



# THE BIRCH BARKER



Birch Lake Yacht Club

July 6, 1985  
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## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

July has pounced upon us. It is hard to believe that June is gone but in fact it is. If July continues to be as beautiful as last weekend we are all in for a great summer.

July 4, 1776! The rockets with glare, the bombs bursting in air and the flag was still there! We sometimes forget that on that date our country and its people were experiencing great hardships. As in most cases those who commit themselves to a cause are generally not the ones who reap its benefits. We are fortunate to enjoy the rights and benefits others have provided us and I hope when you viewed our spectacular fireworks you remembered all those who in some capacity made our country a little better so that we, or generations to come will continue to enjoy what this great country has to offer.

The fireworks display was terrific! Herm Kruggel is to be thanked for his efforts in putting the program together. I would also like to thank the Dennis Kring family for letting us use their property to display the fireworks. They were awesome! Although the fireworks themselves are the main event, I have to admit seeing all the folks out on the water, silhouetted against a cluster of fireworks is a great thrill. Thanks to everyone who contributed, a proper recognition will appear in next weeks Barker. For those who have not yet contributed and would like to please give your donation to your director or an officer, it will be greatly appreciated.

  
Randy Welch, Commodore

## DIRECTORS MEETING

On July 15 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Birch Lake Yacht Club officers and directors. It is our responsibility to manage the Yacht Club affairs for the benefit of its members. I assure you each individual on the board takes that responsibility seriously. We want to encourage all members to communicate to your director any information or ideas you might have to make our Yacht Club better. I assure you each comment will receive our utmost attention.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- July 4th Regatta - 2 Races Sunday July 7th.
- July 13 & 14 - MC Regatta - Diamond Lake
- July 20 - Couples Sailboat Race
- July 20 - Vice Commodore's Cocktail Party
- Aug. 3 & 4 - Michigan Sunfish Regatta - Birch Lake
- Aug. 9 - Golf Outing & Dinner - Dave Troeger, Chairman
- Aug. 10 - Birch Lake Yacht Club Triathlon - Dan Reynolds, Bill Carpenter - Chairmen
- Aug. 24 - Annual Dinner

## BLYC REFRIGERATOR

I would like to thank Marty Sante for finding a working refrigerator for the Yacht Club. Obviously we needed one and Marty saw to it. Thanks again!

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SAILING NEWS

Thanks to Tom Wurster of Diamond Lake a great time was had by all Birch Lake sailors. Tom brought 4 boats over for anyone to sail and many did. We hope it generated some additional interest in the MC boat. If anyone would like to sail an MC see Tom Howard or Earl Troeger. Tom left one here for the Yacht Club to use. Thanks go to Earl Troeger for all his help in seeing that the boats were available.

FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN/RACING RESULTS

We would like to invite everyone to join our racing program. The more boats we have out the more fun it is for everyone. If you have access to a Sunfish then come out and enjoy racing. If you are interested in learning racing techniques and/or basic sailing contact Don Harman, Cottage #146. There is still plenty of time to join the racing season. Come out and join the fun!

CHANGES

The single adult sailing fee still remains at \$15. But the fee for juniors 14 and under was lowered to \$10. We have a new family rate of \$25. See Don Harman for details. These fees should be paid as soon as possible.

**\*\* RACE RESULTS FOR 6/30/85 \*\***

SAILOR	FINISH RACE #					TOTAL RACES SAILED	POINTS EARNED TODAY	SEASON AVERAGE TO DATE
	1	2	3	4	5			
DAVE TROEGER	1	1				3	1600	1630
Tom HOWARD	3	5				5	1296	1502
Tony HAMMES	8	PNs				2		1185
RANDY WELCH	15	15				5	676	1071
KEN TROYER	16	PNs				4		1041
JEFF HOWARD	12	PNs				3		1130
DAVE OLSON	17	11				3	900	1036
LEO ZELASKO	11	4				5	1369	1157
STEVE SANTE	13	6				4	1225	1103
JEFF OLSON	20	14				3	729	814
DON HARMAN	9	12				5	841	1183
MIKE GOTSTEIN	7	3				5	1444	1208
ASHLY WELCH	19	10				4	961	853
HAROLD CRANMER	18	9				5	1024	972
KENT SANTE	5	PNs				1		1379
TOM TROEGER	6	PNs				1		1354
BILL CARPENTER	4	PNs				2		1478
MARTY SANTE	2	2				3	1524	1507
HARRY PRIER	22	16				1	625	635
JOE O'BRIEN	10	7				1	1156	1166
MIKE MACHALLECIL	14	8				1	1089	1099
CHAS LA PIERRE	21	13				1	784	794

LOST & FOUND

Duffy Dufour lost a wooden oar from his rowboat about 5ish, IN time, Sunday, June 30. He lost it right in front of his East 120 cottage. If you find this oar please contact Duffy at 2807.

A MUSICAL Production featuring Ron & Carolyn Patty, whos music is known world-wide, will be presented at the Church of God in Cass on July 7 at 7 p.m. There is no admission charge though an offering will be taken. Ron & Carolyn's music has been shared internationally through radio, TV and recordings. Ron Patty appeared with Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians at the White House for a special command performance in honor of Queen Elizabeth when Dwight Eisenhower was President. The Patty's began in 1953 and use their own vocal & instrumental arrangements in both live and taped accompaniment.

THE WEEKEND of the 4th will bring many guests to the Partridge cottage on the westside of Birch Lake. Pattie & Bruce Vath and Andy Koester's; Jenny, Phil, Ben & Nick Partridge all of Cincinnati, Ohio; and Ginny, Paul, Rachel, Amanda & Ryan Hill from Loveland, Ohio will all be there to celebrate the 4th of July holiday!



JULY 6, 1985 Birch Barker

I hope you all had a pleasant July 4th, with no accidents or mishaps at your cottage. My family has a big day planned, hoping of course that the weather will cooperate - which is always the determining factor!

#### NEWS AROUND THE LAKESHORES

Cub fever is alive and growing (in interest!) on the Westside! WGN can be heard blaring from cottages G-295 (R.L.), G-293 (B.H.) and G-286 (J.D.). Their spirit is alive - Go Cubs!!

#### FISH STORY OF THE WEEK !

If you think there aren't great big fish in Birch Lake then just go talk to John Scofield, Westshore, about that! John had his 9 lb. Coho in a cooler behind his house to show all that passed his way on Friday night! He wouldn't be very definite about exactly where in Birch Lake he caught it!

ANDY FULMER, Crawfordsville, In., will be visiting his grandparents, Stanley and Ruth Brown (Westside), the first two weeks of July. David and Judith Anderson and their children, Karen, Erik, and Julie will be coming for the 3rd and 4th of July.

JOHN, SUE, & LAURIE Parnell, from Cincinnati, Oh., arrived on Tuesday, July 2 to visit with John & Dorothy Parnell, (Westside) through the long weekend. Dick Parnell, from Lafayette, La., arrived Sunday, June 30, to stay the week, along with his wife, Babe, and the boys, Shane and Brian. Kathy & Ron will be up with the new baby, Bobby, who will be christened on Sunday July 7th in South Bend. Kim Marable, from Phoenix, Az., John and Dorothy's granddaughter will be here at Birch Lake for a months visit. Kim will be Bobby's Godmother.

EXERCISE and jogging starts early at the Parnells' house, Westside, as you are apt to see Kim Marable, and her twin cousins, Shane and Brian Parnell jogging up and down the Westside roads!!

NOTE about all the garbage floating around the Southside of Birch Lake:

Barb Pence, of the Southside, reported 5 cigarette butts, an old shoe, candy wrappers, and plastic cups floating in front of their pier. Please be considerate of all your fellow Birch Lake residents, remember the lake is not an ashtray - so don't use it as one. Please don't litter our beautiful lake - help clean it up instead!

WATCH BOATERS ! Amy Ross and Peggy Talbot, of the Southshore, have just earned their boat licenses ! They will soon be out on the lake applying all the safety rules they have just learned ! Congratulations, girls !

THE TALBOT Family of the Southshore have a houseful of people for the holiday weekend. Sara's sisters from Indianapolis, Donna Sweet and Cheryl Turner, with their husbands, Jim Sweet and Ken Turner, and the Sweets' children, Brad, Marcy, and Kari, have been enjoying fun in the sun with the Talbots and their grandmother, Princess Davidson, of Mishawaka.

COLEY COOK, grandson of John and Odessa Murphy, spent a week at soccer camp at Indiana University. He has attended this camp for several years now and has picked up many valuable tips to better his soccer game .

I.T. & HELEN Bowers, at 307 Woodland Cove Drive are happy to have their nature loving, bicycling grandson back again from Lake Tahoe - while the snow & skiing are great out there, he still loves to visit Birch Lake with its pure blue waters and fortunately he is a man who can enjoy both !. Greg "Pedro" Kinner is the son of the Bowers' daughter Margie and Dave Kinner of So. Bend. His brothers, sisters, Aunts, Uncles, & cousins are all anxious to greet him as he has criss-crossed the good ole USA five times on his trusty bicycle. He has enjoyed 33 of the states and hopes to visit them all. You are right, theres' not much tread left on his tires , plus he has had to replace quite a few already. To each his own, but I'll take a comfy 55 mph with a safety belt in place and a night in a motel. . . Grandpa and Grandma Bowers are as happy as can be just rocking on their pontoon & watching their 4 generations playing in Birch Lake. It just gets better with each year & soon 58 happy years together will be history.  
by Helen Bowers, Westside.

"Women are supposed to be loved, not understood."

Did you know: Animals being born in the month of July include the grizzly bear & the muskrat ?

FOR SALE: 13½ ft steel rowboat - \$75.00. See Barb or Bob Pence - Cottage #72.  
Call 476-2018 14842 South Shore Drive.



Swimming was never better or charcoaled ribs, hamburgers, and smoked sausage tastier than was enjoyed by Mrs. Marsha Woodrich, her sons Chris & Sean - a friend, Jeff Mitchell, Fran Holder, and Greg & Brian Kinner with their grandparents, T.T. and Helen Bowers, last weekend at cottage #307.

JOHN & Dorothy Parnell entertained a "few guests" last Wed., June 26. Dorothy's sister Louise, and husband Syd Skellenger, from Gull Lake; their son & daughter-in-law from Couer d'alene, Idaho; Dr & Mrs. Patrias from Ann Arbor, and Kathy Neizgodski and the new grandson, Bobby, were treated to a delicious luncheon by John and Dorothy. The day was gorgeous, sunny & warm as baby sunned himself on a blanket.

BE KIND TO YOUR KITTY      by Duffy Dufour

Among the residents of Birch Lake are many cats- some owned and some not. I came across one this weekend on the Southside that I thought was a stray. It is a beautiful but thin long-tailed tiger with a sweet disposition. I couldn't resist giving the cat a physical check-up. At least 50% of the kitties I see have ear mites. This cat was not an exception. They are quite simple to treat but often overlooked. Mites are very contagious to other cats and dogs but not to humans. Cats with ear mites suffer a great deal because they itch worse than mosquito bites - only in the cats' ear. If you look into your kittys' ears and see any dirt at all its a pretty good indication that ear mites are there. I fed and treated this stray and it went on its way much happier. Your cat could be happier too with a small amount of careful inspection.

RECIPE IDEA

recipes by Randi Brown, Eastside

Beau Monde Dip

- 1 cup sour cream
- ½ cup mayonaisse
- 1 Tbl fresh or dried parsley
- 1 Tbl dried onion flakes (or fresh chopped)
- ½ Tbl Beau Monde seasoning
- ¼ tsp garlic powder

Mix together and serve with fresh cut veggies

Midsummer Nights' Slush

- 2 cup sugar dissolved in 2 cups boiling water
- 1 (12 oz.) can frozen orange juice plus 1 can filled with water
- 1 (#2) can crushed pineapple with juice
- 1 medium jar marascino cherries with juice
- 2 ripe bananas, diced
- 1 (12oz) container 7-Up

Mix in tupperware-type container and place in freezer. When it begins to freeze, mix it once again. Remove from freezer a while before serving. Keep on hand for drop-in guests or heat waves. Serve in a glass with a spoon.

BARN SWALLOW THEATRE - final preparations are being made at the Theatre to clear the way for rehearsals which begin this July. Supporters of the Barn Swallow Theatre have chosen "Spoon River Anthology" by Edgar Lee Masters as their first production. The Barn Swallow Theatre is located behind the County Bldg. off Hospital Rd. The first performance at the Theatre has been scheduled for Aug. 16, 17, & 18 and again Aug. 23, 24, & 25, Friday & Sat. shows begin at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 6 p.m. There will be seating for 100 persons, and the stage will be in an octagonal shape. Although the Theatre remains uncompleted a performance this summer is expected to demonstrate to area residents the Barn Swallow Theatre group is serious about bringing summer theatre to Cass County & able to give quality performances utilizing local talent.

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