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ERIE YACHT CLUB • P.O. BOX 648 • ERIE, PA 16512

MARCH/APRIL 2000

Ist EYC Historical Committee sribute

Born in Wisconsin, **Byron Cooley** came to Erie in 1901. In 1928 he reorganized the EYC small boat fleet and he founded and was an active member of the EYC Pinochle Club.

Byron was still sailing his 18' catboat "Ginger" to Gravelly Bay at Long Point, Ontario when he was in his 80s. He acquired his first sailboat, the "Piterodactyle," in 1922. His adventures and life at the EYC and "on the water" are featured in the many songs, stories, punk poems and plays that Byron composed and left to us as part of our heritage. He was by profession an architect.

Twenty-five years ago the EYC sponsored "An Evening with Byron Cooley." Guests of that evening were serenaded by the "EYC Chantymen" singing Byron's songs – like "The Locker House Door" and "The Rockingchair Sailors." At that event in 1975 Byron, who was then 88 years young, sold many of

his original paintings and donated 1/2 of the revenue from those sales to his favorite charities.

Byron's ashes were scattered on both sides of

the Lake he loved to sail – from good friend Dave Sample's sailboat, "Soireé." A few of Byron's ashes were retained by Dave and Byron has continued to sail to Long Point, since 1982, as a passenger on "Soireé."

The Historical Committee will bring Byron "back to life" for a few hours at the EYC on September 20, 2000 – in a tribute that will include his paintings, songs, stories, plays, members memories, and yes, even a table

of pinochle players and maybe some pinochle lessons. Mark your calendars now! Don't book anything else and cancel anything (even weddings) that are now planned. This is a night you won't want to miss! Sharpen your pencils and your creativity, for the big challenge. We invite you to carry on the traditions of a great past member by writing a punk poem featuring your experiences at the EYC.

We are in need of Byron items for this event. So if there is anything we can borrow for the night, computer scan and return, or that you would like to donate to our EYC Archive Collection please let us know. We're looking for paintings, poems, songs, plays, pictures, film, anything Byron! Dave and Toni Sample are chairing this event and are looking for volunteers. Let Mike Lynch or Dave Ungerman know of your interest or e-mail Dave and Toni at TODALU@juno.com.



The Erie Yacht Club

presents

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

\$18 per person plus tax and gratuity

Carved Leg of Lamb Carved Prime Rib au Jus Killarney Fudge Pie Rolls, Butter, Coffee and Tea

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - CALL THE EYC OFFICE AT 453-4931



Saturday, March 18 6:30 pm - Libations and Dinner 8:00 pm - Show



includes Pizza, Wings & Chips Beverages will be an extra charge.

Friday, March 24th 7 - 10 1210

TEENS AND THEIR FRIENDS AGES 13 - 17 FOR MEMBERS,

nfo Dockmaster Tis Season To Be Courteous

To help keep the Club grounds looking ship-shape during the hauling season, we have placed pallets throughout the area. These pallets are there so you may put your blocks and wood shims on them. You no longer have to put these items behind the garage. At the beginning of each hauling season, the Club will put these pallets out in various areas of the grounds. This will make it a little easier for you to get your blocks in the fall and putting them away in the spring.

On June 25th to 26th Annual InterClub Cruise will be in our port. Be advised that this cruise will bring aout 45 boats to our basin. These boats will be put in empty slips and rafted off in front of the Clubhouse and at other points throughout the basin.

If you happen to have one of those slips that may be blocked in by rafted boats, please call our Dockmaster Bill Vogel to possibly have your boat moved to another slip.

LAUNCHING

All stickers must be displayed on your boat before it will be launched. If you do not have your sticker, you will be asked to reschedule your launch. We ask that all members please clean up the area where your boat was stored. Please do not leave your empty paint cans, tarps, or blocking lying around. Please police your area after you launch.

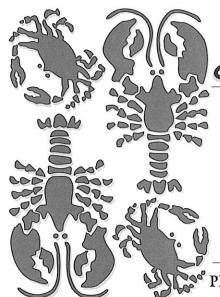
DRY SAIL

If you have not requested or registered your boat for a dry-sail sticker, please notify the office. Members, if you have chlidren who dry sail, please call the office to apply for a sticker.

All dry sail boats must be stored in the dry-sail lot located to the east of the Club. Dry sailboats are not to be stored on the key dinghy ramp. The dinghy ramp is for keg use only. Please contact the Dockmaster with any questions.

- · No pets on the grounds without a leash. Keep your pet from barking at people walking on your dock. Observe the dog walking areas near the front gate. Please police your dog's deposits.
- Tie back all halvards; this is very annoying for someone sleeping nearby.
- Keep you dock boxes back if they restrict the passage of emergency personnel.
- Children under 10 must wear a personal flotation device when on board or near the water. All children must be supervised when in the Clubhouse or near water.
- Don't fish off the catwalks when the boat owner is on
- No grills on the wing docks, D & E Dock, J & K Dock and M & N Dock.
- No bike riding, rollerblading, skateboarding on the wing docks.
- No swimming in the Club basin.
- No minors at the Bar.
- Keep all children under restraint in the Clubhouse. No running between tables, and hallways.
- Do not throw garbage overboard in the Club Basin.
- Control your car speed on Club grounds. THE SPEED LIMIT ON CLUB PROPERTY IS 15 MILES PER HOUR.
- No parking along the front of the building. This is a fire lane and reserved for emergency vehicles. Handicap spaces are marked in front of the carport.

ERIE YACHT CLUB Saturday **April 15** MINI SALAD BAR **MACARONI & CHEESE** 11:30 AM - LUNCH **CHICKEN NUGGETS HOT DOGS NOON - MAGIC SHOW FRENCH FRIES** 12:45 - EGG HUNT **FRESH FRUIT COOKIES & BROWNIES** JUICE MILK \$6.75 per person Call 453=4931° (plus tax and gratuity) for reservations NO SHOWS AND CANCELLATIONS UNDER 24 HOURS WILL BE BILLED.



All You Can Eat! Good Friday 5:30 PM • \$21,95*

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



Sunday, April 23, 2000

Dinner Buffet – \$14.95

Children 12 and under - \$5.75!

TAX AND GRATUITY NOT INCLUDED.

Serving Noon to 6 pm



Call Nancy for Reservations at 453-4931

Dinner Buffet to include:

Assorted 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

Delicious Assortment

of Desserts

In Addition

we will also have an

Omelette Station

from Noon to 4 pm

EYC Safety Committee Boating Tips march 2000 **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 each exterior area, the foredeck, side decks, boat bottom, keel, prop, motor(s), swim platform/ladder, cockpit, flybridge, 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, PFD's, 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, staunchens, life lines and wenches are in good repair and secure. Write down what needs to be repaired, replaced or purchased to make the boat "like 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 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 boaters box' – meaning is it an appropriate size, good looking and in good

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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

Write down what needs to be repaired, replaced or purchased to make the boat "like new."

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.

The first year in the 00's should be your greatest, safest boating season yet! Don't forget your courtesy Power Squadron/Coast Guard Auxiliary inspection for PFD's, up-to-date flares, fire extinguishers, etc. Remember: Safety is everyone's responsibility and Safety First makes for a happy boating season.

K's DERBY DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2000 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

njoy a Mint Julep while you make your selection!



Bob and Sue Kline - Great food/ton of fun/band was great. Carolie and Paul Otto - Absolute perfection/I was at awe when we walked into the Club.

Marian Chestner - Awesome!

Brian Keinath - Everyone danced until 2 am and had a great

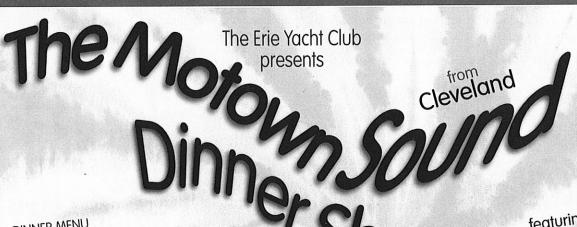
Nancy Potts – Excellent/Well done.

Someone made the comment that Mike could never top the gala event that he produced for the New Year's Eve party of 1999. What do you have to say about that, Mike?

A round of applause for Mike and the rest of the staff for a **IOB WELL DONE!**



How about some ideas on what kind of items you would like to see in the EYC gift shop for this summer. One idea that someone had was to have sun visors with the EYC logo on them. Another idea is to have T-shirts (and other items) with EYC/2000 on the front. What are the colors you would like for the different T-shirts/dress shirts/ shorts/caps/etc.? Call or see Mark Eller in the office with your ideas.



DINNER MENU Tossed Garden Salad Filet of Sirloin Morel Garlic Chive Mashed Potato Almond Broccoli with **Basil Butter** Raspberry Bash Rolls, Butter Coffee, Tea

Saturday, April 29, 2000 6:30 pm – Cocktails and Dinner 8:15 pm - Show

\$30.00 per person (plus tax and gratuity)

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!!!

Bring Mom to spend a relaxing day by the bay

Mother's Day at the Erie Yacht Club

Sunday, May 14, 2000



Dinner Buffet

ALL FOR - \$14.95

CHILDREN 12 & UNDER - \$5.75

sales tax and gratuity not included

SERVING FROM NOON - 6:00 PM

Call Nancy for Reservations 453 - 4931

Featuring a bountiful buffet which includes:

Assorted Salads

Prime Rib au Jus, Turkey Breast,

Roasted Pork Loin, Seafood Stir Fry with Rice,

Chicken Dijonaisse, Salmon with Dill Butter,

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Stuffing, Buttered Corn,

Prince Edward Medley Vegetables, Rolls

and a various assortment of

Delicious Desserts

in addition we will also feature an

Omelette Station from Noon to 4:00 pm

WELCOME

New Members of the Erie Yacht Club

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY ELECTED JUNIOR FAMILY MEMBERS

Christopher Dundon • Nicholas Van Horn Leigh Loesel • Laura Dundon • Richard Seward, Jr.

THE FOLLOWING ASSOCIATE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO REGULAR MEMBERSHIP:

Charles J. Fischer • John H. Langer • Stephen Watts Jeffry G. Howell • Shawn VanHove • Charles T. Koval Patrick G. Rogan • John Draskovic

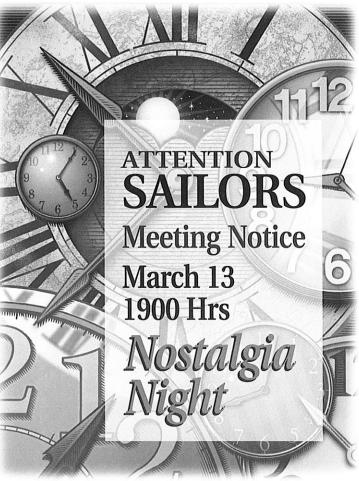
Congratulations!



The following are the deadlines for each 2000 Log. Members are encouraged to submit any articles they may compose, as long as it pertains to the Club or boating activities.

LOG DEADLINES		
ISSUE	DUE DATE	
May/June '00	April 12, 2000	
July/August '00	June 9, 2000	
September/October '00	August 10, 2000	
November/December '00) October 10, 2000	





Commodore's Report



PATRICK GEARY COMMODORE

"Make sure to book your reservations for the upcoming summer parties early so you will not be disappointed."

Winter is winding down and spring is almost here at the Erie Yacht Club. The EYC crew has been busy in our off-season making repairs to equipment so that launch season will go off without a hitch.

Your officers have been busy meeting with EYC personnel in their areas to make sure this yachting season will be a great one for all the members off the EYC.

Fleet Captain Pete Traphagen will be reporting on his area but I can tell you that Pete has really become involved and is doing a fantastic job. He has many projects underway and is overseeing the newly formed safety committee. The work that this committee will be doing is vital to the safety of the Club.

Rear Commodore Jim Lockwood has been meeting with the house staff in developing process management standards. Jim has promised some great events for the busy summer season. Naturally, the return of Sunset Happy Hours when the weather gets warmer is something everyone is looking forward to this summer.

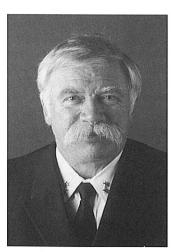
Rear Commodore Dick Robertson and his dock committee have their work cut out for them. I was fortunate to have dodged the depth bullet until the end of the 1999 boating season. Dick is

working hard to accommodate members' dock request, but this year we must all be prepared to move if asked to accommodate our fellow members.

As your Commodore, I have had the opportunity to meet with the EYC department heads early in the year. We are documenting processes in all areas of the Club. I was asked by Dee Bressler to speak to the EYC Auxiliary concerning the present and future of the EYC. Dee and her committee are to be complimented in their work with the auxiliary. If you are interested in information about the auxiliary, please contact the office. Make sure to book your reservations for the upcoming summer parties early so you will not be disappointed.

If you want information on what is going on at the club do not forget to visit our website: **www.erieyachtclub.org**. By checking often you will actually be informed earlier than if you wait for notices in the mail.

As always, if you have any problems, questions or concerns – good or bad – please contact the EYC office or myself directly. Your Bridge, Board and management staff is here to make sure the EYC continues to be the great place that we all enjoy.



DICK ROBERTSON
VICE COMMODORE

"... my rain dance, snow dance and begging for precipitation is not working..."

Vice Commodore's

Something is up, I can feel it! I've been Vice Commodore for almost three months and my rain dance, snow dance and begging for precipitation is not working. Boaters, we are in trouble!!! Think RAIN, RAIN, RAIN! The whole Great Lake Basin is in a drought. The DEP tells us we are at the start of a 30-year low cycle. Today, I was talking to my friend, Gary Boldt, and he told me that if we did a little dredging, we would have plenty of water the following year. He knew this, because back in 1966, Art Boldt was Commodore, and the Club did dredge the basin down to the shale.

We had our first Dock Committee meeting and had to move approximately 30 yachts. Those of you who did not put any comments on the back of your dock application may want to call me, my committee, or Mike and let us know if you were on the bottom last summer. Please be patient with these assignments. We are all hoping for a very wet spring. So think RAIN, do a little RAIN dance, and just maybe...

Respectfully V.C. Dick Robertson

Rear Report



JIM LOCKWOOD REAR COMMODORE

As I look out over the frozen bay it is difficult to envision that winter is slowly fading into a memory. It has provided us with a cold enough time to be able to enjoy the ice rink and the ice boaters have even had a few days of sailing.

As we look forward, we have Danny Justice appearing on March 18th. For those of you that saw him last year, you know what an enjoyable evening of Irish comedy he provides. On April 29th we will have "Retrospect" performing for Motown Night. Again, if you attended last year, you won't want to miss this one.

You may have noticed that your servers are handing out comment cards after your dinner. Please take the time to give us your opinion, as we strive to provide the best experience we can. We are in the beginning stages of developing a process management approach to food service.

Hopefully, as time goes on you will notice small changes that will enhance your dining experience. This form of management requires constant tracking of how well we're doing, so your input is very important. Regrettably sometimes we

will fall short of your expectations, however, this approach to management takes those unfortunate times and strives to develop processes that eliminate reoccurring problems.

We will continue to work with the staff to try to keep your experience at the Erie Yacht Club an enjoyable one.

So for now I look

forward to seeing all of you at the planned events in March and April and ask for your prayers to raise the Lake water levels before Spring.



PETE TRAPHAGEN
FLEET CAPTAIN

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Fleet Report

Safety Safety Safety!

At the Annual Meeting you approved the formation of the Safety Committee. This is a standing committee whose mission is to observe the safety of all aspects of our Club. Dave Sample chairs the committee and all of the members have special experience in varied fields pertaining to safety. Since June these committee members have met several times always starting with a walking tour of particular areas. They have compiled a report of their findings and their recommendations have presented it to the Board and Bridge for action. While many items reported have been

corrected by Mike Lynch and Bill Vogel and their staff there is still a lot to accomplish.

As many of you have encountered in your endeavors the key to any safety program is **safety awareness**. It's the object of this article to focus on some of the main safety issues at the Club.

Shore Power Cords and other Electrical Hookups -

The Safety Committee found over 70 instances of inadequate and unsafe electrical connections. There are many cords at the Club that simply don't meet a minimum requirement. If your boat has a standard 30 amp twist lock fitting the power cord must be 3-wire #10 wire extra-hard usage, ultraviolet resistant construction with water-tight connectors in good condition. For boats not using an on-board shore power connection the code prescribes a power cord system made up of an approved adapter, a 20-amp breaker and an approved outdoor 20-amp cord. During the coming season you will be contacted on a one on one basis and information will be made available to bring these situations up to standard. For your own safety and that of your family it's important that we get your cooperation.

Walkways

All dock walkways and finger piers should be free from clutter both for the convenience of other members and for unhampered access by emergency teams or yard staff. Specifically, power cords and hoses should be stored neatly and out of the way. The Club and emergency equipment used on the main walkway requires a 4-ft.-wide clearance. Bill Vogel has been instructed to help the members observe these requirements.

Waste Gasoline

No used gasoline should be left on EYC property. Putting it in the waste oil tank is extremely dangerous. It must be disposed of off premise.

Maintenance Building

Another Safety Committee concern is access to the maintenance building by those who could get hurt. Bill is providing each stationary power tool and the cranes with a lockout system to prevent unauthorized use. He is also planning additional secured

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1989 O'DAY 280 SLOOP. \$21,500. Excellent condition. Freshwater boat only. Call J. Pat Dean at 870-2655 days; 825-9150 evenings.

TRADITIONAL CAPE DORY 25'. Sleeps 4. Main, Genoa, Jib, teak trim, great shape. New England-style boat. Loaded. Call 870-1725.

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

26' COLUMBIA SAILBOAT with O/B in cockpit, new teak, blue hull. Bottom finished in 1998. Nice boat. Reasonable. P/C William Walker, 833-2242.

32' MARIANSETTE. Twin 225 Chrysler engines Fly Bridge Dual Controls \$18,995 or best offer. Rob or Rick 814/456-4261 or 814/474-0986.

21' FREEDOM. Fin keel, full battened main, spinnaker, sleeps four, full standing headroom in aft cockpit. 6 hp Evinrude, trailer, spring special. \$2,500. Call P/C Dick Gorny 456-0986.

22' REINELL SLOOP, 7.5 Electric-start Mercury, porta potti, all equipment and cradle. \$2,950. Harold Bender: days 833-6715; evening 456-6662.

34' SEA RAY, EC '88. T-454's. 35 hp. SMOH, loaded, AC, generator, icemaker, A/P, windlass, new canvas and upholstery. Trades welcome. Call Bob at 455-3401.

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 Mike.

Fleet Captain's Report (continued from page 10)

storage space and tool crib area in the building. It may be necessary later to adopt a policy to limit access. Please check with Bill or his yard crew when you have a need to be in the maintenance building.

Swimming in the Basin

Many members and staff have commented on seeing children and others swimming in the basin. For obvious reasons this is an unsafe practice. The Board is currently considering a rule which states: "No swimming in the basin or off the Club break walls is permitted. Only certified divers

performing work for the Club are permitted in these waters and while in the water conventional diving safety rules must be observed. Off season members who are certified divers may request permission to dive in the basin observing conventional diving safety rules."

These are a few of the main safety issues. Our hope is that the safety awareness of our membership becomes high enough to preclude a myriad of new rules and a frustrated Safety Committee.

Pete Traphagen

Members

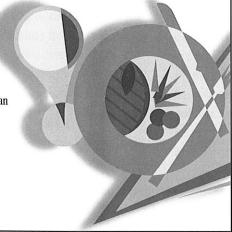
Please don't forget your Club the next time you need to arrange a business meeting lunch.

Our catering manager Laurie Richardson-Lang, can help you arrange the perfect meeting with all the audio visual equipment and special lunch menus.

Remember to call Laurie for all special party needs...

Weddings, Showers, Christmas Parties, Company Awards Banquets

CALL TODAY — 453-4931





March

1st-6th ... Club Closed Annual Shutdown

7th Club OPENS

8th Ash Wednesday Seafood Buffet

10th BINGO - 7:30 PM

15th Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

18th Irish Dinner Show with Danny Justice

22nd Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

24th Teen Dance

29th Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

31st BINGO - 7:30 PM

Auxiliary Luncheon

Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

12th Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95 15th Lunch with the Easter Bunny

19th Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

21st Good Friday Seafood Buffet "All You Can Eat"

23rd Easter Sunday Buffet

Serving from Noon to 6:00 pm - \$14.95

26th Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

29th Motown Dinner Show

featuring "Retrospect" from Cleveland

May

2ndAnnual Auxiliary Luncheon and Style Show 3rd Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

6th Kentucky Derby Day 10th Mid-Week Buffet - '\$8.95

14th Mother's Day Buffet from Noon — 6:00 pm

17th Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95

24th Mid-Week Buffet - \$8.95 26th Opening Weekend Lobsterfest

featuring Erie's Own "Key West Express"

27th Opening Weekend "Hot" Salsa Party featuring "Salsamba"





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