



The *Q.C.Y.C.* Clipper

QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB

ALGONQUIN ISLAND, TORONTO

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Queen City Swingin' 68!

It's the first gasser of the season - come snow, rain, ice, hell or fire water - the show goes on . . . and on . . . and on.

Come as you are . . . buttered from the boards, varnished to the whiskey pole, or as sloppy as an easterly -- no lipstick -- no clean fingernails . . . wipe your feet (as long as they have boots on 'em) and point high into the Great Hall.

It's the

Painters Prom SAT. NITE, MAY 11th

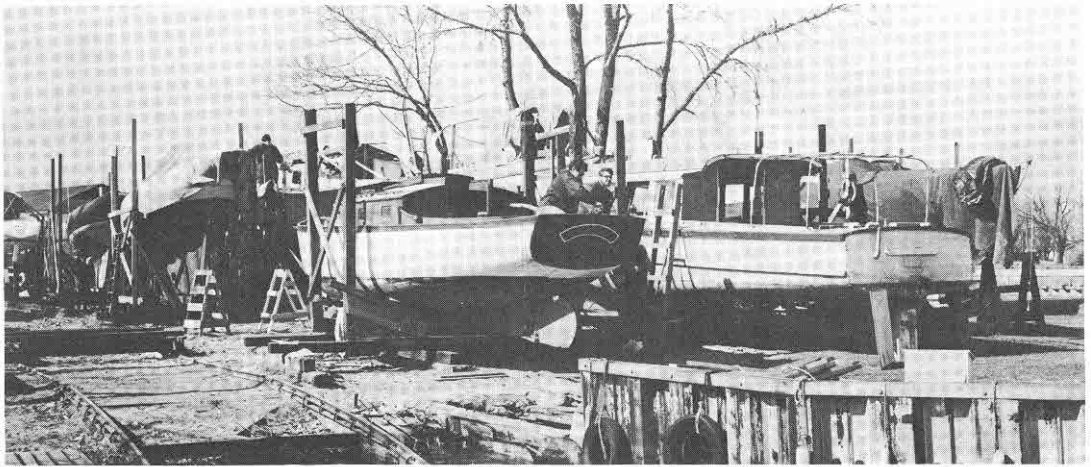
Those men for all seasons - Queen City's Official Jazz Band - will be in the engine room to take your signals, and Skipper Geoff Berry and his five deck hands promise quick answers to the telegraph.

MORE TO COME: like, Big Deal, Big Dance at the Sailpast, May 25th.

COMING: TOPLESS GO-GO!

THE CLIPPER

Newsletter of the Queen City Yacht Club, Algonquin Island, Toronto. News of happenings of interest to members are welcome, also your comments and criticism, photographs and drawings. Send all communications to Bas. M. Headford, 10 Granard Blvd., Scarborough, or to Publicity Committee member Herb Pitcher. The Clipper will appear monthly until the end of the sailing season.



↑Ken Butler

SAILING NEWS FROM YOUR REAR COMMODORE

AHOY!!! and greetings to you, one and all. Welcome aboard for another season of good sailing, at Queen City. This summer is shaping up as one of the best in memory and we hope you'll all take advantage of the many events on the schedule. Speaking of schedules, they are being printed as I write this and, with any luck, will have been enclosed with this CLIPPER.

The traditional season-opener will of course be our Commodore's Sailpast, on Saturday, May 25th. This is also the big social kick-off for the year, so be sure you are launched and ship-shape for the Sailpast itself and then come up to the Dinner and Dance following. Sailing orders will be mailed out to you shortly.

The next day, Sunday May 26, Q.C.Y.C. will sponsor its first mid-distance race for CCA and LOR class boats, in competition for the Blake Van Winkle Memorial Trophy. This new trophy will commemorate and perpetuate the memory of one of the Club's most active and dedicated past members, the late Blake Van Winkle. Gordon Proctor is donating the trophy for CCA class boats as well as the "Gay Gordon" trophy for the first Alberg 30 to finish. The Club will present the trophy for the LOR class boats.

The Club classes are readying themselves for battle with the Albacores, organizing themselves into a formidable force and inviting the R.C.Y.C. Albacores to our Wednesday evening races. The O'Day Tempests are also strong in number and will be given their own Wednesday night start.

You cruising skippers may be interested to hear that a log will be available and forwarded to you shortly. If you are keen on capturing the Georgina Challenge Cup for most ports visited, please keep this up-to-date and ready for submission at the year-end. For you keen offshore deep-water types I'd like to note that the NAYRU has established a continent-wide numbering system. If you intend to race in offshore events it is essential that you obtain these. To obtain a number please call me at 925-5141, or George Annand at 366-6223.

See you soon, under sail.

Al Rae (the younger)

The news from the Algonquin Queen construction site is all good: Fleet Captain Keith Douglas is hopeful of a June launching. Here is the latest progress report:

The engine is hooked up and ready to go, and the prop is on order. The newly-hired alternate driver, Russ Thornhill, turned out to be a welder of considerable talent, and has been put to work installing the required watertight bulkheads. Bill Stevenson will likely have finished the windows by the time you read this, and the interior woodwork is finished. The canvas is on the roof, and recent visitors to the Club will no doubt have seen the excellent seats constructed and varnished by Al Rae and George Annand.

Meanwhile, it took Keith until 3 a.m. last Saturday morning to coax the ailing "Lil" back to life for the weekend. It is to be hoped that with the inauguration of a new boat service, we'll see the end of that kind of slugging for a dues-paying member.

Here is the present schedule (all times from the foot of York Street):

Evenings, Monday to Friday: 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 8.15.

Saturday, Sunday, Holidays: Half-hourly 8.45 a.m. to 2.15 p.m., 3.15p.m.
Half-hourly 4.15 to 7.15 p.m., 8.45 p.m.

Changes in this schedule will be posted as promptly as possible, both at the Club and at the Foot of York Street, or you can phone the Club for verification of times. REMEMBER: the "Lillian" is restricted to 12 persons: take your turn; don't ask the operator to break the law by overcrowding, and try to avoid the busiest times for travel to and from the Club.



Junior Club

Thirty-three applications were mailed out for returning members of the Junior Club, and a number have already been received.

We are asking that all applications from members' children be sent in by May 15th, to ensure a place for them in this summer's programme.

Details of the Junior Club 1968 season, as well as other Junior sailing activities are published in full in the Q.C.Y.C. Sailing Programme.

Gordon Howarth,
Chairman, Junior Sailing Committee.

BOW LINES MISSING: Last fall, a pair of 5/8 inch bow lines, complete with spliced eyes, thimbles and shackles were removed from a mooring on the north side of the railway. Any information on their whereabouts would be appreciated by Mark Loughborough, 221-2117.

HOUSE

Favourable comments have been heard about the new dining service, and it begins to look as though the House Committee has picked a winner in Gainsborough Kitchens. The food is simple but good: the price is right: the service is fast. Heading the staff is Mrs. Mary Rowe, a delightful and capable person. Although breakfast service was neither contracted for nor expected at this early date, Mrs. Rowe has shown her enthusiasm for the Club and its members by serving breakfasts on weekends, and it is expected that this coming weekend will see the introduction of full course meals.

If you are planning to attend the Painters' Prom, here's a suggestion from the House Committee: why not make the evening's festivities complete by having dinner in your own Club Dining Room.

Dining room operations will be increased to include weekday meals as soon as more favourable weather permits greater attendance at the Club on those days.

The House Committee has been receiving complaints about the dogs running loose on the property. Members are reminded that Club Regulations prohibit dogs at all times. Leave them at home.

It is hoped that arrangements can be worked out to make some sort of storage space available to all those who are on the waiting list for lockers. In this connection it is requested that anyone vacating a locker, through leaving the Club or for any other reason, please remove your belongings as quickly as possible, as the space is urgently required.

Our new manager, Mr. Fred Poole, is at the Club daily, and is available to help you get the most out of the services offered by Queen City. Call him at 368-0032 or 368-0172 to arrange for such things as unscheduled freight runs of the "Lillian." Mr. Poole also holds pass-keys to all lockers, if you come over without your keys. Any problems he can't solve will be passed on to the appropriate Flag Officer or Committee Chairman.

It is our pleasure to announce that Jim Truill has offered his services as assistant to the Vice-Commodore.

