

## Commodore's Report

After much rain and cold weather, we are finally being rewarded with summer temperatures to please everyone. We are well into the summer and, hopefully it will continue into the fall season.

We have received many comments on the grounds improvements from both members and guests. With each years additional touches we are acquiring a finished and "lived in" appearance. Compliments to Fleet Captain Strausbaugh and the Grounds force. Also, to the Auxiliary Garden Group. Their volunteer work is appreciated.



The changes in the House are remarkable. The expansion of service to a full week and the new service in the Grill Room have been very well received. The galley is being modernized in order to meet the demands for greater variety. Rear Commodore Owen and the service and galley staff are to be commended.

The Dock committee has had the, often, frustrating problem of fitting boats and slips together to get the most efficient use of the area. Boat sizes change each year and slip sizes remain the same. A larger boat will not fit a smaller slip and vice versa. Maybe everyone should go to a 30 footer! Vice Commodore Bill Behr is to be congratulated for his patience in handling a difficult and thankless task.

If every member complied with Article 4, Paragraph 1, of the Constitution of the EYC, it would eliminate the need for many of our rules. Unfortunately, there are a few, not many, who ignore the application of same. As a result, over the years, rules have been formulated to detail proper behavior. Members have complained about loud and profane language in the bar which has been embarrassing to them and to their guests. Also, about behavior and profanity on boats in the Club dock area and in area waters. Improper or discourteous behavior reflects upon the Club and all its members.

The Fleet Captain is commenting on the operation of vehicles in his report. I wish to add that I am in complete agreement. The maximum speed is 15 mph. Parking is another problem. Vehicles are often seen parked at various angles, often blocking two or three spaces. Be considerate of your neighbor.

The MORC International Regatta, August 18th to 24th, will be a big event for our boating season. The Committees and Club staff have plans for accommodating the group so as to reduce or eliminate any inconvenience to members. The MORC sailors are our guests and each of us should welcome them as such. This is an international event which will be widely publicized by

"Yachting Magazine" and the local media. We would like everyone to know we are not only the biggest, but also the best Yacht Club on the Great Lakes.

The house staff would appreciate it if the diners would fill out the comment cards on the tables. The cards are useful for evaluating service and quality. Each one is considered. We also review the "cute" comments for originality, but, so far, have found nothing new. The one to have the Commodore do the cooking was a REAL loser!

Be careful, be considerate, and good sailing.

Donald Sheeran  
Commodore



## Vice Commodore's Report

Dock assignments are as settled as well as can be expected. The usual movements will be going on through the balance of the season. After talking with my predecessors, this is to be expected. I am allowing persons assigned kegs to occupy slips whose leasors have not as yet put their boats in but these boats will be moved out to their assigned kegs by seniority as the docks become occupied by their owners.



From August 18 to August 24 we will be hosting the MORC Nationals. During this period, if you intend to leave your dock unoccupied, please inform the Dockmaster, Jane or myself. We will be needing all the space available for our visitors. The committees responsible for all activities are very capable and well prepared. They intend to see that all persons participating will leave our club with the best impression and that we, as members, will be also impressed with their behavior. If you keep your vessel elsewhere than the club and you wish to use the facilities, I would strongly suggest that you come by car as dockage will be very scarce.

At this point in time there is little else to report. To conserve on space, as the other officers have more activities to report, I will not ramble on. Best of luck for the balance of the boating season.

Bill Behr  
Vice Commodore



# Rear Commodore's Report

The season is in full swing now. Your patronage to the Clubhouse this year is very evident. If the present trend continues we will break all sales records at the Club for food and beverages, parties and special events.

Thank you for continuing to support the Club and especially for completing the comment cards. They have been very helpful in determining problem areas, but more important they give us a perspective of what you, the members, like and enjoy, and what other changes you would like to see implemented.

For those of you who haven't been in the Clubhouse lately, we now have a draft system installed for your enjoyment. Thanks go to the officers and directors for their patience and encouragement at the Board meetings during the transition period in the dining room. They deserve much of the credit for their direction and input.

My term as Rear Commodore is now three quarters over and it seems like it's only been several months ago since the annual meeting. It has been a busy and demanding year for the committee and staff, but also a very rewarding one. Rewarding because you have given constructive criticism, voiced justified complaints, given us ideas, and praised the accomplishments that were achieved. By so doing, you helped mold the Clubhouse into its present status. Without your help, none of what was accomplished could have been done.

Please continue to support the Club as you have and keep the comments coming!

James L. Owen  
Rear Commodore



Security efforts are continually monitored. Watch Reel activity, gate security and physical improvements are in place. An additional section of fence has been placed on the east wall. Plans have been made for additional security during the MORC Nationals.

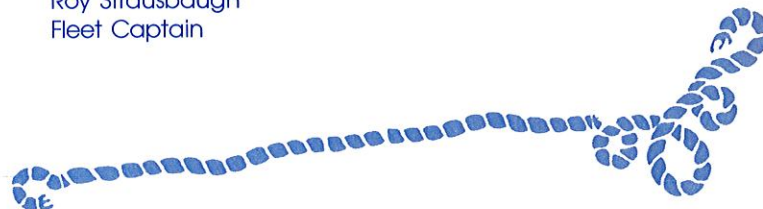
To minimize equipment and fuel costs, Commodore Sheeran has asked that consideration be given to securing a "golf" type transport cart for workmen and security guards. This would be quick and efficient transportation and certainly not as costly as running pick-up trucks. This project is underway.

At the last Board Meeting, authorization was given for expenditure of funds to place a finish surface on the main parking lot. quotations are being solicited and that work will soon be done. Our landscaping ground cover around the lighthouse. Signs for parking and security will so be in place.

The flagship mast has been strengthened, a sum log installed and a first aid kit purchased and placed aboard. Continued maintenance takes place. I have asked Mrs. Haener to ensure that a log indicating operator, purpose, time and date be kept aboard, used by operators and reviewed. All operators must have been checked out, be approved by the Fleet Captain and names kept on file by Mrs. Haener. Sound practices of safety and risk management dictate such basic measure.

Your concerns and recommendations are solicited. I appreciate the support and suggestions that you provide.

Roy Strausbaugh  
Fleet Captain



# Secretary/Treasurer's Report

About four months ago this column outlined a plan which would allow us to more easily recognize our guest boats. The time of implementations has come and there have been some questions. With your indulgence, the column of four months ago is repeated below for your consideration. It is timely and the item may help us more easily recognize and greet our guests.

This summer we will try to improve the way we register and greet our guests who arrive by boat. As in the past all guest boats must first register with the Dock Master at the Gas Dock. The Dock Master will have proper forms to record the names, yacht club affiliation, billing address etc. After the proper work (short) is completed the Dock Master will assign a slip to the visiting boat. The Dock Master will also hand a green visitor's identification pennant out of the skipper. We will ask the visiting boat to display the visitor's identification pennant near their bow while they are our guests. The pennant can be hung from the forestay, bow rail, front window or wherever.

Some years ago when the Erie Yacht Club was much smaller everyone knew everybody else. Visiting boats were quite obvious to all. Members regularly greeted guests on a one to one basis. Now that we have grown so large we have lost some of our closeness and our warmth. The green pennant on a boat will identify a guest. We will now have an opportunity to meet some new people and extend our hospitality on a one to one basis. Perhaps we will be able to assist our guests to find groceries or a laundromat. Certainly we can at least extend a hand shake and welcome them.

# Fleet Captain's Report



The grounds and facilities of the Club are yours to enjoy. However, I will continue to remind all members that your thoughtfulness in using the Club is important in ensuring that there is a minimum of frustration and that no tragedies occur. Please drive carefully and slowly. New paving can cause one to not realize the speed at which one travels. Second, slip-holders should park their cars at

their slip only. Guests are to use the main parking lot. Parking issues can be extremely frustrating especially on weekends.

Within time and budget constraints, work continues on the grounds. You will have noticed the stones new dressing parking areas; the painting and burgee application on the channel markers and the light house; and the continuing lawn and shrubbery work. The women of the Club continue to make their considerable contribution to the flowergarden areas. We are grateful for that contribution.

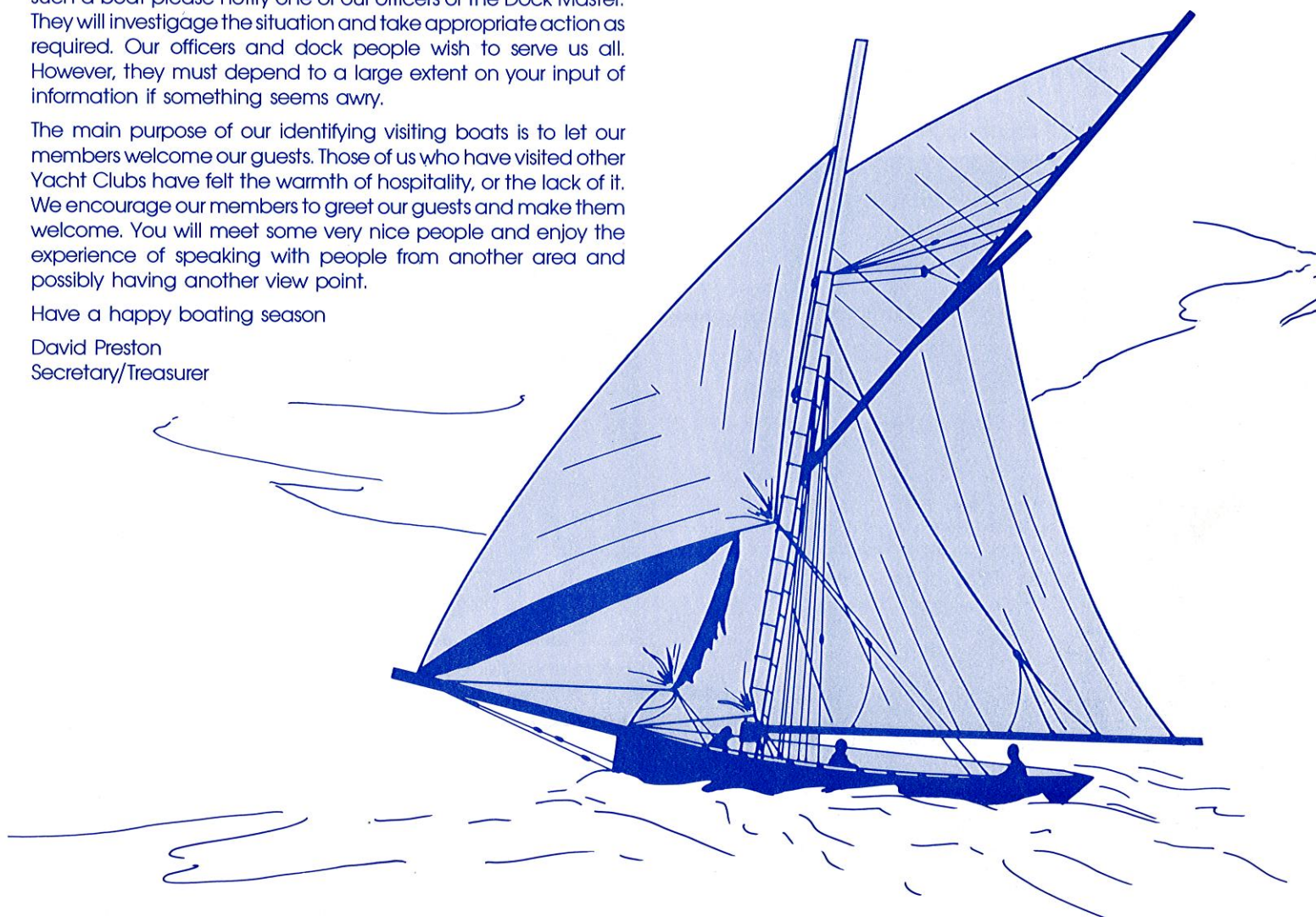


From our members security point of view, a strange boat in a slip without a green visitor's pennant should be suspect. If you notice such a boat please notify one of our officers or the Dock Master. They will investigate the situation and take appropriate action as required. Our officers and dock people wish to serve us all. However, they must depend to a large extent on your input of information if something seems awry.

The main purpose of our identifying visiting boats is to let our members welcome our guests. Those of us who have visited other Yacht Clubs have felt the warmth of hospitality, or the lack of it. We encourage our members to greet our guests and make them welcome. You will meet some very nice people and enjoy the experience of speaking with people from another area and possibly having another view point.

Have a happy boating season

David Preston  
Secretary/Treasurer



## "America's Cup" Bowling League



The Erie Yacht Club "America's Cup" Bowling League has just completed a very good season. Sixty-four boaters gather at Frontier Lanes every second Friday night from September through April to test our athletic ability.

On May 19th a gala banquet was held, and many trophies presented. The winning team consisted of Fred Curtze, Mary Ann Glas, Patti Owen and Jim Gorski. The highest single game rolled this year was 245 by Roy Martine. (At last sighting he was still in

this year was 245 by Roy Martine. (At last sighting he was still in orbit.) Butch Kabasinski took men's honors with the highest series, 639. The woman with the highest series was Jody Loesel who was unable to collect her trophy because she was in Hamot Hospital baby daughter Katie at 7 lbs. 10 oz.

Suitable trophies were also awarded the man and woman who bowled the lowest games. Winners were Bill Lasher and Teri Marshall - actual scores shall remain secret so as not to humiliate anyone. Gutter ball king and queen are Pat Sheeran and Ruby Benson. This is a repeat honor for Ruby, she won the same trophy last year.

By custom, the losing team become chairmen of the Bowlers summer picnic. This year's Chairmen are Walt and Doris Viehdeffer and Bill and Agnes Robertson.

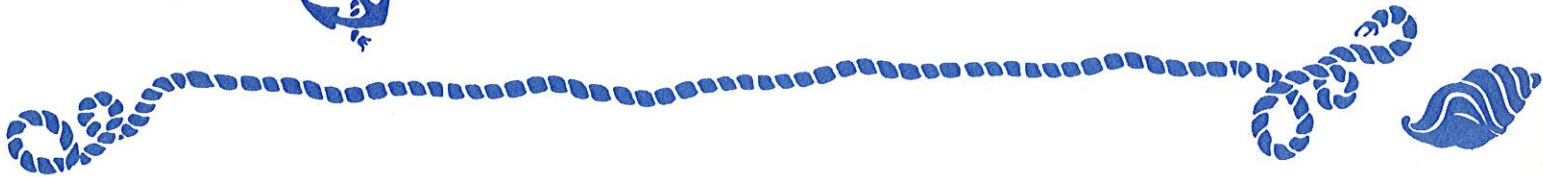
Let's you think we are all "super" bowlers, more than 1/3 of the members of the League have averages below 125. We use a handicap system and have a lot of fun. This year scores ran the gamut from 44 to 245. If you would like to join in the fun next season, bowling regularly or substituting occasionally, please let us know. Call Louise Loesel, Secretary at 454-5351.







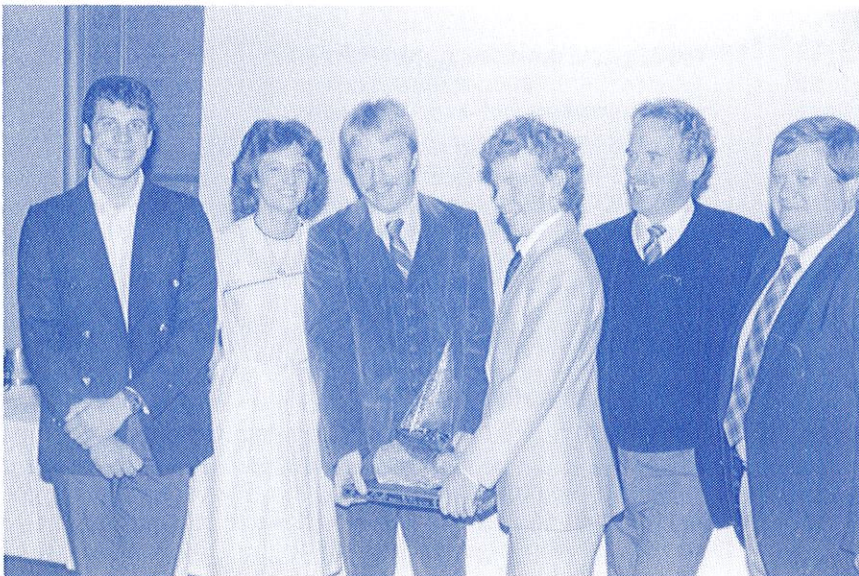
# 1983 MORC Banquet



"Last of the Red Hot Momma's!"



"Before and After Electrolysis"



"This thing sure is heavy."



"You may go blind from too much sailing!"



## "Dr. Zook," Blue J," "Sweet Greek" Win Class Series at EYC

Dave Forsman, Skipper of "Dr. Zook" took two out of three races for a series victory. "Foxy Lady", with Eric Ambro at the helm placed second in Class "A" with "Blue Bell" third.

"Blue J", a J-24 with Gary Deimel at the tiller paced the Class "B" division, "Leyah", owned by Rod Carrick and "Loose Goose" finished 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Jib and main honors went to Pete Benekos skippering his Islander 28 "Sweet Greek" to a second place in the final race.

### WEDNESDAY SPRING RESULTS

CLASS A	#1	#2	#3	CLASS B	#1	#2	#3
1. Dr. Zook – D. Forsman	1	5	1	1. Blue J. – G. Deimel	1	5	1
2. Foxy Lady – E. Ambro	4	1	2	2. Leyah – R. Carrick	2	2	4
3. Blue Bell – N. White	2	3	3	3. Loose Goose – B. Miller	3	1	5
4. Gargoyle – B. Lasher	5	2	4	4. On Dine – J. Smith	5	4	2
J.B AND MAIN							
1. Sweet Greek – P. Benekos	1	2	2				
2. Sojourn – B. Netkowicz	2	1	4				



## MORC: Dover Race Series "Foxy Lady" Captures Dover Series

Twenty knot winds faced the twenty-five boat fleet that started at 5:30 am for their annual race to Dover. Eric Ambro won the overall series with finishes of 2,3,1. "Cookie Monster" skippered by Dick Robertson finished second with a first and two thirds. Dave Heitzenrater won the first leg and finished third overall. "Loose Goose" skippered by Rick Vickery took the Dover Traingle and "Foxy Lady" won the final "Wet" thirty five mile race home to Erie. The homecoming leg included thunder, lightning and two large ore carriers mixing with the fleet.

Class "B" was won by Jerry Diemel with two first place finishes and a 4th. "Leyah" finished second with "Sashay" third.

The Main and Jib class was swept by P. Benekos with three first place finishes aboard "Sweet Greek."

### RESULTS

CLASS A	#1	#2	#3	CLASS B	#1	#2	#3
1. Foxy Lady – E. Ambro	2	3	1	1. Blue J – J. Diemel	1	4	1
2. Cookie Monster – D. Robertson K. Sorensen	3	1	3	2. Leyah – R. Carrick	4	3	2
3. Black Watch – D. Heitzenrater	1	4	4	3. Sashay – C. Schauerman	8	2	3
4. Groucho – M. Didionsio	6	2	2	4. Second Wind – R. Miller	2	6	5

#### CLASS C – MAIN AND JIB

1. Sweet Greek – P. Benekos



Greg,

Can anyone tell us the significance (symbolism or tradition) of the fouled anchor used in nautical motifs?

Guthrie Pratt

Above is a question you all might be able to help us with. If anyone knows the answer drop us a line or a note in the editors box at the EYC office and I'll see that Guthrie gets the answer. Anyone else having any questions or yachting trivia please send it in.

Next edition of the "Log" deadline will be September 15th! By then there will be lots of big news about our MORC Regatta mentioned in our last issue. The excitement is really building. We can also read about it in "Yachting" Magazine, from what I understand. I've seen the line up of events and it sounds like a great time. Try and catch some of it. See yachting at its best!

Greg Weislogel  
Editor

## MORC INTERNATIONAL REGATTA – UPDATE

Plans have now been finalized for the upcoming MORC International Regatta to be held at EYC during the week of August 18 – 24. The entry list, as of July 16 is enclosed for your referral. The organizing committee would like to remind all members and their families that they are welcome to attend any or all of the functions that have been planned during the week. A detailed schedule will be published in the August club calendar. Some regatta high-points are listed below:

DAY	DATE	EVENTS
Saturday	18th	Boat Measurement Live entertainment at EYC
Sunday	19th	Practice Race in lake "Yachting" Magazine welcoming cocktail party Erie Fest fireworks display
Monday	20th	2 course races in lake Picnic buffet on EYC porch
Tuesday	21st	Middle distance race in lake Sailing movie party
Wednesday	22nd	Start of long distance race from EYC north fill (8:00 am start)
Thursday	23rd	DJ Dance Party
Friday	24th	Course race in lake Trophy Banquet at Erie Hilton

Dining room hours will be expanded throughout the week. Watch the bulletin boards for details. If anyone would like to offer some time during the Regatta, John Bloomstine (452-3200) is seeking some help to man the hospitality desk. An hour of your time would be most appreciated. Erie Ambro has designed the logo for the souvenir T-shirts which will be available during the Regatta. Anyone may purchase the shirts at a nominal fee (just ask Eric).

Doug Loesel has asked me to remind all EYC boat owners to give him a call (453-4335 work; 454-2202 home) if you are planning to be out of town on your boat during part or all of the Regatta week. This will make it easier finding available berths for the fleet. As a side note, the July issue of "Yachting" Magazine has a very favorable article describing MORC and EYC. Be sure to read it! See you August 18th!

Jim Rickloff  
Publicity/Promotion





## ENTRIES AS OF JULY 18:

Szygy	G&S Custom 27	James Hummert	Milwaukee
Gonzo	Capri 30	Peter McConville	London, Ontario
Short Circuit	Spencer 25	Bill Spencer	Richmond, VA
Sirocco	Santana 30/30	Reg Corbett	Cleveland
Canadian Express	Express 30	Jim Chorostecki	Toronto
Airborne	C&C 27	Keith Stauber	Duluth
Group Therapy	J-29	George Osborne	Toledo
Pac Man	S2 7.9	Andy Zuidema	Victoria Harbour, Ont.
Blackwatch	J-24	Dave Heitzenrater	Erie
Breakaway	Soverel 30	Dale Walker	Vermilion, Ohio
Love Stinks	S2 9.1	Michael Glover	Atlanta
Fever	J-29	W.H. O'Dell	Cleveland
thriller	Lindenberg 28	Thompson & Terrell	New Orleans
Synergy	J-29	Steve Gregory	Vermilion, Ohio
Cookie Monster	Rodgers 26	Robertson & Sorensen	Erie
Legacy	TJ 245	Tim Jackett	Mentor
Blue J	J-24	Jerry Deimel	Erie
Malenkaya	Capo 26	Rick Halprinn	Chicago
Yankee Doodle	Capri 25	Rick Topham	Toronto
Optimistic	S2 9.1	Boston & Spiechowicz	Mt. Clemens, Mich.
Pinocchio	G&S Custom 30	Horwitz & Sterkopf	Milwaukee
Fishtown Flyer	S2 7.9	George O'Connell	Toledo
(unnamed)	Olson 25	Scott Allan	Annapolis
Creature	J-22	Heidi Backus	Vermilion, Ohio
Battle Cruiser	North Castle 30	Mike Gozzard	Goderich, Ontario
Sweven	S2 7.9	John Snow	Lambertville, Mich.
Gargoyle	Lasher 22	Bill Lasher	Erie
Gotcha	Kirby 30	Don Whittaker	Mentor
Keelhauler	Santana 30/30	Marinelli & Phillips	Toledo
Grandes Esperanzas	Martin 242	Don Martin	Toronto
Kahuna	S2 9.1	Wally Cross	Detroit
Tempest	S2 9.1	Mark Poulsen	Cleveland
Smoke	C&C 27	Neil Gilbert	Burlington, Ontario
Squirt	Merit 25	Fred Hibbert	Toledo
Risky Business	S2 9.1	Slikkers & Smith	Holland, Mich.
Dr. Zook	Kirby 25	Dave Forsman	Erie
Isotope	J-29	Don Hudak	Mentor
Swamp Devil	S2 7.9	Francis Kennette	Kingsville, Ontario
Super Stitchin'	Yamaha 30	Don Lasher	Erie
Climax	Santana 30/30	Brad Huntley	Sandusky
Golden Omen	S2 9.1	Ed Gully	Detroit
Loose Goose	Rodgers 26	Bud Miller	Erie
Groucho	J-29	Mark DeDionisio	Erie
Airgasm	Capo 26	Larry Muzia	Racine, Wisc.
Rumours	Luna ¼ Ton	Paul Halliday	London, Ontario
Locomotive Breath	Express 27	Ken Van Wagnen	Lorain, Ohio
Candu	S2 7.9	Greg Jarvis	Pt. Edward Ontario

**HAPPY HOURS:**  
4:30 to 6:00 P.M.



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