

President's Letter - Bill Schreck

The next membership meeting of the Anchor Boat Club, November 1, will be a significant day in the history of the Club. Anchor members will be voting to allow women Membership! I imagine Billy Williams (a beloved past member) is laughing with St Pete asking "what the hell did Schreck get the Club into this time?" Let me remind you gentlemen that it wasn't me that started this evolution! If I remember correctly "bus boy" at that club – ya'know, the one due southwest across the lake started it! Well, we all knew the day was coming, and it probably will turn out for the best. After all, we men all love the women; well, with maybe one exception - - but, I won't get into that or we would probably have to make another bylaws change. Read Arnie's report in the newsletter to get the specifics. Then blame Arnie! Not really, I want to express my sincere gratitude to Arnie and his bylaws committee for the excellent job in not only addressing the issue but for bringing the bylaws up to date.

Speaking of expressing gratitude – I hope all of you that wished to participate enjoyed the membership appreciation day Sunday. Jeff Ross, Bill Suiter, Jr., their committeemen (I can still say it, at least until Nov 1) and especially members and memberettes who brought special dishes, did a fine job of organizing the food. **I wish to take the opportunity on this occasion to sincerely thank all members who do their part to make Anchor the "best damn club" anywhere!** Thank you for doing whatever your commitment has been; especially, the extras that make this Club stand out above the rest. **Your membership is appreciated every day!**

Here we go again – your next opportunity to be appreciated. Grounds Chair "Sergeant" Jones announced that the next "clean-up day" (most likely, especially with your help – one-half day) would be Saturday November 5th. Please make an extra effort to be there. We have numerous jobs to address, both inside and out. And, many hands make lite work and lots more fun. PLEASE! Refreshments after work!

I hope you have had the opportunity to view our latest plaything – the volleyball court of course! The kids (all ages) are having a great time at beach volleyball and plans are to turn it into a money-maker next summer. In order to maintain the site and provide a safe venue – please do not part



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Attention all members

The deadline for articles and flyers is the second Wednesday of the month. Send all articles, flyers, and email addresses to egan541@sbcglobal.net. Remember, the newsletter will reduce to no more than 50 copies starting with the January issue, so send the email addresses!

President's Letter Cont.

boats/trailers closer than twenty feet. Got it. OK

The 70/30 Drawings, Halloween Party, Christmas Party, fishing, extended boating season, World Series - -with the Cardinals, college football-go Illini, NFL -Da Bears, NASCAR (left or right turn?), these and lots of other stuff going on at your Anchor Boat Club & Sports Bar -"my kind'u bar". **Come out and enjoy your club!**

Happy trails y'all - see you at the Club!

Ladies Auxiliary News

Since the last meeting we found out The Ladies Auxiliary name does not have to change. The reason is The Ladies Auxiliary does not lease the property. Because of this, we can keep the name the same.

At the September meeting, there was a vote on what determines a Ladies Auxiliary member to be in "Good Standing". The majority vote was to attend two auxiliary meetings per year and participate in two auxiliary functions per year with some exceptions, however, it was not 2/3 majority. This means we have to vote again at the November 8th meeting. If you have an opinion on what determines a member to be in good standing, you need to come and vote at the next meeting.

Next Ladies Auxiliary meeting is November 8, 2011. Please come and participate! We need your help and input at these meetings plus it is fun to socialize!

Upcoming events:

Halloween Trunk or Treating 10/28/2011

Chili and Hot Dog Dinner on 70/30 night 11/11/2011

Christmas decorating 12/4/2011 @ noon

Breakfast with Santa 12/10/2011

Ladies Auxiliary Christmas party combined with Men's Formal Dinner

12/10/2011 Ladies Auxiliary Christmas donations going to M.E.R.C.Y House.

Hope to see you soon!
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VOTING ON THE PROPOSED BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS
BY ARNOLD DUTCHER, CHAIR OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE.

Several months ago, the Executive Committee requested that the By-Laws Committee prepare amendments to the By-Laws that will bring Anchor into compliance with the city's new ordinance regarding membership standards of Lake Springfield clubs that lease city owned land. The By-Laws committee has received and considered comments and suggestions from numerous members. The proposed By-Laws amendments have been reviewed, discussed and approved by the Executive Committee at its last meeting. The proposed amendments were presented to and discussed by the members at Anchor's October, 2011 membership meeting. The amendments will be voted on by members during the afternoon of November 1, 2011 starting at 1 p.m. and ending at the start of the November membership meeting. Voting will be at the Anchor Boat Club Clubhouse.

The By-Laws are among other things being amended to allow women members. The amended By-Laws have to contain gender neutral terms, therefore we have had to make amendments throughout the entire By-Laws. As a result, logistics and cost prevents us from distributing in paper form a complete copy of the proposed amended By-laws. Members on Anchor's e-mail distribution list will receive an e-mail copy. If you want on the Anchor e-mail distribution list you must immediately get your e-mail address to Mike Egan. However, paper copies will be available for review by members at Anchor's Clubhouse.

There will be three (3) amendments contained on the ballot. These amendments will be as follows:

Amendment #1-Brings Anchor into compliance with the city's ordinance regarding membership standards of Lake Springfield clubs that lease city land. It also establishes new standards and revised procedures of membership. Amendment #1 provides for the following:

1. Allows women to be members of Anchor;
2. Establishes a uniform minimum age of 21 years of age for membership;
3. Treats married and single persons the same;
4. Revises the By-Laws to use only gender neutral language throughout;
5. Requires that all applicants for membership be of moral and sound character;
6. Requires that all members must be Citizens of the United States;
7. Requires the Membership Committee to conduct a background review of all applicants for membership;
8. Requires each applicant to be sponsored by two members in good standing;
9. Requires approval at a regular meeting by an affirmative 2/3rd vote of members in attendance at such meeting in order for an applicant to be accepted as a probationary member and
10. Provides that the spouse of a deceased member in good standing may assume such deceased member's membership status by meeting certain conditions and standards, recommendation by the President and approval at a regular meeting by a majority of members in attendance at such meeting. Such surviving

spouse upon exercise of this privilege could than retain ownership of a deceased spouses' dock.

Amendment #2-Deletes ARTICLE XII-METHOD FOR FUTURE BY-LAWS UPDATES because the provisions of Article XII have not been followed since 1999 and the provision are no longer necessary since we now have the By-Laws on a computer disk and updates will now be done differently than the Article XII provisions.

Amendment #3-Reestablishes the twice a year collection of dues. With the rise in dues amount it is felt that a payment all at once requirement may have a negative effect on membership.

In addition to these amendments, the By-Laws Committee also identified a few typographical errors in the 1999 edition of the By-Laws. The By-Laws Committee has corrected these errors in the amended copy of the By-Laws made available to the membership by e-mail or at the Clubhouse.

I would like to thank the members of the By-Laws Committee and other members for their comments and suggestions. The other members of the By-Laws Committee are Mike Covey, Bob Esposito and Jeff Ross.

Voting on these Amendments will occur November 1, 2011 at the Anchor Boat Clubhouse. Voting will be from 1 p.m. until the start of the November membership meeting. Any member questions regarding these proposed amendments to the By-Laws may be directed to Arnold Dutcher.

News and Events around the Anchor

The holidays are around the corner, and there are some events around the lake which need mentioning. The Aqua Club will be hosting breakfast from 8-11 a.m. on the first Sunday of the fall and winter months. Also, the chili cook-off will be hosted by the Elks Club on March 3, 2012, and the finals will be at the KC Club on April 7, 2012. Finally, the Anchor Boat Club Trunk or Treat will be held on October 28th. The ladies are looking for volunteers if you are interested. In addition, if you have a boat or trailer parked in the circle, please move it prior to October 27th.

The by-laws vote is approaching as well. This is one of the most important events that has ever faced this club. If you wish to have a voice, come to the member meeting on November 1st. If you don't appear and you don't vote, you don't have a complaint.

Finally, with the end of the year approaching, the newsletter will be converting to e-mail only beginning with the January newsletter. Only current, honorary members without email will be receiving a paper copy in the mail. Others will receive an email, check the website, or get a copy at the club if there are any left.



We're on the web!
www.anchorboatclub.com

Dick Stevenson is selling his dock. It is the last one under the billy goat bridge. The dimensions are 9'4" wide by 16'4" deep. He is asking \$4,500.

Kevin Becks dock is still for sale, it is a smaller dock and has been for sale for several months. He is asking \$2,500. His dock is perfect for a fishing boat or wave runner. Bob Partridge is selling his dock as well. It is 7'6" wide, and next to Kevin Beck. He is asking \$5,500. Call Mix at 553-8848 if you are interested. Thanks.



November Birthdays

<i>David Moore</i> 11/1	<i>John Sakach</i> 11/13
<i>Norm Reeves</i> 11/2	<i>George Richard</i> 11/15
<i>Larry Long</i> 11/3	<i>Mark Bermel</i> 11/16
<i>Ursula Edwards</i> 11/3	<i>Dean Housel</i> 11/16
<i>Erica Thompson</i> 11/3	<i>Steve Cline</i> 11/17
<i>Tom Reagan</i> 11/5	<i>Kathy Groesch</i> 11/18
<i>John Becker</i> 11/6	<i>Judy Jenot</i> 11/18
<i>Rick King</i> 11/7	<i>Tim Milam</i> 11/19
<i>Todd May</i> 11/7	<i>Keith Marcy</i> 11/21
<i>Mallorie Teubner</i> 11/7	<i>Chris Dutcher</i> 11/22
<i>Evan Davison</i> 11/8	<i>Todd Eddington</i> 11/22
<i>Pete Harris</i> 11/8	<i>Steve Leach</i> 11/24
<i>Lindsey Dutcher</i> 11/9	<i>Chuck Finnell</i> 11/27
<i>Pam Eicken</i> 11/10	<i>Tina Martin</i> 11/28
<i>Pete Blatz</i> 11/11	<i>Gary Lewis</i> 11/29
<i>Tami Blatz</i> 11/11	<i>William Workman</i> 11/29
<i>Russell Phelps</i> 11/11	<i>Katy Broglin</i> 11/29

November Anniversaries

Bret and Tara Isenburg 11/2
Steve and Debbie Leach 11/4
Ed and Bonnie Tonellato 11/8
Bob and Sue Esposito 11/12
Joe and Betty Jo Teer 11/30

November 2011

Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

		1 Membership Meeting, BY-LAWS VOTE	2	3	4	5
6 Aqua Breakfast NFL Sunday Ticket	7	8 Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting	9	10	11 70/30	12
13 NFL Sunday Ticket	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 NFL Sunday Ticket	21	22	23	24 	25 70/30	26
27 NFL Sunday Ticket	28	29 Officers' Meeting	30			

Saturday Morning Cleanup Schedule

October 29

Matt Lamsargis

Andy Clay

Mike Motley

November 5

Norm Reeves

Travis Snyder

Bill Clayton

November 12

John Higgenbotham

Jason Looker

Skip Clayton

November 19

Aaron Winkler

Mark Brady

Brooks Allen

November 26

Joseph Iacono

Michael Burmeister

Chet Murr

December 3

Mike Wojcik

Ryan DuRocher

Scott Seybold

December 10

Charles Cusumano

Rick Eubanks

Joe Stevens

December 17

Ray Larson

Mark Houston

Jim Wavering

December 24

William Riggs

Doug Tinch

Tom Flattery

Remember to mark your name as present when you work and date your work hours card. Failure to do so will result in a \$40.00 fee to be paid to those that work, and an additional 10 work hours will be added to your card. Please arrive at 9:00 a.m., or contact the other members for a mutually agreeable, earlier time. If you are unable to make your scheduled clean-up, you are responsible for finding a replacement.

Saturday Morning Clean-Up Duties

- Clean/wipe off all tables (place chairs on tables).
- Empty all trash receptacles including outside trash cans. Wash cans if necessary, then replace the liners.
- Sweep all floors. Inspect showers and clean if necessary (Basement showers as well).
- Mop all floors.
- Clean bathrooms (sinks, stools, etc.)
- Clean bar area.
- Stock all coolers.
- Replace all floor mats.
- Restock bathrooms (deodorizer, paper towels, toilet paper, etc.)
- Place chairs on floor.
- Clean dirty dishes in kitchen (within reason), then put away.

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