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The Gurrents

Official Newsletter of the LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

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Pounding the Waves

Spring Series

A delicious new feature for racing evening are the burgers and all the fix in's being barbequed up by hosts Andy K. and M.J. YUM!

All the racers express our thanks to the Committee Boat crew that comes out faithfully to record times and calculate the scores each racing event. Their dedication at every event makes for successful competition among the many racers that make L.M.Y.C. their club of choice.



A Sunset Finish



3 Photos Lothar Bauer



Racing Fleets Realigned

This season the racing fleets have been rearranged making for a more balanced group in each of the A, B, and C classes. With 8 to twelve boats in each class the competition has proven to be most interesting for all. New entries for this season promise to add to the element of the unknown as first timers test their skills against the veteran racers on the various Detroit River courses. Race Director Dennis Hendel took extra care in consulting the racers and offered various alternatives before the class divisions were finally set for the season after a vote by the skippers.





Women's Sailing Adventure is A-1



The Women's Sailing Adventure came back for another super season. Events started on Thursday, May 11 and ran 7 consecutive Thursdays that culminated with their own regatta and BBQ on Saturday June 24. Another great success!

Past Commodore's Dinner



Past Commodore, Heather Naysmith, was honoured for her fine efforts as commodore for 2016. The dinner was a delicious full course offering followed by shenanigans and fun as only can be done at LaSalle Mariners. Looks like Heather is enjoying the *Queen for a Day* role.

Blessing of the Fleet 2017 Style

The Blessing of the Fleet this year introduced two new features: a free boat inspection by Tracie Bereoff from the Windsor Power and Sail Squadron and... a LaSalle Fire Dept. free disposal of discarded flares. More popular than ever, this year's event featured police boats from both LaSalle and Windsor services. Our own boat parade was on the water all clean and shiny. Our bagpiper, the Canadian Legion Colour Party and our Chaplin, Father Hilton Gomes walked Mayor Antaya, and our own Board officials to the point for the ceremonial dropping of the wreath of remembrance and the bread cast on the water.

Commodore Val's Report

Well summer is finally here! Our club is active, and boats are in the water. Woman's Sailing Adventure is actively going on, and there are many women that are eager to learn how to sail. Our Social Director with his crew have plans to make sure this season is a great one, and there are plenty of boats sailing this year on our Monday & Wednesday nights, which is a sight to behold. So I'm hoping everyone has a great, and safe summer, and I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

Also something to remember, summer being here, there will be many things going on at the club. So please remember that if you are having a personal event at the club, first contact Jason, because he is House Director and check the calendar on the kitchen wall to see if anything is written on your special date, But please also remember that you can not stop other members from entering the club or being on the grounds. But most of all remember our Code of Conduct...to respect each other as you would want them to respect you.

On the Right: 1st place winner in the Dressing of the Fleet awarded to "Mellow Yellow".



On the Left: Tom (our most senior member) and Vicky Boyce chat with Father Hilton Gomes after they received the blessing for their Viking 28' "Casper".



\$ Treasurer's Tips \$

Hello everyone, a reminder that Summer Dockage Fees are due. If you have already paid, thank you.

The list with members and the fee structure is listed on the notice board, for you to check the amount owing.

Please also remember to use the Expense Reimbursement Request sheets if you are submitting receipts for purchases for the club. The form can be found in the Treasurer mail slot. Have a great sailing season. Tony Berends Treasurer

Past Commodores Gather

Below is the photo of Past Commodores gathered for the memorable photo shoot on June 20. As you see there was an exceptional turn out with one P.C., Art Letts, now residing in Florida. It was a real treat to share experiences with the people that dedicated themselves to making the club the shining success it is today. This club has evolved from a small group meeting in a sun porch at Ralph and Molly Allen's into the substantial organization that is L.M.Y.C in 2017.

Past Boards of Directors Photos

Every member of the Board of Directors for LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club was invited to a photo shoot at the clubhouse in the afternoon along with the past commodores. It was an amazing experience as so many faces form the past rejoined our ranks for reminiscing and mugging for the most patient photographer, Jason Allison.

Did you know that the first Board in 1968 consisted of iust three rather than the current seven Directors? There was a Commodore, a Vicecommodore, George Mooney, and a Secretary-Treasurer. Jim Ball (photo right)







Above from left to right, Past Directors Art Letts, Bob Ferguson, Gord Clark, Cheryl Clark and Jim Ball.

For the Past Commodores photo on the right find a long term (not old) member and ask. They'll love it.



Annapolis Sailing Show Trip

Our ever innovative Social Director, Andy, K. has another special offering for you. The Annapolis Sailboat Show runs Oct. 6 – 8. Andy is offering to organize a group trip. A meeting will be held to discuss details with those interested. Please R.S.V.P. to Andy or M.J. with deposit of \$50. By August 1.



From the Editor

Thanks to our contributors for this summer issue of the *Currents*. As you see from the article below all types of stories and photos of members and their activities and fun are most welcome.

Happy Anniversary!



Here is a wedding photo of two of the long time stalwarts at our club. Admittedly this was 50 years ago. If you can guess who they are please wish them a Happy 50th when you see them.

House Director News

Thanks, to everyone who continues to help and make the club clean and presentable for all members and community. Large projects on the house are on hold while we wait for information from the planning committee on the direction the clubhouse might take. Please remember you are my eyes and ears for issues surrounding the clubhouse. Please write any concerns surrounding the house on the bulletin board in the kitchen in front of the coffee maker. Sorry for the wait for supplies, it was the first time I ordered anything from our supplier and I didn't understand the full process.

Please continue to clean up and help out around the clubhouse, its your efforts that help make this the best club on the water.

Jason Allison - House Director

Recipe Much In Demand

We were blessed with so many tasty dishes for the meal at the Blessing of the Fleet. One item, however, drew special raves and requests for the recipe. Thank you Susan Gillis

2 cups flour

2 tsp. cinnamon

2 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. salt

3 eggs

1½ cups oil

2 cups white sugar

2 tsp. vanilla

2 cups coconut

1 cup crushed pineapples with juice

2 cups grated carrots

Icing:

¼ cup butter
1- 4 oz. pkg. cream cheese
1 ¾ cups icing sugar
1tsp. vanilla

- (1) Stir together flour, cinnamon, salt and baking soda. Set aside.
- (2) Beat eggs, add oil then sugar
- (3) Stir in vanilla. Add flour mixture.
- (4) Blend well, add coconut, pineapple, juice and carrots.
- (5) Pour into buttered waxed lined 9 X 13 inches pan.
- (6) Bake just above centre in 350 F oven for 50 minutes or done.
- (7) Let sit in pan 10 min. before removing to rack.
 - (1) Cream butter and cheese together. Add vanilla then the icing sugar.
 - (2) Blend well, spread over cake.