

The Clipper

JANUARY 1971



AN ORPHAN IN ITS OWN HOUSE

At the recently held Annual General Meeting of the club a question was asked about the financial loss incurred in the operation of the Junior Club. That a member would feel compelled to comment on the small cost of this program is symptomatic of a general lack of understanding on the part of most senior members of the important place the Junior Club takes in the over-all picture of Q.C.Y.C.

Many of us at Queen City bought boats and acquired what little knowledge of seamanship we have by guess and by God. The Junior Club, by a disciplined program of instruction and racing offers students a chance to learn sailing the right way and produces sailors whose competence and spirit can be a source of pride for the club.

It is true that we lose all too many of these youngsters to other clubs when they graduate. This drain is surely to be blamed largely on the club as a whole - and that means us, the senior members. If more of us would take more interest in these young sailors, we can keep more of them as intermediate and senior members.

One area where juniors should be invited to participate is as crew in local regattas and club races. These kids would love the experience and can offer in return obedience, dexterity, skill and discipline. In the coming season see if you can make a crewing spot for one or two of them. Let the Junior Club chairman know - he will be glad to help.

In addition to the benefits the club will derive when Junior Club graduates become senior members, there are other factors which make support of the programme desirable. There are the intangible things such as, development of character.

Far more tangible is the honour that has come to Queen City colours through juniors and intermediates competing in inter-club and national competition. It is ironical but indisputable that the activities and achievements of our Junior Club are more widely known of at other clubs than at Queen City.

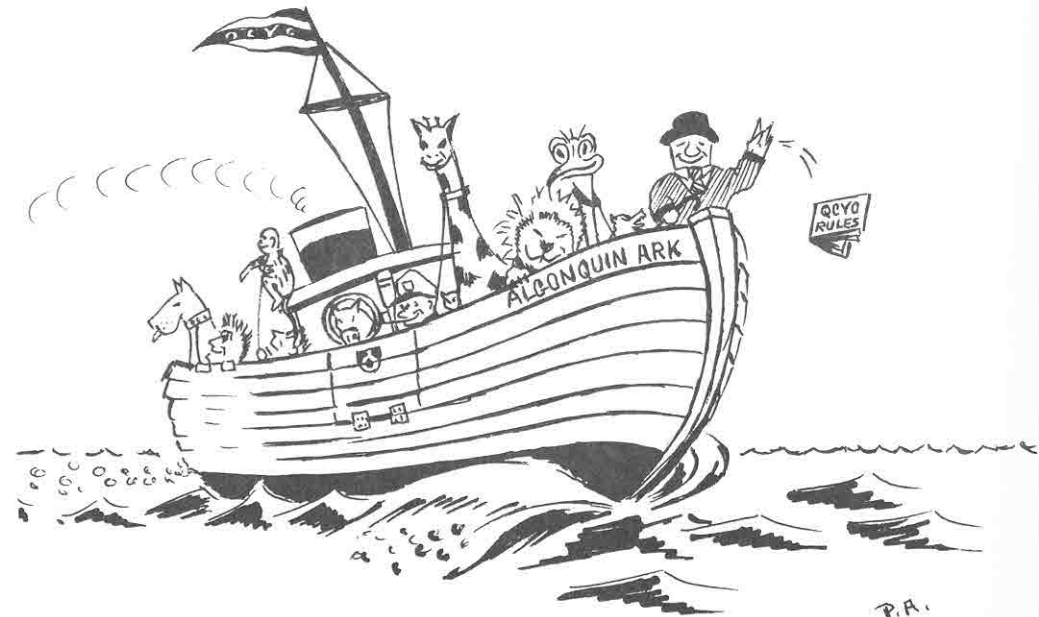
Our Junior Programme has a fine reputation. Let us all make a New Year's resolution to take at least as much interest in its activities as competitive clubs do. That way we will keep more of our own graduates.

"THE RITZ" IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

It was inevitable that after your editor had said of the winter clubhouse "It ain't the Ritz", the Entertainment Committee would name it "The Ritz".

Well, now the "Ritz" is offering warmth and good fellowship to all members who like to take the trip over on the weekends. John Perdue and Bill Stevenson are keepers of the keys and lighters of the stove. The place is open Saturday morning to Sunday evening, and it is warm, clean and cosy. There are, of course, no refreshments on hand, so bring your own sandwich, thermos or other liquid pleasure.

By the way, a word to the wise. John and Bill are kindly giving of their time to make sure the Ritz is open and warm for you. This, however, does not mean they are janitors. Please clear up any mess you make - knock snow off boots before entering. Also, if you find the place a bit of a mess because somebody was not as careful as they might have been, it would not hurt to clean up a bit, even though you did not make the mess. By all doing our bit we can make thr "Ritz" a fun place to be.



FOLLOWING THE SUGGESTION BY SOME MEMBERS
THAT DOGS BE ALLOWED ON THE CLUB TENDER

LOCKERS

The following is published so all members will know who occupies which locker, in the hope of improving communications.

The list is a copy of that held by the Vice-Commodore at press date. If you find any errors or omissions please call the Vice-Commodore, R. Norton, Home 884-2272, Bus. 889-0330.

BLOCK A

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| 1. Wilson, R. | 6. Miller | 12. Fiddaman |
| 2. Soestmeyer | 7. Warner | 13. Wideman |
| 3. Olsen | 8. Davis | 14. Lye |
| 4. Rae, Jr. | 9. Thompson | 15. Canham |
| 5. Dew | 10. Adamson | 16. Basdeka |
| | 11. Campbell | |

BLOCK B

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| 1. Welsh | 5. Latendorf | 9. Edgar |
| 2. Burton, Lister | 6. Lambert | 10. Sutherland |
| 3. Wilson G. | 7. Hogg | 11. Churchill |
| 4. Silver | 8. Karl | 12. Barraclough |

BLOCK C

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| 1. Simmons, A. | 5. Loughborough | 9. Proctor |
| 2. Douglas | 6. Pitcher | 10. Armour |
| 3. Daski | 7. Schoensted | 11. Norton |
| 4. Truill | 8. Buck | 12. Deeley |

BLOCK D

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| 1. MacDonald | 5. Nimmo | 9. Headford |
| 2. Ried | 6. Beckett | 10. Jones |
| 3. Wood | 7. Madrick | 11. Minster |
| 4. Cross | 8. Smith | 12. Thimidis |

UNDER CLUB HOUSE

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| 12. Storage | 24. Rae, Sr. | 42. Ingram |
| 13. Galbraith | 26. Choate | Lowe |
| Phillips | 28. Law | 44. Dick |
| 14. Storage | Gee | 46. Callingham |
| 15. Maxwell | 30. Simmons, K. | Martin |
| 16. Peck | 32. Preston | 48. Gander |
| Schornborn | 34. Annand | Dewar |
| 18. Near | 36. Baker | 60. Philip |
| 20. Albisser | Carter | 62. Rea |
| Selistemagi | 38. Perdue | 64. Storage |
| 22. Anderson | 40. Vickers | (Suds Shop) |

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| 66. Millen | 70. van Dorsser | 76. Swalwell |
| 68. Seymour | 72. Plum | 78. Hamburg |
| | 74. Thomas | |

WAITING LIST

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| 1. Bassel | 11. Rienecke | 22. Chandler |
| 2. Hay-Roe | 12. Peers | 23. Foster |
| 3. P. Jones | 13. Moorehouse | 24. Hitchins |
| 4. K. Olsen-Koukal | 14. Hunter | 25. Millyard |
| Grey | 15. Kovac | 26. Fowler |
| 5. Case | 16. Chote | 27. Grundland |
| 6. Engel | 17. Ferda | 28. Watson |
| 7. Miss Langlais | 18. Broker | 29. Bankie |
| 8. Turner | 19. Cridland | 30. Camp |
| 9. Green | 20. Anderson | 31. Tomlin |
| 10. Altman | 21. Crittenden | |

TIDBITS

CHECK YOUR WINTER COVERS!

After the unusually heavy snow during late December, it is a good idea for all members whose boats are stored in the yard to take a trip over to check their winter covers. On a recent visit to the yard, your editor noticed several boats with large blocks of ice in sunken tarps.

FIRE HAZARD IN YARD

Earlier this winter a member was seen using a blow-torch to scrape the paint off his boat, which was wrapped in a plastic cover. He was working alone and had no water or fire extinguisher at hand. Your Board of Directors has no desire to enact restrictive regulations for use of blow-torches in the yard. However, a yard full of boats is a fire hazard at the best of times, so

please use common sense if working with an open flame and have water or extinguisher handy.

BIDDLE SAILING FILMS

The mid-winter lift for Toronto area sailors is the annual presentation at Eaton Auditorium of sailing films by John Biddle. This year he presents "LOVE FOR SAILING". The 1970 A-The 1970 America's Cup Races.

The date - January 28th.

The time - 8.30 p.m.

Admission - \$2.50

Reservations - 364-6487, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

See you there !

BOAT SHOW

The Annual Boat Show at the CNE starts this year on February 5th, See you there!

Letters to the Editor

COMMUNICATE

(Annandale; Concise English Dictionary) To impart to another or others; to bestow or confer for joint possession, generally or always something intangible, as intelligence, news, opinions or disease; - to share; - to participate, to have or hold intercourse or interchange of thoughts . . .

Hear also what Harold J. Leavitt says in "MANAGERIAL PSYCHOLOGY," U. of Chicago Press, '64. 138. "People begin, modify and end relationships by communicating with another - communication is their channel of influence, their mechanism of change - communication is indeed a critical dimension of organization."

When you authorized the revision of the constitution of the Queen City Yacht Club, and the bringing into force of By-Law Number one last September, you unwittingly (or otherwise) heralded a new era, and a new life, for The Clipper. You made it an official function of your Club. Under Item 45, any reports which the Board of Directors may require; and Items 62 and 63 cover consideration of applications for membership.

But is that all you want from The Clipper? Do you want nothing more from your Club than a list of those prepared to pay fees? and have a place to moor your ship, or leave the wife and kids while you go out and play sail-or-boy? I don't believe that I am being naive when I answer - for you - "NO." You expect more than that - much more! Every one of you has been heard at one time or another making comments or suggestions concerning things around the Club; things you believe should be; things that might be done or changed.

Some of these peripatetic deliberations or speculations have real merit, could lead to worthwhile changes or additions. But only if you get off your fat butts and get your ideas into circulation.

I believe that for an individual, communication is the ability to give of oneself to others, then how much more meaning does it have for a Club; a group of people sharing similar ideals and similar goals. The Club must give of itself - and you are the Club. Everyone must become "involved." This means hard work - not just at executive level, but at membership level - if we wish to remain "alive". We must have great stirrings of action - members who can turn a thought into a creative opportunity, set a goal and then go after it!

Your executive have represented you at various levels; at various sailing bodies, and at certain echelons of government. Your executive have managed the affairs of the Club and made certain changes which they believed to be in your best interests. But to represent you, or to speak or manage on your behalf it is necessary that they obtain a clear, concise picture of what you are thinking, how you feel about the many facets of your Club that require policy formulation, planning and decision making. Let your executive know. Let your fellow members know - - COMMUNICATE!

With too many of us there is a strong tendency, as we work submerged in our day-to-day problems, to look at a proposed concept simply from the viewpoint of now! This will not prepare us for tomorrow. We must all, members and Board alike, analyze our position of today in order to plan for tomorrow. We must have opinions based on right reasoning and experience. As new facts develop it is mandatory that we be ready, using the principle of navigational change, to alter tack, tak-

ing cognizance and advantage of immediate opportunities, but continually heading for the "M" flag.

Our various committees are ever on missions of one sort or another -- It may not always be apparent because some of them show in subtle ways. The Great Hall, the dining room, the yard etc. Short-term and long-term plans are continually fulminating. Are YOU a part of these? Are YOU looking at and analyzing new innovations, appraising current areas of interest and development? Are YOU making your knowledge and ideas available? Are YOU a member of the Queen City Yacht Club, or just a card-carrying "joiner"?

Your Directors want and welcome your suggestions, and your criticisms. Develop those ideas and then let's have them. A well formulated letter to the Board, or BETTER a properly docu-

mented article in The Clipper. These are the only ways the Board and members can know how you feel about things, the only ways in which your ideas can be aired, compared, mated, incubated and hatched.

In a word; Stop bitching! get off your fat butts and COMMUNICATE. And it is not a one-way street; Messrs Directors - we want to know what you are doing. We have a forum - for all - The Clipper. USE IT!!

A concerned member, carrying card No. 124 (1970)
G. J. van DORSSER

(NOTE: Please address all "Letters to the Editor" to Hugh B. Fiddaman, The Clipper, 87 Rumsey Rd., Toronto 17)

Know the Ropes

Ever gaze with envy at the lovely rope work and splices on the other fellow's yacht and wish you could do work like that? Well, now you can learn how -- absolutely free. Club member JOHN WALKER, who is an expert on the subject, will be giving instruction in rope work and splicing on Sunday afternoons for six weeks starting Jan. 9. The

classes will be held at "The Ritz" and will be most informal. So bring along a bag of rope pieces and learn how it's done.

We all appreciate John giving us the benefit of his knowledge of an art all too rarely practised by today's yachtsmen. Following these classes the Moorings Chairman will accept no excuses for bad splices in the coming season.

MARKET PLACE

"MILLOU" is for sale. Ideal for gunkholing, this 20 ft. gaff-rigged sloop is equipped with Dacron sails, inboard engine, stove and limited cruising gear. Lovingly maintained by her owner, she is being offered for the low price of \$1200.00 for quick sale. For more details call

T. Nimmo, 694-6524

"FIREBALL"

One season old, 17 ft., 175 lbs. Car-topping possible. Includes cover, dolly, 3 life jackets. Elvstroem sails and spinnaker, trapeze harness and rigging, white-blue deck. For sale at \$1400.00.

Manfred Manigel, 489-4730

