



GRYC

**annual report
for 1982**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS -- 1982

Commodore	---	Graeme Parkinson
Vice Commodore	---	Bruce Lorimer
Rear Commodore	---	Pat Black
Secretary	---	Diana Pethick
Treasurer	---	Don Henning
Fleet Captain	---	Doug Patterson
Junior Commodore	---	
Club Manager	---	Warren Place

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN -- 1982

Property	---	Blair Erskine
Social Activities	---	Pat Black
House	---	Pat Bailey/Patrick Evans
"Masthead" Editor	---	John Seally
Canteen	---	Leslie Butters

FRONT COVER BY GILLES GUTTADAURIA

THE COMMODORE'S REPORT

This report marks the end of my term of office, but it also marks the beginning of the Club's third decade. During the year your Board held eleven formal and several informal meetings, from which emerged several apparent and some not so apparent decisions for our continuing wellbeing.

The canteen operation was put on a rotating volunteer basis, headed by Leslie Butters and her committee. I feel that this format will work again, perhaps with occasional help from paid "volunteers". The Junior program was changed to four sessions of two weeks duration. While this proved advantageous to most, a few problems were encountered and the Board is now aware that it will have to become more attentive to day-to-day administration of the programs.

Our 1982 sailing schedule was modified to allow greater access to the Series racing. Somehow, Doug still came out on top so we obviously still have to change something. There was an increased use of the Clubhouse due to holding some additional social events in our own "home" premises, and I hope this trend continues in the future. Most of the events were very successful, especially our Awards Banquet.

On the financial side, our capital expenditures were held to a minimum until the end of the season, when we could see what kind of surplus or deficit we were heading for. Then part of the mortgage was paid off, some member loans retired and two-thirds of a sound system acquired.

There are still some problems which must be addressed in the future: closer supervision of employee-run programs; the boom, which Kotik Wachmann is looking into for us; the deck adjacent to the Clubhouse, which has been largely ignored for lack of funds; a hot water supply which is badly needed for the canteen and social events to function properly; heat and insulation and panelling for the clubhouse, to extend its use; and finally, to resurrect an on-going Planning Commission.

No Commodore can give enough thanks to all those who help him through his term, but my especial thanks this year, for making it the success that it was, are expressed to:

the Board for their dedication and hard work

Leslie and her committee for the canteen

Brenda et al for a fabulous pancake breakfast

Kotik for undertaking to examine and report on the boom

René for our water supply

the Club staff for a good summer program

the Juniors for being whatever Juniors are!

and, finally, Pat for our Awards Banquet in the Clubhouse that will be remembered for a long time.

Graeme

VICE-COMMODORE's REPORT

Anybody who has visited the islands on a July or August weekday will know that we have a very active Junior Program. It is a program which tries to fill a number of goals: providing a core of competent sailors for the future, teaching boating and swimming techniques and safety, and providing children with enjoyable summer activities.

Our instructors have come up through the ranks: Morag Hutchison, head swimming instructor, Eric Wachmann, head sailing instructor and Craig Hutton, sailing instructor. The instructors were often supported by other staff members, Warren Place and John Pomeroy. Although the position of Vice-Commodore carries the responsibility for the Junior Program it is these people who have the daily contact with your children and who run the program on a daily basis. The lists of names at the end of this report testifies to the success that they have had; I thank them for their efforts and I am sure the whole Club does as well.

During the 1982 season several new ideas were tried, to improve flexibility in the timing of the Junior Program and to increase participation by the juniors in racing.

The first was the two-week session, rather than four weeks as in the past. The staff were happy with this, some parents expressed satisfaction and there were no complaints, so this idea would seem to be a success.

The second innovation was the junior racing series for ages 19 and under on Saturday and Sunday mornings. There was a core of regulars on Saturdays but few were able to make it on Sundays. Enough participation was there to make it worth repeating the Saturday morning series next year. Since the older competitors race in the afternoons with the "adults" an age limit of 16 and under will be placed on the Junior Series in 1983, so that the younger sailors will be more competitive.

The third idea was a Junior Regatta for ages 19 and under open to the other area clubs. Seven sailors came from Aylmer, four from Britannia and there were eight from GRYC. Two fleets, a bronze with eleven Lasers and a silver/gold with eight Lasers sailed five races over two days, with a barbeque Saturday night. Although the number of participants was a positive sign, the real highlight was the fact that the regatta was organized by the silver and gold classes under the direction of the instructors, and it all went very well. Hopefully this can become an annual affair for 16 and unders.

These attempts to increase flexibility for families planning vacations and to increase the opportunities for the juniors to take part in other Club functions will probably affect the program only over the longer term. Of concern over the short term is declining enrollment in both the swimming and sailing classes. In comparing to last year, swimming had 65% of last year's attendance, and sailing 85%. This year Junior Program fees covered 65% of the three instructors' salaries, compared to 85% last year. Is this because there are fewer children to be enrolled or is it because the program is not responding to needs? If it is perceived to be the latter, proposals for improvements will be gratefully received by phone or letter.

Some comments have been received and will result in administrative changes, and from comments and observations by the executive a number of recommendations will be put before the incoming Board for consideration :

1. The two week sessions should be continued.
2. There should not be a one week break at the end of July.
3. A mail box for notes to staff and executive should be placed outside the manager's office.
4. Free-sail should be made compulsory, e.g., children enrolled in the sailing program should take part in free sail five times in each ten day session.
5. Some type of swimming activity is required for those who have passed the Red Cross levels but are too young for the Bronze Medallion.
6. Families without boats should be encouraged to rent Club boats on the weekends (this of course applies to all members, the concern here is families with children taking lessons).

Bruce Lorimer

JUNIOR AWARDS

SNAVE TROPHY	---	Matthew Brown	(best all-rounder)
JACKSON TROPHY	---	Jeremy Dolgin	(12 years and under)
BEERS TROPHY	---	Laird Close	(most improved)
JUNIOR SAILING SHIELD	---	Charles Lorimer	(1st weekend series)
420 SHIELD	---	Tammy and Laird Close	(2nd weekend series)

JUNIOR REGATTA

Silver/Gold Fleet	1.	Scott MacDonald	Britannia Y.C.
	2.	Duncan Bailey	G.R.Y.C.
	3.	Charles Lorimer	G.R.Y.C.
Bronze Fleet	1.	Francis Navallée	Aylmer
	2.	Natalie Saulnier	Aylmer
	3.	Sue Rimmer	Britannia Y.C.

SAILING BADGES AWARDED

Silver Sail (Level 6)	Jennifer Loten Charles Lorimer
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Bronze Sail (Level 5)	Laird Close Tammy Close Andrew Hanff	Angus Loten Mike Stollman
Bronze Sail (Level 4)	Patrick Connor Jeremy Dolgin Tracy Hutton	Tom Stollman Daviken Studnicki-Gizbert
White Sail (level 3)	Matthew Brown Mark Daugherty Ellen Lauder John Lauder	Gill Lorimer Brian McFarlane Nick Spicer Daviken Studnicki-Gizbert
White Sail (Level 2)	Simon Black Sandy Hider Ian MacLeod Rob MacLeod Alex McHattie	JoJo McHattie Monica Paulun Marc Renaud Michelle Renaud Carrie Wallace
White Sail (Level 1)	Katie Decker Gillaume Godbout Chris Studnicki-Gizbert	

SWIMMING BADGES AWARDED

White	Laird Close Tammy Close Ellen Lauder Nicki Paulun	Mandy Pawley Michelle Renaud Carrie Wallace
Grey	Laird Close Tracy Hutton	Daviken Studnicki-Gizbert Carrie Wallace
Green	Matthew Brown Jeremy Dolgin Gill Lorimer	Monica Paulun Daviken Studnicki-Gizbert
Blue	Matthew Brown Sandy Hider	Gill Lorimer
Maroon	John Lauder	Alex McHattie
Red	Chris Studnicki-Gizbert	
Orange	Gillaume Godbout Sara McHattie	Chris Studnicki-Gizbert

ENROLLMENT IN SAILING AND SWIMMING CLASSES

<u>SAILING</u>	<u>Session 1</u>	<u>Session 2</u>	<u>Session 3</u>	<u>Session 4</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Gold Sail	1	1	1	1	1
Silver Sail	2	2	2	-	2
Bronze Sail	7	7	8	1	23
White Sail	14	6	5	8	33
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TOTAL	24	16	16	10	66 **
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** 66 represents the number of two-week sessions paid for; so that the Gold Level (which is an eight-week course) had only one student enrolled but this represents four sessions when calculating fees. Similarly, the six-week Silver Level course represents, with two students enrolled, six fee sessions.

<u>SWIMMING</u>	<u>Session 1</u>	<u>Session 2</u>	<u>Session 3</u>	<u>Session 4</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
White Level	4	-	5	-	9
Grey Level	-	5	3	-	8
Green Level	2	3	2	1	8
Blue Level	3	2	-	1	6
Maroon Level	2	1	1	1	1
Red Level	-	-	-	1	1
Orange Level	4	1	-	-	5
Yellow Level	-	2	-	-	2
Bronze Medallion	-	-	-	-	-
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TOTAL	15	14	11	4	44
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SENIOR PROGRAM

This program was a disappointment. Adequate interest was expressed by members for sailing lessons and racing workshops. However, none of the staff were able to take the lessons and workshops on, so the program fell by the wayside. Next year the Senior Program will be written into the staff position descriptions and the program will be offered again.

Bruce Lorimer

FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

I would like to thank every one who gave their time and efforts to make this sailing/racing season a great success, especially to Diana Pethick for heading up the Race Committee for our 1982 Invitational Regatta. Numerous others helped make the Regatta successful, and a special thanks goes to Sue Clancey and Laura Parkinson who were always ready and willing ... to help at a moment's notice on several occasions.

Many thanks go to Pat Evans who spent countless hours on preparation for SAILORAMA/82, which unfortunately was rained out. However, I am pleased to announce well in advance that everything is prepared for next year's Sailorama/83 (Thanks again, Pat).

I would like to take this opportunity to invite all you skiing-sailors to join in the 1983 Québec Ski-Yachting Laser Championships at Gray Rocks this coming spring. If you are interested or know someone else who might be, please contact me as soon as possible. I will be looking after the organization and registration.

If anyone has any comments, constructive or otherwise, on this year's sailing, or suggestions for next year's season, please let me know as soon as you can -- believe it, or not, your executive will be working hard through the winter to plan and organize Club activities for 1983.

Following is a list of the 1982 trophy winners, congratulations to all. On behalf of the trophy winners and all those who attended the Awards Dinner at the Clubhouse, a great big vote of thanks to Pat Black for everything, and to all her helpers for the terrific food.

Doug Patterson

GENERAL TROPHIES - 1982

COMMODORE's OPENER	--	David Black
REAR-COMMODORE's OPENER	--	Doug Clancey
MacINTYRE SHIELD	--	Don Wilson
MORRISET CUP	--	Eric Wachmann
EVANS SHIELD	--	Jennifer Loten
C.J.O.H. TROPHY	--	Doug Patterson
ERSKINE TROPHY	--	Doug Patterson
CARLING TROPHY	--	Doug Patterson
COMMODORE's CUP	--	Tim Plumptre
VOYAGEUR TROPHY	--	Doug Patterson
WOOD TROPHY	--	Doug Patterson

Medland Shield, Young Tray, Evans & Kert Trophy -- No Contest in 1982.

1982 WINNERS OF G.R.Y.C. RACE SERIES AND RELATED TROPHIES

	<u>CREWED BOATS</u>	<u>SINGLE HANDED</u>
SPRING FROSTBITE	1. David Black (Molson Trophy) 2. Ernst Hanff 3. Gilles Guttadauria	1. Doug Clancey (Harley Trophy) 2. Duncan Bailey 3. Jim Beckett
SATURDAY SERIES	1. Eric Wachmann (Kotik) 2. John Seally (Aloise) 3. Bill Stranks (Eileen)	1. Gene Nyberg 2. Doug Patterson 3. Bruce Lorimer
SUNDAY SERIES	1. Eric Wachmann (Kotik) 2. John Seally (Aloise) 3. Bill Stranks (Eileen)	1. Doug Patterson 2. Jim Beckett 3. Gene Nyberg
OVERALL SUMMER SERIES	1. Eric Wachmann (Olympic Ski Trophy) 2. John Seally 3. Bill Stranks	1. Doug Patterson (Parkinson Trophy) 2. Gene Nyberg 3. Bruce Lorimer
EVENING SERIES	1. Eric Wachmann (Directors Trophy) 2. 3.	1. Duncan Bailey (Strutt Trophy) 2. 3.
FALL FROSTBITE	1. Eric Wachmann (O'Keefe Trophy) 2. 3.	1. Doug Patterson (Wilde Trophy) 2. Gene Nyberg 3. Doug Clancey

THE OVERALL CLUB CHAMPION AND RUNNERS-UP

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| 1. DOUG PATTERSON
(Edelweiss Cup) | |
| 2. Doug Clancey
(Wakefield Inn Trophy) | |
| 3. Bruce Lorimer | 7. John Seally |
| 4. Gene Nyberg | 8. Malcolm McHattie |
| 5. Eric Wachmann | 9. Jack DesBrisay |
| 6. Jim Beckett | 10. Tim Plumptre |

The "HANSUM TRANSUM" was awarded for the feat, by David Black, of pole-vaulting with his Laser mast while it was in place in his once-solid mast step !

1982 G.R.Y.C. INVITATIONAL REGATTA

Albacore "A" Fleet	--	John Bryant (R.A.Y.C.)
Albacore "B" Fleet	--	Y. Fainecos (R.A.Y.C.)
Laser Fleet	--	Doug Patterson (G.R.Y.C.)

1982 G.R.Y.C. LASER REGATTA

1. Doug Clancey
2. Gene Nyberg
3. Duncan Bailey

CANTEEN

To the staff (volunteers) and all the customers of the canteen, I would like to extend my sincere thanks for your support throughout the summer. Bravo! to all the volunteer staff and especially my hardworking team of A.C. Dolgin, Lynn Erskine, Audrey Strutt and Eileen Stranks.

I think that the canteen offered to many of us the opportunity to contribute a little of ourselves to the Club, to show that we really do care about it enough and appreciate all of the little things done for us as Club members.

Lesley Butters

"THE MASTHEAD"

There were fewer issues of "The Masthead" this year - only three - plus a couple of flyers announcing special functions such as the Theme Party and the fall end-of-season events. We have been involuntarily induced to lower our original aim of publishing a monthly bulletin during the season, by the ever-increasing costs of printing and mailing.

We did manage to break one record by getting the first issue of 1982 out as early as March, combining it with the mailing of membership renewal forms and giving everyone advanced information about planned programs and the full Racing Schedule.

The Editor welcomes news items, interesting articles and other contributions from members. Over the years there has been no more generous contributor than Pat Evans, and as a "Special Feature" of this Annual Report in celebration of our twentieth anniversary, we include Pat's detailed chronology of the formative first five years of our Club saga.

John Seally

SECRETARY's REPORT

The Board of Directors met for eleven formal and three informal executive meetings since the last Annual General Meeting. In addition, the Board met with the Club staff prior to the commencement of the summer season. Early in the year, members of the Board and the Club Manager held one meeting with a group of parents to review the Junior Program for 1982.

One hundred and seventeen memberships were processed. There were five withdrawals and thirteen changes in membership status for the Family category, offset by six new Family admissions, leaving the total number of Family memberships at 63, the same as last year. Three Seniors withdrew, however we accepted two new memberships in the class, for a net loss of one Senior. The Intermediate category lost five but gained seven new memberships. Six Associates withdrew and there were six new memberships in the class. We lost nine Retaining members but gained five for a net loss of four.

MEMBER AND MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS 1963 - 1982

<u>Members</u>	<u>Members/(Memberships)</u>	<u>Members/(Memberships)</u>
1963 - 181	1970 - 207 (81)	1977 - 369 (129)
1964 - 231	1971 - 204 (82)	1978 - 349 (115)
1965 - 282	1972 - 206 (76)	1979 - 327 (118)
1966 - 299	1973 - 329 (106)	1980 - 328 (115)
1967 - 290	1974 - 326 (124)	1981 - 302 (120)
1968 - 271	1975 - 372 (124)	1982 - 286 (117)
1969 - 228	1976 - 376 (125)	

MEMBERSHIPS/(REGISTERED MEMBERS) BY CATEGORY FIVE YEARS TO 1982

<u>Category</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>
Family	70 (284)	63 (252)	66 (261)	63 (229)	63 (219)
Senior	12	14	14	17	16
Intermediate	10	7	4	6	8
Associate	-	9	9	7	7
"Active"	92 (306)	93 (282)	93 (288)	93 (259)	94 (250)
Retaining	20 (40)	22 (42)	20 (37)	22 (38)	18 (31)
Honorary	3	3	3	5	5
TOTALS	115 (349)	118 (327)	116 (328)	120 (302)	117 (286)
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Daina Pethick

REAR-COMMODORE's REPORT

This is the time of year that I look forward to with mixed feelings. On the one hand a sense of relief that the busy season is drawing to a close and on the other a feeling of horror. Time forces me to buckle down and tackle my accounts. Unfortunately this latter task is made somewhat more difficult by the fact that there are a great many outstanding beer bills. Ernst Hanff very kindly agreed to take on the task of stocking the beer fridge this season and keeping track of the bar book, for which I extend to him my sincere thanks.

A list of members owing for beer was posted in the Clubhouse. Either this was not seen or (as some have claimed) they do not know Ernst! I thought everyone knew Ernst -- the dark, handsome fellow with the windsurfer strapped to his feet and a Wayfarer on stand-by! ALL THOSE OWING FOR BEER may forward directly to me -- P.O.Box 28, R.R. 1, Chelsea, JOX 1N0 -- PLEASE.

Having opened with a bit of a gripe, let me quickly move on to all the other nice and more positive things about the 1982 season; going right back to June 27, a hot, sunny day when Doug Patterson organized a very successful up-river cruise. Our Invitational Regatta was blessed with good weather this year and we had barbecued juicy steaks, which proved to be popular, as was the dance following the BBQ, thanks to a good working sound system.

Our Theme Party was a British Pub Night. This was very well attended (almost 70 people) and British beer was downed in admirable quantities. Much of the credit for the success of the evening must go to Doug Patterson, whose new bar received its christening that night and lent so much atmosphere to our riverside "Pub". The bar is now a permanent and much enjoyed fixture in the Clubhouse.

GRYC's twentieth birthday party was celebrated with a large cake decorated with the insignia of the Club. It managed to make it across to the island only very slightly modified by the short arm of the Commodore.

We decided to break with tradition for our annual Prize-Giving Dinner and on October 16 some fifty or so people braved the cold weather and crossed to the island to enjoy a sit-down dinner, with wine and all the trimmings, and held for the first time in the Clubhouse. This was a joint effort by the Hennings and the Blacks, because we all agreed that it would be nice if we could show that using the Clubhouse for this event might be a success. I am happy to say that this seemed to be the case, and it was most rewarding to receive such a positive response from those attending.

Diane and Don put in a tremendous amount of effort on this event and are to be congratulated. I thank them both very much for all their hard work. I would like also to thank for their help over the season -- Lesley Butters for organizing the Canteen Committee and Brenda Wachmann, who made soup and cookies for the up-river cruise, strawberry cups for the day of the sail-past, and to top it all off served a sausage and pancake breakfast on the Sunday morning of our Regatta. This initiative and hard work on Brenda's part added enough money to our coffers to enable us to buy eight dozen place settings of cutlery for the Club. I am happy to report that also this season we purchased

a new large coffee percolator and a "souper" large pot and an electric kettle. These already have been much used over the season.

A very special word of thanks to David: resident D-J, ever-willing dogsboby, sailor, and keeper of sanity in the Black household during these past two summers. I had planned to list all those others who so kindly helped me with one or other event, or perhaps all of them, but I quickly realized that the list would be endless. I will therefore have to content myself, and you, with one huge THANK YOU!! to everyone. You have all been wonderful.

Pat Black

As a postscript, the following are some 1982 figures for your interest:

Total Expenses for the Social Committee	\$ 3,604.09
Total Receipts from Club social events	\$ 4,421.67

Therefore, a surplus of \$ 817.58 which includes, however, about \$ 300 STILL OWING FOR BEER.

Total cost of goods purchased for the kitchen (percolator, soup pot, cutlery, etc.) = \$ 358.89

Total cost of non-profit events (Clean-Ups, Sailpast, etc.) = \$ 209.55

TREASURER'S REPORT

The annual Financial Statement, which follows, gives the details of this year's fiscal affairs. The books balance and we have ample funds to carry us over to next spring (what more can a Treasurer ask?).

Continuing high interest rates and a big jump in taxes were somewhat of a burden but this was offset by reduced expenditures in the operating Committees. The tax evaluation for the island went from \$ 7,875 to \$ 153,800 as a result of re-evaluation. We were able to reduce this by about \$ 40,000 as a result of court action. It appears that this may be further reduced by about \$ 20,000 this year.

Thanks to a lot of work by Jim DeWolf we now have the accounts on an APPLE computer. This will make it considerably easier in the future to balance the books. There is still a bit of work to do on the system but it should be ready for next year.

Don Henning

GATINEAU RIVER YACHT CLUB, Inc.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1982

(Unaudited)

A. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

Current Account

(a) <u>Revenues</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
1. Membership Dues	\$ 16,206.25	\$ 15,426.50
2. Initiation Fees	2,110.00	2,570.00
3. Junior Program	3,629.34	4,020.50
4. Senior Program	-	-
5. GRYC Invitational Regatta (net)	538.42	229.24
6. Social Committee	1,201.08	965.26
7. Savings Interest and Misc. (net)	1,169.17	481.24
	<u>\$ 24,854.26</u>	<u>\$ 23,692.74</u>
(b) <u>Expenditures</u>		
1. Salaries and Wages	\$ 9,329.94	\$ 8,493.40
2. Sailing Committee	866.06	1,216.56
3. Harbour & Property Committee	1,285.00	1,551.47
4. Junior Program	1,500.06	769.61
5. Administration	779.13	459.68
6. Social Committee	1,248.13	250.00
7. CYA/FVQ Fees	140.00	140.00
8. Interest on Mortgage	3,589.58	3,692.53
9. Interest on Boat Loan	-	259.96
10. Interest on Member Loans	819.00	807.75
11. Taxes and Utilities	1,663.20	511.61
12. Other	-	51.60
	<u>\$ 21,220.10</u>	<u>\$ 18,204.17</u>
(c)		
Revenues over Expenditures	\$ 3,634.16	\$ 5,488.57
Depreciation	3,337.33	3,477.00
	<u>\$ 296.83</u>	<u>\$ 2,011.57</u>
Current Account Balance	=====	=====

A. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT (cont'd)

Capital Account

(a) Revenues

1. All Revenues are deemed to be current.

(b) Expenditures

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
1. Debt Retirement		
- Mortgage	\$ 3,210.42	\$ 205.85
- Boat Loan	-	2,100.00
- Member Loans	500.00	-
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	\$ 3,710.42	\$ 2,305.85
2. Fixed Assets	891.68	280.00
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	\$ 4,602.10	\$ 2,585.85
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B. SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS STATEMENT

1. Sources

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
(a) Current Account Balance	\$ 296.83	\$ 2,011.57
Depreciation Claimed	3,337.33	3,477.00
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	\$ 3,634.16	\$ 5,488.57

2. Applications

(a) Reduction of Boat Loan	\$ -	\$ 2,100.00
(b) Capital Expenditures	891.68	280.00
(c) Reduction of Mortgage	3,210.42	205.85
(d) Increase/(Decrease) in Cash on Deposit (967.94)		2,602.72
(e) Entrance Loan Refunds	-	300.00
(f) Reduction of Member Loans	500.00	-
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	\$ 3,634.16	\$ 5,488.57
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C. ENTRANCE LOANS OF CHARTER MEMBERS

On October 1, 1981 there were seven (7) entrance loans which had neither been refunded nor voluntarily converted, being a liability item of \$ 700. In the fiscal year ended September, 1982 no loans were either refunded or converted: the liability remains at \$ 700.

D. BALANCE SHEET

<u>Assets</u>	As at September 30 <u>1982</u>	As at September 30 <u>1981</u>
(a) Cash on Deposit	\$ 4,823.57	\$ 5,791.51
(b) Fixed Assets		
1. Land and Building	\$ 37,391.09 (Note 1)	\$ 37,391.09
2. Marine Installations	5,430.00)	6,880.00
3. Marine Equipment	10,276.65) (Note 2)	14,489.00
4. Non-Marine Equipment	2,443.03)	2,009.00
5. Organization	395.00	395.00
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	55,935.77	61,164.09
 <u>Less</u> : Accumulated Depreci- ation (Appendix 1)	 16,883.79 (Note 2) <hr/>	 19,666.47 <hr/>
	39,051.98	41,497.62
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	\$ 43,875.55	\$ 47,289.13
 <u>Liabilities</u>		
(a) Mortgage	\$ 16,248.64	\$ 19,459.06
(b) Entrance Loans	700.00	700.00
(c) Member Loans	8,600.00	9,100.00
(d) Members' Equity	18,326.91	18,030.07
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	\$ 43,875.55	\$ 47,289.13
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- Notes : 1. Land value carried over from previous year.
2. The value of fixed assets fully written-off or disposed of, and the accumulated depreciation on those assets, have been adjusted in the following amounts :
- Marine Installations, reduced by \$ 1,450)
 - Marine Equipment, reduced by \$ 4,339) Total \$ 6,120
 - Non-Marine Equipment, reduced by \$ 331)

APPENDIX 1 - DEPRECIABLE ASSETS

<u>1. Clubhouse</u>	<u>Year of</u> <u>Acquisition</u>	<u>Original</u> <u>Cost</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>1982 Dep-</u> <u>reciation</u>
		\$	%	\$
(a) Veranda (outside deck)	1967	1,415.00	5	71.00
(b) Building	1979	23,477.00	5	1,173.00
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Total for 1.		\$ 24,892.00		\$ 1,244.00

APPENDIX 1 - DEPRECIABLE ASSETS (cont'd)

	<u>Year of Acquisition</u>	<u>Original Cost</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>1982 Depreciation</u>
		\$	%	\$
2. <u>Marine Installations</u>				
(a) Junior Dock	1973	500.00	10	50.00
(b) Laser Dock/Dry sail Area	1974	662.00	10	67.00
	1975	423.00	10	43.00
	1976	3,678.00	10	368.00
	1967	167.00	10	17.00
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Total for 2.		\$ 5,430.00		\$ 545.00
3. <u>Marine Equipment</u>				
(a) Safety Boat & Mercury	1974	1,041.00	10	105.00
(b) Code 40's (2)	1976	3,240.00	10	324.00
(c) Refurbishing of Prams	1976	710.00	10	71.00
(d) 420's (2)	1978	5,004.00	10	500.00
(e) Racing Buoys	1981	60.00	20	12.00
(f) Sail	1981	95.00	20	19.00
(g) Buoys	1982	126.65	20	25.33
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Total for 3.		\$ 10,276.65		\$ 1,056.33
4. <u>Non-Marine Equipment</u>				
(a) Coffee Maker	1973	150.00	10	15.00
(b) Stove	1980	86.00	20	17.00
(c) Chairs, Folding (20)	1980	380.00	20	76.00
(d) Armchairs (6)	1980	594.00	20	118.00
(e) Rugs	1980	140.00	20	28.00
(f) Manager's Desk	1980	203.00	20	40.00
(g) Tools	1981	125.00	20	45.00
(h) Kitchen Equipment	1982	324.82	20	64.96
(i) Stereo	1982	416.21	20	83.24
(j) Lockers	1982	24.00	20	4.80
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Total for 4.		\$ 2,443.03		\$ 492.00
GRAND TOTALS		\$ 43,041.68		\$ 3,337.33
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ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION AS PER BALANCE SHEET

Accumulated Depreciation to September 30, 1981	\$ 19,666.46
Add: Depreciation for Current Year	3,337.33
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	23,003.79
Less: Depreciation on Written-off or Disposed of Items	6,120.00
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Accumulated Depreciation as per Balance Sheet Sept.30/82	\$ 16,883.79
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A G.R.V.C. CHRONICLE - THE FIRST FIVE YEARS

(Contributed by Patrick M.O. Evans -Founding Member and Club Archivist)

September 2, 1962 A small group met to discuss plans for mooring their boats the following season, as wharfage arrangements currently in use would no longer be valid. Present at this meeting were Patrick M.O. Evans, Gerald V. Byers, Ivan W. Herbert, J. Allan Richens and John Winfield. After some discussion, Pat, who had tried three years previously to get a club going without success, suggested the formation of a boat club and the procuring of timbers for a floating dock.

This idea was looked on with favour and the Gatineau Boat Club came into being, with only one officer being elected, as temporary Secretary-Treasurer, he being Ivan Herbert. The chosen club colours were white and navy blue. The club pennant was to be a white triangle with a navy blue border, with suitable crest centred, and to incorporate the club's initials.

September 16, 1962 The club members went foraging for timbers, obtaining a good supply from a C.P.R. railway bridge which was in the process of being replaced.

September 19, 1962 Second meeting of the Club. Three new members were welcomed, George Cochrane, Alex Wylie and Ken Scott. Officers elected were: President - Ivan Herbert; Secretary - Pat Evans; Treasurer - Alex Wylie. Gerry Byers was appointed engineer-in-chief of mooring. A small committee of Pat Evans, Alex Wylie, Al Richens and George Cochrane was appointed to look after membership recruitment and to set up a scale of fees.

September 30, 1962 Second forage for timbers.

October 3, 1962 Third meeting of Club. Alex Topolski joined. Name changed to Gatineau Yacht Club.

November 15, 1962 A general and public meeting called, with 24 present. Several new members accepted. Fees agreed upon.

November 28, 1962 The first set-back; the President resigned for personal reasons. George Cochrane elected. The term "Commodore" substituted for President.

December 10, 1962 Officers of the Club met with Arnold D. Wilson to draft by-laws.

December 13, 1962 Membership taken in the Canadian Yachting Association.

During the winter months plans for the mooring proceeded; other committees were hard at work and Arn Wilson was appointed as Vice-Commodore.

February 28, 1963 Second general meeting, with 29 present. Membership grew to 38 adults and 16 juniors. By-laws accepted. The Snave trophy presented. Al Richens appointed Fleet Captain.
Name changed to Gatineau River Yacht Club, because of possible confusion with the Town of Gatineau.

March 5, 1963 Membership now 45 Seniors and 21 Juniors.

The arrival of spring touched off a flurry of activity. With the help of the Gatineau Boom Company the jetty timbers were launched and anchored, arrangements were completed to rent Rita Mitchell's cottage for a clubhouse - all this at the foot of the hill.

Parties of members were busy with the new wharfage and putting into shape the rented "clubhouse". The first boat on the new jetty was "Spray" of Pat Evans. Membership grew to 52 and 26. Application papers for incorporation arrived from Quebec City.

June 16, 1963 First race: 1st. Frazer-Harris; 2nd. Richens; 3rd. Ireland.

During June and July racing and work parties alternated. The Edelweiss and Wakefield Inn trophies were presented for competition. Junior sailing, swimming and canoe classes got under way. A Bingo Night was held. A Club Cruise and Picnic was conducted. The Club was represented for the first time at an "away" regatta, at Britannia Yacht Club. A Treasure Hunt was organized for boat crews.

August 10 and August 11, 1963 First Invitational Regatta. 1st. John Davies (GRVC); 2nd. John Agnew (RCNSA); 3rd. Frazer Frazer-Harris (GRVC).

August 24, 1963 First Junior Regatta.

The balance of the season saw racing continue 'midst much enthusiasm. On September 2, our birthday was observed. Prize-giving Dinner was held at the Wakefield Inn. The search continued for a clubhouse site. Terrific news! Frank Macintyre phoned Pat Evans about the island being up for sale.

November 27, 1963 First Annual Meeting. Officers elected for 1964 were:
Commodore - George Cochrane; Vice-Commodore - Arnold Wilson;
Rear-Commodore - A.B.F. Frazer-Harris; Secretary - Patrick Evans; Treasurer - Alex Wylie; Fleet Captain - Al Richens. Membership was 106 Seniors and 75 Juniors, for a total of 181. But the big news was the "island proposition".

The winter months were very much "on again - off again" with respect to the island dream. The Executive, although receiving a mandate from the membership to procure the island, was bedevilled by the question "how?" Plans for financing the scheme were discussed, amended, abandoned and retrieved. Visits were made to the island over the ice to assess and discuss. The \$100 Loan Scheme was adopted and arrangements completed to

purchase. Then came that Red Letter Day:-----

April 8, 1964

The Club's offer to purchase accepted - we own our "tight little island!"

To continue down through the years:

1964

The Club's boom jetty swung towards the island and extended to meet it.

C.J.O.H. Regatta and weekly racing. The Macintyre Shield presented and competed for.

Eight "Otter" prams were arranged for by Frazer-Harris.

The island club and the prams were put into service on "Commissioning Day", July 4. The members "sailed past".

Juniors at Dow's Lake secured first place for GRVC.

Second Invitational Regatta.

First NATIONAL 420 REGATTA held at GRVC.

First Theme Party - Hawaiian Luau.

First Night Race, in the dark.

GRVC's 2nd birthday.

Jackson, CJOH, Evans and Commodore's trophies presented.

G.P.14 Regatta organized by Barry Jeffery.

Fall Frostbite run, for the new O'Keefe Trophy.

Prize-Giving at the Wakefield Inn.

Second Annual Meeting. Arn Wilson - Commodore; Dick Medland - Vice-Commodore; Arthur Brown - Rear-Commodore.

Two more trophies presented to the Club -- Molson, for Spring Frostbite and Carling, for Fleet Captain's Choice -- nice Christmas presents.

December 26: River frozen solid and people skating everywhere on the glare ice.

1965

Sample of the Club's new pennant received from Cheong Lee of Hong Kong. Excellent; we'll order a small stock to be sold to members.

Early in March, John Young presented a beautiful silver tray for V-Flyer competition.

Private little party to say farewell to the Wylies who are going back to British Guiana.

The pennants arrived from Hong Kong - prompt delivery, eh?

Ed Quipp and Pat Evans start construction of the lighthouse in Ed's basement.

Early spring and a party starts on changes in the clubhouse - tearing out the walls to make one large room, re-equipping the kitchen and opening out a new front door, with ramp approach.

The Club acquired a second-hand pontoon barge, soon to be equipped with a motor.

The ladies held a coffee-sherry party in the spring to which were invited guests of the area yacht clubs and Larrimac Golf Club. About 60 attended.

1965 (cont'd)

May 15 - the first Frostbite.

The two-week work stint on the clubhouse produced wonderful results. Ed Quipp congratulated for master-minding the nautical transformation. The ship's mast gives just the right touch.

The concessionaire came early to assess the situation with respect to the canteen. Don Bell, the Watch Officer, also came to prepare for his summer's job, which amounts to "managing affairs" for the Directors, in their absence.

Victoria Day (May 24) a fun race was organized.

Adjustments and furnishing in the clubhouse. Pat Evans presented a ship's wheel for the mantelpiece.

A system of second races, after the usual competition first race, was instituted. They were called Pennant Races because the winner of each race received a prize of a club pennant.

The completed lighthouse arrived. What fun and games to exchange the old race shack at the "point" for the new lighthouse. The barge nearly sank during the operation. The lighthouse looks great and plans are discussed about putting in electricity. The old shack was moved to a new spot and is to become the Pram Shack.

The Clubhouse door got painted yellow on one side and red on the other. The fireplace bricks were painted blue and Harold Reid did the floor yellow.

The Frostbite series ended and the regular series commenced.

The C.J.O.H. Regatta was held June 19 and 20. Arn Wilson won the Frostbite, son Michael won the C.J.O.H.

The Club's piano turned purple overnight.

July 1, 1965

Sailpast, with 13 boats and four prams. Vice-Commodore Dick Medland took the salute in the absence of Arnold Wilson. George Beers and Len Jarrett used the day to construct a new bridge between the islands.

July 11 and
July 12, 1965

The Invitational Regatta. 1st. Don Fraser (RCNSA); 2nd. Jim Brown (GRVC); 3rd. Peter Williams (RAYC).

July 21 - first of the Evening Series. National Capital Regatta at Britannia, with GRVC well represented. Jim Brown was 1st in 420's and Bob Lewis and Pat Evans, 3rd and 5th in the Day Sailer class.

July 24 - Macintyre Shield won by Gord and Marg Grant. Gordon Grant's newly designed race marker used for the first time.

August, 1965

Civic Holiday (August 2) Crewmen's Race for Medland Shield, won by John Jeffery. Ladies' Race Day (August 7): "Danny" Fell won, in Prams, and fell out of her Pram after crossing the finish line. C.J.O.H. Regatta won by Jim Brown. Theme Party (August 14) in Western Costime - about 85 people. Parking lot deal progressing but can't say the same for our

1965 (cont'd) incorporation -- our lazy lawyer, or what?
Cold and heavy winds (August 29) but some brave souls decided to race. Some excitement as a ten-year old boy got himself "lost" but was later found along the tracks. Believe it or not, a few snow flakes were seen! Going-away party for the Fells at the Wilsons.

September, 1965 Junior Championship Races (September 2) won by Jim Brown in the 13 - 18 age group. Bill Frazer-Harris won the Under 13 class.
Labour Day: the last of the Regular Series, won by Jim Brown. The footwalk on the boom is finished (September 17).
Our Junior Squadron at Dow's Lake (September 25). The RCNSA took the Evans and Kert Trophy by a "squeak" over GRYC. The two Jeffery boys did well.
September 26: a most peculiar day for the Frostbite. The winds blew and the boats flew - what an eerie sensation to belt through the waves and not see your opponents except for the top half of their sails above the drifting mists - and later it snowed.

October, 1965 Thanksgiving Day - a good crowd for clean-up. The ladies serve us hot turkey for lunch, with all the trimmings. Yum! Presentation Dinner (October 22) at St. Louis Hotel in Hull. About 90 present.
October 30: the drawbridge raised for the winter.
New Planning Committee organized with Dick Medland as Chairman.

November 24, 1965 3rd. Annual Meeting. Nothing controversial. Application for incorporation still being delayed at the lawyer's.

1966 Rod Daugherty applied for position of 1966 Watch Officer. Planning Commission started its work in February. Parking lot deal concluded. Incorporation application withdrawn from lawyer and will be handed to another. Early spring, and parties over to the island to tidy up and burn brush.
What a shock - the C.V.A. fees up to \$105, from \$10 !!
Usual plans to prepare for '66 season: concessionaire - committee chairmen - instructors, etc. Planning Commission continues its work.
First boats launched (April 30). Two weeks later the first of the Frostbites.

June, 1966 Early June, the C.B.C. arrive to film activities at GRYC. Planning Commission continues review "on site" - question of a new clubhouse being a possibility.
June 17 - GRYC on TV this evening - a good show !
C.J.O.H. Regatta won by Dick Medland.
Bang, bang!! hammering at the clubhouse (June 24) - the kitchen is being expanded and a window added. Esther Gachnang is the '66 concessionaire and appreciates extended space.

- July 1, 1966 Sail-past, Club Commodore Arn Wilson. 16 boats.
Dave Ellerton starts as Sailing Instructor (July 4).
- July 9 and
July 10, 1966 GRVC Invitational. Wild winds on the second day, 180
watchers gasp as one terrific blast upsets more than half
the 38 boats. The winner was Jim Brown.
- July 16 and
July 17, 1966 National Capital Regatta at Britannia. GRVC did well in
Albacores -- 1st. Connla Wood; 2nd. Bob Lewis; 4th. Pat
Evans.
The old electric stove needs to be disposed of - it ends up
as anchor for the new swimming raft.
Macintyre Shield Day (July 23). Won by Gord Grant in a
"great drift".
- August, 1966 Ladies' Race Day (August 6). Won by Judy Dodunski.
Crewmens' Race Day (August 7). Won by Lynn Omholt-Jensen.
GRVC represented at 420 National Regatta. Jim Brown and
Bruce MacDonald came first, Kent Omholt-Jensen came fourth.
An excellent showing.
August 20: the Theme Party, a Roman one, 90% wore costume.
Lots of fun with "dancing girls" (of both sexes).
Junior Squadron Regatta at Dow's Lake. The finals were won
again by RCNSA in spite of Kent Omholt-Jensen's five firsts
and two seconds.
Moonlight Race (Saturday, August 27). Prams with garden
torches for marks. Dick Medland declared the winner.
- September, 1966 Fourth birthday party (September 3). Junior Prize-giving,
and Indian display by the juniors in the evening.
Labour Day - a fun race organized by Pat Evans. Racers
could not round marks in consecutive order: set one's own
course and hope for the best.
- September 19 Jim Brown and Bruce MacDonald came SECOND in the North Amer-
ican "420" Championships held at Ossining, N.Y. Congratu-
lations from us all at GRVC.
- October, 1966 Albacore Regatta for the Ottawa area held at GRVC (October 2).
Connla Wood won the Thompson Trophy, presented by Phil
Thompson.
October 10 - Thanksgiving and Clean-Up Day. The ladies
again serve a hot turkey dinner, with all the trimmings.
Final meeting of the Planning Commission (October 18) and an
excellent report prepared.
Legal work for incorporation completed (October 19) and the
papers signed.
Presentation Dinner held at the Sampan Restaurant (October 21).
The O-J's held a costume party for the going-away of the Ted
Jacksons.
- November 23 Fourth Annual Meeting. Planning Commission's report rec-
eived mixed reception, but agreement in principle.

1966 (cont'd)

Dick Medland elected Commodore at AGM.
Albacore owners get together at HMCS Carleton on November 29, and form an Ottawa and area Albacore Association, with the GRYC's Conna Wood as President.
Ted Jackson and Pat Evans were GRYC's reps at the Annual Meeting on December 1 of the St. Lawrence Valley Yacht Racing Association at the Royal St. Lawrence Y.C. at Dorval.
David McQueen bought the first Albacore manufactured by Skene Boats in Ottawa and brought it up to GRYC. Jack Patterson bought his Albacore from Grampian.

1967

Well, here it is -- CENTENNIAL YEAR, and much planning.
January 18, a Red Letter day. Word was received that our Incorporation was achieved on November 24, 1966. How does it look? GATINEAU RIVER YACHT CLUB, INCORPORATED.
New fees set at \$50 for Family, \$35 for Seniors and \$20 for Intermediates.
Annual Meeting of the Canadian Yachting Association at Royal St. Lawrence Y.C. (February 4), attended by Dick Medland and Jim Brown.
GRYC has been offered sponsorship of one of the NATIONAL JUNIOR CENTENNIAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTAS - and we've accepted the challenge. Not bad for a club less than five years old!
Social evening (February 24) at HMCS Carleton for area sailors.

Spring, 1967

Dick Medland, Ted Jackson (soon to leave) and Pat Evans work hard on brushing up and bringing by-laws into line with new incorporation. The by-laws were presented to the membership at a special meeting late in April. What a day -- it's Opening Day at EXPO, By-Laws ratified and our Charter received. Jim Brown ran a series of sailing classes this spring with good attendance
Plans rapidly taking shape for the Junior Regatta. We are to expect young sailors from coast to coast. We're to sleep and keep them while they're here.
The season gets off to a start - Spring Frostbite - Junior Squadron organizes - C.J.O.H. Regatta - much work and painting of clubhouse - flagpole painted and rigged with gaff and yard, equipped with new halliards. Only the very best for Centennial Year and Junior Regatta.

Dominion Day

The Sail-past had to be postponed a week - cool and rainy. Trials for Junior Squadron (July 4) to pick representatives from GRYC at Evans & Kert competition.

July 8 and
July 9, 1967

Centennial Invitational Regatta at GRYC. Social Evening and Supper, with well over 200 people (Quality Caterers). GRYC did not do too well. Bill Fell managed a 4th place in the Y-Flyer class.

July 15 and
July 16, 1967

GRYC Albacore sailors at Britannia for the National Capital Regatta. We managed to pick up: 1st. Connla Wood; 3rd. Barrie Jeffery; 4th. Bob Lewis; 5th. Pat Evans and 7th. Phil Thompson. Just short of a clean sweep. Our Junior Squadron is leading in the Evans & Kert (July 18). Connla Wood constructs and launches a new swimming raft for the Club.

August, 1967

Ladies' Day Race (August 5) won by Heather Quipp.
Crewmen's Day Race (August 6) won by Ross Laycraft.
GRYC sailors at New Edinburgh for the regatta. 1st. Phil Thompson; 2nd. Connla Wood; 4th. Pat Evans (August 12).
Our Junior Squadron sailors are still leading (August 15) as they enter the final races for the Evans & Kert, only to have the trophy snatched from their grasp by the RCNSA Juniors -- for the fourth year in a row.
Sad news today (August 17). John Winfield, one of the Club's five founding members, was killed in a car accident, and son Kim very badly injured. The evening's Theme Party postponed out of respect.
August 19 and 20 -- The Macintyre Shield won by Gord and Marg Grant for the third successive year.

August 21 to
August 25, 1967

NATIONAL CENTENNIAL JUNIOR REGATTA. Juniors from Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Edmonton and Vancouver. The main effort of course is to compete in sailing, but there were social parties, tours in to Ottawa, etc., etc. The visitors are being hosted by GRYC families at their homes so there's much socializing between visiting and GRYC Juniors. Competition is keen, in Albacores loaned by Club members, and is carried on over a period of days. Winners are the Vancouver team of Alan Drinkwater and Patrick Finnigan. On the last evening there was the "big bash". A Navy band arrived to play on the island; Dr. Gaston Isabelle presented gold, silver and bronze medals to those who won or placed, while the Hon. Doug Harkness (one of our own members) presented Centennial Medals to all the other competitors. Quality Caterers served an excellent buffet supper to the 220 participants. GRYC may well make a bow.

September 2, 1967

G.R.Y.C.'s fifth birthday. Film presentation by Phil Thompson, followed by presentation of prizes to the Juniors, and the usual birthday cake and ice cream to bring the event to a happy end.
The balance of the Centennial Sailing season sees the usual Frostbite Series and other trophy races being crammed into a very busy 100th birthday year for our Country.

So there's the first five years of the Club affectionately known by its initials G.R.Y.C. as extracted from the Club's log. The history does not end here, of course. As the years have continued to roll by, evolution has taken place; some traditions have continued, others have been established from time to time, a few have been discarded where they served no useful purpose.

In the years that followed the "first five" many "happenings" have taken place. Can you remember all or any of the following happening at, or in connection with, G.R.Y.C?

- You never knew the island was not the home of the yacht club -- then you are aged 20 or younger.
- The Annual Meetings being held at the Wakefield Inn, the Anglican and United Church Hall and the Elementary School in Wakefield, the Barn and Municipal Chambers in Aylmer.
- The disposal of the purple piano, how it bumped and jumped as it went over the cliff.
- Changes in the old clubhouse, the enlargement of the kitchen and later its reduction; changing the old front porch to a senior's lounge; the construction of bunker seats, the new front deck, etc.
- The \$100 Loan changed to an Initiation Fee because capital funds were so hard to build up when the Club had to refund a resignee's loan.
- The term Watch Officer became Staff Officer, finally Manager.
- When "You & G.R.Y.C." was first issued to each membership, and you knew where you stood.
- The boom walkway had a plywood decking and when the boom broke, once in the middle and next time at the island end, and when it had to be buoyed up.
- When G.R.Y.C. bought the land around the island and on the mainland between high water and low water marks, and how Ed Quipp's crane installed the steel culvert which now serves as the crib where the drawbridge is installed. What an artiste that crane operator was!
- "The Masthead", under the editorship of a series of devoted editors and how it came out at odd times in the winter to keep members abreast of plans for the next season.
- When the shacks on the property became changing huts - with lockers.
- The cornboils, when we ate corn until it came out of our ears.
- The Junior parties on Friday nights.
- When the barge became so waterlogged and was replaced by two crash boats.
- The signs which announced "NO PETS ... NO DOGS".
- The Gypsy, Flower Power, Space Age and Shipwreck Theme Parties.
- How G.R.Y.C. lured Graeme Parkinson to the island to become Manager.
- The institution of the Hansum Transum, to recognize those bizarre and often spectacular things that happened to people, or were caused to be happened by such persons.
- Our sailors who competed in "foreign" waters, who either covered themselves - and GRYC - in glory by gaining firsts, seconds or thirds or did so badly that we never heard about it; such stalwarts as Connla Wood, Phil Thompson, Colin Ramplee-Smith, Dave Strutt, Geoff

Erskine, Bill Andrews and others; and members of our Junior Squadron who likewise took their skills with them and made a showing.

- How the interest in 420's waned and the new and exciting Lasers took over and became the boat to own and sail: Albacores have remained a steady favourite.
- How the "single-handed" sailing at the Club required trophies and how generously our members came through and presented such trophies.
- The succession of Canteen concessionaires who each in turn satisfied the hungers of so many of us -- Hazel Murray, Esther Gachnang, Nikki de Villiers, Geoff Erskine, Wanda Wilde and Heidi Honegger, Nick Andrews, John Pomeroy and others.
- The Prize-giving Parties at the Crow's Nest in the Navy Mess, at Carleton U. and Jimmy's Restaurant, and other places; what fun they were and how modestly the winners went up to receive their trophies midst much applause from their fellow sailors.
- The combined events with the Larrimac Golf Club, called "Hit & Blow", when our sailors spent the morning at the Golf Club, trying to pop a little white pill into a series of tin cups let into the ground. At midday the golfers put on a spread for the hungry mob; and in the afternoon the sailors took their landlubber friends on board for a spin, and likely scared them half out of their wits: and how the day was finished by GRYC providing the evening meal -- a good time, etc., etc.
- The 24-hour races at Stormont Y.C. which attracted members of our Junior Squadron to go and compete.
- The construction of the new dock and shack for the "dry" sailors -- and how the dry sailors became less so up in the Clubhouse.
- The institution of "Midnight Madness" by Geoff Erskine -- and the parties which followed in the wee small hours.
- The "clean-up" or "put away" parties, with everyone at least trying to look busy, and how the weather was either beautiful or foul according to the mood of the weatherman: how everyone enjoyed the company of everyone else and the work surprisingly got done.
- How we enjoyed those meals on Wednesday evenings and at the weekends, put up by the concessionaire.
- The break-ins and the pilferings in and around the canteen and the trap we set, only to catch in the net some nude swimmers who came from town late at night to cool off in their male and female birthday suits.
- The competitions for the Young Tray by the Y-Flyers in the early days and how gradually interest waned and the trophy was retired.
- The SAILORAMAs which were instituted by Pat Evans, and you never knew what weird event he'd come up with each year.
- The long up-river races when it was either a drifter or a hell-bent sail.

- The picnics up at Banana Island, with the island almost being sunk by the sheer weight of the visiting sailors.
- Jim Strutt's model of a new clubhouse and the dream of the members, which came to reality: the many hours of back-breaking work and the various skills of the members put at GRVC's disposal: the satisfaction of being able to say "we did it ourselves", and the wonder of it.
- And can you remember?
- When Gord and Geoff Erskine were little tykes and they sat in their Flying Junior just yards from the finish line and watching the other juniors one by one coming up and passing them, and the advice we all yelled to the Erskines from shore - all to no avail.
- When Fraser got mad with the race starter because he was 7 seconds late with his starting signal.
- When one of the three catamarans, up from Britannia, turned turtle and it took three motor boats, in tandem, to turn her right side up.
- When Frances Leeney sat in a Pram in the middle of the river, armed with a candle, and recorded the participants of one of those early night races coming over the finish line.
- When GRVC had a Visitors' Book which was a useful indicator of the visitors who shared our facilities even if only for a brief while: sad abuse of the book caused its withdrawal -- the same type of abuse cost us our suggestion book.
- When the Juniors, all much older now, attended Ainley Jackson's handi-craft classes, making tikkis for sale to raise funds -- and others who joined Judy Crawley's nature rambles around the islands.
- When the start-finish line was manned (pre women's lib) by the ladies -- Jen Quipp, Musie Brown, Jane Lewis and Lynne Grant, to mention a few.
- Do our members realize that Rene Gachnang has been servicing the Club's water supply -- "on" in spring and "off" in the fall, ever since we moved to our island home.
- Who remembers the flower boxes around the old clubhouse? the box supper socials? the Bingo parties? the Square Dances? the Boat Fund?

Obviously other members will be able to recall other memories of growing up but the foregoing will convey by word picture the foundation upon which the G.R.V.C. was built. Now, FAIR WINDS AND A SNUG HARBOUR, to all.