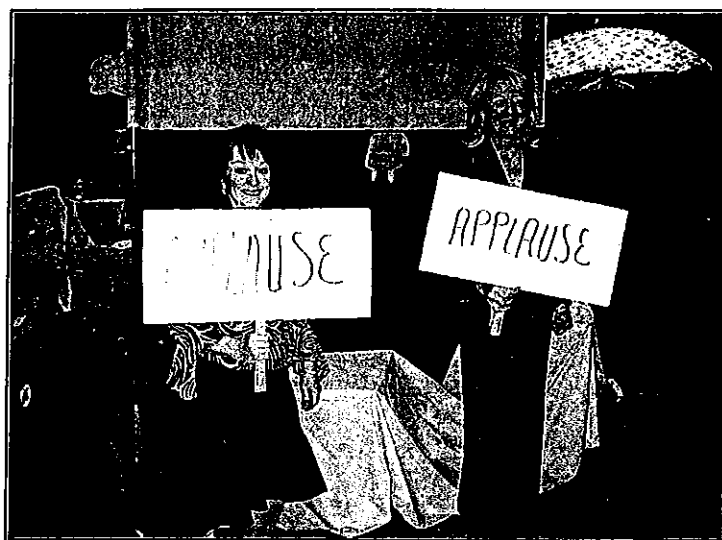
Rob Dorion then presented the sailing awards to the skippers and crew. The results are at the end of this article.

At the close of the ceremony it was time to find out who is the owner of the Foot Contest. A picture of a foot was placed at LMYC and members were encourage to surmise who was the owner of this delicate, dainty foot. The answer was forth coming at the Awards Banquet. Nick Lintunien was commandeered from the audience to solve this perplexing dilemma. Three gorgeous feet were exposed just below a curtain and Nick armed with the picture tried to determine the owner. After making his pick the two contestants that he did not pick came forth. One contestant was Andrea Bingham and the other was Tammi Pouget. Now it was time for Nick to meet the winner. **LOOK FOR PHOTOGRAPH IN THIS SECTION OF THE CURRENTS.**

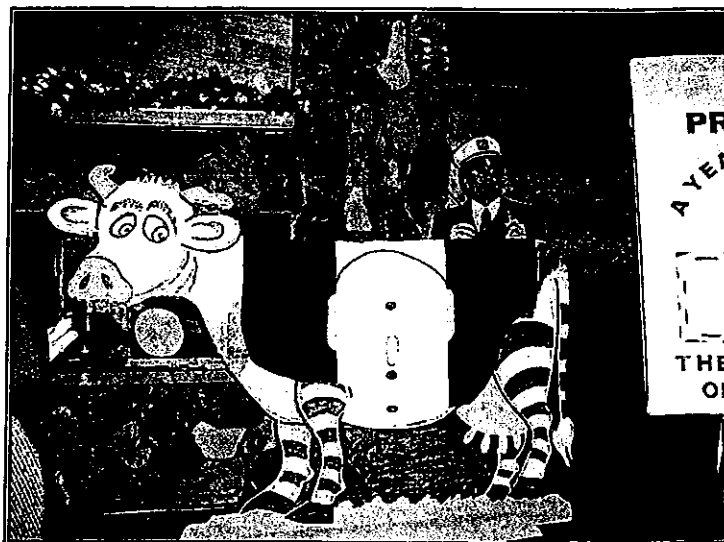
The Commodore Bob Ferguson concluded the events and an evening of dancing began with disk jockey Leonora Costa at the controls.



Mike Puchantyj receiving the THE PUCHANTYJ POLE



Applause Ladies — Mary Nantais and Sue Ouellette



Bob Reaume with the BELTED COW

Awards Banquet Faces



John Trepanier



Dennis & Barbara Pare



Jessica and Chris Barron



Jerry and Bev Angus



Bodo Schaefer and Lu McKim



Alan Prettyman, Ed & Maureen Wing



Sue Ouellette and Bob Reaume



Rick and Shirley Beresford



Andrea and Bob Bingham



Lindy and Bob O'Brien



Amy Irving and Rob Doiron



Bob and Carol Ferguson



Awards Banquet Faces



Vicki and Tom Boyce



Jeff, Bob & Jean Williams



Yvonne McRobbie



Doris and Ralph Kepran



Gail and Roy Oliver



Ted Popel and Kelly Markham



Paivi, Josh, Tapani, Nik Lintunen



Carl, Che' and Denise Melanson



Dave and Maggie Evans



Juergen Hendel and Linda Schreiber



Kenny Robitaille



Guy and Paulette Meseck



Awards Banquet Faces



Sherry Raeside and Mike Puchantjy



Jane Cizek, John Amyot, Gail Drouillard & Karen Mailloux



Adam Prettyman



Paula and Dave Soulliere



Dave and Mary Nantais



Craig Morrison and Darlene Loiselle



Gord and Diane Freeman



Gloria and Perry Basden



George Mooney and Laurel Venney



Peter and Tammi Pouget

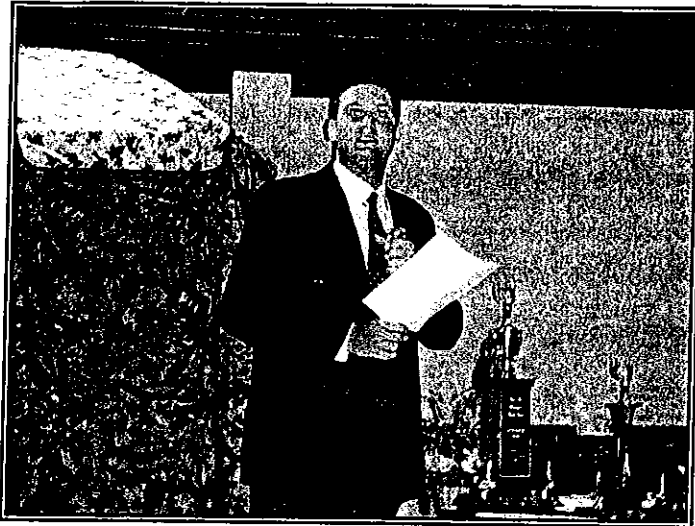


Cathy Harris and John Murphy



John and Joanne Vandereerden

LMYC--Awards Banquet



Rob Doiron Race Chairman



Patty & Todd Duffett -- Fighting Island Fastest Elapsed Time



Past Commodores' Award. Karen Mailloux. Gail Drouillard, Jane Cizek



Port-to-Port -- Jimmy & Melissa Vandereerden



Port-to-Port -- Chris Ingratta & John Murphy



Port-to-Port -- Todd Duffett & Bob Ferguson



LMYC--Awards Banquet



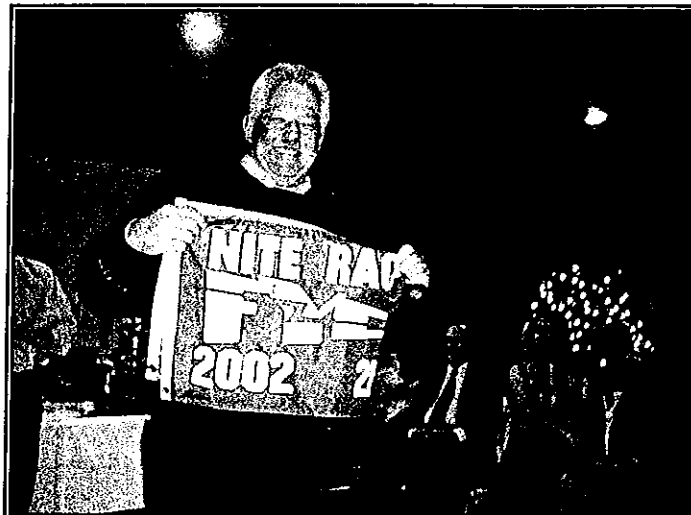
Port-to-Port - Nick Lintunien



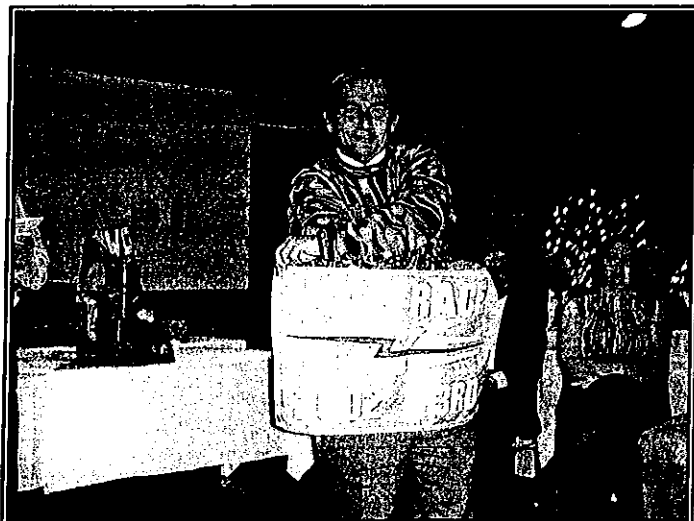
Nite Race - Sue Rouffer & Sue Ouellette



Port-to-Port - Steve Bingham



Nite Race - Ralph Kepran picking up for Steve Kepran



Nite Race - Judge Mangile



Amy Irving and Rob Doiron



LMYC—Race Results



Monday Night A Fleet

Boat	Skipper	Places
Rakaia	Juergen Hendel	1 st Spring, 1 st Fall, 1 st Overall "Jog A & B Trophy"
Mad Max	Alex Buliga	2 st Spring, 2 st Fall, 2 st Overall
Special Delivery	Bob Bingham	3 st Spring, , 3 st Overall
R-Escape	Bob Reaume	3 rd Fall

Monday Night B Fleet

Boat	Skipper	Places
Morpheus	John Amyot	1 st Spring, 1 st Fall, 1 st Overall "Jog A & B Trophy"
Grey Gannet	Alan Prettyman	1 st Spring, 2 st Overall
No Name	John Murphy	3 st Fall, 3 st Overall
Whatever	George Mooney	3 rd Spring
Reckless	Mike Puchantj	2 nd Fall

Wednesday Night A Fleet

Boat	Skipper	Places
Rakaia	Juergen Hendel	1 st Spring, 2 st Fall, 1 st Overall "PHRF A Trophy"
Mad Max	Alex Buliga	2 st Spring, 1 st Fall, 2 st Overall
Special Delivery	Bob Bingham	3 st Spring, , 3 rd Fall, 3 st Overall

Wednesday Night B Fleet

Boat	Skipper	Places
Bottoms Up	John Vandereerden	1 st Spring, 1 st Fall, 1 st Overall "PHRF B Trophy"
Morpheus	John Amyot	2 st Fall, 2 st Overall
Quattro	John Metcalfe	2 nd Spring, 3 rd Overall
Panache	Phil Bergeron	3 rd Spring, 3 rd Fall





LMYC—Race Results



Wednesday Night C Fleet

Boat	Skipper	Places
Sunkist	C. Barron-- J. Trepanier	1 st Spring, 1 st Fall, 1 st Overall "PHRF C Trophy"
Grey Gannet	Alex Buliga	2 st Spring, 2 st Fall, 2 st Overall
Dragonfly	Guy Meseck	3 st Fall, 3 st Overall
No Name	John Murphy	3 rd Spring

Annual Awards

Inter-Island Regatta Fastest Elapsed Time (Fighting Island Regatta)

Boat: *I Love You Baby* Skipper: *Todd Duffett*

Alan Moore Best Corrected Time (Fighting Island Regatta)

Boat: *I Love You Baby* Skipper: *Todd Duffett*

Avco Best Corrected Time (Shakedown) "Flag Two"

Boat: *Vapour Trail* Skipper: *M. Steyn*

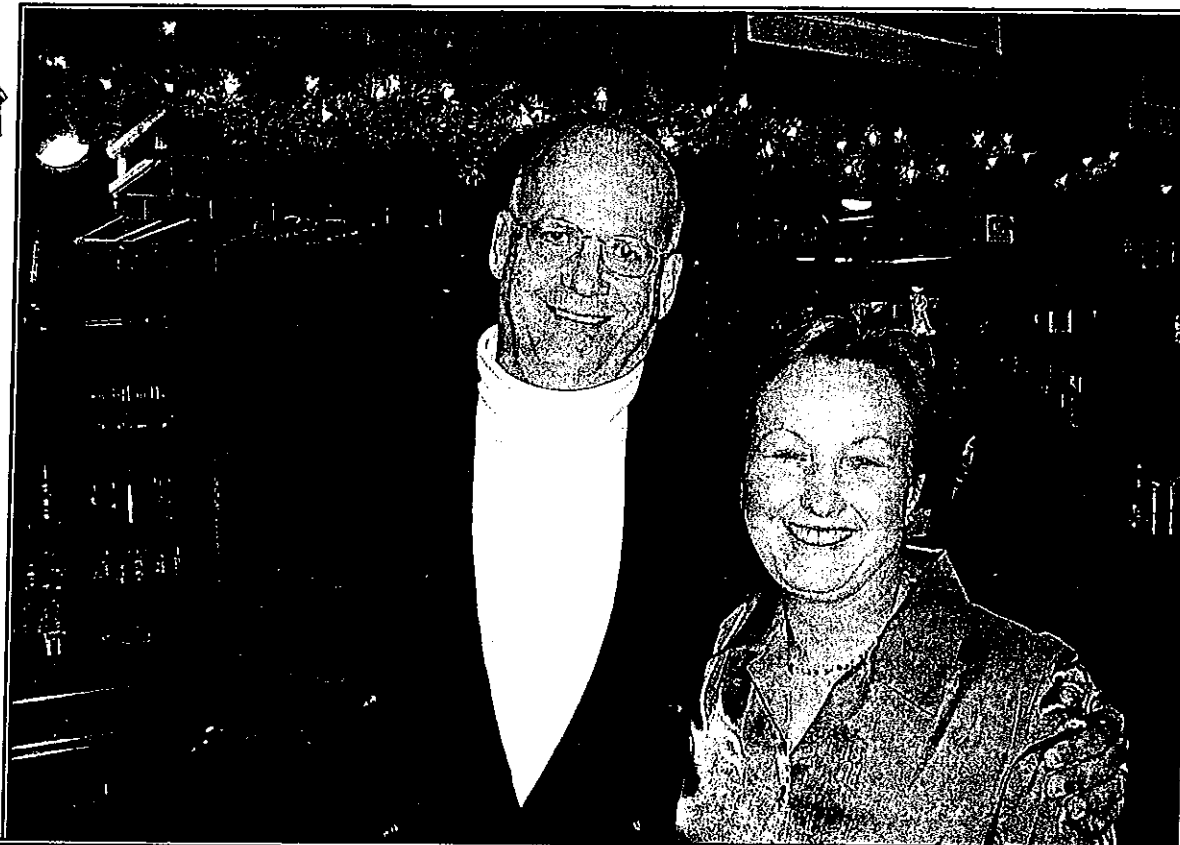
Race Committee For 2002 Sailing Season
Connie Buliga, Dennis Douthart, Brain Casey, Ted Popel



Andrea Bingham & Juergen Hendel – Wednesday PHRF A



Nick Lintunien & Paula Soulliere (Monday Night Jog)



A special Thank You to Carl and Denise Melanson Social Director(s) for 2002. All their activities throughout the year were outstanding collimating with the Awards Banquet. Thank You for all your work and effort as Social Director(s) . It was outstanding.



Once again the Crew has come through for the Awards Banquet. Every year it is a treat to see what the Crew will come up with. Thanks again to George Mooney and Bob Reaume, THE MASTER CREW.
The 2002 Crew: Laurel Venney, Bob Reaume, Dave Nantais, Mary Nantais, Sue Ouellette, George Mooney, (John Vandereerden Sound Effects & Music) Thanks again for a VERY, VERY humorous evening.



The mystery foot contest was finally solved at the LMYC Awards Banquet. The picture of the mystery foot was displayed at LMYC clubhouse for members to speculate on whose tantalizing foot it may be. At the Awards Banquet Nick Lintunien was commandeered from the audience to pick the foot from three delightful entries. Nick matched the photo to Ms. Reaume a close relation to former Commodore Bob Reaume



We Say Good-bye



Commodore Bob Ferguson and First Lady Carol Ferguson

It is time to say goodbye to First Lady Carol Ferguson and Bob Ferguson 29th Commodore of LMYC. We will miss his easy relax style of leadership, his great smile, his down home charm. Over the course of his term in office Bob Ferguson 's personal enthusiasm and energy was dedicated to a great many projects at LMYC for the betterment of LMYC and its members, perhaps the most prominent of which was the addition to the Emperor's Dock. This addition was completed in June with provisions that additions could be added to it to make it more beautiful and useable. The walkway on the South Harbor was completed adding a finishing touch to LMYC. A needed cleanup of LMYC grounds was undertaken and completed during Bob's term in office.

Bob Ferguson fearlessly tackled touchy topics and was a good listener and very approachable. He'd hear anyone out -no matter who they were and what the problem was Big or Small. Bob's main goal was to create harmony and camaraderie among the members of the LMYC family. Bob and his wife Carol made an effort to attend the functions undertaken at LMYC as an example to others and to try to fulfill his main goal Harmony and Comradeship

In observing Bob Ferguson during his term of office I believe he has come to the conclusion that everything isn't black and white, there are a lot of gray issues. I believe the following reflects Bob Ferguson's philosophy while Commodore at LMYC, "Listen, Be Patient, Compromise"

Good luck and good sailing.



LMYC Tree Trimming Party



*Saturday December 14th at 7:00 pm
Enjoy an evening with Members and Friends
Start the season by giving from your heart ..*

*A gift donation for a needy child will be greatly appreciated
Pickup by Phil Smith*

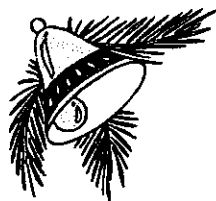


This Party is Pot Luck .. So bring a dish to pass

Social Director Mary Nantais



LMYC Children's Christmas Party



Sunday December 15th at 1:00 pm



The Party includes -- Lunch and a Visit



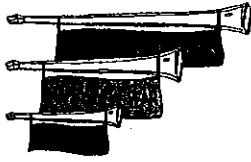
From Santa Claus



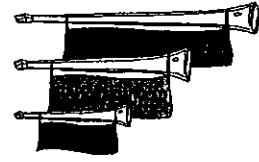
Parents to provide Santa with gifts for their own up to \$20.00

Social Director Mary Nantais





NEW YEAR'S EVE



LASALLE MARINERS YACHT CLUB

\$20.00 PER COUPLE

INCLUDES:

APPETIZERS

DINNER:

SOUP & SALAD

BREAD

PASTA

BEEF & PORK & VEGETABLES

DESSERT

CHAMPAGNE TOAST AT MIDNIGHT



BYOB

BRING A DISH FOR A MIDNIGHT SWEETS TABLE

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