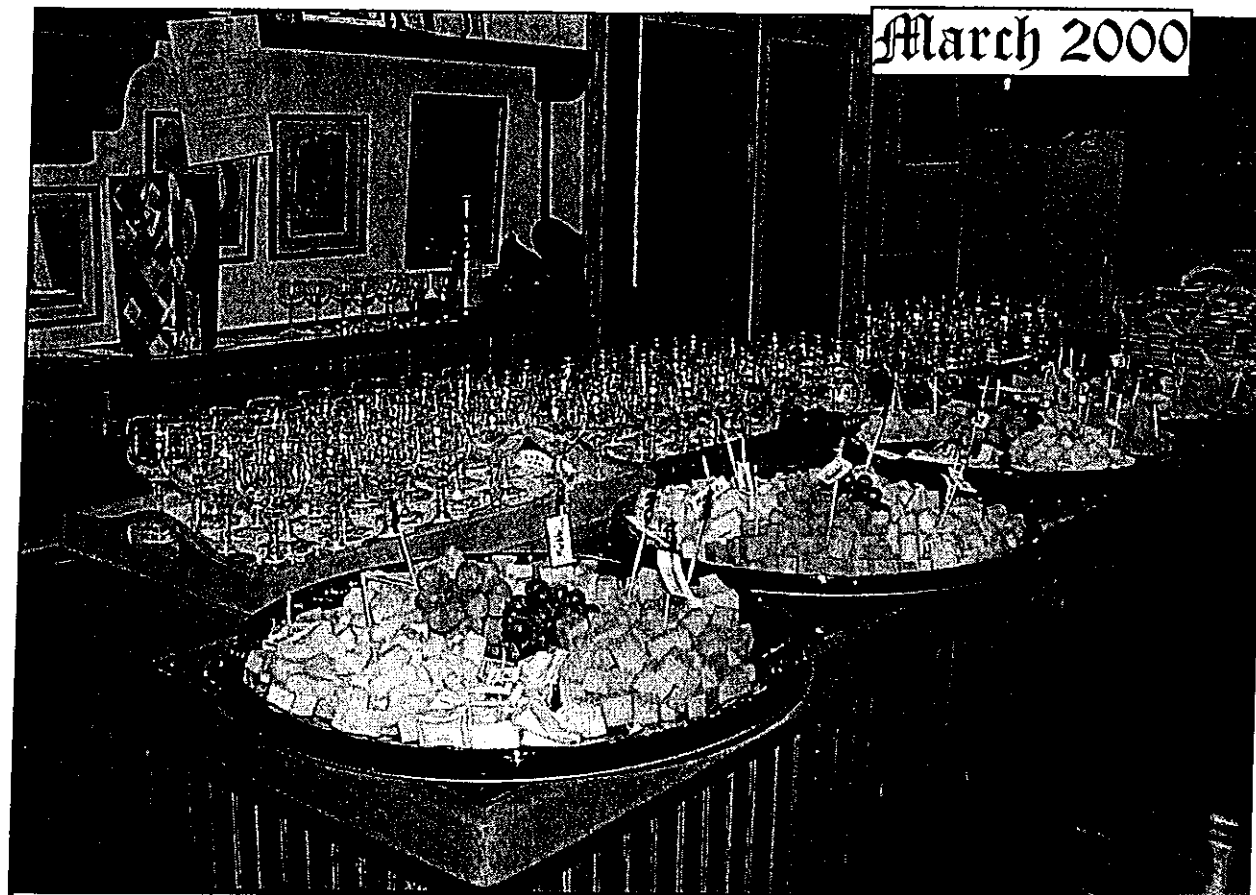


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La Salle Mariner's Yacht Club

Wine Appreciation Evening at LMYC

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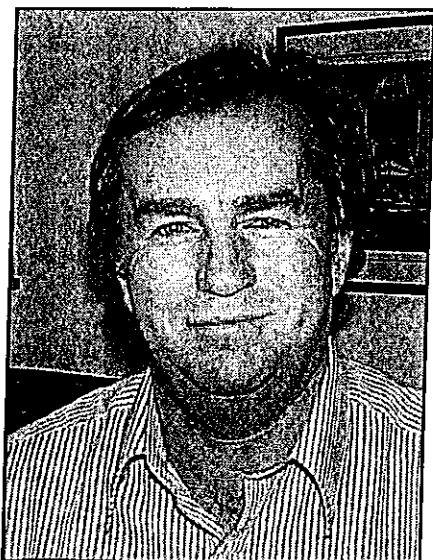
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From the Commodore

Just when it looks like the warm weather has finally arrived cold winds roll back in, but no amount of bad weather will take away the smiles forming in anticipation of the coming sailing season. We have given everyone as much time as possible to buy their protective mud booties, so dredging should begin shortly. Planning is well underway for improvements to the dinghy dock, and meetings have been scheduled to discuss future plans with the Sea Cadets. Congratulations to all involved with the Sail Seminar and Wine Appreciation. Both events were grrreat!

Commodore: *Elaine Prellyman*



From the Vice-Commodore

On Mar. 5th after breakfast we are going to have a work party to lift out the dingy docks. The electrical work has been done on the lift. We are waiting for the final inspection. We will need some help painting and installing the hardware on the life ring boxes in the garage please call me if you wish to do that. Dredging will be starting soon.

Vice-Commodore: *Robert Reaume*

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News and Information

From the Treasurer

Yvonne McRobbie

Attention to all member of LMYC. If you have an Email account, please submit this address to Bodo Schaefer, the club secretary. This Email address will assist me in communicating with you. From time to time it becomes necessary for me to send you notices. The Email process will save the club money and inform you sooner. This would certainly assist me in my duties as treasurer.

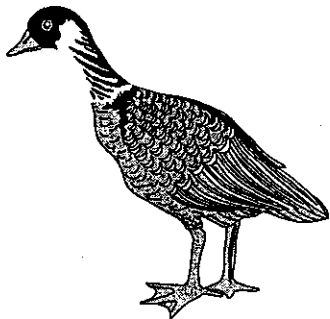
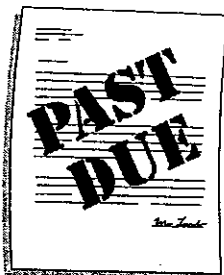
I also wish to remind members of the Club membership fees which were due at the January meeting.

Full Membership \$235.40

Associate Membership \$117.70

It saddens me that only **50%** percent of the club members have paid their membership as of the end of February 2000. We are in the midst of dredging and monies are very important at this time. Please be responsible club members. We need money to operate this facility and delinquent member who fail to be punctual with their payments is not appreciated or expected. Be aware that your membership could be in jeopardy.

I am expecting that all members be responsible for their obligations to this club and have their dues paid by the time you read the March Issue of The Currents. Your next statement will be your last. WE NEED YOUR MONEY NOW!!!!



Members of the Grey Duck Society. The Grey Duck Society provides a service to club members. In order for this service to continue members must fulfill their obligation and feed the duck on time. The duck is

extremely hungry and must be fed. Again this is your responsibility.

Deepest Sympathies

The officers and members of LMYC would like to extend their deepest sympathies to Ralph and Molly Allen on the passing of Molly's mother Helen Johnston on February 26, 2000 at age 84. Your prayers are appreciated

Second Annual Sail Seminar For Hospice

On Saturday February 26, 2000 the second annual sail Seminar for Hospice was held at St. Clair College. Over 60 people attended the seminar and over 300 dollars was raised for this noteworthy charity.

The event was sponsored by **Diamond Boat Works and Dynamo Designs.**

The featured speakers for this event were Spike Boston from Doyle Boston Sails, Wick Smith on proper rig tuning and Sam Irwin on keel preparation.

After the seminar a get together was held at South Port.

Up Coming Events

Past Commodore Party – March 11, 2000

Racers' Breakfast – March 19, 2000

2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off – April 1, 2000

Check clubhouse for more information

One More Successful Trip to the Windy City

There were about 50 of Lasalle Mariners Members and crew who ventured out on a snowy Feb morning just to go to Chicago for the Strictly Sailing Boat show. Well, let me tell you what a ride!! Our journey goes like this, our bus driver was superb in getting us to our destination, not two many got out of hand on the way up there but boy was the Scotch flowing (Hint). We arrived at our hotel to find out that one of our crewmembers forgot her bag and lost the other! Oh my!! Clothes were being swapped left and right. Well then we found out that one of our Male Members likes women's clothes (Hint, the scotch). Anyway, our first night there we visited a few local places and started a new trend with the help of some customers, Lets just say that they won't soon forget the Lasalle Mariners Yacht Club. Oh ya a certain crewmember had her hand over her title. (If you were there last year you know what I'm talking about) Well on to our second day, we visited the Strictly Sailing boat show and what a show, WHY DON'T WE HAVE A BOAT LIKE THAT GEORGE!!!! Later that night one of our Mariner's Members got permission to bring us aboard the Columbia, the member of that club could not have been nicer, they treated us as there own, and what a beautiful Yacht Club.

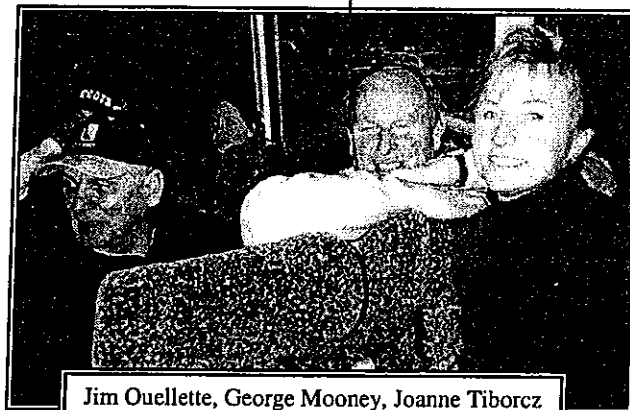
On to our second night we had to visit another local club, some of us needed sleep while others stayed up till the wee morning, and lets just say paid for it the next day.... Well I will close this by saying we all had a wonderful time and made it home safe once again do in part to our excellent bus driver. We have now name two people (and yes you know who you are) as the official tour directors for Lasalle Mariners Yacht club... Oh yes one more thing George give Sue her clothes back.

By Denise Schalowyla

The bus left Lasalle mariners on Friday 8:00 a.m. with 45 people on board. Leaving early allowed us to arrive in Chicago early enough to be able to enjoy the afternoon. A breakfast of egg mc muffins, hash browns and orange juice was served on the bus. After a quick stop at the duty free, we were on our way to Chicago. Some mariners took in the boat show on Friday while others toured on Saturday. Friday evening a group dined at the famous Chicago Chop house where a 25- oz prime rib was the specialty of the house. After dinner a large group met at the last resort for drinks. Scott Giles sat in with the band. Saturday was the day for shopping, sight seeing and the boat show. Thanks to George Mooney and Jim Ouellette we were invited to the

Columbia yacht club Saturday evening. After running up a small bar bill we then headed to the Chicago yacht club for drinks. The hospitality at both of these yacht clubs was superior. From here it was to downtown Chicago for the late nightlife. Sunday morning was time for the late nighters to recover, have breakfast and board the bus for our trip home at noon. After a quick stop at the duty free we were back at the club. The Chicago strictly sail boat show trip was a success for the second consecutive year.

By Sue Ouellette



Jim Ouellette, George Mooney, Joanne Tiborcz



Richard & Cheryl Worr

Photos by Sue Ouellette

Thanks to Sue Ouellette and Denise Schalowyla for bringing the Chicago Boat Show a little closer to home. A big thank you goes to Bob Reaume (Vice Commodore) for putting the trip together.



Wine Appreciation Night



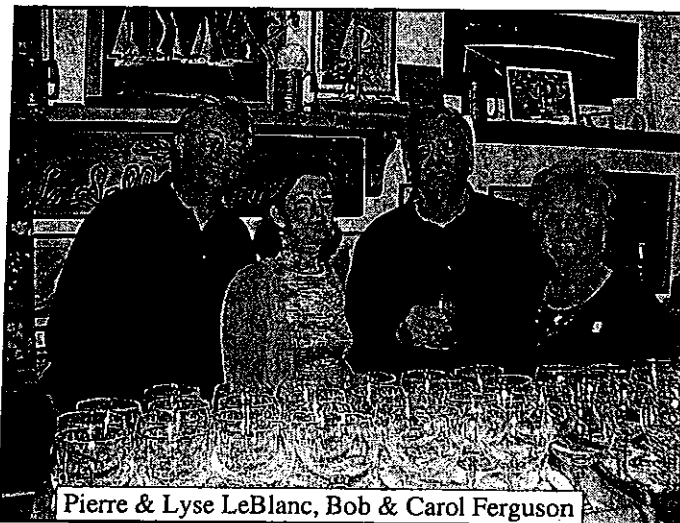
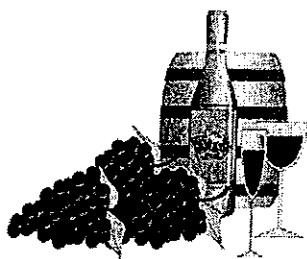
Once again another successful Wine Appreciation Night at LMYC with Special Thanks to Bob and Carol Ferguson, Gord & Diane Freeman, Bernard & Holly Wolter, and Yvonne McRobbie for a wonderful, well organized evening.

Over 80 guests attended this year with Lyse and Pierre LeBlanc from LeBlanc Estate Winery in Harrow.

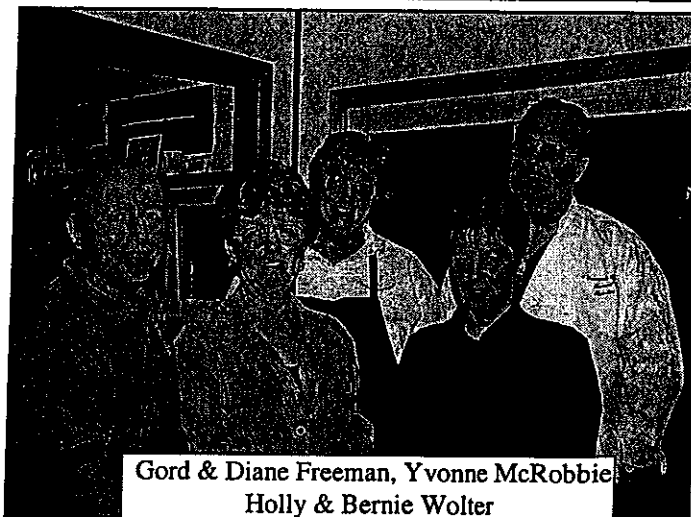
There is no mistaking the taste - or the philosophy - of LeBlanc Estate wines. Their wines are made in the classic tradition, to accompany food, to enhance its flavor and to celebrate the sharing of mealtime among family and friends. The LeBlanc's have always made wines in the belief that others will take pleasure in them. LeBlanc wines are made simply to enjoy,

This evening 7 different wines were sampled accompanied with a fantastic range of cuisine.

If you missed this year's event, be sure your name is on the list for next year.



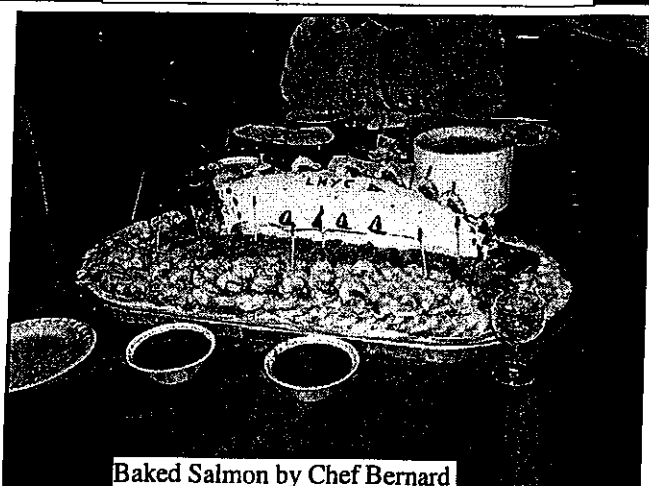
Pierre & Lyse LeBlanc, Bob & Carol Ferguson



Gord & Diane Freeman, Yvonne McRobbie
Holly & Bernie Wolter



Wine served by Diane Freeman

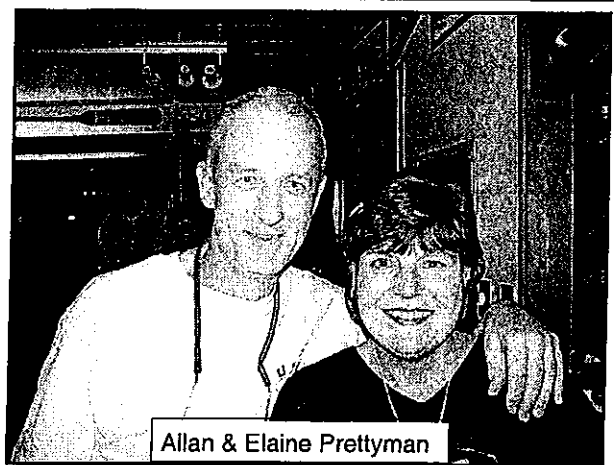


Baked Salmon by Chef Bernard





Dennis & Shelly Hendel



Allan & Elaine Prettyman



Dave & Maggie Evans



Lorri Rauscher & Ken Robitaille



Jurgen Hendel & Linda Schreiber



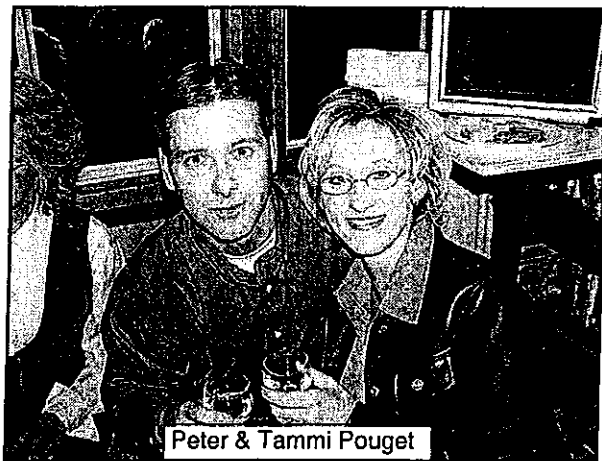
Frances & Brian Lawson



John & Liz Metcalf



Anne & Lothar Bauer



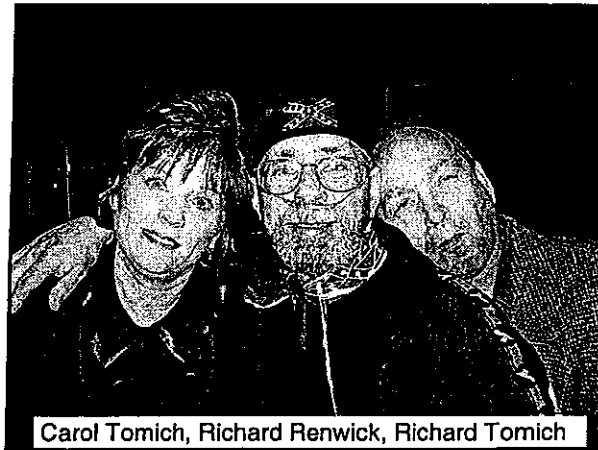
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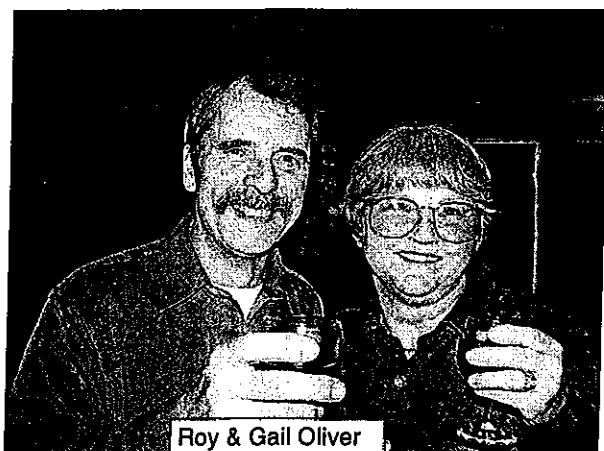
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Perry & Gloria Basden



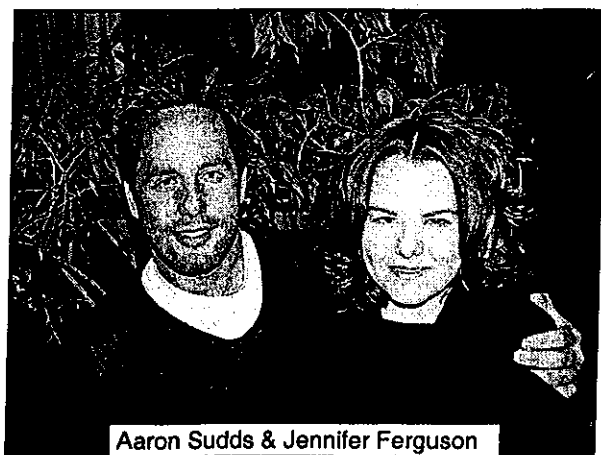
Carol Tomich, Richard Renwick, Richard Tomich



Roy & Gail Oliver



Ron & Gail Wigle



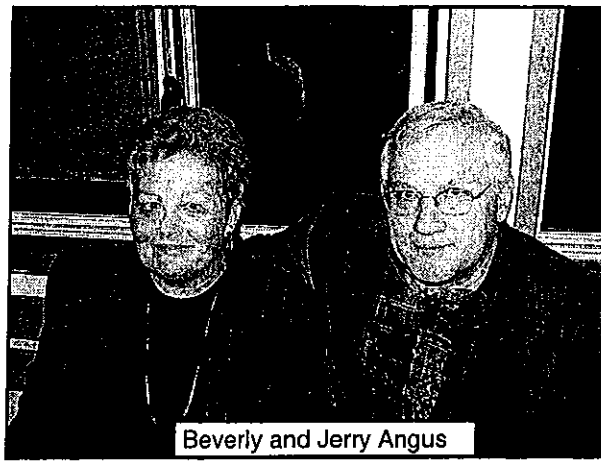
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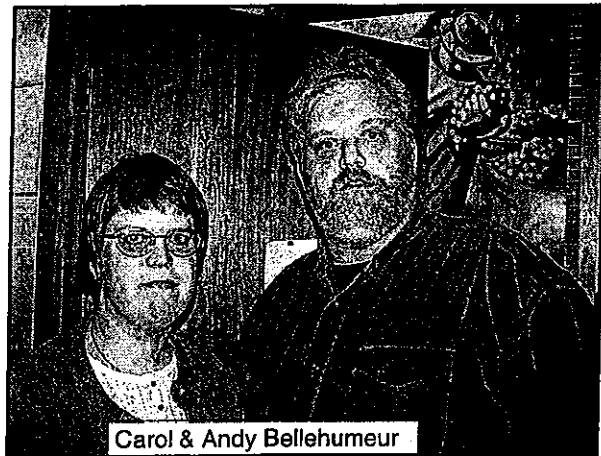
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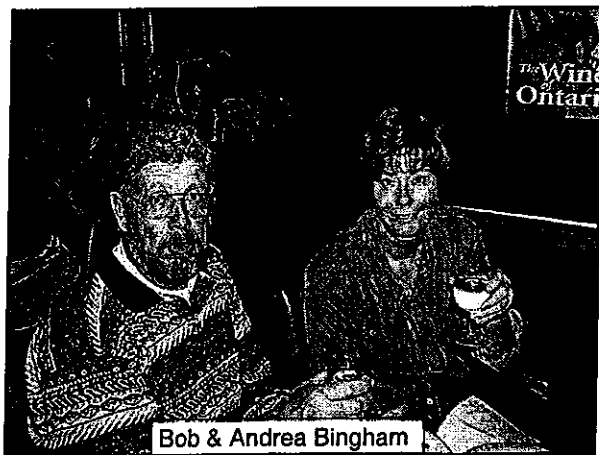
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Bob & Andrea Bingham



Sharon & Fred Bolton



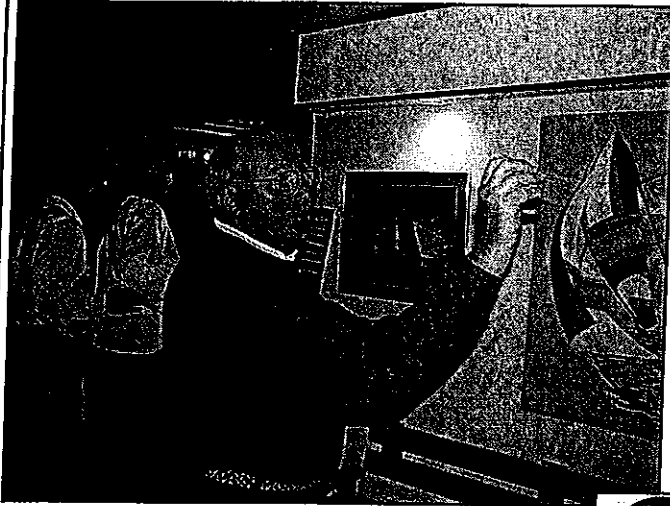
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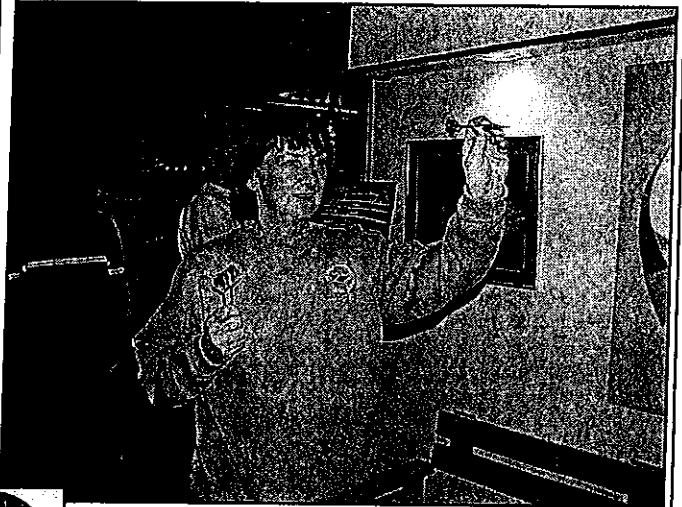
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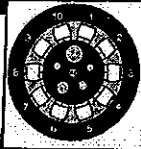
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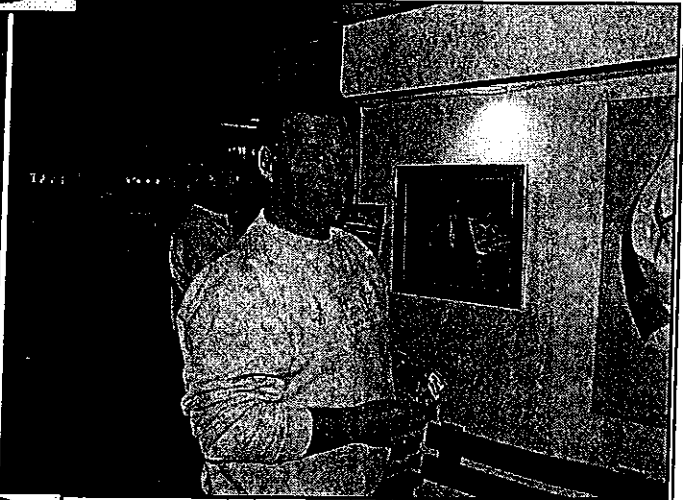
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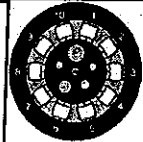
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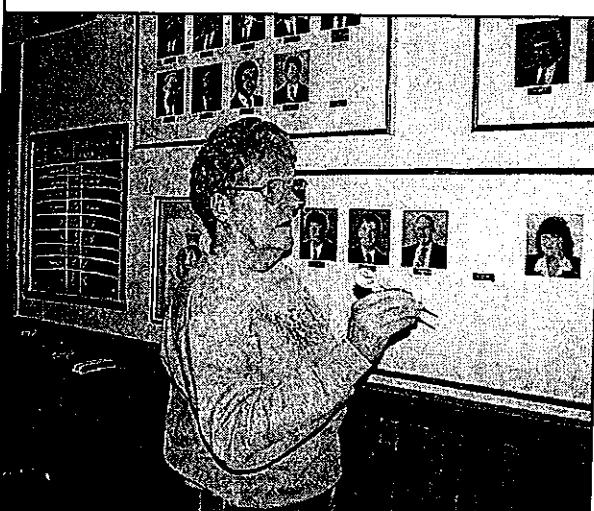
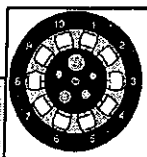


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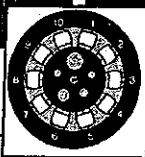




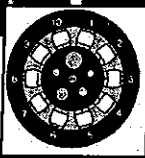
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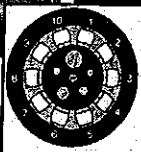
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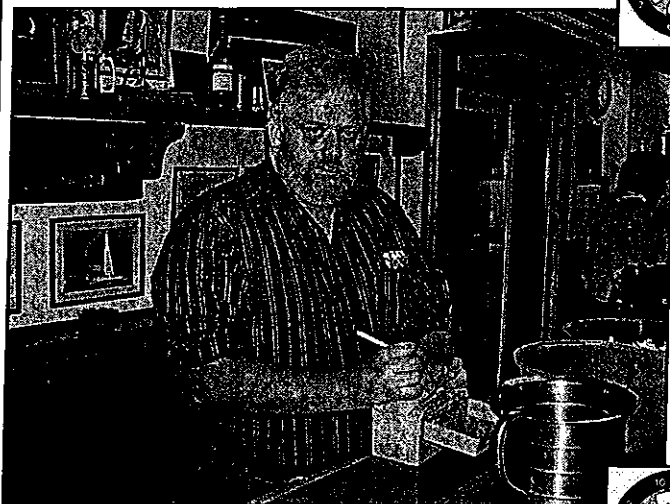
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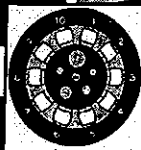
Darlene Fraser and Jurgen Hendel



Caroline Raby



Andy Bellehumeur



Perry Basden



Bob O'Brien & Adam Prettyman

The Dart League meets every Wednesday Evening at 7:30 pm at LMYC club house. Over 20 members and friends participate in friendly matches throughout the evening. This is a great opportunity for club members to meet and get to know other members. If you are interested in darts and meeting new people, then LMYC Dart League is the place to be.



Around The Club



Andrew Gagnon enjoying his boat



Jim Beaudoin working the controls



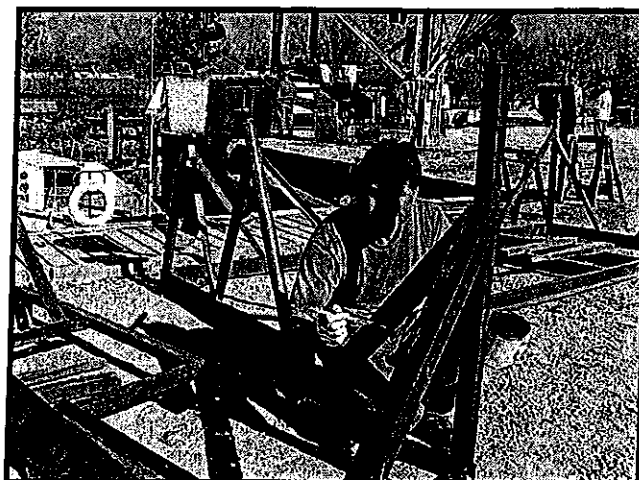
Jim Ouellette working on new lift



John Amyot and Andy Kozieradski repairing cradle



Bob MacKenzie cleaning hull after haulout



John Geary Junior painting cradle



Local Boat Services



Many members of LMYC at this time of the year are thinking of boating and perhaps repairs to their boats. For this month's issue of *The Currents* I would like to profile Diamond Boat Works and Clare's Mobile Marine both located on Pillette Road.

Diamond Boat Works

Started up in the winter of 1997 with the first boat completed being Bob Reaume's gem "Rescue" in a very clear jade color. Sure was nice to a paint job the right way – our way. We were very proud of this job and we know Bob was too. We completed 6 boats that spring, and our shop was well on its way. A pleasant, easy summer on "Stripes" allowed time to setup lots of work for the winter of 98 and 99 and we completed "Rugger" an S2.79 from Detroit and it turned out great. If you've read the paper lately it's very fast.

Then bang, everything stops. That's right, the day after Christmas I fall off a scaffold in the shop, seriously hurting my foot. Two and half months later and still limping today. This was a very hard time for us but it was amazing to see the people come out of the woodwork to help: Marj, Jurgen, Ian, Curtis, Gooch, Donny and Ray, just to name a few. With some understanding customers we finished 9 boats that spring. Another strong summer and we are booked solid for 99 and 2000.

Some projects of note: Bob Reaume is back for a bottom job, Brian Case's Niagara 26 is set for a new deck paint. We have recently finished Brian Labute's C&C 30 and "Bravo" a C&C 35 from Detroit.

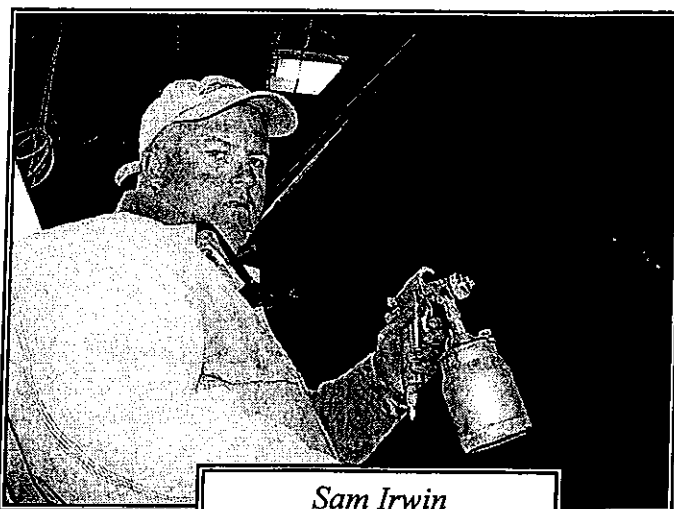
The shop has grown and double in size and with the addition of "Clare's Mobile Marine" to share some shop time. Continuity has come to our shop, making us one of the best repair shops in the Great Lakes attracting boats from Detroit, Toronto, Toledo Windsor, North Carolina and Florida. We prefer to work on boats 30 feet and under but we're not afraid of the big stuff either. In the fall of 98 we painted Bill Martin's SC-70 "Stripes" and the summer of 98 the bottom of Dutch Schmidt's Maxi boat "Sassy"

Clarence and I are proud of our work and our achievements but most of all we're proud of the way we are able to help others. We are a small company with a world of experience and we are willing to share it with you.

Sam Irwin



Clarence Dumouchelle



Sam Irwin

Clare's Mobile Marine

Many members have bottom paint build up, osmosis problem or dry laminate layup. Clare's Mobile Marine has the solution for you. They have an alternative to sandblasting, soda blasting, hydraulic peeling, disc sanders, grinders or chemical paint removers. They have a special machine with a 3 inch cutter with depth control which can be set as required. This device leaves the surface even and smooth.

What makes this machine special is that it can travel to where you are. The machine is portable and there is no need to bring your yacht to the shop. They can come to you. If you are interested or need more information call the following numbers:

Diamond Boat Works and Clare's Mobile Marine

Office 519-734-7043, Pager 519-987-8294, Fax 519 978-1159, or Email www.claresmobile@hotmail.com

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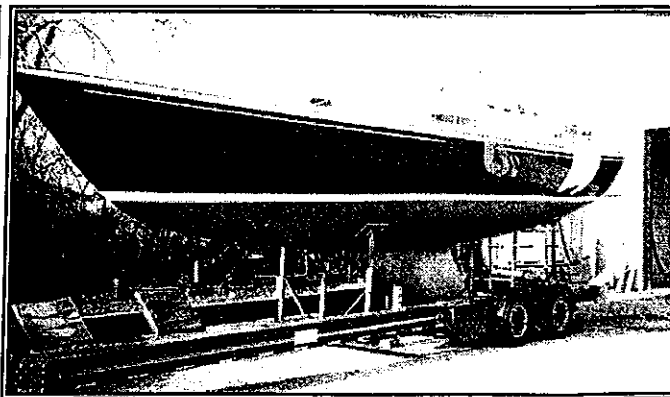
- Diamond Boatworks – Owner
- 22 years of Hands on Experience
- Painting and Refinishing
- Custom Fiberglass Repairs
- Custom Fairing
- Sail Making and Rigging
- Small Craft Surveying

Clarence Dumouchelle

- Clare's Mobile Marine – Owner
- 15 years of CftsmanSHIP
- Custom Woodworking
- Painting and Restoration
- Custom Peeling – Gel Coat and Paint Removal “the only one in Canada”



Sam Irwin on R-Escape



Finished Boat in Yard