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Shakedown At Put-in-Bay—photo by Rob Ferguson

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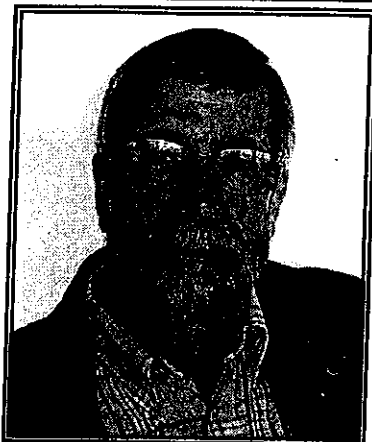


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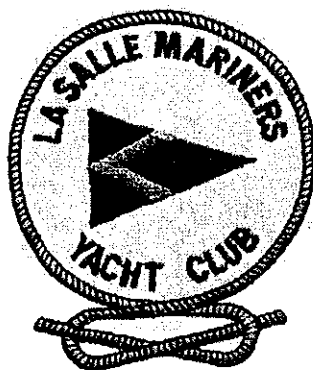
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From the Commodore and Vice-Commodore



Commodore John Metcalfe



Vice-Commodore Rick Beresford

First, let me offer my congratulations to all the flag winners of this year's Shakedown. Also a big thankyou to all on the race committees, the race director, and the race chairman for all your hard work. Without your efforts, we are dead in the water. With Shakedown, sailing season has officially arrived.

By the time you read this, all the boats should be in the water, and the club grounds ready for the Blessing of the Fleet.

George Mooney has accepted the Roads and Grounds position, and would welcome any volunteers for grass cutting etc. Please call George if you can help out.

Enjoy your boat, our river and the fellowship of our club.

Commodore John Metcalfe

It's great to see our Club looking like a Sail Club again instead of a Boat Yard. Almost everyone has launched, we've had another successful Shakedown and Monday and Wednesday races have started - It's time to start looking at the jobs that need to be done around the Club. Lists have been posted inside the Club House and on the outside Notice Board. There are dozens of jobs posted - major and small. Pick a couple of jobs that suit your skills and get started - it will not take you long to get in your 12 hours. If you enjoy working in a group pick a few of the major jobs and organize your own work crew. The most immediate tasks for this Spring are the **hazards** identified around the grounds: (1) North Harbour walk way - lift uneven sections and fill with stone to level; (2) Dynghy Dock Area- fill in major sink holes with stone and level area; (3) Wash out by Phil Smith's Dock- fill in major hole; (4) Dock Boards- several docks have missing or loose boards. If you have identified a job or hazard that is not on the list please let me know so that we can get someone on it.

Rick Beresford
Vice Commodore

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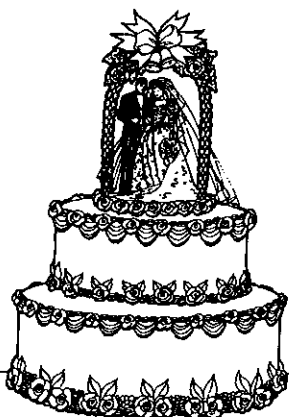
News and Information

Congratulations

Two long time club members have achieved major milestones in their years of marriage.

Congratulations to Bob and Doris Clark on their 50th or Golden Wedding Anniversary. Bob and Doris were married at Westminster United Church in Windsor on June 18, 1955.

Congratulations to Beverly and Jerry Angus on their 40th or Ruby Wedding Anniversary. Jerry and Bev Angus were married at St. Simon St. Jude Catholic Church in Belle River on May 29, 1965. Their marriage was blessed and their vows renewed at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Walkerville on May 29, 2005.



Cruiser Update

Hi, to all members of LMYC.

Thanks for the e-mail.

We won't be able to attend the Chili Fest this time around but we can send some chilly weather up to you from Newport, Rhode Island! I'm doubtful that you like to have it tough!

On May 14, we drove St. Pauli into the transport ship in St. Thomas and flew to Florida the next day to stay with a friend. Last Sunday we flew up here and the ship



came in on Monday. Unloading was to start on Tuesday, but because of the wicked Nor'easter with gusts of winds up to 50 knots we are still waiting to get on board. So we have a chance to experience the New England weather free of charge ha ha.

The town is very interesting and there is lots of things to do and see but in the rain it is not much fun! The locals here are getting sick of it too. Hopefully the show can get on the road tomorrow.

The transport ship carries 38 vessels from St. Thomas and 33 of them get off here. The next destination of the "Explorer" is Florida and then across the Atlantic to Rochelle, France.

We hope that the weather is improving soon so we can sail home.

Have a fun time at the chili fest and we will be there around mid June or later. One can never tell what can happen on the boat.

Greetings to all from Manfred and Barb.

Up Coming Events

June 4-5 Cadet Training

June 11-12 Cadet Training

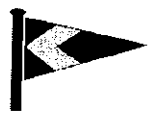
June 12 Blessing of the Fleet

June 25 Port to Port Race

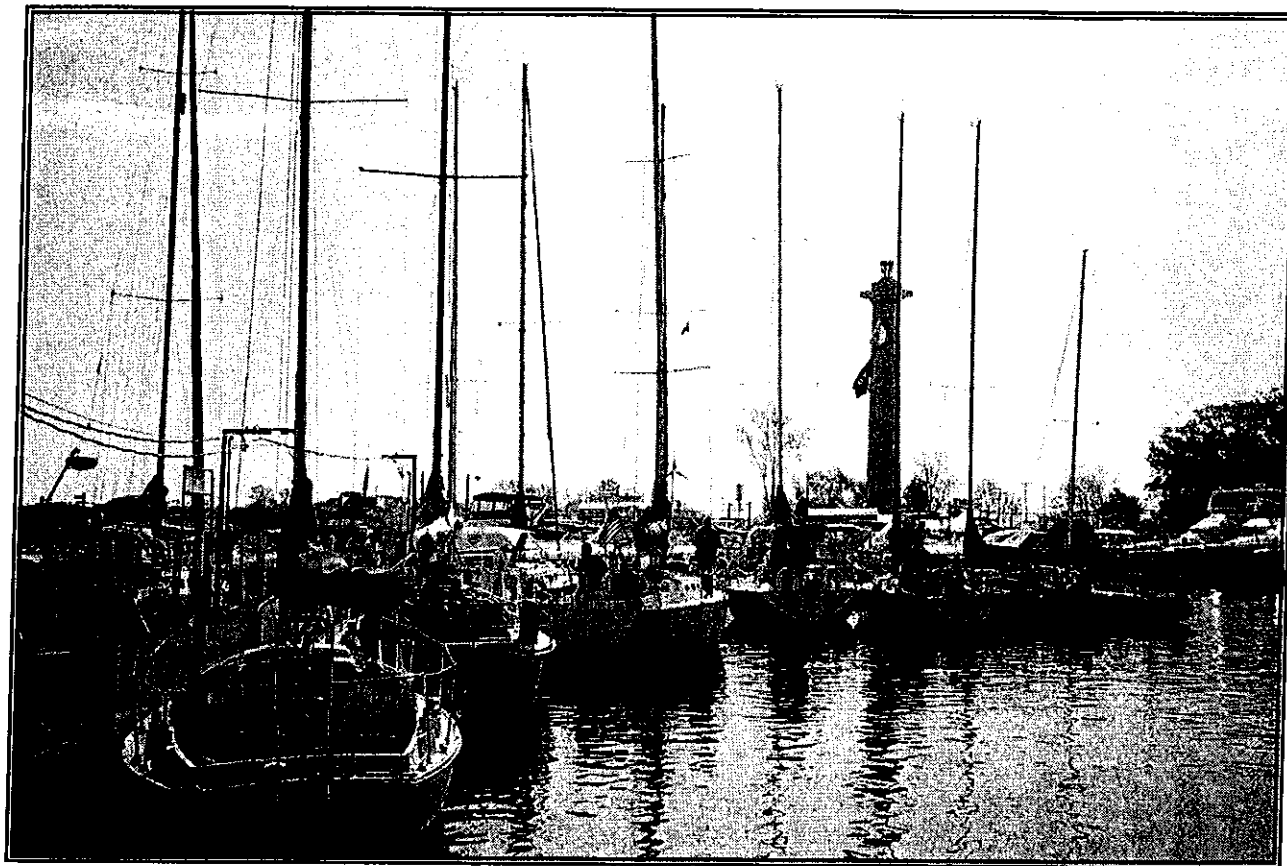
July 9 Pelee Island Wine Regatta



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DATE**



Shakedown 2005



Harbour at Put-in-Bay—Shakedown Photos by Rob Doiron & Rob Ferguson

Saturday morning I arrived at LaSalle Mariners to participate in the 32nd Annual Race to Put-in-Bay, Ohio.

This is the first regatta of the season and participation from our club were 9 vessels, all manned with eager crew members to sail across the western basin of Lake Erie.

The starting line just off Bar Point had approximately 30 boats, jockeying for position and with the finishing line located 26 nautical miles near Lonz's Winery on Middle Bass Island.

The morning was bright and sunny at 65 degrees F. accompanied by a light breeze from the East at 2-4 knots.

The starting order began with the J.O.G. fleet at approximately 0900 hours with P.H.R.F. classes to follow.

By the time our fleet heard the gun the decision was to begin with a spinnaker start at the mark and with almost no breeze we delicately floated across the imaginary line with our spinnaker sails hanging like drapes.



Michelle Grondin

We continued on for a couple hours with little headway but kept the faith that the Easterly breeze would pick up sooner than later.

Although some of the boats felt differently, started their motors and went on their way. As the day progressed so did the wind with the majority of the boats sailing along side North Bass Island and to get to the finish line off Lonz's Winery and the Committee Boat.

It was now Saturday evening around dinner time when we arrived to find all the usual docking facilities filled. Miller Boat Line, Crew's Nest, and the town marina known to the locals as the zoo were quickly filling up and rafting of 6 boats deep, while a handful of our racers had to use the mooring balls located in the harbour.


Boats were everywhere along with flags and smiling faces giving cheer to the Victoria Day Holiday and wonderful weather. THE BAY IS ALIVE.

The awards were presented in DeRivera Park at the gazebo by Robbie Ferguson (Race Director). Congratulations goes out to Len Strahl of Lionheart II for Overall and Fastest boat. In the J.O.G. fleet in first place was Thunder & in P.H.R.F. A Slo-Poke. Also Bob Bingham of Special Delivery was awarded Boat of the Year 2004.




It was a wonderful event and congratulations to all crews.

Michelle Grondin

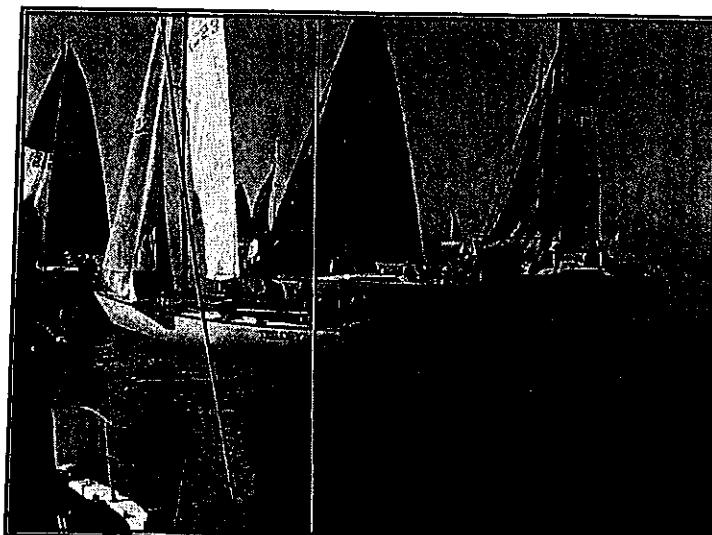
CLASS J.O.G.



YACHT NAME	TIME	CORRECTED	FINISH
Thunder	4:33:40 PM	6:07:26 PM	1.
Bear's Mistress	4:47:08 PM	6:30:00 PM	2.
Wind Song	5:13:31 PM	6:40:47 PM	3.
Wind Swept	5:28:59 PM	7:02:45 PM	4.
Valhalla	5:38:42 PM	7:11:36 PM	5.
Kyree			DNF
Mai-Toi			DNS
Mananan			DNS
Flirt			DNS



Chris Barron



The Start

CLASS PHRF "A"

YACHT NAME	TIME	CORRECTED	FINISH
Slo-Poke	4:13:56 PM	5:55:38 PM	1.
Zephyr Hawk	4:14:44 PM	5:56:26 PM	2.
Kallidoscope	4:17:01 PM	5:58:43 PM	3.
I Luv U Baby	4:17:52 PM	5:59:34 PM	4.
Special Delivery	4:21:32 PM	6:03:14 PM	5.
Blitz	4:20:27 PM	6:06:03 PM	6.
Vapor Trail	4:16:03 PM	6:09:27 PM	7.
Hurricane	4:34:31 PM	6:20:07 PM	8.
Trilogy	4:51:28 PM	6:33:10 PM	9.

CLASS PHRF "B"

YACHT NAME	TIME	CORRECTED	FINISH
Lion Heart	4:06:28 PM	5:51:52 PM	1.
Solutions	4:12:59 PM	5:57:05 PM	2.
Ruffian	4:15:14 PM	6:00:38 PM	3.
On A Tack			DNF

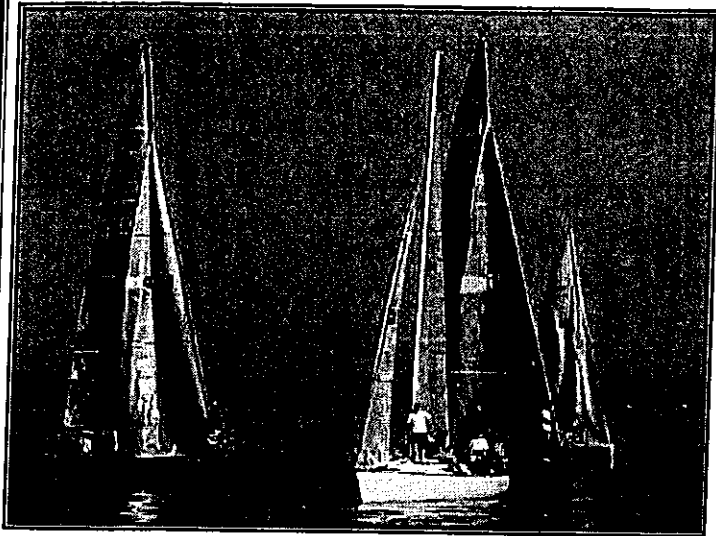
CLASS PHRF "D"

YACHT NAME	TIME	CORRECTED	FINISH
Blue Jay	4:37:34 PM	6:08:16 PM	1.
Bingo	4:38:58 PM	6:09:40 PM	2.
Addendum	4:35:54 PM	6:10:30 PM	3.
Dynamo Humm	4:36:16 PM	6:10:52 PM	4.
Bad Manners	4:42:34 PM	6:18:28 PM	5.
Bottoms Up	4:54:36 PM	6:22:42 PM	6.
Whatever	4:52:40 PM	6:23:22 PM	7.

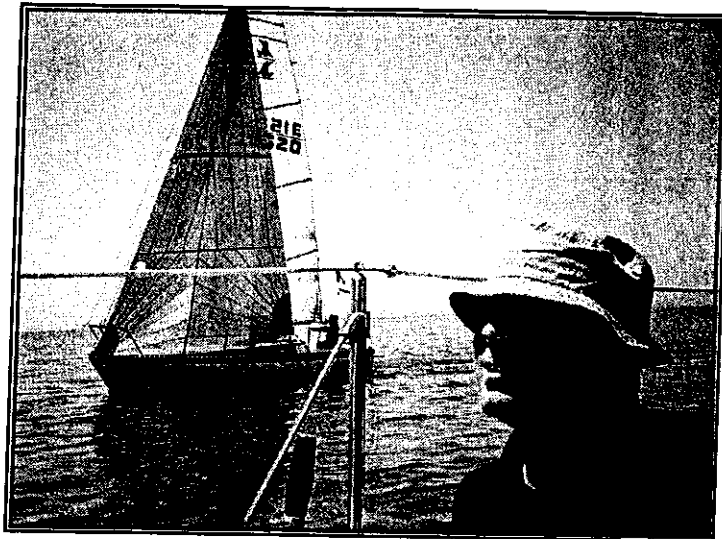
CLASS PHRF "E"

YACHT NAME	TIME	CORRECTED	FINISH
Loan Shark	5:11:25 PM	6:27:11 PM	1.
Gringo	5:18:30 PM	6:34:42 PM	2.

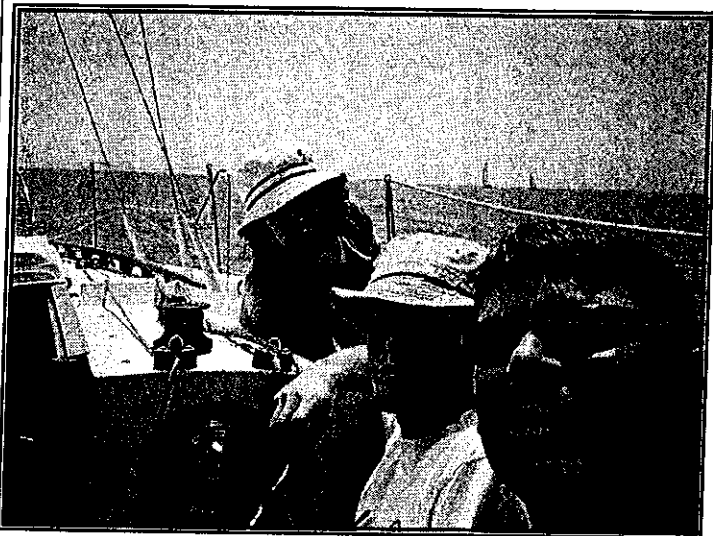




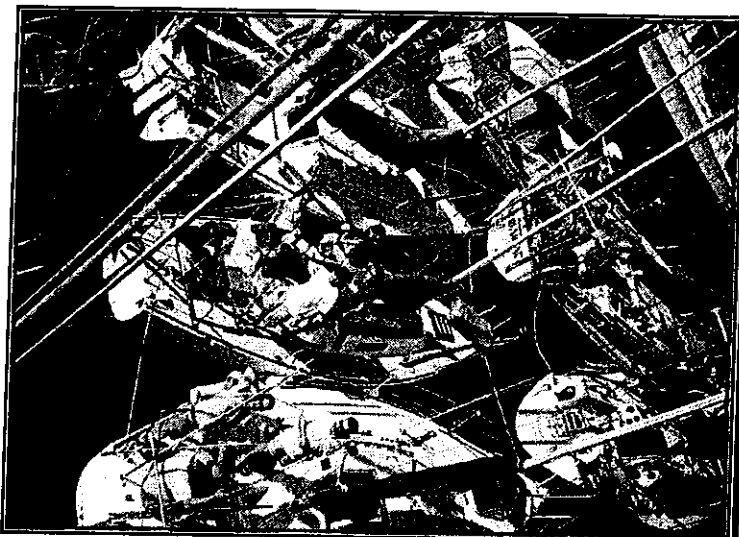
The Start—Light Air



Ted Popel



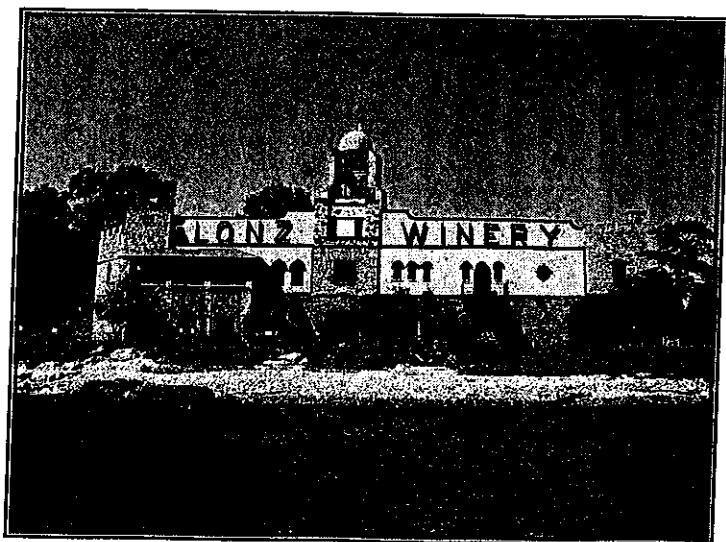
Tim McWilliams, Rob Ferguson, Ted Popel



At The Bay



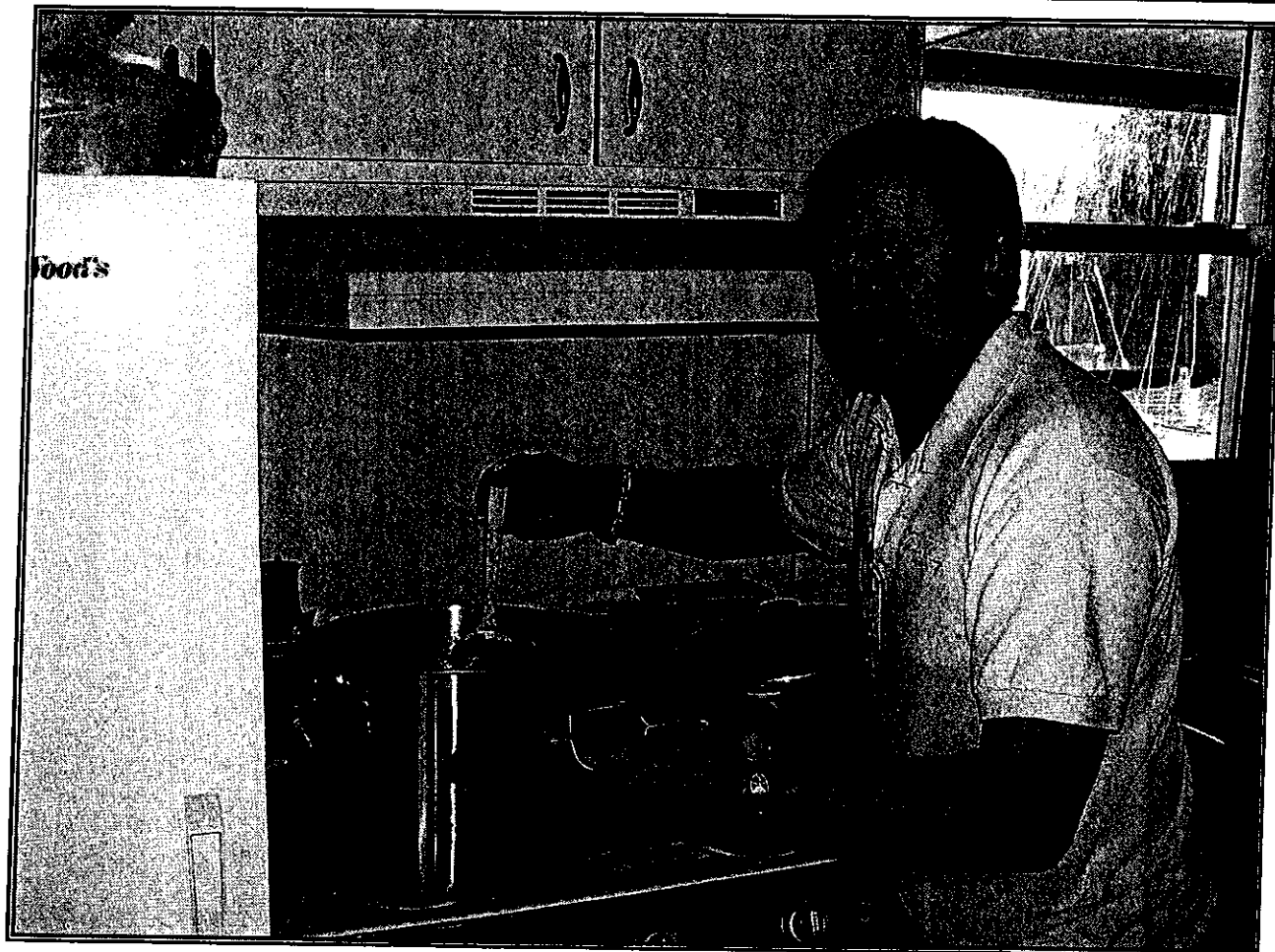
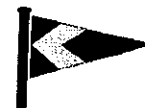
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Chili Fest



Andy Kozieradzki Chili Chef

There's nothing like a little spice on a springday. . . especially when it's chili from the secret recipe of Andy Kozieradzki.. LMYC held it's annual Chili Fest on on Saturday, May 28th beginning at 7:00 PM.



It was a great evening for the members who attended this years Chili Fest . The combination of garlic, onions, chilies and spices can create some breath-taking moments for club members who enjoyed every savory minute of this event.

Members sampled chili with different trimmings and add-ons which made for a great spring evening.

Special Thanks to the Social Director Mary Nantais and Chili Chef Andy Kozieradzki for their hard work in making this day a day not to miss.



Barbara Pare



Bodo Schaefer and Lu McKim



Barbara and Dennis Pare



Gail and Roy Oliver



Danielle and Larry Laing



John and Liz Metcalfe



Michelle Grondin and Mike Puchantj



Tom and Vicki Boyce



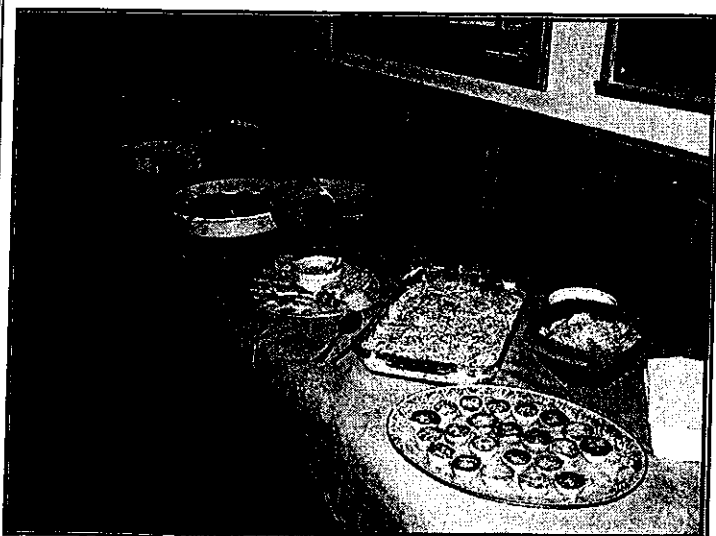
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Mike Puchantj and Sherry Raeside



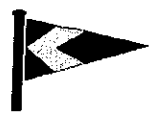
Dave and Mary Nantais



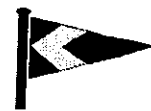
Chili Table Trimmings



The Kozieradzki Family



Around The Club



Craig Morrison



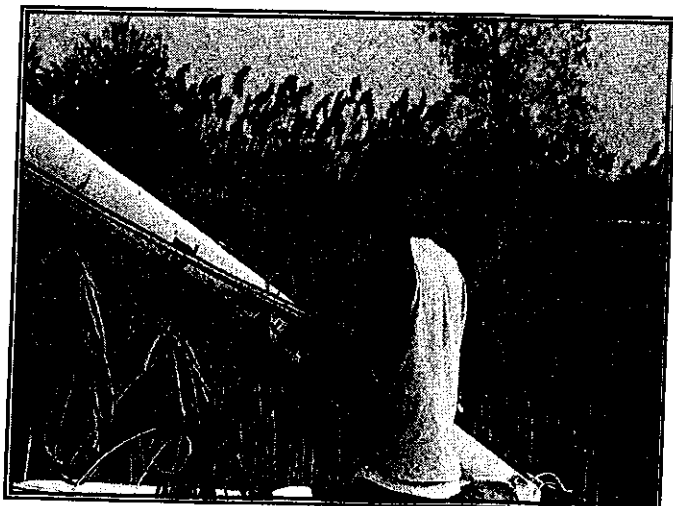
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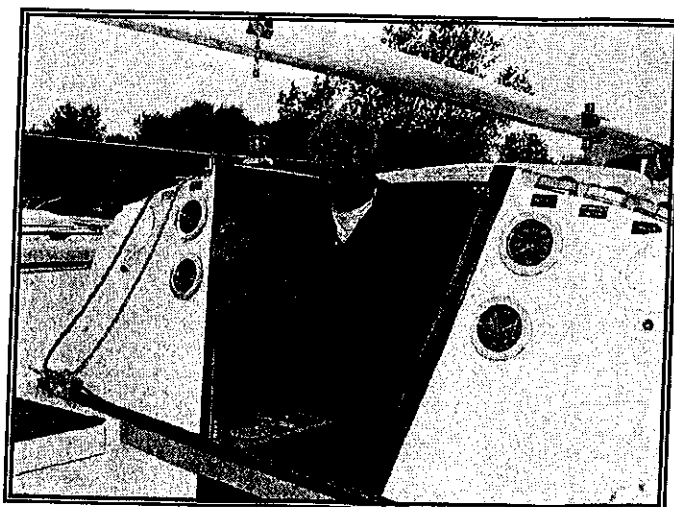
Gail Oliver



Perry Basden



Rob Ferguson



Tom Boyce



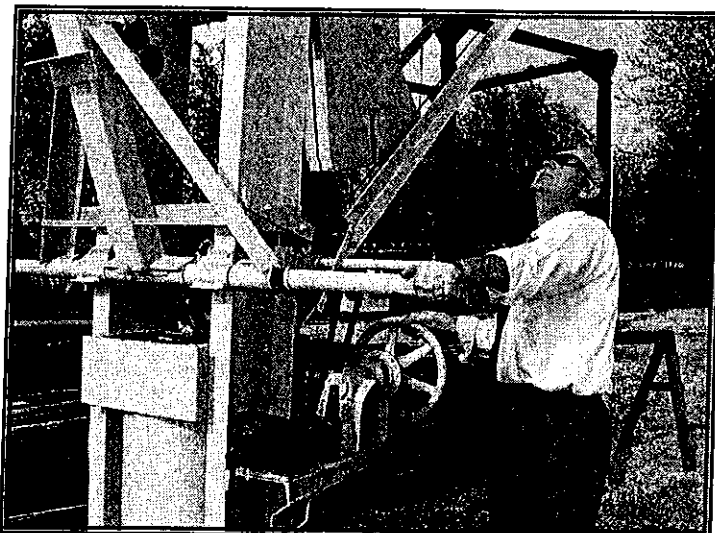
Robert Doiron



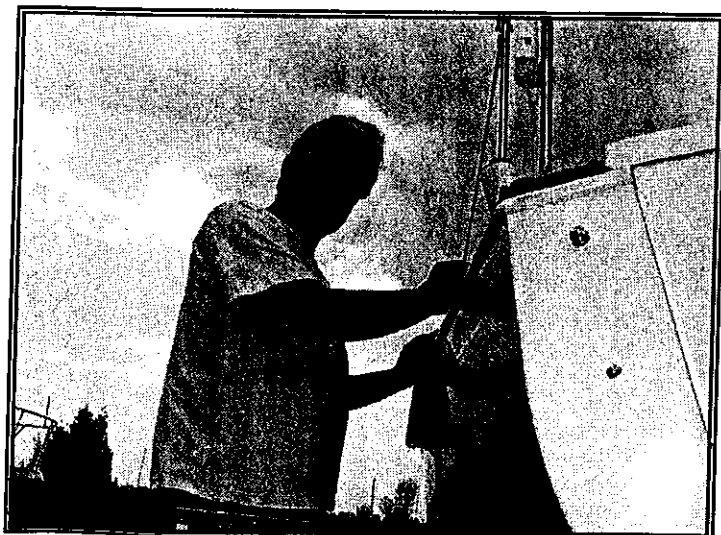
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**Alan Prettyman, Sherry Raeside
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