

# London Gets 'Yacht' Club

## Tubs, Schooners To Be Welcomed At City's Lake

If you are the owner or prospective owner of "anything that floats that is used for pleasure" you are eligible for membership in the Fanshawe Yacht Club.

### Sailboat Races

The club was organized last night and its aim is to promote full use of London's back door lake that did not exist a year ago. It will kick off its activities Sunday with sail boat races at 2 p.m.

Don Bere, vice-captain, said he hoped the name, Yacht Club, would not scare away potential members.

"It may sound high falutin', but the dictionary term for yacht is anything that floats and is used for pleasure. Presumably that means anything from wash tubs to schooners," he said.

The club official reminded, however, that power boats are barred from using the lake.

### Promote Boating

The group is interested in promoting sailing and boating, including row boating and canoeing.

Owners of some 25 sail boats, who have been using Fanshawe Lake most of the summer formed the nucleus of the new organization.

So far, the boats are in two classes—big and small, said Mr. Bere. "None of us are in the big league for yachting; we're all more or less novices at the game," he added.

Persons considering buying craft or who are interested in joining the club are invited to contact any member.

### Barn For Storage

Winter facilities for storing boats are available. UTVA has offered the use of a large barn on the south bank of the lake near the dam for this purpose.

Members are optimistic that a club house may be built somewhere around the lake in the not too distant future. They discussed possible plans for docking and supervision of craft. Bob Galpin, of 96 Kent street, was elected fleet captain. Other officers are: Mrs. Phillip Harding, of 430 Charlotte, secretary-treasurer; Miss Mary Miller, of Queen's avenue, social convener; and J. L. McClatchie, of Abbott street, measurer.



Water craft, whose owners form the nucleus of Fanshawe Yacht Club, ride at anchor here on the placid waters of the man-made lake north of London. The club was organized last night. The club describes a yacht as "almost anything that floats."

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Abbott St. meeting Fleet Captains

This meeting Convened at the home  
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