



LASALLE CURRENTS

A Newsletter For Members Of LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

January 14th, 1980



AHOY MARINERS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

GENERAL MEETING JANUARY 27th, 1980, at 10:00 a.m.

RACE MEETING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1980 11:00 a.m.

Well, it won't be long and we will all be sailing again. We cannot remember a totally ice free river on New Years Day, but one of us took advantage of this balmy wather and went sailing in a little boat, but all good things come to an end and rather quickly at that.

There was a lot of social activity, a Christmas Tree Decorating party, Santa was able to arrive by boat this year to add some excitement for the many kids that waited for him at their Christmas Party.

The darts are flying and the league reports that Michigan is in first place, Huron in second place, Erie in third place, St. Clair in fourth place, Superior in fifth place, with Ontario in sixth place. There is also a lot of sailing and racing done, at the bar!... It is boat show time and as in previous years there is a group of members going to enjoy the show and some Toronto night life.

FROM 'THE HARBOURMASTER:

90 days and counting!!!

There have been many changes and additions to our fleet this year. To make the organization of our harbour simple, I am asking that each boat owner please fill out the boat information form at the January meeting.

With this information, problems of launching, haulout, winter storage, and dock space can be handled quickly, equitably and more efficiently.

Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

P. S. All new members(those accepted since July 1979,) who own boats, please see me (Al Pavon) at this meeting. I must make sure that I have you on my list, so as to ensure that you have a dock.

As you know L.M.Y.C. has been sponsoring a club Single-Hander. It's popularity over the past 3 years has led to its expansion from one race around Grassy Island to a 2 race series on a modified 8 mile triangle. As the original organizer, Bob Munden has offered to arrange the 1980 S.H. Series proposal:

- 2 races using existing S.H. course
- 1 long distance race on Lake St. Clair: finish at L.M.Y.C.
- 1 point for short races 2 for long course total time for the breaker
- open to other clubs
- normal racing rules using P.H.R.F.
- no spinnakers**
- no self steering other than sheet to tiller
- safety harness and or life vest worn at all times.

** Open to discussion perhaps if enough people want to use chutes, we could have a separate start. However, only non-spinnaker entrants are eligible for existing trophy.

Concerning the Race Meeting, to be held on Sunday, February 10th, 1980 at 11:00 a.m. on the agenda: Race programme 1980, L.M.Y.C., R.I.Y.A. and Sun Parlor, new start and courses, etc. You must attend and don't forget your crew!!

The first of eight winter programmes to begin on Sunday, February 3rd, 1980 at 1:00 p.m. This will be a programme to deal with the basics of docking your boat, proper use of docklines, how to splice a simple eyesplice, in both braided and 3 stranded rope and how to tie 4 basis knots. There will be a flyer handed out on the 27th of January as to details concerning tuition and materials needed at the February 3rd registration.

Our professional colleague Alan Henderson has what he calls "pulling the tarp over" his column "Over the Waves" for the year. He has done a fine job for all the local clubs by reporting regatta dates and results accurately, has written about the clubs, their sailors and sailing with enthusiasm and factual journalism. It was certainly nice to read about sailing in our "Star". Thank you Alan and good sailing next season! Alan will be sailing Bernie's shark next year and we are sure we can look forward to some enjoyable reading.

Letter from the Commodore:

The Five Year Plan developed by the planning committee was discussed at an executive meeting, and later reviewed with the planning committee. It was soon realized that the proposed plan was an excellent working paper, but it did not include a suggested timing for the various projects, nor did it study the effects of larger membership and financing methods. The planning committee has therefore agreed to re-evaluate the plan, these and other suggestions from the members into account.

The study has already shown there are three construction jobs that should be done this year.

(a) Revise the system of electrical feed on the club property. The existing power line runs are very long, and a temporary hookup to provide power where it is needed would cost over \$700.00. A new distribution centre that will provide all the capacity necessary for future new wells and future power to the docks will only cost \$2,500.00 We recommend installation of the new distribution centre to solve our current and future requirements.

(b) The next stage required to stabilize the land at the river front is the addition of 6" to 12" rubble between the bank and the large concrete blocks. This stone should be hauled this winter while the ground is frozen, and it will cost approximately \$2,000.00.

(c) The soil on the bank of the north harbour needs stabilizing, and some of the docks need replacement. To solve both these problems, we propose to install two or three experimental docks by Rino Masotti, and to evaluate them for a year. They are totally supported from the shore, so they will all inexpensive ground stabilization and will be unaffected by ice. Costs of this installation is estimated at \$2,000.00.

You can see that your executive would like to spend approximately \$6,500.00 this year to maintain and improve the club facilities. To do this however, it will be necessary to approve the fee increase for 1980 proposed in the five year plan, because the club operations generate only \$2,000.00 per year over expenses. The proposed increases will generate approximately:

increasing annual dues	
from \$75.00 to \$100.00/ year	\$1,900.00
increasing dockage	
from \$5.00/ft to \$6.00/ft	\$1,250.00
increasing winter storage	
from \$50.00 to \$.30/sq. ft.	\$1,350.00

Please consider these proposals carefully, we want to be able to enjoy our hobby and protect our property investment.

The proposed fee increase will allow us to do both of these, and still have dockage much cheaper than is available elsewhere.

Don't forget the Commodore's Ball on January 26th, see Joe MacIntosh for tickets, and the first L.M.Y.C. sailing seminar, like to see everyone there.

1980 LMYC

RESPONSIBILITY ROSTER

COMMODORE

Art Letts

- Planning Committee - D. Benning, B. Clark, J. Hendel,
G. Mooney
- LaSalle Currents - R. Fiedler, B. Goyeau, J. Hendel.
- Seminar and Junior Program - B. Clark
- Public Relations -

VICE COMMODORE

(Physical Facility)

Tenny Mason

- Docks and Harbor - A. Pavan, Ted Parent
- Yards and Grounds - C. McDermand
- Building Maintenance - D. Kirkaldy, H. Porter
- Security - P. Smith

TREASURER

J. Beaudoin

- Revenue and Treasury)
- Short Term Financial Planning) - J. Beaudoin, D. Van Est.

SECRETARY

Y. McCrobbie

- Correspondence, Records & Constitution - Y. McCrobbie
- Membership - D. Evans
- Regalia - E. Hooft
- Constitution Update - B. Munden

DIRECTOR

(Social and Entertainment)

J. Geary

- Dart League - R. Renwich
- Entertainment - J. McIntosh, M. Fiedler
- Ladies Auxiliary -
- Family Cruises - E. Dalla Bona
- Special Events
 - Freedom Festival - R. Renwick

DIRECTOR

(House Manager)

- R. Masotti
- Clean up Schedules - E. Gresik
 - House and Galley Supplies - J. Blackton
 - Firewood -
 - Refreshments - M. Albrecht, J. Yankovich

DIRECTOR

(Racing)

- C. Ellis
- RIYA Delegation
 - LMYC Racing Activities
 - Shakedown
 - Regatta
 - Freedom Festival
 - Club Racing
 - Race Committee Duty Scheduling
 - Awards
 - Publicity
 - Race Committee
 - J. Hendel (PHRF Measures)
 - R. Fiedler
 - D. Hendel
 - L. Hoffman