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## LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

Sea Cadets In Annual LMYC Cleanup

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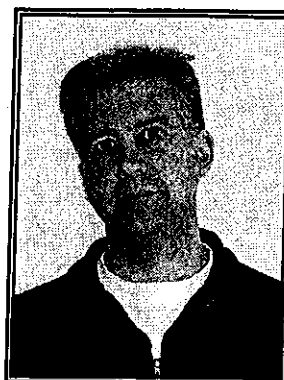
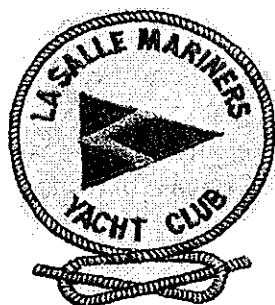
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## *From the Commodore and Vice-Commodore*



Commodore Rick Beresford



Vice-Commodore Larry Laing

**O**ur sailing season is finally here – the past 6 months certainly seemed to drag on. Now that a good number of the boats have been launched and their sticks are up we can start thinking about Club Races and Regattas. Our Race Director, Rob Ferguson has prepared a busy schedule for us. For those of you who have not participated in our Club Races you are missing a great evening of fellowship - why not make this the year you are going to get involved. If you have limited crew available or if you feel your skills are a little rusty you can race JOG on Mondays or if you are up to the challenge, spinnaker on Wednesdays. Or if you just like sailing at any opportunity, race both nights. If you haven't raced before and are looking to gain some experience first, some skippers are still looking for crew. Also, if you just enjoy being out on the water for an evening we can use your help on the Race Committee Boat – this is a really easy and pleasant way to get your work hours in.

The first Regatta of the season is only a couple of weeks away. Our Club sponsors the Annual Shakedown Race to Put in Bay Ohio. This will be the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual event – let's make an effort to increase the number of boats from our Club this year. If you haven't participated in this Race before talk to some of the veteran members and they can give you all the pointers and information you will need to make it a memorable event for you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Roads and Grounds Director, Gus Martin for his excellent and quick work on repairing our road and levelling the berms. A big thank you also to Dennis Pare and his Accounts Payable team ( Yvonne McRobbie and Bob Reaume) for getting the Club's Finances back in good shape.

*Rick Beresford, Commodore*



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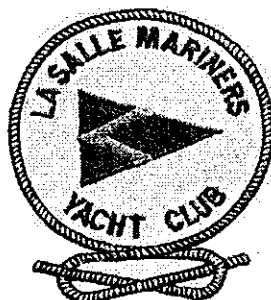
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### Spring Cleanup 2006.

The day began with Dave and Mary Nantais serving up the Fitting Out breakfast. The breakfast was fantastic and was thoroughly enjoyed by all the members who attended.

After Breakfast a hardworking group of Club members and approximately 50 Sea Cadets combined their efforts to accomplish every major item on our spring cleanup list. A lot more jobs were completed than I expected we could get done in one day.

Some of the major jobs included:

- Installing the Canopy over the Emperors Dock.
- Refurbishing the Wheelchair lift.
- Fixing and erecting the Birdhouse
- Fixing and erecting the Flagpole.
- Cleaning and painting the life ring boxes.
- Pressure washing and Water Sealing the Pumphouse.
- Lawn cutting, Weed wacking, Lawn raking/Picking up Sticks, and Window washing.
- Removing rocks from the Berm area and prepare the area for lawn seeding.
- Sand and paint the green buoy.
- Reworking the gardens.

Countersink all the curb rebar that was sticking up.

I would like to thank the Club Members and Sea Cadets who participated and made the day a huge success.

I must say the Sea Cadets were a lot of fun to have around the club and they helped us to accomplish a lot of work.

I would also like to thank Gus Martin for his outstanding work on getting the Driveway fixed up, Berms leveled, helping out with plumbing, and for taking care of many other big jobs around the club lately.

Vice Commodore Larry Laing



# News and Information

## Attention Boat Owners

Transport Canada would like to inform pleasure craft owners that starting on April 1, 2006, you can apply for a Pleasure Craft Licence at all 320 Service Canada Centres across the country. For the location nearest you, visit

[www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca) or call 1-800 O-Canada (1-800-622-6232) TTY 1-800-926-9105

Please craft of 12m or less and powered by an engine of 10 hp (7.5 kW) or more must display a licence number. This number allows search and rescue personnel and other agencies to identify boats quickly in emergencies.

AS OF APRIL 1, 2006, Canada Border Service Agency will no longer be issuing licences.

Pleasure Craft Licence formally 55E212345 Boat Documentation is now called Boat Registration.

Location:

Windsor

400 City Hall Square

Hours: 8:30-4:00

2500

Phone 519-560-

Belle River

571 Notre Dame

Hours: 9:30-3:30

## Attention Boat Owners

On Friday, May 5, 2006 (6:00 p.m.) GIYC has scheduled an informational program titled "What every Boater should know about Nautical Law Enforcement".

On behalf of GIYC V/C John Clark, an invitation is extended to you and all LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club (L.M.Y.C.) members.

The following law enforcement agencies will provide representatives for the program: U.S. and Canadian Coast Guard, U.S. and Canadian Customs, U.S Border Patrol, Wayne County Sheriff, Ontario Provincial Police, and N.O.A.A. Each agent is requested to provide a brief description of their agency's mission as it applies to recreational boaters, under what circumstances an interactions can occur between each agency and the boater and what we might do to minimize the pain of contact. In addition, the agents are encouraged to discuss new regulations and policies that apply to boaters.

This program should be of great interest and benefit to L.M.Y.C. members who I am certain will find it both informative and entertaining. To my knowledge, this is the largest assembly of agencies from the two countries to address boaters on a single program.

L.M.Y.C. members, like GIYC members, make frequent excursions into the other country's water. Vessels may even be moored so the boaters can avail themselves of nutrition, hydration and fellowship. Consequently, we have a greater exposure for interaction with a



governmental agent than many other boat club members.

Because of the strong interest expressed for the program, reservations are strongly recommended (734-676-0211). A buffet dinner will begin at approximately 6:00 p.m. The program will commence at 7:30 and will conclude by 10:00. This includes at least an hour allowed to Q and A.

As a fellow L.M.Y.C. member, I look forward to welcoming many of you to G.I.Y.C. whether you arrive by boat or auto.

Tim Walker  
GIYC Fleet Captain, Power  
(L.M.Y.C. Member)

## *Blessing of the Fleet*

Jonathan Smith will again this year take charge of the Blessing of the Fleet which will be held at LMYC on June 11, 2006.  
More news to follow.

**YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND CREW** ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO  
**THE 3<sup>RD</sup> TH ANNUAL**  
**BLESSING OF THE FLEET**  
THIS SPECTACULAR EVENT WILL BE HELD ON  
**SUNDAY JUNE 11 TH**  
**STARTING AT 1:00 P.M.**  
THERE WILL BE A LATE LUNCH TO FOLLOW  
IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING  
TO HELP BY BRINGING FOOD  
PLEASE CONTACT ME AT  
**JONATHANSMITH@COGECO.CA**

## *Launch-Haulout Coordinator*

Ralph Allen will be the Launch/Haulout coordinator for LMYC. Please contact Ralph Allen @ 734-8202 when you are ready to launch. Ralph will arrange for a Lift operator and a Tractor operator and a time and date for you.

Make sure you have paid for your launch and dockage before you call.

## *12th Annual Pelee Island Winery Regatta*



The 12th Annual Pelee Island Winery Regatta will be held July 15th 2006.

The Race will have two starts, one from Cedar Island Yacht Club and one off of Bar Point at the mouth of the Detroit River.

The races are open to all sailing yachts that meet the safety requirements for sailing on Lake Erie. Each start will have a spinnaker class as well as a cruising class for those who wish to have a leisurely ride to the Island.

This is a fun race designed encourage sailors to participate in racing in a stress free way. In other words, no protests, and courtesy is the key. Power Yachts are welcome to fill out an entry, pay the fee, and cruise to the Island but cannot



participate in the sailboat race.

Applications will be available on the LMYC website in June 2006.

<http://www.wincom.net/lmyc/>

All paid entries, power and sail, are reserved a dock space at Scudder but at your own expense. In addition, each registered skipper, power & sail, will be presented with two bottles of wine as a gift by attending the "Gilligans Island Beach Party" at The Pelee Island Winery Pavilion". Islanders, vacationers, and any other landlubber that wishes to attend the party at the Pavilion.

### **WELCOME!**

Dinner at 7:00pm is at your own expense. Awards will be presented followed by a night of dancing to live music, sharing of tall tales, all true of course, and wine tasting for the remainder of the evening.

Transportation will be provided to and from Scudder Docks and The Pavilion by the Pelee Island Winery.

## *Party!* **Going Away Party** *Party!*

**Bob Bingham is holding a going away party for his son Steven Bingham at LMYC.**

**Steven has accepted a new position in Calgary Alberta and will be leaving this area shortly. All LMYC members and friends are invited to attend this special event.**

**Food will be provided.**

**Date: Saturday May 6, 2006**

**Time: 7:00 PM until !!!!!!!**

**Dress: Casual**

**BYOB**

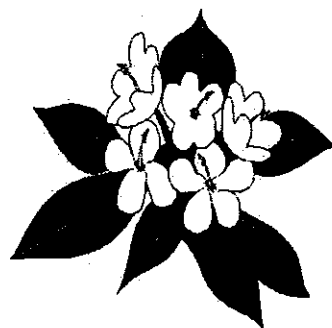
**If you have any questions please contact Bob Bingham.**

## **Deepest Sympathies**

The officers and members of LMYC would like to extend their deepest sympathies to Alan Prettyman on the passing of his mother Sonia Prettyman (Sharky)  
Born December 19th

1920 London Derry, Northern Ireland, wife of William Prettyman deceased (1969) mother of Philip and Alan grandmother of William Adam Jeni and James Prettyman. She was 85 years old.

Died of Bronchial Pneumonia on April 5th 2006 at Burton on Trent Rest Home, Burton, England. Funeral was on Wednesday 12th April 2006 at Sutton Coalfield Crematorium, England.



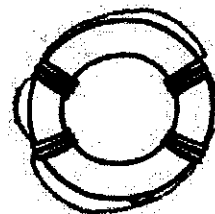
## **Nautical Garage Sale**

*We (Carol Ferguson and assistants) are planning to hold a Nautical Garage Sale sometime in May.*

*At this time the date is not set. This will give club members time to start collecting their articles they wish to sell.*

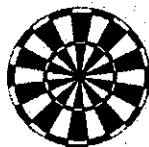
*This is a great opportunity to clean your garage or attic or basement of your once nautical treasures.*

*More information to follow.*

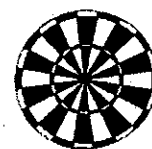




# LMYC Dart League



***Dart League Winners***  
*Alex Buliga, Guy Meseck, Paul Neveu*  
*Vicki Boyce, Doris Kepran*



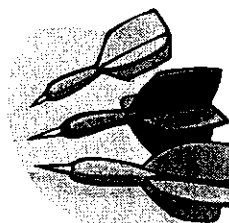
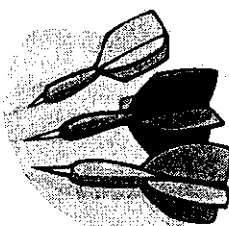
The Dart League came to a successful conclusion on Wednesday April 26, 2006 at the LMYC clubhouse. Tonight is a special evening in which members who have achieved throughout the year receive their awards.

This year the Dart league had more than 18 players who came down on a regular basis. The evening began around 7:00 PM with the traditional pizza and an array of desserts. This was followed by the Awards and then a final game to finish off the year.

Here is this years winners

High Single Paul Neveu (Men) Doris Kepran (Women)  
Most Double Out Al Buliga (Men) Vicki Boyce (Women)  
Most Over 100 Guy Meseck (Men) Vicki Boyce (Women)

Perfect Attendance  
Al Buliga and Paul Neveu







Dennis Douthart and Sandy Mailloux



Tracey Moroze, Paulette Meseck, Doris Kepran



Guy Meseck, Ralph Kepran, Phil Smith



Dennis Pare, Leo Muzzatti,  
Paul Neveu, Al Buliga



Ralph Kepran and Vicki Boyce

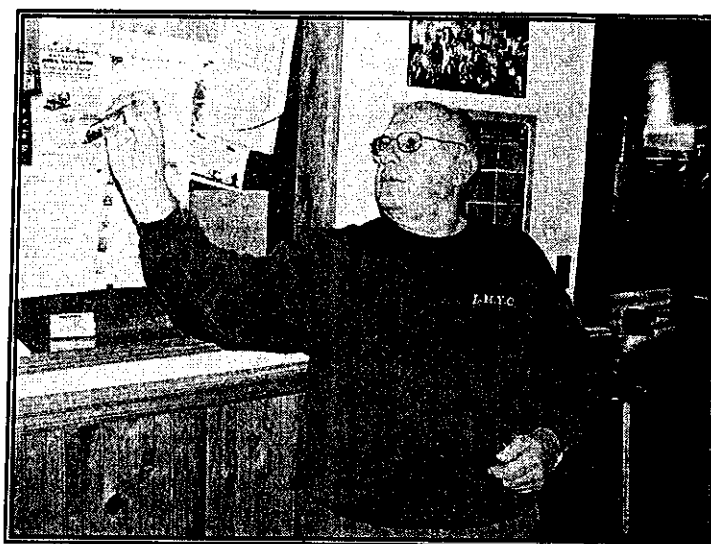


Craig Morrison





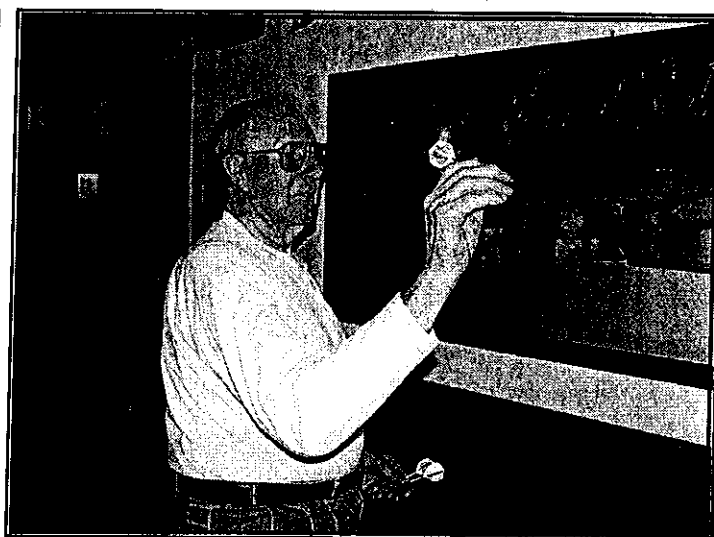
Paul Neveu



Alex Buliga



Dennis Pare



Phil Smith



Vicki Boyce



Tom Boyce

# Stories by Bob Williams

*The Mis-Adventures of the Viking 22 – Continued*  
By Bob Williams

*After learning how to sail on a Sunfish sailboard in the Detroit River, it was time to look for a bigger boat. There it was at Edy Less' Marina, A Viking 22 salvaged from Davey Jones' Locker. The damage was minimal and the price was right!*

*She soon had a bridge deck and a cabin wall with hatch boards. We hoped this would make her less prone to sinking. Jeannie made cushions for the main cabin and I covered the hull repairs with a coat of orange paint – my racing colours. We were very excited to have our own boat!*



*Jean and Bob Williams*

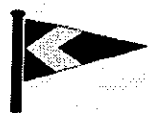
*Fellow motorcycle dealer, and long time member of La-Salle Mariners, Curly Ellis, encouraged me to join the LaSalle Mariners. Meetings were held at Ralph & Molly Allen's house on Lafferty Lane. (No Club property yet). Sailing, club racing and the friendships were great.*

*Wanting to introduce sailing to my motorcycle riding buddy, I invited Ted McCabe and his family to accompany myself and my family to Grosse Isle Yacht club for dinner on the boat. On a sunny Sunday, four adults and four children boarded our Viking for a leisurely sail down river. A steady breeze powered our wing on wing run. Approaching Grosse Isle, I was looking for the sunken bridge abutment and the marker. However, the water level was high that year and the marker- no where to be found. Boom!!! It found me. The boat which had been traveling at a good clip, stopped dead. The adults slid forward hitting the cabin wall and the kids inside piled up on the V-births. The boat turned on its side, sitting on top of the bridge abutment. The kids were crying and the crew were panicking as the water poured over the gummel into the non cockpit. Where in your sailing manual do you find instructions for sailing your boat sideways?*

*I quickly gathered the main sheet until I could reach the boom and held it up to the wind. This tipped the boat farther and she started to move. With the combination of the wind direction and the current, the Viking started to sail sideways. As the keel cleared the abutment, she righted and I grabbed the tiller and straightened her out. The sails filled again wing on wing and the Viking began sailing happily along again as if nothing had happened.*

*I steered the boat close to the Island ready to run her into land if she started to sink. Ted was instructed to lift the floor boards to check for water around the keel bolts. The bridge deck had kept the water in the cock pit – a little bailing and we were fine.*

*We sailed and raced the Viking 22 enjoyfully for eight years then the Catamaran came along. Now that's another story.*



# Sea Cadets & LMYC



**Commodore Rick Beresford & Team**

**O**n Saturday April 29 we had our Annual Spring Cleanup Day at the Club. An excellent, bountiful breakfast was prepared by Mary and Dave Nantais for all of the Club workers. Our Vice Commodore, Larry Laing did a great job organizing and supervising the work parties and did a good part of the work himself. As a result numerous tasks were accomplished and the Club's grounds look terrific for the start of the sailing season. This year we again had the assistance of a Sea Cadet Work Party from 9 am to noon. Around 50 cadets under the Command of Lieutenant Commander Rob Desnoyers worked alongside several Club members on a number of cleanup jobs. All the cadets across Canada are required to have a "Cadets Caring for Canada Day". This is a day set aside to do work or projects for the benefit of their communities. The Windsor Sea Cadets are able to use the cleanup day at the Club as their official day.



**Mary and Dave Nantais**





Guy Meseck and Maciej Jaglarz



John Amyot and Tom Boyce



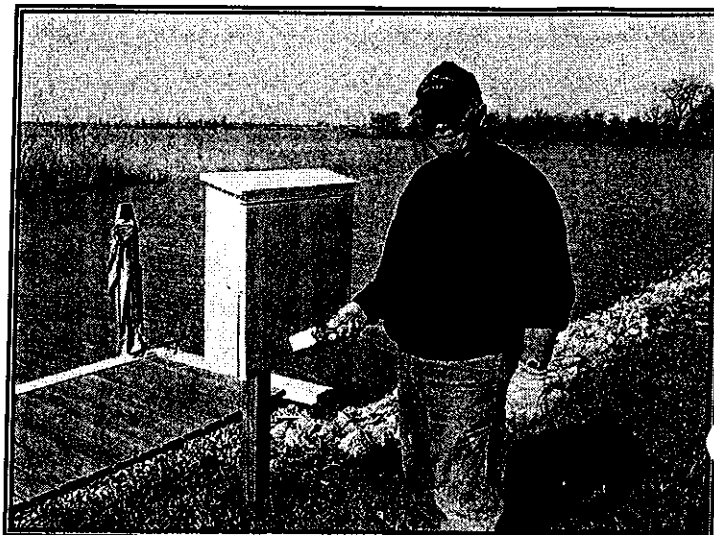
Herb Lajoie and Larry Laing



Gord Freeman

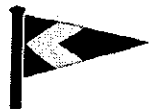


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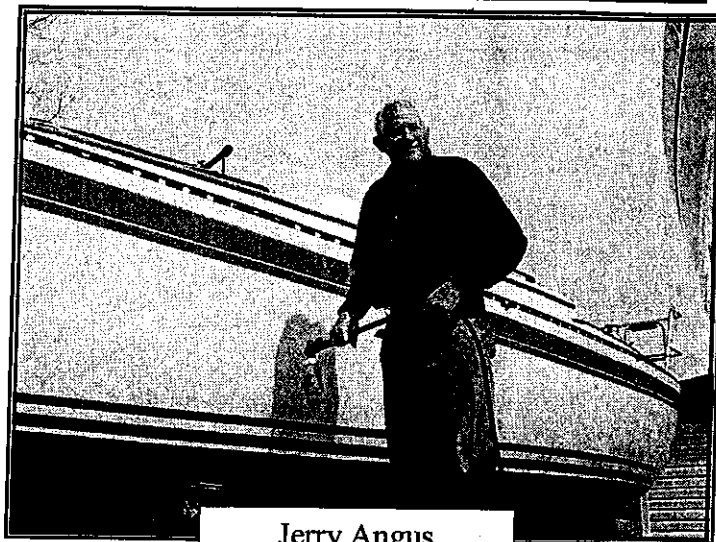




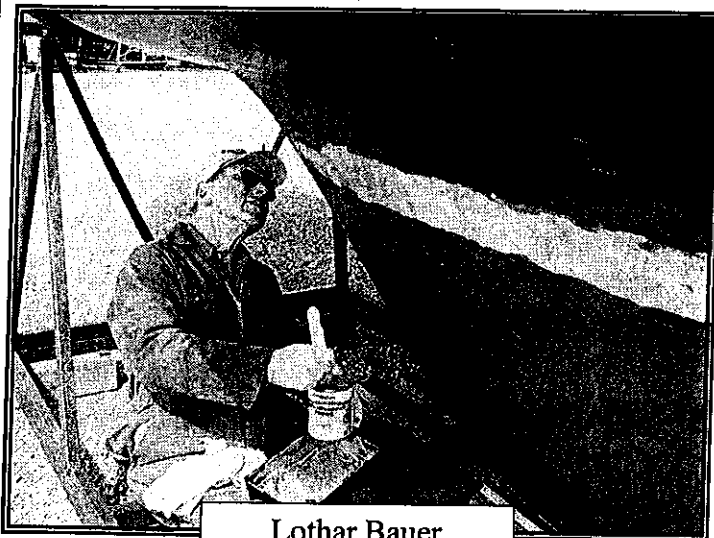
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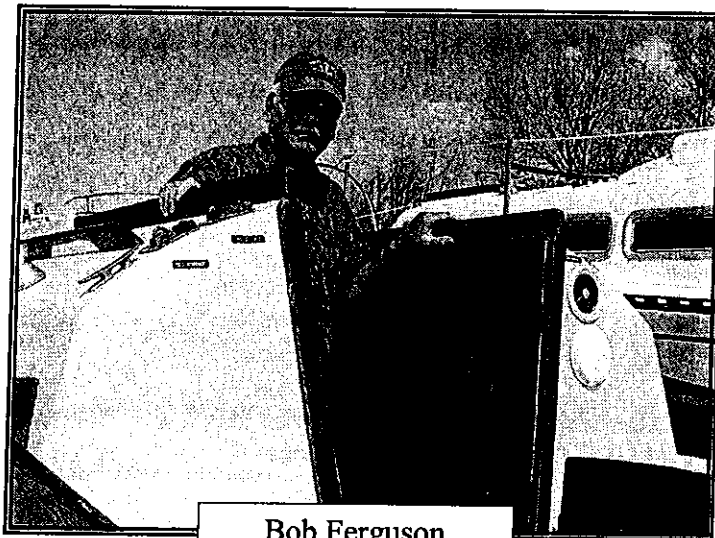
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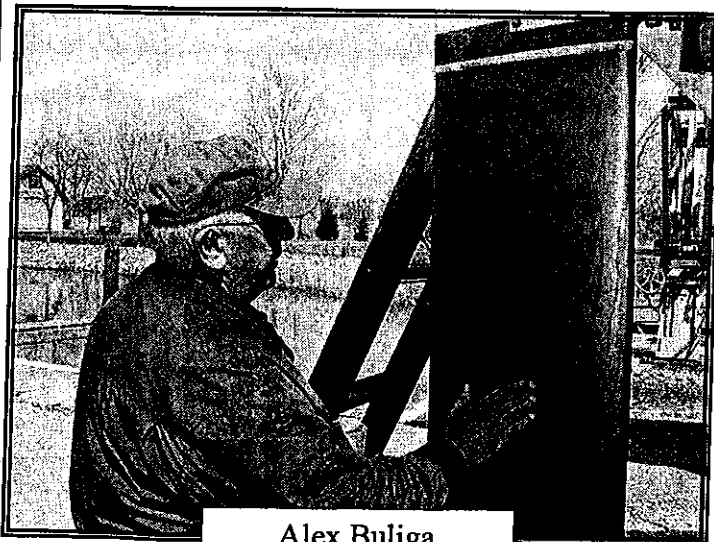
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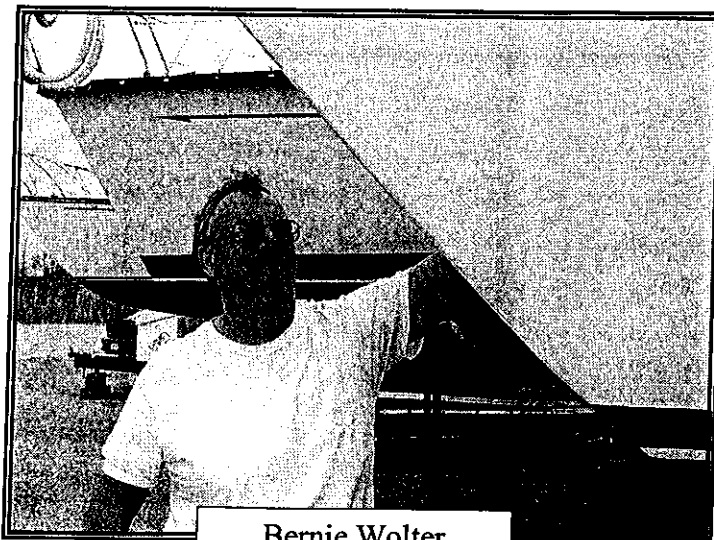
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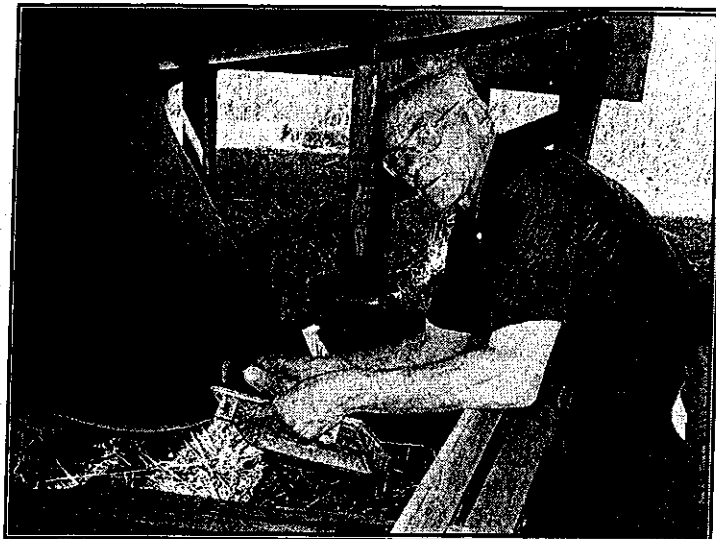
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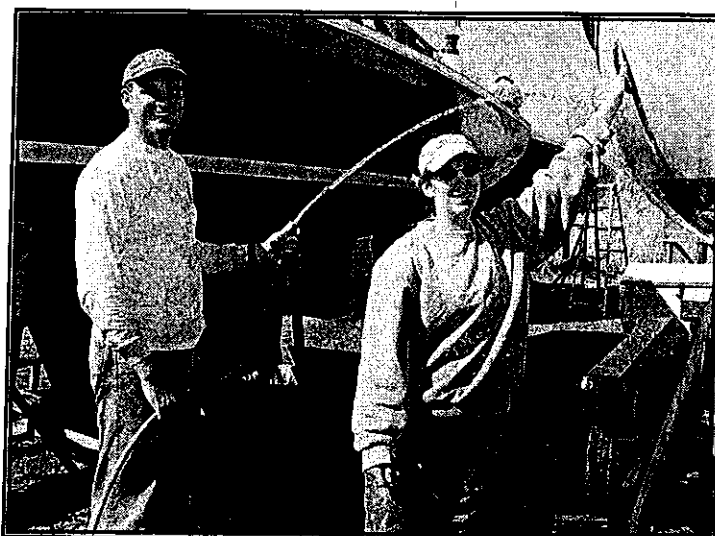
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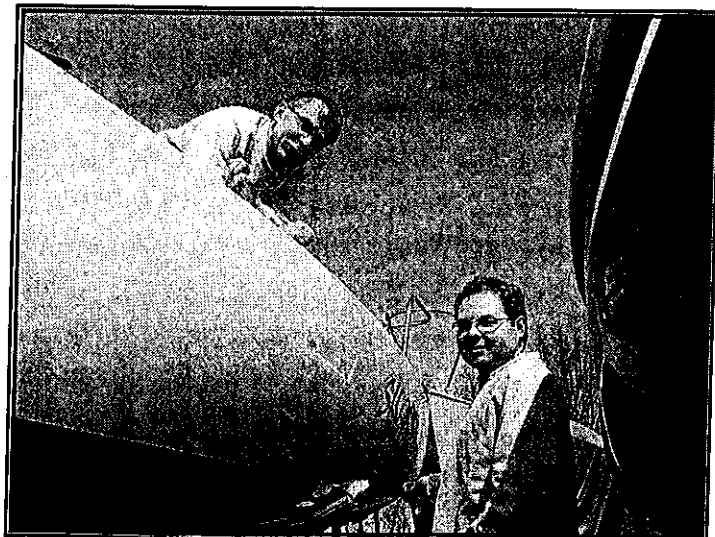
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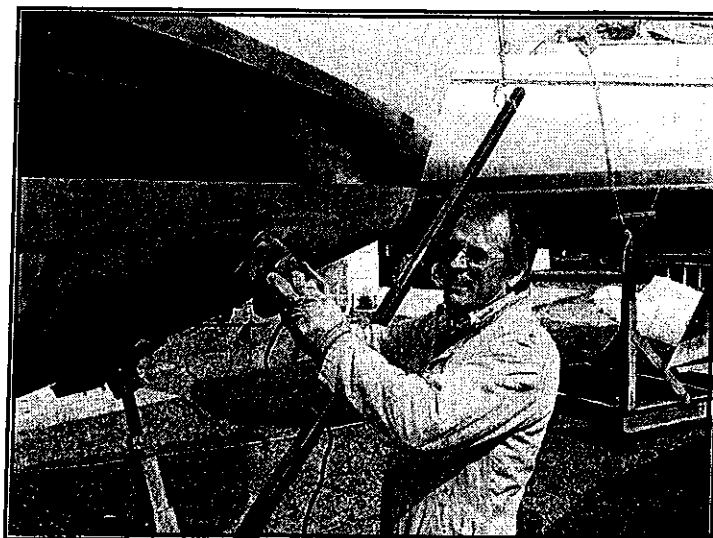
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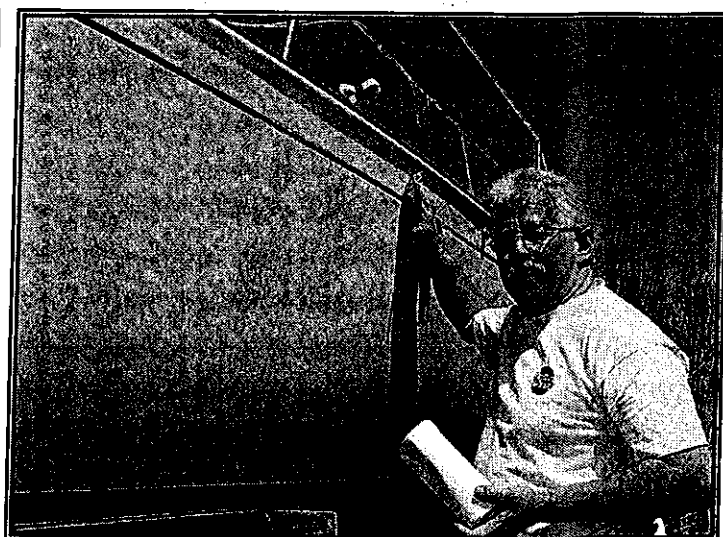
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