



# Birch Barker

ALL THE NEWS IN, ON AND AROUND THE LAKE.

A Publication by the Birch Lake Yacht Club

Issue 1

May 27, 1995

## Commodore's Comments

Welcome back to Birch Lake - more than a wet spot. Let's hope that our summer is a lot warmer and dryer than our spring.

We had a great turn out for our spring dinner (119 attended). It was held at the Matterhorn - Great food.

We have our activities listed in this week's Barker.

We still need a few volunteer to co-chair certain events. We need to hear from the women do we want a ladies luncheon and coffee again this year?

As of May 6th Birch Lake Yacht Club meeting we had 67 dues paying members for 1995. Please contact your nearest director to join. Beginning next issue we will include this year's members names.

On Saturday April 22, 1995 the following people helped clean up the roads at the Lake as a part of our Adopt-A-Road Program. Don, Lind Harman; Bob, Sue Waddle; Dan, Janet Reynolds; Staci Whiteman and Tina Strukel. Thanks a lot to all of you.

You will be surprised to see a security light at the Yacht Club entrance (the Road entering to the Club). It was donated and installed by Bob Waddle. Thanks Bob!

As we start a new summer, lets please obey the laws and have a safe and glorious summer.

Happy Memorial Day,  
Linda Curtis Commodore

And now a few words from our Vice, Sue Wagner...

Well, Madame Commodore, my major concern at the moment is that the sun has been recalled. But, having every faith in Mother nature's magnamity, I'm looking forward to a glorious summer. We have some outstanding events lined up at the Yacht Club starting with the Commodore's Cocktail Party. Attendees will be greeted by the first stages of a "facelift" for the club house. Possibly we might recruit a few roller artists to help liven up dingy walls with a fresh coat.

I would really like to encourage those who haven't engaged in BLYC activities to give it a go. We always have enjoyable times and there are so many lovely people.

Here's wishing everyone a happy, healthy and safe summer on beautiful Birch Lake. A very special get well hug to Bernie Weesner.

### 1995 EVENTS

- June 3 9:00am Director's meeting and Clubhouse clean-up
- June 10 5:30pm Commodores Party
- July 2 8:00am Pancake Breakfast at the camp
- July 2 Fireworks at dark
- July 3 Fireworks - rain date
- July 4 4:00 Boat Parade
- July 8 8-4 Garage sale
- July 15 8pm Karoake Party
- July 28 Women's golf outing
- August 4 Men's Golf outing
- August 12 5:30pm Corn and sausage - BLYC
- August 26 6:00pm Fall Dinner - BLYC

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**ATTENTION GARAGE SALE LOVERS...** On July 8, 1995 we will be holding the 1st annual Birch Lake Community Garage Sale. You may hold sale at your home or donate unwanted items to the Yacht Club. More at a later date. See Staci Whiteman, South Shore if you have any questions, or call a Director.

**COMMODORE'S PARTY...** Don't miss the first Commodore's Party June 10th 5:30 BLYC - Please bring hors d'oeuvres... See you there...

**BARKER NEWS...** Deadline for news and ads will be Monday Evening. There is a box for news items behind Sante's - 15222 Birch Lakeshore (South side by the outlet)

**NEWS FROM THE COVE...** Things are cranking up around here; shore stations in place, hammers and saws going to town, paint smells and best of all, grilling out with friends/neighbors. Waiting for the burgers to burn gives us opportunity to catch up on the events of our lives. We learned that the McCays have moved into their beautiful new home in Granger, Angie Rogers will be graduating from Marian High School, the Wagners have a new granddaughter, Katie Elizabeth Long, and Cisco and Roberta Minix celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary last week.

This article puts pressure on Cove dwellers to liven things up so, hopefully, as the season wears on we'll be able to regale readers with more colorful happenings. Have a great week-end. By Sue Wagner

**COOKBOOKS...** Don't forget to get your favorite recipes in order and drop them off at Deborah Curtis' East side or Janet Reynolds South side. We want to have the books ready to sell by corn and sausage roast. So let's get the hustling! Be sure to include your name. By Debroah Curtis

**MURAL PAINTING...** Butch Went, East side Birch Lake resident is going to paint a mural at the BLYC. He is asking for ideas of what to paint. Butch came up with the idea to have the Birch Lakers submit their favorite photos of the Lake and we will have a committee to select the best photo. Please mail or drop of photos at my house. Thanks... By Linda Curtis, East side

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(2) While operating a personal watercraft equipped by the manufacturer with a lanyard type engine cutoff switch on the waters of the state, a person shall have the lanyard attached to his or her person, clothing or personal flotation device as is appropriate for the specific vessel. (281.1063, Sec. 63, 2)

(3) A person shall not operate a personal watercraft on the waters of the state between the hours from sunset to sunrise (281.1063, Sec. 63, 3)

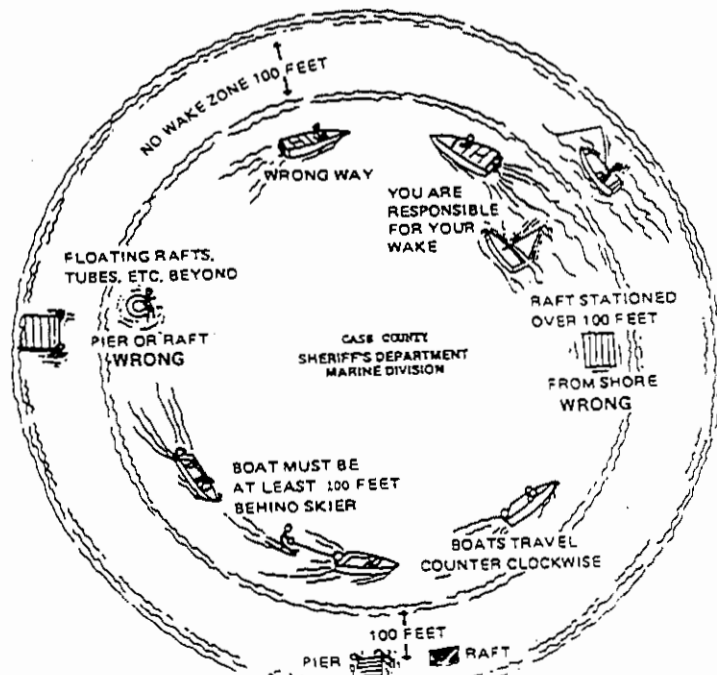
(4) A personal watercraft shall at all times be operated in a reasonable and prudent manner. Maneuvers that unreasonably or unnecessarily endanger life, limb or property, including but not limited to, weaving through congested vessel traffic, jumping the wake or another vessel unreasonably or unnecessarily close to the other vessel or when visibility around the other vessel is obstructed, and swerving at the last possible moment to avoid a collision, constitute reckless operation of a vessel, as provided in section 74. (281.1063, Sec. 63, 4)

(5) A person shall not operate a personal watercraft on the waters of the state carrying more persons than the vessel is designed to carry. Carrying more persons than the vessel is designed to carry is prima facie evidence of reckless operation of a watercraft under section 74. (281.1063, Sec. 63, 5)

(6) A person operating a personal watercraft on the waters of the state shall maintain a distance of 100' from any dock, raft, buoyed or occupied bathing area, or shall not cross within 150' behind another vessel, other than a personal watercraft, that is traveling at a speed greater than slow-no wake speed. (281.1063, Sec. 63, 6)

(7) A person under the age of 12 shall not operate a personal watercraft on the waters of the state. A person 12 through 15 years of age may operate a personal watercraft on the waters of the state only when accompanied by a person 16 years of age or older, or without adult supervision when in possession of a boating safety certificate in compliance with section 62. (281.1063, Sec. 63, 7)

(8) The owner of a personal watercraft or a person having charge over or control of a personal watercraft shall not authorize or knowingly permit the personal watercraft to be operated in violation of subsection (7). (281.1063, Sec. 63, 8)



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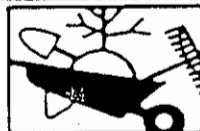
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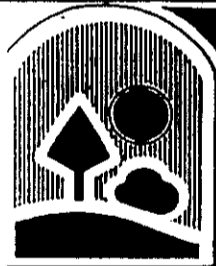
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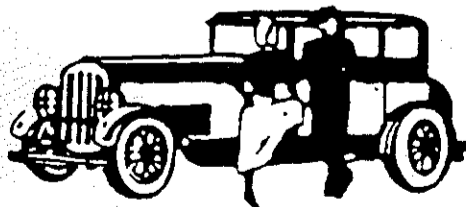
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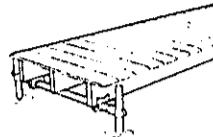
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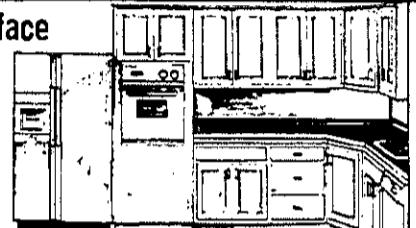
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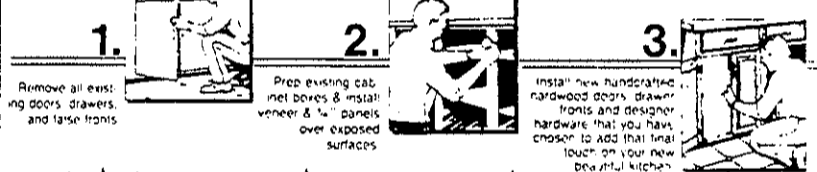
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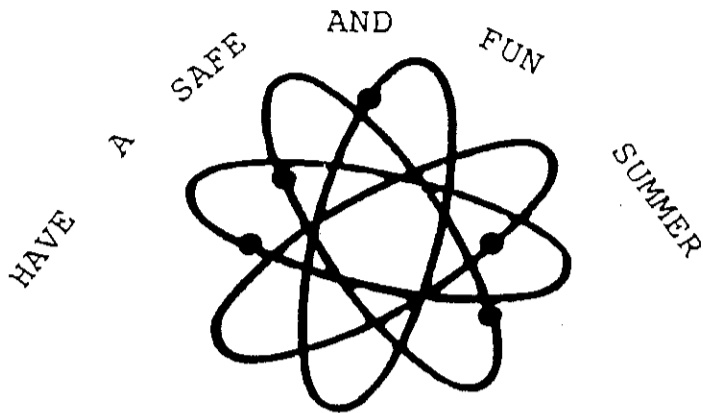
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