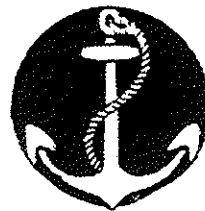


# THE BIRCH BARKER



## Birch Lake Yacht Club

June 9, 1984

Issue #1

### COMMODORES COMMENTS

Greetings to all of our friends at beautiful Birch Lake! Its great to be back and we are looking forward to a lot of fun and fellowship at the lake and Yacht Club this summer. A special welcome to the new residents and we invite you to join in our activities.

Our spring dinner, chaired by Earl and Connie Troeger, was again held at Morris Park Country Club in South Bend. It was a very pleasant evening and our attendance was one of the largest ever for this event. Most people remained long after the dinner to continue the fellowship.

We would like to extend our sympathy to those who have lost loved ones over the past winter. We are deeply saddened by the loss of two of our long time members in the past week. Charles Gabelman of cottage #122 on the East side of the lake passed away on June 3rd. Clarence Speck of cottage #400 next to the outlet died on June 4th. Clarence spent most of his life here at Birch Lake. "Speck" was my next door neighbor and never failed to help me with all the lake chores and work that must be done. These men will be greatly missed but fondly remembered by all of us.

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Herm Kruggel  
Commodore

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### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Today Saturday, June 9, 9:00 A.M. Indiana time at the Yacht Club.

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### YACHT CLUB CLEAN-UP

Saturday, June 16, 9:00 A.M. (Indiana time)

We need your help! Come one and all! This can be done in a couple of hours if we have enough help. Bring rakes, brooms and rags.

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### COCKTAIL PARTY MIXER

Saturday, June 16, 5:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. (Indiana time)

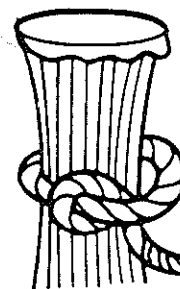
Please bring a tray of your favorite Hors d'oeuvres or a snack and we will provide a cash bar. Everyone is welcome, bring your neighbors and friends and renew acquaintances and get up to date on "what's happening". We will initiate the new tables we recently purchased. Don't miss this gala event!

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### DUES ARE DUE

Please use the enclosed form and send as soon as possible to Lynne Schaar. Many families have already joined. Everyone is invited to join. The Birch Barker is included in your \$15.00 annual dues and only paid members will receive it after the first few issues.

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BIRCH LAKE SOCIAL NEWS

Sherry Holleman, cottage C291, is the editor of the social news. We hope everyone will contribute newsworthy articles to this section of the Barker.

Please write them up in legible form and get them in no later than Sunday night. The article must be signed in order to be printed. There will be four drop-off points and you can use whichever one is most convenient. They are: Sherry Holleman, cottage C291; Helen Weesner, cottage E121 eastside; Arlene Machallech, cottage S051 southside and Beverly Kruggel, cottage W388 westside. If these ladies are not at home, please deposit your article in a news box which will be located on the porch. We hope everyone will cooperate in making this an interesting news section.

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BIRCH LAKE TRIATHLON

The "BLT" will be held Saturday, August 4th, so start training now. More details will follow in future Barker's. Bill Carpenter is the chairman of this event.

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B.L.Y.C. SUNFISH RACING NEWS

Welcome back to all the Sunfish racers (and everyone else too). We will begin the 1984 racing season on Sunday, June 17, with two races beginning at 10:00 A.M. Indiana time (wind and weather permitting). Basically, we'll sail two races each Sunday through June, July and August.

Future racing events to keep in mind:

1. B.L.Y.C. 4th of July Regatta to be held July 7th and 8th (these races count toward regular season standings).
2. Michiana Open Regatta will be held at Diamond Lake this year. We're not sure of the date yet but will get it to you as soon as possible.

Sailing fees are \$15 this year. Please pay to Fleet Captain, Marty Sante. Remember, you must be a B.L.Y.C. member to compete in races.

Good luck to all!

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FIREWORKS DISPLAY - WEDNESDAY, JULY 4th (AT DUSK)

Last year's return to the "Good Ole Days" fireworks display was a great success and enjoyed by all of us. Your generosity in a special contribution for the fireworks made this possible. Because of last year's success, your board of directors approved an expenditure of approximately \$1,000 for a fireworks display this July 4th. However, again we must have the financial support of those on the lake who will enjoy this display. We are requesting that the Birch Lake residents make a separate contribution to the fireworks fund. Please make checks payable to the Birch Lake Yacht Club, mail them to our treasurer, Lynn Schaar, 112 South Vine Street, Elkhart, Indiana 46514 or deliver them to your nearest director.

We suggest sending your money for fireworks to the Yacht Club rather than spending it on dangerous displays of your own. The Yacht Club display will be shot off by professionals with the local fire department in attendance. Last year many people contributed very generous amounts.

With your cooperation, we are looking forward to another exciting and safe Fourth of July celebration. Please show your continued support of the fireworks by sending your contribution at once.

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- For Sale - 8' upright Amana freezer - \$85.00  
Call Carl Burket - 476-2060 - cottage E112
- For Sale - Smokercraft Fishing Boat w/10 HP Johnson Motor -  
17' Larson Ski Boat w/100 HP Mercury Motor -  
20' Aluminum Pontoon Boat - 40' wood pier -  
50 gal. gasoline drum w/spigot and stand - portable  
Charcoal grill - 4 metal lawn chairs  
Call the Stokels - 476-2113 or (219) 262-2009 - cottage N266

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# Birch Lake Yacht Club

Vandulia, Michigan

## 1984 DUES STATEMENT

Dues for 1984 - - - - - \$15.00 Per Family

Make checks payable to Birch Lake Yacht Club

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

LAKE ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

I would like to receive the Riparian Magazine

Please Indicate: (YES) (  )  
(NO) (  )

Return to: Lynne Schaar  
112 South Vine Street  
Elkhart, Indiana 46514

We thank you for using this form. It will help keep our records straight.

"JOIN THE BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB IN 1984"

