

Birch Barker

1979
BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB
VANDALIA, MICHIGAN

JUNE ISSUE

MEN'S GOLF OUTING

(BIRCH LAKE CLASSIC)

Date: July 27, 1979

Location: Park Shore Golf Club
Cassopolis, MI

Tee Off: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
(IN time)

Cost: \$12

TICKETS may be purchased from any of the following:

Bud Zesinger	North 268
Ken Everett	West 309
Roy Henderson	South 069
Bud Lovejoy	East 102
Dave Olson	East 126

PLEASE PURCHASE your tickets well in advance.

A LIMITED number of electric golf carts are available: First come, first serve basis. Call Walt Barko at 445-2834 for cart reservations. Pull carts available.

REFRESHMENTS and DINNER at the Yacht Club beginning at 6:30 IN time. Many prizes to be awarded!!!!!!!!!!!! Ken Everett, co-chairman is in charge of prizes and dinner arrangements. Please call Ken at 476-2760 with prize suggestions.....Thank you

Bud Zesinger
Co-chairman

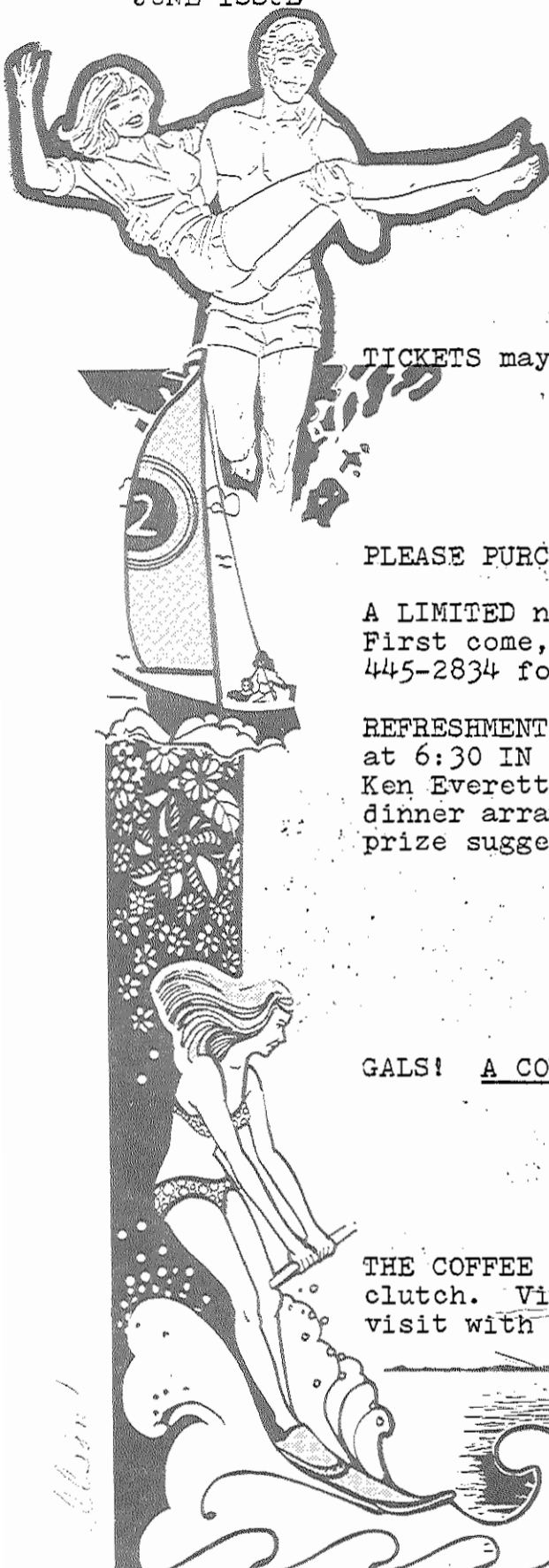
GALS! A COFFEE HOUR Rain or Shine --at the Yacht Club.

Date: Wednesday, June 27, 1979

Time: 10:00 a.m. IN time
11:00 a.m. MI. time

THE COFFEE POT is on for a good ole' fashion coffee clutch. Visit with old friends - get acquainted and visit with new friends.....

Ginger Luxenberger
Social Chairman



1979

expressions

BIRCH LAKE'S SONGS OF THE SEASONS
From a Different View

By Gertie Temple
Editor, Birch Barker

IF just outside your lake-front door,
Your lawn is like a beach;
Remember, my front shore
is just within its reach!

When you say,
"IT'S TIME TO FERTILIZE!"
Look at me;
Please be wise!

You can turn my lovely blue
Into an ugly algae scene:
Your deluge of all that phosphorus
Upon your grassy green!

It seeps into my water
You know,
And really makes the algae
GROW!

P.S. "Absence of fertilizer" is one of the recommendations to make me Oligotrophic - the best, and keep my swimming areas free from algal mats and weeds! The phosphorus in fertilizers entering through surface runoff is not helping my phosphorus count of .0025! In fact, if you use a pump and sprinkle with ME, you will be fertilizing at the same time and reducing my phosphorus buildup! Also, you could have a soil test to find a nutrient to help your lawn that is not of the pollutant kind!!!!!!

I AM outside your lake-front door.
I am saying thanks to you.
Listen - hear me whisper softly -
I am a lovely blue.

BIRCH LAKE

MAGICAL MOMENTS AT BIRCH LAKE

A PAUSE AT THE SHORE TO CAPTURE THE INSPIRATION of Birch Lake before beginning her commuting day at college - and her rush to the shore upon return.

THE STATELY STANCE OF THE BLUE HERON at dusk on a north shore pier in meditation with an equally majestic Birch Lake family.

THE SONGBIRD THAT IS TRYING TO TELL ME SOMETHING says the man from the north shore as he leaves the stress of his day in its song.

THE MAGICAL MOMENT OF HER RETURN to Birch Lake - away from the real world.

The glow of candlelight in Cele Goddard's summer house magnified by table arrangements of colorful wild flowers gathered by Linda Tate, and the happy chatter of women, indicated that Cele, Circle Leader, was entertaining her group from Lydia Circle of Grace Methodist Church.

The beauty of Birch Lake, the peacefulness; the quiet, was a topic of conversation. Asked why Cele and her late husband chose this lake to build their cottage, Cele replied, "Because it was clean and woodsy - a back to Nature sort-of-place."

Eve Arnett, a guest, visited with Cele's neighbor, Bill Major. The conversation again centered around Birch Lake and Eve was informed by Bill that "the blue-gills just aren't hittin'."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU
HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR BRAD ----HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO YOU!

Brad Zesinger will be 11 years old on Saturday,
June 23rd. What does Brad like to do best at
Birch Lake.....HUNT TURTLES:

Brad, do you and all your other friends who
like to hunt turtles at Birch Lake know that
a turtle is called a Reptile. The shell is
the turtle's house which it carries along
where ever it goes. Turtles have been with us
for 175,000,000 years. During this time the
dinosaurs have come and gone; the turtles stayed!

They sleep through the winter at Birch Lake in
the ground or in the water.

Land turtles are slow and clumsy, but gentle.
Their head, legs and tail can be drawn inside
their shell.... Fresh water turtles are more
active than the land types. Many of them cannot
draw their head, leg and tail inside the shell,
but their quick movements make up for this lack.

No turtles have teeth, but their jaws have
jagged edges that can make painful cuts!!!!!!!!!!

Turtles eat animals as well as plants. Some
water turtles will not swallow unless their
heads are below water.

Turtles live as long as 152 years. Many young
turtles show growth rings on their shell. Each
ring stands for a year's growth.

All turtles hatch from eggs - the common snapping
turtle lays 40 eggs in one clutch. A turtle never
knows its parents. Its habits are guided by instinct.

A female turtle lays her eggs, covers them with sand
and pays no further attention to them. Sometimes
she lays them in a rotting log. The sun hatches
the eggs in about two months. Skunks and raccoons
dig up the eggs. Snakes often trail female turtles
on their way to dig a nest.

During dry weather turtles often sleep deep in the
mud for days.

Brad, you better awaken one of those turtles
now from its dreamy sleep, because there is going to
be a TURTLE RACE at Birch Lake this summer!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB SUNFISH SAILING SCHEDULE 1979

SUNDAY	June	17	2 races
SUNDAY	June	24	2 races
SATURDAY	June	30*	1 race
SUNDAY	July	1*	2 races
SUNDAY	July	8	2 races
SUNDAY	July	15	2 races
SUNDAY	July	22	2 races
SUNDAY	July	29	2 races
SUNDAY	August	5	2 races
SUNDAY	August	12	Open date
SUNDAY	August	19	2 races
SUNDAY	August	26	2 races
SATURDAY	Sept.	1**	2 races
SUNDAY	Sept.	2**	1 race

*Denotes FOURTH OF JULY REGATTA: This series counts toward season standings.

**Denotes LABOR DAY REGATTA: This series will not count in the season standings.

SPECIAL NOTES:

1. Starting time for the first race will always be at 11:30 a.m. Michigan time - 10:30 a.m. Indiana time.

2. The sailing fee will be \$15. Fees must be paid by July 8 to Fleet Captain.

3. Boats must sail a minimum of 2/3 of the races sailed to be eligible for season standing trophies.

4. All boats are required to have approved life preservers aboard.

5. In case of protest, the protest must be delivered to the Fleet Captain in writing one hour after the Committee Boat has docked.....
Joe O'Brien, Fleet Captain.....

COMMITTEE BOAT STARTERS NEEDED

The SUNFISH SAILORS need your help. We need starters for our Sunday morning races. The 2 races last from 2 to 3 hours depending on the wind. If you would be willing to help on 1 or 2 Sundays, please contact Joe O'Brien, cottage 177, phone 476-9374. Help make our SUN FISH FLEET strong, successful and enjoyable throughout the 1979 season

SUNFISH RACE RESULTS FROM JUNE 17 AND STANDINGS

<u>SKIPPER</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>	<u>BONUS</u>	<u>AVERAGE & BONUS</u>
T. Burchell	1/2	1561	20	1581
H. Haines	2/1	1561	20	1581
K. Kruggel	3/3	1444	20	1464
D. Lovejoy	4/4	1369	20	1389
C. Haines	7/5	1226	20	1246
J. Harman	6/7	1191	20	1211
B. Lovejoy	5/9	1160	20	1180
T. Howard	8/6	1157	20	1177
D. Anthony	9/10	993	20	1013
B. Appleby	13/8	937	20	957
B. Zesinger	10/11	931	20	951
D. Frew	11/DNS	900	10	910
T. Hammes	12/DNF	841	20	861

BINGO BINGO BINGO BINGO BINGO Announcement by Arlene Machalleck
.....Saturday June 30 at the Yacht Club
.....7:30 p.m. IN time 8:30 MI time

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