



# LAKE SOUNDINGS

## SIGNALS FROM THE REAR COMMODORE

Well now that we have the boats in the water, it's that time of year to make the place look like home. We have our two annual work days scheduled for May 14 and May 21.

We will start work at 8:00 AM each day and lunch will be served at Noon on both days. There will be beer, pop, and munches when the work is done. Please park the cars at the club house on the first work day and on the peninsula on the second work day. This will keep the cars out of the way of the work crews.

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## NEW ARRIVAL

Big congratulations to Tom and Terri Bolt, of *Wind's Way*. They have added to their crew. Emily Diane Bolt was born on 3/26/94 at 6:31 PM. Weighing in at 6 lbs 5oz. and 19 inches long, it appears they have a fine new sailor on their hands. Best wishes to you three from PYC members.

## SOUNDINGS FROM THE COMMODORE

Dear Members:

For those of you who attended the Spring Banquet, I'm sure you will agree, it was a great success. The Goody-Two Shoes Award was presented by Sharon DelVecchio and Cindy Kukulka presented The One The Rocks Award. I'm not mentioning who the winners were but, we will be watching them this season. The Spring House provided excellent food and after dinner we were entertained by a group from Pittsford Musicals. It was an excellent evening. Many thanks to Sharon DelVecchio and Ernie Washburn for organizing it.

Now that launch is behind us, our next long awaited event are the festivities on Memorial Day Weekend.

*Bob Hotchkiss*

Bob Hotchkiss  
Commodore

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## AT THE MARK FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN

Reminder the first race  
May 19, 1994  
Skipper's meeting  
6:30 PM

Tune up race  
May 12, 1994  
Skipper's meeting  
6:30 PM

We have a race committee (yeah)!. Bill Walker and friends will be acting as race committee this year — but like last year each Skipper will be assigned one race to help out with setting and returning marks and getting everything set for that day's racing.

Reminder, I need your PHRF certificates at or prior to the first race.

And now for some fun, the announcement and presentation of the *On The Rocks* and the *Goody-Two-Shoes* awards.

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# ON THE ROCKS

by Cindy Kukulka

On a damp fall day Skipper and crew bravely swung the boat from the dock, heading over to the gin pole. Yes, the water was shallow, but the boat doesn't draw much, and crew did the best they could to angle the approach.

**A**las, the engine put-putted, but the boat did not go forward, she was apparently hard aground. Crew and Skipper rocked the boat, pushed the rudder back and forth, and tried reverse, all to no avail.

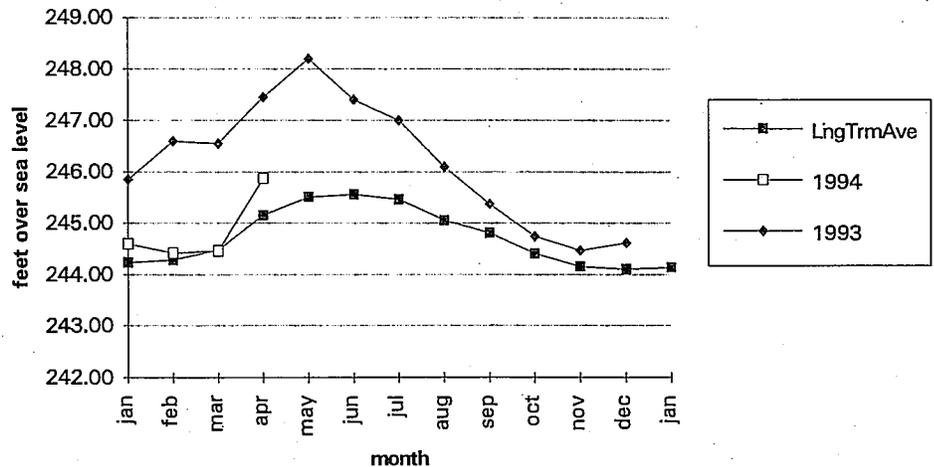
Gallantly the rescuing team of Bruce, Pete and (never to be lived down) Vern arrive on the end of the pier to offer encouragement as only they could. The next attempts for assistance made a Laurel and Hardy movie script. Several times the tow rope was coiled and thrown, only to arrive several feet short of the dock. The mighty Skipper now thinks, perhaps if crew attempts to throw the line from the bow—so forward crew goes. "What," yells Skipper, "we're moving!".

Free from any other impediment's crew, boat and Skipper head for the gin pole.

**The On The Rocks Award goes to the quick thinking Skipper - Dell Middaugh.**

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# GOODY-TWO-SHOES

by Sharon DelVecchio

**A**fter a relative dry spell in awarding some of PYC's most notable awards, the 1993 boating season not only gave us a clear winner of this trophy, there was also at least one Goody-Two-Shoes wannabe. The story of how the recipient of this award came to deserve it begins on a typical summer cruise.

The temperature at night dipped to 82 °, the humidity was about 98%, and the wind was calm. Mosquitoes the size of seagulls ruled the night. As we attempted to sleep one night at Fair Haven State Park, the wind suddenly came up. I woke up and decided to go topside to get some air as I was sure the breeze wouldn't last. As I got on deck I glanced at our friends' boat that was docked ahead and noticed a nice amber glow coming from the cockpit. At first I thought they were still sitting outside braving the mosquitoes. But then the glow got bigger and I realized their cockpit was on fire.

Upon waking them up and yelling for George to bring the fire extinguishers, the night came alive with other boaters. Fred Bertoni heroically leaped to the dock and was to remember that leap for the rest of our vacation. A nice fellow from the other side of the dock dashed over mum-

bling something about twin fuel tanks and it being a nice night to set out for Rochester. George came running with the fire extinguishers we had bought but hadn't hung up yet, leaving boxes and mounting brackets as he ran.

The fire was quickly extinguished without injury to anyone aboard and relatively little damage to the boat. Since we were all awake, we decided to reconstruct what had happened. It seems that one member of the family had been the last one awake and had decided to leave a citronella candle in the cockpit for a few minutes to clear away the giant mosquitoes. She fell asleep and a towel hanging to dry blew on top of the candle when the wind came up. The towel caught fire and had started to spread to the fiberglass of the cockpit.

**T**he next morning, the nice man with the big fuel tanks gave out his business cards. It seems he has a business in Rochester that specializes in custom boat interiors. However, the fire wasn't all that happened to our fellow cruiser over the past year. He also participated in the Spring Series. One memorable night as we were leaving Puff's slip we overheard this captain admonishing

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his crew to go faster astern. Unfortunately, their efforts were in vain. They just weren't going to get anywhere unless those dock lines got untied. He might have wished he had stayed at the dock when, during the same series, the orange marker at the finish line came loose and attacked his boat. I don't remember him racing much after that.

**A**s if those events aren't enough to secure an award, this same skipper joined a J-24 crew in the Fall. During one race he lost a shoe overboard and promptly threw the other one after it. I guess he didn't think he could get the award unless he sacrificed both shoes. Las reports indicate that a pair of well-worn deck shoes washed ashore somewhere in the St. Lawrence and caused quite a lot of speculation because they were a complete pair.

George and I are very thankful that our good friends were not injured nor was their boat lost in what could have been a terrible tragedy. So without a doubt the 1993 Goody-Two-Shoes Award is presented to Dave and Lynn Muth.

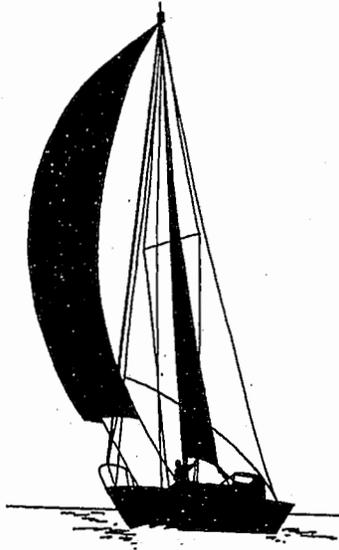
**W**hat about the Goody-Two-Shoes wannabe? I will only tell you that this person invited our Fleet Captain sailing. As he tried in vain to start the engine, Cindy calmly remarked that perhaps the engine not starting had something to do with the fires in his battery compartment. Unfortunately, this skipper is still playing with matches and may be a contender for the 1994 award. We'll be watching!

**ALSO** to go along with the prestigious Goodie-Two-Shoes Award is the flag to fly and a pair of shoes to hang from somewhere in either the car or boat. So this way the recipient can be reminded of the honor everywhere, at home with the trophy, in the car with the hanging shoes and on the boat with the flag flying high.

**Congrats Dave and Lynn.**

It should also be noted that Dave and Lynn Muth are also honored with the coveted "Round the Mark Jig Award". This award carries with it the tradition of a tartan sash to be worn at all club events.

What an eventful sailing season 1993 was for the Muths. All our best for an uneventful season this year.



## THANK YOU BILL WALKER

For quite awhile now Bill Walker (and his daughter Judy) have been responsible for the inserting, folding, stamping and mailing of LAKE SOUNDINGS. They have done an excellent job of making sure you, the members receive information in a very timely fashion. Last week Bill sold his mailing business, and now we must find another way to get the inserting, folding, stamping and mailing done.

**A**s storm worthy sailors we will prevail, it by no means diminishes our thanks to Bill and Judy for their contribution. The secretary's loss is the fleet captain's gain. Bill will be taking care of the committee boat this season. A true and active member of PYC is Bill Walker. Thank you Bill.

## EDITORIAL

### ANOTHER CHANGE!

Your eyes do not deceive you, the format of LAKE SOUNDINGS has been altered. I like to think of the changes as tweaking the publication. After all I am sure that there isn't a soul among us whose boat is exactly as it was upon delivery. Each time you ventured from port, you realized an adjustment here and a refitting there would be necessary. As the boat was being hauled out, you reviewed all the fine improvements made during the year. You probably tried to convince yourself that nothing much needed to be done for the next season.

**A**s we catch up on our reading, we find the sailing periodicals are full of great ideas. Short days, pitch black nights and sub zero temperatures give us a lot of time to think. So we plan, at first it's just going to be one or two changes, then somehow the project list grows and we find our vessel taking on if not a different appearance at least a different attitude. So what does this have to do with LAKE SOUNDINGS? I too caught up on my reading, while Rick read sailing magazines, I read format, layout and design books and magazines. And a few modifications suddenly became a complete overhaul.

Spring is the time to give both the boat and club area a clean fresh look for the 1994 sailing season. Think of LAKE SOUNDINGS as also having a fresh look for the 1994 season.

*As always, comments are appreciated.*



# WORKDAY#1

Chuck Pullaro in charge -  
First half of the alphabet, **Abbe-Iuppa**

- Repair docks
- Build 4 picnic tables
- Repair play ground equipment
- Cut and clean up branches
- Clean shed
- Repair and move phone enclosure. See E. Washburn
- Temporarily improve anchoring of electrical outlets on south shore new docks
- Install harbor safety items
- Install simple fence (orange ribbon and signs) on the point
- Check out pump-out

# WORKDAY#2

Tom Pautz in charge -  
Second half of alphabet, **Jones-Wulff**

- Finish dock repair
- Mow lawn
- Fill low spots with dirt and seed
- Plant trees on point
- Plant tree (in memory of D. Bowersox)
- Remove masts and racks from pavilion
- Replace all washers/seats in faucets and shut off
- Clean club house and paint kitchen
- Plant flowers
- Clean and board up windows on shed behind the club house
- Spray for bees
- General grounds clean up

If you need to switch work days, contact:  
Chuck Pullaro at 342-4205 and Tom Pautz at 381-3599

A sign in sheet will be used each day, and you will be contacted for a special work assignment if you don't participate. If you can not make either day, please contact David Weagley at 334-9727.

Please look over the list of work to be done during your work day and bring the appropriate tools.

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| Chain saws                                   | Squares         |
| Power screw drivers                          | Rakes - May 21  |
| Shovels - May 21                             | Circular saws   |
| Plumbing tools - May 21                      | Extension cords |
| Hand saws                                    | Tape measures   |
| Hammers                                      |                 |
| Wheelbarrows - 2 for May 14 and 4 for May 21 |                 |

We are asking you to fill out a survey during the work days listing your interests and skills for future work days. Many times we have special needs and we do not know who has the skills or the tools needed to do the jobs. It would be helpful to know who is interested in carpentry, electrical, plumbing, painting gardening, etc.. It would also be helpful to know who could pull the orchard trailer, who has a truck or trailer, who has a CDL license, who has chain saws, etc..

Thanks for all your help, and above all have a **SAFE** work day and a great sailing season.

## FOR SALE

PYC is selling the 16' Aluminum Work Boat, as is. The asking price is \$100.00. Anyone interested in this fine vessel, please contact Cindy Kukulvka at (315)331-3458.

## NAUTICAL FLEAMARKET

Have some boat stuff around that you don't use anymore?

Need some boat stuff and would like to get it at a good price?

Then I'd say you're just the person to visit PYC's annual Nautical Flea Market

It will be held after the *Commodore's Brunch*, and has always proved to be a valuable place to do business. Come and browse, you never know what boat stuff you might need.

# MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Memorial Day Weekend is truly our opening to what should be a great sailing season. Just so nobody misses this all important weekend and all the events planned, I thought I would just go over each event and what to expect.

## May 28, Saturday

Commodore's Review - 10:00 AM  
Everyone decorates their boat, exits the harbor and sails by Bob Hotchkiss' boat.

Memorial Day Picnic - 5:00 PM  
Everyone brings a dish to pass (see the reservation form) there is plenty of beverage, and hots, burgers are grilled.

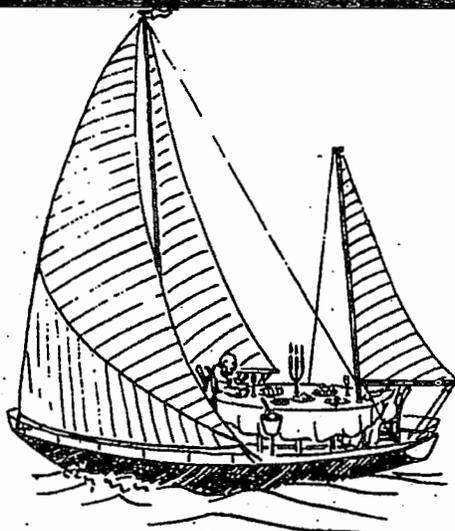
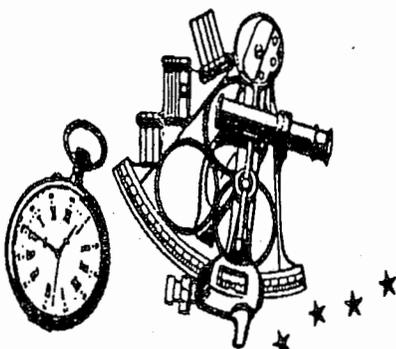
## May 29, Sunday

Long Distance Race begins - 9:00 AM

LATER The Fun Race starts

New Member Fondue - 5:00 PM  
Everyone brings a fondue to pass. There is plenty of beverage and a chance to meet new members.

So mark your calendars, and plan to be a part of opening weekend at PYC.



## SAILING EXCHANGE STUDENTS

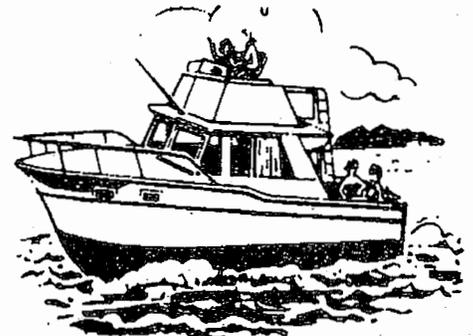
Sheryl Corso, of *Carousel*, is the Community Representative for AYUSA, a exchange student program. She was telling me about how the match between the foreign student and host families is done and most of the time interests are matched. So in other words a host family fully devoted to downhill skiing, might be matched with an exchange student who also enjoyed that sport. However, sometimes the students like several different sports which the host family can not accommodate, like SAILING. Sheryl thought it might be nice if some PYC members would like to invite an exchange student for a day of sailing!

Sheryl went on to say that these students are between the ages of 15-18 years old. They come from Germany, Denmark, Japan, Spain, Mexico, Netherlands, France and NIS (formerly USSR). Surprisingly you don't have to have children of that age to host an exchange student for an academic year. In fact you don't even have to be married. These students are all pre-screened, usually 'A' students and mostly come from good families.

Any members interested in taking a student out for a day sail, or to get more information about being a host family, contact Sheryl Corso at (315)524-9242. Or just stop by *Carousel*.

## RACE AT SBYC

SBYC has invited PYC to race with them on Saturday, June 4. So be sure to plan you crew now, and look for details later on during the month of May. The details will be found on the race board, or just call Cindy.



## MEMBERSHIP LOGS

Membership Logs for 1995 are available. For those of us or you who didn't get a chance to go to the wonderful Spring Banquet, the membership logs will be in the club house. Be sure to look for the one with your name on it. If there isn't one with your name on it, let Jay Artman know. Also Jay is the one to contact if you would like to purchase extras. They will be for sale at a cost of \$5.00 each. I think it is great to have one log at home and another on the boat.

So pick up your 1995 Membership Log a.s.a.p.

## FLEET CAPTAIN'S WORK DAY

The special work day is all set. Cindy Kukuvka has her helpers lined up for May 7th. This is a Fleet Captain Work Day and among other important things to be done, the navigation marks will be set. So if you have your boat ready to go out before then, please be advised that there will be no navigation aids. Good luck to Cindy and her valiant helpers. Here's hoping for calm seas.

# PYC LOG

The **PYC LOG** is our way of telling the members what is in the wind for the coming weeks. Please read it over and mark your calendars for these important Club events.

- May 4 PYC Board Meeting, 6:30 PM
- May 7 Fleet Captain's Work Day
- May 14 PYC Workday Mandatory Work day, assigned to Abbe through Iuppa 8:00 AM
- May 18 DEADLINE for June LAKE SOUNDINGS
- May 19 PYC Spring Series, Race #1
- May 20 DEADLINE for reservations - Memorial Day Picnic (Ernie Washburn)
- May 21 PYC Workday Mandatory Work day, assigned to Jones through Wulff 8:00 AM
- May 26 PYC Spring Series, Race #2
- May 28 Commodore's Review 10:00 AM
- May 28 Memorial Day Picnic, 5:00 PM
- May 29 Long Distance Race, 9:00 AM
- May 29 Fun Race, time to be announced
- May 29 New Member Fondue, 5:00 PM
- June 2 PYC Spring Series, Race #3

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