

The LOG



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THANKS TO THE

Octoberfest COMMITTEE

As you can see from these photographs, the 2002 EYC Oktoberfest was terrific! Many folks remarked it was the best yet!

The food was SUPER (like always), and we cannot thank Bernie enough! Everyone on the EYC staff was cheerful and accommodating.

The continuous live German entertainment kept everyone "in the mood"... and the beer flowed all night long!

As in every year since our Centennial, Oktoberfest would not be possible without the hard

work and dedication of our GREAT committee of fellow EYC members: Mary Ann Curtze, Kathy Dundon, Tony and Kitty Ferrari, Bob and Joyce McGee, Paul and Carolie Otto, Don and Jane Schwab, Pat Stuart, Mary Van Horn, Gary and Mary Weibler, and P.C. Harold and Sandy Will.

We thank our committee, still again, for making us look so good!

*Dan Dundon
and Gerry Urbaniak*



*"It was the
best yet!"*

Commodore's Report



PETER TRAPHAGEN
COMMODORE

All this snow and no gain in our water level! It looks like this winter is going to break the second or third all time record for snow but it doesn't help the lake level because most of the moisture has come from our own lake. What we needed were weather systems that brought moisture from the Pacific or the Gulf, creating heavy snow packs in the upper lakes – Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Ontario. However, in those regions there has been a significant lack of precipitation. What does it mean to us at the EYC? The Corps of Engineers fore-

casts that the peak level in June and July for Lake Erie will be about 4" lower than what we had in the summer of 2001. Some of us became familiar with the bottom in that year and it looks like some of us are bound to do so again.

As you have read here before, we are considering additional deep-water docks, improved anchoring systems to make the keg field viable for larger boats, and dredging. On the bulletin board is a chart showing the fluctuating levels since 1900. It appears that we are approaching the level we encountered in 1964, a condition we survived. The consensus is that we are experiencing normal fluctuation and that we will see higher water again.

The next step, before spending large sums of money, is to assure that we are using the basin to the best advantage, that slip assignments are considered using optimum fit related to depth. The Dock Committee will look at the present assignments and may make changes accordingly. Some of these new assignments will be inconvenient but we ask that you accept them as temporary and in the spirit of what is best for our Club.

Peter Traphagen
Commodore

Nominating Committee News

If you're interested in serving on the Board of Directors, as an Officer or the Nominating Committee then feel free to contact one of these current members of the Committee.

In order to serve elected office you must have been a member for three years or more and be a Regular member.

Dave Parry, <i>Chairman</i>	838-7740
John Ashby	459-9112
Julie Arthurs	455-3935
Paul Kubeja.....	450-7368
Gib Loesel	453-6364
Pat Geary	453-5222

HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

Guidelines for disposing of controlled waste materials.

Collection points have been set up for your use in disposing of fuel and oil filters, waste oil, paint cans, aerosol cans, small propane cylinders, waste gasoline and batteries. There is a roll top drum on the hill south of the Canoe House across the road. The waste oil room is on the South side of the Maintenance Building. The collection area for the other items is behind the blue plastic covered storage structure at the Maintenance Building.

- **Do not put any gasoline or gas filters in the waste oil building.**
- Place **Gasoline fuel filters** to drain on funnel tray on gasoline drum in roll top.
- Used **gasoline** and **diesel fuel** – pour in red gasoline drum in roll top.
- Place **Diesel fuel filters** to drain on funnel tray on waste oil tank.
- Place **oil and oil filters** to drain on funnel tray on waste oil tank.
- Leave abandoned **paint cans** (with lids on) on skid in back of the blue plastic structure.
- Put only full or partially full **aerosol cans** in designated barrel. Spent aerosols should be put in regular trash.
- Small "Benzoate" type **propane cylinders**- if empty, dispose in trash, if partially full place on designated skid.
- Place **batteries** on designated skid.

Ask the yard crew if you have any questions. Please help your club comply with the environmental regulations.

This area is for EYC boat owners only, not vendors and home disposal items.



EYC Safety Committee Boating Tips

Spring Checkup for All Boaters

Well, it's nearly opening day! EYC Members are, or will soon be, working on their boats, getting them ready for the boating season. Here's one way to define and organize work when looking over your boat. With a clipboard in hand, first carefully inspect exterior area, the foredeck, side decks, boat bottom, keel, prop, motor(s), swim platform/ladder, cockpit, fly bridge, deck boxes, lazarettes, console, etc., looking for anything that needs structural or cosmetic repair. Look for dirt, disarray, damage, rust, signs of leaky fittings, etc. Look for things that are out of place or not in place. Check your sails, lines, chains, fenders, anchor, PFDs, flares, signal flags. Inside and outside of the boat -open every compartment (including the engine room) locker, drawer, and hatch, and lift every cushion. Be sure all latches, port closures, deck fittings, stanchens, life lines and winches are in good repair and secure. Write down what needs to be repaired, replaced or purchased to make the boat "like

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Rear Commodore's Report



RICHARD VICARY
REAR COMMODORE

Greetings Members,

What a year for ice boating!! This ice is really thick and fast. I'm sure most of our membership is waiting for the melt down which should be here soon.

The house had a fair January with our number coming in better than last year. I truly believe this is a plus due to the frigid temperatures and heaps of snow. The numbers for February are looking O.K. We should be at a break-even point.

The club will be shut down from March 3rd through March 10th for our annual shutdown. We will be replacing the carpet in the Bliss Room

and the Ballroom. We will also be removing the old dance floor and covering the area with carpet. A general cleaning up will be done – walls and ceilings washed, carpets shampooed, everything Spic & Span.

I have contacted Congressman Phil English's office to try to get a video phone installed for our out of town guests. We were told to follow up with a formal written request which will be submitted promptly.

The Pool Committee has met two times and is full of many creative ideas. We are making headway in many areas and are looking at numerous options. This is going to take a lot of work and dedication from all involved and I would like to thank everyone in advance.

I am always open to new ideas for the club pertaining to the bar and kitchen. Please feel free to make suggestions. I have had very positive feedback from members of the Lake Shore and Kahkwa Clubs about our great food, service and prices. These are compliments to Mike, Bernie, Brian and all the staff. It is great to hear this from members of other clubs visiting our facility.

The Club staff featured a new activity on February 16th with "Sunday Night at the Movies". This is a great event for the whole family and we hope to see more of you at the next featured showings of "Spy Kids" on March 30th and "Like Mike" on April 27th.

In conclusion, please remember to use **your** club, we have a great selection of activities for the whole family and our dining services feature nightly and weekly specials that are among the best anywhere. Have a great spring

R/C. Richard Vicary

Future Log Dates and Deadlines

Edition	Deadline
May/June	April 10, 2003
July/ August	June 7, 2003
September/ October	August 7, 2003
November/ December (Election Edition)	September 20, 2003
January/February 2004	December 10, 2003

Fleet Captain's Report



JIM MEANS

Another boating season is upon us! Therefore, I would like to remind everyone that with the upcoming break in the weather it would behoove us all to think about outfitting our boats for the season.

There are a few matters that I would like you to keep in mind. Such as, all EYC winter stored boats must be launched by opening day, which is Memorial Day, Monday, May 26. This is a little earlier than previous years. Also, all charges associated with slip or mooring occupancy must be paid prior to March 31. Payments received after this date could result in forfeiture of slip assignment.

A member who does not occupy his/her slip, or mooring by Opening Day, will lose their slip or mooring assignment as well as the points associated with slip occupancy. Any fee paid for a slip or mooring will not be refunded. Although, it is recognized that extenuating circumstances may occur. Such situations will be taken into consideration before enforcing this rule. Providing, that the slip or mooring fee is paid, and that a letter explaining the situation, and requesting an exemption is received and approved by the General Manager by May 15th.

It is my pleasure to serve as your Fleet Captain and I thank all for the support given to me.

Jim Means
Fleet Captain

A HARDY WELCOME TO THE ERIE YACHT CLUB FOR THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS.

Associate Membership

Tracy Buczak
Frank Bolte
Ed Tansey
Rick Seibel
Desmond McDonald
John Britton
Gary Kanoncyk
William Martin
Edward Beck
Tom Madura
Fred (Jamie) Holland

Junior

Andy Kalivoda
Chris Leclair

Junior Family

Patrick Traphagen
Kevin Lyons
Jay Masi Jr.
Matthew Lechner
Holly Loose
Ann McLaughlin
Blake Lynch

EYC Safety Committee Boating Tips

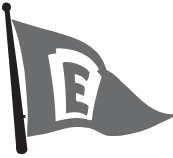
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new." Check the tool box. The spares kit. Sailors -do you have bolt cutters and a sharp knife on board in a safe and easily accessible place? They may save a life or your boat. Do as much work, minor or major, while your boat is out of the water.

Safe boating also includes a safe dock. Check your dock lines and electrical land line hook-ups... be sure you are using marine quality outlet boxes and cords. Be sure cords or lines do not run across walking surfaces. Is your dock box a "good boater's box" - meaning, is it an appropriate size, good-looking, and in good repair to be in keeping with the well-groomed and uniform look the Club works at maintaining? Is your dock box in a safe place that does not impede walking traffic, boat docking, or the safe movement of Club maintenance equipment?

After your successful launching, sea-trial the boat, running it for an hour or so. Try everything. Check all the electronics, light bulbs, wipers, switches, water and oil lines, belts, blowers, heads, bilge pump and instruments. When you're done, you'll have a list of what you checked, what needs done and what's "okay." Make those few repairs - and you'll be ready for a trouble-free, safe and fun season. Finally, review your list, prioritize it, and put it aside to be used the next time you need a personal boat inspection. Each year, your "to-do" list will get shorter because of your attention each preceding year.

Make this year your greatest, safest, boating season yet! Don't forget your courtesy Power Squadron/Coast Guard Auxiliary inspection for PFDs, up-to-date flares, fire extinguishers, etc. Remember -safety is everyone's responsibility and safety first makes for a happy boating season.



Upcoming Club Events

March

1 st	133 Days till Summer Party
3 rd	Club Shutdown
11 th	Club Reopens at Lunch
12 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
13 th	Celebrity Bartender Night 5:00PM
14 th	BINGO 7:30PM
15 th	Danny Justice Comedy Show
16 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95, 11AM -2PM
19 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
20 th	Celebrity Bartender Night 5:00PM
21 st	BINGO 7:30PM
23 rd	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM
26 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
27 th	Celebrity Bartender Night 5:00PM
28 th	BINGO 7:30PM
30 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM Sunday Night at the Movies "Spy Kids" 6:00PM

April

2 nd	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
3 rd	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
6 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM
9 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
10 th	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
13 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM Sunday Night at the Movies "Like Mike" 6:00PM
16 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
17 th	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
19 th	Lunch with the Easter Bunny
20 th	Easter Sunday Buffet Noon to 5:30PM Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM
23 rd	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
24 th	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
27 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM
30 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95

May

1 st	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
3 rd	Kentucky Derby Day 4:00PM
4 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM
6 th	Ladies Tea and Style Show
7 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
8 th	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
9 th	Karaoke Night 8:30PM
11 th	Mother's Day Buffet Noon to 5:30PM
14 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
15 th	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
18 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM
21 st	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
22 nd	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM
23 rd	Lobsterfest 7:00PM with Natural High
24 th	Pig Roast with Familiar Spirit
25 th	Sunday Champagne Brunch \$9.95 11AM -2PM
26 th	Opening Day 11:30AM with the Dixie Dootlers
28 th	Mid-Week Buffet-\$9.95
29 th	Celebrity Bartender Happy Hour 5-7PM



www.erieyachtclub.org

You can now read the latest edition of *The Log* on the Club Web site. Just go to **www.erieyachtclub.org** for your copy.

Other items on the Club Web site include:

The latest updates on all Club activities. Daily lunch specials. The day's specials will be posted by 10:30 am, Tuesday - Friday.

Catering

- Weddings • Showers • Parties
- Company Award Banquets

Remember to call Mary for all special party needs or e-mail her at catering@erieyachtclub.org

Please don't forget your Club the next time you need to arrange a business meeting lunch. Our catering manager Mary Tarbrake, can help you arrange the perfect meeting with all the audio visual equipment and special lunch menus.



CALL TODAY - 453-4931

Members Corner

Historically Speaking

by Toni and Dave Sample

We sit here now in South Carolina, looking out at the 18 foot cat boat with its mast bobbing nicely at our dock, and think fondly of you at the EYC who probably are ice boating, or watching the ice boats as they zoom past our beautiful yacht club basin. Do we miss y'all, you bet'—do we love being here on Lake Greenwood—you bet!

We were asked to see if we could joggle our memory and come up with some information about the beginnings of our EYC Historical Committee. Looking back to May 1994, when the first need for creating a committee to gather and preserve our history was determined we had a very creative organizer who would soon become our Commodore for the monumental year of our Club Centennial. Of course, PC John Ashby was 'the man' behind the scenes.

One of the many projects John was spearheading was the scripting of our club history – however, gathering historical information about the club in order to assist those who would write the book, became a major obstacle that must be overcome – and overcome it was.

First, rooting through the club basement and storage areas – realizing the damage that had occurred to pictures and documents due to moisture and mold and attempting to secure materials from members became our first priority. Who is "our" – well, it started with us – Dave and Toni Sample, Gib and Susie Loesel, Clare Nichols and Ann Gregory. Dave secured a 60-foot trailer that had once been an annex office space at Autoclave Engineers and it was brought to EYC via some creative maneuvering done by Jim Lorence, who is remembered fondly by us all. Some limbs were lost off trees along the way but we finally had a secure space, on club property, with which to begin gathering, reviewing, organizing and archiving EYC materials.

It was amazing to watch the magnitude to which this project grew. We began with the cooperation of club management and many, many members to put together all available information on Club correspondence, diaries, minutes, proceedings, financial and legal documents, literary manuscripts, notes, poems, songs, plays, speeches, scrapbooks, audio and video recordings, art objects, maps, charts, flags, photographs, auxiliary items, all things to do with the sailing programs (MORC, Jr. Sailing, etc.) – including races, regattas and trophies.



There are so many types of archive materials in a Club the size of EYC and with a 100 years history that we couldn't possibly mention them all in this article

Volunteers arose like Phoenix's from the dust and our fearless leader, who was nominated and elected in his absence, Dave Ungerman, took us through the beginning growing pains or determining who we were and what our mission would be for the Club.

We first determined we were not a Historical Committee but an Archive Committee. Our job was not to make or document history but to assure that our history would be enjoyed and preserved for future generations

The Board of Directors of EYC, on January 22, 1997, approved the status of the Archive committee as a standing committee and approved a budget amount for preservations of EYC materials. Our mission statement was written and approved. What materials would be preserved and how they would be preserved was established.

One of the first tasks of the official committee was to determine where would be the best and safest place to Archive our EYC materials. After much investigation of various options, it was determined to use the Erie County Historical Society (ECHS), under the leadership of Anita Andrick, Archivist. Anita has been an invaluable resource to our committee.

Our early projects, which everyone has enjoyed for the past 5 years, was the construction and installation of a Lobby display case provided to the Club by our current Commodore, Pete Traphagen, who has taken an active role with this committee from the beginning. Dave and Toni Sample documented the burgees that hang in the Grill Room and each flag was drawn out in color for identification and archiving. Gib and Susie Loesel piloted the documenting of the sailing trophies

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Historically Speaking

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and their deeds, along with tracking down artwork, photos and many historical pieces that might otherwise have been lost to the Club and its future members. Clair Nichols and Ann Gregory did the real hands on work of identifying every piece taken to the ECHS, making up card indexes and cross reference tools, separating each document and photo with special acid free paper for preservation. Karen Imig and Carol Rogan took on the task of updating the Lobby display case and everyone worked to make this committee provide a real and valuable service to the members of EYC.

The committee continues to grow. Chairman Dave Ungerman passed the "baton" to Dr. David Frew who assumed the chairmanship in the fall of 2002. Upon moving to Maryland to be closer to her children, Claire Nichols handed the responsibility of archiving our collection at the ECHS to P/C Jim Owen and Sandy Will. Midge Ginader has taken over responsibility for updating the lobby display case. Midge along with new member Ron "Blaze" Adessi can be seen at most Club

events photographing history in the making. Gordy Gebhardt continues to serve on the committee along with P/C Rich Loesel, Al Benson, Brad Enterline and Commodore Pete Traphagen. Every person who was asked to help – whether they were a club member, guest, employee, or someone from Mercyhurst, the Erie Times or the Erie Country Historical Society—all have answered the committee's call for help.

Of course, the original purpose of the committee was accomplished: to aid the Centennial Committee with historical information and documents about the Club. But, tenacious as it is, the committee didn't stop there—and it never will.

The Committee members have a contagious syndrome, called Archi-vitis, if you get close to a member of the committee or look too long at the Archival displays in the Lobby display case – well, you could catch it. If you feel the symptoms, just ask any committee member and they'll be glad to show you how becoming drawn in to club archival activities will alleviate that hollow feeling of not being involved.

CLASSIFIED SECTION

EYC LIGHTHOUSE CAT'S MEOW

The Sailing Fleet is producing a keepsake of the EYC Lighthouse as a fund raiser. Watch in the next edition of The Log how to obtain your keepsake.

COLUMBIA 8.7. 29' sailboat, 1979 hull, very good condition. Main, roller furling genoa, cruising spinnaker. Yanmar 2 cyl diesel. Loaded. \$15,000.00. Call Gordon Reed at 814-838-4716.

CLIPPER MARINE 30' ("SEAIR"). Shallow draft (2'11") fixed steel keel; 5 sails including like-new spinnaker; ProFurl roller furling; 9.9"93 Evinrude with low hours; handheld marine radio and GPS; steel storage cradle, two-burner alcohol stove; galley and head sinks; sleeps 6. \$7,500. Call Don Bernardo at 772-349-0141.

Blue 20' Highlander Centerboard sailboat.

Two sets of sails, racing gear, spinnaker, cover, trailer and accessories. Mahogany trim. Excellent condition. 864-1548

Boat and Yacht brokerage, if you are serious about selling your boat, contact Jack McAllister at the Boat Store. We are on-line at www.boattraderonline.com 814-725-6999

To place an ad in the Classified Section, please send all ads to Mike Lynch. There is no charge, and the ads will run for three Logs. If you would like it to run longer, just notify me.

Celebrating Birthdays in March




Carolyn Guthleben 1	Jay Masi 7	Cyndie Greenleaf 14	J. Donald Schwab 20	Roslyn Parsons 25
Wayne Johnson 1	Susan McAllister 7	Kevin Johannesmeyer 14	John Ashby 21	Jonathon Alberstadt .. 26
Bobbi Rubin 1	Jill Robertson 7	Norm Beecher 15	Peggy Fuhrman 21	William Hilbert, Jr. 26
Jodie Hilbrich 2	James Welka 7	Sofia Bradley 15	Michael Giglotti 21	William Lyden 26
Pamela Davis 3	William Burke 8	John Greer 15	Steven Rapp 21	Raymond Beers 27
Michael Fay 3	Henry Devine 8	Patricia Miller 15	Patrick Richards 21	Harvey Chestner 27
David Preston 3	Neal Fourspring 8	Dianne Cunningham . 16	Patrick Demarco 22	Mary Ann Frew 27
Pat Ryan 4	Larry Hall 8	Marlene Damcott 16	Susan Dunn 22	Jeannette Hayes 27
Rose Sigmond 4	William Schaal, Jr. 8	Joseph Duska 16	Mary VanHorn 22	Kenneth Jurgens 27
Domenick Brasile 5	Lauri Enterline 9	Sean Wiley 16	David Bolton 23	Patrick Rogan 27
Elaine Kiel 5	Robert Praetzel 9	Mark Bloomstine 17	Teresa Brugger 23	John Draskovic 28
Joseph Semple 5	Paul Ryan 9	Nancy Carlson 17	Wallace Flower 23	Marilyn Flower 28
David Strong 5	Janet Sesler 9	Kathleen Dundon 17	Thelma Henshaw 23	Michael Hilbrich Jr. 28
Heather Yah 5	John Doyle 10	Amy Lund 17	Mark Kubeja 23	Christopher Robertson23
John A. Chamberlain ... 6	Stephen Samol 10	Marjorie Neuss 17	J. Donald Lasher 23	Thomas Collman 24
Robert Mohr 6	Ronald Addressi 11	David Sechrist 17	Kimberly McCormick . 23	Sharyn Gillette 24
Eugene Polaski 6	James Lynch 11	Seth Barner 18	Betsey Miller 23	Marcia Goodwin 24
Debra Giewont 7	Ronald Mielewski 11	Roman Bojewski 18	Christopher Robertson23	Michael Kavic 24
	Frederick Scheler 11	Neala Ferralli 18	Thomas Collman 24	John Lasher 24
	Eric Marshall 12	Paul Huntley 18	Sharyn Gillette 24	Nancy Marshall 24
	Jean Page 12	Tom Manucci 18	Marcia Goodwin 24	Julia Wesmiller 24
	Robert Pratt 12	Bobbi Swift 18	Michael Kavic 24	P.A. Benson 25
	Laura A. Semple .. 12	Debra Weaver 18	John Lasher 24	Richard Dill 25
	Gary Christensen 13	Aleen Weindorf 18	Nancy Marshall 24	Susan Forster 25
	Albrecht Engel ... 13	Kathleen Althof 19	Julia Wesmiller 24	Albert Gest 25
	Jeannine Estock .. 13	Joan Bert 19	P.A. Benson 25	Fletcher Gornall 25
	Judy Lynch 13	Martha Hilbert 19	Richard Dill 25	Elizabeth McCormick . 25
	Judy Pondo 13	Richard Gorny 20	Susan Forster 25	
	Richard Sarver 13	Dara Kneib 20	Albert Gest 25	
	Marian Chestner 14	Sharon Lampe 20	Fletcher Gornall 25	
	Robert Enterline . 14	Mary Rickloff 20	Elizabeth McCormick . 25	

Happy Anniversary

to all Members Celebrating in March & April

James & Mary Beth McMaster Mar. 1	Mark & Patty Rickloff Mar. 24	David & Barbara Zurn Apr. 17
John & Carolyn Bauman Mar. 5	Peter & Karen Kubeja Mar. 25	Donald & Karen Wagner Apr. 17
Joseph & Barbara Little Mar. 6	Jeffrey & Pam Peters Mar. 29	Jon & Connie Swanson Apr. 18
Edward & Diane Glass Mar. 6	Peter & Jo Askey Mar. 29	Marlene & Myron Jones Apr. 18
John & Ann Quinn Mar. 7	Richard & Teresa Fischer Mar. 31	Richard & Pam Weaver Apr. 19
Joseph & Beverly Shary Mar. 8	Gary & Linda Brotherson Mar. 31	Robert & Dara Kneib Apr. 19
John & Greta Lasher Mar. 10	Gregory & Bobbi Rubin Apr. 1	Clifford & Cheryl Allen Apr. 19
Thomas & Crystal Birkmire Mar. 10	Olgierd & Anna Wodzianski Apr. 3	John & Rita Peterson Apr. 20
Eric & Nancy Marshall Mar. 12	Kirk & Cosette Steehler Apr. 3	Nicholas & Joan Virgilio Apr. 21
Charles & Wanda Garnon Mar. 13	Donald & Helene Ackerman Apr. 3	John & Cynthia Dean Apr. 21
Edward & Bonita Tansey, Sr. Mar. 14	Thomas & Fay Trost Apr. 6	Robert & Christine Hornak Apr. 22
David & Paula Strong Mar. 15	James & Sandra Kay Miller Apr. 6	Raymond & Peggy Beers Apr. 23
W.M. David & Barbara Loose Jr. Mar. 15	Robert & Georgia Mohr Apr. 7	David & Anna Wiley Apr. 25
Jack & Jeannie Goodrich Mar. 15	William & Rebecca Hilbert Jr. Apr. 7	Gordon & Barbara Gebhardt Apr. 25
Carl & Marlene Brugger Mar. 17	James & Kathy Preston Apr. 8	William & Cecely Sesler Apr. 26
Merle & Bobbi Swift Mar. 18	William & Joyce Bessor Apr. 8	William & Cheryl Johnson Apr. 27
Arthur & Victoria Kurtz Mar. 19	Anthony & Bernadette Zona Apr. 11	Paul & Lynnette Detzel Apr. 27
Richard & Louise Loesel Mar. 21	Scott & Julie McCain Apr. 14	Randall & Trudy Rydzewski Apr. 28
Dale & Mary Ann Mathews Mar. 22	Robert & Marlene Stainbrook Apr. 15	Carl & Doris Brown Apr. 28
	Robert & Lella Seibel Apr. 16	

Celebrating Birthdays in April



Neal Baker 1	Barb Lechner 7	Olgierd Wodzianski 12	John Swenson 18	Alan Baumann 25
Nina Butine 1	David Martine 7	Nan Mehl Jr. 13	Mary Ann Curtze 19	Dorothy Bujalski 25
Edwin McKean 1	Kelly Mertz 7	Beverly Shary 13	Sue Geary 19	Timothy Kolakowski .. 25
Rosaleen Merski 1	Ann Pysh 7	Philip Wolford 13	Thomas Masters 19	William Anderson 26
Kenneth Andryc 2	Charles Curtze 8	Ruth Zacks 13	Robert Klemm 20	Donald Cardo, Jr. 26
Todd Hammer 2	John Langer 8	Barbara Bracken 14	Loretta Jane Legler 20	Jeffrey Howell 26
Suzanne Loesel 2	Julie Smith 8	Stephen Hanks 14	Leigh Loesel 20	Robert Kneib 26
Laura Theis 2	Kathleen Dailey 9	Barbara Little 14	Jeffery Nagle 20	Thomas Kovach 26
Richard Estock 3	Roberta Forsman 9	Carl Martz 14	Keith Nowakowski 20	James Piersol, Jr. 26
Robert Hessinger 3	Clifford Pifer, Jr. 9	Mark Buseck 15	Flora Sarver 20	Dorothy Demarco 27
Clare Richwine 3	Laura Rogers 9	Harry Diz 15	Frederick Sickert, Sr. ... 20	Nancy Engel 27
Robert Stainbrook 3	Mark Henry 10	Susan Fiske 15	Michael Dill 21	Carol Ferraro 27
Mark Campbell 4	Richard Nagle 10	Donald Newell 15	Linda Hammer 21	Anne Gregory 27
Patricia Ann Stuart 4	Jerome Simon 10	John Orlando 15	Christopher Leclair 21	Bruce Kelsey 27
Thomas J. Miller 5	Patricia S. Thunborg ... 10	Mary Burke 16	W. Kevin Mahoney 21	Mary Ann Mathews 27
Randall Rydzewski 6	Howard Brydon 11	Wilfred Clausen 16	Patricia Bloomstine 22	Douglas Bert 28
Paul Weiser 6	Christine Deluca 11	Patty Merski 16	Luther Kuder 22	Betty Rositer 28
Wilbur Johnson, Jr. 7	Barbara Gebhardt 11	Helen Newell 16	Christopher Robertson22	Robert Walker 28
	Bruce Johnson 11	Alan Renkis 16	Jo Wilkco 22	Ronald Checchio 29
	Sally Lund 11	Bonnie Santos 16	Marian Wolford 22	Martin Deniziak 29
	Scott McCain 11	Janice Thompson 16	Charla Ann Haller 23	Thomas Martin 29
	Lane Nelson 11	Shawn Vanhove 16	James Preston 23	Cindy Nowakowski 29
	Arnold Thunborg 11	William Johnson 17	Richard Reichel, li 23	Karen Shreve 29
	Rebecca Hilbert, Jr. 12	Ronald Merski 17	Richard Seward, Jr. 23	Robert Allshouse 30
	Krista Krugger 12	Joseph Nagle 17	Gretchen Smith 23	David Mconahy 30
	Jay Masi 12	John Schuler 17	Christopher Busko 24	Michael Santomenna 30
	Rich Scarpino 12	Edward Verdecchia 17	Sue Busse 24	Arthur Smaltz 30
	Lorna Traphagen 12	Linda Havrilla 18	Eleanor Conaway 24	William Underhill 30
	David Wagner 12	David Loesel 18	Michael Considine 24	
	Mary Weibler 12	William Sesler 18	Tracy Gargas 24	



Celebrating Our Membership

The following list signifies those members who have reached a milestone in the years they have been a member of the Erie Yacht Club

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Years of Membership

Lawrence Baumann
 Vincent Cifelli
 Michael Considine
 David Cunning
 Edwin Curtze
 Richard Estock
 Bill Gloekler
 Michael Hammer
 Joann Havrilla
 Robert Heibel
 Joseph Hilbert
 Robert Klemm
 Robert Kline
 Bernard Lechner
 Julia Lillis

William Lillis Jr.
 Dennis Markley
 Joshua McGrane
 Paul Neuroh Jr.
 Robert Parker III
 James Preston
 John Puline
 W.A. Pysh
 James Robbins
 Christopher Robertson
 Michael Squeglia
 David Thornton Jr.
 Melissa Trost
 Molly Watts
 James Welka

10

Years of Membership

James Domino
 James Edgett
 Julie Elmer
 Mrs. Guy Gay
 Gerald Goodwin
 Scott Heitzenrater
 Herbert Johnson Jr
 Mark Louis
 John Marsden
 Nancy Potter
 Chris Scott
 Richard Wachter

Celebrating Our Membership

The following list signifies those members who have reached a milestone in the years they have been a member of the Erie Yacht Club

15

Years of Membership

Robert Cunningham
Robert Dunagan
Paul Dwyer
Thomas Estock
Martin Farrell
Ronald Geroni
Michael Giglotti
Andrew Hanks V/C
Mary Hitchcock
Jeffrey Knoll
Gary Krantz
John Lubahn MD
Richard Maloney MD
Michael Masna
Thomas Masters DO
Scott Miller
Hollis O'Hare
Bernard Pelkowski
Timothy Polaski
Randall Rydzewski
Ronald Santos
William Schaaf Sr
Frederick Scheler
Edward Schuler
Daniel Schultz
J. Donald Schwab
Donald Smith
Robert Stratton
Stephen Sutton
John Trettel
Thomas Trost
Ruth Waidley

20

Years of Membership

Stanley Zlotkowski
Reggie Baker
Ann Baloga-Hertel
William Brereton MD
Jan Brydon MD
William Burke
Christopher Busko
Melvin Carney
Robert Cox
Paul Detzel
Leonard Guenther
Donald Hunt
Thomas Kovach
Barbara Lockwood
Richard McMahon
James McNally
Perry Miller
David Moore
Douglas Nelson
Robert Netkowicz
Jack Niethamer
Michael Orelski
James Piersol Jr.
Patrick Richards
Stephen Samol
Mary Schaaf
Larry Smith
Franklyn Stearns
Charles VanHorn
Donald Wagner
Douglas Weber
Chester Zaleski

25

Years of Membership

John Bauman
Michael Beatty
A. Ronald Candela
Donald Cardo Jr.
Robert Christensen
Gary Christensen
Charles Cross
Fritz Curtze P/C
Edward Dahlkemper
William Eckert
Paul Green
Larry Hall
James Hartwell
Gary Headley
Mark Henry
William Johnson
David Jones
J. Clarke Kuebler
Alton Kuhl
John Lehrian DMD
Tom Manucci
Seth Marshall
Edward Mascharka III
Charles McCain
James Miller
Daniel Miller
Fred Sickert Jr.
Barry Stamm MD
James Vincent
Richard Weaver
Mark Wells
Philip Zacks
Anthony Zona

30 Years of Membership

Arthur Baldwin
 Raymond Beers
 Eugene Brew
 Ronald Busse P/C
 David Calvano
 Dennis Carlson
 Patrick Claxton
 Robert Dodsworth
 Thomas Finley
 John Finn
 Gary Hanlin
 Frank Jarecki
 Wilbur Johnson Jr.
 Richard Klaber
 Edwin Klett
 Frederick Meiser
 Franklin Miller
 John Nicklas DO
 Sheldon Potter IV
 Kerry Schwab P/C
 Robert Stainbrook DMD
 Alan Taylor
 William Underhill MD
 Everett Walker

35 Years of Membership

Ronald Baer
 David Bierig
 Richard Weinheimer
 Roger Zurn

40 Years of Membership

Corky Anderson
 Charles Curtze
 Neal Fourspring
 J.H. Marshall MD
 Richard Moore
 Bruce Raimy

45 Years of Membership

John Demarco MD

55 Years of Membership

J. Boyd Bert Jr
 William Walker P/C

62 Years of Membership

J. H. McEnery

Eight Bells

*The Erie Yacht Club mourns the loss
 of our fellow member:*

*Mrs. Jean Braggins,
 widow of 1948 Commodore Durker Braggins*

From the General Managers Desk...

Each year I work with member Nick Virgilio to put together the Safety Boat course that this year is offered on April 26th. Planning for this year's class, Mr. Virgilio stated that the original law (Act 199), which indicated that you need a permit to operate a jet ski was amended by the state legislation.

Effective on February 7, 2003, "persons born on or after January 1, 1982 shall not operate motorboats of more than 25 horsepower on Pennsylvania waters without first obtaining a boating safety education certificate." Boating safety certificates will carry a \$10.00 fee. So, if you have a power boat, and intend on allowing your children, 21 years of age or younger to operate the boat, they will need to have a certificate.

If you haven't done so, think about making your appointment for launching your boat. All boats are to be launched by Opening Day which is May 26th this year. We will provide late launch times until 6PM certain days of the week as we have for the past two years. If you don't think you're going to be in the water by the Opening Day deadline, you must notify the Dock Committee by May 15th, in writing or e-mail. You can send all letters and e-mails to the care of the General Manager. Those members filing a late launch notification will not be exempt from charges associated with Ground Rule #23 which states "**Winter-stored boats remaining in the parking lot after Opening Day which interfere with parking or dry storage will be relocated by the Club and the Owner/Member will be charged for the labor involved.**" If you have others prep your boat for launch please be aware of the charges for launching after Opening Day.

Club Updates:

- Matt Bacons Engineering Committee has been meeting weekly for the last 5 months in preparing and planning to replace the bulkhead in front of the Club. At this time it looks as if construction will take place in the fall of 2003.
- The new Jet Ski docks will be delivered and installed in March, which could be delayed with the thickness of the ice.
- The Pool Committee that Richard Vicary is chairing has had a number of meetings and is formulating a plan.

- We were able to re-book Tennessee Back Porch for the Members Christmas party and Familiar Spirit for New Years Eve. Familiar Spirit will also be performing this year at our Pig Roast on May 24th. So, if you had a good time on NYE then come down on May 24th.
- Some new events we are planning this summer include:
 - Pig Roast on May 24th
 - Limbo Contest in July and a Sack Race in August at the Sunset Happy Hour. We are also doing our Crazy Hat night in June.
 - One night a month during the Sunset Happy Hours, we will feature live music from Erie's own "Matt Kramer".
- And finally, the return of the Family Picnic in July.

The Junior Sailing Committee is planning on making a few changes to the program and is still in the works. But, I do understand they are adding an introductory sailing class for children ages 7-9 that will utilize the Clubs fleet of Opti boats. Watch for the program coming in the mail for details.

Because of the demand for the Junior Sailing in 2002 we have decided that the on-line registration will not be available until after the applications have been mailed out to all members. The applications will be mailed out in the following order;

Week 1	Members children attending in 2002
Week 2	General Membership
Week 3	Non-Members attending 2002

Members whose children attended in 2002 and wish to sign up for 2003 will have 1 week to do so before the next group is mailed.

In February we had our first Sunday Night at the Movies featuring "Star Wars" and coming up on March 30th we have "Spy Kids" and "Like Mike" in April. This is a great family event and we hope to see more of you there.

Lastly, watch your mailings for all the upcoming happenings at the Club and, as always, you can see the events for the whole year on our Club web site, www.erieyachtclub.org.

Mike Lynch
General Manager



Employees Celebrating

Birthdays in March



Mary Tarbrake	6 th	Catering
Rachel Bickel	6 th	Galley Service
Daren Mrenak Jr.	7 th	Galley Service
Brian Platz	17 th	Galley Kitchen
Mike Marlow	24 th	Galley Kitchen
Mark Parker	27 th	Docks



Employees Celebrating

Birthdays in April



Jennifer Petlinato	2 nd	Galley Service
Gary Copple	16 th	Docks
Melissa Hicks	18 th	Galley Service
Kristine Vallimont	18 th	Galley Service
Bonnie Abramczyk	25 th	Front Office

Vice Commodore's Report



ANDY HANKS

First and foremost, I would like to thank all of our members who took time to come to the 108th EYC Annual Meeting. This is a members club. Therefore, the Bridge and Board can only steer the boat. You have to tell us what heading to hold.

The unenviable task of slip assignments is all but complete now. Over

the past two years, effort has been put forth to create a waiting list for slips. All slips have been assigned, leaving just thirty regular members with unsatisfied requirements. Even though this may sound high, it is actually a healthy list. It provides the Dock Committee and the Long Range Planning Committee with data needed to identify future dock requirements of the club.

Proper electrical connections and the use of "approved power cords" will be a requirement this coming year. With the increased power requirements of our watercraft, electrocution is a fast growing concern in yacht clubs and marinas. Bill Vogel, his crew, or a Safety Committee member has the authority to unplug your boat from a pedestal if you do not have the proper equipment. In the next Log, we will have an article with expert commentary on the benefits and consequences of improper electrical connections.

We have two capital projects slated for completion this year. First is the front break-wall directly in front of the club. Some 180 feet of wall will be demolished and reconstructed with a combination of new steel pilings and fabricated steel panels between them. Finishing this will be a wide concrete walk and new power pedestals. This will be a very visually pleasing and durable wall. This method may be the way we rebuild all of our interior retaining walls. Thanks to Matt Bacon and the "Front Break-wall Committee" for eight months of work designing and engineering this project. Scheduled completion is December 2003. The second project is six new Jet Ski docks scheduled for installation at the beginning of E Dock. These docks are assigned and have a waiting list.

Please feel free to contact any of the Officers or Board Members with ideas or concerns. You may also feel free to volunteer your time on any of the many committees that help our club run smoothly. Our numbers and e-mail addresses are on the back cover of the Log or on the EYC web page: eriyachtclub.org

Erie Yacht Club Constitution

Article 2, Purpose

"The purposes of the Erie Yacht Club are to maintain, develop, and enlarge the facilities for yachting and boating, to encourage and develop yachting and other aquatic sports, to promote social recreational activities connected therewith, and to improve yachting and boating facilities at the Erie Yacht Club basin and in the area of Erie Harbor generally."

This Bridge and Board is working on all of the above.

VC Andy



Thanks to Our Great Committee!

The "113 Days 'til Summer Party" on March 1st was a terrific success. Like the Oktoberfest, the "Summer Party" was the result of months of planning and hard work by our super committee of fellow EYC members: Mary Ann Curtze, Kathy Dundon,

Tony and Kitty Ferrari, Laura French, Bob and Joyce McGee, Paul and Carolie Otto, Pat Stuart, Mary VanHorn, Gary and Mary Weibler, and P.C. Harold and Sandy Will.

The party was only possible because of these folks. Again, our hats are off to them!

Dan Dundon and Gerry Urbaniak



CURRENT INITIATION FEE & DUES SCHEDULES

1. Membership Classes:

Junior	Applicant between the ages of 16-34 with no parent as a member. In the year of their 35 th birthday will automatically be transferred to Associate membership. Must request a transfer to Regular membership in writing to the Board of Directors.
Junior Family	Applicant between the ages of 16-34 with a parent as a member. In the year of their 35 th birthday will automatically be transferred to Regular membership. Will earn a 1/2 point per year towards seniority.
Senior	Members 65 years of age or older and 15 years or more of membership.
Non-Resident	Former Associate or Regular member who lives 300 miles outside of Erie County, PA
Associate	Members 35 years old or older with limited boating privileges and full social privileges.
Regular	Full membership privileges. Earns 1 full point towards seniority. Voting privileges at the annual meeting. An additional 2 points will be given for slip occupancy.
Transfers	All Members are permitted to transfer to another membership class by sending a Request for Transfer letter to the Board of Directors. Junior and Junior Family members can request transfer to Regular membership at 25 years of age or older.

2. Initiation Fees:

Based on 2003 fees. (2004 full fee is set at \$4,500.00)

<u>Age of Applicant</u>	<u>Initiation Fee</u>	
16-20	\$0.00	0% of Full
21-25	\$425.00	10% of Full
26-30	\$1,062.50	25% of Full
31-34	\$2,125.00	50% of Full
35 or older	\$4,250.00	Full Fee

Initiation fees are payable in installments once your request has been approved by the Board of Directors. Installment Plan- 1/2 down and 12 equal payments on balance.

3. Dues Fees:

Based on 2003 Fees

<u>Age of Member</u>	<u>Dues</u>	
16-20	\$65.00	10% of Regular Dues
21-25	\$162.50	25% of Regular Dues
26-30	\$325.00	50% of Regular Dues
31-34	\$487.50	75% of Regular Dues
Regular Dues	\$650.00	
Regular Dues	\$600.00	w/Assigned Slip
Associate Dues	\$500.00	
Non-Resident Dues	\$325.00	
Senior Dues	\$450.00	

Annual Dues are payable in two equal installments due January 1st and July 1st of each year.



The Erie Yacht Club Sailing Fleet

presents

Gary Jobson

Sunday, April 13, 2003, 1400 Hours • Erie Yacht Club

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If you can't get to New Zealand, come to the Erie Yacht Club!

Gary Jobson is a world class sailor, television commentator, author and corporate advisor based in Annapolis, Maryland. **Gary will be covering America's Cup 2003 for ESPN and Sailing World.**

Gary has won many championships in one design classes, the America's Cup with Ted Turner in 1977, the infamous Fastnet Race and many of the world's ocean races. In college he was an All-American sailor three times and was twice named College Sailor of the Year (1972, 1973).

Jobson has been ESPN's sailing commentator since 1985 and produces over 30 shows per year. In 1988, Jobson won an Emmy for his coverage of yachting at the Olympic Games in South Korea. Gary has authored 13 sailing books and is Editor-at-Large of *Sailing World* and *Cruising World* magazines. His newest book is titled *Fighting Finish: 2001-02 Volvo Ocean Race*. He also produced a one hour highlight tape on this race.

Gary's topic will be **Ultimate Sailing** and will cover the 2003 America's Cup, Volvo Ocean Race, Polar Racing, Arctic Sailing, Cape Horn, Sailing Trends, and Olympic Preview, and Q & A.

Seating is limited. Call the Erie Yacht Club office at 453-4931 to make a reservation. Cash, check or club charge.

ERIE YACHT CLUB Introduces... Nautica Jackets



Nautica®
Vertical Block Jacket

A signature style, this vertical color-blocked jacket is instantly recognizable, with contrasting collar and front placket facing. Made of 70/30 cotton nylon, the features include a hidden hood with Velcro closure, storm flap for added protection, storm pockets with zip closures, elasticized cuffs and hem, mesh lining, lined sleeves and back locker loop.

- » Jacket is water repellent and wind resistant
 - » Mesh lining promotes breathability for continual comfort in any climate
- Unisex sizes: XS-4XL

Available colors: Navy, White

Price applies to sizes XS-XL \$89.95
\$6.00 for each additional X-size



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Chest Stripe Jacket

A classic for Nautica outerwear, this style, in lightweight 70/30 cotton nylon, features a hidden hood with a Velcro closure, a storm flap, storm pockets with zip closures, elasticized cuffs and hem, a contrasting collar and front placket facing, a mesh lining, lined sleeves, and the signature back locker loop with the "NAUTICA" label.

- » Jacket is water repellent and wind resistant to protect against the elements
 - » Look and functionality of the jacket can carry you season through season
- Unisex sizes: XS-4XL

Available colors: Augusta Yellow, Navy, Red

Price applies to sizes XS-XL \$89.95



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