

# THE BIRCH BARKER

BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB  
Vandalia, Michigan

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FROM THE COMMODORE:

A decision has been made to postpone the Annual Fall Dinner from Aug. 19th to Aug. 26th. In the past few years attendance has dwindled at this affair to the point where serious consideration was given to abandon the event. However, a new concept will be tried in an effort to revive interest in the Annual Dinner this year.

The Dinner will be at the Yacht Club August 26th at 8:30 MI time, in the evening, followed by a short business meeting and then a Dance. True, this is different from the family type affairs of the past, but we need to do something to renew interest in this affair and we will follow this approach this year.

Mari-Del Catering from Union, has been secured to cater the dinner. The menu is Fried Chicken, Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Vegetable, Salads, Dessert, Etc; essentially a wedding reception-type dinner. The cost is \$4.25 per plate. Figuring the expense of beer and pop, plus the band, we must charge \$6.00 per person.

We urge you all to attend this End-of-the-Season Event! Your Directors have tickets and will be calling on you very soon. Thank you for your support of the Yacht Club.

Dick Whiteman

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sundays	Sunfish Races
Friday, August 11th	Teen Hay Ride - SEE LAST WEEKS BARKER
Fri., Sat., Sun. Aug. 11, 12, 13	9th Annual Michiana Championship - Sunfish
Sunday, August 13th	Couples Sunfish Race
Saturday, August 26th	Annual Fall Dinner & Dance

LAST SATURDAY'S MONTE CARLO NIGHT was a real "FUN" evening. Special thanks go to Joe O'Brien for securing the materials essential for such an event. Bob & Shirley Ross did a great job in making this party a success!

The following people assisted in being "Dealers" for the evening: Ken and Darlene Troyer, Bruce Harlan, Barry Schaar, Bud Lovejoy, Glen & Cathy Jevert, Bob Vicsik, Doug & Julie Weaver, Roy Henderson.

Phyl Davis was the purchasing agent for the fine prizes that were auctioned off at the conclusion of the evening. THANKS TO ALL.

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COUPLES SUNFISH RACE

This Sunday afternoon, August 13th, races start at 3:30 MI time, followed by an Awards Party at the HAINES' COTTAGE #124, on the East side.

If you are "boatless", try borrowing one from your friends or neighbors. We would like as many participants as possible. GOOD LUCK!!!

(Your Commodore has a boat available to loan.)

LADIES GOLF AND LUNCHEON A SMASHING SUCCESS

On a beautiful Tuesday morning many Birch Lake residents and their guests converged on the Park Shore Golf Course, ready for the 9 Hole Ladies Tournament.

Doris Howard, our willing hostess for all past Golf Days, was again on hand to greet all comers with coffee and do-nuts which was enjoyed by all before the Shotgun Tee off at 9:30 a.m.

Luncheon followed at the K-Tap in Vandalia, where many non-golfers joined the group, bringing the total to 58.

Shirley Ross & Lynne Schaar chaired the Golf Event and gave the following prizes after the luncheon:

- Low Gross - Liz DeRose of Grand Ledge, Mi.
- Low Net - Jo Murphy - Camp Tannadoonah
- Most Bogies- Jean Axelburg
- Closest to pin #7 - Mary Ruth Brady of Elkhart
- Longest drive #3 - Shirley Ross
- Most 1 putts - Ginny Spratt

After that many more prizes were awarded for sundry accomplishments. (Cont.)

SAILING

CALM ----- CLEAR ---- and CANCELLED

The winds were up to something new last Sunday. They simply decided not to blow. This depressed many of our devoted sailors and we were hoping on running them later in the day. But the winds did not pick up, and the races were cancelled.

We will try to make them up later, on a Sunday. And maybe on a Saturday afternoon if all sailors agree. The Fleet Captain will let you know.

NEWS

Cottage #45 has been the center of activity for the past two weeks for the Cox Family. Tom and Reva Cox, sons J. Sheridan and Adam, of Zig Zag, Oregon; Jim and Mary Anna and baby Nathan of New York City; and The Statons, Bob, Jane, Jennifer and Beth of Carmel, Indiana have all been visiting Mrs. G. B. Cox. Renewing friendships and remembering past adventures of the Cox family here at Birch Lake have been a favorite pastime.

On Sunday, August 13th, the families of Bud and Louise Rieth will have their 35th annual reunion at the Rieth home. Son Greg Rieth, his wife Linda and grandsons, Jamie and Stevie will come from Knoxville, Tenn. Daughter Carol Inman and grandson Jeff will come from Clearwater, Fla. Dewey Price from Clearwater will also join the festivities. Bud's sister, Mrs. Betty Hunter, will come from Camarillo, Calif. There will be other family members from South Bend, Elkhart and Goshen. Let's hope for great weather and a HAPPY REUNION for the Rieths & their family.

Judiann Peters Johnson of Scotts Plains, N. J., children David and Gretchen and foreign student Ulrike Sutter of Bregenz, Austria are visiting at Cottage 323.

Katha Machakkeck entertained her college roommate, Sue McKim of Detroit, for luncheon at Cottage 51 Monday; later taking her to their Granger home for the balance of a two day visit. They hadn't seen each other since 1973 so you can bet they never stopped talking the whole time!

Tuesday night Brian and Lori, with their Mom Katha Machalleck went by train to Flint to visit their Aunt Jill and Uncle Roger Jirikovic. They'll be back Sunday, and things will be back to normal again -- Sure was QUIET!!!

ENGAGEMENT-- Sue and Duffy Dufour, #120, would like to announce the engagement of son Dave to Laurie Reiners. Laurie's parents are Jean and Rudy who live just across the street on Rainbow Bend in Elkhart.

YARD SALE - YARD SALE - YARD SALE

5 FAMILY YARD SALE  
EVERYTHING FROM SOUP TO NUTS!!!  
FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY  
AUGUST 11 - 12 - 13  
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. MI time

WALNUT ROAD - North of STORIE HILL ROAD  
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LINDA CAREY # 350, West side is having a Yard Sale AUGUST 18-19-20.  
Driveway to home is off WALNUT ROAD.  
Signs will be posted.  
Rocker, Youth Bed, Toys, Bike, Clothes, etc. to be offered.

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NEXT WEEK BARKER NEWS should be taken to Cottage #148 - Eastside - LISA COAN is going to type it. DEADLINE TUESDAY \*  
LADIES GOLF - CONTINGED

Nadine Brown and Eileen Price chaired the luncheon event awarded numerous prizes, altho' not all 58 ladies were fortunate enough to have their number drawn for a Door Prize, it was fun to see the variety of gifts. Among those who contributed were: Tom's Garage, Getzingers, Weavers, Courtneys, Harris', Schaars, Troyers, The B.L.Y.C., The St. Joe Valley Bank courtesy of Dean Davis, Vicsiks, Lovejoys, Leathermans, Fortinos, Hendersons, Koontz, Echols, and the Men's Golf Outing. Anyone left out, our apologies and THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!!!  
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VOLLEY BALL

For those of you who do not know, we have a court & equipment at the Yacht club; made possible by the JR. YACHT CLUBBERS Ice Cream Social.

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M - 60 at Crooked Creek  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Church 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Night 7:30 p.m. Youth & Adults  
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From the sounds on Sat. & Sun. there must be some good games played! Come join them or get a team together and challenge. LET'S ALL ENJOY IT!!!

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