

Hi There, Guys and Gals,

March came in like a lion right on the beam so we are all set for Spring to arrive in just a few weeks. BETTER GET READY!

THE OHIO INTER-CLUB YACHTING ASSOCIATION held a meeting the other day in Mansfield, O. Several things happened that will prove interesting to B.L.Y.C. members. Officers were elected for 1950 with the following results..

Commodore
Vice Commodore
Rear Commodore
Executive Secy.

Bruce Crompton, (B.L.Y.C.)
H. R. Nelson, (Leatherlips Y.C.)
Clyde Gischel, (Portage Lake Y. C.)
Frank Jannson, (Chippewa Y.C.)

The 1950 regatta will be held at Buckeye Lake on Saturday and Sunday, June 17-18. This should prove to be quite a shindig this year with somewhere around 100 boats participating. Two additional clubs have joined the Ohio Inter-Club; Sandusky Sailing Club and the Atwood Y.C. This brings the total club membership to a total of 12 clubs.

THE SIT AND SPIT CLUB will sponsor a Gin Rummy Tournament this Spring. This sedate group comprised of the very select, serious minded members within our club will battle it out to a finish. Bob Bartling will contribute a crock of pickled tongue to the winner. During this tournament, it is requested that the wimmen keep quiet, for Heavens sake, even if they have to....drop dead.

WE WELCOME A NEW MEMBER...Fred (Fritz) Carlson, 1739 Westwood Ave., Columbus. Fred is a 'stink boat' man with sailboat ideas. His wife, "Ginny" is a pretty good gal but inclined to over eat. She will probably weigh around two hundred in a year or two.

SPEAKING OF WEIGHT... Helen Dressel who used to weigh three pounds short of a horse, is taking the cure. Yep; she is swallowing a mess of pills at regular intervals and taken up rasslin' on the side. Showing results too! Lost thirty pounds. There are a few other wimmen around our club who could stand a bit of reducin'.

KAY POSTON showed up at the club the other day wearing a new Easter bonnet. We don't know much about Easter bonnets but this thing looked right pert on Kay. It looked like a cross between a sun bonnet and a jay bird.

BOB SLATTERY came home from the Bowling Tournament minus a brand new flask, a recent gift from his wife, Dorothy. He cooked up a pretty story about the loss....but...you can bet a ruble that some blonde is using it now up Detroit way.

 $\frac{\text{JAY DICK}}{\text{Ladies Ox}}$  and wife  $\frac{\text{BETTY}}{\text{ETTY}}$  entertained with a cocktail party prior to the meeting of the Ladies Ox in February. That takes a lot of courage. Jay and Cappy Clum poured.

Girls used to wear 'unmentionables' --- now, they wear nothing to speak of.

HERB MARIETTA and family have started off pretty well as Club Steward. There are some good reports on the food and we notice that the Club is CLEAN. Their real test will come along with the opening of the season in a few weeks.

SPACE FILLER.. Some guy stated that the letter 'E' was the most unfortunate letter in the alphabet because it was always out of 'Cash' and right in the middle of 'Hell'. Well, that may be, but..."E" is never in war and always in 'peace'. It is the beginning of 'existence' and the commencement of 'ease' and the end of 'trouble'. Without it there would be no 'meat' and no 'life'. It is the center of 'honesty', makes 'love' perfect and without it, there would be no 'editors', or 'news'.

 $\frac{\text{FOR SALE.}}{\text{the price includes a boat stall.}}$  Contact Mel Dressel at the club or GA 5283.

GEORGE FISHER finished thirteenth in a field of 44 Lightnings in the recent Regatta down in St Pete Florida. That is pretty good going for any sailor.

 ${\rm \underline{WE}}$  NEED a rat catchin' cat at the Club. Clemintine, who had kittens in the tree and Pluto, the fishin' cat, are presently in Cat Heaven.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

"Well folks, if you have been watching your yards, you will have seen the familiar messenger of Spring, the robin, although winter has given his hardest punches the last few days, giving the ice boat boys one chance to use their boats but we think Spring is just around the corner."

"Gus Schell, Chairman of the Grounds Committee is busy looking up fertilizer and seeds to beautify our club grounds. Ray Fisher and his Committee are hard at work on the fabrication of the new yacht basin and Bob Slattery, Chairman of the Regatta Committee, has been planning the coming season with much enthusiasm, he has several surprises in store for the coming season."

"Newt Davis, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, has given us one of the best winter seasons that one could ask for and is now turning his attention to the social functions for the coming season at the club. L.C.Bickel, Chairman of the House Committee, who has charge of the club house and kitchen would like all suggestions and complaints directed to him so he could remedy same or refer to the Goard of Governors". Our new caretakers, Mr & Mrs Herb Marietta, have gotten off to a good start and with a little cooperation from each and every one of you, should prove very successful. To help Herb become better acquainted with the members, walk up to him and make yourself known so he will not be confused in taking orders at the bar."

"In the very near future, our Secretary and Treasurer, Cliff Dum, will mail you a atatement and he will appreciate your immediate attention of same."

"In closing, I would like to say that we will try to give you one of the biggest and best seasons that Buckeye Lake Yacht Club has ever had."

Your Commodore .... Nel Dressel.

## JUMIOR TRAINING GROUP

Buckeye Lake Yacht Club can be proud of many things and one of the most recent accomplishments is the group of youngsters who are members of the Junior Training Organization. This organization, nick-mamed the "Jaytoes" was formed during the early summer of last year and we think you should know more about this splendid project.

Sponsored by the Club, the main aim of the organization is SAFETY in and about water. An extensive and experimental training program was adopted last year and Sunday afternoon classes were held to teach the juniors many subjects. The lessons of last year covered such subjects as 'Boat Terms', 'First Aid', 'Principles of Sailing', 'Rope Work' 'Equipment' and 'Manners and Customs'. The experimental portion of the lessons were mainly to determine how well the juniors could absorb the lessons and how deep to go in the matter. The juniors responded wonderfully and it was amazing the way they 'ate up' the material. An examination was given separately at the end of the season and every one in the class passed with good grades and proved their ability.

The plan is set up on a three term or year basis with age limits of 8 to 17 years. The first year training covers basic subjects and graduates are given certificates that acknowledge membership in the Junior Training Organization with the rating of 'Poliwog Last Fall, certificates were presented to eleven juniors on the evening of the regular Trophy Presentation. The second year course goes a little further into the matter of Seamanship, Boat Handling and other matters and will include a bit of work with charts. The Juniors who pass this second year will have their certificates signed giving them the rating of 'Junior Mariner'. The third year becomes more involved and is much more extensive and will cover various forms of Piloting and some Navigation along with the use of instruments. This class will graduate as 'Mariners' and will have a good working knowledge of boating and yachting.

The Buckeye Lake Yacht Club is very proud of this Junior organization and we want to invite the sons and daughters of every member to take an active part in this group. A program is set up for this years activities and will be announced a bit later.

Cliff Dum.

We might add, from a reporting standpoint, that in our opinion, this Junior Training Program is one of the finest projects ever sponsored by our club. We watched this thing from the sidelines and were downright amazed at the interst shown by the kids in this program. Our compliments to Cliff Dum and his assistants.

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DEFINATION....Money.... The principal export of the United States'.



## BUCKEYE LAKE YACHT CLUB, JUNE 17-18

COLOR, ACTION, EXCITEMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, GOOD FELLOWSHIP, RACING,

ALL will be included in the week-end program of the Ohio Inter-Club

Yachting Association Regatta at B.L.Y.C. June 17-18.

## HERE IS THE PROGRAM

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 16.... A get-together party for all members, guests and crews, featuring "T H E D O G P A T C H E R S"

Unusual music starting at 9:30 PM. (no charge)

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 17.. 7:00 to 9:00 PM, Dinner music, featuring an outstanding Maestro at the plano for your pleasure.

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 17.. THE COMMODORE'S BALL, starting at 10:00 PM and featuring "T H E F O U R J A C K S A N D A J I L L". Dancing as you like it, (informal). The cost, \$1.00 per person. Guests are welcome.

Two races will be held on Saturday, June 17 and one race on Sunday, June 18. We expect 8 or 9 different classes to be represented in this regatta.

All members of B.L.Y.C. are expected to extend the usual courtesies to the visiting yachtsmen.

EVERYBODY turn out for a grand week end. EVERYBODY lend a hand in handling the many problems confronting the various committees. It will be good for you and good for the club.

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