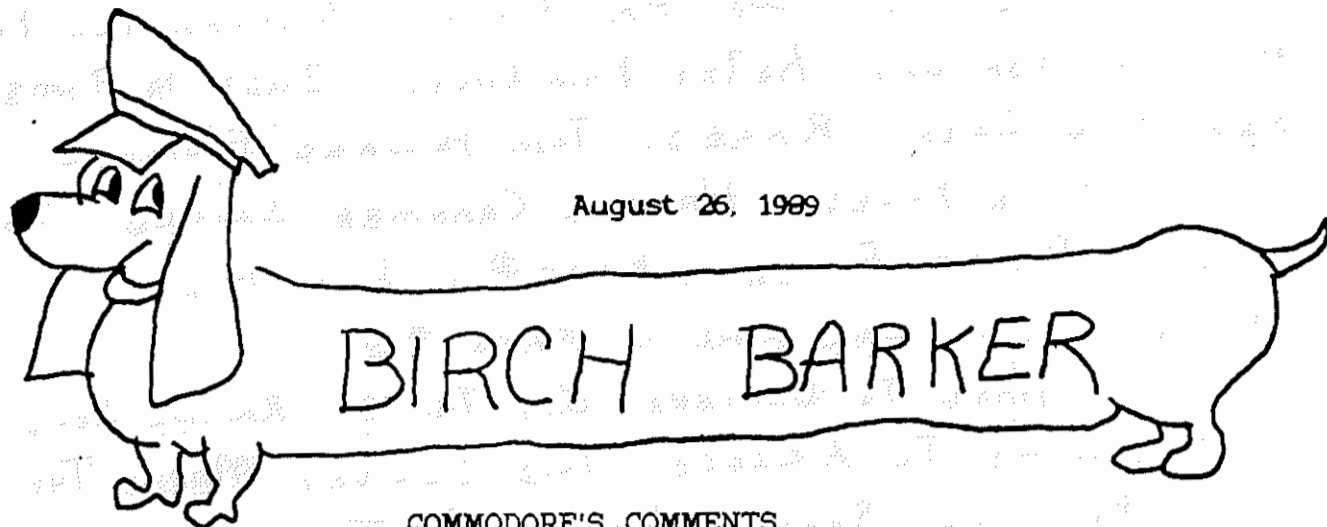


August 26, 1989



## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Can you believe that Labor Day is just around the corner and another great summer is coming to an end at Birch Lake? It has been a summer of beautiful weather people here. The officers and board members of the Yacht Club have provided no end of help and support. Thank you all.

Thank you Linda Gableman and Sherry Holleman for an outstanding job on this summer's Birch Barker. No one can really appreciate all the time and effort it takes unless you have been there. We also thank those who delivered the Barkers each week: Linda & David Gableman; Sherry & Chuck LaPierre; The Sante's - Doris, Marty, & Steve; Buzz & Linda Rasmussen; The Hollemans' - Sherry, Bill, Amber, Heather, & Nicole; and Ann & Spike Abernathy.

Special Thanks goes to these people also:

Don Harman - Fleet Commodore - Sailing

Lind Harman - Sailing stats

Claudia Gableman - Boat Parade

Nancy & Brad Walker - Pancake Breakfast

Sherry & Bill Holleman - Corn & Sausage Roast

Coy Jankowski - Watercolor Work

Angie Lovejoy, Lynn Schaar, The Curtis' and Reynolds' - The House walk

Steve Sante and Steve Cranmer - Triathlon work

Helen & Bernie Weesner - Fireworks permits

Frank Horvath - Boat Storage

Mary & Denny Kring - Lakefront to shoot off fireworks.

Buzz & Linda Rasmussen - Fall Dinner

Gertie & Bob Temple - Chairman Water Quality

Buzz Rasmussen & Rick Doolittle - Golf Outing

Barb & Bob Pence and Claudia & John Gableman - sponsoring the Kid's Party

For refurbishing the Yacht Club:

Dave Kinner, Tom Howard, Jim Mitchell, Linda & Terry Curtis, Don Harman, Linda & Buzz Rasmussen, Bob Temple, Bill Holleman, Steve Cranmer, Steve Horvath, and Bob Cranmer.

Finally, I thank you all for the opportunity to be your Commodore. It has truly been a labor of love and a chance to give something back to a place that is very special to me and my family. My great grandparents started visiting Birch Lake for recreation in the mid 1800's after establishing a farm on what is now Rainbow Road, near the South end of Shavehead Lake. From about the 1890's to the 1920's the Birch Lake Cove Campground was used for family reunions. In 1928 my Father purchased our present property and built our first home here. Some 61 years later, we are proud to carry on the tradition and be part of the Birch Lake community. We look forward to continuing our association with all the great people at Birch Lake!!

See you at the Fall Dinner !!

Harold Cranmer  
Commodore

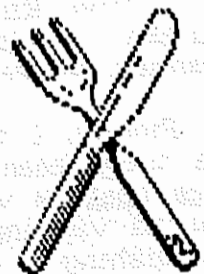
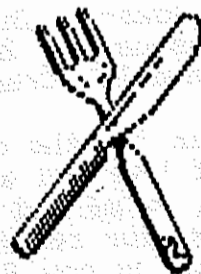
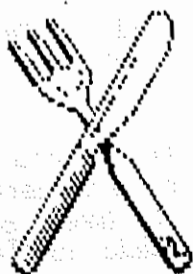
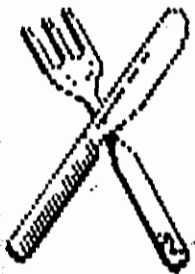
## SAILING NEWS

LAST SUNDAY WE HAD GREAT COOPERATION FROM MOTHER NATURE AS THE RAIN ENDED JUST IN TIME FOR TWO GREAT RACES. TOM HOWARD FINISHED 1ST IN BOTH RACES, HAROLD CRANMER SAILED TO A 2ND PLACE FINISH IN RACE #1, AND MIKE MACHALLEK WAS 2ND IN RACE #2.

ITS HARD TO BELIEVE BUT THE '89 RACING SEASON IS DRAWING TO A CLOSE. THIS SUNDAY MARKS THE LAST REGULAR SEASON RACES OF THE YEAR. NEXT WEEKEND WE WILL HAVE THE LABOR DAY REGATTA WITH 3 RACES ON SATURDAY AND 2 ON SUNDAY.

\*\*RACE RESULTS FOR 8-20-89\*\*

SAILOR	FINISH RACE					TOTAL RACES SAILED	POINTS EARNED TODAY	SEASON AVERAGE TO DATE
	1	2	3	4	5			
D. TROEGER	DN <sub>3</sub>	DN <sub>3</sub>				10	- 0 -	1554 - 1st
T. HOWARD	1	1				14	3220	1492 - 2nd
R. HARMAN	DN <sub>3</sub>	DN <sub>3</sub>				14	- 0 -	1478 - 3rd
H. CRANMER	2	3				18	2961	1441 - 4th
D. HARMAN	3	4				13	2829	1402 - 5th
M. SANTE	5	5				13	2612	1345 - 7th
D. OLSON	4	6				11	2614	1256 - 8th
M. MACHALLEK	DN <sub>3</sub>	2				7	1531	1380 - 6th
B. CRANMER	DN <sub>3</sub>	DN <sub>3</sub>				7	- 0 -	1139 - 9th



REMINDER : This SATURDAY EVENING , AUGUST 26th is the annual BIRCH LAKE FALL DINNER !! This is the last function of the Yacht Club for this season and we hope to see as many people as possible come!! Cocktails begin at 5:30 pm Ind time and dinner begins at 6:30 pm with a short business meeting to follow. Hope to see you there!!

REMINDER: Anyone who ordered a print by Coy Jankowski of the Heron can pick this up at Dan and Jan Reynolds' home this weekend as they are now ready. Also if you are interested in the notecards now is the time to purchase them as they are going fast and supply is limited!

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FRIENDLY ADVICE: Please help Birch Lake and your piers stay clean by NOT FEEDING the ducks and geese. Feeding the ducks and geese will encourage them to stay around. The point I'm trying to make is that on Donnell Lake several years ago a pair of geese were encouraged to stay there because they were regularly fed. Their number now is around fifty and growing, which is fouling up Donnell Lake and all the piers around the Lake.

Don Harman

#### NEWS AROUND THE SHORES

JAN, SCOTT, & BRETT Sortal , from Wilmette, Il. are at Birch Lake visiting with "Grandpa and Grandma" Temple. Also visiting are Gerry (their daughter) , Pete, and Peter Lovato, from Dallas, Tx.. It is very hard to tell who is having more fun - Grandpa or the three grandsons!!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO YOU  
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AUGUST 27th marks the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Bob and Gert Temple of the North Shore. Their daughters and families are here at Birch Lake helping with the Celebration ! CONGRATULATIONS to you both!!

ANOTHER BIGGIE !! AUGUST 26th will mark the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Jack and Evelyn Asire, of the Westshore. Their daughter Marty and her three children, Christopher, Brett, and Erisa are all here from Virginia Beach , Va. to make this date very memorable for this happy couple. A BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH as you celebrate this happy occasion !!



RECIPE OF THE WEEK

BEST EVER BLUEBERRY MUFFINS

by Sharon Love

- 1/2 cup soft oleo or butter
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 2 large eggs

Mix together these dry ingredients:

- 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Add dry ingred. alternately with other mixture along with :

- 1/2 cup milk + 1 teaspoon vanilla

Now add 1/2 cup crushed Blueberries and fold in 1 1/2 cups whole blueberries.

Bake in a 375 degree oven for 30 minutes. This recipe will make about 12-16 muffins.

DELICIOUS !!!!!

MORE HISTORY OF THE LAKE

One of the principal grievances of the Southern Slave Owners before the Civil War was the Underground Railroad.

Quakers from Pennsylvania came into Michigan and purchased sections of land around Birch Lake and Calvin Center. When the runaway slaves from the South were carried by the Underground into Michigan, a farm was given to them and many have retained this land to the present day. The Underground Railway was a route over which the colored men and their families were carried on horseback or by wagon, after night from one station to another. These stations were usually about twenty miles apart. Two principal routes were used, one coming up from Cincinnati through Indiana and the other from St Louis, through Illinois. These two routes converged just east of Cassopolis at the home of Stephen Bogue. A monument now marks this spot on Route M60. This was the Michigan terminal of the Underground Railroad. Bogue and Josiah Osborne were the principal operators and the most important men in this undertaking.

Osborne was located on the farm that is now known as Hillrings Lakeland Gardens. He operated a nursery here as far back as 1850, furnishing shade and fruit trees for the country.

more to follow in the last issue . . .



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As many of you already know, Camp Tannadoonah is in need of upgrading some of its facilities. The cost will be substantial. The Birch Lake Yacht Club wanted to help.

Coy Jankowski has again generously consented to donate us his creative talents by creating a beautiful water color dedicated to Camp Tannadoonah. The painting of the Great Blue Heron will be a limited edition print, signed and numbered. It will be poster size and of the highest quality paper.

All of us therefore have a unique opportunity: to help Camp Tannadoonah, because the majority of the proceeds will be given to the camp; and to own a beautiful limited edition Coy Jankowski print that will have very special significance to all Birch Lakers and to all the people who have been a part of Camp Tannadoonah.

The cost of the print will be \$50.00. Because there will be a limited number and because we anticipate a great demand from Camp Tannadoonah's alumnae, we encourage you to order right away. The print will make an excellent gift also. Use the order form below. Delivery will be mid-August.

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