



**ANCHOR BOAT CLUB**  
August 2025 Edition

# Officer's Letters / Club News

## President's Random Thoughts



We had a very busy July and start to August. We had 3 successful events in a row.

The first event the Cardboard Regatta which was very successful despite the weather. It was neat to

see all the kids that participated in this event. And the best of all was seeing the debut of the SS Minnow. I swear I think that cardboard boat could have traveled to the power plant and back. Great job Brion Kauffman and his crew for entertaining the crowd. Can't wait to see what he and his crew build next year. Big thanks to John Finnell for all his hard work on putting on the great event and for his meteorologist skills.

The second event was the Spooner Softball Tournament. It was nice to see some of the old ball players come back on take the field on Friday night. The tournament was a success, and a special shout out goes to Tom Madonia for bring back the Spooner and for running the event.

The last event was the Chicken Fry. All I can say is WOW!!! What a huge turnout by the membership working the event and the crowd that attending the event. We sold out of chicken dinners by 7 pm and the concession tent also sold out of food. It was probably one of our best chicken fries in years. Great job, Joe Teer for organizing and running the event!!!!

We had two Queen of Hearts Drawings in which we had no winners. The pot is almost \$7500 and continues to grow. Thanks to John and Lorinda for continuing to organize and run the drawing.

Besides the Queen of Hearts Drawings, the next big event will be the Triple B event (Bags, Bocce and BBQ) on Saturday September 6th. There will also be a

silent auction that day. All proceeds go to Springfield Fit Club's Parkinsons Exercise Program. If you are interested in donating to the silent auction and/or playing in the event, please contact Tracy Tuxhorn at 217-622-3677 or Julie Lloyd at 217-717-5246.

Our parking lot work has begun. There are some areas of the parking lot that contractor is still working on, and it will hopefully be completed once the ground dries out.

Regarding our IRS audit, we continue to work with them to reach some kind of resolution regarding the amount we will owe.

As always, let's keep on improving and growing our club to make it the best club on the lake. Remember it is your club, please come out and enjoy it.

## 2025 Lake Springfield Events

### July

4 Fri	Marina Fireworks - Rock the Dock
5 Sat	Prop Club - Bags Tournament
12 Sat	Prop Club - Mid-Summer Blast
19 Sat	Anchor Boat Club - Cardboard Boat Regatta (11-5)
19 Sat	Lake Press Club - Summerfest
25-27	Anchor / Sangamo - Spooner Softball Tourn. (3 days)
26 Sat	Ski & Boat Club - Summer Bash
30 Wed	Ski & Boat Club - Rumble Around the Lake 6-9pm (last)

### August

2 Sat	Anchor Boat Club - Chicken Fry
9 Sat	Sangamo Surf - Dawg Days
16 Sat	Blue Ridge Club - Patio Party
23 Sat	KC Lake Club - Chicken Fry
30 Sat	Aqua Sports Club - Bags Tournament
30 Sat	Elks Lodge - End of Summer Party
31 Sun	Elks Lodge - Sunday Funday 4-7pm (last of year)
31 Sun	Firefighters / Postal Club - Labor Day Party

### September

6 Sat	Anchor Boat Club - Fall Festival
13 Sat	Sangamo Surf Club - Bag Tournaments
13 Sat	Lake Press Club - Shrimp Boil
20 Sat	TRN Club - Fishing Has No Boundaries
27 Sat	Sangamo Surf - "Chipping For Charity" Golf

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## Membership Update

**First:** A quick update on our membership roll – We currently have 60 Honorary, 119 Active, and 6 Probationary members for a total of 185 members.

We are always looking to increase our rolls, if you know someone who would like to become a member of the club, please be certain to get them an application. An editable application can be found on our website using the following link **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP** (<https://anchorboatclub.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/ABC-Membership-App-Pledge-2-23-23.pdf>). Please notify the Membership Chairman or Vice President prior to the Officers Meeting of new member proposals so we can be better prepared. This would be greatly appreciated.

**Second:** EXCITING NEWS, the new alert system appears to be working quite well, and we are currently working on preparing the remainder of the functionality for use by the members. This functionality includes the ability to enter hours, updating your member information, paying dues & fees, renting the club, and more, all available on your smart phone or any web browser. When the time comes to make the switch from the current database to the new application, we'll need to export the existing hour data and then import it into the new system. The plan is to import all of the current hour data into the new application. To ensure that we do not miss any of this information it is very important that to enter all the hours you work as soon as possible. The cut over date shall be announced soon.

**Third:** Did you know you can view the Bylaws and other documents on our website? Just navigate to Member Documents | Anchor Boat Club and enter the password (old door code, or reach out to an officer).



## Triple B Bash!

Silent Auction 12-5pm | BBQ \$10/plate | Bocce Ball Tournament & Bags Tournament (\$5 entry fee, blind draw, registration @ 11am / games start at 12pm).

This event is a fundraiser for Springfield Fit Club's Parkinsons Exercise Program. The Reagan family is seeking donated items, gift cards, services or experiences to feature in our silent auction. Your generous contribution will directly support local Parkinsons' patients to attend an exercise program specifically for these folks neurological deficits. Rags regularly attended these classes and enjoyed the physical and mental challenges offered.

To pre-register or learn more about the Triple B Bash, contact Tracy at 217-622-3677.

**1ST ANNUAL**  
**LARRY AND RAGS**  
**TRIPLE B BASH**  
**BAGS, BOCCÉ, & BBQ**

Silent Auction (12-5)  
•  
BBQ (\$10/plate)  
•  
Bocce Ball Tourney  
•  
Bags Tourney

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**  
**IN MEMORY OF LARRY LARSON & TOM "RAGS" REAGAN**  
BELOVED MEMBERS OF THE ANCHOR BOAT CLUB  
For pre-registration or more info, contact Tracy at 217-622-3677

\$5 Entry Fees  
Winners receive 50% of proceeds  
•  
Blind Draw for Partners  
•  
Registration - 11am  
Games - 12pm

## Keep It Clean

This is a reminder to all members & guests who use the kitchen to clean all utensils, appliances, and surfaces after use.

If you use the pizza cutter, dishes, pots, etc., be sure to thoroughly clean each item and store them after drying.



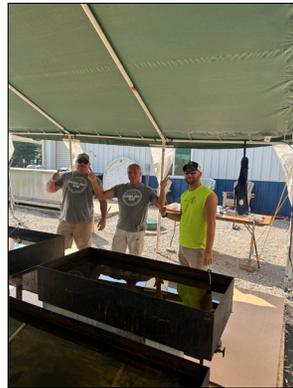
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## Big Thanks!!!

Members! What a great job everybody did for the Chicken Fry!

As a club it takes everyone of our members to put on a great event as the Chicken Fry. The Fry was a big success, we sold out of chicken, we sold out of almost everything. The band kept the crowd. Everyone enjoyed themselves!

I want to thank all who worked this event. This is why Anchor is the best club on the lake. ~Joe Teer Jr.

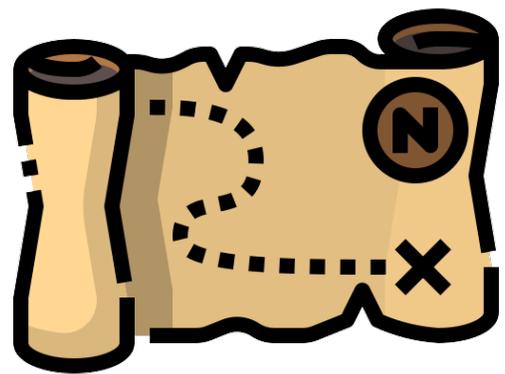


## Boat Scavenger Hunt

Launching Sunday, Aug. 31st, come joining the Anchor Scavenger Hunt by boat!

Captains', we have a meeting schedule dat 11:30am with 12:00pm start. Please email John Finnell at [johnfinnell@comcast.net](mailto:johnfinnell@comcast.net) to reserve your spot.

More information about the event will be posted on our Facebook page so stay tuned!



## Queen of Hearts + LIVE MUSIC

On Friday, August 22nd, the Anchor Boat Club will be holding another Queen of Hearts drawing with a twist: **Two Flights Down** will be playing on the patio. Opening pot for the drawing is around \$6,500.

If anyone would like to sponsor a simple food service that night, please let John Finnell know.



## Birthdays

08/02	Megan Amerson	08/22	Lisa Conley
08/03	Brandon Marcy	08/23	Bill Sweetland
08/04	Jodi Patton	08/24	TJ Martin
08/05	Scott Wooden	08/25	Nancy Cooper
08/07	Donna Maxwell		Kristen Weed
	Sarah Rockwood	08/26	Michael Egan
08/08	Bambi Redpath		Duane Millard
08/09	Lonny Gain	08/27	Jim Havens
	Amy Staley	08/28	Robin Kochman
08/10	Judy Cordier		Brett Troemper
08/11	John McCoy	08/29	Silas Chandrea
08/13	Jayne Angeli		Don Halberg
	Kelly Streeval		Sheila Washburn
08/15	Max Wollet	08/31	Dave Barker
08/16	Joe Teer Jr.		
08/17	Gina Hamlin		
08/19	Tom Gatlin Sr.		
08/20	Laura Kuchar		



## Anniversaries

08/01	Eric & Amy Staley
	Todd & Amy Eddington
08/06	Craig & Jodi Patton
	Thomas (Tom) & Janie Gatlin
08/08	Craig & Jamie Berberet
08/10	Zachary & Stacie Spraez
08/12	Chuck & Bambi Redpath
	Jim & Judy Cordier
08/24	Sam & Nancy Cooper
08/26	Larry & Madonna Schoen
	Harvey & Barb Lomelino
08/30	Bill & Marilyn Hawes
08/31	Tom & Susan Oseland

## Members



Please remember to enter all work hours as soon as possible to ensure accurate reporting. All members who donate their valuable time should be recognized for their efforts whether you are active, probationary, or honorary. These efforts help keep our club running for all of our members to enjoy.

~ Jim Cannamela, Membership Chair

### OFFICERS / COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President	Mike Covey
Vice-President	Damon Cozadd
Financial Secretary	John Hawkins
Treasurer	Eric Staley
Recording Secretary	Leza Long
Sargeant At Arms	Julie Lloyd
Board of Governors	Mike Broglin
	Terri Smith
	Bob Esposito
	Rick Eubanks
Bar	Jeff Ross
Building	Sam Cooper
Campground	SJ Martin
Chicken Fry	Joe Teer Jr.
Dock	Josh Hamlin
Entertainment	Norman Reeves Jr.
Fish Fry	Joe Bruso
Frozen Open	Austin Evans
Grounds	Mike Neale
Kitchen	Bill Suiter
Lake Council	John Finnell / Chuck Finnell
Membership	Jim Cannamela
Newsletter/Social Media	Gary Bach
Purchaser	Grant Bradley
Redneck Olympix	SJ Martin

# Calendars

## August

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					01	02 Chicken Fry
03	04	05 Membership Meeting	06	07	08 Queen of Hearts Drawing	09
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Queen of Hearts Drawing 2 Flights Down	23
24 31 Boat Scavenger Hunt	25	26 Officer's Meeting	27	28	29	30



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