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Commodore's Corner

Glenn Botzoldt

Fellow Renegaders, how lucky we are, us ice boaters. Winter is coming on and we are excited, while most sane people dread the prospect of winter, many are even making plans to head south to get away from it altogether.

For the last two seasons I have been fast and lucky enough to win the Senior trophy. You have to be 60 before you can even think about taking this one home, and then you have to get up and go to the regatta, and then you have to beat the other old farts, the likes of Jerry Simon, Archie Call, Jim Nordhaus and anyone else who is sailing ice in their Golden years .

We have to face it, there is no way in hell that any of us old farts are going to win the IRIYA Championship, so the Senior Trophy is it for us, it's our Championship. (Well, on second thought, there is a chance that Jerry could win the big one again. You know he builds the parts for Greg's boat, and we have on occasion (the last Toledo regatta) seen those parts fail and it paid off for Jerry.) But I digress.

If you haven't taken a look at this trophy, it's a beauty. It started out in 1925, as the Detroit Perpetual Ice Boat Trophy honoring Commodore George Marsh. From 1925 to 1936, it was the Stern Steerer trophy for boats with names like Zip, Elandor



Glenn Poses with the Senior Trophy

and Mischief, whose owners were respectively George Champine, Ralph Buchman and John Warren.

Then in 1936, Detroit built a new iceboat fleet called the DN 60 when *The Detroit News* opened up their workshop and 12 boats were made. Let's race! By 1938, the Garwood Regatta was started, and our Senior Trophy was the new DN Fleet Championship Trophy. It has all the names of the winners—Warren Dowling, Maurice Robinson, Howard McDougall and Walter Kalz. These winners' names from 1925 until 1947, are just names of guys like us, good-looking and wearing funny clothes. I tried to see if I

could find some information about them, but I had no luck as all their buddies have sailed on.

But after 1947, there are the two names that we all know, Bill Sarns and Skip Boston. They dominated the DN Fleet in the Garwood Regattas. For some unknown reason, 37 years went by with the trophy collecting dust somewhere. Then Detroit sailor Loren Sherry re-donated the trophy to the IRIYA with a deed of gift to the highest placing skipper over sixty in the championship regatta.

The first Renegader to take her home was Jack Ripp in 1997. Then the Menekunee boys, Roger Derusha and Arlyn Lafortune, got their turn. Jerry Simon took her to Madison for three years before I took her back home to Michigan where it all started.

I'm sorry that Loren didn't get his name on it before he retired his Renegade, but perhaps it's not too late. The Sherry's have a new generation of ice boaters coming up, and maybe if the weather cards get played right, he could have a crew to help him in a Lake St. Clair Regatta.

So now you have something even more to look forward to than winter, you can look forward to becoming a GIT—that's an "old geeser in training" and a chance at winning the Senior Trophy. Let's Have a Fun and Safe Season.

Officers

Commodore:
Glenn Betzoldt

Vice Commodore:
Doug Kolner

Directors:
John Lamont (2nd yr.)
Greg Simon (1st yr.)

Past Commodore:
Jim LaFortune

Secretary/Treasurer:
Ron Rosten

Important Dates:

IRIYA Championship Regatta

Jan. 8, 9, & 10, 2010

Regatta Hotline:

(608) 204-9876

Website:

www.iceboat.org/renegade.html

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IRIYA Championship Regatta

2010 Notice of Race

The IRIYA is frequently held in conjunction with the ISA regatta. Once again, it is possible the IRIYA regatta will be held independently of the ISA regatta.

All races will be sailed under the rules of the National Iceboat Authority and those of the International Renegade Ice Yacht Association.

The regatta will be scheduled on January 8, 9 and 10, 2010. The first race will be held at 10:00 AM (local time) on Friday, January 8, 2009. In the event the IRIYA regatta is postponed, the IRIYA regatta will not be scheduled on the same weekend as the Northwest Ice Yacht Association (NIYA) regatta. The NIYA regatta will take precedence.

Awards shall be given to the yachts placing first through eighth.

Entry fee is \$15.00 per yacht payable upon registration.

Registration will be at regatta headquarters from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM (local time) on Friday, January 8, 2009

Five (5) races are scheduled and **three** (3) are necessary to complete the regatta. If the IRIYA regatta is held separately from the ISA regatta, there will be **seven** (7) races scheduled and **four** (4) races are necessary to complete the regatta.

Skippers may obtain sailing instructions at the time of registration.

For confirmation of the regatta dates, the primary source of information will be the IRIYA web site (www.iceboat.org/renegade.html) beginning at 1:00 PM CST on January 3, 2010. For final confirmation go to website after 1:00 PM CST on January 6, 2010. If computer access is unavailable, the secondary source of information will be the Renegade Hotline number (608-204-9876) beginning at 1:00 PM CST on January 3, 2010. Information as to the site, headquarters, and accommodations will be available at 1:00 PM CST on January 6. Members of the Race Committee can also provide regatta information. The 2010 Race Committee will be:

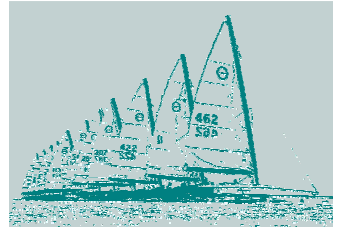
Chairman: Doug Kolner - (608) 213-5557

Mike Derusha - (715) 938-2747

Glenn Betzoldt - (517) 260-7797



Doug Kolner



Committees

2010 Nominating Committee:

Jerry Simon

Tim McCormick

Archie Call

Technical Committee:

(as of 1/1/2010)

Chairman: Jim Nordhaus

Andy McCormick

Archie Call

Trophies:

Bob Page

P.O. Box 40

Williams Bay, WI 53191

262-245-6242

2010 Race Committee:

Chairman: Doug Kolner

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2009 Financial Profit & Loss

Checking Account Balance (12-1-2008)			\$ 5,703.32
<u>Income & Expenses</u>			
Dues (61), sail no's, and plans			720.00
Printing , Postage, and Supplies		(503.38)	
IRIYA Regatta Fees			370.00
IRIYA Regatta Expenses		(265.26)	
Telephone Answering Service		(100.00)	
Engraving		(14.18)	
Balance (12-01-2009)			<u>\$ 5,910.50</u>

Minutes of 2009 IRIYA Annual Meeting

March 13, 2009 Green Lake, WI – The Goose Blind

Meeting called to order by Commodore Jim LaFortune at 6:05 pm.

Roll Call: Jerry Simon, Greg Simon, Tim McCormick, Doug Kolner, Jim LaFortune, Michael Disbrow, Harley Disbrow, Andy Hopkins, Mike Derusha, Arlyn LaFortune, Andy McCormick, Jim Nordhaus, Greg McCormick, Glenn Betzoldt.

Minutes from previous meeting were approved. M/S – Jerry Simon/Andy Hopkins.

Financial Report unanimously approved as mailed in December 2008. M/S – Arlyn LaFortune/Andy McCormick

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

6.1 By-Laws, Article XIII, Section 13.5

Change: Starting positions for a yacht for the first race shall be determined by random drawing conducted by the Race Committee or designee. Starting positions

thereafter shall be by the yacht's finishing position in the previous race.

To: Starting positions for a yacht for all races shall be determined by random drawing conducted by the Race Committee or designee. M/S – Jerry Simon/Andy McCormick

Discussion: Jerry was asked how the skippers remember the numbers. His response was they could write it on tape and affix to their cockpit. Mike Derusha stated he definitely preferred maintaining the current system, which was echoed by Greg Simon. Greg McCormick raised the possibility of a skipper drawing a bad number and then deciding it may be in his best interest to saunter down to the favored end of the starting line. Greg Simon and Doug Kolner suggest this idea be tried at a local level before using in a championship regatta. Motion defeated.

6.2 By-Laws, Article X Meeting, Section 10.2

All motions shall be submitted to the class Secretary prior to January 1st of the year in which the annual meeting is held.

Change to: All motions shall be submitted to the class Secretary prior to December 1st of the year before the annual meeting. M/S –



George Gerhardt always brings his game face

Minutes of 2009 IRIYA Annual Meeting (continued)

Jerry Simon/Tim McCormick

Discussion: After a brief discussion the motion passed unanimously.

6.3 Article XII Voting , Section 12.1

Each member in good standing, in attendance at the annual meeting, shall be entitled to cast one vote, until such time as the majority of members feel the association has grown large enough to have representation by fleet delegates. There shall be no proxy votes.

Change to: Each member in good standing shall be entitled to cast on vote, until such time as the majority of members feel the association has grown large enough to have representation by fleet delegates. Proxy votes will be recorded by the Secretary and verified as being paid at the time the vote was recorded. These votes shall be counted at the annual meeting for each given motion. M/S – Jerry Simon/Greg Simon.

Discussion: Andy Hopkins thought the problem with proxy voting is the voter misses out on the discussion of a meeting, which could influence their vote. Jerry Simon then made a motion to make an amendment to 6.3 and replace proxy with absentee ballot. That amendment was defeated. Glenn Betzoldt brought up the point that the DN class does allow members to send in a ballot through the mail and it has to be an actual person to cast the vote (only one vote per person). Andy Hopkins questioned the wisdom of allowing non participants too much influence on the outcome of the meeting. Motion defeated.

Election of officers for the following year. From the Nominating Committee: Greg Simon to be appointed the 1st year Director, John Lamont to be appointed the 2nd year Director. Ron Rosten will continue as Secretary/Treasurer for 1 more year. Doug Kolner advances to Vice Commodore, and Glenn Betzoldt will advance to the position of Commodore. Jim LaFortune becomes Past Commodore. M/S – Doug Kolner/Jerry Simon. Motion passes unanimously

8. Motion for adjournment. M/S – Doug Kolner/Andy Hopkins. Motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 6:52 pm

2010 Agenda Items

1. Call meeting to order
2. Circulate roll call for signatures
3. Approve/correct minutes of previous meeting
4. Approve/correct financial report
5. Unfinished business
6. New business
7. Election of officers for the following year
8. Entertain motion for adjournment



Greg Whitehorse and Jerry Simon

2010 Membership List

Sail	Last	First	Street	City	State	Zip	Home Phone	Cell Phone
420	Anderson	Don	5856 Easy St	Waunakee	WI	53597	(608) 849-5923	(608) 577-8527
	Bennett	Lance	34 Piper Drive	Strafford	NH	03884	(603) 518-2244	
499	Betzoldt	Glenn	5984 Ray's Dr	Onsted	MI	49265	(517) 467-7797	(517) 260-7797
520	Bierman	Dan	W751 Silver Creek Rd.	Green Lake	WI	54941	(920) 294-6903	(920) 299-0773
	Bommersbach	Paul	2015 S. Hillview Rd.	Sioux Falls	SD	57110	(605) 371-3169	(605) 360-7723
231	Call	Archie	3243 Deep Water Ln	Maumee	OH	43537	(419) 861-9747	
	Calvani	Robert	190 Locust St	Lynn	MA	01904	(781) 598-3113	(617) 750-1230

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299	Chambers	Larry	5721 Tonyawatha Tr	Monona	WI	53716	(608) 221-1660	
	Childs	Tom	113 Blake Road	Standish	ME	04084	(207) 252-3552	
398	Chroust	Richard	29N Cedar Point Dr	Williams Bay	WI	53191	(414) 245-5219	
	Clark	George	PO Box 458	Raymond	ME	04071	(207) 655-4962	
251	Cummins	Robert	4750 Island View Dr	Oshkosh	WI	54901	(920) 233-1610	
188	Derusha	Mike	1112 23rd Ave	Menominee	MI	49858	(906) 864-9947	(715) 938-2747
134	Derusha	David	PO Box 656	Freeland	MI	48623	(888) 994-1320	
135	Derusha	Dean	PO Box 656	Freeland	MI	48623	(888) 994-1320	
266	Disbrow	Harley	16881 C Ave East	Augusta	MI	49012	(616) 731-4090	
267	Disbrow	Michael	16881 C Ave East	Augusta	MI	49012	(616) 731-4090	
	Drummond	Jim	3811 Red Oak Ct	Oshkosh	WI	54902	(920) 232-9415	(920) 279-5098
307	Dykman	Charles P.	4611 Tonyawatha Tr	Monona	WI	53716	(608) 222-4724	(608) 332-2530
531	Ebert	Jerry	505 N Blackhawk Ave	Madison	WI	53705	(608) 233-9878	
384	Eckstein	Rich	6384 Black Wolf Point Ln	Oshkosh	WI	54902	(920) 688-2854	
	Eudenbach	Harry	41 Palmer St	Newport	RI	02840	(401) 848-9121	
513	Eudenbach	Michael	21 Lee Ave	Newport	RI	02840	(401) 847-7312	
230	Fauerbach	Peter	1714 Camus Ln	Madison	WI	53705	(608) 212-6570	(608) 212-6570
	Feevey	Larry	206 Maple St	Slippery Rock	PA	16057	(724) 738-0067	(412) 670-0003
439	French	David	11516 N Spring Ave	Mequon	WI	53092	(414) 238-0643	
None	Fromme	Edward	2515 Island Park Dr	Manitou Beach	MI	49253	(517) 547-5755	
	Garcia	Phil	179 Concord Dr	Watertown	CT	06795	(203) 510-8363	
313	Gates	William	1 Glenwood Ave	Queensbury	NY	12804	(518) 798-3609	
54	Gelsomino	Joseph J.	One Tunbridge Walke	E Aurora	NY	14052	(716) 655-2685	
417	Georgeson	Clayton	2854 Stoney Beach Ave	Oshkosh	WI	54901	(920) 233-5153	
487	Gerhardt	George E.	6396 E Decorah Ave	Oshkosh	WI	54902	(920) 688-3361	
	Gillen	Bill	1808 Waunona Way	Madison	WI	53713	(608) 222-6281	
	Grasser	David	8440 234th Ave	Salem	WI	53168	(262) 210-3233	
	Hall	Jason	4841 296th St	Toledo	OH	43611	(419) 726-1403	
	Hall	Kenneth	50602 221st St	Council Bluffs	IA	51503	(712) 366-2697	
47	Halstead	James	2716 104th St	Toledo	OH	43611	(419) 726-7802	
	Hammond	Tom	3400 N. Moose St.	Wasilla	AK	99654	(907) 357-1232	
282	Hanes	Edward E.	1221 North Shore Dr	Clear Lake	IA	50428	(515) 357-3265	(641) 425-3054
506	Hanson	Jamie	6115 Cty Hwy J	Black Earth	WI	53515		
300	Hausch	Roger A.	2 Sea Lane South	St Petersburg	FL	33705	(813) 822-5495	
507	Hearn	Dan	919 Spaight St	Madison	WI	53703	(608) 251-4191	
152	Hopkins	Andy	N46 W23113 Lindsay Rd	Pewaukee	WI	53072	(262) 510-5788	
373	Hopkins	James L.	3080 Pine Ridge Ct	Green Bay	WI	54311	(414) 468-1489	
	Jackson	Andrew	6441 Dylan Dr	Madison	WI	53719	(608) 848-3099	
	Javis	Chester	4207 Dexter-Ann Arbor Rd	Ann Arbor	MI	48103	(734) 663-8755	
519	Johnson	D. Dale	2508 Hayes Dr	Burnsville	MN	55337	(952) 890-3905	
409	Johnson	Randy	9464 Fraulin Dr	Richland	MI	49083	(616) 629-4935	
226	Kolling	Nathaniel	5441 310th St	Toledo	OH	43611	(419) 754-1664	(419) 356-5889
515	Kolner	Doug	106 E Lakeside St	Madison	WI	53715	(608) 257-2740	(608) 213-5557
470	Kowalsky	Robert	W 4105 Beattie Creek Ln	Menominee	MI	49858		
210	LaFortune	Arlyn	615 Ogden St	Marinette	WI	54143	(715) 735-5198	

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157	Lallier	Jesse	N4867 Hwy V	Fond du Lac	WI	54935	(920) 921-5475	
583	Lallier	Dave	156 Western Ave.	Fond du Lac	WI	54935	(920) 921-8345	(920) 948-9465
503	Lambert	Kenneth	3781 Brunswick Ave	Crystal Beach	ON, Canada	LOS 1B0	(905) 894-3452	
505	Lamont	John	1115 Hood View Ln	Lake Oswego	OR	97034	(503) 635-7906	
137	Lashaway	Les	3232 134th St	Toledo	OH	43611	(419) 729-2552	
	LeBeau	Leon	34210 Jefferson	St. Claire Shores	MI	48082	(586) 293-7355	(313) 570-9700
97	Lofgren	John	8086 Foxboro Ln	Augusta	MI	49012	(269) 731-5884	
326	Luck	Marv	1309 Smith St	New London	WI	54961	(920) 982-2256	(920) 250-0469
	Lundeen	Tom	5950 S Shore Dr	Clear Lake	IA	50428	(641) 357-3706	
485	McCormick	Andy	2826 Waunona Way	Madison	WI	53713	(608) 222-0018	(608) 235-7142
310	McCormick	Greg	5591 Polworth St	Madison	WI	53711	(608) 274-6652	(608) 438-4416
309	McCormick	Michael J.	432 Grandview Dr	Waunakee	WI	53597	(608) 850-4272	
385	McCormick	Timothy P.	5833 Persimmon Dr	Madison	WI	53711	(608) 278-8830	(608) 234-1950
527	McMillan	Paul	5367 Park Way	Madison	WI	53705	(608) 233-6062	
518	Michaud	John	2603 Nicolet Drive	Green Bay	WI	54311	(920) 465-1178	
550	Moll	Jeff	3759 Butternut Ln	Hubertus	WI	53033	(262) 339-7645	
491	Monday	Tim	2409 Saint Pats Dr	Green Bay	WI	54313	(920) 662-0664	
517	Niedziela	Jeffrey	N30 W29273 Hillcrest Dr	Pewaukee	WI	53072	(262) 366-1658	
400	Nordhaus	James A.	6507 Woodgate Rd	Middleton	WI	53562		(608) 225-2052
430	Nordhaus	Daniel P.	4390 Swallow Banks Ln	Oshkosh	WI	54904	(414) 233-4730	
462	Norton	Kenneth	307 Lance Ln	Madison	WI	53716	(608) 222-4064	(608) 334-2600
219	Palmer	John	19 Chegwin St	Dundas	ON, Canada	L9H 2W4	(905) 628-4471	(905) 570-4132
136	Payer	Donald	28280 Roy	St Clair Shores	MI	48081	(810) 772-3292	(586) 214-6677
259	Payer	Donald	28280 Roy	St Clair Shores	MI	48081	(810) 772-3292	(586) 214-6677
9	Pegel	Robert	PO Box 40	Williams Bay	WI	53191	(262) 245-6242	
	Pinkley	Howard	4849 N. Summit St	Toldeo	OH	43611	(419) 726-9571	
	Pok	Kevin	205 S 17th Ave	West Bend	WI	53095	(262) 335-1516	
11	Ripp	Jack	2818 Willard Ave	Madison	WI	53704	(608) 249-6520	
422	Ripp	Michael	2202 Lakeland Ave	Madison	WI	53704	(608) 242-9045	(608) 209-6565
22	Ripp	James G.	3844 Swaboda Rd	Verona	WI	53593		
	Ross	Michael	17754 Breezeway	Fraser	MI	48026	(586) 294-2608	
19	Rosten	Ron	3340 Brugger Place	McFarland	WI	53558	(608) 838-6368	(608) 692-8816
109	Rosten	Thor	3340 Brugger Place	McFarland	WI	53558	(608) 838-6368	
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276	Savile	Harry	380 Pepper Dr	Burlington	ON, Canada	L7R 3C9	(905) 632-5277	
207	Sawyer	Chip	4602 Bluff Rd	Whitehall	MI	49461	(616) 894-4559	(231) 552-5192
342	Sawyer	Erik	4762 Bluff Rd	Whitehall	MI	49461	(616) 893-3921	(231) 740-5185
	Shade	Mike	923 White Pine Ave	DePere	WI	54115	(920) 338-0403	
10	Sherry	Lorne	3604 Country Club Dr	St. Claire Shores	MI	48082	(586) 415-6053	
444	Sherry	Ron	35940 Carlisle Dr	Mt Clemens	MI	48043	(586) 791-1489	
213	Simon	Greg	118 Winston Way	Waunakee	WI	53597	(608) 849-4605	(608) 886-6307
113	Simon	Jerry	3788 Highridge Rd	Madison	WI	53718	(608) 837-8199	
	Simon	Meta	118 Winston Way	Waunakee	WI	53597	(608) 849-4605	
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	Soper	Dave	620 Gondoal Point Rd	Quispamsis	NB, Canada	E2E 1L1	(506) 847-9798	
525	Sorensen	Jay	417 Hibiscus Ave	Stuart	FL	34996	(561) 288-2979	
489	Stanton	Tim	1128 Pocahontas Dr	Monona	WI	53716	(608) 222-0269	(608) 695-5294
403	Stefanick	Gordon	33966 Lamoyne	Livonia	MI	48154	(734) 524-9467	
541	Sternberg	Gary	1151 E Cty Rd Z	Oshkosh	WI	54902		(608) 445-2628
299	Sternberg	Tyler	3131 Maple Valley Dr #109	Madison	WI	53719		(608) 213-5446
411	Stolla	James	1010 Bayview Rd.	Neenah	WI	54956	(920) 725-4865	
	Stolpmann	Ken	6630 9 Mile Pointe Dr	Charlevoix	MI	49720	(231) 487-1448	
	Westra	Alex	Schans 51	8715 JS Stavoren	The Netherlands		0031 514682032	
500	Whitehorse	Greg	4910 Ralph Cir	Madison	WI	53714	(608) 246-4132	
487	Wilcox	Wes	2030 Muller Rd	Sun Prairie	WI	53590	(608) 837-5076	
374	Williams	Donald	19552 Brillhart Rd	Bowling Green	OH	43402	(419) 729-0074	
14	Wing	Mike	4549 285th St	Toledo	OH	43611		
	Wolbeck	John	16 East Rd.	Wurtsboro	NY	12790	(845) 888-4805	
	Yaeso	Jay	3854 Lark Rd.	Green Bay	WI	54313	(920) 662-1162	
	Yeadon	David	402 Milwaukee St	Fort Atkinson	WI	53538	(920) 563-4341	



Tim McCormick and Jerry Simon

MATTISON'S MAGIC

Jerry Simon

The racing that weekend was good. Ken Strasberg, a friend and fellow Renegade sailor from North Sail Pewaukee Loft (later to become Inland Sail), was racing with us. Ken and I had lots in common. We were similar in age, were novice Renegaders, and had high expectations that we could compete—Elmer style—with the big boys.

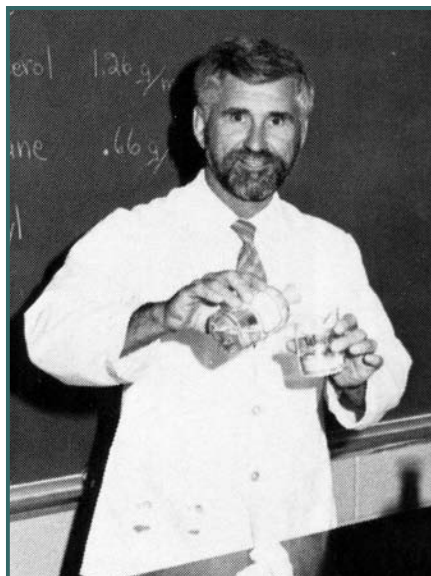
During the “fateful” race, most of the fleet was in front of us as usual. Racing was very fast with moderate winds and hard ice. I was being lapped and going downwind. Ken was sailing upwind near the upwind mark—dead in front of me on a collision course! I altered my course, and so did Ken—in the same direction. Nothing to worry about as there was still time to correct. And we both did—once again in the same direction. We were approaching each other at 50+ mph and we ran out of time for a third correction.

Crash! Our runner planks collided two feet inside the runner chocks. Jim Payton, the official judge who was a mile downwind, said the sharp crack sounded like a cannon blast from his old military days.

Meanwhile, back at the crash, both of our boats had shattered apart. Masts down, hulls on their



A somber Greg and Jerry Simon return home after a trying weekend



Jerry senses the magic in the new Gougeon glue

side, runner planks skidding alongside hulls—all being held together with a spaghetti mixture of stainless cables. At 50+ mph, boats don't quickly come to a stop on hard ice. All I remember is my head (in the crash helmet) bouncing on the ice forever. I didn't realize until the adrenalin subsided that the entire rear of my hull had remained attached to the plank. This was the tangled mess that had been skidding alongside my bouncing head. How lucky that I didn't lean back as I skidded.

After I finally stopped, I crawled out to see if everything physically worked. I ran over to Ken who was already out of his boat. We hugged each other and fell to the ice in a state of euphoria each knowing the other wasn't seriously hurt.

Then the magic began. Bill Mattison took a look at the carnage and said just bring it over and we will see what can be done to get you back on the ice soon. Monday night after work I delivered the two pieces to Bill's basement on

Sherman Ave. If you know his basement, you know that things were cramped to say the least. He surveyed the damage and said let's fit the splintered pieces back together and scarf on some overlapping wood and test this new Gougeon stuff. The boat was a Weldwood boat.

The next night Bill and Jack went to work fitting things together and did some initial gluing. Jim and I helped by staying out of the way, sweeping the floor and making tools and beer runs. The operation required multiple gluings and Bill would unclamp in the morning before work and be ready to glue again in the evening.

Anyone who has worked around Bill knows he is a man of few words and lots of action. Many times Jim and I were just in the way and relegated to sitting on the stairs watching the sitka sawdust fly.

Four more nights and my boat was whole again! You can imagine everyone's surprise when Simonized appeared back on the ice the following week-end. The natural finished sides were a thing of the past but the boat seemed even faster than when it was new.

I am sure my story of what Bill has meant to ice boating can be told over and over by many sailors.



5 nights in the Mattison shop and a gallon of Gougeon later, R-213 is back on the ice