



ERIE YACHT CLUB LOG

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In a fit of domestic enthusiasm, your Editor had an argument with the Power Lawn Mower, thereby breaking a leg and gaining a couple of weeks' publishing time -- thanks for the card, Nick, and all those participating -- raise "hell" while I'm not there to report.

Tales of the Port Dover race are beginning to filter in -- some rather TALL ones at that -- one tall enough to black-out our favorite Canadian hang-out. Let's see, Victoria, how many years has it been since Erie sloop Venture did the same thing in the same place? Guess the wires weren't raised enough or there might be some significance in the fact that both ships' names began with "V". Paul, you'd better write Don Sterrett and get more details of Venture's career. We also heard our foremost Navigator had no difficulty NOSING into Port after having missed Long Point entirely ---he must have been a bit blue about it ! I also heard that a committee of genuine Auxiliary owners are making up a rule to penalize motor vessels with steadying sails from entering the local races --- "congratulations anyhow, Jack-Tar", they gave you one chance.

And now the Commodore has a few words to say:

Fleet Review Day turned out to be an unqualified success. The weather cooperated beautifully, as did an unusually large number of our members. I would like to extend my personal thanks to all of you who joined in the Review. The following Monday morning my son was still complaining of a sore shoulder from having fired the shotgun so many times. We hope that next year even more members will join in the festivities.

Elsewhere in the Log you will find an announcement from Tom Ashton regarding the Dock Beautification Program. Let's have a concerted effort to get our entire basin "Prettied up" by Club Picnic Day.

Ben

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----- and Mrs. Commodore reports:

Profit on the Annual Tea was \$343.19 and a profit of \$578.81 was realized on the Boat Raffle. Many thanks to Fran and Hap and their committee (especially Laura Bunce who "coped").

All the little profits add up to the fact that you gals have boosted \$1,000.00 into our bank account since January. Wheee!!!

Jean

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So a wintry May departed - - and June was early Summer - - and the EYC sailors have been catching up on Spring out-fitting during the past month. Nonetheless our Flag Officers and Committee heads are to be congratulated; all scheduled events took place on time -- with success (plus several of those unscheduled???)

The Ladies very sensibly decided to postpone their luncheons until the Fall. What with Ladies' golf (ugh), Bread Winners' vacations (hooray) and houseguests, these hen sessions are a trifle de trop.

Lu and Flossie have been busy with private parties given by various members -- Attorney Lund's group on June 10th, Mary Yates' Garden Club on the 14th, Power Squadron Picnic the 15th, Mr. Hegel's party the 27th, etcetera.

CLUB PICNIC

The annual Club picnic will be held on Saturday, July 22nd on the Club Grounds.

There will be a fishing contest for children twelve and under.

A power boat "find your bottle" contest will be run by the power boat committee. Bring all the bleach bottles you can find and leave them in the Canoe House prior to the 22nd.

A new test of skill for the small boat sailors! A Slalom race. Skiing on water!! With a boat yet!!

For the teen age group, the going places group--THE ICONOCLASTS in the early evening on the veranda.

Food will be a Tureen Dinner affair. Notice out shortly and we would welcome some helpers. Call Jackie Welsh on 833-7849. This kind of work is fun!! How about you new members? This is a sure fire way to get acquainted.

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Gail Garren sez-- The June small boat racing has been plagued by windstorms, calms, shortened courses, missing race marks and a wrecked crash boat. Make-up races may be planned. (thass OK, Gail, at least yo ain't been beat up by a semi-motor-boat --Ed).

Any information leading to the recovery of our race kegs or the sand bar kegs will be greatly appreciated; we have replaced the race marks and one sand bar mark at some expense.

Here is another pleading call for volunteers to man our crash-boat during the races. This season we have already cancelled or postponed three races for want of a crash boat crew. Don Daley has offered his services on Wed. nites. How about someone else for about three hours on the week-ends? Remember, we furnish the boat--thanks to Gordon Altman.

It has been pointed out to me that a shortened course should be signified by two guns. This allows the sailors to alter tactics to suit. So shall it be in the future!!!

Keep your ear to the RC if you want to enter make-up races.

Rich Loesel, John Altman, John Douglas and Jack Bierley have a good battle going for 1st place in the Gordon Altman Trophy Series -- but not so close it can still be anyone's series ---- the better the turnout, the closer the Series.

GAS STATION HOURS

4 to 9 PM daily except Monday

9 AM to 9 PM Saturday and Sunday

Other times - service by Dockmaster (contact Marty or Whitey)

Both regular and marine gas is available. Marine gas, considerably higher octane, is blended especially for marine engines. It costs a little more but it is a proven fact that your engines will run better, require less care and with the improved mileage it is a better buy.

We will fill up your car tank also, but we can't put air in your tires. You will receive Texaco Credit Card applications in the mail shortly. They are recognized by all dealers all over the Great Lakes. Texaco has stations in nearly every port on the lakes. In the meantime, if you want to charge your purchase, sign your name and address on the slip and we will bill you once a month. Yes, there are built-in filters, so you will not be bothered with water. We need to build up our volume in order to pay for our new facility, so buy from your own club and encourage your friends to stop at our station.

NOTICE!!! NOTICE!!! NOTICE!!!

Will the party that picked up the Blazer and pants by mistake on Memorial Day, please leave them in the Head or with Nick - or - advise Nick and I will forward the jacket to match the pants.

Don Daley

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The Editor will personally finance the originator of a seagoin' name for the "dock beautification committee--contest etc." with at least two small beers - - suggestions, please!! I'm heartily in accord with the aim, but not the name!! I cringe, but here is the chairman's NOW HEAR THIS:

The judging and awarding of prizes for the Dock Beautification Contest has been extended until the Family Picnic, July 22nd. The committee thought it best to extend the contest due to the bad weather, busyness of the Captains and first mates during May and the first part of June. The committee wishes to thank all those who did find time to fix up & beautify their docks and have received many comments from members and visitors on our program. Much work completed on East Docks -- little on West and Center -- How Come? Fix-up

parties in your immediate neighborhood are fun----get it going, First Mates!! Remember, first and second prizes are to be awarded for the best jobs; let's make EYC, now known as the most friendly, also the most ship-shape----and if the shoe fits--beautiful. For answers to questions, or possible suggestions, contact Chairman Tom Ashton at 866-0696 or 454-7159.

Ruth Mageneau won the Dinghy and motor; she is now in the process of attempting to either shrink it or stretch it a bit for her ideal use. Whitey McAllister, in his great need for water transportation, won the canoe; maybe he can win the deck-house for it next year.

Mark Gardner, Frank Russell and son, Doug, were in Montreal July 6th competing in the OK Dinghy World Championship, held in conjunction with EXPO. Results still a mystery at this writing.

Sunday, June 25th, Auxiliary races -----won by Kahili, followed by Blitzen and Marea-- Windswept was in the race too.

SMALL SAILING VESSEL OWNERS

The angle dock adjacent to the small boat crane is not a permanent docking location. It was declared "open" by the Board of Directors in order to provide a place for the small boats to wait their turn at the crane for lifting out and to fit out after launching. Several owners consistently leave their boats tied to this dock. It has created such congestion that some people have ceased to use their boats and some have damaged their craft in attempting to get to the crane in strong winds. This dock must be kept clear. If you do not know where your permanent spot is located, see a member of the Dock Committee. Their names are posted in the Club. Dick Loesel is the Sailing Coordinator and will be glad to help resolve your problem. If you do not keep this dock clear for its intended use, the Dock Committee will have no alternative but to remove boats from the water - and at the owner's expense.

Dock Committee

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Ken Welsh, who, in my humble opinion, knows more of the true condition of our plant facilities - and if you don't already know it - is one of our most dedicated and hard working members, has volunteered to write this month's report and plea for our BUILDING FUND:-

LET'S QUIT SITTING ON OUR HANDS

At the Annual Meeting in November 1966, the membership authorized the Board of Directors to proceed with the proposed plans for a badly needed new club house. At the same time, they approved the finance plan. This plan calls for the membership to raise \$50,000.00 as the initial payment with the balance to be borrowed from a local bank. The \$50,000.00 can be in the form of outright gifts or non-interest paying loans. The amount of your gift or loan is up to you. We are now ready to go out for bids, however the membership has failed to support the project. The old house

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can't take much more and the longer we wait the more it will cost. Please send in your pledge or gift now so we can proceed with our construction.

Ken

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Jean Chambers has sure had it!! Bob tells me that in addition to an Iowa auto accident, Jean suffered a compound fracture of her leg when she tumbled at their summer place. My sympathies -- -- get well fast!!!

• • • And the rest of you take note and BE CAREFUL!!

So long--Cort

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