



THE BIRCH BARKER



Birch Lake Yacht Club

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COMMODORES COMMENTS

The monotony of it all IS GREAT. The sunny, hot weather is just what Birch Lake was made for. Fishing has been good, swimming great, boating fun, and the sailors have even had good winds for their races.

It was reported that the Ladies Luncheon was very good on a hot summer day. Thirty two Birch Lake ladies attended for conversation, salads, and sipping. Lynne Schaar and Judy Olson were the Co-Chairladies and did an excellent job in organizing and decorating for the event.

Our teenagers met Saturday to see if there would be interest in planning and forming a Jr. Yacht Club. I would encourage them to continue their efforts. The Yacht Club will back them 100%. This is a youth effort and we hope all the parents would back their youngsters and stay informed.

Safety on or near the water takes on many aspects, which means everyone should be constantly on the alert for all hazards. Last week after the MC Regatta one of the Eagle Lake Sailors was pulling his boat out with mast up. In trying to avoid tree limbs he pulled his boat across Birch Road hitting the power lines. His stays burned thru immediately sending his mast crashing to the ground. Luckily no one was near the boat and he was safely in his car. There are reports of electrocutions by making contact with power lines every year. Be Alert, Be Careful, especially you people with tall masts.

COMMODORE, Earl Troeger

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UP COMING EVENTS

Friday, July 29th - Mens Golf Stag --- Contact Bill King (2128) or Herm Hruggel (2169). Reserve your tee off time. You must have an assigned time. Tee time starts at 11 AM (Indiana Time). The course will be closed for our use only at that time. Golf, dinner, drinks on & off the course for only \$18.00.

Dinner and Cocktails Only \$12.00

Golf carts \$17.00 - must be reserved

Golf and door prizes for all. Won't you send or bring a prize to the outing. Contact Herm or Bill for more information now. The more door prizes we have the more fun for all.

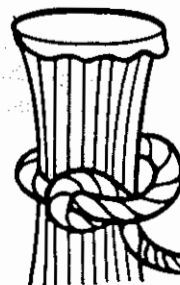
Friday, August 5th - Dance at the Yacht Club. The Music Machine will provide music. Dance from 8-11 PM (Indiana Time)

This will be the only dance of the season. It should be lots of fun. Cash Bar - Mixed drinks, Beer, Pop & Snacks. Guests welcome.

Saturday & Sunday, August 6th & 7th -

Michiana Sunfish Regatta at Birch Lake - Bill Carpenter, Regatta Chairman

This colorful Regatta comes to Birch Lake every two years. We plan to make this the best ever. Contact Bill and volunteer your help.



(CONT) UP COMING EVENTS

We would like a pan of brownies from all Sunfish Sailors families to be served at the two lunches.

This event is open to all Sunfish Sailors.

Saturday, August 13th - Cocktail Party at the Yacht Club - 5-7 PM (Indiana Time)
Cash Bar - Snacks

Sunday, August 14th - Couples Race - Hobies, Snipes, MC's - Two Couples. All others One Couple. We use the Portsmouth Handicap System. Everyone has a chance. Fun for all.

Saturday, August 27th - Annual Dinner at the Yacht Club

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have not received your Birch Lake Directory, you may pick one up at Troegers #22 South Side. Extra Directory's are available for \$2.00.

Correction #1: The Hollemans have two children now. Add Heather Lee; born January 5, 1983, on page 13.

Correction #2: Dick Green has been happily married to Barbara for many years. Please add her to your Directory SO 18, page 2. Sorry Barb.

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IMPORTANT

There will be a meeting of the Birch Lake Junior Yacht Club today - Saturday - 10 AM Indiana Time. By Laws and rules will be drawn up. We had a good turnout for last weeks organizational meeting with 14 in attendance. Come join us and make the Birch Lake Junior Yacht Club a success.

Jeff Howard

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The Newberg-Porter Fire Department in Jones, Michigan is having a Craft and What-Not Sale on Saturday, August 6th from 10 AM to 5 PM (Michigan Time).

Yeaterday & today - Cassopolis Summer Festival - Parades, Music, Softball tourney, Historical film, Helicopter rides, Bake Sale, Pancake & Sausage Breakfast & Side-walk days Sale.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

It was very gratifying to see the generous response of the Birch Lake resident to our 1983 Fireworks display. Even without a door to door solicitation, we had 60% of the families contributing to this event. My sincere thanks to everyone who contributed. We hope everyone was please with the display and we can count on your support again next year.

Herm Kruggel-Chairman
and Vice-Commodore

We would like to add the following families to our list of Fireworks Supporters:

Linda Lott	Ken Rudy
Terry Dugan	John Went
Jack Asire	Chuck Cealka

We certainly apologize if we overlooked anyone.

(CONT) LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I would personally like to express my thanks and appreciation to Judy Olson and Lynne Schaar for the great job on the Ladies Luncheon. I thoroughly enjoyed myself at the Yacht Club this year. Since I have volunteered, along with Arline Machalleck to be in charge of next year's Ladies Luncheon I would welcome all comments about the Luncheon, whether or not the ladies enjoyed the salads and having it at the Yacht Club, etc. Sometime before the summer is over talk with me about your views! Do the ladies want to have it at the Yacht Club again or away from the lake??

Sherry Holleman, in the Cove

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LOST

After MC Regatta - One gooseneck - This is the part that connects boom to mast. Could be along Birch Road or Birch Lakeshore to the Yacht Club. If found, call Earl Troeger at (2237).

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SAILING NEWS

Twenty-five Sunfish participated in the races last weekend and it was good to see three old timers out there. Craig Speck, Steve Tunnicliff, and Dr. Tom Toreger joined the regulars to add to the competition. Mike Machalleck with a 2-2 and Tom Howard 1-4 were the top performers. The results were as follows:

FIRST RACE

- 1 Tom Howard
- 2 Mike Machalleck
- 3 Don Olson
- 4 Harry Price
- 5 Ken Troyer
- 6 Randy Welch
- 7 Leo Zelasko
- 8 Bill Carpenter
- 9 Don Harmon

CONT FIRST RACE

- 10 Dave Anthony
- 11 Tom Condon
- 12 Jim Cook
- 13 Clem Haines
- 14 Joe O'Brien
- 15 Tom Athanas
- 16 Chas Lapierre
- 17 Ashly Welch

SECOND RACE

- 1 Bill Carpenter
- 2 Mike Machalleck
- 3 Leo Zelasko
- 4 Tom Howard
- 5 Tom Athanas
- 6 Ken Troyer
- 7 Randy Welch
- 8 Dave Anthony
- 9 Don Harmon
- 10 Marty Sante
- 11 Dave Olson
- 12 Steve Sante

CONT SECOND RACE

- 13 Tom Troeger
- 14 Jim Cook
- 15 Clem Haines
- 16 Harry Price
- 17 Mike Gotstein
- 18 Steve Tunnicliff
- 19 Joe O'Brien
- 20 Chas Lapierre
- 21 Steve Cranmer
- 22 Tom Condon
- 23 Craig Speck

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The BIRCH LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION will hold its annual meeting and election of officers Sunday, July 31 at 1:00 P.M. (Ind. Time) at the Yacht Club. All those interested in Birch Lake are urged to attend. This is the time to express your thoughts and also make suggestions for projects that the Association could or should pursue.

Captain Parrish from the Cass County Sherriff's Department will be our guest speaker. His subject will be "Crime Watch Areas" explaining how we can be involved and help ourselves to not become victims.

Bill King

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THANK YOU

My special thanks this week goes out to Judy Olson and Lynne Schaar for hosting the Ladies Luncheon at the Yacht Club. I know those in attendance enjoyed themselves. Thank you, Judy and Lynne.

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BIRCH LAKE NEWS

Barry Hague, Cottage 20 and Libby and Tom Troeger, Cottage 22 ran in the 11th annual Nike Budweiser Light 10,000-meter Road (6½ miles) & Trail Run last Saturday in Dowagiac. There were 1,200 runners.

Charlie & Deb Echols and their daughter Leighanne, born in April, will be visiting at the Echols cottage August 6th to 13th.

This has been an International summer at the Machallecks. We've had guests from Geneva, Switzerland and last Sunday brought a visitor from Paris, France. Joyce & Fred Wilhelm, neighbors of Mike and Katha Machalleck, and their children Greg, Jennifer and Brian brought their house guest from Paris - 15 year old Lothaire - to beautiful Birch Lake for an afternoon of swimming, boating and skiing. Before the day had ended we all had a chance to practice our French phrases with a real Frenchman!

The C. R. Cowen's weekend guests were John and Carolyn Cowen McCoy. Tim and Candi of Hamburg, NY, Mary McCoy of Warsaw, IN, and Dick and Peggy Cowan, Stacia and Bradley of Osceola, and Jackie Paczowski of Mishawaka. They not only enjoyed beautiful Birch Lake, but Tim and his Grandad are enjoying golfing at Park Shore.

Tuesday, July 12th Arline Machalleck hosted at her home the Ladies Guild of the United Presbyterian Church of Cassopolis. Twelve ladies attended and after a brief business meeting, the social hour was spent enjoying refreshments, talk and the beauty of the area. Arline is chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. Sale of Marion Kay Vanilla and other flavors, spices, bacon bits, etc. and a good dish cloth & gift wrappings is part of the current project. Anyone wishing to see these items, please stop at Cottage 51, South Side.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

The Birch Lake Community News is a weekly publication that provides information about local events, news, and activities. It is a valuable resource for residents and visitors alike. The news is published every week and covers a wide range of topics, from local sports to community events. It is a great way to stay up-to-date on what is happening in the Birch Lake area.

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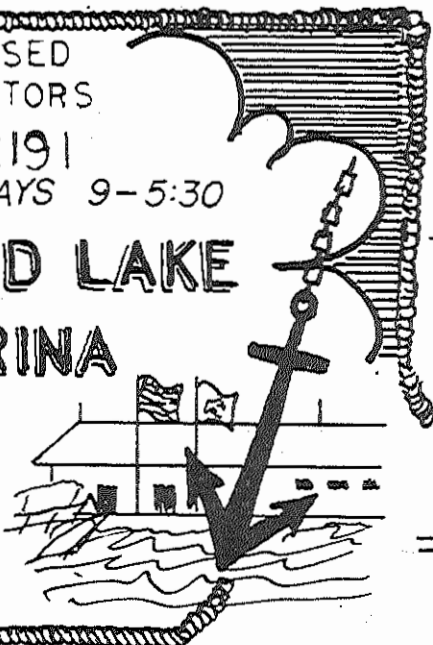
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