

THE BIRCH BARKER



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Birch Lake Yacht Club

COMMODORES COMMENTS

Another beautiful weekend at Birch Lake. Now we expect them every weekend. The lake was again taxed to the limit with activities. The MC Regatta turned out well on Saturday and Sunday's Sunfish races were very competitive.

Our Board Meeting Sunday was well attended. Some items of interest are as follows:

1. We exceeded our goal for our fine fireworks display. It was voted to give the Fire Department \$100.00 for their service and for goodwill. The remaining funds are earmarked for next years display. It will help get us started.
2. It was voted to offer Camp Tannodoonah an honorary membership in the Birch Lake Yacht Club and I might remind everyone that they are welcome to attend our Board Meetings.
3. The Birch Barker Editor must determine how much news can be put in the Barker on a given week. Each printed page has a cost. We will try to limit the Barker to four printed pages each week.
4. Some Yacht Club repairs are needed along with some improvements. The priorities and means of achieving them will be discussed at the August 13th meeting.
5. This will be the last Barker to members from last year who do not wish to join this year. We are making an effort to contact the few remaining to remind them that their dues are due.
6. Glenn Jevvert, Harry Price, Ken Tate, along with Herman Kruggel will make up our nominating committee for next year. We lose three Board Members this year. Any suggestions will be considered. Please contact any of the above. They have accepted the task of serving you.

The summer is half over. Plan now to enjoy the remaining time in the best and safest way possible.

COMMODORE, Earl Troeger

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UP COMING EVENTS

Friday, July 29th - Mens Golf Stag - Contact Bill King (2128) or Herm Kruggel (2169) for reservations now.

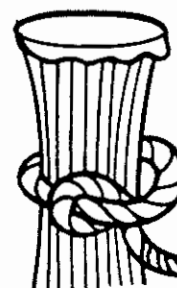
Friday, August 5th - D J Dance at the Yacht Club. The Music Machine, formerly the WRBR D. J. will provide music for all ages from high school on. Dance 8-11 PM (Indiana Time). Cash Bar - Beer - Pop. Plan on a great evening.

NOTE: Due to scheduling problems this is a change from the July 30th date.

Saturday, August 6th and Sunday August 7th -
MICHIANA SUNFISH REGATTA AT BIRCH LAKE

Saturday, August 13th - Cocktail Party at the Yacht Club. Come and enjoy some conversation with your friends and neighbors before dinner. Have a nice leisurly evening.

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(CONT) UP COMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 14th - Couples Race -
Grab a partner, get a boat, and join in the fun.

Saturday, August 27th - Annual Dinner, Meeting, and Election of Officers.
Make plans now.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The new Directory is delivered - Yaaaa-Hooo -
Check it for mistakes. We will print corrections in the Barker.

Correction #1 - My apology to the Lyzen's for making the L a T. Please make this correction in your directory for cottage C289 on page 13.

Correction #2 - The Lapierre cottage is #58. It is wrong on the alphabetical list. Please make this change.

Additional Directory's may be purchased for \$2.00. If you would like one, pick it up at Troeger's # 22. 1983 members receive one with their membership.

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DON'T FORGET the Birch Lake Junior Yacht Club meeting at 10 AM at the Yacht Club today.

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SAILING NEWS

I hope everyone was able to see at least part of our MC Regatta last Saturday. It was another successful Regatta that has become a Birch Lake tradition and the first for the MC Class. All comments from the sailors were favorable and the competition was fierce but very sportsmanlike.

Over the years we have hosted Regatta's for the Snipe Class and Sunfish Class. Our Snipe Regatta's were climaxed by hosting the Junior District Championship with 33 boats involved. Our Sunfish Regatta's have hosted as many as 45 boats.

There were 11 MC'S representing Birch, Corey, Diamond, and Eagle Lakes and team competition was involved with Eagle Lake winning by only 2 points over Corey Lake. The individual competition finished as follows:

- | | | | |
|---|------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 1 | Doug Finke - Corey | 7 | Randy Welch - Birch |
| 2 | Tom Marosz - Eagle | 8 | Gina Farabaugh - Corey |
| 3 | Jodie Booth - Eagle | 9 | Tom Wurster - Diamond |
| 4 | Bill Farabaugh - Corey | 10 | Lane Wells - Corey |
| 5 | Mike Miller - Eagle | 11 | Bruce Harlan - Birch |
| 6 | Earl Troeger - Birch | | |

Our thanks goes to Randy Welch, our Regatta Chairman, and to the many members who pitched in to help make the Regatta a success. Randy says that the following members were a great help in planning and running the Regatta: Kathie and Glenn Jevert, Denny and Keith Weesner, Juanita and Bruce Harlan, Connie and Earl Troeger, Tom Howard, Bill Carpenter, Dave Anthony, Dave Troeger, Jeff Howard, and O'Yes to his wife Fran, his special thanks.

Won't you volunteer some help for our upcoming Big Sunfish Regatta.

Twenty sunfish were out to sail in moderate shifty winds Sunday. Dave Troeger won the first race while Jeff Howard who finished 18th in the 1st race came back to win the 2nd race. Mike Gotstein had the best day with a 3-2 finish. Sunday's results:

- | <u>FIRST RACE</u> | <u>SECOND RACE</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Ashly Welch | 1 Jeff Howard |
| 2 Marty Sante | 2 Mike Gotstein |
| 3 Mike Gotstein | 3 Tom Howard |
| 4 Dave Olson | 4 Mike Machalleck |
| 5 Harry Price | 5 Ashly Welch |
| 6 Tom Howard | 6 Don Harmon |
| 7 Don Harmon | 7 Marty Sante |
| 8 Randy Welch | 8 Steve Sante |
| 9 Leo Zelasko | 9 Dave Anthony |
| 10 Steve Sante | 10 Randy Welch |
| 11 Tom Athanas | 11 Tom Athanas |
| 12 Dave Anthony | 12 Steve Frew |
| 13 Bill Carpenter | 13 Dave Olson |

(CONT) SAILING NEWS

FIRST RACE Cont

14 Jim Cook
15 Steve Cranmer
16 Mike Machalleck
17 Steve Frew
18 Jeff Howard
19 Tom Condon
20 Glenn Jevert

SECOND RACE Cont

14 Glenn Jevert
15 Steve Cranmer
16 Tom Condon

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WICKER PARTY

Arline Machalleck is hosting a Wicker Party Tuesday, July 19th at 2:00 PM (Michigan Time) at her home #51 on the south side. Everyone welcome; come if you can.

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REMINDERS

Please print or type all news and deliver to Troeger's #22 south side by Monday night. No telephone calls. My time is limited at the lake the same as yours. Condense news as much as possible. We pay for each sheet printed.

Art Show - Diamond Lake Yacht Club this weekend.

South Side Yard Sale - August 13th

A hard copy of the Michigan Watercraft Laws is available from the Commodore. It is suggested by the Sheriff that these be posted in your rental cottages.

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BIRCH LAKE NEWS

Major O'Brien on the north shore has been finding odd things in the lake- lately he hauled out a wagon wheel!

Here we are back again at the I. T. Bowers cottage #307 Birch Lakeview Drive for another summer of fun. Seems like we have waited patiently (?) for these beautiful lake days but am sure we will appreciate it that much more. Daughter Margie & Husband Dave Kinner from South Bend arrived early with their van full of children, grandchildren and Bowers great grandchildren to enjoy four generations of fun in the lake. We all celebrated Dave's birthday.

Things really started humming at the Machalleck domain the end of June. On the 30th John picked up at the So. Bend airport the Desmonds-daughter Marianne, Bert, their daughters Buffy, 14 and Hilary, 11 and their dog Muffin. That was the beginning of a great reunion as this was a 5 day stop-over for them as they left Geneva Switzerland after a 2½ year work leave to relocate with Hewlett-Packard Co. in Vancouver, Wa. The weather cooperated nicely and tans were quickly acquired as they enjoyed swimming, sailing, boating or just plain lazily lying in the sun. Mike and Katha with their children Brian and Lori were here to enjoy the fun with their relatives. Kathy Wolf and her children Sarah, 6 and Jeff, 4 of Midland spent a week earlier in June with us, going home before her sisters arrival but came back with Denny for the 4th of July festivities to visit his father & brother, George and Scott Wolf of Niles. They missed our nice fireworks display but spent Sunday with us. Unfortunately Denny had to go back to Midland to work, but Kathy and the kids stayed on. After seeing the Desmonds off, we brought back to stay a few days, Arline's great niece, Jennifer Bates, 8 of So. Bend. She enjoyed all the pleasures of Birch Lake, renewing acquaintances of previous visits. Friday, July 8th her parents Lindy and Roger Bates spent the evening here, taking Jenny back sooner than we had planned. The only thing she didn't do, was go fishing, so she's coming back.

(CONT) BIRCH LAKE NEWS

Its been busy at the Asire's. Jack, Evelyn and grandson, Brian arrived July 1st from Centerport, NY. All pitched in to be ready for Jeff, and Patric (No 2 grandson) to arrive on the 8th from Louisiana. Brian had flown to NY to spend 10 days there. There's been lots of fishing, boating skiing, biking-everything 5 & 10 year oldslike to do. They will be here until the 22nd, so Grandma and Grandad will have lots of fun with them.

Angie Lovejoy recently entertained the Board of Directors of the Cower DeCerf of Elkhart. Birch Lakers in attendance were Phyllis Davis, Sue Dufour, Bette Fortino & Pat Stevens. The weather was so pleasant and the conversation so lively that the 45 minute meeting stretched to 4 hours. The day was topped off with Angie's marvelous mocha home-made ice cream. A good time was had by all.

Often times at the lake we run out of a certain good product needed to make dinner or such; here are some common cooking substitutions:

- * Out of cheddar cheese? use mild cheese & add some dry mustard, hot pepper sauce & worcestershire sauce.
- * No sour cream? Mix in a blender 1 cup cottage cheese, 2 TBL milk & 1 tsp lemon juice.
- * No semi-sweet chocolate? for each 1 oz square, use 3 TBL unsweetened cocoa, 1 TBL shortening or butter and 1 TBL Sugar.
- * No whipping cream? Beat together 1/2 cup each ice water & instant nonfat dry milk powder until soft peaks form. Add 1 TBL lemon juice & beat until soft peaks form. Add 1/3 cup powdered sugar. Serve immediately or refrigerate & beat with a wire whisk just before serving. Makes 2 1/2 cups.
- * In most salads & salad dressings sour cream may be replaced by yogurt, half-and-half, whipped cream, mayonnaise or a combination of the above.

Nowdays everyone seems to need some money-saving ideas to help with the budget. Here are a few to help you along!

- * Shop early in the morning for half-price markdown on produce & bread.
- * A food processor does a good job of grinding & chopping raw & leftover cooked meat.
- * Instead of beef flank, use top round; tenderize & broil or grill; slice across the grain for London Broil.
- * Make popsicles using fruit in ice cube trays with sticks or straws.
- * Buy cheese in a solid piece rather than sliced or grated.
- * Slice your own lunchmeat.
- * Substitute carrots, fruits, raisins, and juice for cookies, pretzels, chips & soda pop as snacks. They're easier on your budget & have fewer calories too!

Having unexpected company coming to visit today? Try this delicious desert that will please everyone.

Lemon Butter Snowballs - Crust: 1/2 c. butter softened, 1 1/3 c. flour; 1/4 c. sugar
Filling: 2 eggs; 3/4 c. sugar; 2 TBL flour; 1/4 tsp baking powder; 3 TBL lemon juice;
Topping: Confectioner's Sugar. Mix crust ingredients. Pat into 8" ungreased pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 min. Pour filling over crust, return to oven. Bake 20 min. more or until set. Sprinkle with confection sugar. Cut when cool.

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AVOIDING THE ITCH

Here are a few ways to reduce the chances of getting swimmers' itch:

Bathers should dry off with a towel immediately after leaving the water

If Swimmers' itch has been a problem in an particular area, avoid swimming there immediately after an onshore wind

Since the parasites are carried across water by westerly winds, avoid swimming on the eastern and southern shores.

Those who end up getting swimmers' itch can reduce the discomfort by taking drugs that contain anti-histamines. Topical steroid creams to apply to the affected areas are available over the counter and will relieve itching.

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THANK YOU

My Special Thanks goes to Tom and Jeff Howard for their work as Fleet Captains of the Sunfish Fleet. They also worked as starters last week for the MC Regatta, and then unselfishly helped me Sunday deliver Directory's and Barkers. Thank you Tom and Jeff Howard.

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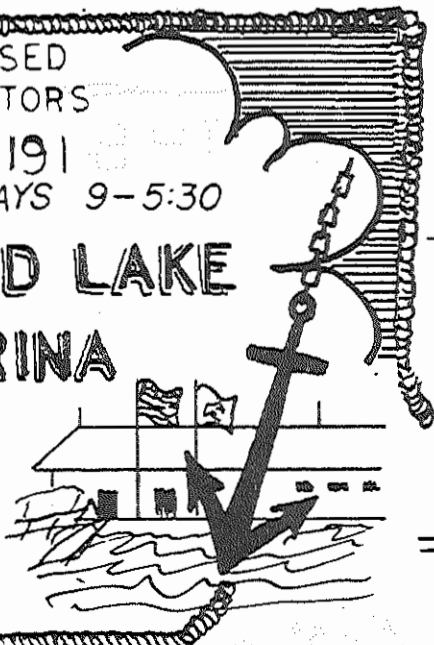
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