



ANCHOR BOAT CLUB

October 2026 Edition

Officer's Letters / Club News

Letter from the President



Fall is here! Boats are being winterized and tucked away for the season... well, at least for most of us. (I know, John, boating season never really ends!)

Football season is in full swing, and our Sunday crew has been doing an

amazing job providing delicious food for members to enjoy while watching the games.

September was a busy and exciting month at the club, with two fantastic events: the Boat Scavenger Hunt and the Triple B Bash. Both were tremendous successes! A special thank you to John for organizing the scavenger hunt, and to Tracey and Julie for putting together the Triple B Bash. Not only was it a great time, but the Triple B Bash also raised a significant amount of money for the Triple Heart Foundation. Thank you to everyone who participated and supported these events.

October brings several opportunities to get together and have some fun around the club, along with our popular Queen of Hearts drawings on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month.

Friday, October 23rd - Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat is always a favorite! It's wonderful to see members get creative decorating their vehicles and to watch the kids show off their costumes. We encourage everyone to come out and join in the fun. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Marbold.

Friday, October 30th - Adult Halloween Party

Now it's the adults' turn to dress up and celebrate! Enjoy an evening of great food, music, and plenty of laughs. We'll also have our annual costume contest, which never disappoints. If you'd like to attend, simply bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert to share. For more information, please contact Stacie Reeves.

We are always looking for new ideas to bring members together and make our club even more enjoyable. If you

have suggestions for events or activities, please reach out to me or any of the club officers. We'd love to hear your ideas!

As always, thank you for being a valued part of our club. Together, we continue to make it one of the best clubs on the lake. This is your club, so come out, get involved, meet fellow members, and take advantage of everything it has to offer. We look forward to seeing you at the lake!

ABC Trivia Night

The Anchor Boat Club will be hosting a Charity Trivia Night on **SATURDAY, November 21st!**

Cost is \$10/person with a maximum of 8 players per team. Each team will have the opportunity to purchase mulligans (otherwise known as free answers). Cost will be \$20 for 10 free answers (only one mulligan can be used per round). Doors open at 6:30pm. Gameplay begins at 7:00pm. 10 rounds with 10 questions each round. Players will have two breaks (after rounds 3 & 7). Prizes will be awarded to 1st & 2nd places. PROCEEDS for the event will go to the Land of Lincoln Honor Flight!



Whether you are highly competitive or simply looking to flex your brain muscle, we want EVERYONE to come out and have a good time!

Players may bring their own food but drinks will need to be purchased at the bar (our bartenders are AWESOME!). If you have any questions, please feel free to respond here or contact Gary Bach (217-414-9960, gbach@mindseyeinteractive.net) for more information or reserve your table. Seating may be limited!

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By-Law Changes

All four proposed by-law changes passed at the September 1 meeting. Here are the details:

Resolution #1 – Allow spouses to serve on Anchor committees – passed 20-4;

Resolution #2 – Allow spouses to attend member meetings (and officer meetings if a chairperson) – passed 20-4;

Resolution #3 – Eliminate outdated caretaker position responsibilities from the Executive Committee – passed 23-1; and

Resolution #4 – Allow members to serve on more than one committee – passed 22-2.

You can view the updated by-laws & amendments in the Member Documents section of the Anchor Boat Club website.

Fall/Winter Apparel

Our online store is currently under construction, but we're working hard to get it ready! As soon as the store is live, we'll share all the details on where to shop and how to place your order.

When the store opens, you'll enjoy: Convenient online payment; delivery directly to your address or pickup at the club; and no minimum order required

Stay tuned—we'll have more information coming soon! Thanks for your patience, and get ready to show your Anchor Boat Club pride!

Keep It Clean

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



80 Years...Where did the Time Go?

Can you believe it?! The Anchor Boat Club is getting close to celebrating its 80th year of operation. Any ideas on how to celebrate? Let us know!

2026 Lake Springfield Events

OCTOBER

17 Sat Lake Press Club - Fred O'Connor's Stuff the Truck
18 Sun Various Clubs - Trunk or Treat

NOVEMBER

8 Sun Firefighters/Postal Club - Craft Fair and Burgoo

OFFICERS / COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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

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Bar Report

We have had another good month at the bar. Several bocce nights and some nice private parties have all helped the bottom line.

The Queen of Hearts has returned. The drawing is on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. In the very near future, members will be able to purchase chances in advance if they cannot be present. If your ticket is called, you will get \$25 instead of the \$50 if you were in at the drawing. The same goes for your number revealing the Queen - you will get half the pot instead of the entire amount. This is the same as most organizations. We usually have a few rounds of very informal trivia after the drawings. We hope to see you there.

The Sunday football crowd is back in full swing. Always good times and great food. We usually have \$10 buckets of beer and this week we will also have \$2.50 mixed drinks. Come out and watch the Bears take down the Packers! Thanks to our regular Sunday crowd for restocking and taking out the garbage. The club has looked great on Monday mornings.



Joe Teer is doing a great job ordering all our drinks. From time to time, we may temporarily run low or out of a few items. This is usually because we need to order fairly large quantities at a time to keep the prices manageable. Please be patient. We cannot order every item but if there is something you think would be a good fit let Joe or me know and we will look into it.

Next year will be Anchor's 80th anniversary. We plan to hold a club event sometime in the spring celebrating it. Because of that, we decided not to have a big member appreciation day in the fall. We are still looking into some dates for something smaller this fall. I hope to have more information soon.

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John Finnell

Halloween 2026

We have two events coming up for members and guests: Trunk or Treat & the ABC Adult Halloween Party.

Come on out for Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 23rd! We need members to decorate their trunks and pass out candy. The club will provide food.



Then, on Friday, October 30th we have the Adult Halloween Party! There will be food (main dish), music, and a costume contest with prizes! Please bring a side dish, appetizer, or dessert to share. The fun starts at 6pm! Definitely a fun event for the kids.



Marble Racing

We're always looking for new and exciting ways to bring people into the club—and this fall/winter, we're rolling out something you won't want to miss: marble racing!



We'll be building a prototype marble racing track for an evening of friendly competition, fun, and plenty of laughs. Whether you're a longtime member or someone who's never visited the club before, come check us out, meet some new people, and see what it's all about!

Charity Donation

At the October Membership Meeting, John & Lorinda Finnell donated a check to the Boys & Girls Club to the amount of \$2200 from proceeds from this year's ABC Cardboard Boat Regatta 2026 event. The donation was greatly appreciated and we would like to extend our thanks to all members who participated in this year's event. Looking forward to next year!



Birthdays

10/01	Denise Kauffman	10/16	Rochelle Loftus
	Madison Kauffman	10/19	Haley Hamlin
10/04	Brett Isenburg	10/20	Kris Eubanks
10/08	Jim Cannamela	10/21	LouAnn Williams
10/09	Brett Tackett	10/25	Michelle R Tjelmeland
	Darlene L Sagle	10/26	Cheryl Hammond
	Kent Hammond Jr.		Tony Angeli
10/10	Carrie Marcy	10/29	Tracy Tuxhorn
10/13	Jeffrey Jones		
10/15	Linda McCoy		
	Michael Angeli		



Anniversaries

10/01	Kent Hammond Jr. & Season Hammond
10/05	Jim McGrath & Sonja McGrath
	Ryan Jerome & Melissa Jerome
10/08	Benjamin Streeval & Kaliegh Streeval
10/09	Bradley Kauffman & Becky Kauffman
	Ryan Amerson & Megan Amerson
10/10	Rick Herrera & Theresa Herrera
	Silas Chandra & Cathy Chandra
10/11	Chris Dutcher & Lindsey Dutcher
	John Finnell & Lorinda Finnell
10/12	Aaron Phillips & Amy Phillips
	Jeff Ross & Mari Ross
10/14	TJ Martin & Lyndsi Martin
10/16	Richard Rockwood & Sarah Rockwood
10/18	Kevin Beck & Becky Beck
10/20	Lonny Gain & Andrew Gain
10/21	Jason Ruggless & Christina Ruggless
	John (Pete) Endres & Mary Janice Endres
10/22	Jim Havens & Carolyn Havens
10/25	Scott K Loftus & Rochelle Loftus
10/29	Matt Kuchar & Laura Kuchar
10/31	Patrick Streeval & Kelly Streeval

Congratulations!

We'd like to recognize and congratulate our newest member to successfully complete their probationary period!



Congratulations, **Sean Neary, Kevin Auth, and Lucretia Choate.**

We'd also like to give a special welcome and recognition to our newest Honorary Member!

Congratulations and welcome, **Matt Kuchar!**

Enter Your Hours!



Please remember to enter all work hours in the **Member Portal** 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

Calendars

October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				01 Anchor Bocce	02	03
04	05	06 Membership Meeting	07	08 Anchor Bocce	09 Queen of Hearts Drawing	10
11	12	13	14	15 Anchor Bocce	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Anchor Bocce	23 Trunk or Treat Queen of Hearts Drawing	24
25	26	27 Officer's Meeting	28	29	30 Adult Halloween Party	31 



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