

THE BIRCH BARKER



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Birch Lake Yacht Club

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Summer is too quickly drawing to a close. It certainly has been one of the nicest I can remember as far as weather goes here at Birch Lake. Three of our children leave this weekend for college and I am sure there are many others on the lake doing the same. I would like to wish all of the returning students a very successful year at their respective schools.

Last Sunday's couples race was a spectacular sight from our front yard as all of the colorful boats gathered for the start. Our guests from Notre Dame were very impressed with the beauty of the lake and the picture the sailboats made. These young men were from all parts of the country, even as far as Hawaii, and all commented about what a wonderful lake we have. Thanks to the Sante's for their efforts in arranging this event.

I am pleased to hear that the Ladies Salad Luncheon was again a well attended and enjoyable party. Thanks to Sherry Holleman and Arlene Machalleck for a job well done.

Also thanks to Joe Obrien and Randy Welch for organizing and running the Monte Carlo Night last Saturday. I am sorry that I had to miss this fun night but had already made plans to attend my Adams 40th class reunion.

The August Directors' meeting was held last Saturday and major items discussed are as follows:

1. The nominating committee assured the board it would have a competent slate of officers and required new directors available for nomination at the annual meeting.
2. A building committee was named to research and decide upon the best plan for improvement to the Yacht Club to solve its roof problem. Herm Kruggel, Randy Welch, Earl Troeger, Bill King, Ken Tate, Tom Howard and Bob Temple form this committee.
3. Selection of the recipient of the Commodore's trophy award to be presented at the Annual Dinner was made.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the 1984 board members for the time and effort they gave in the interest of the Yacht Club.

I would like to urge everyone to plan now to attend the Annual Dinner Saturday, August 25th. This is something the whole family can enjoy as we celebrate a happy ending to another great summer. This is a catered dinner and tickets must be purchased in advance so we can order the proper amount of food. The deadline for purchasing tickets is this Monday, August 20th. The following officers and directors have tickets.

Randy Welch	Marty Sante	Mike Machalleck	Frank Horvath	S. Holleman
Helen Weesner	Steve Sante	Joe O'Brien	Glenn Jevert	Judy Olson
Lynne Schaar	Bill Carpenter	Harry Price	Ken Tate	Leo Zelasko
Earl Troeger	Jim Cook	Don Harmon	Nancy Walker	

or contact Randy Welch, Chairman - Phone 476-8805.

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Herm Kruggel, Commodore

BOAT STORAGE - Boat storage at the Yacht Club. \$3.00 per foot. Contact Frank Horvath (Cottage 34) Phone - 476-2750.

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MONTE CARLO NIGHT REPORT - Monte Carlo Night was a dicey success. From rolling the dice for cocktails to the green shaded pit bosses of the roulette table fun was had by all 50 people who attended. It was a fast moving evening which led to early successes by the House Fortune Wheels. Janet Barr and Ashly Welch were so successful early they doubled and tripled the pay outs so as not to lose their patrons.

Smooth dealing Dan Reynolds captivated his players by giving only to continue winning. Then it happened, Chuck Stevens and moved in to spell the dealers and although it can't be confirmed the players were paying them to stay and deal all evening. It worked for at 10:00 P.M. the auction began and it was evident were flush with money. Prizes of great value were pursued

2 to 1 pay outs
Bill Carpenter
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the players
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Monte Carlo Night Report continued

heavy bidding and soon all were gone. The evening came to a close and the junkets departed.

Thanks to Betty O'Brien and daughter Sue, as well as Fran Welch for their help, and thanks to all those who brought hors d'oeuvres. It was a great night of fun.

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Joe O'Brien & Randy Welch
Chairmen

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tonight, August 18 - JUNIOR PARTY - 8:00 to 10:00 P.M. (Indiana time). Juniors ages 12 to 18, come to the Yacht Club and dance or listen to some of your favorite music. 50¢ admission. Mike and Katha Machalleck, Dave and Judy Olson, Chairmen.

Saturday, August 25 - ANNUAL DINNER - Plan now to attend. We will have cocktails (cash bar) at 6:00 P.M. (Indiana time). Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. with a short business meeting immediately following. This will be a Polish wedding style dinner. Adults \$6.25, children under 12 \$4.50. Tickets must be purchased by Monday, August 20th. Randy Welch, Chairman - Phone 476-8805.

Saturday and Sunday, September 1st and 2nd - LABOR DAY REGATTA. The final regatta for 1984.

Monday, September 3rd - TROPHY PRESENTATION at the Yacht Club - 10:00 A.M. (Indiana time). Coffee, milk and donuts will be served.

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SUNFISH RACING NEWS - What a great day for sailing last Sunday was. With the regular races in the morning and the couples race in the afternoon we almost overdosed on racing. Sure was fun though.

In the MORNING RACES, Dave Troeger had a 1st in race #1 with Jeff Howard 2nd. Race #2 was won by Mike Gotstein (his first 1st place finish) with Dave Troeger 2nd.

The COUPLES RACE was, as usual, great (unless the competitors took it seriously). First place overall and first place handicap was won by the M.C. crewed by Earl Troeger, Tom Howard, Ashley Welch and Cara Hague. Second place handicap was won by the M.C. crewed by Randy Welch, Fran Welch, Chuck and Cheri LaPierre. Third place handicap was won by Charles LaPierre and David DeGroff in a Sunfish. Congratulations to the winners (for the fun we had we're all winners in this race).

As of now (8-12) we're planning on 22 season races. This means we must sail 15 races to be eligible for major trophies.

AUGUST SERIES LEADERS - August series competition is finally underway. The first 6 place leaders are:

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| 1. Mike Gotstein | 3. Jeff Olson | 5. Dave Olson |
| 2. Steve Sante | 4. Kent Sante | 6. Don Harmon |

LABOR DAY REGATTA - We'll sail the Labor Day Regatta on September 1st and 2nd. Weather and winds permitting there will be three races Saturday and two Sunday.

TROPHY PRESENTATION - Trophies will be presented on Labor Day morning, September 3, at 10:00 A.M. at the Yacht Club (Indiana time). Coffee and donuts will be served.

* * RACE RESULTS FOR 8-12-84 * *

SAILOR	FINISH RACE #					TOTAL RACES SAILED	POINTS EARNED TODAY	SEASON AVERAGE TO DATE
	1	2	3	4	5			
BILL CARPENTER	*	DNS	DNS			3	-	1526.7
HAROLD CRANMER	15	15	14			15	1405	1082
MIKE GOTSTEIN	3	4	1			10	2969	1480.7
CLEM HAINES	*	DNS	DNS			2	-	1018.5
DON HARMON	8	13	6			11	2009	1349.9
JEFF HOWARD	4	2	10			14	2482	1448.6
CHAS LAPIERRE	16	9	12			9	1865	1067.7
MIKE MACHALLEK	2	4	4			12	2738	1497.4
JOE O'BRIEN	14	12	13			12	1625	1097.3
DAVE OLSON	11	5	11			10	2196	1216.9
JEFF OLSON	12	6	8			9	2314	1105.8
HARRY PRICE	*	DNS	DNS			4	-	870.8
F.WELCH / K.SANTE	9	8	7			13	2245	1258.5
MARTY SANTE	5	10	3			17	2405	1445
STEVE SANTE	6	3	5			14	2740	1431.6
TROEGER'S	1	1	2			15	3121	1718.5
KEN TROYER	10	11	9			16	1924	1258.3
RANDY WELCH	7	14	DNS			10	729	1397

PASSING

The sad news of this week is that Sylvia Bright Atkinson, 82, of Sarasota, Fla, formly of Birch Lake (East Shore) has died. She passed away at noon on Monday (August 6) after being struck by a car in Sarasota, where she lived since 1974. Many Birch Lake residents will remember her fondly.

RETRACTION

News FLASH !!!!! I stand to be corrected !(or so I'm told!) Bill Carpenter has informed me (rather indignantly too) that I did not cover the news of the Triathlon correctly! It seems that Bill Carpenter REALLY did put on a big "last minute splurge to win ahead of Dan Reynolds, SUPER SCOOP now stands corrected!!! (good thing I didn't have any money on that race!)

BEST WISHES go to Joe and Helen Harris as they celebrated their 54th Wedding Anniversary on August 13th!!! Congratulations to you both! Joe & Helen are expecting their son T.J. Harris from Hilton Head , S.C. to be visiting them soon at Birch Lake.

BEAUTIFUL BODIES!!

After a week off, the Exercise Group is meeting again at the Yacht Club Mon-Fri 9:30 am(Ind time). We will continue on thru Sept. for those still here. Even if you do it on a moderated basis, the workouts will do wonders for your heart and keep your muscles limber- so, as Claudia would put it- "Come and do yourself a favor!". See you there, Thelma Koontz.

TASTE SENSATION!!

If everything looked a bit fuzzy but still real peachy last Sunday, it was because Thelma & Leo Koontz hosted 20 friends to their annual PEACH FUZZ PARTY! When asked for "The Recipe" Thelma graciously gave it out-----

THROW IN THE BLENDER: 20 (6 oz) cans frozen lemonade concentrate
10 heaping tsp. sugar
20 large or 40 small ripe peaches (pit out, skin on)
This batch will serve around 20 people, →
for a long long time!! 3 qts vodka (can use vodka, rum or gin)
40 cups crushed ice.

For 1 blender "batch" cut to:

- 1 - 6oz can frozen lemonade concentrated
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ heaping tsp sugar
 - 1 large or 2 small pitted peaches, skin left on!
 - 1 - 6 oz can(from lemonade) of Vodka, rum, or gin
 - 2 cups crushed ice
- BLEND THIS & ENJOY !!!

"Stupidity won't kill you, but it can make you sweat."

NOTEABLES FROM THE SHORES

Mary Olson had her daughter, Fran, and Husband, Henry Roddiger, and their sons Eric & Brian, from St. Louis visiting with her during last week. With the weather we have been enjoying they had a gorgeous week to enjoy !

Well, it seems that many can attest to the fact that Katha & Arline Machalleck have been "sentenced to the rock pile". While Mike & John are out "walking the course" Katha & Arline are out shoveling!! Hope it isn't a 10 year sentence, maybe they will get out on "good behavior".

"Runaway Sailboat". The case of the missing sailboat has been solved! Dvorak's have retrieved their runaway sailboat from the cove- after finding the boat missing from their pier!!

Last week the Onofrytons had as their guests, their daughter, Kay, and her husband, Ed Parris , and their son Neil from Washington D.C. area. Kay just was graduated from law school and is waiting for the results of her bar exam. Over the weekend Kay's brother Jerry, from Lansing, and his wife also joined the Onofrytons' for a very relaxing weekend!! Great weather too!

The I.T. Bowers' cottage ,#307 in the Cove, is getting a FACELIFT while their Grandson, Greg "Pedro" Kinner is taking a break from Cross-Country bicycling during the summer heat. It was a little cooler last summer when he rode from Lake Tahoe to Maine and back, so this summer he has only completed the route from Detroit to Little Rock, Ark., so far. Right now he's looking for a ride back to Lake Tahoe because ski season is just a couple of months away and theres' still time to get a few rafting trips in this summer!!

Marjorie (Reinoehl) Farrington from Santa Rosa, Calif., has enjoyed a 3 week vacation at the I.T. Bowers cottage. She and Helen were playmates when they lived on Donald St. in S.B. Now she believes every word I have

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written to her about this beautiful spot in Michigan!!! (written by Helen B.)

"If life begins at 40, what is it that ends at 39?????"

BACK IN TIME..... cont. from last weeks' edition.....

(the spy had made maps and reported slaves location to slave owners...)
The Kentuckians captured several men, women and a baby living on the Odell farm. The alarm spread and from all over the Birch Lake area angry farmers gathered, armed with guns, scythes and clubs. The Kentuckians were stopped and surrounded at the Osborne farm (Lakeland Gardens). Their wagons were overturned and later dumped into Birch Lake.

The colored people were again free and the slave owners left to return to their homes the best way they could. After returning to Kentucky, they wrote many threatening letters to the farmers around Birch Lake, which fanned the flames of the coming Civil War.

The wagons that were dumped in Birch Lake were visible for many years on the east side of the lake. Even in recent years, reports that pieces of these wagons have been sighted and brought up from the soft marl bottom.

"No family should attempt an auto trip if the kids outnumber the car windows"

LADIES LUNCHEON

The Ladies Salad Luncheon was a great success! We had 30 women and each & every salad was different from the next!! What a feast we had! We had a "Mix & Mingle" time with wine & appetisers to nibble on, then we toured the Salad Bar and sat down to a simply delicious meal. I want to thank all of the women who helped make the afternoon so enjoyable and such a success, especially a Big Thank You to my Co-chairman (woman!!!) Arline Machalleck for all the extra work she put it !!

MONTE CARLO NIGHT QUIPS

Everyone that attended the Monte Carlo Night last Saturday night had a fantastic time! As usual we had a delicious array of tasty appetisers to munch on while we lost all our "play" money....however quickly that was!

- * Fran & Randy Welch kept the drink glasses full while their daughter Ashly "gambled" all her Dads' money - tho she was always on a winning streak!!
- * Judy Olson * & Vicki Rogers celebrated their Birthdays at the Yacht Club--- but not by winning at the tables of chance!!
- * Fran had her own "Backet" going on at the bar! To keep herself entertained all evening she lured unsuspecting victims to her "drink chance" !!
- * Nadine Brown was introducing Judy, as her "Mother" all evening!!
- * At the Auction at the end we certainly had some BIG winners!!
 - * Ken Everett was a gallon winner- --a gallon of windshield washer!
 - * Thelma Koontz cleaned up! She bought a toilet bowl brush! (someone overheard her husband giving her a very hard time about spending all his "hard earned" money, like \$130.00, on a Toilet Bowl Brush!!)
 - * Bud Zesinger bought a favorite of Barbs', .. her favorite Wine!
 - * Jeff Howard must have been throwing his money down the drain, he bought a PLUNGER!
 - * Janet Barr was given the Big Hint (probably pre-arranged by Dan Reynolds) as she spent her winnings on a LAUNDRY BASKET!
 - * Ashly Welch got something for her "Hope Chest" (she's too young now)! Ashly bought "Beer of the World" !!
 - * Pat Stevens' cottage will sparkle this fall as she closes it up, as she tests out her 6 new sponges!
 - * GRAND PRIZE WINNER was Jeff Howard, (he must have been pretty lucky all night, he had the most money left!) Jeff will be attending the N.D. vs. Colorado game at N.D. this fall!!

"Why do so many teen-agers who complain there's nothing to do during the summer vacation have to stay out so late at night to get it done?"

RECIPES RECIPES

I would like to organize a Birch Lake Cookbook to be made and printed up & I need all of your help!! **Please begin looking through your recipes and pull out the ones you and your family treasure. Copy them down, please print or type them for me and we will start collecting them from around the lake, you can give them to me, Sherry Holleman, or to the Kruggles, or any of the directors or drop boxes for the barker news. START NOW! Summer is almost over and I need to do this project during the winter months, planning & putting this together will take much time so help me now by getting the recipes copied off and to one of the above mentioned!!! Thank You so much!!

L O S T - A Stern light with the American flag on it was lost August 14th. If found, please contact Brad Walker, Cottage 314, Phone 2515.

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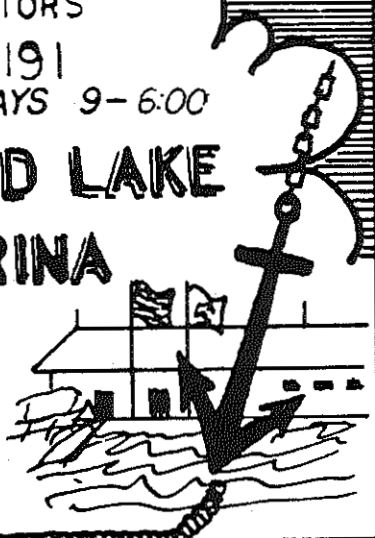
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