

LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club



THE CURRENTS

THE COMING OF WINTER, Sad but True



2008 Officers

Commodore: DENNIS PARE 519-734-1597

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| • Vice Commodore | • John Amyot Sr. | • Treasurer | • James Beaudoin |
| • Secretary | • Gus Martin | • House Director | • Tom Boyce |
| • Maintenance | • Lothar Bauer | • Social Director | • Mary Nantals |
| • Race Director | • Ted Popel | • Harbour Master | • Ralph Allen |
| • Road & Grounds | • Frank Marmara | • Refreshments | • Alan Prettyman |
| • Regatta Officer | • Herb LaJole | • Ed/Pub. | • George & Jim |
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LaSalle Mariner's Yacht Club
Commodore's Report For the Currents



Hello from the Commodore to all. I must start off my first report by acknowledging and thanking the Past Commodore Larry Laing for his work and leadership throughout 2007. His steady hand on the tiller has piloted our club truly through a year of significant accomplishments. I would

also thank our outgoing Treasurer and Secretary for the fine efforts they contributed to keeping L.M.Y.C. on course and sailing smartly.

After serving on the executive in various positions for six years I felt it was my turn to show my gratitude for the efforts of all the past commodores that have worked to make LaSalle Mariners the fun class, friendliest club on the river. With the expertise and experience that this executive exhibits and the support of the members we have all the ingredients to bake up another success story in 2008 for our club.

Speaking of ingredients, the LaSalle Mariners Cookbook is next up for your participation. Your recipes for both food and drink will be published in this 40th year memento. The 40th committee has had another productive meeting. The logo contest went very well and that logo will appear on many items in the coming year. Congratulations to Ted Popel (old Number 6 himself) for submitting the winning entry.

I have just completed my first agenda for the first executive meeting of the new officers. It is extensive covering a variety of subjects. Two items in particular would benefit from your input. At this time of year we are looking to fill in the 2008 calendar of events. The budget is also in the formulation stages. Should you have any thoughts feel free to speak to me or any of the other officers. We welcome your suggestions.

If you attended, and who didn't, the Awards Banquet you were treated to good times flowing freely throughout the evening. The return of the George and

Bobby Show was a jolly poke at any and everyone. Did you see Chris when the head exploded? Good food and a rocking Johnny V. band added to the enjoyment. Social Director Mary Nantais once again came through with an exemplary effort.

Shakespeare wrote the comedy, "Much Ado about Nothing". 2008 promises to be much ado about everything. Join in for your share of the fun.

Dennis Paré
Commodore

LaSalle Mariner's Yacht Club
Vice Commodore's Report For the Currents



2007 is winding down. Boats are all tucked away for the winter and some if not all of us are thinking ahead to next spring. There were a number of projects completed this year that have enhanced the club's appearance and/or upgraded our facilities. Many thanks to those members who helped make this happen and many many thanks to those members who exceeded the 12 hour obligation.

There are a few projects still on the books from this year and some of those projects can be worked on over the winter months. I'm preparing a list and will post it in the clubhouse Please take a look and when you spot something you would like to tackle please contact the Director responsible for that area (Frank Marmara – Roads and Grounds; Ralph Allen – Harbormaster; Lothar Bauer – Maintenance or myself). Also, Mary Nantais reminded me you can get in your work hours in a fun way like hosting a club social event such as Wine Appreciation night or Pasta Night. Use your imagination but please clear it first through Mary.

John Amyot
Vice Commodore

about on the boats" - to quote The Wind in the Willows.

Hopefully we have a finished product that we can all be proud of and cherish for years to come.

Sincerely, Cheryl Clark
(40th Anniversary Planning Committee Member)

A REMINDER TO EVERYONE
THE PHOTOS ARE ON THE WEBB
FOR ALL OUR EVENTS

There is more room for many more pictures to be seen by our members and other clubs.



At our awards banquet it was brought to our attention how well Andrea Bingham has achieved in her horsemanship.

Andrea went to the Ontario Championship for the National Circuit and won the FEI 5 YR. Old Division with scores of 78.2. on her Dutch Warmblood Voldemort.

It was a wonderful end to a very successful year for this first year of showing for the horse.

This horse was purchased last year ,unbroken,green as grass ,never ridden.

He is showing great talent with a attitude that is perfect for learning the many movements in Dressage.

Great attendance for the 2007 awards banquet held at the Legion Hall on Disputed road.

Kudos to Mary Nantais for the great set up, decorations, prizes and good food - A LOT of work! The B & G show returned to this event with many fun awards including an exploding toilet; Nasa diapers; a live drogue; a mascot for a certain Ranger 23 guaranteed to slow them down:>; another crew member shanghaied for Bingy's boat and many others. Wonderful music by John Vandereerden and gang to entertain us all!

Special recogniton with a standing ovation was given to Bob Williams for his incredible feat of setting a world record with his racing bike. Way to go Bob!

Bob Reaume, race director, did a great job awarding the season's club racing flags and trophies. These awards and flags were done in a manner that was very easy to understand and keep track of. They pointed out that basically the same 9 or 10 boats won Spring, Fall and Overall in their various divisions. Hopefully we can spread this out a little more in the future. These results are shown elsewhere in the newsletter.

LMYC 40th Anniversary Cookbook Project

Please see attached notice for the LMYC 40th Anniversary Cookbook Project which is underway.

All submissions need to be in by March 31st, 2008 to myself or left in the Commodores mail box at the clubhouse. They can be handwritten, typed, photocopied and/or most conveniently put into Comic Sans font to either this email address or my personal one at cricketcac@hotmail.com.

Our Social Director, Mary Nantais has come up with a terrific idea to have a sampling of recipes at both the Valentines Day and St. Patrick's Day parties (see details on the flyer). So bring the dish to pass and the recipe and share your culinary creativeness with your fellow members.

We are also looking for sailing stories. There will be a chapter dedicated for these. Might be a good winter project to jot down those memorable things that have happened over the years when racing or just "messaging

Minutes

40th Anniversary Celebrations – Advisory Committee

Meeting – 7 pm Monday, November 26, 2007

Present: Dennis Pare, Tim McWilliams, Gail Oliver, Mary Nantais, Cheryl Clark, Bob Reaume. Regrets by Molly Allen

Meeting started on time. Chair, Dennis asked to have minutes of last meeting read. Moved by T. McWilliams and seconded by Gail. Passed.

Terry Scope was invited to present her idea for a "Creative Memories" book to commemorate the Club on the 40th year.

The average book contains 20 pages, she said she would do 40 pages – one for every year and donate one book to the club. It was our understanding that digital copies would be available to members. The committee discussed the concept and members would be able to choose whether they'd like to order a copy of the book at \$60 or possibly a CD could be made available for (say) \$15. Terry also said there would be a discount of 15-20%. Her tel. # is 519-978-3079 and website is: www.creativememories.com

Terry brought up that her sister has a sticker machine if we need to make stickers for the 40th. She mentioned that John Vandereerden has all Richard Parchoma's pictures to access. The committee would like to thank Terry for her idea and willingness to spearhead this project.

Logo Competition

Thank you to Tim McWilliams for his efforts in spearheading the logo competition. The presentation was great at the banquet and commemorative labels on the winner's wine bottles looked very nice. Ted Popel's design was selected and Dennis Pare's friend Les Menard is cleaning and sharpening the logo into a graphic

which can be used on stationary, website, newsletter, regalia.

Yvonne McRobbie had mentioned to Commodore that we could simply add the new logo to existing stationary by way of labels. Cheryl can print up labels and distribute to those who require them.....at no cost to the Club.

Gail will look into prices for the wine labels with logo.

Logo will need to go to H. Lajoie, Silverstitch and committee members.

Banquet – Party at the Club

June 8, 2008 date to be reconsidered as it is a Sunday. Gail Oliver brought up a good, strong point that a Saturday would be better for all especially those who may have to travel a distance. D. Pare to talk to Father Stan and Gary Baxter as they are already aware of June 8 and we are asking to switch to June 7. If they cannot accommodate their schedule then we can do the blessing on the Sunday with the party taking place on the Saturday.

LaSalle Post to do an article.

Barb Pare knows someone who can quote and produce a banner for the 40th Anniversary. It was agreed that a 6' x 3' size is best. D. Pare to present it to the Executive for approval of money to spend. B. Pare to obtain quote.

Club phone directory to be revised by Jim Ouellette. The idea to have pictures of members inside was discussed. Pictures would be collected and published along with the member's details. Dennis Pare to see if Executive is in agreement with the idea and find out what costs are involved.

Retire a trophy and dedicate a new trophy (such as the Alan Moore). Good idea. Just need executive approval.

Jack Penny has agreed to do a **family kids day** with sleep over in tents. with parents. Suggested

dated July 12 & 13. D. Pare to run the date by back to see if that works.

40th Anniversary Cookbook

C. Clark to submit newsletter request to J. Ouellette. We could also remind members to bring dishes for the tree trimming party on the 15th of Dec.

New Year's Eve

D. Pare suggested a 40 flare salute
M. Nantais has two ideas for the Executive – catered food by Cramdons

Memorabilia is coming in and we agreed to keep it all separate by member's name in order to return it following the copying process.

Bob Reaume will contact Doris Dallabona with regard to adding new logo to race flags for next year.

The committee agreed to hold meetings as required with at least one week's notice.

Adjournment at 8:40 p.m.

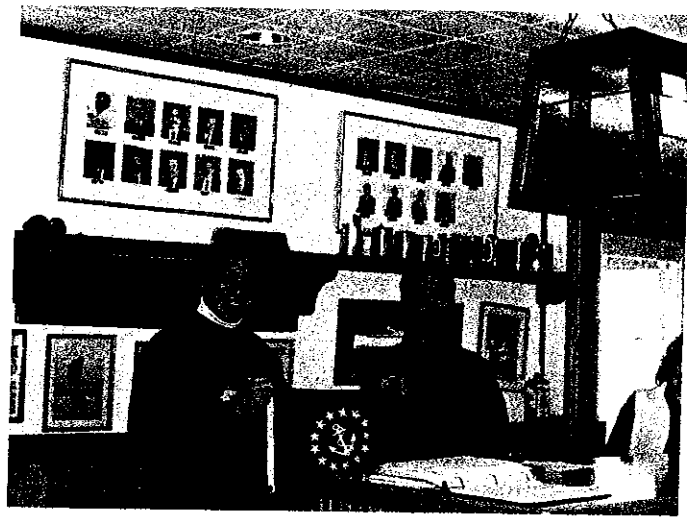
Moved by Mary Nantais

Seconded by Gail Oliver. Motion passed

The New Executive for 2008



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Dennis Pare



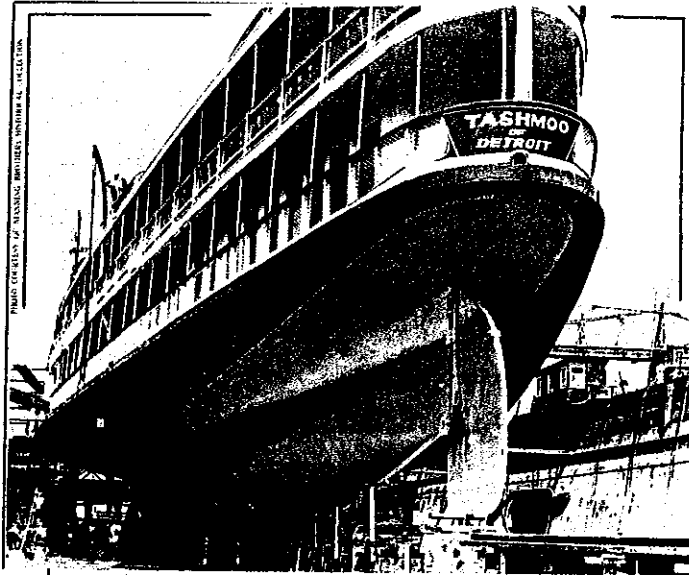
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John Amyot Sr.



Outgoing, Yvonne McRobbie to incoming
James Beaudoin



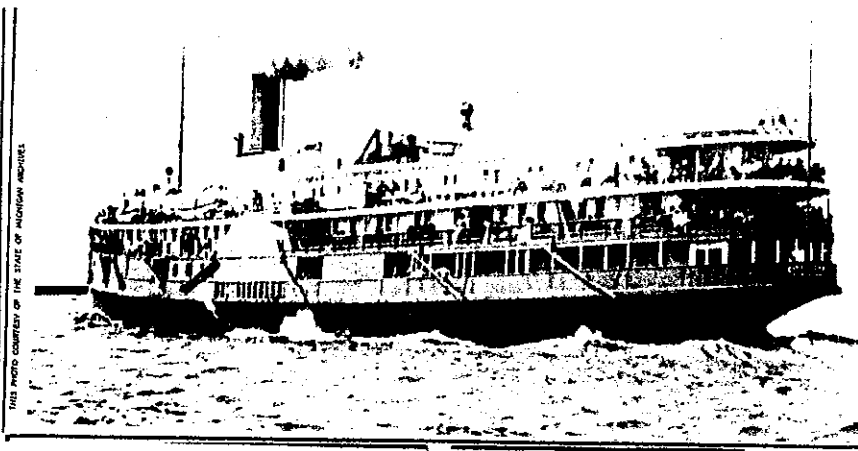
Outgoing, Graig Morrison to in coming
Gus Martin



LAST PHOTO EVER TAKEN OF THE GREAT EXCURSION SHIP TASHMOO IN DRYDOCK.

JUST MONTHS AFTER THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN IN 1936 THE TASHMOO HIT A ROCK NEAR SUGAR ISLAND, SANK AT HAWKESBERG, AND THEN WAS SCRAPPED.

TASHMOO IS SEEN ABOVE JUST PRIOR TO START OF THE 1936 SEASON IN DRYDOCK TO HAVE STABILIZING SPACERS ADDED, AS PER NEW GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS.



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THE GREAT RACE

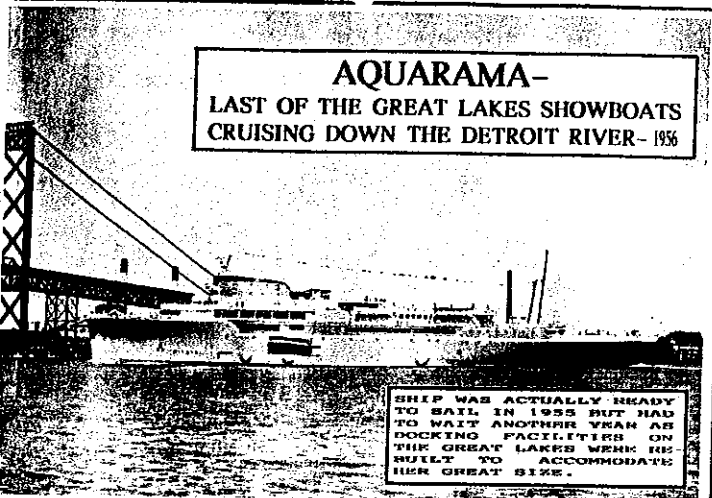
IT WAS DETROIT VS. CLEVELAND ON JUNE 4, 1901 WHEN THE CITY OF ERIE, SEEN BELOW, OF THE CLEVELAND AND BUFFALO TRANSIT COMPANY WENT UP AGAINST THE STEAMER TASHMOO OF DETROIT'S WHITE STAR LINE.

THE RACE COURSE WAS LAID OUT WITH BOUYS IN TWO HALF-MILE WIDE LANES DOWN THE SOUTH SHORE OF LAKE ERIE NEARLY 100 MILES LONG. SPECTATORS LINED THE LAKE FRONT AND DETROITERS CHARTERED THE STEAMER KIRBY FROM WHICH TO VIEW THE EVENT.

THE PADDLE WHEEL SHIPS PULLED INTO POSITION AND SHUT OFF THEIR ENGINES. MINUTES LATER, AT 9:38 IN THE MORNING WHISTLES BLEW AND THEY WERE OFF, RUNNING NECK AND NECK FOR THE FIRST HOUR.

BY THE TIME THEY HIT FAIRPORT THE TASHMOO HAD PULLED AHEAD BY SEVERAL SHIP LENGTHS YET CITY OF ERIE, FINDING DEEPER WATER MANAGED TO PULL AHEAD OF THE TASHMOO AND STAY THERE FOR LAST 30 MILES OF THE RACE.

HOW MUCH DID CITY OF ERIE WIN BY? THE TASHMOO CROSSED THE LINE A MERE 45 SECONDS BEHIND HER.



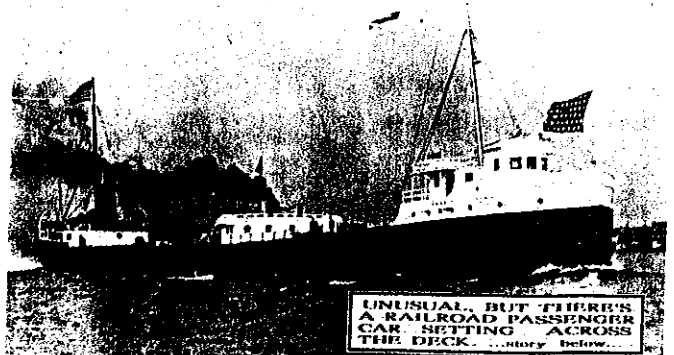
**AQUARAMA—
LAST OF THE GREAT LAKES SHOWBOATS
CRUISING DOWN THE DETROIT RIVER—1956**

SHIP WAS ACTUALLY READY TO SAIL IN 1955 BUT HAD TO WAIT ANOTHER YEAR AS DOCKING FACILITIES ON THE GREAT LAKES WERE IN BUILT TO ACCOMMODATE HER GREAT SIZE.



How did he get in there? Must have been in the right area or Scottie beamed

STEAMER GOODYEAR SANK IN LAKE HURON—1910



UNUSUAL, BUT THERE'S A RAILROAD PASSENGER CAR SETTING ACROSS THE DECK. ...story below...

ABOVE IS A PHOTO OF THE STEAMER FRANK H. GOODYEAR TAKEN JUST BEFORE MAY OF 1910 WHEN ON THE 24th OF THE MONTH, IN A DENSE FOG AT 5:45 IN THE MORNING, SHE WAS BROADSIDED BY ANOTHER SHIP, THE STEAMER WOOD, AND SANK WITHIN MINUTES.

THE GOODYEAR WAS OFF POINT AUX BARQUES IN LAKE HURON HAULING ORE TO PORT HURON. SHE WAS A BIG SHIP FOR HER TIME, 436 FEET LONG, HAVING BEEN BUILT JUST EIGHT YEARS EARLIER AT LORAIN, OHIO.

A 1910 NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT OF THE WRECK REPORTED 18 PEOPLE PERISHED IN FORTY FATHOMS OF COLD WATER AND FIVE, INCLUDING THE CAPTAIN, WERE SAVED.

THE LUXURY RAIL CAR PERMANENTLY FIXED TO THE DECK OF THE GOODYEAR WAS PUT THERE BY OWNER OF SHIP, FRANK H. GOODYEAR, FOR HIS USE. IRONICALLY, HE DIED SHORTLY BEFORE THIS.