

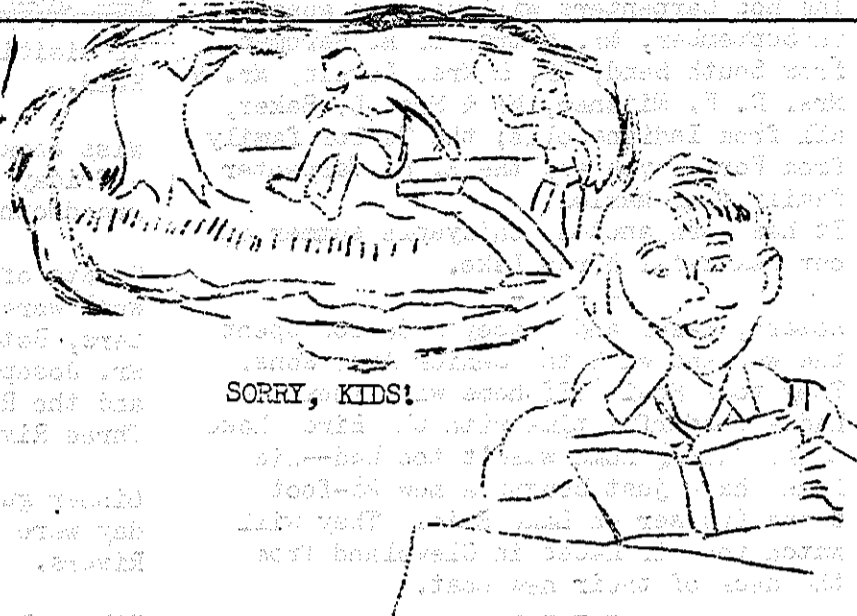
# THE BIRCH BARKER

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*Swirell  
To Another  
Great Summer!*



SORRY, KIDS!

## THE SEASON'S OVER

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IT'S TIME TO CALL IT A DAY.  
WE WISH TO THANK ALL YOU FOLKS  
FOR BEING SO NICE - WHAT MORE CAN WE SAY?

TO THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS,  
WE WANT TO STATE--  
YOU WERE JUST SWELL, GUYS,  
IN FACT, YOU'RE GREAT!

TO THE JUNIOR YACHT CLUB,  
FOR DOING SO WELL.  
YOU HELPED US ALL VERY MUCH,  
BY BEING GOOD KIDS--  
YOU'RE ALL REALLY SWELL!

THE BIRCH LAKE SAILORS,  
THEY'RE QUITE A CROWD.  
THEY BROUGHT HOME TROPHIES,  
OF WHICH WE'RE PROUD.

WE'D LIKE TO NAME EVERYONE  
WHO HELPED US THIS YEAR.  
BUT, WE JUST DON'T HAVE THE SPACE,  
SO, BELIEVE US, WE'RE GLAD YOU WERE HERE!

TO THE NEW OFFICERS FOR '68  
WE WISH YOU ALL OUR GOOD LUCK,  
YOU REALLY DON'T NEED.  
YOU'LL ALL BE JUST GREAT!

---DALE & DORIS BRATCHER---

## BOAT PARADE WINNERS

- FIRST PLACE - - "HAPPY HOOSIER"
- SECOND PLACE - - "THE BUTTERFLY"
- THIRD PLACE - - "ROBIN HOOD"
- FOURTH PLACE - - "GONNA WASH THAT MAN RIGHT OUTA MY HAIR"

# News

FOR SALE: PARTRIDGE - COTTAGE #310

RUG - 11 x 14 AND SCATTER RUGS  
SANDWICH TOASTER - 3½ H.P. OUTBOARD MTR.  
1 - FLOOR LAMP ...

The Bob Carpenters will have as guests in September, Mr. & Mrs. E. M. Hardman from South Bend; Mr. & Mrs. Larkin, Mr. & Mrs. D. F. Mitzner, Mr & Mrs. D. Baker, all from Indianapolis; the Taylor family from Fort Wayne and the E. R. Carpenter family from Marion. It has been another enjoyable summer at our beautiful Birch Lake.

Howard, Hazel and Tracey Anderson spent the weekend with the Senior Andersons. They took Howie III home with them. He had a wonderful time with the Birch Lake Gang. Going home wasn't too bad--his folks have just bought a new 28-foot Owens Cruiser on Lake Erie. They will watch the Air Races in Cleveland from the deck of their new boat.

Betsy Enger and Margaret Anderson from Covina, California spent a few days last week with Jensen's at #42. Monday, the girls and Kay Jensen left for the drive back to the Coast--Summer is over all tooooooo fast.

Mr. & Mrs. F. E. Aitchison and son, Jim spent Sunday with Jensens--sorta closing up shop....

Sunday guests of the Cowens, #308, were Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Turner of Mishawaka. Saturday guests were Mr. & Mrs. Frank Duncan of Mishawaka and their son, Dean, of Spring Valley, New York.

Bradley Cowen, age 2½, took to fishing for the second time (remember the 10" trout?). This time he outdid everyone in the family, with a 14" Bass!!!

The Asires are among the first to leave the Birch Lake Shores, and return to their winter activities in Centerport, New York.

The Richard Cowens learned that their recent visitor, Dr. David Spalding, did more than get up his first time on skis. The soreness he complained of turned out to be more than aging muscles---he had broken a rib!

Guests of Troyers, Cottage #365, swam across the lake in a record breaking 20 minutes. Mike of Granger led the way, Dave and Tom coming in last. Mr. Ken Troyer drove the boat in reverse, so they would think that they were swimming faster.

Roy and Maxine Sellers and Mrs. Carrie Young of North Liberty spent Sunday with the Hubert Weavers, Cottage #383.

Dr. Cloyd R. Partridge and children, Scott and Julie of Corona del Mar, Calif. were guests of the Partridges at Wee Wood. Cloyd is enroute to Weesbaden, Germany to establish a Psychological Clinic for Air Force Dependents. Mrs. P. and children will join him in Sept. Mark Nelson from Fullerton, California, is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Fred Reed.

Miss Jackie Coghlin of Three Rivers was a Friday guest of Mark Nelson's at his grandmother's cottage.

Guests of the Taylor Snow's this past week were Mrs. Charles Pullen and daughters, Beth and Amy from Franklin, Ind.; Mr. Joseph D'Amare of New York City; and the Robert Schneider family from Three Rivers.

Dinner guests of Mrs. Fred Reed on Friday were Mr. & Mrs. Edward Fish of Three Rivers.

Eileen Bernaciak and Chuck Fitzen visited with Karen, Kevin and Grandma Bernaciak on Tuesday.

Kathleen Klappauf will spend the last week of vacation with Grandpa Bernaciak.

Karen and Kevin Bernaciak spent 2 weeks at Birch Lake with Grandma and Grandpa. Now, back to school--Good Luck. Aloha, Birch Lake!

The Budzinski's, Al, Loretta and Tom, have returned recently from a trip to Boston, where they attended the impressive ceremony of the Commissioning of the U.S.S. Richard L. Page, on which their son, John, is stationed. They enjoyed the Adirondack, Berkshire and White Mountains, as well as seeing all the historic spots in Boston.

Mr. Harris, from the Pennsylvanian Cottage, caught a large mouth bass that weighed 5 lbs. and was 22 inches long, using a 3½ oz. Rod and a 7½ oz. Reel. It took him 15 minutes to land the fish. He is going to have it mounted for his Game Room back in Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Deb Bratcher's guest this past weekend was Bob Meeks. Deb and Bob will be returning to Indiana University on the 10th to begin their Junior year.

Den Bratcher spent Tuesday in South Bend, visiting his parents. It was either that, or start school wearing Levis and cut-offs (and going bare-foot?).

THANKS AGAIN TO EVERYONE FOR SUPPLYING THE NEWS FOR THE BARKER THIS YEAR. YOU MADE IT WHAT IT WAS....I HOPE YOU ENJOYED IT. GOOD LUCK TO NEXT YEAR'S EDITOR.

Thanks!

AS MARINE DEPUTY FOR BIRCH LAKE THIS SUMMER, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONGRATULATE THIS LAKE'S BOATERS FOR THEIR FINE OVERALL BOATING. YOU SHOULD BE PROUD OF YOUR GOOD BOATING HABITS AND STRIVE TO MAINTAIN THIS TRADITION IN FUTURE YEARS. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING HERE AND I HOPE TO SEE ALL OF YOU AGAIN.

---SKIP SISSON---

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MY THANKS TO THE PARENTS WHO HAVE CHAPERONED FOR THE JR. YACHT CLUB THIS YEAR. WE REALLY APPRECIATED IT. I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE KIDS WHO SERVED AS BARKER CARRIERS: BETH BLILER, HOWIE ANDERSEN, JOHN & JULIE BALL, JEFF TROEGER, KEN KOSTANSKI, JON & JIM HOLTZ, PATTY HARTMANFT, DARLENE SCOFIELD, SUE O'BRIEN, JILL TUNNICLIFFE AND SANDY BAUGHMAN.

SUMMARY OF JR. B.L.Y.C. ACTIVITIES:

HAYRIDE - \$10.00 PROFIT  
DANCE - \$15.00 PROFIT

MEMBERS - SOLD 52 CARDS - \$26.00  
ICE CREAM SOCIAL - APPROX. \$55.00 PROFIT

THE YACHT CLUB WAS OPEN TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY.

THE JR. B.L.Y.C. WOULD LIKE TO THANK MR. & MRS. BRATCHER FOR RUNNING THE BIRCH BARKER FOR US. THEY DID A GREAT JOB!

GOOD LUCK TO NEXT YEAR'S OFFICERS!

---CINDY BALL---

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THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 1968 MET AT THE YACHT CLUB AT 5 P.M. ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 26TH:

DICK COWEN	LES MEYERS
DALE BRATCHER	GARRY STOUT
PAT FORBES	BUD RIETH
JACK TROEGER	JOHN WENT
BOB HAGUE	FLOYD FULMER

THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN WERE CONFIRMED:

FIREWORKS - I. T. AND HELEN BOWERS  
ANNUAL DINNER - DICK AND PEGGY COWEN AND LAMAR AND NANCY KING  
BOAT PARADE - LOUISE RIETH  
BUILDING - BOB HAGUE  
SOCIAL CHAIRMEN - JACK AND EVELYN ASIRE  
NEW DIRECTORY - I. T. AND HELEN BOWERS  
PUBLICITY - MRS. CLIFFORD COWEN  
ROAD - JOE CRANMER

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I WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK MY FELLOW BIRCH LAKERS FOR THE CONFIDENCE THEY HAVE PLACED IN ME BY SELECTING ME AS THEIR COMMODORE FOR THE NEXT YEAR. I SHALL ENDEAVOR TO JUSTIFY THAT CONFIDENCE.

ALREADY LINED UP FOR NEXT YEAR'S ACTIVITIES ARE THE FOLLOWING: I. T. AND HELEN BOWERS WILL ARRANGE FOR THE FIREWORKS. LOUISE RIETH IS IN CHARGE OF THE BOAT PARADE. DICK AND PEGGY COWEN AND LAMAR AND NANCY KING WILL PLAN FOR THE ANNUAL DINNER. JACK AND EVELYN ASIRE, OUR SOCIAL CHAIRMEN, HAVE SOMETHING DIFFERENT LINED UP FOR A SOCIAL EVENT.

REGARDING A BOATING COURSE, I HAVE CONFERRED WITH SHERIFF ROBERT DOOL AND JAMES SANFORD, REPRESENTING THE MICHIGAN BOATING CONTROL COMMITTEE, AND LYLE "SKIP" SISSON, OUR MARINE PATROL OFFICER. THEY ASSURED ME THEY WOULD PROVIDE SUCH A COURSE AT BIRCH LAKE AGAIN NEXT SUMMER.

WE HOPE TO HAVE A NEW DIRECTORY OUT BEFORE JULY 1ST AND A CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 1968 IN THE FIRST ISSUE OF THE 1968 BIRCH BARKER.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE COMING YEAR AND WILL NEED YOUR COOPERATION TO MAKE IT SUCCESSFUL. AGAIN, MANY THANKS. ---FLOYD H. FULMER, COMMODORE---

JUNIOR SNIPE STANDINGS		%
JEFF TROEGER	2,4,1,1,1,4,1	1591 - 5/7
DON HOLTZ	4,2,2,3,4,1,4	1526 - 1/7
BRIAN HAGUE	3,3,2,2,5,2,3	1525 - 6/7
MARY MILNE	2,5,5,5,5,5,5	1398 - 1/7
BARRY HAGUE	6,7,3,4,4,6,6	1357 - 4/7
DON OLSON	6,7,6,6,6	1211 - 1/5

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SUNFISH RESULTS

	<u>1ST RACE</u>	<u>2ND RACE</u>	<u>FINAL STANDINGS</u>
KEITH CLARO	1ST	2ND	1ST
SCOTT TROEGER	2ND	4TH	2ND
TOM TROEGER	3RD	3RD	3RD
HERM KRUGGEL	4TH	1ST	4TH
			5TH

THE SUNFISH FLEET IS JUST BEGINNING AND INVITES ALL INTERESTED IN SAILING TO JOIN THEM NEXT YEAR FOR A NEW AND BETTER SEASON. SAILING IS FUN FOR ALL AGES. WHY DON'T YOU JOIN US?

THE SUNFISH FLEET WILL SAIL ITS FIRST ANNUAL LABOR DAY REGATTA THIS WEEKEND. RACES WILL BE SAILED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE SNIPE. THEY ARE PLANNED FOR TWO RACES SATURDAY AND ONE SUNDAY.

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SAILING NEWS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH

THE FINAL TWO RACES OF THE RACING SEASON WERE SAILED UNDER ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS. THE RAIN STOPPED FALLING ABOUT 1 P.M. SO AFTER A DELAY OF 2 1/2 HOURS, THE BOATS WERE UNDERWAY. THE STANDINGS FOR THE TWO RACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>RACE #1</u>	<u>RACE #2</u>
1. EARL TROEGER, JR.	1. JEFF TROEGER
2. JEFF TROEGER	2. EARL TROEGER
3. DON HOLTZ	3. BOB HAGUE
4. JIM HOWARD	4. WAYNE MILNE
5. WAYNE MILNE	5. BRIAN HAGUE
6. BRIAN HAGUE	6. DON HOLTZ
7. BOB HAGUE	7. JIM HOWARD
8. TOM ATHANAS	8. TOM ATHANAS
9. DON OLSON	9. DON OLSON
10. MIKE VERLODT	10. MIKE VERLODT
11. CRAIG SPECK D.N.F.	11. CRAIG SPECK D.N.S.

THE FINAL STANDINGS FOR THE SEASON ARE:

	<u>FINAL SCORE</u>
1. EARL TROEGER	1672.6
2. BOB HAGUE	1543.2
3. WAYNE MILNE	1532.7
4. JIM HOWARD	1470.12
5. BRIAN HAGUE	1368
6. DON HOLTZ	1327
7. DON OLSON	1280.71
8. TOM ATHANAS	1199.33
9. TOM HOWARD	1166.55

WE WISH TO WELCOME ANOTHER SNIPE SAILOR AND CREW TO BIRCH LAKE. MIKE VERLODT WILL SKIPPER THE BOAT PURCHASED BY MISS PAT KASTNER WHO WILL ACT AS CREW. WE WISH THEM MANY HAPPY HOURS OF SAILING.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE TAKEN THEIR TIME AND EFFORT TO HELP THE SAILORS, AND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO BOB MARTIN FOR THE USE OF HIS PONTOON BOAT AND HIS HELP IN STARTING THE RACES. ALSO TO JOHN MACHALLEK AND SELDON FOOTE.

THE LABOR DAY REGATTA WILL BE SAILED, 2 RACES ON SATURDAY AND ONE ON SUNDAY. TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED 1 HOUR AFTER THE FINAL RACE ON SUNDAY AT THE YACHT CLUB. WE, THE SAILORS, WISH TO INVITE EVERYONE TO ATTEND THE PRESENTATION OF THE SEASON AND LABOR DAY REGATTA TROPHIES. AT THIS TIME TROPHIES WILL BE PRESENTED FOR THE JR. SNIPE SAILORS AND THE SUNFISH SAILORS. COME ONE---COME ALL. ---BOB HAGUE---