



JUNE LOG

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Hi There, Guys and Gals

Just a brief, little Log with a bit of news.

The season is in full swing and lots of nice people are enjoying the grand facilities of our Yacht Club. The paint job on the club house will be finished this week and we think it was a real improvement. The dock project is under way and will be finished shortly. Boat slips are at a premium. We are filled to capacity and have a real problem on our hands. Several boats are waiting to be moored and Cliff Dum, in charge of slips is in a picklement.

THE JUNIOR PROGRAM, (Cliff Dum in charge). For several years we have sponsored a program of Junior Training that was established to teach safety in and about water for boys and girls and to further participation and interest in boating and sports.

The course of training provides basic knowledge of seamanship and boat handling and then goes further into more advance training for the second and third year.

The age limits for acceptance in classes are 8 to 17 and teaching is governed by the age of the various groups. Some of the subjects covered during the first year are boating terms and expressions, rope work, first aid, safety at sea, manners and customs rules of the road and boat handling. Ratings are given as the Junior advances in his training.

Classes will be held on Sunday afternoons and the first lesson and registration will be on Sunday, June 29, 3:00 PM. This is a good opportunity for your son or daughter to learn about boating and past experience has shown they will enjoy every bit of it as a good program has been arranged. SEE OR CALL CLIFF DUM.

NOTICE ... If you are asked to sign your check in the dining room or at the bar, please do so. We have a large membership and it is impossible for our Steward to know every member personally. Sign your checks if you want to charge the bill and then there will be no question on the payment Sunday evening.

A FEW WEEKS AGO ... a young girl was drowned. A week or so later, a rented boat capsized and four half drowned young people were brought into the Club for treatment and last Sunday, a young fellow got his foot tangled up with a propeller and came to our docks for help.

All this spells carelessness plus extreme lack of enforcement of safty rules on the part of the proper authorities. This was discussed in the last meeting of our Board of Governors and it was decided that we, the boatmen, within our Club respect all safty rules to the letter.

It was decided that the Chairman of the Regatta Committee, Bob Slattery, be empowered with the authority to see that all racing boats carry the proper safty equipment. This same thinking applies to all boats owned and operated by our members. This is a serious problem and must be handled on an intelligent basis. Please see that your boat is fully equipped with all safty devices before leaving the docks. These include proper life buoys, lights, fire extinguishers, anchors, etc.

Yacht Club members should set the proper example of boat safty at Buckeye Lake. Some of us are also careless and this must be corrected. Many yacht clubs set up a committee who inspect boats at certain intervals for all safty devices. If a boat owner refuses to meet the requirements, he is called on the carpet and, in many instances, his boat is confined to its berth. This is drastic but it makes sense. Let's all cooperate and raise our fleet to the top bracket in respect to safty.

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Commodore.