

plete with artifacts collected) of her trip "Around the World in 60 Days." One of the highlights of her trip was a long stay in Saudia Arabia. Plan to have a front row center Wednesday, November 5. It promises to be an exciting afternoon.

All EYC members wives are automatically members of the ladies auxiliary. If you are not on our calling list and would like to join us for lunch, call Marilyn Amthor, Olga Gorny or Fran Schuler for a reservation.

Please note, if you do make a reservation for luncheon and then find out that you can't attend, kindly call one of the above ladies or the club and cancel your reservation by the day before the luncheon. We have recently been "stuck" with several unpaid "no-shows" and will have to resort to billing you if you don't show up and haven't cancelled your reservation.

Looking forward to seeing you in October!

Marilyn Amthor



Scuttlebutt writers Dorothy & Frank finally make it in at Bowlers Picnic.

SCUTTLEBUTT  
BY DOROTHY & FRANK

The Erie Yacht Club has lost a friend and benefactor; one who contributed much to the Club's well-being over the years and who was a perfect exemplification of his surname, our deepest sympathy is extended to Helen Good and family; and a sad farewell salute to our Past Commodore.

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Former active members returning to the Club for summer visits were Ginny and Jim Moss and Kitty and Stan Raussan. Stan, in his seventys, flies his own plane on their sojourns around the country. They were heading for Nova Scotia before returning to Florida.

Joan and Nick Virgilio now know how it feels to be grandparents. Cynthia arrived on July 11. We have a feeling, one

of these days Nick will be looking for a bigger boat.

Stan Barish and his lovely wife are the proud possessors of a new sailboat, an Islander 30. It's what makes it worthwhile driving up from Pittsburgh each weekend.

The "Cat" is here! And a beauty she is. She traveled on wheels all the way from Rhode Island and is now comfortably berthed in the old center dock. Hope she has the courage to face the task of re-converting stinkboaters back into sheetmen again. After looking at "Curiosity", we can understand Marilyn's and Commodore Dick Amthor's enthusiasm for the "Cat".

Sophia and Hank Yul had lots of friends at water works for their 28th anniversary. There were also a sizeable number of gatecrashers to offer congratulations.

"Red" Wagner, suddenly professes not to understand arithmetic, but he had lots of help celebrating his natal day on August 28th. It's O.K. Red, we began to deduct them some time ago and as long as you associate with us younger folks, birthdays can be fun.

Sylvia Burdick and Gene Martin did a bang-up job on the bowler's picnic, August 16th. The games, the food and the band were tops in all categories and its hard to believe that the bowling season has arrived so soon, Where did the summer go?

Hope by this time Dick Swanson has his new Catalina 30' sailboat. A little late for this year, but something to anticipate for next.

Jean and Dick Weinheimer, and all their helpers, must be congratulated for the success of Venetian Night in spite of the poor cooperation of the weather. There were plenty of prizes to go around for

those lovely people whose enthusiasm was not dampened by the "heavy dew and who put forth real effort to decorate. We've got to admire "Potentate" Jack for the masterful display of royalty. From now on, Jack Tate, you will be known as "Bubbly Jack the King Maker."

Let's hope for another month and a-half of good boating weather. Good Sailing!

RULES GOVERNING USE OF  
E Y C BASINS

In the past few months I have enjoyed the pleasure of having several visiting yachtsmen tell me what a beautiful place we have at the Erie Yacht Club. And generally I can luxuriate in this feeling with them. We have no consequential problems with governmental bodies, with our neighbors, with finances nor with a rundown house. We are in good shape, thanks to the attention of present officers and the heritage from their predecessors. In fact what problems the Directors of your Club get involved with seem to come from the inter-relationships between members who must share a common facility. Like members of a family, we don't always agree on the way to use our common property or we sometimes fail to consider the effect of what we do, on the next "guy". One such situation concerns the maneuvering of our boats in the Club's mooring basin. On weekends, in the peak of the season, we almost need a traffic director to avoid collisions. A recent incident prompted your Officers to look at the rules governing such situations.

The applicable rules comprise, the Motor Boat Act, the Pilot Rules (Coast

Guard publication C.G. 172) Erie Yacht Club's "House and Ground Rules" and a good measure of common sense and courtesy. At the request of the Officers, I have put together the pertinent information which hopefully will minimize incidents between maneuvering boats.

RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF THE  
ERIE YACHT CLUB BASINS

1. The Erie Yacht Club's basins serve as means for entrance and egress to or from the dock and launch areas. They are not to be used as play areas, for training nor for touring around the enclosure. From large vessels, it may be impossible to see a small boat which is close aboard and such small boats put themselves in considerable jeopardy when using the basin as such.
2. Vessels backing out of stalls are burdened and must wait for vessels underway.
3. A boat entering the basin from Presque Isle bay has right of way over an exiting vessel, where such right needs to be exercised in the narrow entrance.
4. Powered vessels shall generally maintain a port to port aspect (see Pilot Rule 17) and sailing vessels shall adhere to Pilot Rule 16.
5. Sailing vessels, under sail only, have right of way, subject to the 1965 amendment to the Motor Boat Act (also Pilot Rule 19) with respect to narrow channels.
6. All vessels, at nighttime, must carry the proper lights within the basin as soon as put underway. Pilot Rule 2.
7. The operation of any boat at a speed which creates damaging wake is forbidden. You are legally responsible for damage, to other boats, piers, or property on other boats, created by your wake.
8. Sometimes a disabled vessel must be towed in, come in on one engine ---- or a large sailboat be sailed or coasted in. Obviously, simple courtesy requires everyone to stay clear of these troubled vessels.

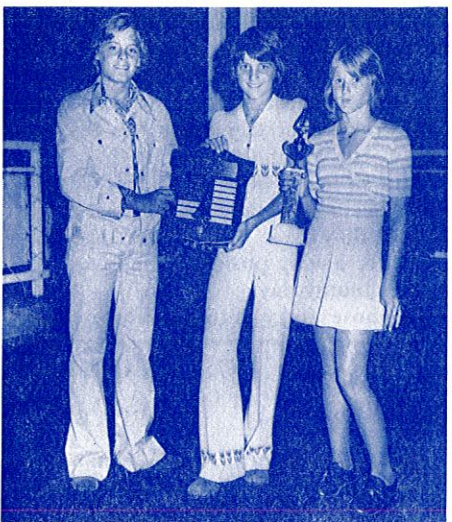
G. William Ambro, Secretary-Treas.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE  
REPORT

By now, I'm sure everyone knows the Luau was a fantastic success! The day started with a thoroughly planned scavenger hunt by Paul Cook and his cohorts. Nick Virgilio and Doc Bressler. The 20 boats scooted joyfully from stop to stop, happily collecting treasures and memories. It was by far the best treasure hunt we've ever been on, and Deb was so thrilled flying the kite off our stern on the return trip that we've vowed to keep kites aboard all the time.

Speaking of beautiful sights, all the ladies in Hawaiian garb flitting around the delicious buffet were a delight to behold as attested to by Sylvia Burdick's publicity coverage in the papers.

The kids were delighted with the movies



Bob Wharton and Jana Walker holding \* Reyburn Sportsmanship Trophy. Jane \* Rickloff with High Hopes Trophy.



\* Jr. Championship Winners — Mike Phasey, \* Jamie Taylor, Bill Nagle, Jane Rickloff, \* Ann Minhinnick, Sally Rehrig, Jana Walker

shown in the board room, the decorations were beautifully Hawaiian, from the flying fish to the tinkling fountain, thanks to Tania Hanlin and her helpers.

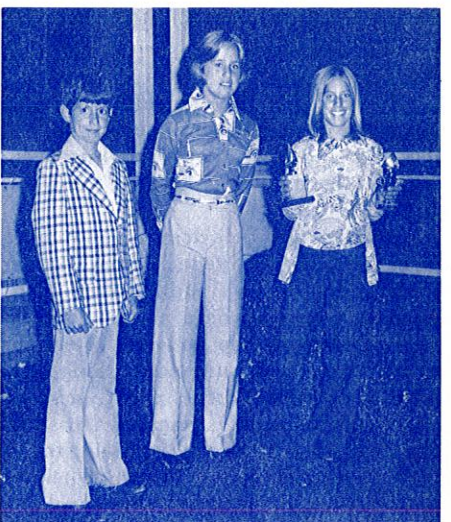
We have always enjoyed Joe Matzaks Combo at Frederico's and Peek N' Peak, but I've never heard him play as well as for our pleasure for our Luau.

Boy, it was great!

By the time you read this - Jean and Dick Weinheimer's Venetian Night will be past history, but I hope everyone decorated their boats. It's so heartwarming to see how these committee people work so hard to give EYC'ers a good time! The list of gifts was a real inspiration to think up. A dandy theme, and the "moving" music sounds like a great idea. We can hardly wait.

In September we'll be having something new for EYC — Casino Night — chaired by Jim and Joyce Shuler. This one will be a hum-dinger, get out your diamond studded cigarette holders - and watch for the publicity.

Charlotte Heinrich



Instructor's Cup Winners Jeff Hendrich, Carrie Bessor and Skipper Laurie Lasher.

JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM  
ENDS 24th SEASON

The 24th season of the Junior Sailing Program at the Erie Yacht Club was successfully ended by honoring 70 sailors with a banquet held on August 18, 1975.

Awards were made honoring many outstanding students and ratings of accomplishment were given to all students by Commodore Richard Amthor. The awards for the most improved students were Jane Rickloff receiving the High Hopes Trophy and Skipper Knoll receiving the Zurn Trophy.

Recipients of the Nathaniel Reyburn Sportsmanship Trophy were Jana Walker and Bob Wharton.

With elimination races, the classes are divided into two racing classes. The top half of the class sailing for the Junior Championship, Rip Saudey Trophy and the other half of the class sailing for the Instructor's Cup.

Tying for first place for the Jr. Championship Trophy were Jane Rickloff and Jamie Taylor. Crewing with Jane were Sally Rehrig, Ann Minhinnick and Jana Walker. Crewing for Jamie were Mike Phasey and Bill Nagle. Coming in second was David Kerr and his crew Fred Abbott and Patrick DeMarco. In third place was Chris Kuebler and Crew Dan Phasey and David Kelly.

Winning the Instructor's Cup was Laurie Lasher and her crew of Carrie Bessor and Jeff Hendrich. In second place was Fred Sickert and crew Steven Matts and John Sample. Following his brother in third place was Willie Sickert and crew Jim Lay and Bruce Brown.

Junior Instructors with this year's program were Jayne Lasher, Mary Lou Waller and Steve Moore. Senior Instructors were Vicki Underhill and Jim Rickloff. Director of the program was Cynthia Taylor, who was suitably honored by all the Junior Sailors with the presentation of a beautiful engraved silver plate at the closing banquet.



Candid scenes from Bowlers Picnic.



## ..... THOUGHTS OF VENETIAN NIGHT

The morning of Venetian Night never dawned - it stumbled in like an ashamed derelict - sodden and gray. If this morning had been a fish, I'd have thrown it back.

However, we were determined to have Venetian Night despite the dismal weather forecast for the day and evening. Our plans had been to have all activities except dinner outside so we shifted our mental gears and gathered masking tape, glue, typing and crepe paper, scissors, magic markers and strings of Christmas tree lights and attacked the dining room. We had the cheerful and invaluable help of Kim Pifer and Peter Gorny in changing a sunny vista in the tropics to "A Rainy Night in Venice." As the evening progressed the rains stopped and everyone was able to walk the docks and enjoy the gaily lighted boats.

Forty boats competed by decorating with a theme or with lights. Many great prizes were contributed by members and friends of E.Y.C. Leann and Rick Filip did a yeoman job of securing the prizes along with their telephone committee of Martha Reno, Chris Fellows and Peggy Schwab.

The buffet dinner was a smashing success with 308 people appreciating the tempting array of fine foods. This was the largest crowd ever served on Venetian

Night. After dinner there were many enthusiastic dancers and listeners to toe-tapping music.

John Russell, a super Parade Marshall, led the line of beautifully decorated boats on their colorful trip down the bay - a sight worth waiting for.

With so many boats to judge, we gave the officers and their ladies a difficult task but they came through making many happy for having pushed themselves during the gloomy day.

To those forty intrepid boaters who

did not allow their spirits to be dampened by the rain as they put up their displays - a special thank-you.

We cannot say enough about the co-operation of Ken Welsh and his staff who were most generous with their time and patient with our endless trips to the office with our various needs.

Our sincere and warmest appreciation to everyone who helped, participated and came to enjoy.

Dick and Jean Weinheimer

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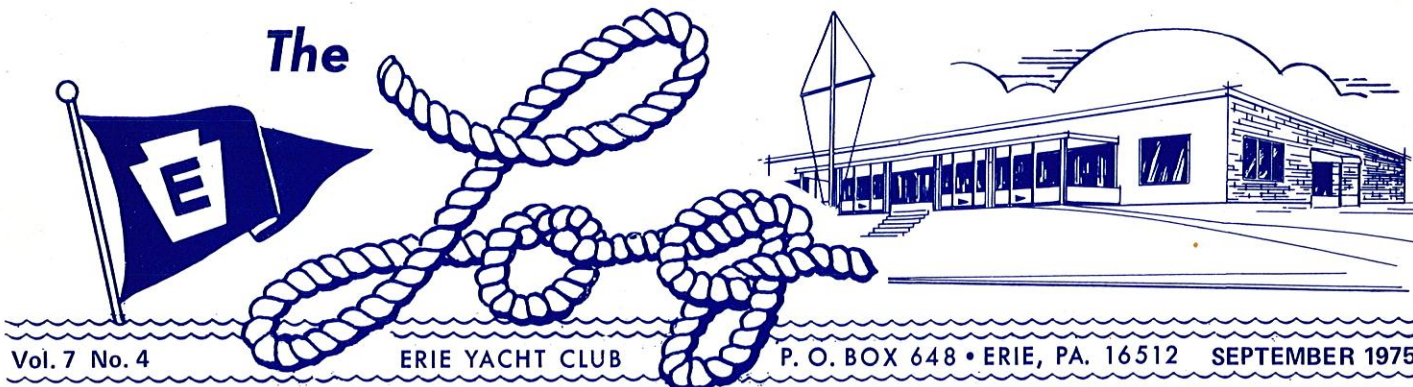
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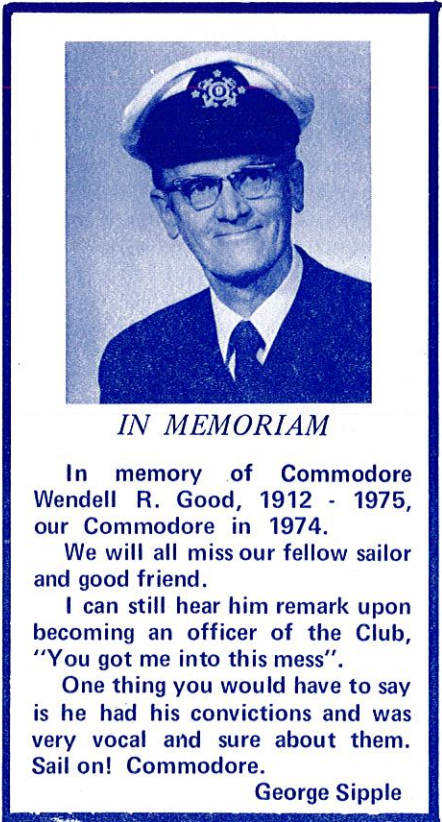
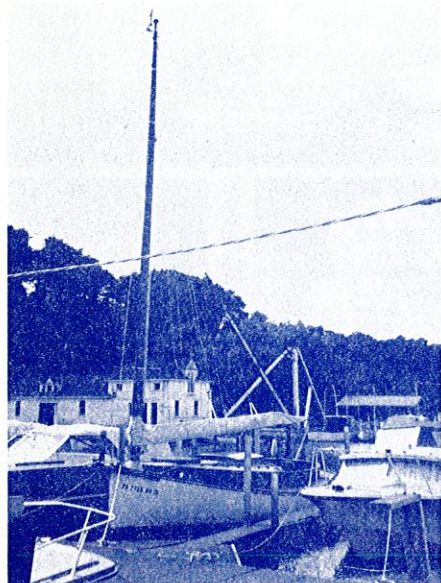
The Labor Day weekend generally brings the last big surge of boating activity of the summer season. Vacations are over and the kids go back to school bringing a noticeable drop in the size of the dry sail fleet. But don't be misled. There is still a lot of fine weather left. The next two months will bring some of the best sailing of the year. The winds get a bit cooler but are steadier. Summer haze and smog disappears and the shoreline of the bay takes on a sharp and crisp look that is a delight to see. And if you have a stove aboard and can keep a pot of coffee brewing or perhaps a kettle of soup, Wow! You're in for some real pleasure.

The officers and directors have been busy throughout the season but are greatly saddened by the loss of Past Commodore Wendell R. Good who was a valuable participant at each board meeting.

Much has been added to the physical plant with the new gate security system, new dock facilities and currently underway is the project of continuing the interior decor of the clubhouse to separate the bar and dining room and to provide more pleasant lounge facilities.

I can't close without adding that "Curiosity" the Catboat is no longer a phantom but a real boat.

Dick Amthor



#### IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Commodore Wendell R. Good, 1912 - 1975, our Commodore in 1974.

We will all miss our fellow sailor and good friend.

I can still hear him remark upon becoming an officer of the Club, "You got me into this mess".

One thing you would have to say is he had his convictions and was very vocal and sure about them. Sail on! Commodore.

George Sipple

### EYC TEAM - GREAT LAKES CHAMPS

The EYC Team of Jack Bierley, Greg Gorny and John Damcott snared the 1975 Great Lakes Championship of the Highlander Class June 28 & 29, 1975 at Buffalo Yacht Club, Point Abino, Ontario.

Scoring a near perfect 1,1,2 over a strong 25 boat fleet under light to moderate conditions, the local trio proved decisively their team approach to Yacht Racing is hard to beat. 1 + 1 + 1 = 4

By specializing in particular aspects of Yacht Racing, each member makes a greater contribution to the boats' success than his counterpart on other boats. Thus we have the synergistic equation: 1 (Man) + 1 (Man) + 1 (Man) = 4 (or something greater than the sum of its parts)

The Erie Team consists of:

Helmsman - (Jack) who concentrates on starting, and making the boat go fast on the course.

Tactition/Trimmer - (Greg) who concentrates on tactics, i.e., where to go, when and how the sails are to be set.

Organizer/Manager - (John) who concentrates on everything else! Boat Preparation, logistics, racing instructions, measurements, weighing, certification, class requirements, and safety requirements (each area is different) off the water as well as sail and boat trim on the water.

In short the team approach works, and (coincidentally) it's a lot more fun! So if you see these guys practicing spinnaker jibes in a Highlander, Thistle or 3 Lasers during a snowstorm, don't be surprised, they're really having fun!

### LADIES AUXILIARY LUNCHEONS

The EYC Ladies Auxiliary has resumed their fall schedule with the first luncheon held Wednesday, September 3 at 1 p.m. After a social hour of swapping tales of boating experiences, travel vacations and getting the kids ready for the fall school term, the ladies settled down to enjoy a delightful lunch.

A short business meeting was held at which time our treasurer, Ellie Matts, gave the final financial report for our Spring Tea. Thanks to the hard working and dedicated efforts of the tea chairmen and their committees we realized a walloping profit of \$526.88. Who sez women don't have business sense!

Our guest, Officer Dick Russell of the Erie Police Department gave a most informative talk on "Burglary Prevention in the Home" and Operation I-Dent.

Circle October 1 on your social calendar and plan to join us for our next luncheon. Our guest speaker will be William P. Garvey, Vice President of Academic Services and Dean of Mercyhurst College. Dean Garvey will speak to us on "The Ethnic Factor in Erie Politics."

The November luncheon will be of interest to all of you. Our guest and Auxiliary member Tania Hanlin, will be taking us on a slide and talk show (com-