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Birch Barker

ALL THE NEWS IN, ON AND AROUND THE LAKE.

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Some remarkable athletic and musical talents, as well as some very strong constitutions, were displayed during last weekend's grouping of the Men's Golf Outing and the Karaoke Party. I'm kicking myself for not thinking of videotaping the Karaoke party. Consider the value a tape like that would acquire over the years, especially if any of the performers ever aspired to high political office. I know I speak for all the golfers in thanking Rich Mullin and Al Cover for organizing the 37th annual Birch Lake Men's Golf Outing, to Dean Davis and Jim Beck for manning the liquid refreshment truck, and to all the sponsors of that event. Equally appreciated are Al Cover for hosting the Karaoke Party in his capacity as Vice-Commodore, Bob Cranmer for his behind the scenes organizational efforts for that party and the bartenders Al and Liz Cover, Rich Mullin, Dean Davis, Jim and Sally Beck and Holly Troeger.

Now that we've had a week to recuperate, this Saturday night is the Caribbean party, featuring Jimmy Buffet music and special entertainment which I am not at liberty to disclose. You will not want to miss this event.

Next weekend's events at the clubhouse include:

the celebratory luncheon following the Ladies' Golf Outing (which will have occurred by the time this issue of the Birch Barker is delivered);

the Michigan Boating Safety Certification course, Saturday, August 9 at 7 a.m. (Ind. time), 8 a.m. (Mich. time). Those wishing to take the course should telephone the Sheriff's office at (616) 445-8644 to register;

the Corn and Sausage Roast, Saturday, August 9 at 5:30 p.m. (Ind. time), 6:30 p.m. (Mich. time). Prices are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children over age 5 and free for children aged 5 and under. The price includes two beverages per person, with additional refreshments available.

Upcoming events to include in your planning are the Ladies Luncheon (Tuesday, August 12), the Homeowners' Association meeting (Saturday, August 16) and the Fall Dinner (Saturday, August 23). Please fill out and send Al Cover or Scott Troeger the reservation form for the Fall Dinner that appears in this issue, with checks made payable to the BLYC in the amount of \$8.50 per adult and \$4.50 per child. We need to have the reservations to order the appropriate amount of food from the caterer.

I've been enjoying the "RarKer" page and hope Craig Dugan, Ross and Ryan Gableman, Kevin Thornton and any other collaborators continue to regale us with facts and fun items. It was a rare treat for someone of my height to be compared to a certain famous (a Bulls fan would say infamous)

1997 CALENDER OF EVENTS

Indiana time

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| Caribbean Party (Jimmy Buffet) | Saturday August 2 | BLYC |
| Corn & Sausage | Saturday August 9-5:30 | BLYC |
| Ladies' Luncheon | Tuesday, August 12 | BLYC |
| Homeowners' Association | Saturday August 16-10am | BLYC |
| Fall Dinner | Saturday, August 23 | BLYC |
| Sailing Trophies | Monday, September 1-10am | BLYC |

THE BLYC GANG SINGS YOUR ALL TIME FAVORITES! KARAOKE '97. After reviewing the digitalized master tape of the performances with several record labels, I have come to the conclusion that we all may want to keep our day jobs.

Thanks to Jim and Sally Beck, Dean Davis, Holly and Scott Troeger, and my lovely wife, Liz, for dispensing the spirits. Special thanks to Bob Cramner for organizing the Karaoke entertainment.

Finally, a big thanks to all who attended and made the event a success. By: Al Cover

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AMY AND TORY TROEGER enjoyed attending Camp Tannadoonah the week of July 20. This was Amy's third year at camp and Tory's first. Tory returned with a "golden arrow" award for archery. Quinn Faino from Portland, Oregon, will be visiting his cousins Amy, Tory and Neil Troeger at Birch Lake the week of August 4.

Ladies Luncheon

There will be good food, good friends and your own angel waiting for you at the Heavenly Birch Lake Luncheon. Please call one of the members of the Committee to make your reservation then fill in the slip below and drop it off as soon as possible (no later then Saturday, August 9th) to any member of the committee.

We are looking forward to seeing you and are planning a special time for everyone. Friends and relatives are welcome. If you are new on the Lake we would love to get to know you , please come.

Date: Tuesday, August 12, 1997

Place: BLYC

Time: 11:00 (Indiana Time) 12:00 (Michigan Time)

Tickets: \$ 7.50

Linda Curtis 2031

Darlene Troyer 2639

Lind Harman 2039

Sue Wagner 2090

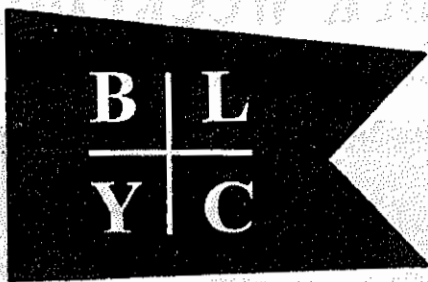
Maryann O'Neill 2831

Blair Garceau 9862

I would like to make reservations for the Heavenly Birch Lake Luncheon on Tuesday, August 12th.

Enclosed is the amount of \$

for



August 1997

FLEET NEWS

Last Sunday was the kind of day that keeps a sailor on shore. The wind was light & died out completely as we drifted around the course - like a steam bath with a locked door. Then to make things really interesting a storm blew in like a sledge hammer. I hated to call the race (questionable judgment) & am awarding each sailor the points of their place when lightening filled the western sky. We could just throw it out, but I hate to wipe out the effort of those who struggled around the triangle. Thanks go out to the Gableman boys & their friends for starting the race & those who towed us in as the storm came on ...

| | | race # | Season Standings | |
|------------------|-------------|--------|------------------|-------|
| 07/27 - Results: | | ① | Points | Place |
| Sunfish | T. Howard | 1 | 7740 | 1 |
| | S. Troeger | 2 | 7736 | 2 |
| | B. King | 3 | 6836 | 3 |
| | D. Olson | 4 | 5680 | 5 |
| | J. Bolinger | 5 | 6465 | 4 |
| | J. Gableman | dnf | 2760 | 6 |
| | M. Gotstein | dns | 1454 | 7 |
| | B. Parsons | dns | 1235 | 8 |
| MCs | D. Harmon | 1 | 7736 | 2 |
| | H. Cranmer | 2 | 7892 | 1 |
| | R. Harmon | 3 | 7347 | 3 |
| | B. Harlan | dns | 2758 | 4 |
| Starters | Plaia | | 2 | 1/2 |
| | Pitakos | | 2 | 1/2 |
| | Sante | | 1 | 3/4 |
| | King | | 1 | 3/4 |
| | Gableman | | 1 | 3/4 |

Season Points Formula:

- 1 - 1600 (square of 40)
- 2 - 1521 (" " 39)
- 3 - 1444 (" " 38)
- 4 - 1369 (" " 37)
- 5 - 1296 (" " 36)
- 6 - 1225 (" " 35)
- 7 - 1156 (" " 34)
- 8 - 1089 (" " 33)
- 9 - 1024 (" " 32)
- 10 - 961 (" " 31)

Bonus Points:

- 10/race finished (max 150)
- 10/finish w kid(s) as crew *

Notes:

- * to promote kids sailing, bring a kid out to crew & earn 10 extra points, no limits, any age, any # kids, & borrowed kids are ok!
- no points for dns / dnf

This design is as close to our original flag-burgee - as I can create ... vote for the colors at the Buffet party!



Final regatta kid? shirts are in this weekend.

Last chance to add to the order will be Sun 08/03, sign up at Buffet party or call 2128 after the races.

JIMMY BUFFETT, CARIBBEAN NIGHT - Saturday, August 2, at 7:30 - Remember to bring an Hors D'oeuvres to share. We will be serving margaritas, plus beer and other drinks. Special entertainment will start at 8:30, so be there early. There will be a \$3.00 cover charge per person at the door. Come dressed in fun, island attire. We still need help with the bar, decorations and clean-up. Call us at 476-2760, if you would like to help. By Jim and Sally Beck.

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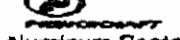
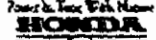
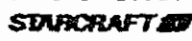
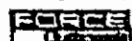
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