



# Birch Barker

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## COMMODORE COMMENTS

Hats off to Brad and Nancy Walker for a great Pancake Breakfast last Sunday. They broke their old record of attendance - and set a new one with 361 folks. A check was presented to Camp Tannadoonah for \$500.00 and the Yacht Club treasury grew further! The Walkers wish to thank all - and appreciated the help from Terry and Linda Curtis; Marty and Doris Sante; Bill and Sherry Holleman; Harold and Donna Cranmer; and my better half Linda Rasmussen.

The Yacht Club wants to thank Camp for the use of their dining hall and waterfront last weekend. It was a perfect spot for the breakfast and the fireworks. Harold and Steve Cranmer, and Rick Doolittle did a super clean up of all the debris on the beach and in the water at Camp. Thanks Guys!

There were lots of folks at the breakfast that commented on how good the Barker looks this year. Well, when you see our editor, Barb Zesinger, speed walking around the lake - be sure you tell her - what a great job she's doing!

The Vice-Commodore's Cocktail Party is Saturday night! This is our last official cocktail party - so don't miss this one - it should be good.

Thank you to all those great folks who have contributed to the fireworks fund. Because of your generosity we are closing in on our \$2,000 goal.

Have a safe weekend.

Buzz and Linda Rasmussen

JULY 1990 EVENTS

| <u>TIME</u>        | <u>DATE</u>       | <u>EVENT</u>                                    |
|--------------------|-------------------|---|
| (All Indiana)      |                   |   |
| 9:00 AM            | Mon. Tues. Wed.   | AEROBICS  |
| 5:30 PM            | Saturday, July 14 | VICE-COMMODORE'S COCKTAIL PARTY - one food tray |
| 11:30 AM           | Friday, July 27   | Men's Golf Outing - Shot gun start              |
| 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM | Saturday, July 28 | House Walk                                      |

BIRCH LAKE GOLF OUTING

The Birch Lake Golf Outing will be held July 27th at Park Shore Golf Course in Cassopolis, MI.

The format will be the same as last year with a Shot gun start at 11:30 AM (all Indiana time). Tom Howard, chairman along with his group of helpers will be there to welcome you to another great day of golf and fun.

Frank and Steve Horvath will again man the refreshment wagon. After golf the Yacht Club will be open for cocktails and a Prime Rib dinner from Kulesia's. After dinner there will be door prizes and more time to be with your friends.

The price for all this will be only \$40.00 per person. The Schedule is as follows:

Friday, July 27th

11:30 AM Indiana Time Golf with a shot gun start for all.  
 5:30 PM Cocktails at Yacht Club  
 7:00 PM Prime Rib Dinner  
 8:00 PM Golf and Door Prizes

Price of \$40.00 per person includes Golf, Golf cart, Dinner, Refreshments All Day, on the course and off.

Come join us again for this popular event. Limited to first 66 golfers unless your party starts early in the morning.

Make up your foursome now and contact either:

TOM HOWARD - Birch Southside - No Phone  
 KEITH WEESNER - Birch Southside - 476-2569  
 EARL TROEGER - Birch Southside - 476-2237  
 Work - (219) 288-1483

SEE YOU THERE!

P.S.: If you can't join us for golf but can join us for dinner the price is \$20.00.

Also: Door prizes welcome. Be sure your name is on prize for recognition.

SAILING

It was great to see the First Sail Boat Race of the season have so many competitors. There have been a lot of sailboats on the lake each weekend.

We would like to see some racing start again soon. Discuss it with your sailing friends and bring your thoughts to the cocktail party Saturday night.

Time of day, number of races, day of week are some things to discuss among others. With a little effort we can get some friendly competition going again.

Your old time Sailing Committee,  
 Earl Troeger & Tom Howard

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Last Sunday the first Sunfish Race of the season was held with Rick Harman sailing to a 1st Place Finish in both races.

We would like to welcome first time sailor Andrea Athanas to the Sailing Fleet, she did a great job in the heavy winds.

The Race this week will be on Sunday at 1:00 PM Indiana time, come out and join in the fun.

Results From Last Sunday

- |                    |                    |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| RACE 1             | RACE 2             |
| 1. Rick Harman     | 1. Rick Harman     |
| 2. Tom Howard      | 2. Tom Howard      |
| 3. Harold Cranmer  | 3. Steve Sante     |
| 4. Mike Machalleck | 4. Harold Cranmer  |
| 5. Steve Sante     | 5. Mike Machalleck |
| 6. Marty Sante     | 6. Marty Sante     |
| 7. Don Harman      | 7. Don Harman      |
| 8. Doug Weaver     | 8. Andrea Athanas  |
| 9. Andrea Athanas  | 9. Dave Olson      |
| 10. Dave Olson     | 10. Doug Weaver    |
- Submitted by: Don Harman

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Fire on a boat is one of the skipper's greatest fears and one of the major causes of damage to boats. For protection all boats should carry readily accessible fire extinguishers approved by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Fire extinguishers are classified by letters and numbers according to the type and size fire they can put out. The letter indicates the type of fire: "A" for combustible solids like wood; "B" for flammable liquids; "C" for electrical fires and "D" for combustible metals like magnesium.

One of these materials can be used to put out fire on boats:

1. Carbon Dioxide--CO<sub>2</sub> (A,B,C)
2. Halon/Freon (A,B,C)
3. Dry Chemical (B,C)
4. Foam (B)
5. Water (A)

Some boat fires involve burning wood and paper (Class A). These fires can be put out with water. But, do not use water on gasoline, oil, or electrical fires. Water will cause a gasoline or oil fire to spread.

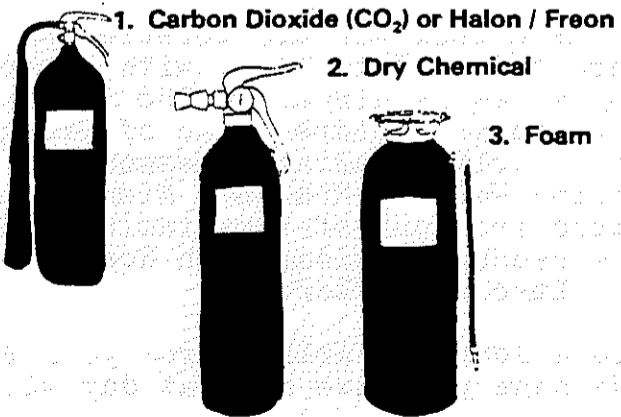
Most boat fires consist of burning oil or gasoline (Class B). A Coast Guard approved fire extinguisher, as described in the chart below, will put them out very quickly.

| Marine Fire Extinguisher Classification |                           |                                    |                                  |                                   |
|---|---------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| CLASSIFICATION<br>(type-size)           | FOAM<br>(minimum gallons) | CARBON DIOXIDE<br>(minimum pounds) | DRY CHEMICAL<br>(minimum pounds) | HALON / FREON<br>(minimum pounds) |
| B-I                                     | 1¼                        | 5                                  | 2                                | 2½                                |
| B-II                                    | 2½                        | 15                                 | 10                               | 10                                |

1. Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) or Halon / Freon

2. Dry Chemical

3. Foam



Boat fires also may be caused by electrical wiring (Class C). The current overloads the wire, gets it hot, and sets the insulation on fire. An extinguisher must be able to put out this fire without giving the user a shock. Use dry chemical, CO<sub>2</sub>, or Halon/Freon.

#### Fire Extinguishers cont.

Check frequently to be sure that fire extinguishers are properly stored and undamaged. Replace cracked or broken hoses. Keep nozzles free of obstructions. Check pressure gauges for proper pressure. Make sure that locking pins and sealing wires are in place.

Never try an extinguisher to see if it works properly. The valves may not reseal and a gradual discharge results. After using an extinguisher, recharge it as soon as possible and before using the boat again.

On motorboats less than 26' in length, one B-1 type Coast Guard approved hand portable fire extinguisher is required unless there is a fixed fire extinguisher system installed in the machinery space.

#### HOUSE WALK

The House Walk is scheduled for July 28th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM (IN time). The houses on the tour will be Davis', Hayden's and Jankowski's. Visitors can start at any of the three houses, pay the cost of \$6.00 and collect their ticket which will enable them to go through the other houses. We will have pontoon shuttles transporting people from house to house and refreshments will be served at each of the three houses.

Volunteers are needed. Please contact Barb Zesinger, 2526, Linda Curtis, 2431, or Janet Reynolds, 8877.

#### CRITTER SIGHTING

1. On July 4th an undetermined amount of baby bunnies were found by Karin, Erik and Julia Anderson while helping at Grandma Brown's cottage. Each were brown with a white diamond on their foreheads. Their eyes were just open and they were 3-4 inches long.

2. Minix and Blackwoods have been having their lawns disturbed by moles lately. A trap was purchased and the offender caught. An uglier creature you have never seen!

It is said that moles have to eat every twenty minutes and they live on grubs.

3. Aaron minglin and Hallie Minglin (Westside) found an unusual looking moth larvae. This caterpillar was dark and light gray with red antennae. Its skin was very smooth - and its length approximately 3 inches. It might have been a sphinx moth of some kind.

4. Elaine Mitchell, Christine and Michelle Longo spotted a large redtail hawk on the Southside of the lake on their way to aerobics class last week while visiting Jim and Betty Mitchell.

#### 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

John and Arline Machalleck are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary today, July 14th, with a reception at their church followed by a family dinner at The Seasons in Three Rivers.

In addition to their children Mike of Granger, Indiana; Steve of Longwood, Florida; Marianne Desmond of Vancouver, Washington; and Kathy Wolf of Midland, Michigan and their families, other family members from out-of-town include: Bob and Gerry Machalleck of Vero Beach, Florida; Ruth Rogers of Jean, Nevada; and Evelyn Lees of Lakeland, Florida.

Congratulations John and Arline from your Birch Lake friends and neighbors. We hope you have a great day with your family and friends.

#### GRADUATION

The Sante family had a spring graduation - Marty, age 40 something, obtained his pilots license.

### THIRD GRANDSON

Connie and Earl Troeger are proud to announce the arrival of their third grandson, Mathew Joseph, born June 25th to Jeff and Sue Troeger in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

Mathew along with brother Christopher and mom and dad are already planning to visit Birch Lake in early August.

### WELCOME TO THE LAKE

New to Birch Lake this week are Bob and Sheila Waddle from Highland, Indiana. Bob and Sheila just purchased the Mullins' cottage (previously Schaars') on the East shore and are thrilled to have their new haven here at Birch Lake. Although they are new homeowners on the lake they are hardly newcomers, as they have spent many weekends enjoying the lake at Dan and Janet Reynolds. Big WELCOME to Bob and Sheila!

WELCOME to Bruce and Sue Wagner who just purchased the former Treichel cottage in the Cove.

### SOFTBALL

Molly Abernethy has just completed her Junior Girls Softball season at Southeast Little League in South Bend. She played Pitcher and First Base as her team finished in first place with a 13-1 record, and won the post-Season Tournament. She will be playing in the All-Star Game this Saturday.

### MITCHELL FAMILY

The James Mitchell family was visited by son, Jim, and family from Sturgis, Michigan; and daughter, Nancy, and family from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Son-in-law, Mike, was in charge of the spectacular fireworks display on the Eastside. Because Mike put on such a great display the Mitchell family and friends and neighbors have pressed him into returning next July 4th for a repeat fireworks show.

### MCNAMEE GATHERING

Kathy McNamee (Eastside) hosted three of her four siblings and their offspring and friends along with her parents, Jim and Ann McNamee of Elkhart, and a couple of foreign visitors over the holiday.

Mary (McNamee) Birleson of Rowlett, Texas joined her daughter Beth of Dearborn and her friend Bob Lang of Cincinnati, Ohio as well as her hulking son Rob of Waco, Texas.

Pat (McNamee) Cherry and her three children, Shayna, Jacob, and Jessica made the trip in from Chicago and added to the liveliness.

Dec and Ruth McNamee of Mason, MI watched in wonder as their son Colin mastered "kneeboardin'" and daughter Erin fell in love with Anne Torma's puppy.

Coming all the way from the Netherlands were Anneke van Middelkoop and her daughter Catelijne.

All involved enjoyed the reminiscences, great food, and great weather which Birch Lake afforded.

Submitted: K. McNamee

### UPDATE ON OVER THE HILL GANG

Another rumor has surfaced that Brad Walker has agreed to coach the "over the hill gang" for the TRIATHLON. These guys are starting to look serious - stay tuned for more details. . .

RIETH FAMILY

The Rieth Family has celebrated the 4th of July all week. So next year I hope the Boat Parade and Fireworks are all on the same day.

Thanks to Mike Mondich of Elkhart we had New York Strip Steaks, "Mike" Burgers and hot dogs for 20 guests, the Oswalts from Three Rivers; Boles from Dowagiac; Holverstotl's from Coldwater; Warlle's from Three Rivers; Gregg Rieth's from Jones; and Don Rieth from Goshen. Everyone enjoyed the food and fireworks. It was appropriate that the Parachute landed in our tree since Bud Rieth was a Paratrooper.

Submitted: L. Rieth

FOR SALE

Two (2) Sunfish Sailboats for sale - both excellent condition- newer boat for \$500 and older boat for \$400 (includes 2 sails). FREE sailing lesson if desired. See at Sante's #3 - 2227.

A big THANK YOU to this weeks contributing reporters: Loretta Drolet, Janet Reynolds, and Linda Curtis. Also John Drolet who helps deliver the news to the Editor by land or water!!!  
The Editor.

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| <b>Filet of Alaskan Salmon</b><br>Lightly breaded and baked, accompanied by baked butter, or Grilled and Glazed with Honey Mustard and Rosemary ..... \$12.95   | <b>Cold Water Walleye Pike Meuniere</b><br>Pan fried in lightly breaded butter, lemon and parsley ..... \$12.95                                     |
| <b>Crab Meat Strubel</b><br>Crab meat in a rich sauce, baked in low starch pasta topped with Parmesan cheese ..... \$15.40  | <b>Coconut Beer Shrimp</b><br>Served with Cream and Sweet Sauce ..... \$9.95  |
| <b>Broiled Northern Michigan Whitefish</b><br>Almondine \$11.50<br>* Light Portion ..... \$6.95   | <b>Lake Perch Fillets</b><br>Pan fried or broiled in butter, lemon juice and parsley ..... \$12.95<br>* Light Portion ..... \$7.95                  |
| <b>Cold Water Rock Lobster Tail</b><br>Dishes in the shell, served with Cream Sauce ..... Market Price  | <b>Alaskan Crab Legs</b><br>Dish, served with Cream Sauce ..... Market Price  |
|   | <b>Broiled Petite Filet Mignon</b> ..... \$5.50<br>Served only with Grilled Potatoes  |

## Seasonalities

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| <b>Lamb Chops</b> , broiled with herbs, garlic and olive oil<br>per \$12.00      two \$18.95      three \$22.50 | <b>Veal Medallions</b><br>Pan fried and broiled with one of the following sauces: Apple Brand Sauce, Marsala or Sherry Sauce ..... \$14.50 |
| <b>Roast Duck</b> glazed with Herb Gravy sauce ..... \$14.25  | <b>Barbecued Spare Ribs</b><br>per half rack \$10.50      full rack \$13.95  |
| <b>Chef's Poeta du Jour</b><br>ask your server!   | <b>Broiled Pork Chops</b><br>per chop \$13.95<br>broiled and broiled with a special sauce  |

Please allow twenty minutes for these house specialties

## U.S.D.A Choice Beef

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Prime Rib Roast</b><br>available Friday & Saturday evenings<br>Half \$14.25      Whole \$11.50     | <b>Filet Mignon</b> , served in butter ..... \$15.25  |
| <b>New York Strip Steak</b><br>Grilled cut, served in butter ..... \$14.95                            | <b>Steak au Poivre</b><br>Top Grilled with cracked peppercorns, finished with a sauce of hot red wine and cream ..... \$13.50 |
| <b>Top Sirloin</b><br>10 oz. \$11.95      5 oz. \$10.50   | <b>Sautéed Beef Slices</b><br>with broccoli, onion, mushrooms, dry red wine and cream ..... \$9.95                            |
| <b>Teriyaki Beef Kabob</b><br>with fresh vegetables, mushrooms, onions and green peppers ..... \$6.95 | <b>Top Sirloin</b><br>5 oz. with grilled onion, green pepper and fresh mushrooms ..... \$7.95                                 |

To complement your meal:  
French mushroom slices and sauce in butter \$2.25  
Grilled onion, mushrooms and green bell pepper \$2.25  
Mushroom or Sherry sauce \$1.95

## Poultry

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| <b>Boneless Chicken Breasts</b><br>Pan fried with Apple Brand and Cream ..... \$11.95                              | <b>Breast of Chicken, Light Portion</b><br>served in butter finished with a sauce of Sherry, Port and Almond Cream ..... \$7.95 |
| <b>Chicken Divan</b><br>Creamy stuffed with Cheddar and Grated Cheese ..... \$9.95<br>* Light Portion ..... \$6.95 |   |

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