The Clipper

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Management Report

After years of "chewing gum and bobby pin" repairs, Queen City this year has run into some rather unforeseen expenses.

But when you consider that the recent fire at hoyals did \$24,000 damage, you will appreciate the fact that we feel some drastic changes have to be made.

The electrical wiring was something that had to be seen to be believed. Would you believe that one line in the main building had 78 circuits. There were so many shorts and bare wires that a fire inspector would have been driven to drink.

So, we have re-wired the club and installed at 42-unit breaker panel. The main fuses were constantly blowing and it meant a proper re-distribution of power in the building. That set us back \$2500.

The Management Committee has asked for a quote on the re-wiring of the locker blocks to ensure that each unit has sufficient power and proper wiring. Locker blocks "A," "B," and "C" are between eight and ten years old and are being used far beyond the original concept. We hope to install wall outlets to meet the requirements of members.

While we are on the subject of lockers, there have been a few changes. We have moved some members from lockers under the club house to units within the locker blocks. This will give the club an area to develop for future use.

The Algonquin Queen, after many years of service, had to be hauled out and repaired. There were leaks and stress cracks in the hull, the V-Drive was overhauled and the bilges were steam cleaned and painted. That work, plus

new bilge pumps and repairs to the electrical and instrument systems and new batteries cost about \$3000.

The Harold S. Robbins will also have to be hauled and a new rudder installed for better control.

There have also been some extensive changes in the kitchen. The stove and refrigerators have been moved in an attempt to speed up service both on normal occasions and when we have large functions in the Great Hall. The wait-resses can now move from the kitchen to the customer without disturbing the preparation area. Those changes cost about \$400.

Consumers Gas has put a line into the club and should be hooking it up very soon. Once that is done, we can dispense with the propane tanks. There never was a shut off valve between the tanks and the stove, and what with leaks in the line it was a fire hazard and a constant source of worry. The cost for that was \$1500.

The gas-fired broiler will give us a flavorful supply of steaks, chops and hamburgers. The dishwasher is installed and we are in the process of getting Toronto Hydro to install a booster tank for the hot water supply. Chalk up another \$1200.

But when it's all said and done, the kitchen has been serving weekend dinners at reasonable cost and good quality. I would personally recommend the service to members and feel they will be in for a pleasant surprise with both food and service.

Tom Tomblin. Vice-Commodore.



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Commodore's Comments

Queen City Yacht Club was once again blessed with fine weather for the sail past. From where I stood, the fleet bearing down was quite a sight to see. Thank you for your participation and for making it a success.

I would like to make a special thanks to the Harbor rolice. For those of you who are not aware of their part in our sail past, they made a particular effort to patrol the fleet. During the summer, their constant vigil makes the harbor a safer place for our boats, regardless of the weather conditions.

It was particularly appropriate that Supt. George Ragen of the Harbor Police attended our sail past this year, since he will be retiring at the end of June. I'm sure you will join me in wishing him a happy retirement.

Parents are responsible for the behavior of their children while on club property. We have had a couple of unfortunate incidents involving children so far this season. It's early in the year, so let us establish a code of behavior now and we can all enjoy the summer months ahead.

