

OFFICIAL HANDBOOK ROYAL LYMINGTON YACHT CLUB

Archivist's comments:

1. Although there is no sign of a date in this Handbook – there are some clues as to the probable date.
 - a. Page 1 Lymington Marina – Berthons was already thriving.
 - b. Page 2 Hood Sailmakers shows a picture of a Contessa 32 CO476 which indicates 176 boats built = 1973.
 - c. Page 4 Jeremy Rodgers advert – shows both Co26 & 32 had completed the observer 1972 Transatlantic Race.
2. Front Cover – View of Clubhouse. With the first bit of the ss Oriel Windows @ FF and the Balcony.
3. Page 5 A few pages of club history
4. Page 5 Solent Sea bird 18 ft introduced 1922/23.
5. Page 5 Speaks of Club being resurrected in 1922 – have started in 1914 by Capt. H H Nicholson.
6. Page 5 First clue as to when Lymington Town Regatta commenced – 1875.
7. Page 9 Picture of The New Lounge Bar at first floor level. Circa 1973.
8. Page 21 **Comments about the Admiralty Chart 2040**
 - i. This Chart shows a much narrower channel than it is in 1st decade of the 21st Century. The depths indicated are very much shallower than they now.
 - ii. The American Post - 5th on port hand up the river from Jack in the Basket is not named that now.
 - iii. Cutters Lake and Lower West lake are much wider now.
 - iv. The Sewer Outfall pipe indicated coming South from Normandy Lane is no longer used – replaced by the Pennington Sewage Farm Outfall pipe [*which is covered in concrete*] - positioned to the West.
 - v. Not sure that East Lake actually is an entity now.
 - vi. The mass of the Marsh between Oxey Lake and Cutter Lake has mostly disappeared near the sea wall.
 - vii. The Marsh foreshore to the East of the river along Horn Reach has mostly been eroded back toward the shore.
 - viii. Harpers Lake Marina is now the Haven Marina and extends much further down river than shown.
9. Page 23 B.R. Ferries ran only once an hour in the summer and every 2 hours in the winter.
10. Page 30 Inside Back Cover:
 - a. Racing Marks.
 - i. Starting Platform – has some diamonds in line on the Northern side for Start Line purposes on that side.
 - ii. Styvers Buoy sw of Pennington Spit Buoy.