

# The Clipper

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J.H. Pitcher

On January 22nd, 1965 the Annual Meeting of the Queen City Yacht Club was held at the Oak Room of the Union Station.

After dinner your 1964 Executive reported to the membership from the head table. Then followed the 1965 nominations and elections .....

## 1965 OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

Commodore	.....	Al Rae
Vice-Commodore	.....	I.C. Campbell
Rear-Commodore	.....	J.P. Beckett
Past Commodore	.....	J. Welsh
Fleet Captain	.....	W. Stevenson
Secretary	.....	G. Wilson
Treasurer	.....	R. Lee
House	.....	K. Buttler
Membership	.....	P. Jones
Marine Yard	.....	R. Norton
Moorings	.....	L. MacPhail
Publicity	.....	J.H. Pitcher
Junior Club	.....	T. Philips
Bar Captain	.....	D. Maxwell
Planning	.....	A.D. Rae
Entertainment	.....	D. Sproul

## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

With the back of winter broken and the Annual Meeting tucked away, we are now in process of preparations for the coming season. I am very happy with the Board of Directors you have chosen. I believe we can look forward to a good season in '65, although we will be conducting a budget year due to the ambitious program accomplished last year. We have several projects planned for immediate Club needs. Details will unfold at later issues of the Clipper of prime importance. A new block of lockers will be erected and a proper cabin for our kitchen steward. The new board passed a small increase in the annual dues which will help keep pace with the rising costs and needs of our ever-increasing activities. Annual dues now will be \$75.00, and to help our financial situation for Spring plans, it would be a big help if members who are able could pay their dues as soon as possible. The due date is May 1st.

It's real nice to see so many weekend visitors at the Club. It makes a fine afternoon outing. The stove in the lobby is always on. It's real cozy to drop in after you have inspected your boat. Incidentally, there are quite a few boats with very poor or no covering at all. We try to keep them tied up and dug out but some are impossible. If you are in this category, you better get over and check.

The appointment of Harold Robbins as Honorary Commodore was a very fitting choice and pleased me very much. It was due to Harold's work and influence as Treasurer in the depression years that saved our Clubhouse from falling into the hands of the Ward's Island Association. He was able to shadow box the late Sam McBride's efforts to take over the Clubhouse for City Tax arrears which, at that time, was only \$5,000. Harold was transferred about 15 years ago to Belleville by the C.N.R. but kept his out-of-town membership alive for a few years and since he didn't have time for sailing any more, finally resigned from the Club.

It was with great surprise and humility he has accepted the appointment. I'm sure the few long standing members who remember Harold's work around the Club, will agree to our choice of such a fine man, a real old salt, Welcome Harold - we hope you can find time to visit us from time to time, especially on our Regatta Days.

Al Rae

COMING PRE-SEASON EVENTS

---Last year the National Yacht Club held a St. Patrick's Dance which was co-sponsored by the Q.C.Y.C. There were 25 Q.C.Y.C. members and sweethearts who attended for the pre-season get-together. This year we are invited again and the date (not final) will be likely the 2nd or 3rd Friday in March. You will be advised in the next Clipper of the date.

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---The Annual Shellbacks Dinner will be held at the Prince George Hotel on Apr. 23rd. Mark your calendar for this date, it will be an evening you won't want to miss. Mr. Ray Engholm, Past Commodore R.C.Y.C. will be the guest speaker who will talk and show movies on the new "Bluenose". The charge will be nominal but reserve your tickets early by calling Al Rae at EM. 6-4162.

SPECIAL FOR QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB MEMBERS

FOR SALE - 15' Nordberg Sailboats - The Queen City Junior Club Nordbergs are for sale at very reasonable prices. These craft are excellent for beginners, for families requiring a day sailer, or groups with limited budgets starting a junior sailing programme. Members or friends of members requiring further information, please contact:

Commodore Al Rae - Em. 6-4162 or Junior Chairman T.L. Phillips - EM. 8-3196

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YOUR 1965 LAUNCHING DATES

Bob Norton who does an admirable job in the Marine Yard has accepted his office for 1965 with a desire to spend more of his time sailing. You can help. The following launching dates are firm:

- April 24-25 - 1st launch
- May 8-9 - 2nd launch
- May 29-30 - Final Launch

With the promise of good spring weather plan your work parties early and get your craft in launching trim ready when launch time arrives.

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1965 RACING CALENDAR

DAYS TO REMEMBER:

June 19th	National	Open Regatta
June 26th	RCYC	Open Regatta
July 3rd	Royal Hamilton	Open Regatta
July 10th	Port Credit	Open Regatta
July 15, 16 & 17th	Island Yacht Club	LYRA
July 24th	Boulevard	Open Regatta
August 7th	Bronte Harbour	Open Regatta
August 14th	T.S. & C.C.	Open Regatta
August 21st	C.N.E.	Open Regatta
August 28th	C.N.E.	Open Regatta
September 4th	C.N.E.	Open Regatta
September 11th	A.B.Y.C.	Open Regatta
September 18th	Q.C.Y.C.	Open Regatta
September 25th	Oshawa	Open Regatta

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