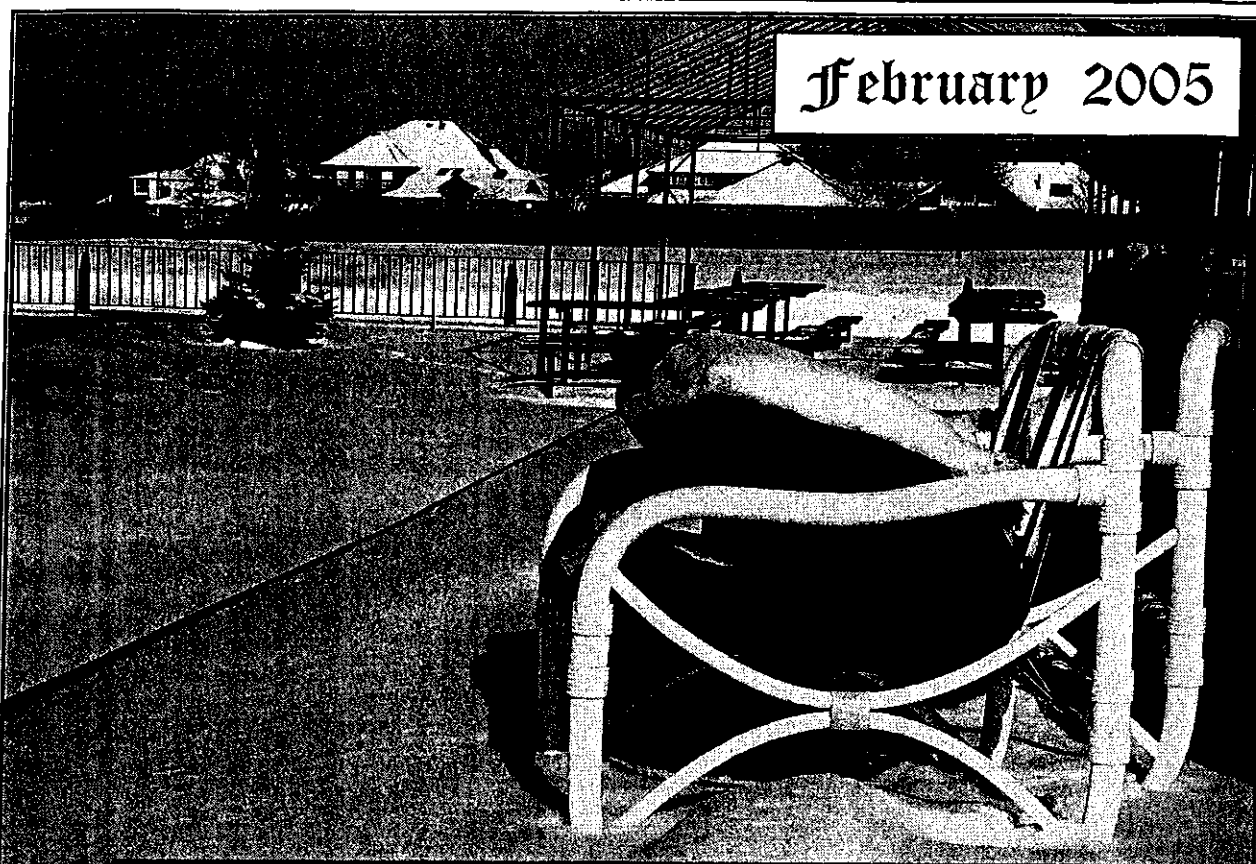


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## LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

Front Porch At LMYC

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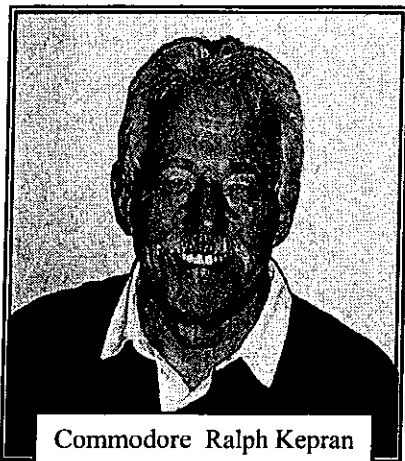


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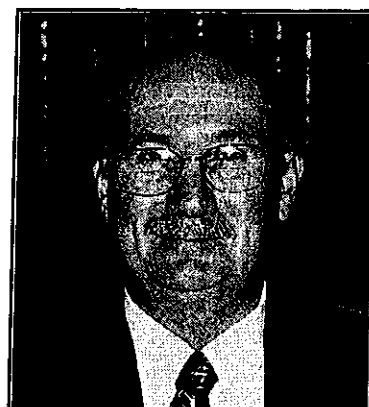
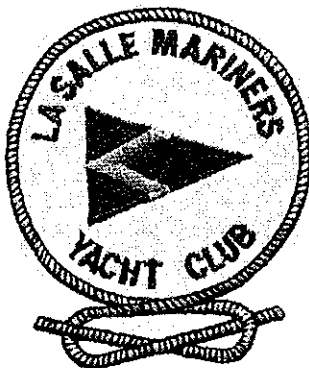
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## *From the Commodore and Vice-Commodore*



Commodore Ralph Kepran



Vice-Commodore Rick Beresford

**W**ith record snow falls and sub zero temperatures it is hard to imagine that we soon be loading up the car and heading down to the club and getting things ready to start the 2005 sailing season. Soon enough we will be rushing around putting the final touches on our boats.

I am happy to report that the club has asked Mary Hendel and Howard Porter if they would honour us by becoming Honorary Members of LMYC. Their many years of commitment and dedication have attributed to the success that we have enjoyed here at the Club. They certainly reflect what this club is all about. I hope that Mary and Howard can attend our April meeting at which we may express to them our appreciation.

I wish to extend to the Ferguson family our deepest sympathies on the passing of Carol's mother, Marjorie Barron. I hope that your friends here at the club can help ease your sorrow.

A call has gone out to establish a cruise committee that would oversee the planning of a few sailing trips during the upcoming year. If anyone is interested in serving on such a committee they could contact me and I would be more than happy to get you like-minded people together to see what we can come up with.

A 2005 club activities calendar will be drawn up and out to you in our next newsletter.

To Bob Williams: Get Well Soon and get back to our Monday lunches. The Table of Knowledge needs your input.

Commodore Ralph Kepran

I have abandoned ship and I will be adrift for a few week in sunny (I hope) Florida. I expect when I get back to see signs of spring and to hear the good news that everyone has paid their membership dues for 2005

Vice Commodore Rick Beresford

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# News and Information

## General Meeting



The January Meeting began around 1:00 pm with Commodore Ralph Kepran making several announcements:

- Two new members to the club. Jonathan Smith a full member and owner of a Tanzer 22 and Herb Lajoie an associate member.
- Bob Williams long time member had a bad tumble and as a result broke his leg and ankle. Jeff Williams informed members that he is at home and ready to get back to work
- Two members who were ill, Bob Reaume and Elaine Casey have recovered and are actively engaged in club activities
- Gus Martin and Ralph Kepran are new grandparents

### Club Secretary—Larry Laing

Read the minutes from the last club meeting.

### Race Director - Guy Meseck

- Getting ready for the sailing season.
  - There will be a skippers' meeting in March.
- Looking for members who wish to be Race Committee.

### Roads and Grounds - Pat Holland

- Patrick who was not present wished to thanked members who kept the road clean during the winter months.
- Waiting for the Spring Thaw to get ready with more Spring related work.

### Harbour Master - Bob MacKenzie

- Slings are being sent out for inspection so that all will be ready for Launch.
- If you are planning to keep your boat at a location other than the club or purchasing a new boat please let the Harbour Master know as soon as possible.
- There were questions about the Nexus cards. Carl Durham and Ralph Allen attending a meeting at Windsor Yacht Club and Carl answered questions concerning the card.

### House Director - Tom Boyce

- There have been small repairs in the club. New ladder to attic has been installed.
- Some jackets are left in the club closet. Please claim as they take up room.

### Vice Commodore - Rick Beresford

- Spoke of the article (Work Hours) included in last month's issue of The Currents.
- Encouraged members who wanted to get started on their Work Hours to contact Mary Nantais (Social Director) or Patrick Holland (Roads and Grounds) for directions.
- Planning a Spring Clean-up Day again with the assistance of the Sea Cadets.
- Working out a procedure for the operation of the club's pump-out. Leaving a tentative plan at the clubhouse to see what can be added.

Questions from the floor concerning work hours were addressed.

### Treasurer Perry Basden

Perry was not present at the meeting and Commodore Ralph Kepran read a prepared statement concerning the club's finances.

### Old Business

- Plaque for Juergen Hendel will be dedicated during the Blessing of The Fleet - June 12, 2005
- Visitor Registration Form will be available at the next club meeting. This form asks basic information from our visitors.
- By-Laws are at the printers will be mailed out to members as soon as they are available..

- 2005 Membership Cards to be mailed out.
- Phil Smith read a thank you from Frank Chauvin concerning the Christmas Gifts clubs members donated to the Frank Chauvin's Holy Name of Mary Food Bank. See newsletter for actual note.
- Commodore Ralph Kepran read the Treasurer's Report. The report was accepted.

#### Other Additions

- Garage will be resided.
- Dirt pile will be knocked down and re-sculptured to make area more attractive..
- Wind block construction on patio.
- Hoist will be painted.
- Explore opportunities to have parking lot drain properly.
- By a unanimous vote by membership to extend honoree membership to Howard Porter and Mary Hendel.
- Members to make available the latest version of their boat insurance to Harbour Master..
- Looking for a Cruise Director/Chairperson who would be interested in setting up cruises for this sailing season. This is a great opportunity to open up to the membership the thrill of cruising with other club members new and seasoned.

## *We Say Good Bye*

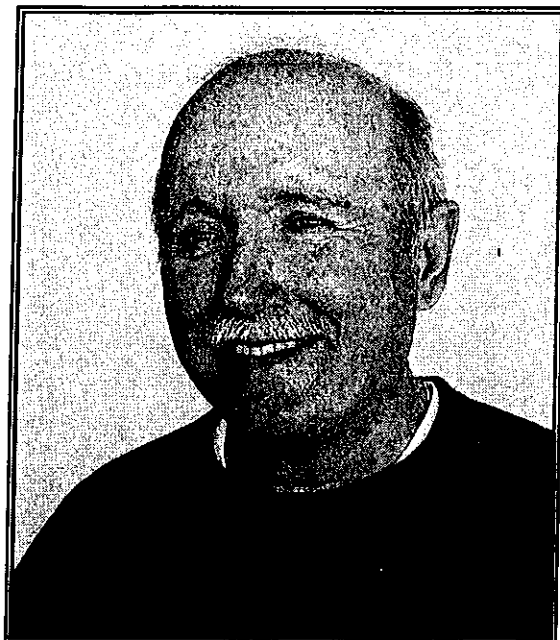


Many members gathered on January 13th to have a farewell toast to Dell Darling who passed away on December 29, 2004.

Approximately 20 friends were present for this occasion.



## *Currents Anniversary*



**Gord Freeman**  
**First Editor and Publisher of The Currents**

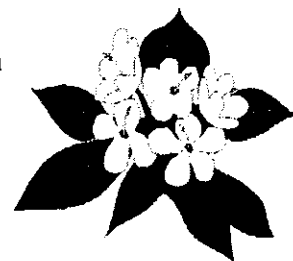
The LMYC newsletter known as The Currents celebrates its 30th Anniversary in February. Gord Freeman the first editor and publisher presented the first copy to me (editor) at the general meeting. Since this is the anniversary issue of **The Currents** I thought it would be appropriate to reprint the first edition as close as possible to how it appeared February 1975. See reprint in this edition of The Currents

Thanks again to Gord Freeman the First Editor and Publisher of The Currents.

## *Deepest Sympathies*

The officers and members of LMYC would like to extend their deepest sympathies to Carol and Bob Ferguson on the passing of Carol's mother Marjorie Barron (nee Purser), grandmother to Rob Ferguson and Jennifer Minovski on January 24, 2005. She passed away at the age of 92 in her home with her family and caregiver. Funeral was held January 28. She was a wonderful person and will be missed dearly.

Friends are invited to sign THE BOOK OF CONDOLENCE and share their memories at [www.obituariestoday.com](http://www.obituariestoday.com) Our prayers are with you.



## Frank Chauvin Thanks LMYC

A thank you note from Frank Chauvin for the toy donation was read by Phil Smith and posted on the club bulletin board.

*Dear Phil,*

*Once again please extend my sincere thanks to all your members for the wonderful toys. The children certainly enjoyed them.*

*Also please thank Bob for the donation. Everything was greatly appreciated.*

*Peace and love to all.*

*Frank Chauvin*

## New Grandparents

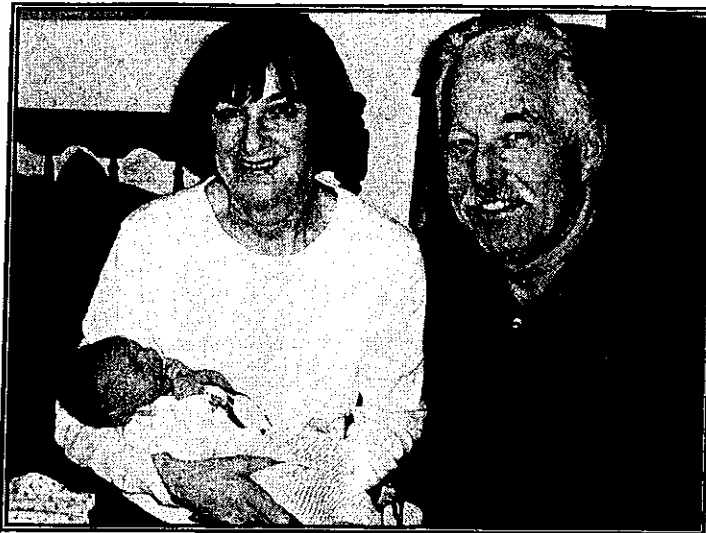
Proud Parents Nick & Kim Charron and Grandfather Gus Martin are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter Tyler Jo-Ann born January 9, 2005 at 2:10 AM Weight 7 lbs 31/2 oz.

First time grandparents Gus Martin and Randy & Cheryl Jones.

Congratulation Gus



Nick, Kim and Tyler Jo-Ann



Doris, Ralph Kepran with Edward Ian Kepran

Ralph and Doris Kepran are delighted with the safe arrival on December 22, 2004 of their new grandson Edward Ian Kepran, who weighted in at 8 lbs 9 oz. Parents Ian and Katrina and baby Eddie are all doing very well



LMYC now has a new and improved ladder to the attic. Thanks to the installers Jerry Angus, Bob Bingham, Ralph Kepran and Tom Boyce



# LMYC Dart League



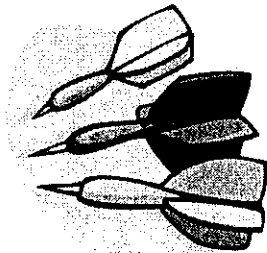
## LMYC Dart League

Front Row—Tom Boyce, Paulette Meseck, Doris Kepran, Vicki Boyce, Gus Martin, Dennis Pare  
Top Row— Alex Buliga, Leo Muzzatti, Tracey Moroze, Ralph Kepran, Craig Morrison, Guy Meseck

**T**he LMYC Dart League meets every Wednesday evening at 8:00 PM at the LMYC clubhouse. All members are welcome to attend.

Darts at LMYC, according to old LMYC newsletters began in 1978. When the game was first played at the club, some unnamed club members at that time "erroneously thought it to be an invasion by woodpeckers" (LMYC newsletter 1978).

The game of darts at LMYC according to archival newsletters was introduced by John Geary Senior and Frank Rubery and during its first year of operation gained great popularity



Guy Meseck

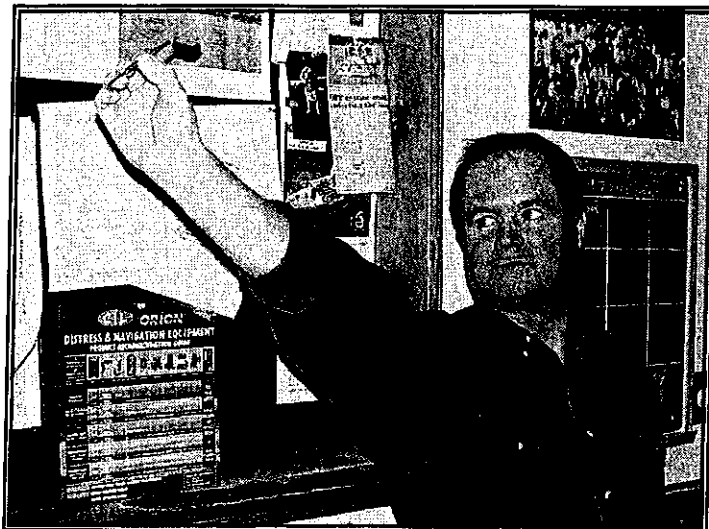
The tradition of Wednesday Night Darts, 28 years later still continues.



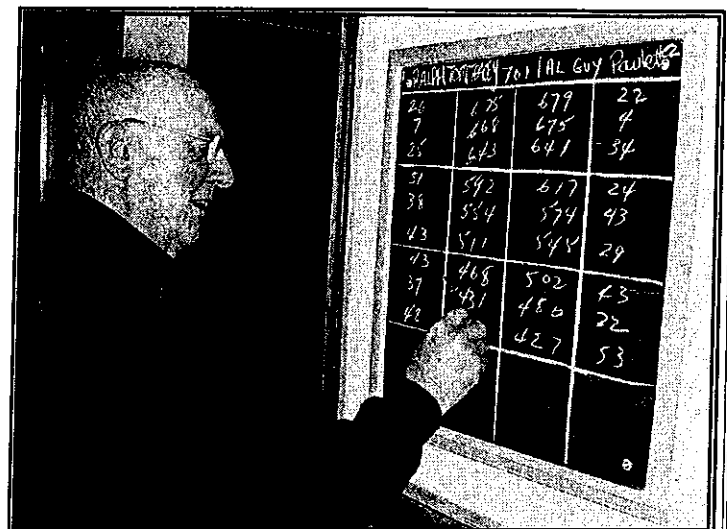
Gus Martin



Doris Kepran



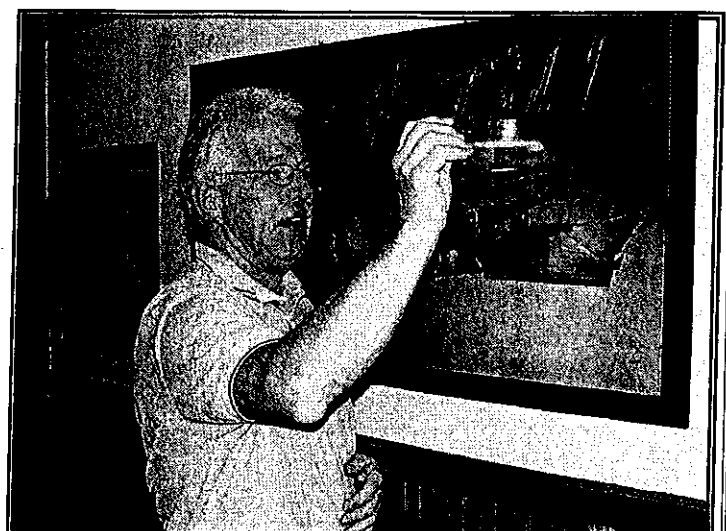
Dennis Pare



Alex Buliga



Paulette Meseck



Ralph Kepran





Tom and Vicki Boyce

## Stainless Steel fabricating ! ...and other *needful* things

Chris Williams, (son of Bob & Jean & brother of Jeff) owner of Williams Machine Tool, a 5 year old fixture, fabricating & ergonomic industrial work table shop has enjoyed good success in talking with a number of LMYC members regarding "the devilish details" of the industry and obtaining valuable contacts. (thank you). If any other members might have insight to share, Chris would be very appreciative and glad to meet with you.

As well, Chris is welcoming any boaters projects LMYC or our members may need doing. Please give Chris a call @ 253-5521 or stop by the shop @ 1415 Janette Ave.

Check out the *record holder* Racebike while you're there.

## Upcoming Events

### HAPPY NEW YEAR

Let's warm up with a PASTA NIGHT for Valentines Day to be held on February 12 beginning at 6:30-7:00 PM.

For our RED & WHITE event bring your favourite sauces and your own favourite red or white wines. If Pasta is not your thing then bring a salad or dessert.

For more information please contact Social Director Mary Nantais @966-6358

LMYC will be holding a movie night sometime in March. Tentative date is under review. The slide show consisting of over 1000 pictures will show all the highlights of the 2004 season featuring Darts, Wednesday Night Races, Shakedown, Hospice, Monday Night Luncheons etc.

The slide show will be on DVD with sound.  
Admission is Free  
Bring your own pop corn.



## Health Update

Bob Williams long time member of LMYC suffered a broken leg and ankle from a tumble. Bob is doing well and we expect to see him around the club again.

Bob Reaume and Elaine Casey who were ill earlier have recovered from their illness and again are active at LMYC.

## New Boat Owner

Congratulations to Rob Ferguson on the purchase of a Vicking 28. The boat will be named Dingo and this brings the Vicking fleet to 4 boats.





*LMYC Wine Appreciation  
Night  
Presented by the  
L.C.B.O.*



*Award Winning  
Wines*

*Dessert & Sparkling*

*Refreshing Whites*

*Full-Bodied Reds*

*Saturday April 2, 2005*

*6:30 pm*

*A Tour of different wines with  
accompanying cuisine*

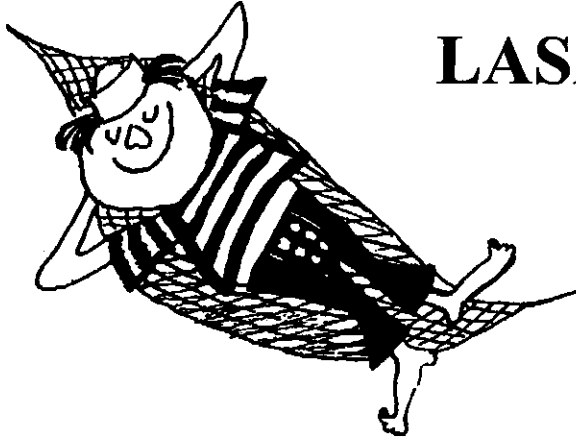
*\$20.00 per person. Paid in Advance*

*Limited Seating (60 guests)*

*Reserve Early*

*Contact Bob and Andrea Bingham at 736-1245*





# LASALLE CURRENTS

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A Newsletter For Members Of LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

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February 1975

## First Edition

Welcome to the first issue of "Currents". This newsletter will be issued at irregular periods throughout the year. The number of issues will depend on the news items available and material supplied by Committee Chairmen and other Club Members.

The idea behind the newsletter was to better communicate with all members. It is a failing with most Yacht clubs that members are not fully aware of what is going on as far as events and Club business is concerned and, therefore, their participation is lacking. We hope to clear up some of the fog and in return have full attendance at race events, work parties and general meetings. After all we may be the smallest area yacht club, but we sure make it up in enthusiasm.

We would like to thank Mr. Ian McCorquodale and the students of Wm. Hands Secondary School of Windsor. Ian set up the letterhead for us and the students printed the finished product. By the way, the same group also printed the Club stationary.

Please contact the editors if you have any news items or trivia to print.

Your editors

Gord & Joan Freeman

## WHAT'S IN A NAME

Where did the name "LaSalle Currents" originate? Well, last year at the annual Cedar Island Regatta there was at the banquet a sign on the wall that stated "LaSalle Mariners eat currents".

## GENERAL MEETING—January 1975

The purpose of this meeting was to go over the 1974 events by the retiring Commodore, to hear the annual financial by the 1974 Treasurer and to nominate and elect a new executive.

Dale Soulliere gave an excellent report showing in detail all expenditures and revenue and just where we stand going into 1975. A copy of the report was available after the meeting for those wanting specific information

A motion was made to amend the minutes of the January 28, 1973 Annual General Meeting. The amendment allowed the nomination for all Executive positions instead of the just director and secretary with the secretary, treasurer and vice commodore moving up the ladder.

The Nominating Committee composed of immediate past Commodores G. Freeman, P. Schreiber and R. Allen was prepared to offer a full slate. The results of the elections for the 1975 Executive were:

Commodore	George Mooney
Vice Commodore	Dale Souilliere
Treasurer	Tom Dennison
Secretary	Bob Ferguson
Director	Curly Ellis

The new Executive are now in the swing of things and great plans are in the making for 1975. Commodore Mooney has already announced Committee Chairmen who are as follows:

Racing	Frank Hart
Planning	Dick Benning
Harbourmaster	Juergen Hendel
Grounds	Paul Schreiber
Property	Jack Sloan
Entertainment	Rick Renwick

## Committee Chairmen Report

### Racing—Frank Hart

There will be a meeting of all interested members of the area Yacht Club to discuss the merits of the MORC rating rule.

Date - Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1975  
Time - 8:00 PM  
Location - Essex District Secondary School Gymnasium

The two speakers will be Bob Grigloy of Grosse Ile Y.C and our own Juergen Hendel. Bob is MORC station 11 treasurer and is also a member of the National MORC Measurement Committee. Juergen is a past Fleet Captain and a campaigner in the MORC for more years than he cares to remember.

The evening is shaping up to be quite informative and will be a get together with all the members from Southport and Cedar Island.

### Entertainment—Rick Renwick

So far five parties have been scheduled for the next three months. The time, date etc. for these gala events are:

February 21	LASALLE MARINERS BANQUET
	Time: 6:00 PM
	Location: Fogular Furlan Club Windsor
	Cost: \$7.00 per person
	Features: Dinner & dancing
	Film "Sails Apart" and a lecture by Tim Woodhouse of Watts Sails
March 15	ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY
	Time: 8:00 PM
	Location: LMYC
	Cost: \$5.00 per couple
	Features: Wine & Cheese, Films "History of Canada's Cup" 1969 Race—30 min colour. "Canada's Cup 1972" 74 minutes colour

April 12      PIZZA PARTY  
Time:            3:00 PM  
Location:      LMYC  
Cost:            \$1.50 per person  
Feataures:    Pizza and films "The Art and Craft  
                    of Sailmaking" - Ratsey Sails 28  
                    minutes colour. "The Shape of  
                    Sails" North Sails 30 minutes colour

April 26      LUNCH DAY PARTY  
Details to be announced

May 16        PRE SHAKEDOWN PARTY  
Time:            8:00 PM  
Location:      LMYC  
Cost:            ?  
Features:      Refreshments & Film. "History of  
                    American's Cup" 1970 Race

### NEW BOATING RULES IN MICHIGAN

According to one of the Detroit papers Michigan boaters will be paying more for boat registration in 1975. Apparently a new law covers a three year period and the owners have to pay three times the annual rate this year, two times next year and the third year the annual rate. Sounds complicated and good luck to their bureaucracy.

Typical rates for sailboats (classified as motorboats if they have inboard or outboard power) for 1975 would be: 16' to 20' \$22.50; 20" to 28" \$60.00; 28" to 35" \$90.00; 35' to 42' \$120.00.

The registration fee revenue used for marine purposes. Twenty-vive percent goes to launch ramp and harbour construction and 75% goes to the Marine Safety Fund.

### RACING EVENTS FOR 1975

The only date submitted before going to press was our own Shakedwon which is the Victoria Day weekend May 17-18. A full list of events should be available for the next issue.

## FORE SALE

Pardon the pun. Any club members wishing to offer for sale marine gear and boats please notify the editors.

Viking 22    \$4250  
Rlick Renwick, 736-6653

Dinghy 7'    Tag-a-long  
asking \$125.00  
Bob Ferguson, 736-5606

## DID YOU KNOW

This column will reprint items from the Club rules and constitution which sometimes get forgotten. It makes for interesting reading and discussion. The first item is from the Club rules governing the Clubhouse.

1. No excessive noise after midnight during the boating season.
2. Any damage done by members or their guests will be repaired or replaced by those responsible.
3. All guests must be accompanied by members.
4. Keys to the Clubhouse doors will not be loaned to non members
5. All members are responsible for securing the Clubhouse after use.
6. The Clubhouse will be cleaned by 2 male members each week according to the posted schedule. This does not mean cleanup after parties as those who attend said parties are responsible for the Clubhouse appearance.
7. Spirited activity in the Clubhouse is prohibited.
8. No children are allowed in the Clubhouse without parental supervision.
9. No pets are allowed in the clubhouse.

<p>This reproduction of the 1975 First Edition of The Currents tries to duplicate the exact type and setup as it originally appeared in February of 1975—Special Thanks to Gord Freeman for supplying the original.</p>
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