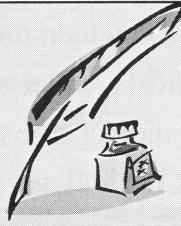


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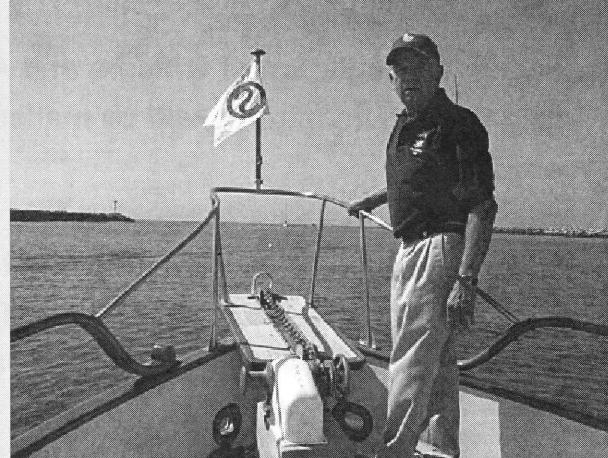
Tony Musolino Commodore

The last three Regattas and the Annual General Meeting which included election of 2008 Officers made for some busy times at the Lake and our Club. It took a heap of effort by many, we had fun and got our business done.

...evening. We even had a call for more chairs! The Room was "rockin" with guests from Mission Bay YC, Dana Point YC, Dana West YC, Balboa YC, Alamitos Bay YC, and many of our club members. Junior Sailor – Sabot competition was almost 50% of our total event with twelve entries.

We had a good showing of Thistles, which drew six entries. Three from visiting yacht clubs; two from Mission Bay Yacht Club

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Post-its from the Secretary

The Club extends a warm welcome to our newest members **Mia and Toshio Ishikawa**.

Our membership now stands at seventy-four and I hope you all received the last roster for the year, with all changes and additions, which I emailed recently. Let me know if you had trouble downloading and I'll mail you a hard copy.

Remember to save this date.

January 12. Installation of Officers and Annual Awards Dinner. Invitations will be mailed out in December.

No racing now until January but we still get together around 7 pm every Wednesday at Round Table pizza (beside Michael's) on Marguerite and La Paz. Only competition there is to try to get a word in! All members are welcome.

Hope you have a joyous holiday season and that 2008 will be a happy and peaceful year for all of us.

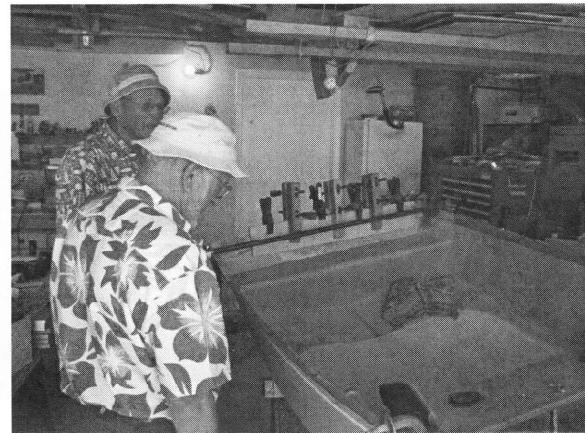
Audrey Simenz

Good News by Rod Simenz

Good News – Bad News

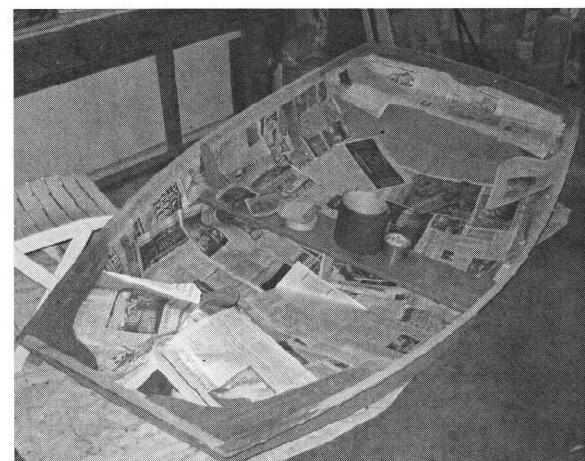
First the good news; a Lake member wanted to donate a Sabot to our club. After consideration of issues of storage, upkeep, usage and insurance your board decided it would be an asset to the members and the offer was accepted. Then the bad news! We found extensive rot in the bow, transom, corner braces and rails. Tony Musolino, Frank Fournier, John Olsen and I went at it removing all the damaged wood. In our exuberance we managed to

delaminate the bow and the transom to the extent that we could see day light through the hull in both places. None of us are naval architects but the holes in the bow and transom did not give the hull a sea worthy appearance. So repair of the hull was added to the list.



Tony came up with an assortment of hardwood lumber for John to work with and he pretty much

took over. He fiber glassed the bow and transom, and crafted and installed some beautiful replacement pieces of wood which restored the boat to "as good as new"



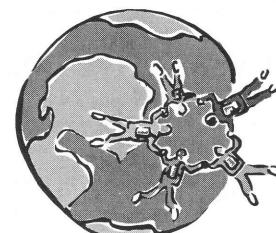
condition. This boat has the lightest hull of all the club Sabots and has proved to be very fast.

Thanks to all

who helped with this project with very special thanks to John Olsen for a great job.

Editor's note.....

GO GREEN !!!



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and one from Balboa Yacht Club. Rounding out the event, we had seven Portsmouth Class entrants, one from Alamitos Bay and the remaining from our Club.:

The Winners

Thistle: 1st – Robertson/Anctil – MBYC, 2nd Porrorak/Cook/Pai- MBYC

Portsmouth: 1st – Weiler/Newman, 2nd Hugelshofer, 3rd –Fournier/Corning- (all-LMVYC)

Sabot B: 1st – Shaw-DWYC, 2nd – Yu-LMVYC, 3rd – Sams- DPYC

Sabot C: 1st – Keuther- DPYC, 2nd – Connors- DWYC

Everyone seemed to have a great time, the Juniors were the center of attraction and rightly so. Lots of fun, glory, and food. The Hot Dogs and Chili hit the spot and there was enough to cover “thirds”. Thanks to the many club members who promoted the event. Our Club website, e-mail, posting of Flyers at many of the guest Yacht Clubs and word of mouth all did the trick. Next year should be even better.

Top Skippers Regatta

Congratulations to defending champion Arnold Christensen. He repeated this year by scoring seven points, excluding the

throw-out, in the five race Regatta. Fellow Top Skippers Willi Hugelshofer and Randy Tiffany followed by finishing 2nd and 3rd, scoring 11 and 12 points respectively. For some of our newer members, the Lake Mission Viejo Association Capri 14.2 keel boat fleet is used for this traditional annual event. Weeks before, LMYC members coordinated with LMVA management and dock personnel to make the boats “race ready”. This includes a thorough survey of the boats for removal and replacement of worn running rigging (main and jib sheets), hardware and fasteners, final tuning of the standing rigging (mast, boom, shrouds and roller furling) and power washing of the hulls. Ten boats are “cherry picked” for the event. Through a simple lottery, five different boats are drawn by each of the Top Ten Skippers, one for each race. After each race, Skippers dock at the East Beach, exchange boats and are back out on the lake for the next race. The “Luck of the Draw” - fast, slow, and so-so boats is always a factor and the story goes that a few boats were really slow....c'est la vie! Our Top Skippers know these boats very well and have a good idea what is in store. Congratulations to all the Skippers for making the event successful, they really got a work out. The 2007 Top Skippers Regatta caps that were handed out at the Skippers Meeting by Race

Chair Rod Simenz were a big hit and a nice reminder of how great it is to belong to LMVYC.

Turkey Regatta-Annual General Meeting

This regatta was the finale....seventh. and last of the Fleet Championship Series, which began on Opening Day in March. Although the turnout was light with thirteen entrants across Fleets A thru C, the sailors had a great time. Competing with Club entrants in the A Fleet, were guests Joe O'Reilly and his wife Hideko, from Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. Sailing their C-15 in the October Invitational and joining all afterward must have set well, so they came back for more.

Two Thistles, two C-15s and one Finn were skippered in the A Fleet with Weiler/Newman and the O'Reillys' claiming 1st and 2d respectively; one point made the difference! Some how four Capri 14.2 Skippers wound up taking out two boats, joining Ced Fields in his Condor. It would have been nice to have two more Capri 14.2s in the race and we are going to work on that. Randy Tiffany and Robert Van Pelt took 1st place. There were five entrants in the budding C Fleet, 3 Capri 14.2 keel boats and 2 Sabots. Frank Fournier sailing solo, and Dave/Donna Livermore were 1st and 2nd place finishers

respectively. Keep an eye on Frank....follow and watch him all the way! Congratulations to all.

Annual General Meeting

Combining business with pleasure after the Regatta was a challenge. I may have stretched the time frame a bit, but we managed to have a successful meeting. We followed our Agenda quite well and gave due attention to the important aspects of our Club; our accomplishments, present position, and plans for the future. The election of 2008 Officers and Commodore Appointments has put the Club in a strong position to move forward with the current momentum and do more good things. We are grateful for their commitment.

A special thanks to Nominating Committee Chair Vivienne Savage, Committee Members Sue Edwards, Randy Tiffany, Commodore-elect Ron Meyer, Secretary Audrey Simenz, and the general membership. You all helped make a difference. The Meeting Minutes included in this Newsletter report the proceedings.

Club Room Upgrades

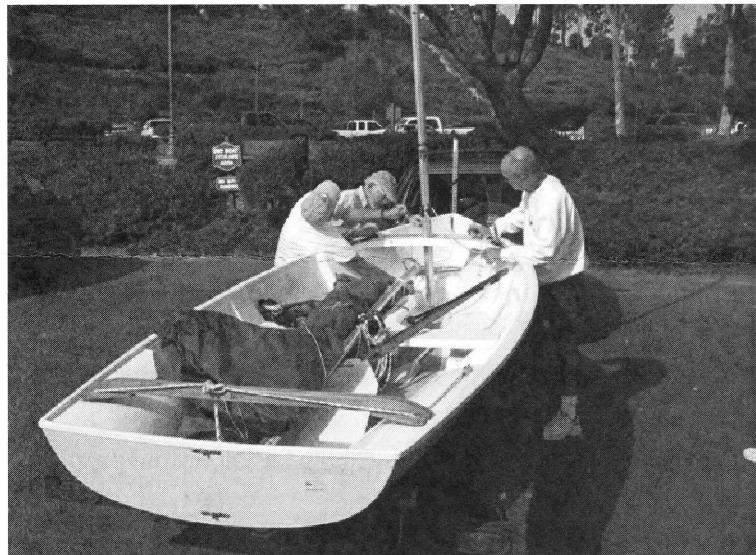
The LMVA management has just made a favorable decision to paint the Club Room the weekend of November 30. We are pleased with this action, pending long-range improvements. On quick notice,

Rear Commodore-elect Morrie Willkie and his wife Cathie, Co-Fleet Surgeon-elect responded to my call for help to take down all the club items mounted on the walls in preparation for the painting crew.

Everything will have to be re-mounted and with the new paint job the Club Room will be nicely decorated just in time for the upcoming Christmas Party on December 8th. Volunteers can contact Morrie to finish the job.

Club-owned Fleet

Four Balboa 13 sailboats are recent additions and we are grateful for the generosity of Balboa Yacht Club members who donated them. We expect the boats to substantially enhance our plans next year



for introducing many of our newer non-sailing members to the excitement of casual and competitive sailing. Race Chair Rod Simenz, who was instrumental in LMVYC seizing the opportunity is

working on the plan details. The logistics went extremely well on a Saturday morning in mid-November thanks to joint support from staff and members at both Clubs. Robert Van Pelt, Morrie Willkie, David Livermore, Rod Simenz, Ron Meyer, Ed Rodriguez and Frank Fournier all chipped in. Thanks to Rod Simenz for capturing the scene at the small boat dry storage area at the Lake. Also, we are appreciative of the LMVA general management and staff for their support of our plan.

Christmas Party & Holiday Boat Parade

Saturday, December 8th is the date! Rear Commodore – elect Morrie Willkie is LMVYC's Christmas Party Chair. A group of LMVYC member volunteers traditionally meet dockside by the Club Room building on Saturday morning to build the "Schooner" and string lights on the Party Boats, which the LMVA will provide to the Club for the Parade. The articles featured in the December 2007/January 2008 edition of *Noticia del Lago* nicely cover the LMVA program. (I hope you have read the one about LMVYC on the back page, thanks to Club Secretary Audrey Simenz) Our Party will be held in the Club Room starting at 5:00pm and naturally will require support from member volunteers. Members can contact Morrie at 949-8309615...e-mail: mwillkie@cox.net and Fleet Surgeon, Tami Nicklin at 305-8578

....e-mail: taminicklin@yahoo.com A great evening is in store for all of us to celebrate the Holiday Season.

Officers Installation and Awards Dinner

January 12th at the Fish Market and Grill located at Market on the Lake in Mission Viejo is the date and place. No need to resort to Map Quest or GPS! Long range planning started months ago by Club Officers and Board Members with Event Chair Donna Livermore at the helm for the second year. Member invitations will be mailed soon and we are expecting a great turn out. It will be a special evening dedicated in recognition to the many officers, board members, appointees and sailors who have helped make the LMVYC a proud and respected yachting organization. We look forward to Commodore-elect Ron Meyer and all those who join him in office in 2008 to do a great job and our aim is to give them all a great send off!

We hope you all have a wonderful time during the Holidays!

Minutes of the LMVYC annual meeting

Board Members present: Willi Hugelshofer, Dave Livermore, Ron Meyer, Tony Musolino, Tami Nicklin, Ed Rodriguez, Vivienne Savage, Audrey Simenz, Rod Simenz, Robert VanPelt, Horst Weiler.

Board members absent: Jack McCollum, Chuck Seymour

Commodore Tony Musolino called the meeting to order at 4:28 pm.

Secretary Audrey Simenz stated we had the needed quorum of members present for business to be conducted.

Revisions to the Bylaws: Commodore Musolino asked the membership present if all had reviewed the proposed changes to the bylaws. A motion was made by Horst Weiler to approve the proposed changes to the bylaws. The motion was seconded by S/C Frank Fournier. By acclamation of members present the motion was approved. C. Musolino thanked members and noted the Club's continued adherence to the bylaws was important and provided a firm foundation for the management of the club.

Commodore Musolino commented that the Club is celebrating its 30th year then introduced some charter members: Ced Fields, Willi Hugelshofer, and Horst Weiler.

January 1, 2008 will see the transition from the 2007 Board to the incoming one. The planning guide, implemented this year, will aid the incoming Board in fulfilling their duties.

Our membership increased from forty-six members in 2005 to seventy-four family memberships in 2007, with new members drawn in by Horst Weiler's free sailing lessons, our excellent website, the Noticia articles, and word of mouth.

Treasurer Willi Hugelshofer requested that any members with approved expenses incurred on the Club's behalf, fill out an expense sheet, with receipts, and send to him ASAP

Commodore Musolino noted that an Initiation fee of \$25 was introduced this year and dues for the first year of membership are pro-rated quarterly. The Club is subsidized by the LMVA and is a respected part of the recreational programs at the Lake. Rapport between the LMVA and LMVYC is outstanding – We are working well together. And get lots of support from the LMVA. They provide facilities, party boats, event set-up, and the Capri 14.2 keel boat fleet. Boats are free to members on regatta days for Wednesday Night Sailing and we also get financial support! All of this enables LMVYC to operate in a viable manner. Placing LMVYC programs in perspective with other programs that the Lake offers to the Association membership....we "add value" and compliment one another.

Upgrades to the Clubroom have been deferred until the LMVA Long Range Planning Committee completes their evaluation. Member Rod Simenz is on the committee.

Commodore Musolino outlined a new plan for 2008 which will allocate Clubhouse responsibility more fairly among Club members.

A plan has been approved by the Board to instigate a "Duty Officer" role for all members, in a roster rotation. To continue as members in good standing every family membership will be expected to help the Fleet Surgeon, on an allotted day, with setting up and cleaning up after each Club event. It is expected that three family memberships will be needed at each regatta. With the present number of members the rotation should call on each membership no more than once every year. This provides a fair solution so that the same people are not doing the work after every regatta. The expected time will be 2 ½ to 3 hours, from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Members who volunteer to chair a complete scheduled event and hardworking Board members may ask to be excused from the rotation. More details will be mailed to members in late January 2008.

The Club has acquired four Sabots, thanks to the hard work of Rod Simenz, S/C John Olson, S/C Frank Fournier, and Commodore Tony Musolino, who spent many hours bringing the boats up to racing standards. These boats are available for members to sail on the Lake at any time.

Commodore Musolino then paid tribute to his Board of Officers and complimented them on their many hours of service.

Many of our members regularly volunteer in other Yacht Club's events and have provided assistance for the Ensenada Race for many years and just recently for American Legion Yacht Club's special sailing event for the blind and visually impaired.

Commodore Musolino thanked all the members who volunteer and make LMVYC the great club it is.

The Race Clinic planned for January was postponed due to high winds.

The Thistle Invitational had a disappointing turnout due to a calendar conflict.

The Fleet Captains all did a great job reaching out to other fleets and inviting them to our Fall Invitational.

Parade of Lights on December 8: Our Club could use another party boat and Commodore Musolino suggested any member who wished to sign up for the lottery, and won, could then provide another Club boat for the Parade. In response for a call for a volunteer to chair this event, Rear Commodore-elect Morrie Wilkie said he and his wife Cathie would take on the job.

Concluding his remarks, Commodore Musolino asked if there were any questions from the floor. There were none.

He then invited **Nominating Chair Jr. S/C Vivienne Savage** to come forward and present the nominating committee's slate of officers for 2008. The slate was read as follows:

Commodore Ron Meyer

V/C Arnold Christensen

R/C Morrie Willkie

Race Chair Rod Simenz,

Fleet Surgeon/s Marilyn Haehn and Cathie Willkie,

Secretary Audrey Simenz

Treasurer Willie Hugelshofer

Port Captain Peter Tietz

Jr. S/C Savage then called for any nominations from the floor. There were none.

Measurer Horst Weiler made a motion to close the nominations. **Randy Tiffany** seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

A second motion was made by **Measurer Horst Weiler** to approve the slate as presented. The motion was seconded by **Randy Tiffany**. The motion was approved.

Commodore Musolino then turned the meeting over to **Commodore-elect Ron Meyer** who announced his appointees for 2008 as follows:

Website S/C Roger Robison

Newsletter Jack McCollum

Quartermaster Randy Tiffany

Trophy Chair Robert VanPelt

Measurer Horst Weiler

Commodore-elect Ron Meyer announced that the Installation of Officers and Annual Awards dinner will be held at the *Fish Market and Grill on the Lake* on Saturday January 12. Invitations will be mailed to all members in December.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Minutes taken by Club Secretary Audrey Simenz

LMVYC INFO

Flag Officers

Commodore: **Tony Musolino**

457-0899

V/Commodore **Ron Meyer** **837-1197**

R/Commodore **Chuck Seymour** **586-9153**

Jr. S/Commdore **Vivienne Savage** **830-6695**

Officers

Race Chair **Rod Simenz** **462-0838**

Fleet Surgeon **Tami Nicklin**

305-8578

Treasurer **Willi Hugelshofer** **582-8350**

Secretary **Audrey Simenz** **462-0838**

Port Captain **Dave Livermore**

305-1644

Commodore Appointees 2007

Jr. Commodore **Ataya Seyhun** **951-6029**

Website **Roger Robison** **855-8094**

Quartermaster **Ed Rodriguez** **305-8578**

Trophy Chair **Bob Van Pelt**

488-2989

Measurer **Horst Weiler** **714-402-4439**

Sunshine Lady **Susan Marshall** **454-1223**

Newsletter **Jack McCollum** **235-1699**

Fleet Captains

C-15 **Horst Weiler** **714-402-4439**

Capri 14.2 **Randy Tiffany** **830-0826**

Capri 14.2K **Peter Tietz** **859-9266**

Finn **Willi Hugelshofer** **582-8356**

Thistle **Ron Meyer** **837-1197**

Wayfarer **Frank Fournier** **462-3282**

Regatta and Sailing Schedule

Midwinter Regatta	February 17
Opening Dayt Regatta	March 18
Thistle Invitational	March 31
Wednesday Night Sunset	
Sailing begins	April 4
Spring Regatta I	April 22
Spring Regatta II	May 20
Summer Regatta	June 24
Fri. Sunset Sail & BBQ	July 13
Fri. Sunset Sail & BBQ	August 3
LMVYC 30th Regatta	August 19
Fall Regatta	Sept. 23
LMVYC Fall Invatational	Oct. 6
Wed. Night Sailing Ends	Oct 10
Top Skippers Regatta	Oct. 21
Turkey Regatta	Nov. 11

RECIPROCALS

American Legion Yacht Club

Anacapa Yacht Club

Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club

Balboa Basin Yacht Club

Corsair Yacht Club

Cortez Racing Associaton

Dana Point Yacht Club

Dana West Yacht Club

Fairwind Yacht Club

Little Ships Fleet Yacht Club

Marina Venice Yacht Club

Marina Yacht Club of Long Beach

Navy Yacht Club San Diego

Pierpoint Bay Yacht Club

Redondo Beach Yacht Club

Santa Margarita Yacht Club of Camp Pendleton

Shoreline Yacht Club. Long Beach