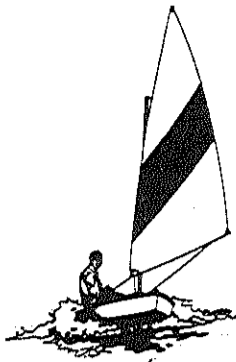


THE BIRCH BARKER



July 14, 1984
Issue #6

Birch Lake Yacht Club

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

The weather was great again last weekend. The lake was buzzing with activities. Let's keep our fingers crossed and hope the weatherman continues to smile upon us.

The board meeting held last Sunday was well attended by the directors. Major topics discussed included:

1. It was decided to proceed with plans for a major roof improvement. A truss type roof will be constructed this time rather than replacing the present flat roof. We will need the help of all of us for this project both financially and manually.
2. Arrangements for the Birch Lake Triathlon to be held August 4th were presented by Dan Reynolds representing chairman Bill Carpenter. The board granted their approval for holding this event.
3. The successful fireworks display was discussed and a contribution of \$100 to the Newberg-Porter Fire Department was approved.

It is very pleasing to me to hear from so many of the Birch Lake ladies expressing their enjoyment of the aerobic exercise classes held each morning at 9:30 (Indiana time) at the Yacht Club. Thelma Koontz is the chairman of this activity and deserves a big thank you for originating and planning it. Claudia Gabelman provided professional instruction and has taped the classes so that they may continue in her absence. Thank you Claudia! All members are welcome to attend - there is no charge.

Thanks again to all of the contributors to our fireworks display. You made the fine 4th of July show possible. The following families should be added to the list which was included in last week's Barker.

Bender	Crowel	Fortino	Mitchel
Cowen	Drinkal	Henderson	Joe O'Brien's
Cox	Dugan	Lovejoy	Sanders
Courtney	Foley	McKeen	Zelasko

Don't forget, tonight is the big square dance. I hope you will attend. It really is a lot of fun! See you there.

Herm Kruggel, Commodore

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UPCOMING EVENTS

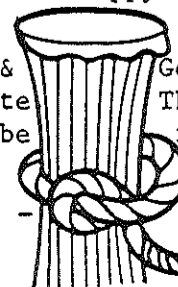
Tonight, Saturday, July 14 SQUARE DANCE - 8:00 P.M. (Indiana time) at the Yacht Club. Please come, everyone is welcome! Bert Mahnesmith, famous South Bend/Michiana caller, will provide the music and teach the calls as we dance. We will have a cash bar. There will be a \$1.00 admission charge to cover the cost of the caller.

Wednesday, July 25 LADIES LUNCHEON & STYLE SHOW - 12:30 P.M. (Indiana time) - cocktails 12:00 to 12:30 P.M., Diamond Harbor Inn. For just \$6.50 come join us for a lovely buffet luncheon and a show of fashions from the Four Seasons Dress Shop of Cassopolis modeled by our own Birch Lake ladies. These affordable styles will be of interest to all. Guests are welcome and prize donations will be sincerely appreciated. Get your tickets early - Denny Weesner (2569) and Le King (2128), Co-charimen.

Friday, July 27 - MEN'S GOLF OUTING - Contact Bill King (2128) or Bernie Weesner (2134). Reserve your tee off time - you must have an assigned time. Tee time starts at 11:00 A.M. (Indiana time) and the course will be closed for our use only at that time. Golf, dinner, drinks on and off the course for only \$17.50. Grilled steak dinner and cocktails only \$12.00. Golf carts for two people \$18.00 - must be reserved through Bill or Bernie. Golf and door prizes for all. We'll be happy to accept donations you have to offer. Let us hear from you soon!

Friday, August 3 - RECORD DANCE AT THE YACHT CLUB - Bob & Gertie Temple, Co-chairmen. Bring your own favorite dance record or cassette. This is the night before the Triathlon and all athletes are expected to be in attendance. Come and meet these local heros.

Saturday, August 4 - BIRCH LAKE TRIATHLON - Bill Carpenter - Chairman.



July 14, 1984

BIRCH LAKE SOCIAL NEWS

Congratulations goes to Peggy Fortino, daughter of Chuck and Betty Fortino on the East shore, who was married to Jim Allen, from South Bend, on July 14. They were married at St. Thomas Church in Elkhart and the reception will be a garden reception at the Brides' parents home. The newlyweds will honeymoon at Machinaw Island. Best Wishes and Good Luck to them from the Birch Lake residents!!

NEWSY TIDBITS

Afternoon and supper guests at the Machallecks were Arlines' brother, Carl & wife Robbie of Niles. As they had to leave before dark, they missed one of the nicest firework displays we've had and we would like to add our THANKS to the Yacht Club. There were many outstanding private displays that added to our pleasure, so a Big Thanks to all, including the weatherman for making this an exceptional Holiday!!

Quite by chance we have "stumbled" upon a very well equipped & efficient First Aid Station on the Westside! Yes sir, for minor scrapes, cuts or mosquito bites this F.A. station is a godsend, and Nurse K.E. applies excellent dabs of caladryl !

Now remember ladies, you can still "move with the music" at our Yacht Club every day; to dance & exercise to music that Claudia has taped for your benefit. Even tho our excellent teacher had to return home our class marches on, and on, and on

Super Snoop Scoop of the Week ! Chuck Fortino is counting his lucky stars this week!! Over last weekend Chuck had the misfortune to lose his wallet in good ole Birch Lake. (how many times has Betty asked you to wear a swim suit while you are in the water Chuck?!) Just as he was about to report his loss to "Ace Reporter" the wallet was returned on a plastic plate (a bit soggy!) from a cottage that was being rented by some wonderful folks from Elkhart! Many THANKS goes to that terrific family who had the decency to return Chucks' wallet. Three cheers for Honesty!! Now if you should see any floating \$10 bills in the lake you'll guess who the owner is!

Cass Summer Festival will be July 20-21st and will include merchant sale items, sale of arts & crafts, hand crafted dolls, household furnishings, and crocheted specialities. This sounds like a great day to visit Cassopolis.

The tart cherry is on now and can be picked at many nearby area farms if so desired. This cherry is delicious in pies, cobblers, preserves and so much more, so go out and get the tart cherry for some terrific dessert ideas!

"Rich people miss one of life's greatest pleasures- - - paying the last installment."

On July 15, Sunday, at Potawatomi Park Band Shell at 7:00 pm (ind) there will be the Twin Cities Concert Band performing, with Rocco Germano as Director.

Recipe Idea for the Week. Your husband tells you he has invited a couple over for dinner tomorrow, or friends just "happen" to be in the area and are just in time for dinner hour... what to serve? Try this delicious recipe for potatoes, serve them with smoked sausage on the grill and a salad for a family pleasing meal. Hot Potato Salad

8 potatoes, boiled & cut in bite-size pieces	
½ lb. velveeta cheese	1 cup mayonaise
1 med onion, chopped	2 or 3 strips raw bacon.
½ tsp. mustard	
salt & pepper	Mix all except bacon, cut up bacon and put on
9 x 13 " pan	top of casserole. bake 30 min. at 350 degrees

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FOUND: Mrs. Torma, Eastside, has found a blue Rubber matt float near her cottage. Call 2731 if you have lost this nice raft!

THE CHIAKONG GROUP, former business girls club of the YWCA, South Bend, met at the home of Margaret & Leslie Jensen. This group has been meeting monthly in their homes, for these many 62 years, with 15 women present!

BOB BREENIG joined the family as of last Saturday, June 26th for a nice month vacation at Birch Lake! We hope you have a hot, sunny vacation Bob!

This next article is submitted from Bernie Weesner, Porter Twp. Zoning ADM.

The Porter Township Zoning ordinance was voted in at the last general election on Nov. 2, 1983 and was promptly adopted by the Township Board on Nov. 8, 1983. Even tho it has been publicized in newspapers and in the tax notices, there are many taxpayers that do not know about the ordinance or they choose to ignore it.

In any event, it is a reality, and must be considered as an effective document and it is being enforced. Zoning involves all structures (dwellings, accessory bldgs., decks, etc. and land use) The ordinance reads:

"No structure, building, or land shall be erected, moved, reconstructed, extended, or altered except in conformity with the regulations as set forth in document." There is a complete (32 page) ordinance available for all to read at the township hall. The procedure for you to follow"

Call or see Zoning Administrator for zoning permit. After your zoning permit is approved see Building Inspector for Building Permit.

ALL BEFORE YOU TAKE ANY ACTION ON YOUR PLANS. By, Bernie Weesner.

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If the redwood A Frame on the Southside looked more like a round O Frame this past week, its because it housed more Stevenses' than ever before. Eight month old David made his first visit to Birch Lake with his parents, Chris & Donna, from Indianapolis. From all indications he is hooked for life like the rest of us. Ofcourse, his grandparents, Chuck & Pat are hooked on him. Uncle Jeff and Aunt Elizabeth arrived from Ft. Wayne on the 4th and proceeded to show David the wonders under the surface of Birch Lake. Jeff caught a dandy bass-3 lbs.? - and we all were appropriately impressed. David couldn't stay awake for the fireworks this year, Grandpa had some difficulty too, but the rest of us loved the display, and we thank all of those who arranged it. The Stevenes' Cottage, Southside.

Late Friday afternoon a Buick Station Wagon, filled with the Wolf family from Midland, MI arrived at the Machallecks. A beautiful Saturday and Sunday were filled with swimming, fishing, & eating and all the other Birch Lake activities. Funniest incident Saturday morning was to see Denny waist deep in the water, pulling in his catch. He had a big one on and to bring him in safely he jumped off the pier. It was a beautiful 18" Bass- we snapped his picture- he tenderly put it back in the lake so its out there for you other fishermen. Or perhaps he'll catch it again when he comes back in 2 weeks! Scott and Shelley Wolf of Niles came out Sunday afternoon to spend time with his brother Denny and family. Then after a hearty supper Sunday, that same Buick went home much lighter as just Denny was returning to his job Monday & Kathy, to classes toward her Masters at Saginaw College, left alone; leaving 7 year old Sarah & 5 yr. old Jeff and their dog Cinder with Gramma Arline & Grampa John Machalleck for the next 2 weeks! With Brian & Lori and their parents Mike & Katha already moved in, it will be a busy place!

A surprise visit at the Machallecks Sunday was Gary Bullen of Long Beach, Ca He grew up in Niles with Mike and spent many days at Birch Lake with Mike & his friends during their High School days and came back for their 25th Class Reunion on Saturday.

Continuing with "Good Ole Days"..... Around 1955, the first B.L.Y.C. fireworks display was shown on July 4th and has become an annual event. also at this time was the first boat parade. In 1968, the first rummage sale was held at the clubhouse to help the finances of the Yacht Club.

In 1965, A health and safety committee was appointed. The Yacht club purchased a patrol boat and motor; the County and State furnished a Marine Patrol Officer who contributed to the safety of Birch Lake. This same year there was a Safe Boating Course at B.L.Y.C. clubhouse.

"Many people have resolved to take their holidays late in the season to avoid the rush of people taking their holidays early in the season to avoid the rush."

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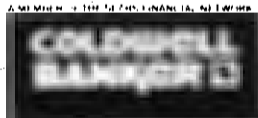
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The swim will start at Welch's cottage and go to Carpenter's. The area will be inside the rafts so water depth will not be a problem. Boats will be in the area for assistance if needed. Bikes will be along the road behind Carpenter's. The ride will go to the public beach, then up the hill following Birch Rd. to Shavehead Rd. Down Shavehead to Robbins Lake Rd. which will be the turn around point. The ride will end at the top of the hill on Birch Rd. Safety is the main concern on bikes. There will be no sprinting or passing until we leave the lake. The transition area to running will be at the top of the hill. The run will go along the east shore, turn around at Kiloqua Rd., around the turnaround on the south shore, then finish at the Yacht Club.

Entry fee: Individual - \$10.00

Relay team - \$20.00

Categories: Individual - Person performs all three events.

Relay team - Male, female, mixed, and family. Each member performs a separate leg (swim, bike, run)

Awards: All individuals and relay teams will receive a shirt along with post race refreshments. Top female & male, and age group winners will receive awards. Age groups will be determined upon entries. Awards to be given out at conclusion of race at the Yacht Club.

Special Instructions:

1. Swimmers may wear goggles. Floatation devices may be worn if needed.
2. Cyclists to stay on right of course at all times. Bikes should be in good working condition.
3. Water stations will be located along the running course.
4. Safety should be everyone's top priority. A serious injury would hamper the enjoyment of this event. We are out there to win but also to enjoy!

Birch Lake Triathlon Entry Form

Name _____ Sex _____ Age _____

Mailing address _____

AC/Phone _____

Individual: _____ \$10.00

Make checks payable to; Birch lake Yacht Club

Relay team: _____ \$20.00

WAIVER MUST BE SIGNED: _____

In consideration of the foregoing, I for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against any of the sponsors or organizers of this event for any and all claims of damages, demands, actions whatsoever which may arise as a result of my participation in this event. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for the completion of this event and my physical condition has been verified by a licensed medical doctor. Further, I grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use my likeness for any purpose whatsoever.

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