

# Yacht Club's Harbor Can Accomodate More Than Hundred Vessels

## LAND AND NAVAL FORCES ARE NOW CLOSE TOGETHER

Dark, Damp, Dismal Swamp Turned  
Into An Ideal Anchorage

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After a lapse of many years, the Rochester Yacht Club has again concentrated its land and naval forces within an area that more closely solidifies the organization and affords a far greater measure of convenience to both the sea-going members and the veranda cruisers. More than twenty years ago the old club house on the west side of the river was given up as a club home and a new house was erected on the lake shore at Summerville, while the club station and yard were retained in quarters just north of the railroad bridge.

This arrangement never proved satisfactory to the yacht owners nor to those who were wont to participate in the sailing events as with the club house situated at a considerable distance from the anchorage it was more or less of an inconvenience in mapping out programs that involved the social as well as the seafaring side of the sport. About ten years ago, however, the club acquired its present mooring basin and grounds which were at that time dark, damp, dismal swamp.

### Ideal Anchorage

With fine enterprise and commendable support on the part of the club members this property was soon turned into an ideal anchorage, the grounds were graded and improved to make a commodious yard for the storage of boats and a powerful set of ways was installed capable of hauling out and launching yachts of the heaviest tonnage. To complete the units of the club's plant, a modern club house was thrown open to the members last fall and but little remains to be done now to make the Rochester Yacht Club's quarters one of the finest on the lakes.

The basin harbor is large enough to accommodate a fleet of over a hundred yachts with water enough to admit those of the deepest draught.

There are at present something like seventy-five craft in the fleet. They are of all sorts, ranging from the sixteen foot Stars to the big sixty and seventy foot schooners and from the little open power boats to the handsome 100 foot yachts. Racing is confined mostly to the Star Class, although several times during a season the entire fleet, both sail

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The Turner cottage has been built over very attractively this season.

and power, engage in long distance events in which there is plenty of excitement. Each year also the squadron is well represented at the regatta of the Lake Yacht Racing Association, which usually lasts from three to four days and which is attended by many yachts from every club on Lake Ontario.

#### Our Yachts Victorious

In these meets, Rochester yachts have scored substantial victories time and again. The new club house, which is situated on the northwest corner of the club's property at Summerville, is an admirable piece of architecture and is so located as to command an excellent view of the harbor and lake as well as of both the Summerville and Charlotte sides of the river. The interior is tastefully finished and equipped with all the facilities of a modern house. There are smoking rooms, shower baths, etc., on the ground floor, a magnificent large assembly room on the second, so arranged that it can be used as a banquet hall or as a smaller dining hall as needed. A wide veranda with plenty of chairs and lounges is also admirably adapted to the dining service in warmer weather.

#### Sailing Championship

The Rochester Yacht Club, as is well known, holds the sailing championship of the Great Lakes. For many years the Club has been the custodian of the Canada's Cup, a yachting trophy second only in importance to the famous America's Cup which is held by the New York Yacht Club. Out of six contests for the Canada's Cup, Rochester yachts have been successful in four and Toronto yachts two. Chicago and Detroit have also been engaged in these races but they have never furnished a winner. The last series of races for this cup were held in 1907 when the sensational Seneca defeated the Toronto challenger Adele in three straight races. There has been considerable talk on different occasions of a possibility of a challenge for this trophy coming from Toronto but nothing definite has as yet developed. A resumption of this class of racing would be of inestimable value to the sport and well worth the money involved which in this era of high prices would mean no inconsiderable amount.

The officers of the Rochester Yacht Club are Harry C. Stevenson, Commodore, Walter L. Todd, Vice-Commodore, William P. Farley, Fleet Captain, K. Werner Heye, Secretary, Volney E. Lacy, Corresponding Secretary, Howard H. Clapp, Treasurer.

#### TENITES EGYPTIAN PARTY

—at the Windsor

Tuesday, June Twenty-sixth

Damon and Tenite String Orchestra

*Who'll be King Tut?*