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Commodore's Comments

Welcome back Indian Lakers! Summer is finally here!! Always a joy of mine to see the lake becoming alive with activity like early bird fishing, waterskiing, casual pontoon cruises, and sailing.

The yacht club has scheduled many activities this summer. Be sure to put our calendar on the fridge to be aware of the fuel service schedule, sailing schedule, pancake breakfasts, game nights, music on the lake, and much more.

On June 24 the Cass County Sheriff Marine division will be doing voluntary safety checks at the yacht club. Stop by and get a safety check. They will issue a certification sticker if safety standards are met.

I want to personally say thank you for all the donations the club received with the membership renewals. The generous donations are always used for club improvements and gives us the ability to host more fun events. From the bottom of my heart, thank you very much for your generosity. It is much appreciated!

The sailing fleet will have a new flag ship for the 2023 sailing season. After many years of service, we are replacing the old orange committee boat for a newer boat with a modern engine. For the committee boat crew, your voices have been heard.

Happy Memorial Day weekend!!!

I want everyone to have a fun, safe summer and hope to see you on the water!

-Vaughn J. Kubert, Commodore

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 14 Ladies of the Lake Coffee 9:37am

June 14 Game Night at the Club*

June 18 Pancake Breakfast 8:30am - 12:00pm

June 24 Cass County Boating Inspection Free Safety Check 9:00am – 1:00pm

June 28 Game Night at the Club*

July 2 Cardboard Boat Races and Ice Cream Social 10:30am – 1:00 pm

July 4 Pontoon Parade*

July 8 Music on the Lake by RPM Dinner at 6:00pm, Music at 7:00pm

July 12 Open Grill Night 5:37pm
Game Night Left-Right-Center 7:00pm

July 19 Ladies of the Lake Coffee 9:37am

July 26 Game Night at the Club*

July 29 Music on the Lake by The J.R. Clark Band
Dinner at 6:00pm, Music at 7:00pm

July 30 Pancake Breakfast 8:30am – 12:00pm

August 5 Lee Memorial Fundraiser Event*

August 9 Game Night Cocktail Bingo 6:00pm

August 16 Ladies of the Lake Luncheon 11:37am

August 23 Game Night at the Club*

September 3 Annual Meeting and Dinner 6:00pm

All activities are held at the Indian Lake Yacht Club except the Lee Memorial Fundraiser. Look for further details about each event in the Bilge or on the ILYC website.

*Time to be determined

FUEL SERVICE

Memorial Day Weekend Gas Schedule

Saturday, Sunday, and Monday
from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The ILYC accepts credit card, cash, or check payments for its marine-grade gas sales. Ice, candy, and cold drinks are also available at the yacht club.

SAILING

ILYC will again have a season of sailboat racing excitement with our MC Scow fleet. Regular Seasonal Championship racing will start on Sunday, June 18 and continue each Sunday through Labor Day, except for our in-season Regattas. Those will occur on Saturday and Sunday, July 1 and 2, and over Labor Day weekend, again on Saturday and Sunday.

Crew wanted! Many of our sailors are ready, willing, and able to take along anyone interested in racing with them as crew. Sailing experience is helpful but not required. If you are interested in joining the fun, please contact me at 630-240-3508.

The MC Scow fleet will be working together with Kathy Elghammer on the Junior sailing program to have some days specifically for sailing with one of our captains. Look for more information in an upcoming Bilge.

Looking forward to another great summer of sailing at ILYC!

-John Smith, Fleet Captain

LAKE ACTIVITIES

ILYC First Annual Children's Fishing Derby

Attention all fishermen under the age of 17! The ILYC is proud to announce we are holding the first annual fishing derby for

children! The derby will be held during the month of July with several different age groups as well as many fish categories. This derby is open to children that are sponsored by ILYC members. Details will be forthcoming in the Bilge as well as on the website. Stay tuned!

-Joe DeGrandchamp

LAKE NEWS

Beachwood

Looking for a volunteer to take over the sales of the luminary candles for the Labor Day weekend event. It involves coordinating the work of the sales people with the fire department. Most of the current people are willing to continue their routes. Please call me for more information: 269-782-6363 or 269-462-3636

-Sandy Page

CLASSIFIED ADS

2000 Lowes Sea Nymph V FM 1655 Series Fishing Boat, Trailer, & Lift with Johnson 50 hp engine
Clean, one owner, \$12,000
Call Ronn at 630-235-5441

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Editor's Note

Hello, and welcome to another season of the Bilge-Water Bulletin at Indian Lake. Thank you to those who sent articles for the first issue.

The Indian Lake Yacht Club and Bilge-Water Bulletin are community efforts, and we want you to be a part of the community.

Please feel free to share stories of your family history and home on the lake, special events happening in your family or lake neighborhood, recipes, boating, lake life, jokes, or any other topics of interest.

The next Bilge newsletter will be delivered to your house on Friday, June 16. **Please send all items by Monday, June 12 at 12:00 noon.** Please email articles or attach as Word documents for editing. Photos can also be emailed. The email address is ilycbilge@gmail.com

I look forward to hearing from you.

-Deb Raffin