

THE BIRCH BARKER



Birch Lake Yacht Club

July 2, 1983

Issue #4

COMMODORES COMMENTS

What a great warm weekend to be at the lake. Birch Lake again met the challenge and all the boaters handled themselves admirably. It is a pleasure to see so many people enjoying the great number of activities our lake has to offer. Again we remind everyone that COURTSEY, CAUTION, and COMMON SENSE are the 3-C'S of boating. Please observe them at all times.

This week the Barker will be delivered to 1982 members and 1983 members only. For those of you who have overlooked your 1983 dues, please send them to Lynne Schaar as soon as possible. It will save a lot of time and effort for our directors and will be appreciated by all.

The fireworks fund is building well. We still need your participation, so won't you please send your donation to Lynne Schaar for this worth-while endeavor. I know everyone will enjoy the Fireworks Display. We need you to make this undertaking a success. Herm Kruggel, our chairman, has everything at the ready for dark on July 3rd.

Again, send your donations to Lynne Schaar, 63382 Birch Rd. Vandalia, MI 49095.

The 1983 Birch Lake Directory went to press this week. It will be available the week after the 4th to all Yacht Club members free of charge. Copies for non-members or extra copies for members may be purchased for the sum of \$2.00 per copy. Contact Earl Troeger, 15100 Birch Lakeshore Dr - 476-2237 for your copy.

We apologize to those who did not receive their Barkers until Sunday. Each year there are some bugs that need working out. This year is no exception. The young people who deliver your Barker are all volunteers. Try to meet them and make them welcome. They are doing you and your Yacht Club a great service.

This years team is as follows:

SOUTH SIDE

Doug Jevert
Lesley Greening
Allison Weaver

HILL

Craig Cole

NORTH SIDE

Ashley Welch
Randy Welch

EAST SIDE

Steve Sante
Todd Olson
Scott Troyer

WEST SIDE & COVE

Beth Davis
Troy Jankowski

Thank you from all of us.

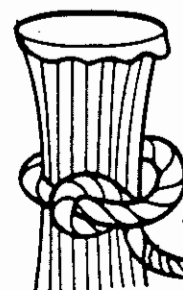
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COMING EVENTS (All Times Indiana Time)

Sunday, July 3rd - Fourth of July Fireworks
Have a happy and safe 4th and enjoy the Fireworks Display!!!!

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Saturday, July 2nd and Sunday, July 3rd - 4th of July Sunfish Regatta

Races: Saturday 1:30 PM

Sunday 10:30 AM

Monday, July 4th - 4th of July MC Regatta

Races: Monday 10:30 AM

Saturday, July 9th- MC Regatta at Birch Lake

This is the first time the Birch Lake Yacht Club will host an MC Regatta. Our guests will be from Corey, Diamond, Eagle, and Indian Lakes. Make them welcome.

Thursday, July 14th - Ladies Luncheon - 11:30 at the Yacht Club

Mark your calendar. Plan to come to the Yacht Club for a real taste treat. Buy or make a salad and bring your friends. Enjoy a luncheon without your children. Call Lynne Schaar (2302) or Judy Olson (2780). Table service and drinks provided. \$2.00 donation. Please call today.

Friday, July 29th - Mens Golf Stag

Play golf at Parkshore in Cassopolis and enjoy dinner back at the club. For reservations call Bill King (2128) or Herm Kruggel (2169).

Saturday, July 30th - D. J. Dance

Plan to come to the Yacht Club for dancing and fun. Music by D. J. Chris Robbins of WNDU.

Saturday - August 6th and Sunday August 7th - Michiana Sunfish Regatta at Birch Lake.

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FIREWORKS NOTES:

The fireworks will be set off from the Cook, Condon, Murphy property on the west shore. If you wish, you may watch from their hillside.

If you watch from your boat on the lake, do not approach closer than 1,000 feet from the launching side.

All of display will be aerial. No ground display.
Enjoy the display and have a happy, safe holiday.

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SAILING NEWS

Sunday brought light shifty winds to the sailors and positions of the 19 boats changed back and forth throughout the races. Jeff Howard won his first race ever and his Dad Tom, showed the way in the second race. The results are as follows:

RACE #1	RACE #2
1 Jeff Howard	1 Tom Howard
2 Bill Carpenter	2 Marty Sante
3 Tom Howard	3 Mike Gotstein
4 Steve Sante	4 Dave Olson
5 Dave Anthony	5 Don Harmon
6 Mike Machalleck	6 Mike Machalleck
7 Marty Sante	7 Bill Carpenter
8 Mike Gotstein	8 Steve Sante
9 Ken Troyer	9 Marty Athanas
10 Dave Olson	10 Kevin Kruggel
11 Clem Haines	11 Ken Troyer
12 Harry Price	12 Dave Anthony
13 Don Harmon	13 Jeff Howard
14 Joe O'Brien	14 Clem Haines
15 Tom Condon	15 Harry Price
16 Marty Athanas	16 Joe O'Brien
17 Glenn Jevvert	17 Steve Crammer
18 Chas Lapierre	18 Chas Lapierre
19 Steve Crammer	19 Glenn Jevvert

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Sailors are reminded to get your Yacht Club membership and racing fees in this weekend. The racing fee is \$15.00 as is the Yacht Club membership. Notify Tom Howard when you have paid them.

Obeys the right of way rules of sailing and practice good sportsmanship at all times.

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BIRCH LAKE NEWS

A REMINDER: To help expedite the printing of the Barker, we ask that all news and one week ads be in by Monday night. Also, either print or type your articles and each article should be on separate sheets, so they can be inserted in the right order.

All of us have heard of the boat tragedy at the Ross's. Bob & Shirley Ross send this Note: "Thanks to all our friends and neighbors for their assistance and concern during our recent boat fire. Bob's mother is doing very well and hopes to be released by her doctor soon". We all are glad that further tragedy was averted.

Brad Zesinger and Doug Davis caught a 3½ lb 18½" bass at the dam the other night with their bare hands. They are very proud of their catch.

Bev and Herm Kruggel are happy to have an additional member in their family. Their son Kevin was married on Saturday, May 21 to Susan Hammes of South Bend. Kevin and Sue will spend much of their leisure time at Birch Lake.

A Birch Lake welcome is in order to another bride in the Troeger family. Tim Troeger, Cottage #11, will be married to Susan Salisbury on July 2nd in Fort Wayne, IN. They will make their home in South Bend. Tim's brother Steve was married last Oct. 30th to Patricia Schultz of Garrett, IN.

We congratulate all the newlyweds.

We are sorry to announce the passing of Floyd Leach, a long time resident of Birch Lake. Floyd passed away Tuesday, June 21st. He was the father of Phyllis Speck, L. J. Leach, Lloyd Leach, and Thomas Leach. All spend their summers at the southwest corner of the lake.

The Birch Lake Yacht Club is proud to announce the following donors to our 4th of July Fireworks celebration this year:

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