

THE BIRCHBARKER

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Have you got
a Problem?
OF COURSE NOT!
FOR \$20.00

YOU CAN STORE YOUR BOAT UNTIL MEMORIAL DAY
WEEKEND OF 1967

This is on a Self-Service basis. Charlie Purdy is in charge of Boat Storage. The Clubhouse will be open on Monday, Labor Day, from 2:00 to 5:00 P. M. and again on Sunday, September 11th, from 2:00 to 5:00 P. M. The charge of \$20.00 per season is payable in advance. FIRST COME.....FIRST SERVED!



This weekend the Labor Day Regatta will be three races. One on Saturday at 2:30, two on Sunday either back to back at 11:00 A. M. or one at 11:00 and the other at 2:00. The Sunday race will depend upon the wind.

Trophies will be awarded Sunday evening at the Yacht Club at 7:00 P. M. Everyone is invited to attend and see the winners of the 4th of July regatta, the season, the Lady Memorial Trophy and the Labor Day Regatta.

All Junior and Sunfish sailors are requested to attend the 7:00 P. M. meeting at the Yacht Club to form plans for next years races. The Senior races will begin about the middle (16th) of June and there will be 21 races planned with the possibility of missing six to visit other regattas.

Fleet Captain Bob Hague was re-elected for next year. Also elected was Tom Howard as the assistant to take over the following year and serve a two year term.

Earl and Connie Troeger were kind enough to offer to arrange the spring meeting for the Yacht Club. It was decided to hold it on April 1st and anyone interested in attending should mark this date now. There will be a mailer sent out on this in the spring.

The Champagne Regatta will be held on Memorial Day, 1967, at Diamond Lake with representation on the committee from each of the participating lakes. There will be a mailer and more information on this later.

YACHT CLUB MEETING held Sat., Aug. 27, 1966 at 3:30 at Clubhouse. Present were: D. Weaver, J. Troeger, P. Forbes, C. Purdy, L. Meyers, J. Hartman, G. Stout, B. Reith, L. Hunt, J. Ball and F. Fulmer. D. Weaver reported on wiring. Chas. Purdy was appointed to winterize water system and take care of boat storage
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Do We Have to go Home?

Family News from along the Shoreline

The McManus Family reunion was held at the Reith's cottage on Sunday with 41 members present. The annual gathering renewed acquaintances and enlarged waistlines with all the delicious food. The beautiful weather was enjoyed by everyone and the lake was kept busy with skiers and swimmers.

The Cowens at # 308 left the lake Sunday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Howe at Winnamac, Indiana.

Mrs. Martha Kemp and Mrs. Virginia Chapman from Mishawaka visited with the Fulmers on Sunday.

Cindy Ball entertained fifteen teen-age friends from Elkhart last Wednesday afternoon and evening. Skiing and sailing and a burger fry were enjoyed. A short stroll after supper turned into a long walk around the lake.

Guests at the Balls for the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Wade Roberson, John and Wendy of Mooresville, Indiana. They all enjoyed their first encounter with sailing.

A potluck supper on Friday evening, September 2nd honored Mr. and Mrs. Ray Speth of Elkhart who are moving to Chicago. Those attending at the John Balls from Elkhart were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Banks, Don Massey, Lou McKinney, Thomas Monteith, Willard Chester Jr. and the Speths. A farewell gift was presented to them from the group.

The Bob Carpenters will have their family with them for over Labor Day. The Fred H. Taylor family from Fort Wayne and possibly the Ed R. Carpenter family from Terre Haute -- Lisa and John Taylor will stay a week with their grandparents. They will have friends over from Fort Wayne to spend a day. We vote this as a grand summer!

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Templeton and friend Sally Chinworth from Warsaw, Indiana, were guests at the I. T. Bowers cottage last Sunday. Skiing, a little rest and then more skiing plus a corn roast and some close games of ping pong were the highlights of the day.

The L. A. Milnes expect to return in November to spend the winter in their trailer home in the Kissimmee Motor Court, Kissimmee, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Bowers and daughter Frances will leave on Sept. 4th for Gowanda, New York, to visit with Mr. Bowers' cousin, Mr. Cecil Nimon and his wife. A side trip to Niagara Falls is also on the agenda. A big family party is planned for the following Sunday at # 307 which will be a farewell party for Fran as she will be leaving for Manchester College on the following Saturday.

Mahlon G. Eberhart received the following letter from the Dept. of Conservation at Plainwell, Michigan and dated August 16, 1966.

"Birch Lake, Cass County, is scheduled to receive 5,000 sub-legal rainbow trout prior to Sept. 15, 1966.

I am sorry to hear of the poor bass fishing and will take steps to survey the fish population in the future. The 12 inch bass that you mention are actually the "bread and butter" fish of the bass population. These fish are approximately four years old, and comprise the larger portion of the catch.

I will be happy to hear from you in the future concerning the fishing in Birch Lake and if I can be of further service, feel free to contact me at any time.

Signed...John MacGregor,
District Fish Biologist"

The Olsons at # 47 entertained daughters and sons-in-law Margi and Gary Snyder of Kokomo, Ind. and Fran and Henry Roddiger of St. Louis, Mo. over last weekend. These two couples will be at Birch on Labor Day weekend for brunch in the summer house and from then on in WORK putting everything to bed for fall and winter. See you in the Spring, if not sooner!

Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Moehring and daughters Kris and Martha are enjoying a week of lake fun at the I. T. Bowers' cottage # 307. The Moehring's son Dean will join them on Friday and all will stay through Labor Day. Mrs. Moehring's maiden

(Cont'd from bottom of page 1) which is to be self-service, fee to be \$20. Road situation on west side of lake was discussed. *Floyd Fulmer, Sec.

name was Ruth Capron. She is a former resident of the lake, her folks having owned a cottage on the north side for about 20 years. There were only 2 or 3 cottages on the whole lake when they were there.

The Jensens at # 42 are ending up the season in full swing entertaining Mrs. Jensen's high school group...the Eastern Star group and the Jensen family. Hope September weekends hold up nice and sunny.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Weldy of the North Shore at Birch Lake (home residence, 1141 Belmont, South Bend, Ind) have just returned by air from 5 weeks in Europe visiting Scotland, England, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Leihenstein, Austria, Italy, Monaco, France, Spain and Portugal. They report a delightful trip, liking especially Switzerland, Lucerne, Zurich, the Matterhorn, Rome, the Historic ruins like Cercees, Maximes, Coliseum, the catacombs, Paris, the Louvre and report that Portugal is the most under-rated country. Temperature is 70 degrees...France and Italian Riveria... beautiful scenery and a delightful place.

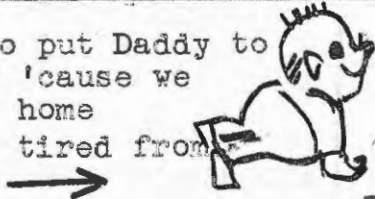
The Gaedtkes at # 318 were pleasantly surprised before noon on August 26th when their son came home on leave. He is Specialist 4, Paul J. Gaedtke in the Artillery Division, Fort Sills, Oklahoma. He enlisted and left for basic training on August 16, 1965.

The family is planning a get-together for Labor Day weekend. Expected are daughter Gertrude, husband Ed Hoel, children Cathy, Mike and Larry from Kokomo...daughter Magdalene, husband Bob Corbin and daughters Dawn, Valerie and Elise from Cincinnati, Ohio...son Walter F. and wife Pat and their sons Don and Danny from St. Charles, Illinois., and daughter Gloria, husband 2nd Lt. C. A. Prewett recently stationed at Laon, France with the Air Force and is now stationed at Bunkerhill and living in Kokomo, Ind., and their daughter Andrea Lynne. Also, sister-in-law Mrs. Anna Gaedtke, South Bend. Expect there will be plenty of outdoor grilling done, weather permitting. Son-in-law Ed Hoel is usually in charge of the outdoors cooking.

Stan, June, Terry and Gary Meredith of Granger and Anne Spalding of Three Rivers will be at LaMar Kings on Sunday for a cook-out.

Did you see Herb Cleveland skiing behind Don Habich's boat? The large spray was caused by his feet...he had no skies on. He has managed to ski barefooted at least half of the distance around the lake. Here is a feat for you other skiers to try.

Sh-h-h...we had to put Daddy to bed early tonight 'cause we have to leave for home tomorrow and he's tired from his vacation!



Ella Mae and Bob Mou visited with the Bob Hagues on Sunday. Their visit brought good luck to Bob in the Snipe races. They can come back again!!

The A. L. Courtneys, on the Hill, have had a very enjoyable summer at the lake. It will end rather abruptly for Mrs Courtney next Wednesday when school begins for her as a teacher for the P-H-M School Corporation of Mishawaka.

Jeanne has as a guest for one of her last weekends at the lake, Mr. Ron Nichols of Anderson, Indiana. They have enjoyed skin diving on several weekends. Jeanne will be maid-of-honor at the wedding of Miss Susan Godley, who has been a guest here and a counselor at Camp Kiloqua in the past. Susan's wedding will be on Saturday evening, Sept. 3rd. She will return to Purdue University for her Junior year on September 9th to help with the Freshman orientation program provided for Freshman women by the Green Guard Honorary.

Congratulations and thank you to those who made the directory possible.....format excellent!

Miss Carol Isenagle of Sacramento, California, is spending 2 weeks with her grandparents, the Lester Milnes of Cottage # 93. Carol is the daughter of their daughter Donna, sister of Wayne Milne. Carol was 7 years old when she last enjoyed the lake and is now a young lady of 21, and most happy to see Birch Lake again. She is also enjoying her stay with her Uncle Wayne and family in cottage #84 and her cousins, the Dean De Coudres in cottage # 1.

The Woodland Cove Association held a meeting in Floyd Fulmer's front yard. An election of officers was held and the new officers are:

Floyd Fulmer, President
Joe Cranmer, Vice-President
Mrs. J. Cranmer, Treasurer
Mrs. C. Cowen, Secretary



AND SO THE DIRECTORY DID GET OUT, as promised. As I mentioned in last week's Barker, Charlie Purdy put in a lot of time and made a lot of calls and I burned the "midnight oil" trying to get it nearly correct as possible. I said I would be glad to report corrections in this issue (even overlooked printing my own cottage number (ha ha) which, by the way is # 307. I have received only 3 corrections so will you please make note of same:

#318 Gaedtke, Walter and Elsa
51909 U S 31 N, So. Bend, Ind.
Phone: 272-2981

Gertrude, Magdalene, Walter F.
Gloria and Paul

#1 DeCoudres, Dean and Leana
5408 Lawn Ave., Western Springs,
Phone: 246-6782 Illinois

Diane, Gayle, Barry and Jan.

#7 Wirick, George T. and Ines
R.R.1-Birch Lake, Vandalia, Mich.

Georgeanne, Mark and Merrienne.

These should be corrected both numerically and alphabetically. If for some reason you did not receive your copy of the Directory, just get in touch with your Director, or see John Ball at Cottage # #98, or drop a note in my Birch Barker Mail Box at #307, the I. T. Bowers' cottage.

Did you forget to pick up your glass pie plate after the Ice Cream Social at the Yacht Club? You may call for it at cottage # 48.

FOR SALE: Sail Boat - Snipe # 8662 with 3 sets of sails....one Dacron and two cotton....is in good condition.....\$350.00
Call Debra Bratcher, Phone 476-2860
Cottage 00 - South Side

FOR SALE: 24" Philco T V - UHF and VHF Mahogany Console-Swivel Base
See R. E. Cealka, Cottage # 16 - Hill Top - East Side

THE PRODUCER'S CREAMERY wishes you all a Happy Fall, a Pleasant Winter and a Bright Spring....until we're all "back in business" and together again.

THE HILLTOP LAUNDRY send their "Summer's End" wishes to all.

The Editor also found tucked in the envelope a \$5.00 check for the Jr. Yacht Club. Mrs. Zimmerman appreciated all your business this year and wants to advertise with us again next year. We thank her too for her interest in our Beautiful Birch Lake.

Sailing News - 8-28-66



11:00 Race

- (1) Bob Hague - 15500
- (2) Earl Troeger - 9432
- (3) Wayne Milne - 13835
- (4) Tom Howard - 14009
- (5) Brian Hague - 15218
- (6) Don Holtz - 13836
- (7) H. Getzinger - 10360
- (8) Greg Speck - 2273

2:30 Race

- (1) Bob Hague - 15500
- (2) Jim Howard - 14009
- (3) Wayne Milne - 13835
- (4) Earl Troeger - 9432
- (5) Don Holtz - 13836
- (6) Brian Hague - 15218
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FINAL
SEASON
STANDINGS..

- (1) Earl Troeger
- (2) Wayne Milne
- (3) Bob Hague
- (4) Tom and Jim Howard
- (5) Brian Hague
- (6) Don Holtz
- (7) Hub Getzinger



JUNIOR SAILING RESULTS FOR AUG. 27th

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| 1st Race: (Snipes) | | 2nd Race: | |
| (1) Hague-15500 | (1) Olson-15218 | (1) Olson-15218 | (1) Olson-15218 |
| (2) Troeger-9432 | (2) Troeger-9432 | (2) Troeger-9432 | (2) Troeger-9432 |
| (3) Milne-13835 | (3) Holtz-13836 | (3) Holtz-13836 | (3) Holtz-13836 |
| (4) Olson-15218 | (4) Milne-13835 | (4) Milne-13835 | (4) Milne-13835 |
| (5) Holtz-13836 | (5) DeWulf-14009 | (5) DeWulf-14009 | (5) DeWulf-14009 |
| (6) DeWulf-14009 | (6) Hague-15500 | (6) Hague-15500 | (6) Hague-15500 |

SUNFISH:

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| (1) S. Troeger-14580 | (4) Kruggel-14962 |
| (2) T. Troeger-14310 | (5) Claro-14766 |
| (3) David Olson | J. Ball |

SUNFISH and SAILFISH tie for Season's Champions. It's between Scottie Troeger and Keith Claro.

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| (3) Tom Troeger | (7) Greene girls |
| (4) Herm Kruggel | (8) Olson |
| (5) Azar girls | |
| (6) Vargo | |



Now its time to say goodbye....the summer is just "too soon gone" says your editor, Mrs. I. T. Bowers from cottage 307. It has been fun printing all your news these past 3 years and I wish my successor the best of luck. For all those who leave, and all those who stay...may God Bless You in a very special way. Bye Bye.....