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Commodore's

R E P O R T

elcome to Spring!! I hope everyone had an enjoyable winter, and I'm sure there will be a few boats in the water by the time this is published.

Here is what is happening around your Club. On the

Here is what is happening around your Club. On the grounds, we have purchased a new truck. This one is equipped with a Navistar diesel engine, combined with a high-ratio rear

end to give it plenty of pulling, plowing, and hauling power. Our other diesel-powered hauler, the red tractor, has been extremely reliable. We hope to have the new rig in service for a long, long time. You may see the old gray truck chugging around for a little while. It is not road worthy, but it still moves and Bill Vogel will run it 'til the end.

We have budgeted and are looking at a trailer to move boats that use jack stands and Styrofoam blocks to sit on during the off season. It's very slow to use our travelift to move them and our existing trailers are not able. Fleet Captain Jim Lockwood was generous enough to take a February trip to the Miami boat show to talk to trailer manufacturers regarding our needs. That's Jim – "anything for the Club."

The water has remained low all winter. This has reduced our expenses in the basin. Docks were not lifted, and so far, no bubblers have been used. The low water is good news for the Fleet Captain, but bad news for the Vice Commodore. If the water does not come up, Pat Geary will have some extra evenings in Mike Lynch's office rearranging slips. Also in the water, you might have noticed the crane and barge drilling new pilings for L-dock. Many of the old pilings have broken loose after many years of us power boaters bouncing our boats off them. We are almost half-way through our 10-year plan to replace all bad pilings.

In the house, Rear Commodore Robertson has just finished giving Chef Bernie cooking lessons. Figure that out!! Actually, Dick has some favorite recipes he would like to see on the menu, and Bernie is planning to give some a try. If you like them, tell Bernie. If you don't like them, tell Dick. We are planning to establish an entertainment committee. If you would like to be involved, please contact Mike. We are always interested in members' ideas.

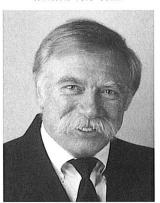
While I'm on the subject of the clubhouse, I would like to ask a favor. If you are not happy with an aspect of your Club, please tell the management or someone on the Board. Please don't gripe to our employees. They are doing as instructed, and doing the best they can. No member or employee wants to spend their day listening to constant complaining. We are here to make your time at the Club as enjoyable as possible. If you have a request, please ask. We do not know what you would like unless you tell us. If you have a question on how we are spending your money, please call me. It is your Club and your money, and you have a right to know.

Overall the Club is in great shape. We are financially sound, we have 150 people on the waiting list for regular member-



COMMODORE PETE GORNY





REAR COMMODORE RICHARD ROBERTSON



FLEET CAPTAIN JAMES LOCKWOOD

ship, and P/C Fritz Curtze has promised to help me with this year's weather. If we have a summer like 1998, sailors and power boaters alike will log many hours of boat time.

We also have a new director of the Reyburn Sailing School. His name is George Macey. George is a soon-to-be retired teacher and sailing enthusiast. We are certain George will give the program additional stability and responsibility. Mark your schedules and tell your friends about our junior and adult sailing programs.

Openings are available for members and non-members.

On behalf of your Bridge, Board and Staff, I
would like to welcome you to a great spring

and new boating season.

Best Regards, Pete Gorny

Commodore's

So far the weather doomsday predictors have been wrong. The winter of '98/'99 is winding down and although in January it looked like the winter that was predicted had arrived, it never really materialized. Now let's hope that we are blessed with a great spring and an abundance of water in our basin.

The dock committee has been hard at work doing their best to accommodate all requests. Mike Lynch, Ed Schuler and Andy Hanks' experience on the committee makes the job much smoother. I must point out that your fellow members on the committee donate their time to serve the EYC membership, yet there are members who do not take the time to return their slip applications by the deadline of January 15th. This is unfair to those members who are giving their time on the committee and it is unfair to the members waiting for their first dock at the Club, as well as members who are waiting to purchase a new boat, but need a large slip. In the future, please consider your fellow members and return your application promptly or contact the Club if you do not want your dock for the year.

By the time the "Log" is published, the majority of our work should be behind us and most docks assigned for 1999. The one issue that may need to be addressed is the low water level in the basin. We will act on this if it becomes a problem. If the water would remain low some short-term rearranging might have to take place for deeper draft boats. The committee does not have many alternatives – dredging is not feasible because of the red tape and paperwork required. If we did consider this option, it would probably take a year to obtain permits. Bill Vogel and Fleet Captain Jim Lockwood did some diving in the fall, and they found the bottom of our basin was pretty much shale and dredging, if considered, would not help much in solving our problem.

Let's all hope that this does not become a problem. I am looking forward to a great boating season. Your comments are welcomed and appreciated.

- Pat Geary

Rear Commodore's

Greetings Sailors,

It won't be too much longer 'til we all hit the water. So in the meantime, come on down the hill and have some fun. We have something special planned for you the first Tuesday after Shutdown. It's a lobster feast! Yes, a one-and-a-half-pound live lobster cooked to perfection. Plan on coming down – we want to really kick March into gear.

A little later in the month, we have someone special coming, thanks to the recommendation of Dennis Markley. So, on March 19th, Danny Justice will be at our Club for the clan, wearing the green. Danny is currently touring Europe singing, telling ethnic jokes (Irish, of course), and great stories. This party is going to be a blast, so you leprechauns be there or be square!

A special thanks to all of you for showing up for lunch. We are ahead of last year slightly, and we want to keep it that way. The service is great, and we are getting you out in 40 minutes. Please keep checking in with Nancy so she can seat you and give you the service you deserve.

We have two evenings, Thursdays and Sundays, that our attendance is weak. So, if at all possible, please come on down. We need more attenance so we can keep the staff we are building to serve you. These folks live on your tips and count on your patronage.

The spring menu will be coming soon. What do you want on it? Please call me or e-mail at Mrkitchen@Erie.Net. Anyone want pork chops, or a big t-bone or porterhouse?? Let us know, we want to please you.

If you're planning any type of party, call. I promise, our staff will make it special.

So, good eating!

Bon appetite!

Dick

Fleet Captain S Report again bloom

As the days grow longer, we look forward to spring and thoughts of boating again bloom in our minds. The low water has given us a mild winter as far as dock damage is concerned; our concern now is that it will cause a problem in spring with water depths at members' slips.

Speaking of spring launch, I remind all members to have sufficient help available to safely launch your boats, and be sure to clean up your area after launch. This means to return concrete blocks and wood shim material to their proper bins. Also, remember to put shrinkwrap in the proper containers. I also would like to ask that all members be considerate of other members' boats when they do repairs and bottom painting.

Repairs have begun on L-dock in our longterm plan of rebuilding the dock pilings. Those involved should notice their docks will be significantly stronger. All damaged uprights have been replaced so we should start the season in good condition. The other project that you will notice this spring is the paving of the Club parking lot and a concrete pad in front of the Clubhouse. Again, this is part of an ongoing paving schedule, and it will enlarge the present parking area to help eliminate some of the parking problems during high attendance.

Lastly, I would like to touch on the Reyburn Sailing School I encourage all members to consider participation, both for themselves or their children. We offer young adult and adult sailing lessons, and if you speak to anyone that has attended, you will learn it is a wonderful learning experience besides a great social experience. This year marks the 49th year of the Reyburn Sailing School, and literally hundreds of members and non-members have begun their sailing education by attending this school.

That is all for now. I look forward to seeing all of you at the Club as we wait patiently for spring to come.

Respectfully submitted, James Lockwood

REMINDERS! REMINDERS! REMINDERS! REMINDERS!

- All fees associated with your slip or keg are due by April 30th or before your boat is placed in the slip, whichever is sooner. All slips not paid for by the April 30th due date will be reassigned. For the convenience of your fellow members, if you sold your boat or have decided that you do not require a slip this year, please inform the General Manager as soon as possible.
- All members who have not filed a slip application for a dry sail boat must do so before bringing your boat on the property. Place your 1999 sticker on the boat and in clear sight. Any boat found on the property without the proper sticker will be chained. To avoid any inconveniences in the summer, take the time now to fill out the proper form for dry sailing.
- If you intend on doing any spray painting or heavy sanding, you must contact the Dockmaster. Depending on your location, you will have to be moved to a designated area for that work. This is to eliminate any problems with overspray or dust on the boats stored near yours. For the courtesy of your fellow members, please be aware of wind speed and direction when painting and sanding.
- All disposable winter tarps are to be disposed of in the large roll-off container located at the entrance of the Club. Do not throw your tarps in the dumpsters located behind the Galley. Remember to dispose of all materials in the appropriate dumpsters. All recyclables in the container marked "Recycles." The Club will be fined for any items found not in the appropriate container.

- For the convenience of all members, please be on time and have the right amount of help required for launch.
- For all new slip holders. Contact the Club office to schedule your launch date. Plan early if you would like to be in the water by mid-May. All dates and times two weeks before Memorial Day go fast. Remember to have your 1999 sticker on the boat at the time of launch.
- After launch, please police your winter-stored area and clean up all empty paint cans, tarps and maintenance materials. Place all blocking and shims on the pallets located in your area.



The Erie Yacht Club
presents

Danny Justice an Irish Comedian Irish Comedian Storyteller

Born in Dublin, Ireland, Danny has just returned from a tour of Europe!



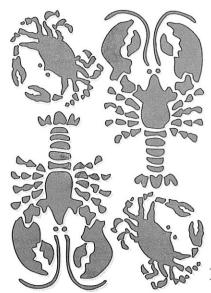


Dinner Buffet

Irish Potato and Leek Soup Tossed Salad Honey Glazed Carrots Parsley New Potatoes Corn Beef and Cabbage Carved Leg of Lamb Carved Prime Rib au Jus Killarney Fudge Pie Rolls, Butter, Coffee, and Tea Friday, March 19 6:30 pm - Libations and Dinner 8:00 - Show

TICKETS \$20.00 EACH

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - CALL THE EYC OFFICE AT 453-4931



Seafood Buffet

A P R I L 2

All You Can Eat!

Good Friday
5:30 PM • \$21,95* *Tax and tip not included.



PEEL 'N EAT SHRIMP, SNOW CRAB, MUSSELS, CRAB CAKES MORE!

Sunday April 4, 1999



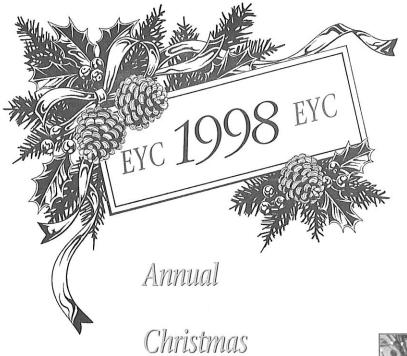
he Grie Yacht Club is featuring a bountiful buffet that includes:

ssorted Salads, Leg of Lamb, Tavern Ham, Club Sirloin, Crab-stuffed Cod, Seafood Newburg & Rice, Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Buttered Corn, Green Beans Almondine, Rolls and a Delicious Assortment of Desserts.

> n addition, we will also have: Omelette Station from Noon - 3 pm Pasta Station from 3 - 6 pm

All for \$14.95Children 12 and under — \$5.75!

Serving 12 TO 6 PM Call Nancy for Reservations at 453-4931





Dick and Debby Robertson Little too much Christmas cheer, Dick...

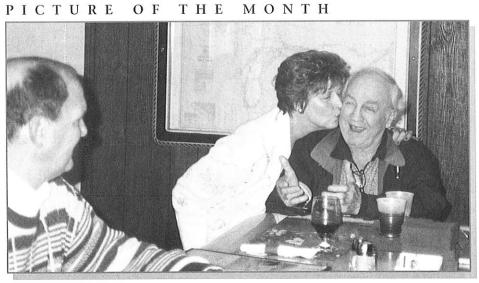




Mr. and Mrs. David Amatagelo



Pat Geary
"Bah Humbug...
what time is this
thing over?"



Not in front of your husband, Carol!



Mr. and Mrs. Gary Krantz



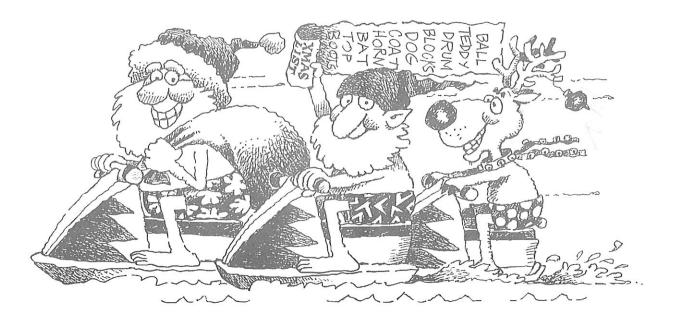
Mr. and Mrs. John Filip, and Mrs. Haller

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Busko, and Mrs. Marshall





Jim Cummings and Jim Lockwood. "Get your hand off me! I don't need a new car!"



MMN Sound The featuring

If you like the Motown Sound of the 60's and 70's, you do not want to miss

Retrospect's tribute to the

Temptations, Four Tops,

Spinners and much

more!!!

Retrospect

Saturday, April 24, 1999

6:30 pm – Cocktails and Dinner

8:15 pm - Show

\$26.00 per person

DINNER MENU

Tossed Garden Salad

Almond Broccoli

with Basil Butter

Twice-Baked Potato

Roast Club Sirloin

Bordelaise

French Silk Pie

Rolls, Butter

Coffee, Tea

REQUIRED RESERVATIONS

CALL EYC

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Sunday,

May 15, 1998 Assorted Salads

ALL FOR - \$14.95

CHILDREN 12 & UNDER - \$5.75

CHILDREN UNDER 7 - FREE

Tax and tip **not** included

SERVING FROM NOON TO 6:00 PM

Call Nancy for Reservations 453-4931

The Erie Yacht Club is featuring a bountiful buffet that includes:

Prime Rib au Jus, Turkey Breast,

Roasted Pork Loin,

Seafood Stir Fry with Rice,

Baked Seasoned Cod, Baked Chicken,

Glazed Carrots, Italian-style Vegetables

New Potatoes, Rolls

and a various assortment of

Delicious Desserts

Omelette Station from Noon to 3:00 pm

Pasta Station from 3:00 to 6:00 pm



Auxiliary News

On Opening Day 1999 the Auxiliary will have a table in the lobby for a used book sale. This is a great time to clean out bookcases and sort out books that you really hate to throw away but don't know what to do about.

Please put these good paper back and hardback books in bags or boxes and bring them to the yacht club in April. They will be put on sale at bargain prices and the money raised from the sale will be used to finish the landscaping on the water side of the Club.

Help us make this project a success. Bring your books to the Club in April and bring your pocket money on Opening Day.

The Spring Luncheon will be on May 4th. Be sure to mark your calendar now so you won't miss this special fund raiser. We are also working on fall programs which we are sure you won't want to miss. Mark your calendars for the first Wednesday of October, November, December, and don't forget April. The program in April will be presented by Lisa Colvin from Nautilus. We will keep you posted through the "Log" and lots of "chit chat" when we see you.

Please join us for these programs and enjoy our good company.

For the EYC Auxiliary Dee Bressler

Deadlines for future "Log" articles Members are encouraged to submit any articles they may compose, as long as it pertains to the Club or boating activities.

May/June	April	14,	1999
July/August	June	16,	1999
September/October	August	18,	1999
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(Election Edition)

January/February December 15, 1999 March/April February 15, 2000

General Manager's

As we start to put the Bill and Monica situation behind us, we can all look forward to the next big topic of discussion, the Y2K problem. Is anyone else tired of hearing about that already?

Have you ever thrown a party and no one came? Well, that's what happened here last month. Quite a few members last year asked for a country and western dinner party, so we put one together. The reservations were so poor that we ended up canceling the party. We also canceled the game and dinner nights due to low reservations. Canceling the party was a first for us. I guess you can't hit a home run every time.

I hope we don't have that problem with the two new events we have planned.

This first event was arranged by associate member Dennis Markley. On March 19th, we will be having an Irish evening with Danny Justice. Danny has performed a couple of times locally over the years and is now on a tour of Europe. Dennis has promised that he will have you laughing and crying as he tells his Irish tales and sings those Irish songs. From what I understand, you won't want to miss this. We will be having an Irish buffet that night before the show. Don't forget to make your reservation early.

The next new event will be on Saturday, April 24th. We will be having a Las Vegas Dinner Show featuring Retrospect performing their tribute to the Motown Sound. The evening will start out with cocktails, dinner and then a two-hour show featuring the music of The Temptations, Four Tops, O'Jays

and more. It would be nice to see all those "baby boomers" and their parents, who kept asking "what the hell is that noise?" here that evening. It's sure to be a good time.

One of the goals I had established for this winter was to have a website built for the Club. Well, with an enormous amount of support from Holly Wolford O'Hara, we are slowly getting there. Holly has volunteered her time to building the site from her home in San Diego. The site will be pretty extensive with a number of different departments. We hope to eventually have the Club Store on the internet so members and non-members will be able to order from the site. The site is still in its infancy. If you would like to view what is done at this time, you can, at http//www.erie.net/~eyc1895/ If you have any comments or suggestions, please e-mail them to me at eyc1895@aol.com.

Lastly, in the next few months we would like to put together an Entertainment Committee. The committee will be responsible for coming up with new ideas for events as well as planning and decorating. If anyone is interested in joining the committee, please contact me. I will keep a roster of those interested and will contact everyone that signed up with a future meeting date. We will be looking at planning events for the 2000

Any questions or comments, please feel free to e-mail me at EYC1895@aol.com

That's it for now!

Michael C. Lynch General Manager



Hello EYC!

Well, Michael and I have been working hard to get the Erie Yacht Club online. We have a good start, but as always, it's the members who make the greatest contributions. Like other yacht club publications, we are constantly in need of new content to keep our members informed. Please feel free to e-mail me your suggestions and comments in an effort to improve your web site. If any committee or group would like a page on the web site, just run it by MIchael and we'll get you online. I've really enjoyed hearing from everyone and hope to serve

you well.

Have a great '99 season.

Cheers from San Diego.

Safe Boating!

Holly Wolford O'Hara

Holliso@n2.net



Congratulations

to the following who have been transferred to:

Regular Membership

David M. Schultz Conrad J. Stachelek

Robert J. Ferraro
Russell S. Warner

Gregory C. Rubin Collen Lampe Robert Mohr

Robert Mohr Donald D. Zone

Kirk W. Steehler Richard P. Fischer

John T. Ponsford
Paul Schaaf

Paul V. Galla Martin G. McCormick

Russel O. Thompson Charles E. Malec

Andrew Deimel

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Joshua K. McGrane Timothy S. Wachter

William L. Lillis, Jr. Molly P. McGrane

Nichael P. Puline

Associate Membership

David E. Cunning

David L. Thornton, Jr.

Joseph M. Hilbert Douglas S. Walbridge Lawrence R. Baumann

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 1999

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 1999 at the ERIE YACHT CLUB

WINDOWS OPEN: 4:00 PM POST TIME: 5:30 PM

(IF THE NAGS ARE RUNNING!)

Give the computer your choice – it will give you the EYC odds

> Enjoy a Mint Julep while you make your selection!

CLASSIFIED SECTION

JUNIOR SAILING ITEMS FOR SALE.

- 1975 RANGER 22 w/ 1995 mercury 5 hp, sails and equipment.
- 1967 MFG 12' DINK w/ 1989 Mercury 5hp motor.
- 1965 MFG WINNER w/ trailer.
 All reasonable offers considered. If interested contact Dave Parry at 838-7740.

SEVERANCE. The 28' s-2 Tiara Severance is for sale. 8.5 meter, 9'6" beam, 5 headsails, full batten main, deluxe teak interior trim, Yanmar 15hp diesel engine. Many options. Excellent condition. Located at the Club. \$25,000. Phone 814/459-7599.

22.5' SEARAY SRU225 CUDDY, 1982. Cabin with Mercruiser, marine radio/CB/stereo, E-Z Loader Tandem Trailer. Very good condition. \$7,500. Call 868-1087, leave message.

CROWN AUTOMATIC MARINE CONVERTER Model R-201-2B-3. AC input, standard shore power 100-130 volts, 6 amps, DC output - 12 volts, 20 amps. Manufactured by Raritan Eng. Co. Warranteed 1 year. \$560 new catalog price. Call 835-8191.

C&C 27' SAILBOAT,1987 "Pegasus." Spin, fully battened main, VHF knotmeter, depth, refrigeration, winter frame and custom trap. (814)833-8838.

BOSTON WHALER SPORT, 15.5'. Excellent condition, Boyer trailer, Merc 40hp, power lift, automatic oil injection, tarp. Call D. Lasher at 833-0816.

TROJAN CRUISER 31', wooden, with new fisherman's bridge. Powered by twin 240hp Ford 352 engines. Low hours, well maintained, one owner. \$6,000. 833-7367.

J-24, 1985 hull #4013 Fresh Water Boat ready to race. Stored indoors. Call Chris at 459-5406 for complete details and picture. \$14,500.

WET SUIT, O'Neil 2.1mm, one piece wet suit, short style, adult size small. Call Mary at 474-3269.

27' CARVER SANTEGO FB, 1987, T-205s. Full galley, sleeps 6. Roomiest 27' you will see. Fast 40 mph. Loaded. List and pictures available. \$33,900 OBO. (814) 838-4331

WANTED: ICEBOATS. Arrow and DN's. Complete boats or parts, call Andy Hanks at 833-2224. Our growing fleet will thank you.

24' BAT LINER CIERA 2450, 1987, 230 OMC 10. Full galley, head, sleeps 5. Loaded. Low hours. \$13,000. Call Dick at 454-8995.

WANTED TO BUY: Small boat trailer for Laser. Call 453-3700.

To place an ad in the classified section, send your information in the above format to Mike Lynch at The Log. NO CHARGE FOR ADS.

Club Functions

March

8th Annual Club Shutdown
10th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
12th Teen Dance — 7:00 pm
17th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
19th An Irish Evening with Danny Justice
24th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm Pasta cooked to order!
26th BINGO — 7:30 pm Last one for the season!
31st Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm

April

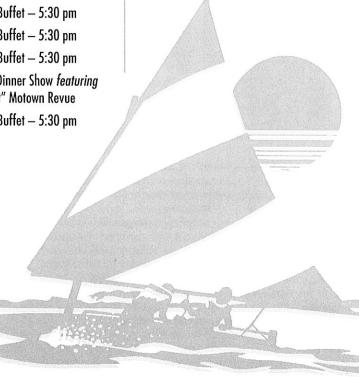
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2nd Good Friday Seafood Buffet
3rd Lunch with the Easter Bunny and Egg Hunt — 11:30 am
4th Easter Sunday Dinner Buffet — serving Noon to 6:00 pm
7th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
14th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
21st Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
24th Las Vegas Dinner Show featuring "Retrospect" Motown Revue
28th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm

May

Ist Kentucky Derby Day — 4:00 pm Grill Room
4th Ladies Annual Tea
5th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
9th Mother's Day Dinner Buffet — serving Noon to 6:00 pm
12th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
19th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
26th Mid-Week Buffet — 5:30 pm
28th Lobsterfest Party featuring "Key West Express"
29th Swing Party featuring "Jump Kings Swing Band"
31st Opening Day Ceremony — 11:50 am Lunch Buffet featuring "The Dixie Doodlers"

Kontucky Dorby Day

4.00



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