



COMMODORES REPORT
Rob Barrett

LAKE DENEYS YACHT CLUB

As this is the first Signal after the AGM I would like to thank all the members who attended both the dinner dance on the Saturday and the meeting on the Sunday being Mothers Day. I would further like to thank the members for once again entrusting the management of your club to me. To the old committee members who have stayed on and committed to another year of service to the club, I thank you. To the newly elected committee members, I would like to welcome you and thank you for offering your services. It was good to see that all the position on the various committees are once again filled for the 2005/2006 year, it all bausd well for the future of our club.

To the out going members of the management committee I would like to thank them for their services and a special thanks to Tielman Burger for all he has done for the club, I will miss his guidance and help.

The AGM Dinner Dance / Prize Giving was very well attended by the members this year and to all the ladies that help with the catering, too many to name, thank you for the fine spread that was served.

The year ahead looks very exciting with lots of act ivies being arrange for the sailors and power boaters and some important sailing events, which will take place at our club. Please watch for these events in this magazine and on the website.

By the time this edition of Signal is published the caravan site will all have electricity, thank to all the hard work and effort put in by Johnny Smit and his team.

Lastly I would like to welcome all the new members who have joined our club. Please involve yourselves in the activities of the club as we have great facilities for you to enjoy. Remember it is your club so support it.

**I URGE THE WEARING OF LIFEJACKETS AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON THE WATER.
SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT AT LDYC. LET US KEEP UP THE WONDERFUL SAFETY
RECORD THAT THESE WATERSPORTS HOLD.**

Yours in sailing and boating
Rob Barrett
Commodore LDYC



VICE COMMODORES REPORT
Johnny Smit

LAKE DENEYS YACHT CLUB

As tabled at our Committee Meetings, we have agreed to clamp down and start with rule enforcement

The serious issue of dogs (even on leads and laps) being seen in club buildings which then often leads to pub fights (between dogs!) will stop with immediate effect. Owners will be paged on the tannoy and asked to collect and remove their pets. These are tiring reminders but this will be a last warning and we are serious!

We will also enforce the 32 days non-visiting clause in the Constitution dated back to end May 2004. We do have a growing list of new members requiring sites.

Still on the subject of caravan sites we have a number of them looking very unkempt and needing an instant touch of paint, letters will be sent to these members.

Security systems are all working well, nothing to report, but do remember to keep your vans and cars locked, and owners contact numbers are still needed on van windows. We are doing our bit, now you do yours!!

A "Smoking" section of the Main Hall has been allotted and members are requested to make use of this facility, we now have very many new members with very young children and babies who need to be considered and this falls under the new laws.

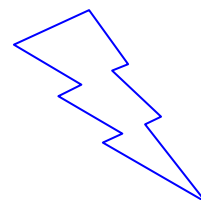
A fire wall will be complete by end June 2005 and I must remind members of the usual dry grass of Winter, we have to be aware of the hazards of thrown cigarette butts, braai fires etc. etc.

The electrifying news is that we will have power by 18th June 2005. Members can pay R100 for installation per site, and a 2 point weatherproof adaptor will be cabled (not more than 10m) to your van. No one is to tamper with this service other than Committee and not more than 1200w can be utilised.

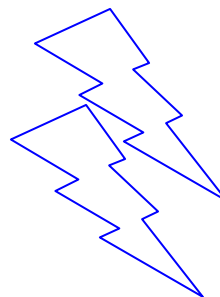
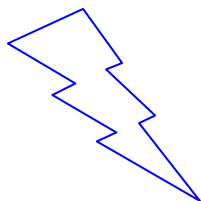
More questions can be answered at club reception office.



Johnny Smit
Vice Commodore



We have the power!!!!



Rear Commodores Report
Geoff Teasdale

Firstly congratulations to Tielman for two successful years as Rear Commodore and for all the achievements under his leadership.

A special thank you to the current sailing committee for volunteering and giving up your time to attend to our clubs sailing activities, I wish you all a rewarding and enjoyable term.

High on the agenda for this year is to continue with the maintenance and refurbishment of our working fleet of boats to get them to a standard that the members will be proud of. The sailing calendar is finalised and is published on our website. The NKA handbook is also available, however two errors have been noted, in that the LDYC 100 miler starts on **Saturday 22nd** and the RTIR is from **Friday 3rd Feb. 2006 to Sunday 5th Feb** and not from Thursday to Saturday. (The dates on our website are correct). For those who are not aware LDYC hosts an annual long distance series, which was started by Tielman two years ago and which is now in full swing. The scheduled races are posted on our notice board and website, and in 2005 13 races are scheduled, of which 6 count.

Its encouraging to see the keen interest shown in our junior sailing which I hope will carry forward and I urge all parents to encourage their children to sail and make proper use of our club boats. Well done to Sleigh Haynes for being voted in as Junior Commodore, assisted by Jay. Congratulations to Dylan Emmett for representing South Africa in the Oppie fleet and for being awarded SAS "Jnr.Colours", an achievement which is recorded on our honours board in the Clubhouse.

For those who missed it Austin Daly presented an excellent Race Officers and Bridge Training course., which we hope will be repeated in time to come. Thanks to Austin for his time and congratulations on being elected onto the National Race Officers Panel (enabling Austin to run National events), a nomination LDYC can be proud of.

The annual Awards and Prizegiving evening was a gala event and well done to all the yachties who got the silverware, as well as to those who did not make it to the podium but certainly made the regatta happen. The Sailing committee 2005/06 is committed to encouraging more and more boats to go out and sail and we aim to get our fleets up to 20's and 30's.

However its not only yacht racing at LDYC but Simon our Cruise Captain has established the cruising dates for 2005/2006 (also on the website) and challenges all the racing Yachties to join in the cruises and learn the art of chilling.

Geoff Teasdale
Rear Commodore



Seal point cruise - 5\6 March 2005

The following yachts joined us on our cruise in March:

Just about - Trevor & Vicki	Stress - Roland, Karen & Patricia
She's boss - Luke & Robyn	Windfall – Erwee & wife
Free Wheeler - Derek & wife	Mystic – Jim and Jean
Asha – John Christine and Cathy Durrant	Tulloch – Simon Sheryl, Spencer & Matthew

We left LDYC +- 10am in a comfortable sailing breeze heading for Rose bay for lunch. We rounded Beacon Isle & met Erwee & his wife from Anchor Creek. Everybody enjoyed independent sailing to Rose bay followed by a raft up lunch that lasted +- 2 hours. Due to the Hunter 28 being the envy of the cruising fleet, Simon challenged them to make their own anchorage to test their cruising skills - well done you two! Jim & Jean also made independent anchorage - shall we say - practice makes perfect you two! "pub" crawling from yacht to yacht was enjoyed by most male cruisers, while ladies made lunch, snoozed, swam or suntanned.

After this relaxing time in Rose bay we sailed to Seal Point yacht club Manten Marina for a comfortable night on walk on moorings. We had a group reservation at the "Flying Saucer" restaurant for dinner which was successfully organised by the staff. Wolfgang & Sabine joined us for dinner - perhaps they will sail next time! Thanks to the staff the food was great, service was slow, pub quenched our thirsts & we will be back!

Everyone slept warmly, comfortably & enjoyed a "Flying Saucer" breakfast before sailing the short distance in a strong breeze back to LDYC. Many thanks to all who joined us. We look forward to the next cruise after the AGM - should Simon be accepted as cruise captain again!

Anyone else ready to take over? Best wishes & fair winds to all,
Simon & Sheryl Fisher.

Cruising 2005 \ 2006

Yes, Simon is cruise captain for another year - rewarded with honorary membership for the forthcoming year - many thanks to the LDYC committee of 2004 \ 2005.

Cruise dates:

6 \ 7 August 2005

15 \ 16 October 2005

17 \ 18 December 2005

11 \ 12 March 2006

Please join us! Contact : Simon - 0825703367

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LDYC SIGNAL TO BE ACCESSED ON WEBSITE.....ldyc.co.za
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ANNUAL FEES FROM 1ST APRIL 2004 TO 31 MARCH 2005

CATEGORY	JOINING FEE (ONCE OFF)	ANNUAL FEE	NOTES
FAMILY	R2000-00	R1800.00	HUSBAND & WIFE + CHILDREN 0-11 YEARS
SINGLE under 30 yrs	R2000-00	R 900.00	SINGLE MEMBER, NO CHILDREN
JUNIOR	R250-00	R210-00	MEMBER'S CHJILD 12-18 YEARS
OUTSIDE JUNIOR	R275-00	R310-00	AGES 12 – 18 YEARS
STUDENT	R275-00	R310-00	FULL TIME SCHOLARS
COUNTRY	R275-00	R320-00	OUTSIDE 200 KM RADIUS OF CLUB
PENSIONER	N/A	R335-00	TO CURRENT MEMBERS OF MORE THAN 5 YEARS STANDING
CARAVAN SITE	N/A	R2 500-00	
KEELBOAT STORAGE(Dry) MOORING & MAINTENANCE	N/A N/A	R380-00 R530.00	GENERAL MAINTENANCE OF MOORING, BELOW WATER LEVEL ONLY

The above rates are simply running costs Updated June 2005

DISCOUNTS FOR CURRENT MEMBERS:

**FEES PAID BEFORE END APRIL 2005 – 7.5% DISCOUNT ON SUBS &
CARAVAN SITES ONLY**

**FEES PAID BEFORE END MAY 2005 – 5% DISCOUNT ON SUBS &
CARAVAN SITES ONLY**

JOINING FEES ARE DUE ON APPLICATION OF MEMBERSHIP

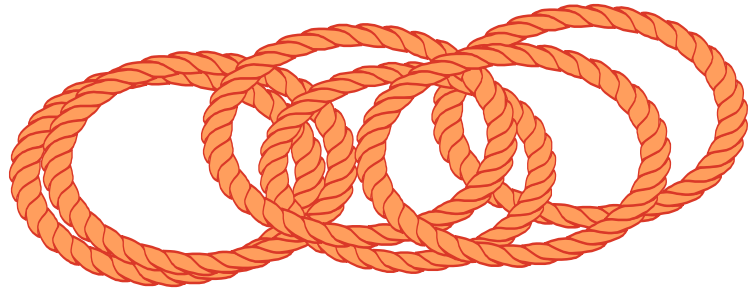
ELECTRICITY DEPOSITS (R1000) DUE ON ALLOCATION OF SITE.

MEMBERS' VISITORS FEES: all visitors to be signed in at the gate by a member

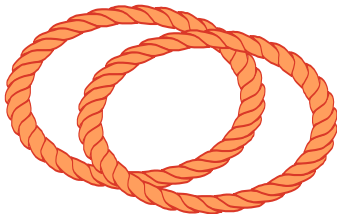
DAY VISITORS (TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A MEMBER) R25-00 PER DAY
POWERBOAT LAUNCHING R50-00 PER DAY
CAMPING (TENT) SITE R30-00 PER DAY + R25-00 PER PERSON PER DAY
CARAVAN SITE R60-00 PER DAY + R25-00 PER PERSON PER DAY
COTTAGE RENTAL R150-00 PER NIGHT + R25-00 PER PERSON PER DAY
CARAVAN RENTAL R75-00 PER NIGHT + R25-00 PER PERSON PER DAY.

MASTER CARD AND VISA CARD FACILITIES ARE NOW AVAILABLE.
BANKING DETAILS FOR DIRECT DEPOSITS:- STANDARD BANK VEREENIGING.
BRANCH NO 04637. ACCOUNT NO 021820112
ACCOUNT NAME LAKE DENEYS YACHT CLUB-. DEPOSIT SLIPS TO ROSA

The Wharf



HOURS; Friday 16h30 – 21h00
Saturday 08h00 – 21h00 Sunday 08h00 – 16h00



MENU

BREAKFAST R20.00

BREAKFAST KIDS R12.00

TOASTED SANDWICHES:

CHEESE R 5.50

CHEESE AND TOMATO R 6.00

CHEESE AND HAM R 6.50

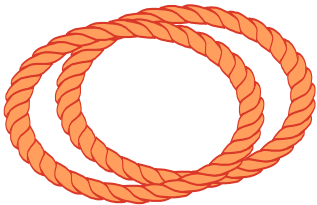
TUNA MAYONAISE R 6.50

CHICKEN MAYONAISE R 6.50

CHEESE, HAM AND TOMATO R 7.00

BACON AND EGG OR CHEESE R 7.50

CHEESE, EGG AND BACON R 8.00



BURGERS

HAMBURGER R12.00

CHEESEBURGER R14.00

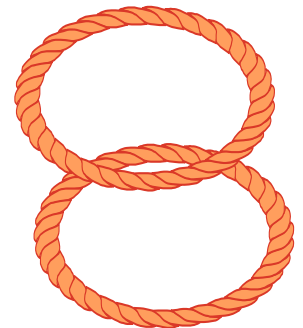
CHICKEN BURGER R14.00

BACON BURGER R14.00

EGG BURGER R14.00

EGG/CHEESE BURGER R16.00

EGG/BACON/CHEESE BURGER R17.00



MEALS

STEAK, EGG AND CHIPPS R30.00

RUSSIAN AND CHIPS R10.00

VIENNA AND CHIPS R10.00

FISH AND CHIPS R14.00



ATTENTION

Your comments on the following issue are needed to enable our development committee to discuss and put into place everyone's ideas to make the project useful and profitable for all.

<u>PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT AT LDYC</u>							
<p>The Committee has decided to pursue the possibility of a housing development on the land adjacent to the club. In order to get the process started and develop a site plan we request input from club members, as follows:</p>							
Type of housing							
Cabana style units							
Stand alone units							
Accommodation							
2 Bedrooms							
3 Bedrooms							
4 Bedrooms							
1 Bathroom							
2 Bathrooms							
3 Bathrooms							
Outbuildings							
1 lock up garage							
2 lock up garages							
1 carport							
2 carports							
Combination - 1 of each							
Boathouse							
Remote storage							
Boathouse at removed location							
Trailer shed at remote location							
Name							
Membership No.							

Caravan site No. (If applicable)					
Fax to 016 371 2343 ATT: Development Committee					

L.D.Y.C/NKA CALENDAR 2005/6					
Month	Day	Event	Host Club	Place	Time
JUNE	Sun 05	NKA Winter 3	SPYC	Harties	10:30
	Sat 11/12	J22 & Mistral Hvld			12H30
	Sun 12	Texwise Autumn 4 Prizegiving	LDYC	Castle	10H0
	Thurs 16/19	J22 Junior. Interclub	TYC		
	Sat 18	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC		10H00
	Sun 26	BRASS MONKEY 1	LDYC	Castle	10H30
	Sat 2/8	MSC Week	PYC		
JULY	Sun 03	NKA Winter 4	LDYC	MA	10H30
	Sun 7	NKA Winter 5	Muster		10H30
	Mon 08	Lay Day – no sailing			
	Tues 09	GRAND SLAMS			
	Sat 13	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 14	BRASS MONKEY 4	LDYC	Castle	10H30
	Sun 21	TOUR DE VAAL	VCA		
AUGUST	Sun 04	MOD Summer 1	VCA	Muster	10H00
2005	Sun 10/11/12	BIG BOAT REGATTA	SPYC		
	Sat 17	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 18	LDYC Spring 1	LDYC		10H30
	Sat 24/28	KEELBOAT WEEK & STADT 23 NATIONALS	DAC	Muster	
OCTOBER	Sun 02	MOD Summer 2	PNYC	Muster	10H00
2005	Sat 08	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 09	LDYC Spring 2			
	Sat 15	Pennant Nine Endurance Race	PNYC		
	Sun 16	Pennant Nine Breakfast	PNYC		
	Sat 23	100 MILER	LDYC		Notice
	Sun 29	LDYC Spring 3	LDYC		10H30

November	Sun 06	MOD Summer 3	LDYC	Muster	10H00
	Sun 13	Pursuit Race	DAC		
	Sat 19	LDYC NOCTURNAL	LDYC	Notice	16H30
Month	Day	Event	Host Club	Place	Time
NOVEMBER	Sat 26	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 27	LDYC Spring 4.	LDYC		10H30
DECEMBER					
	Sun 4	MOD Summer 4	LDYC	Muster	10H30
2005	Sat 10	PNYC LADIES RACE	PNYC		
	Sun11	PNYC LADIES RACE	PNYC		
	Sun11	LDYC Summer 1	LDYC		10H30
	Fri 16	LADIES ROUND THE ISLAND	LDYC		
	Sat 31	GREAT VAALDAM TENDER RACE	NOTICE		
JANUARY 2006	Sat 14	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 15	LDYC Summer 2	LDYC		10H30
	Sat 21/22	KING OF THE VAAL	DAC	Muster	
	Sun 22	MOD Summer 5	DAC	Muster	
FEBRUARY 2006 RTIR W/E	Fri 3 Sat 4 Sun 5	Commodores Cup Sprints/Tune up ROUND THE ISLAND REGATTA 2006	LDYC		
	Sat 25	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 26	LDYC Summer 3	LDYC		10H30
MARCH 2006	Sun 5	MOD Summer 6	LDYC	Muster	
	Sat 11/12	Interschools	VLC		
	Sat 11	Margo Mackay Night Race	VCA		
	Sat 18/19	AOL Regatta and Stadt 23 Challenge	AOL		
	Sat 18/19	Hunter Nationals	HMYC		
	Sat 18/19	Formula One Nationals	PNYC		
MARCH 2006	Sat 25	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 26	LDYC Summer 4	LDYC		10H30
APRIL	Sun 2	MOD Winter 1			
	Fri – Mon 14/15/16/17	EASTER REGATTA	LDYC	Notice	
	Sat 22	ANCIENT MARINERS	LDYC	Notice	
	Sun 23	LDYC Autumn 1	LDYC		10H30
	Sun 30	MOD Winter 2			

Month	Day	Event	Host Club	Place	Time
MAY	Sat13	LDYC ANNUAL PRIZEGIVING GALA DINNER JUNIOR AGM & PRIZEGIVING	LDYC		19H00 14H00
	Sun 14	LDYC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	LDYC		11H00
	Sat 27	Bridge Training	LDYC		
	Sun 28	LDYC Autumn 2	LDYC		10H30
JUNE	Sun 4	MOD Winter 3			
2006	Sat 10	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 11	LDYC Autumn 3 & Prizegiving	LDYC		10H30
	Sun 25	LDYC Autumn 4	LDYC		10H30
JULY	Sun 2	MOD Winter 4			
2006	Sat 8	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 9	LDYC Brass Monkey 1	LDYC		10H30
	Sun 23	LDYC Brass Monkey 2	LDYC		10H30
AUGUST	Sun 6	MOD Winter 5			
2006	Sat 12	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SAILING COMMITTEE MEETING	LDYC	COMM ROOM	10H00 12H30
	Sun 13	LDYC Brass Monkey 3ldyc	LDYC		10h30
	Sun 27	LDYC Brass Monkey 4	LDYC		10H30

One day a father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the firm purpose of showing his son how poor people live.

They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family.

On their return from their trip, the father asked his son, "How was the trip?"

"It was great, Dad." "Did you see how poor people live?" the father asked

"Oh yeah," said the son

"So, tell me, what did you learn from the trip?" asked the father

The son answered: "I saw that we have one dog and they had four.

We have a pool that reaches the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end.

We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night.

Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon.

We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight.

We have servants who serve us, but they serve others.

We buy our food, but they grow theirs.

We have walls around our property to protect us, they have friends to protect them."

The boy's father was speechless.

Then his son added, "Thanks, Dad, for showing me how poor we are."

Isn't perspective a wonderful thing? Makes you wonder what would happen if we all gave thanks for everything we have, instead of worrying about what we don't have
Appreciate every single thing you have, especially your friends!
"Life is too short and good friends are too few."

FORMULA ONE NATIONALS. Chris Phillips

The Formula One Nationals were sailed during the weekend 19, 20 and 21 March on the Vaaldam and supported by the Lake Deneys Yacht Club who hosted it so ably by providing all the facilities including the bridge boat and mark layers and safety boats.

The winds were generally light and variable which tested Austin Daly who ran a very good bridge and coped so well with the changes in wind direction, running the races when there was some constant wind and shortening course when absolutely necessary.

The scoring method was one for a win two for second etc and the discard of your worst race after 5 races had been completed.

On Saturday two races were run for the fleet of ten boats with both the lead and the middle of the fleet being hotly contested.

A number of good skippers had been asked to sail with the owners and crew.

One person who stood out was Tielman Burger who was sailing Alpine Star a boat that was recently been put back on the water. It had not been sailed for a year or two. After coming 8 and 7th in the first two races he retuned the mast and got a 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

Impulse sailed by the Bremner Brothers was consistent through out the regatta, and scored four thirds and a fourth and were always in contention for one of the top positions.

Rodger Attridge, Steve Niccol, Tielman Burger and Martin Smit in the middle of the fleet had close racing passing and passing each other again. The closeness of the racing in this group of yachts can be seen from the fact that only one or two points separated them at the end of the regatta.

Their finishes show how competitive because the results show that each boat at some stage finished ahead of their peers and the spread of points were very close.

Mike Spring in a borrowed boat with his family who were novices as crew improved with every race.

The first and second place were very hotly contested between Floorworkx Rigby 2 (Geoff Teasdale and Eleanor and Arnie Spies) and Radio Holland, No Compromise, and in every race one or the other could have come in first.

In the end the scoring was Radio Holland, No Compromise 7 points, Floorworx Rigby 10 with Radio Holland, No Compromise getting five firsts and Rigby 2 two.

Dale Hamman, Robert Melaia and Chris Phillips in Radio Holland, No Compromise read the light winds well and had some fortunate wind changes in their favour.

The class welcomes the new owners Roy Cross (Alpine Star), Jim Burton (Free), Denis Nance-Kiveell (Casiemozzo), Barry Little (Not the Gnome) and Francois Mellet (London Calling)

We are very grateful to our sponsors Star Marine, Steve Niccol and Jim Burton for their valuable support

Submitted by Chris Phillips

FROM THE ARCHIVES
(Rodney Beresford)

Deneysville is just 100 kms from Johannesburg and although on the Free State shore of Vaaldam, it is part of the Vaal Triangle.

In early stone-age times, the San had settled along the shore of the Vaal River, where Deneysville is established today. They were followed by the Khoikhoi. Ruins of their dwellings can be seen in the area today.

Vaaldam was built during the depression and completed in 1938.

It is the fourth largest in the country with a shoreline of almost 900 kms and is the water supply for the PVW area, the Vaal Triangle and many towns in the Free State. Originally known as Lake Deneys after Deneys Reitz, the then Minister of Agriculture, the name was never formally adopted.

The town, however established on the shores of the dam was named after him.

The stone cottage on the waterfront built by the Reitz family is now St. Peter's Church, a popular wedding venue.

In 1937 Canopus, a S23 Empire Class flying boat delivered 3,500 lbs of mail to South Africa and soon after this Deneysville could boast of having the first international airport. Flying boats landed here until 1950.

The first sailing club, Lake Deneys Yacht Club, was formed by the Empire Airlines crews and their burgee has the speedbird logo, which was still used by the later BOAC airline.

The departure of the flying boats was the end of a romantic era.

The picturesque castle built by the Sumner family in the early days has become a landmark in the town.

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