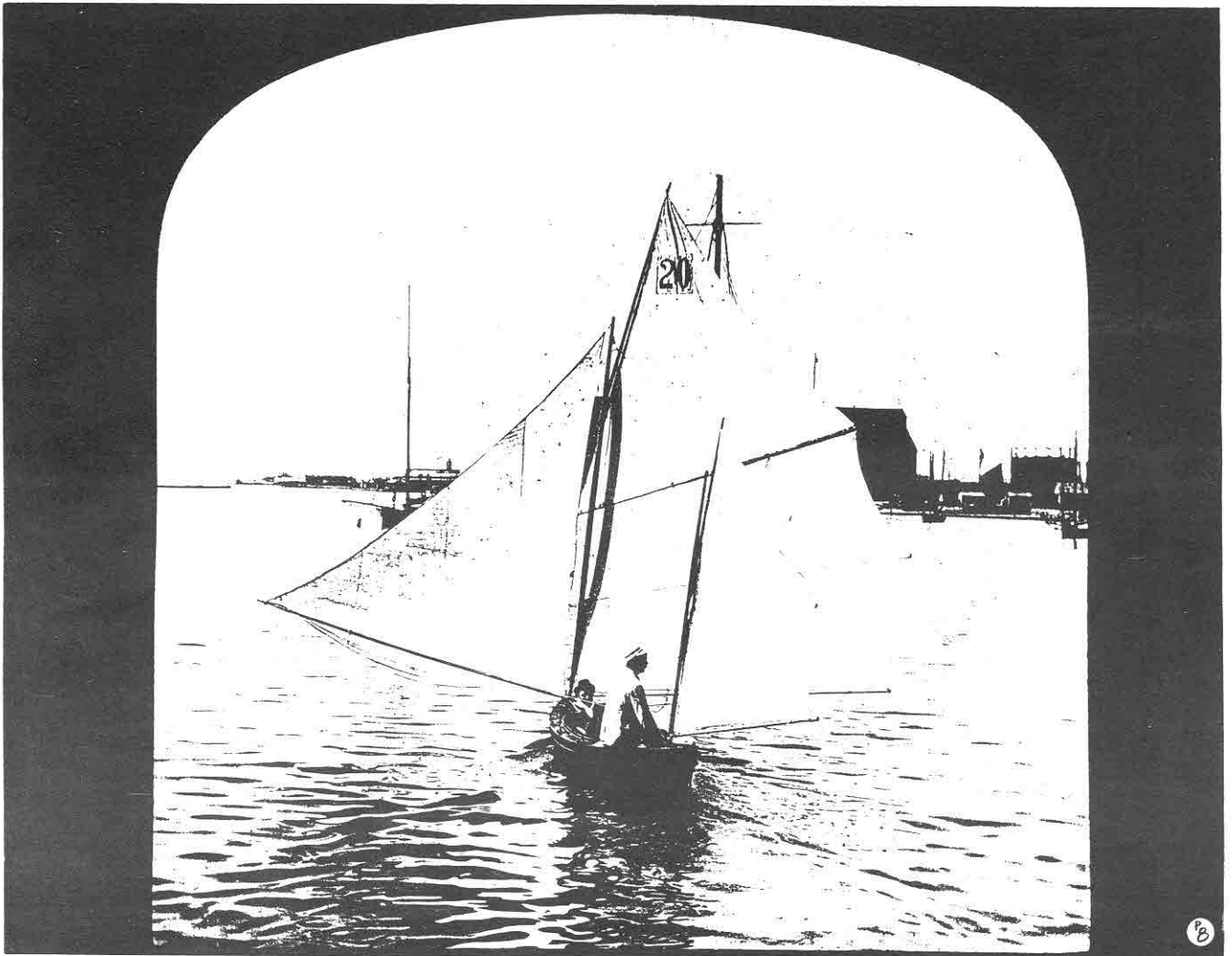


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## COMMODORE

Well, the season is off and running with an outstanding Sailpast and the Blake behind us. Pat and I thank all who made Sailpast such a memorable occasion and the Blake Van Winckle race committee for a job well done. I don't remember a better Victoria Day weekend.

A once-in-a-lifetime highlight of Sailpast was the unveiling of our Centennial book. A simply wonderful effort and a delight to read. If you've not yet picked up your copy, they are available at the office.

On Sunday, June 2, Pat and I attended National's Sailpast and I took the opportunity to present our Centennial book to NYC Commodore Bill Selkirk. Bill in turn, handed it over to a grateful Muriel Darby, their archivist, who is researching NYC's history for their centennial coming up in a few years.

Incidentally it turned out that NYC was missing burgees from several local clubs, ours included, so their

Fleet Captain, Ian Wilson, a former QCYC member, made arrangements for our burgee to be prominently displayed in their hall just prior to their Sailpast. About the same time, Jimmy Millar Visited the San Diego Yacht Club and I visited the Sussex Yacht Club at Shoreham-by-Sea where we exchanged burgees so if you happen to be cruising either way, you can be sure of a warm welcome, (somebody has to visit these places).

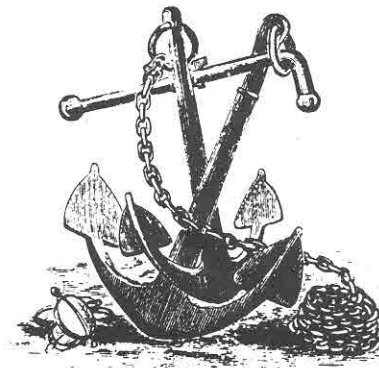
It pays to have dinner at the club Sunday evenings. A week or so ago, Liz Dorner arrived with Jane Weber who competed in the recent BOC around-the-world race. Meeting and speaking with Jane was great fun for those present.

If you are wondering just what Sunday that was, it was the rainy afternoon when Norrie Macdonald and Aaron Rumble fixed the pumpout. Thanks very much Norrie and Aaron.

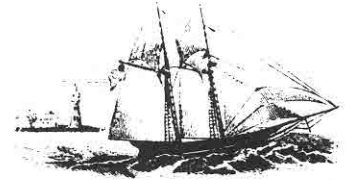
Yours truly will continue to be available for cornering on the third Thursday of each month, e.g. June 20, July 18, etc. It's been kind of quiet lately and I'm getting really thirsty. Maybe that's good?

Happy sailing!

*Jim Finch*



## REAR COMMODORE



We had a great day for our Sailpast in May, with excellent weather conditions and a good turnout of boats. The Commodore's punchbowl was well attended, with copies of the recently completed Centennial book on display. The evening was a success, with the first presentation of the book to our Centennial Commodore, Bill Eckersley.

The Blake Van Winckle was held on the next day, with great weather again. I thank Len Canham who served as race committee chairman and his group of volunteers for a job well done.

The Wednesday night races are showing higher attendance, with some surprising new entrants. We have been cursed or blessed, depending on your preference, with typical summer light winds for the first few races. These conditions have made it a little easier for our new Race Committee members to gain on-the-water experience. I would like to

thank on behalf of the club our Race Committee Chairman Kay Walker and her volunteers Graham Dougall, Beryl West, Gord Jones and John Coull for their efforts to date.

Several LORC regattas and offshore races have been held already. Quite a few flags have been won by *Time Passage*, *Mrs. Jones II* and *Meltemi*. Keep up the good work!

Friday June 16 was the start of the Fujinon 300 mile double handed race. We had two entrants: *Macwing* with Jim McKinlay and Ron Thomas, and *The Wind*, with Steve Hills and Tom King. *Macwing* finished fourth in their division and *The Wind*, one of the smallest boats in the race, was approaching the finish line as this was written. We applaud your efforts.

On June 22 and 23 we hosted the Nonsuch Rendezvous. A good weekend of fun, with brisk racing on the Saturday.

We host the C&C 29 Lake Ontario Championships on June 29 and 30. This will be a five race series, weather permitting, with a party planned for Saturday night.

Our Regatta on Saturday, July 20 is quickly approaching. If you are interested in racing for just this day, register early. It would be a pleasure to see a good showing of you recently retired racers! A great party is held that night so plan to attend.

If you have any comments or suggestions please do not hesitate to corner me on Wednesday nights or any other time. I appreciate your constructive criticism and will gladly accept your volunteer efforts.

*Tom Tomblin*

## HOUSE CHAIRMAN

This is a tight money year. Our members are feeling the effect of new taxes and a slow economy; so is Queen City Yacht Club. Consequently we will run the house as economically as possible. Wages make up the majority of our house budget.

How can the members help? In many ways! I will try to list some of the easier ones:

If you take food and drink out to the balconies, please return dishes to the restaurant and glasses to the bar.

Please do not take dishes and glasses out of the club house.

If you have some spare time, volunteer to help, I always have a list of jobs that one or two persons can do.

Don't stub out your cigarettes in the flower pots.

Don't grind out your cigarette under your foot when lining up for the *Queen*.

Rinse out the basin in the wash-room after you use it.

We need your help and if we can

get it, we can maintain the club at a high standard and in an economical fashion.

I have been asked questions about the way taxes are charged in the dining room. Members have not been able to reconcile their bills. The culprit in this case is GST. We must charge provincial tax on the meal. We must charge GST on the meal. We do charge a 15% service charge. Then we must pay GST on the service charge. The last item is the one which is causing concern to members. The only solution that I see lies in the Federal election process.

Several members have spoken to me about children in the clubhouse at inappropriate times, inappropriate places and without supervision. This is more than just a question of being a nuisance to other members. One of our neighbouring clubs is involved in a serious lawsuit. A member of

the club allowed his preteen daughter to play unsupervised in the club yard. She was seriously injured by a crane. The father is suing the club. Please assist all members by supervising your children on the club premises, not allowing your children to be present in the Great Hall when it is being used solely as a bar and being sensitive to the feelings of your fellow members at functions. There a number of young people in the club who will babysit.

Our renovated dining room is finished. Congratulations to Fred Mayrhofer who supervised the construction and did the work at cost. The bottom line, (\$22,000) complete.

A big thank you to all the ladies who worked at getting the house ready for Sailpast.

Please let me know your concerns with the house.

*Bill Eckersley*

