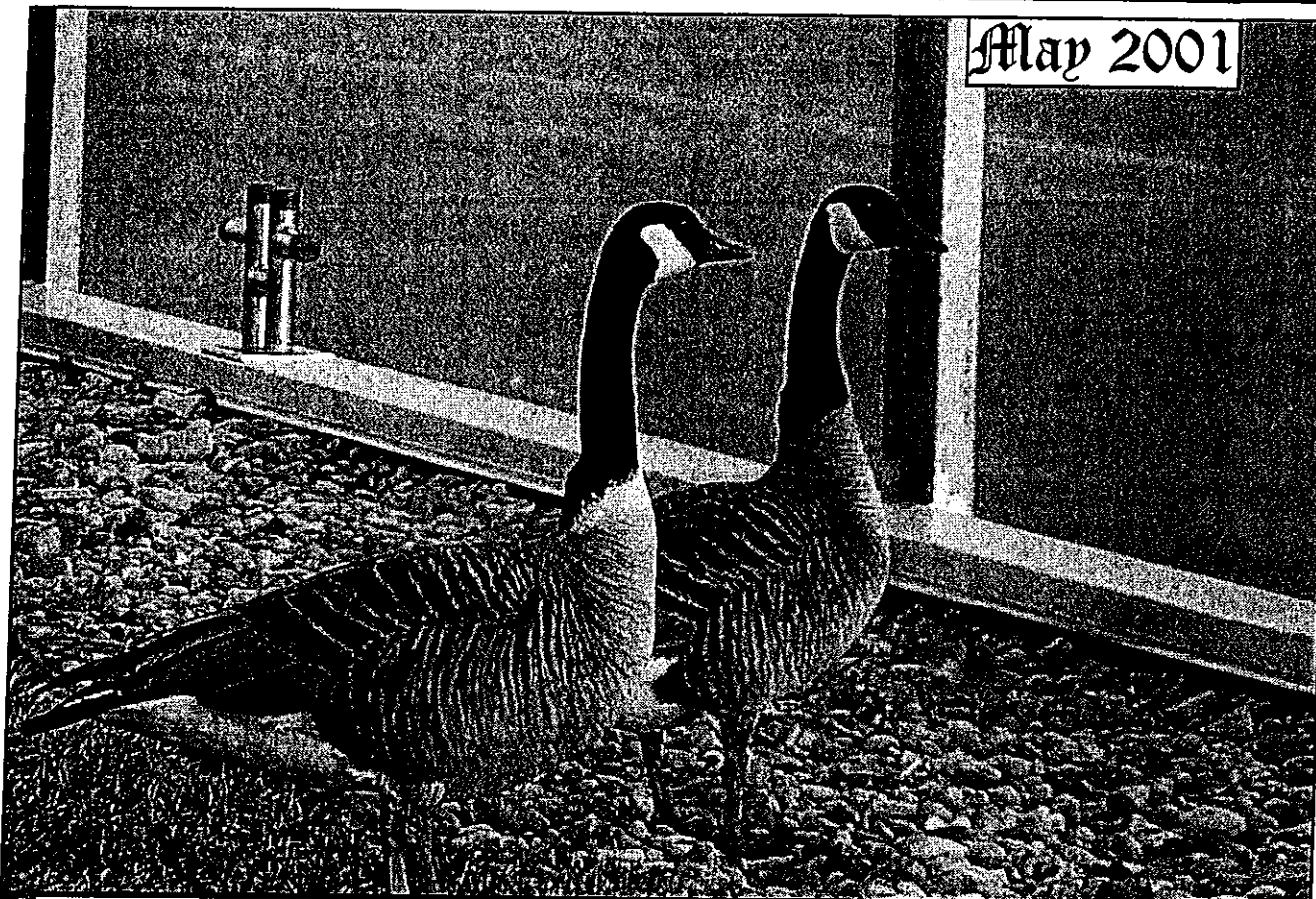


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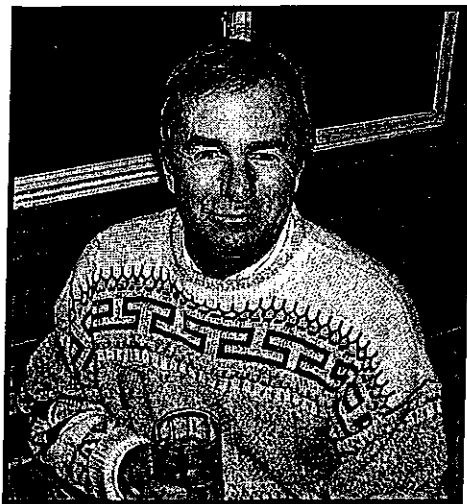
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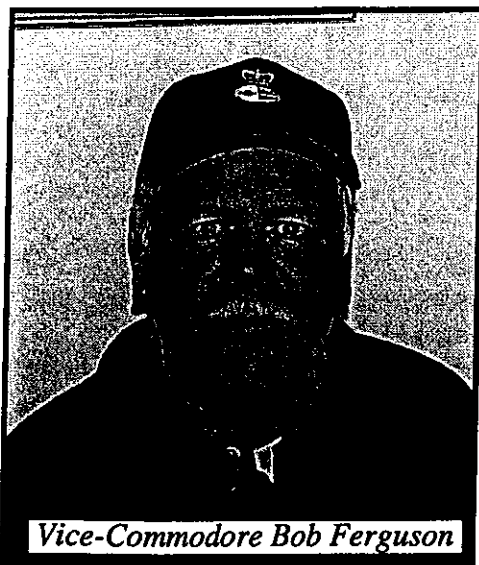
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From the Commodore and Vice-Commodore



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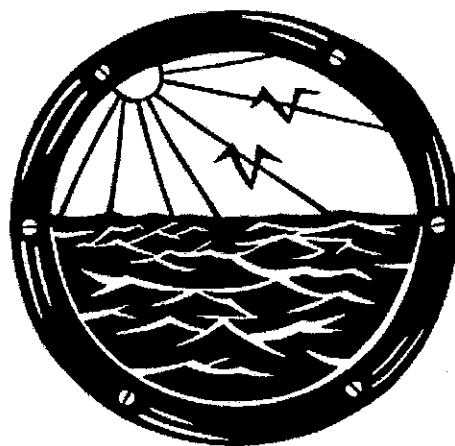
Vice-Commodore Bob Ferguson

At this writing most of our boats are now in the water and club racing will begin Monday May 7, and Wednesday May 9, 2001. We are pleased that members have been coming to the work parties and a great amount of work is being accomplished. The tie-along dock is complete, planked and painted. This was quite an accomplishment as it done in just two days with 8 members working together as a team. Great job! At this writing the dart league has concluded business as well as the Monday luncheons.

Shakedown is just around the corner. Please hype up our event. Personally invite people to attend this race. Dockage prior to the race can be arranged at the club. Check with the Commodore or Vice-Commodore.

The weather is great, and the summer looks promising. Enjoy your boat, enjoy your club, enjoy the events. Great sailing.

Robert Reaume (Commodore)
Bob Ferguson (Vice
Commodore)



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News and Information

Junk Removal

Over the years LMYC has become a dumping ground for old cradles, trailers etc. This is taking up valuable club space around the shed and garage. If any of these items belong to you, please remove as soon as possible. LMYC is planning to use this space for something else.

Police Keeping Eye on Boaters

The Windsor police boat Guardian is riding the waves and spoiling for action.

The Guardian, a 30-foot aluminum boat custom built in 1989 by Hike Metal of Wheatley, was put in the water in mid-April, the earliest start date in its history.

It began full time patrols in May and will be out the first weekend keeping an eye out for boaters who drink and drive, flout safety regulations or speed through channels with posted speed limits. Windsor police Staff Sgt. Dave Perpich, who oversees the marine unit, said police will place information buoys in the Peche Island channel this year and strictly enforce the five-knot speed limit.



Windsor Star May 8, 2001

Our Mother Is the Sweetest

Our mother is the sweetest and
Most delicate of all.

She knows more of paradise
Than angels can recall.
She's not only beautiful
But passionately young,
Playful as a kid, yet wise
As one who has lived long.



Her love is like the rush of
A bubbling, laughing spring
That runs through all like liquid light
And makes the mountains sing.

And makes the meadows turn to flower
And trees to choicest fruit.
She is at once the field and bower
In which our hearts take root.

She is at once the sea and
shore,
Our freedom and our past.
With her we launch our daring
ships
Yet keep the things that last.



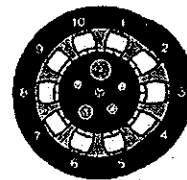
A tribute to mothers everywhere

LMYC Dart League

The dart league for this year has come to an end. The boats are now in the water and it is time to think of other things.

A big thank you to Phil Smith and Ralph Kepran for all their work in making this event a reality.

Results of the dart league will be in next month's issue.



TLC For Your Boat Canvas-3

Caring for Clear Vinyl:

Well, you've got that winter cover cleaned and stored, the dodger washed, frame and fittings polished, and all fasteners and zippers cleaned and lubricated. Things are looking pretty good! That first trip of the season can't be far off. Wouldn't it be nice to see how far off your port bow that other boat is? Yes. I am talking about those hazy windows you are trying to look through. Cleaning and polishing will help reduce UV deterioration and scratching, thus extending the life of your marine windows.

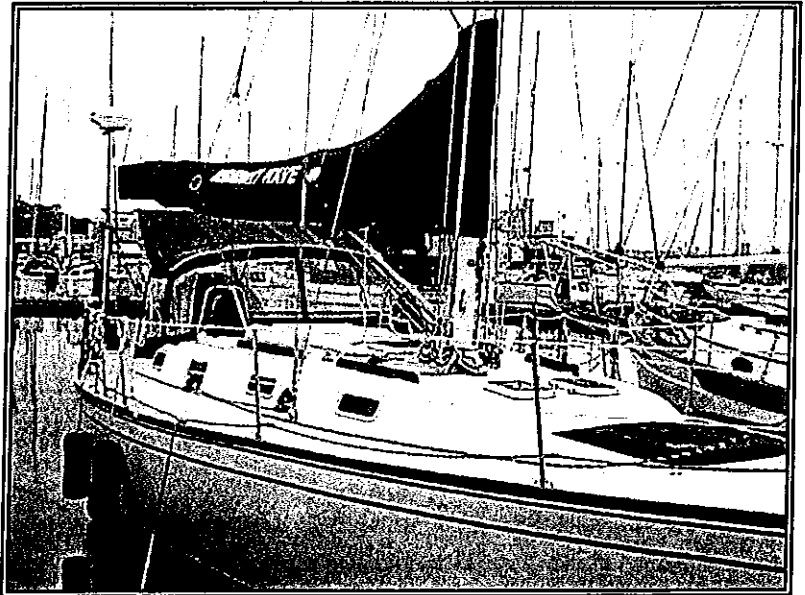
To clean your windows, pick a day that is overcast and not too hot. You don't want to apply cleaners in direct sunlight or hot weather. Flood the windows with lukewarm water to remove loose dirt (cold works fine if you are using the hose). Then use a sponge or soft cloth to clean. Old T-shirts are perfect. If you don't have any sitting around, check with any runner you know! You can bet they have a supply of old T-shirts you can use. **DON'T USE PAPER TOWEL, BRUSHES, SCRAPERS, and SQUEEGEES OR RAZORS** on your marine windows. They will scratch!

Recommended cleaners include such products as Formula 409, Top Job, and mild dish detergents (Palmolive, Joy, Etc.). **DO NOT USE WINDEX, AMMONIA OR ANY PRODUCTS CONTAINING AMMONIA, or, of all things, SOLVENTS.** They are high in alkaline and will damage marine windows. **DON'T SCRUB** the window. Use a side-to-side motion, nice and horizontal. Remember the inside of the windows too! Now rinse the windows thoroughly with more water. You don't want to leave cleaners on a window for long periods. Finally, dry the windows with a clean soft cloth to prevent water spotting.

You are now ready to polish the window. Polishing fills fine abrasions and conditions the window to protect against the marine elements. Some industry recommendations are mild automotive polishes and plastic polishes such as: Johnson Paste Wax, Mermaids Plexiglas/Plastic Cleaner & Polish, Novus Plastic Polish #1, and Rain X. Apply these products with a clean soft cloth, (not the same one you washed with) and buff with a side-to-side motion, nice and horizontal. This doesn't take long to do, and should be done regularly to ensure maximum visibility. With a good coat of polish on, water will bead up and roll right off the window. Throw away that squeegee you have been scratching your window with!

But what about the scratches that are already there? Most fine scratches can be buffed out with slightly abrasive plastic polishes designed for that purpose. I have used Novus Plastic Polish #2 and like the results, but there are plenty of other products on the market that I'm sure work just as well. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for best results. Finish up with a non-abrasive polish as described above.

This article was written by Nicki Germain
Marine Canvas Fabricator



For Sale



Laser Sailboat, orange and red in colour.

Complete \$1400.00

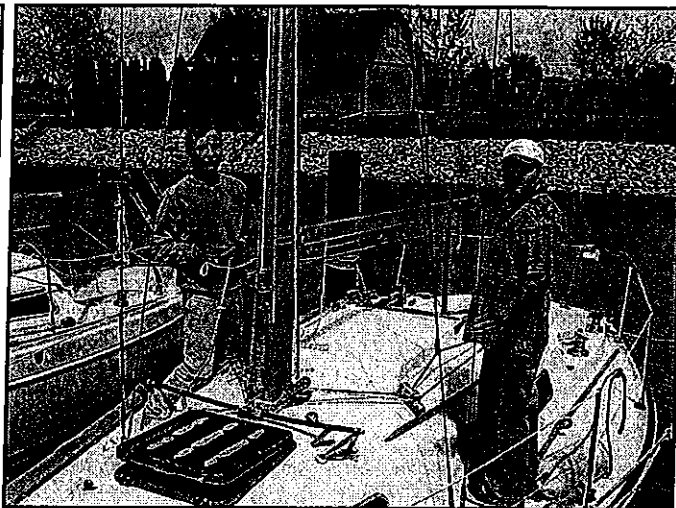
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Around the Club



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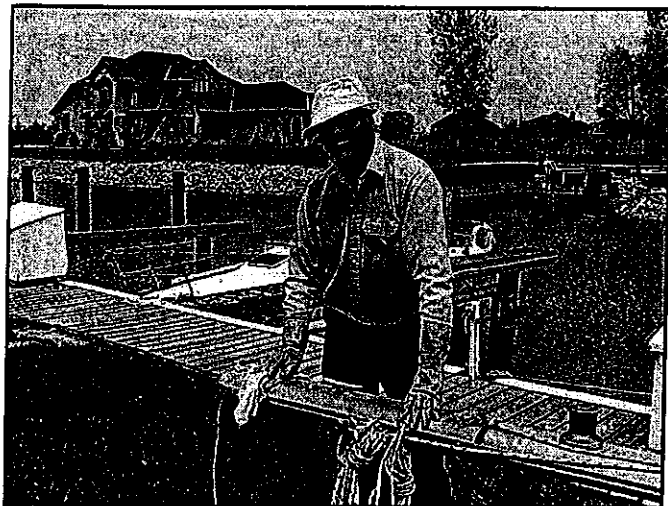
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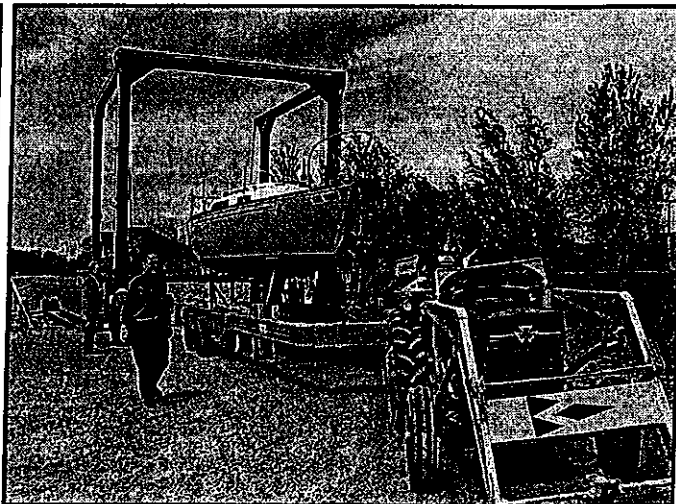
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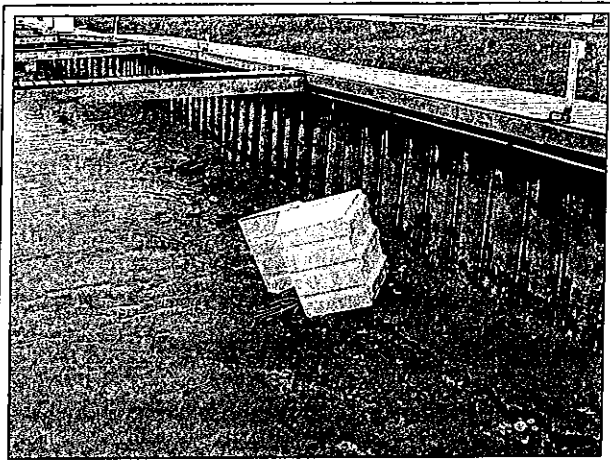


Bob Henson

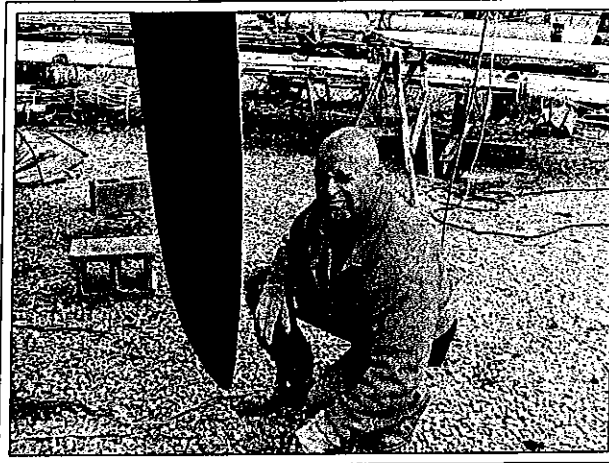


Lothar Bauer launching

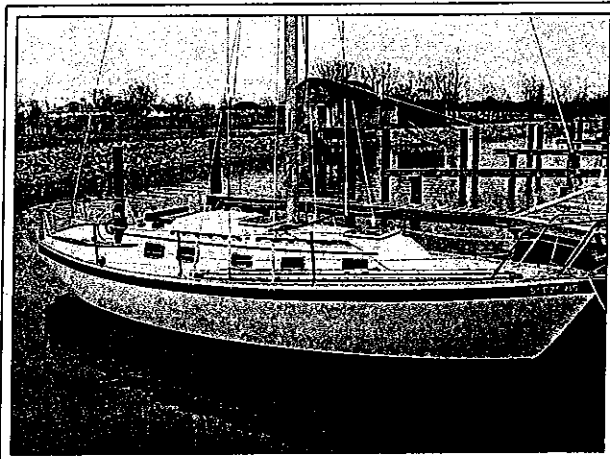
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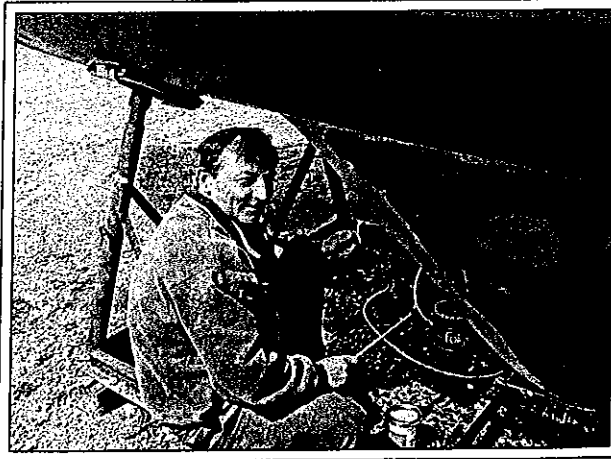
High Winds - Boat Box in the water - April 12, 2001



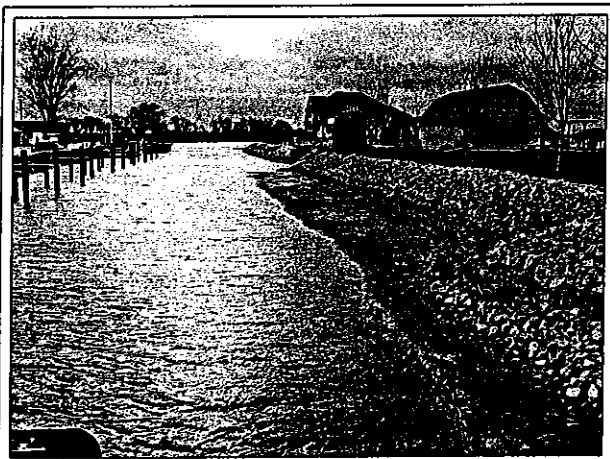
Ralf Fiedler working on rudder



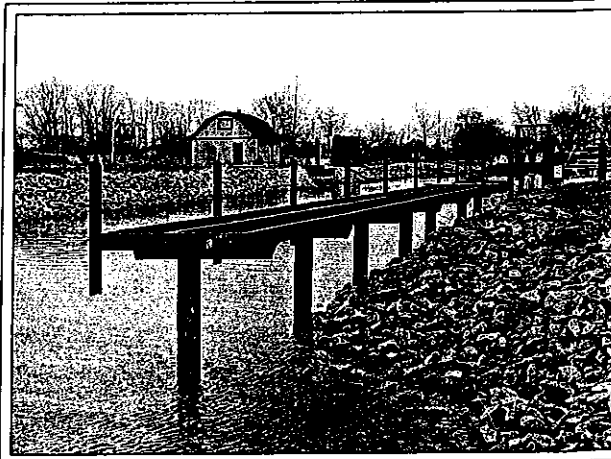
First Boat launched at LMYC — Steve Kepran



Judge Mangile working on his boat



High Winds - Low Water — April 12, 2001



New Tie-along-dock (70 feet) at North Harbour



Andy Kozieradzki



Charles Schindler



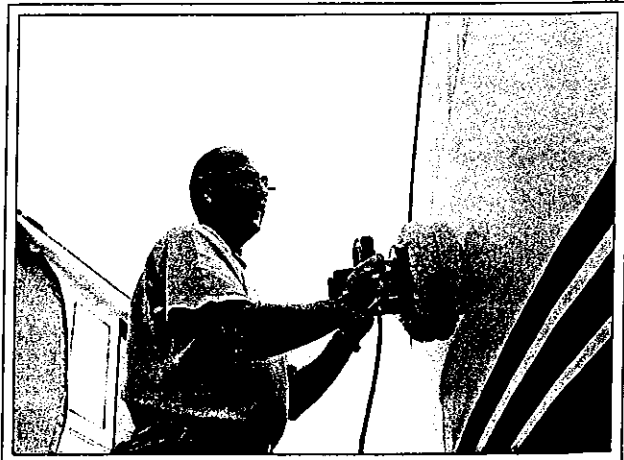
Sharon and Fred Bolton



George Mooney and friend



Howard Porter

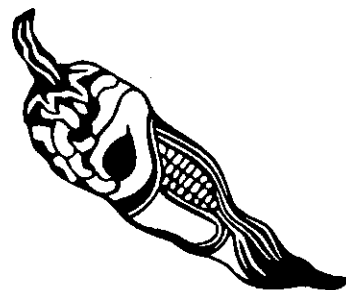


Jim Beaudoin

After Burner Chili

Ingredients:

- ✓ 2 pounds extra lean ground beef
- ✓ 3 large onions
- ✓ 3 stalks celery
- ✓ 3 carrots
- ✓ (All the vegetables are very finely chopped)



- 1 red pepper & 1 green pepper cut up in squares
- 2 cans (28 oz.) plum stewed tomatoes (cut up)
- ¼ cup dried chives
- 2 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tsp cayenne
- 3 tsp. Chili powder
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tsp. Pepper
- 4 cans (14 fluid oz (398 ml) Pinto & Red Kidney Beans (Heinz "Chili Style")



PREPARATION:

Brown the beef in a heavy bottom pan with onions, celery, and carrots. Cook thoroughly then add 2 cans of tomatoes and all your spices. Let simmer until the juice from the tomatoes is half condensed. Then add the red & green pepper. **COOK UNTILL TENDER.**

Now add the cans of chili beans.

Adjust your seasoning by adding a bit more salt or pepper or a little more cayenne _ (a pinch at a time, please)

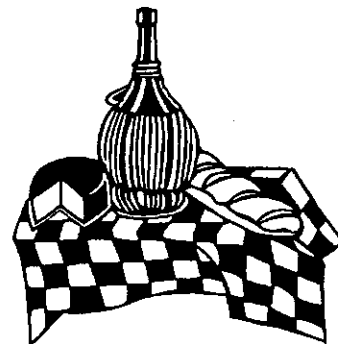
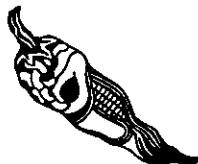
Let simmer at least 1-½ hours more.

TIPS

- There are many different kinds of chili powder & cayenne. You must adjust 'slowly' for heat to suit your personal taste.
- Chill overnight in the fridge and re-heat the next day (It will be better!)

Best of Luck and Enjoy

Pat & Bob Henson



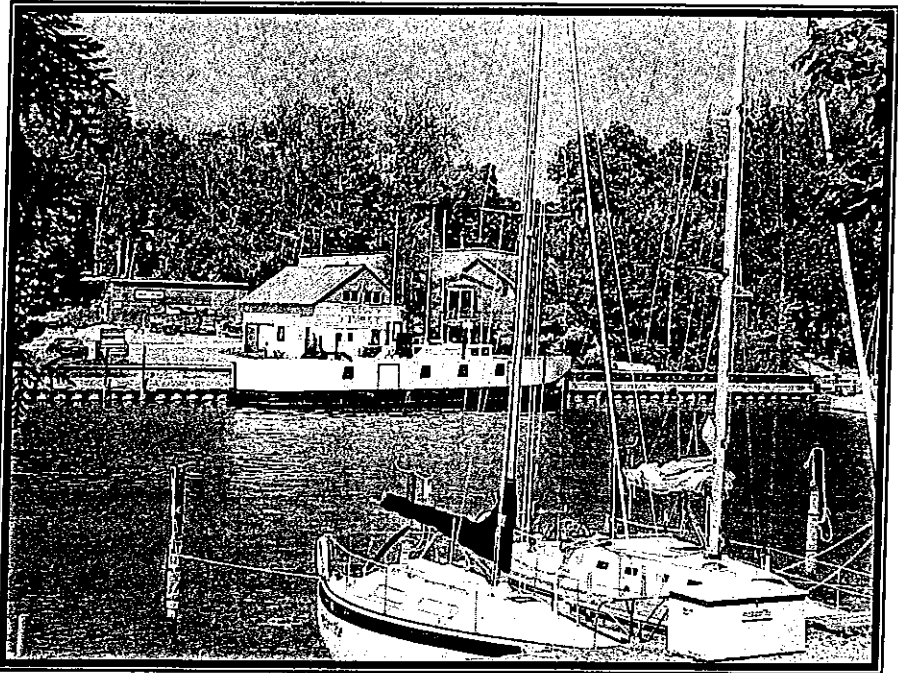
Bob Henson was the winner of the Chili Cook off which occurred in May. Many club members requested the recipe and thanks to Pat & Bob Henson other members who missed the cook off can now enjoy it.

Places To Visit This Summer Bayfield Ontario

Each summer boaters from across Ontario are drawn to Bayfield's scenic harbor.

Bayfield's four marinas allow people a natural docking place and a chance to shop in Bayfield's unique stores. Harbour Lights is one of the biggest marinas with over 10 permanent docking boats and 250 dockage slips. Together the four marinas hold about 500 permanent boats. Harbour Lights Marina, the village of Mayfield Marina, South Shore Marina and the Bayfield River Cottage Colony Inc. and Marina make up a natural harbor that is very attractive to tourist boaters.

Bayfield offers craft stores, antique shops and a variety of restaurants for visitors to enjoy. Visitors can catch a shuttle from the harbour into town and spend a day touring the village and shopping. The harbor launches its season in late April and stays open until October. Each marina offers different services for visitors such as a pool or a tennis court, Bayfield River Cottage Colony Inc., and Marina offers a marina in a sheltered and quiet area off of the main river current. LMYC members should make Bayfield a destination this summer and experience for themselves where the past and present comes together, a place where one can get a real sense of old world charm.



Places To Visit This Summer

Grand Bend Ontario

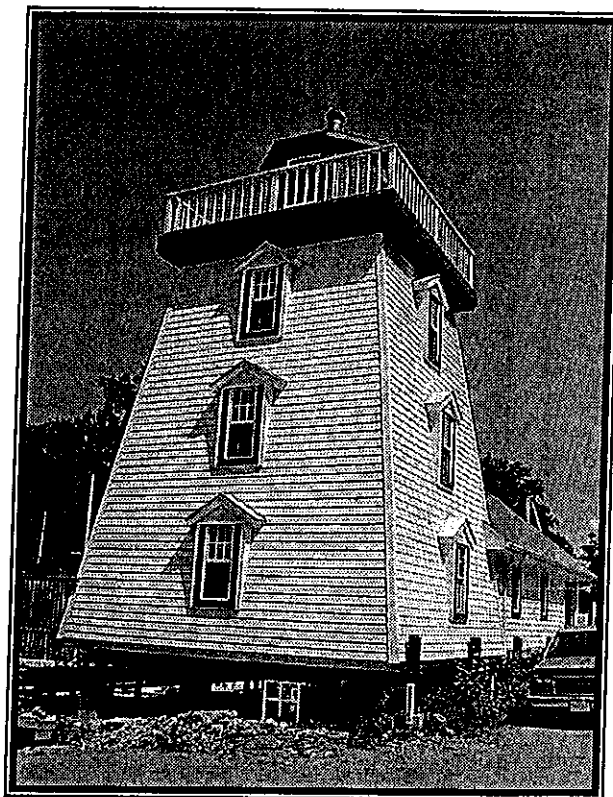
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Grand Bend offers visitors one of the most diverse waterfronts on the Great Lakes. The municipally owned Grand Bend Harbour offers facilities for boaters and the Ausable River and beautiful Lake Huron. Numbers of transient slips available are 50. Reservations are recommended. Call (519) 238-2000 or (519) 238-8461

Along the channel leading to the lake, boats dock along the side of the bank and an elevated boardwalk gives visitors a chance for a close-up look at the many yachts and sailboats that make Grand Bend their home away from home.



About Grand Bend

Grand Bend was the first settlement on the southern shore of Lake Huron in the 1830's and was known as Brewsters Mill. The name Grand Bend comes from its location at the grand bend in the river. A cut was made from the grand bend to the lake starting in 1892 creating what today is the harbour of Grand Bend. Grand Bend has been a popular tourist destination from the beginning of the century.

Rules and Regulations at Grand Bend

- Hours of operation are from Monday to Thursday 8:00 am - 8:00 PM. Friday to Sunday 8:00 am to 9:00 PM.
- Marina monitors VHF Channel 68.
- All sailboats must secure halyards in such a way as to prevent clanging.
- No anchorage in the Harbour.
- Boater washroom and showers are located at South Basin (key needed).
- Rafting permitted where river width is adequate.

