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## LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

Walking To The Widow's Walk After The Juergen Hendel Memorial Service

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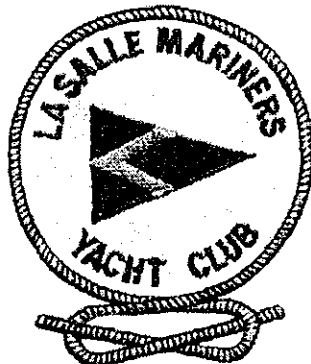
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## *From the Commodore and Vice-Commodore*



Commodore Ralf Fiedler



Vice-Commodore Ralph Kepran

**T**he harbour is filling up with boats. What about yours? Waiting for the perfect temperature to paint or sand? Family commitments kept you away at Easter? Don't forget Mother's Day is coming up. What is his point you may be wondering? Just that the deadline for launch is coming up on MAY 15 and after that a surcharge will be in effect and increasing daily.

Please check the clubhouse and this issue for the various memberships that you must join each year. Essex County PHRF, entry forms for the club races and regattas. Pay early and save in some cases.

So get into your summer habits and come down to the clubhouse. Don't forget the Past Commodore's Party on Saturday May 8.

*Commodore: Ralf Fiedler*

Summer is almost here, our new awning is installed and the final launch date is fast approaching. Let's enjoy our club.

Special Thanks this month our club members and to Shirley and Rick Beresford and the Sea Cadets who help plant the new trees on our property. By planting these trees we hope to increase or improve our wildlife habitat, to protect the site from soil and water erosion, and to improve the intrinsic beauty of our club.

Work parties will begin again in June. Until next month GREAT SAILING.

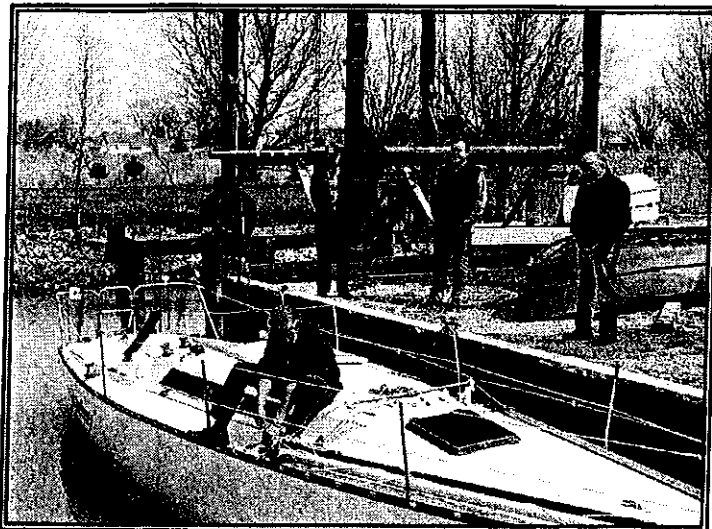
*Vice-Commodore: Ralph Kepran*

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# News and Information

## First Boat Launched



Special Delivery has the honour of being the first boat launched this year at LMYC. Launch Date April 6, 2004. Conditions: Party Cloudy with a temperature around 40 degrees F.

## General Meeting Update

The general meeting began at 1:00 PM with Jerry Angus Secretary reading the minutes of the last meeting. Here are some of the highlights of this meeting.

- Ralph Kepran Vice-Commodore reported that 25 hardwood trees were purchased from ERCA to be planted and 30-40 trees already planted were saved. Ralph thanked the members who attended and to Rick and Shirley Beresford and the Sea Cadets who joined in this venture.
- Ralph Kepran reported that the new awning has been installed and gives a new dimension to the club.
- Saturday May 1, 2004 will be a Work Party Breakfast. Members arriving between 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM will be treated to a free breakfast. Members are then encouraged to cleanup various areas around the clubhouse. Some areas to

choose from would be the Widow's Walk, The Garage Area, etc. Call Ralph Kepran for an area you would like to work in.

- The Vice-Commodore also mention that there were shore boxes in the vicinity of the mast racks. If you own them please contact Ralph Kepran.
- Stephanie Kepran who was in charge of House Cleanup is retiring and is being replaced by Jim Vandereerden.
- New fire extinguishers have been purchased for the clubhouse and need to be installed.
- Perry Basden Treasurer gave a current report of the LMYC financial standing. Perry reminded members that Dockage must be paid before launching. Members who were in arrears were read out.
- Bob Reaume was nominated and elected to be the replacement Race Director for the current sailing season.
- Phil Smith wished to thank Christine Kepran and all the members who helped in parking cars for Juergen Hendel's Memorial Service. Also, special thanks to St. Clair Marina for granting overflow parking. Phil Smith brought members up-to-date on the old club chairs donated to the Frank Chauvin's Holy Name of Mary Food Bank.
- Members congratulated Phil and June Smith on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Phil announced that June is making great progress since her surgery.
- Jim Beaudoin brought members up-to-day on Nick's progress on his Olympic Mission.
- It was brought up and executives will discuss the merits of placing plaques of deceased members on the Widow's Walk
- Don Beneteau who is chairperson of this years Shake-down brought members up-to-date on some of the changes. Example: The addition of a Cruising Class; cutoff date has been corrected from pervious years; shape changes etc.
- Mary Nantais Social Director thanked members for their effort and contributions for the Juergen Hendel Memorial Service.

## 2005 Single Handed Trans-Atlantic Race

Dave Evans sorrowfully regrets that the presentation slated to be held Wednesday evening May 12, 2004 from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM at the New Sea and Ski Marine Store has been postponed. Check future newsletters for tentative date.

## From The House Director Guy Meseck



A special thank you goes out to all of you who helped keep the house in shape through the long winter. You may have done something as simple as left the house a little bit cleaner than when you arrived or you may have gone the extra mile and tackled a larger job that really needed doing. Whatever your contribution to keeping up the clubhouse, thank you on behalf of all the members. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed.

As the sailing season heats up there will be more traffic at LMYC please continue to keep the clubhouse clean. If you run across a job that you can't take care of on your own please contact me and I will do what I can to help. Happy sailing.

LMYC welcomes Jim Vandereerden who will be handling the major weekly cleaning of the clubhouse. Special thanks to Stephanie Kepran who has been doing this job for us until now. We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Guy Meseck



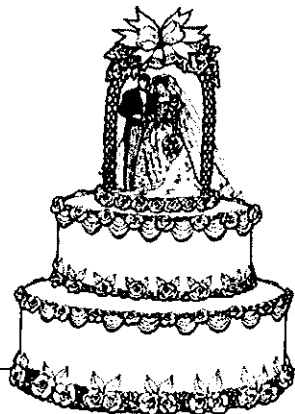
## Congratulations



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

Congratulations to Phil and June Smith on their 50th or Golden Wedding Anniversary. Phil and June were married at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Windsor on February 17, 1954.

Congratulations to Molly and Ralph Allen on their 40th or Ruby Wedding Anniversary. Ralph and Molly Allen were married at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Windsor on April 18, 1964.



## A Note Of Thanks

Molly would like to have each and every LaSalle Mariner stand up and pat themselves on the back. As usual for our club you all came to the table when help was asked for to plan and hold our touching memorial for our beloved Juergen. Yes, some did more than others and you know who you are and I for one will never forget the caring and sharing of this day.

Sincerely

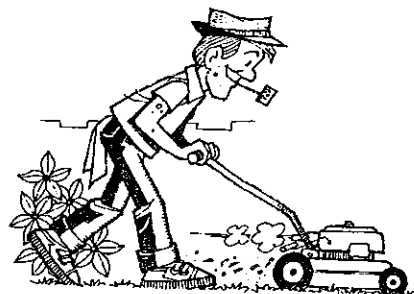
Molly Allen

## From Roads and Grounds Patrick Holland



It is the time of year that we all wish to go sailing, but some club work is extremely necessary. I am looking for "grass cutters" for the season. This is a great opportunity to get your work hours.

If you are interested in performing this task please contact Pat Holland



## Up Coming Events

May 8, 2004  
PAST COMMODORE'S PARTY

May 22, 2004  
SHAKEDOWN

RACING BEGINS  
Monday Night JOG  
May 17, 25, 31

Wednesday Night PHRF  
May 19, 26

## Nick Beaudoin Update

We have just finished our third event of the trip (the Spring Cup in Toulon, France) and we were the top Canadian team. We started the trip off on a bad note when in Barcelona when I had a bag stolen out of our car. But, from then on things have been getting better and better. Our second event (Princess Sofia in Palma de Mallorca) was extremely tough, but Craig and I made significant gains throughout the event.

The weather has not been agreeing with us at all. Of 15 days of racing over the past three events we have had only 16 races! That is extremely low, but the training in between events has been exceptional. We are now taking a few days off before we drive to Zadar, Croatia and begin preparations for the world championship.

Nick Beaudoin  
CAN 610

Please visit our website for weekly updates at  
[www.can610.ca](http://www.can610.ca)



## LMYC Dart League



The 2003-2004 Dart League concluded on Wednesday April 28. This year the league had approximately 18 players who came down regularly to play in the tournament.

The group played 701 and on the first Wednesday of the month would play Cricket. During the evening the league would play three games. Between the second and third game there would be a 50/50 draw.

During the 701 games a bell would be rung if a player earned more than 100 points. All other members would

then have to contribute a dime to the pot.

In Cricket if you scored on 3 of the same number a bell would be rung and the other members would have to contribute 10 cents to the pot.

This year the winners are as follows:

### HIGHT SCORES -WOMEN

- ♦ Christine Drouillard 140 points
- ♦ Tracey Moroze 118 points
- ♦ Paulette Meseck 105 points

### HIGHT SCORES -MEN

- ♦ Al Buliga 140 points
- ♦ Doug Warford 140 points
- ♦ Guy Meseck 140 points

### KING OF THE DOUBLE OUTS

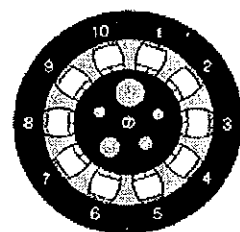
- ♦ Al Buliga

### QUEEN OF THE DOUBLE OUTS

- ♦ Paula Anderson

### MOST IMPROVED

- ♦ Vicki Boyce



## Shakedown Chairperson

Donnie Beneteau



Enclosed in this month's newsletter is the Shakedown Application. It is being sent to all members who own a sailboat. Since the addition of a new class we hope to have greater participation.

If you find after receiving this application and you will not be able to attend, please return to the clubhouse.

## Past Commodore's Party

Come down and enjoy the evening with Chris Barron our Past Commodore on Saturday May 8, 2004 beginning at 6:30 PM.

This year we are featuring Pasta Night and to go along with our Italian Theme we ask members to bring their special pasta sauce. We will supply the pasta.

Those members who might not have sauces are asked to bring appetizers, salads, desserts.

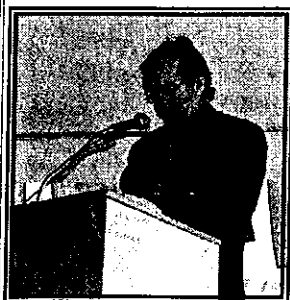
If you have any questions please contact Mary Nantais at 966-6358 or Andy Kozierozki at 258-4274



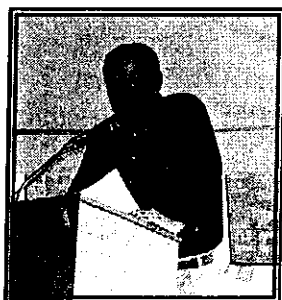
# Juergen Hendel's Memorial Service



Gary MacMillan, James Souilliere, David Souilliere, Linda Schreiber, Margret and Wolfgang Praetorius, Mary Hendel, Anneli Tattersall



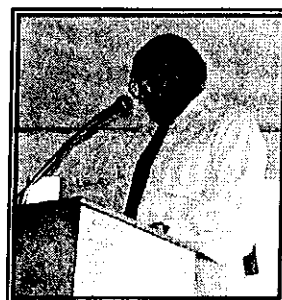
Bob Reaume



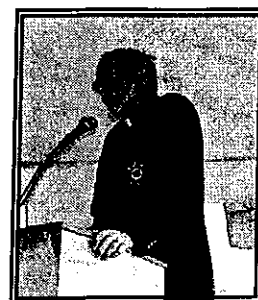
George Mooney



Darlene Brill



Tom Boyce



Father Stan Fraser

**S**aturday April 17, 2004 was a warm and breezy day for Juergen Hendel's Memorial Service at LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club. Friends, sailors, members gathered this afternoon to honour a man, a special man, an inspiration, our friend Juergen Hendel.

Beginning at 1:00 PM the parking lot was filled to capacity with many guests parking on the road or at St. Clair Marina next door. As you approached the clubhouse you could see the 400 plus friends talking, crying, reminiscing. Race Flags from decades of racing encircled the clubhouse.

Bob Reaume, George Mooney, Tom Boyce, Darlene Brill and Father Stan Fraser spoke on their fond memories and experiences with Juergen. Those who could not fit inside the tent sat on the grass, on the club porch, nearby docks listening to the messages delivered.

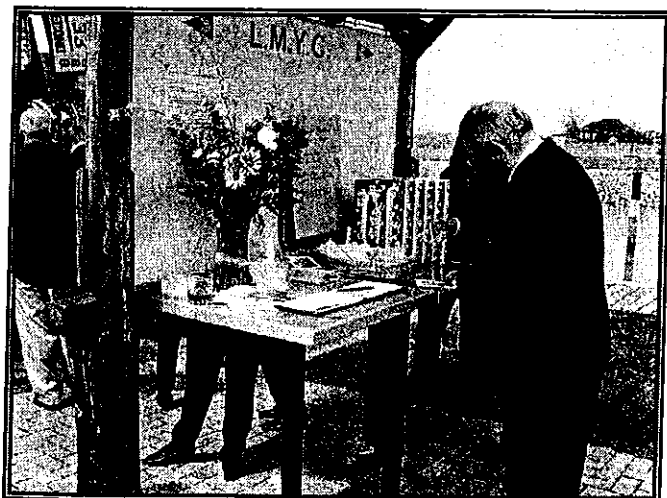
At the conclusion Father Stan Fraser with Dennis Hendel proceeded with everyone following to the Widow's Walk where Dennis spread his father ashes into the river he loved so much.

After the service friends and members signed the guest book and visited the clubhouse where Juergen's many photos from all aspects of his life graced the room.



#### THE HENDEL FAMILY

Jim Ketterman, Wolfgang Praetorius, Marina Praetorius, Andy Desson, Monica Hendel, Julie Baribeau, Deb Scott, Dennis Hendel, Bill Tattersall, Brian Hendel, Shelly Tattersall, Margret Praetorius, Mary Hendel, Sarah Hendel, Michael & Tilly Scott, Erika Hendel, Anneli Tattersall



Signing The Guest Book



Viewing Photos In The Clubhouse









Juergen Hendel's Picture Board



Dennis Hendel spreading his father ashes into the river



# *LMYC Dart League*



## **Dart Winners**

Top Row: Tracey Moroze, Guy Meseck, Al Buliga, Paula Anderson, Dennis Pare, Doug Warford  
Front Row: Vicki Boyce, Christine Drouillard, Paulette Meseck, Tom Boyce.



## **LMYC Dart League**

Top Row: Craig Morrison, Paula Anderson, Guy Meseck, Ralph Kepran, Al Buliga, Dennis Pare, Tracey Moroze  
Front Row: Vicki Boyce, Paulette Meseck, Doris Kepran, David Souilliere, Linda Schrieber, Christine Drouillard, Doug Warford



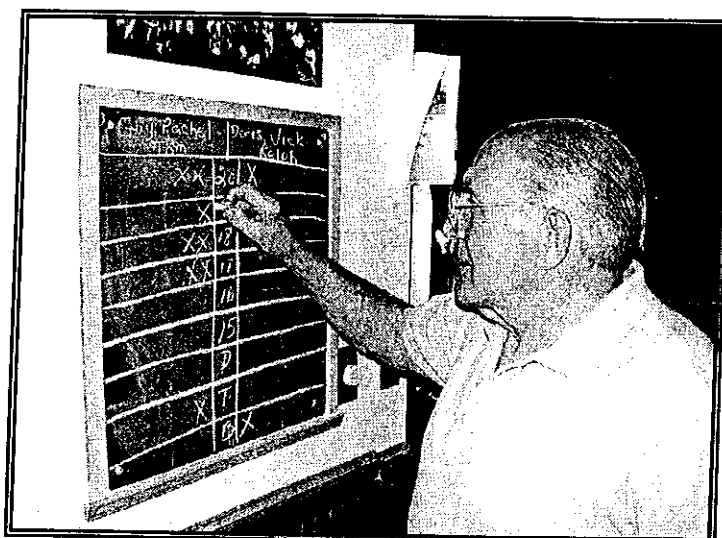
Alex Buliga



Craig Morrison



Guy Meseck



Tom Boyce



Vicki and Tom Boyce



Linda Schreiber

# Tree Planting At LMYC

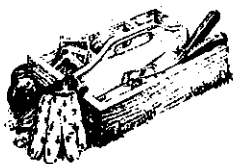


Tree Planting — Steve Kepran, Ralph Kepran, Rick Beresford

LMYC members in conjunction with the Sea Cadets conducted a beautification project at LMYC.

Under the direction of Ralph Kepran Vice Commodore 25 hardwood trees were planted in the area where the materials were deposited from the LMYC harbour dredging.

It was a beautiful Saturday morning when approximately 20 sea cadets and club members spent a fun filled morning working together planting trees.



Patrick Holland





Tom Boyce with Sea Cadet



Gail Oliver with Sea Cadets



Jerry Angus



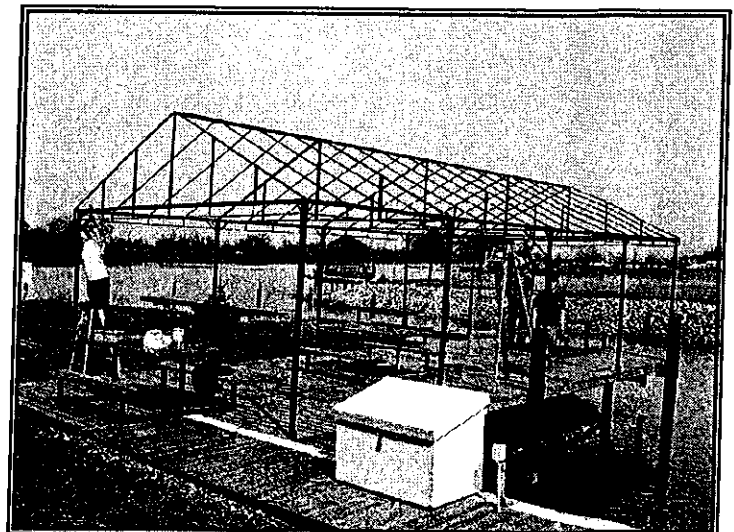
Guy Meseck and Alan Prettyman with Sea Cadet

## *New Awning At LMYC*

The new awning has arrived at LMYC. Workers installed the framing and the canvas cover the same day that the tree planting and beautification project was being undertaken.

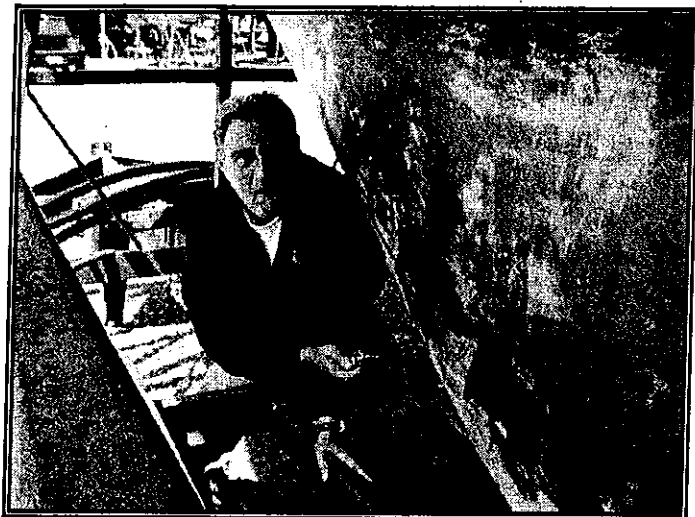
The awning located on the Emperor's Dock will be a focal point for club gatherings in the future.

Thanks to Ralph Kepran and the executives who looked into the possibilities and to the membership who approved it. Great addition to our club.





# *Around The Club*



John Murphy



George Mooney and Laurel Venney



Ralf Fiedler



Nick and Tapani Lintunen



Gus Martin



Alan Prettyman