

The Birch Barker

Birch Lake Yacht Club



Date _____

Letter from the Vice-Commodore

Last weekend was just another normal, quiet, nice weekend at Birch Lake unless you're a golfer, sailor, or interested in womens cloths. and some good fellowship at the lunches and dinners.

Almost everyone could get involved if they wished. The Regatta was a big success with 44 boats entered. Five Birch Lake sailors won trophies and the winning skipper was Reid Francis from Diamond Lake who by the way learned some of his sailing by crewing for my son Dave and I. My special thanks goes out to my wife Connie, Myra and Sue Anthony, Bev and Leslie Kruggel, Norma Courtney, and Libby Dorce for the help on the lunches.

The golf outing was great for all who could attend and Randy Welsh did a superb job as host and master of ceremonies.

All the girls said the Style Show and luncheon was fabulous. Denny Weesner and her five committee should be commended for a big job well done.

Earl Troeger
Vice-Commodore

Birch Lakers Beware!

There have been many cases of petty vandalism going on around the lake. Flowers, car batterys, flags, life jackets, ceramic figures and more. Sometimes, just a warning that these things are happening makes us more cautious. Don't leave anything out that you value. Notify the police if you have anything stollen (even if it's something minor) as this alerts the police to the problem in the area.

Ladies Luncheon & Style Show

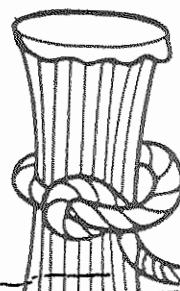
The ladies of Birch Lake and their guests were treated to and outstanding afternoon at Diamond Harbor Inn. Our models, Barb Zesinger, Thelma Koontz, Betty O'Brien, Ronda Weesner, Bev Kruggel, Juanita Harlan & Fran Welch, did a peafly professional job of showing us the latest in fashion for 1981-1982.

Lee King was responsible for organizing all the beautiful door prizes. Wasn't it great being able to visit with so many of our friends and neighbors from around the lake? We had a crowd of almost 140!

I have to take credit for picking some super ticket sellers.

Hope to see all of you again next year, for an even bigger and better luncheon.

Denny Weesner
Chairman



MICHIANA OPEN SUNFISH REGATTA

Last weekend's regatta proved to be a big success. The winds were a little shaky for a while but we got all five races in. Reid Francis of Diamond Lake sailed steady races to pull away from the pack and win first place. Kevin Wiseman of Corey Lake was the top junior (15 and under) as he came in 18th place over all. Birch Lake won five of the top ten places to well represent ourselves. Birch Lake trophy winners were Howie Haines; 2nd place; Dave Troeger, 5th place; Kevin Kruggel, 7th place; Tim Burchell, 8th place; and Bill Carpenter, 10th place. Other Birch Lake sailors also did well as you can see by the standings below. Thanks to all those sailors who came out to support the regatta.

A big thank-you goes to Mr. Troeger who was responsible for getting many things done to make this regatta possible. Thanks also goes to the starting committee of Hern Kruggel, Keith Weesner, Ken Rudy and Bob Haguo, who handled a tough job with no problems at all. The lunch committee of Connie Troeger, Bev Kruggel, Myra Anthony, Norma Courtney, Sue Anthony and Leslie Kruggel did a great job in the kitchen. My gratitude also goes to all those sailors who helped in the registering of boats and scoring the races. Most of all I thank the people of Birch Lake who came out and watched the races. I hope it was a beautiful and enjoyable sight for everyone.

Kevin Kruggel,
Fleet Captain

MICHIANA OPEN REGATTA RESULTS

<u>SKIPPER</u>	<u>YACHT CLUB</u>	<u>FINISHES</u>	<u>TOTAL POINTS</u>
1. Reid Francis	DLYC	2/2/2/1/2	12
2. Howie Haines	BLYC	3/1/4/5/3	29.4
3. Bill Riddle	Devils Lake	1/6/3/7/18	54.4
4. Jim Conboy	DLYC	10/7/1/4/13	56
5. Dave Troeger	BLYC	19/3/24/2/1	63.7
6. Lisa Smith	CLYC	8/4/18/12/7	77
7. Kevin Kruggel	BLYC	12/5/16/8/8	78
8. Tim Burchell	BLYC	16/8/7/3/19	79.7
9. Andy Pontius	DLYC	13/13/12/13/4	83
10. Bill Carpenter	BLYC	5/9/9/17/16	85
11. Tom Howard	BLYC	14/12/6/6/22	89.4
12. Salzenstein	PLYC	4/20/13/15/11	91
13. Leo Zelasko	BLYC	24/15/5/21/6	99.7
14. Tom Troeger	BLYC	6/17/11/16/20	99.7
15. Bob Leonard	DLYC	25/19/10/14/5	102
16. Gina Farabaugh	CLYC	11/10/19/10/29	109
17. Sarah Smith	CLYC	20/11/26/9/21	117
18. Kevin Wiseman	CLYC	15/14/15/30/17	121
19. Tom Atharas	BLYC	9/24/21/23/15	122
20. Kurt Kruggel	BLYC	23/18/17/11/25	124
21. Glenn Foster	DLYC	17/16/20/19/24	126
22. Charlie Bienenman	DLYC	7/26/30/22/14	129
23. Bill Hayes	Degvils Lake	22/21/14/36/10	133
24. Bruce Cameron	DLYC	31/27/22/18/9	137
25. Kevin Kennelly	DLYC	28/32/8/27/23/	148
26. Chris Mathews	DLYC	18/30/25/25/27	155
27. Steve Sante	BLYC	29/25/23/26/37	169
28. Tom Condon	BLYC	DNS/31/33/20/12	169
29. Jeff Howard	BLYC	32/29/28/29/30	178
30. Jim Cook	BLYC	30/33/27/24/36	180
31. Mike Gotstein	BLYC	26/23/32/35/35	181

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32. Todd Troeger	BLYC	34/35/35/28/26/	188
33. Dave Anthony	BLYC	36/34/29/32/28	189
34. Al Courtney	BLYC	38/28/34/31/34	195
35. Tricia Kennelly	DLYC	21/22/DNS/DNS/DNS	200
36. Ken Troyer	BLYC	35/36/39/33/32	205
37. Marty Sante	BLYC	27/39/42/41/31	210
38. Jenny Conboy	DLYC	33/42/31/40/DNS	217
39. Bob McElwee	BLYC	37/37/41/39/38	222
40. Jane Bicenman	DLYC	40/38/36/37/DNS	222
41. Mark McElwee	BLYC	41/41/37/34/40	223
42. George Iams	BLYC	39/40/40/38/39	226
43. Kevin Rudy	BLYC	42/43/38/42/33	228

BLYC 6th Annual Golf Classic

The 6th Annual Birch Lake Golf Classic was a great success. The change to Hampshire Country Club for golf and K'Tap for dinner proved once again the uniqueness of our event.

The golf itself was exciting. Bud Zesinger successfully defended his crown but not without great difficulty - after the first hole Bud was behind and struggling - but by the 18th he squeaked out a victory by a mere 11 shots. Bud wishes to thank Tom and Jack Troeger for all their help in keeping him calm and loose. Holding up the great legacy of Diamond Lake, and finishing in second place was Foster Daughtery with an easygoing 82. Not to be denied representing the contingent from South Bend was the smooth swinging Sparky Casini firing an 83 for a lock out of third place. Keeping with our policy of something for everyone Randy Welch was allowed fourth place with a smashing 84.

OTHER WINNERS + LOW NET SCORE

Glenn Jevort	-	72
Don Rink	-	73
Kevin Rudy	-	74
Mike Cotter	-	74
Bob McElwee	-	74

After smuggling one up to within 20 ft. of the pin Rick Doolittle walked away with closest to the pin honors.

Not to be denied little Timmy Rink from Rink golfing fame crushed his drive on 6 to capture the long drive honors.

And last but not least, struggling in head to head competition, setting a new BLYC golfing record of 136 was the dynamic duo of sweet swinging Keith Weener and slamming Dave Troeger.

As you can tell it was a great day - dinner was superb and the prizes were outstanding. Again, thanks to all who contributed and/or participated - next years will be bigger and better.

Your Committee,
Bud & Randy

Sympathys

A note of sorrow has just been handed me. Herb Howard, a long time Birch Lake Summer resident and a strong backer of our Yacht Club passed away in Elkhart General Hospital Wednesday August 5. Our deep sympathy goes out to Doris and her family. May Herb be long remembered by all of us for the good times he provided at Birch Lake.

Earl Troeger

Steve Bodza cottage # 137 passed away last Sunday. Mr. Bodza came to Birch Lake in 1953. Our deepest sympathy to the Bodza family.

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Yard Sale - at Troyer's cottage E281 August 14 & 15 from 10:00 - 5:00 MI. Many items for sale as we have cleaned out the attic.

KIDS KORNER

The summer party on August 10th at the Yacht Club will be alot of fun so remember to come at 1:30IN time. Bring along the picture from last weeks Barker that you've colored for the coloring contest. We still need mothers to make some treats, call either Sherry at 476-2800 or me at 476-2639. Hope to see all of the kids there on Monday!

EDITOR LETTER

Summer is really going by fast this year. I hope that everyone enjoyed the Birch Barker this summer, and you were able to put up with my mistakes. This is the last Barker that I'm going to type for the summer, as The Barker is a large job & I want to thank all the people who have helped to meet the deadline however hectic they were! News for future Barkers can be left at Sherry Holemans in the cove. Have a safe and happy day

Darlene Troyer
Editor

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