

ALTON MOTORBOAT CLUB

NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2016

310 MEMBERS:

OFFICERS:

Commodore Vice-Commodore Secretary Treasurer

DIRECTORS:

Board Chairman Bar Dock Assignment Dock Repair Entertainment Grounds House Membership Special Events Wyatt Smith Rhone Gillis Suzie Fill Bill Klinke

Matt Woulfe Paul Claussen Jim Neumann Matt Knight Cliff Rushton Steve Pohlman Brad Maher Linda Johnson-Petterson John Dooley

THE ALTON MOTORBOAT CLUB MOURNS THE LOSS OF MEMBER CHRIS WISEMAN'S MOTHER AS WELL AS FORMER MEMBER TIM RICHIE.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

ROBERT HARTMANN - REG

PAST EVENTS

13 November - Turkey Shoot

A great showing on a relatively warm November day. Members and guests socialized both inside and out as they enjoyed cold drinks, hamburgers, dogs, chili, and delicious turkey dinners. The firing line began promptly at 11 and racked up 35 rounds. Sam Stutz won the shotgun, Stevie Ray won the tablet and Randy Nelson won the cash prize. The club realized a nice profit after all the funds were tallied.

19 November - Wii Bowling

Cliff Rushton took honors rolling an average of 232. Can anyone beat this in December?

UPCOMING EVENTS

17 December - Wii Bowling

The lanes will be freshly waxed. Show up early to register and order from the kitchen. We had 14 bowlers last month, let's go for 20 in December.

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17 January - Annual Meeting and Election

An election committee has been formed including Steve Stutz, Jim Neumann, and Matt Woulfe. The nomination board has been posted. The terms of 4 of 9 board members are expiring and those openings along with all 4 officer posts are up for election.

There will also be a vote at the annual meeting on a proposal that changes the annual due date of membership dues. The current wording of Article 13 of our constitution states that: "All regular and social membership dues are to be paid prior to **June 1st**. On **June 1st**, any member who has not paid their dues will be considered delinquent. A delinquent member will be reinstated if their dues and an additional 25% late fee are paid before **July 1st** of that year."

The proposal is to change **June to March** and **July to April**. This change will align membership dues with the due date of coupon books to simplify tracking members' payments. Prorating fees will be used where applicable. If passed, work hours will also follow a March 1st - Feb 28th schedule.

9 December - Ugly Holiday Sweater Party If you came last year, you remember what a memorable time we had. There was a lot of Ugly Sweaters! Get yours ready to go; we're giving you some time to prepare! Prizes will be given to some of the top Ugly Sweaters! Let's get this party started around 6pm, but come early to eat. Around 9:30 we'll do the "Ugly Sweater Cat Walk" to crown the winner.

11 December - Children's Christmas Party Bring your children and grand-children to see Santa! 1pm - 4pm, sign up at the club by December 2nd.

20 December - Adult's Christmas Party The event starts immediately following our membership meeting which begins at 7:30. Come early for the meeting and enjoy some delicious food. The club will supply the main menu and we ask that everyone bring a side dish to share. We're shaking it up a bit this year with a "Rob your neighbor gift exchange." Bring a gift (\$15 limit) to participate.

CLUB HOURS: MON - THURS 3PM-9PM, FRI 3PM-12AM, SAT 12PM-12AM, SUN 12AM-9PM

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31 December - New Year's Eve Party

Join us for a fun night of food, dancing, and party favors with all of your friends at the Boat Club. Bring your favorite appetizer or side dish to share. The club will provide shrimp and wings. The Olwz, who've become a NYE staple at our club, will rock the night playing at 9pm. See your bartender for the seating chart to sign up for this event. Party starts at 6pm, \$20 per person is due when reserving seats.

FROM THE GALLEY

Our Galley hours have changed slightly. For the next 3 months Peggy's kitchen will be open on Fridays and Saturdays from 5-8, and on Sundays from 4-8. Still plenty of time to stop in and enjoy a delicious pizza!

CHAIRMAN (MATT WOULFE 618-465-3151)

The board has determined that a small change in the hours the club is open is necessary to match member participation with cost savings during the non-boating season. "Winter Hours" will begin December 1st and run through February 28th. The new temporary hours are: Mon - Thur 3-9, Fri 3-12, Sat 12-12, Sun 12-9. The club may stay open later should business dictate. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments about the Winter hours or the proposal to move dues, please come to the December 5th board meeting and speak.

BAR (PAUL CLAUSSEN 618-410-6170)

Welcome our newest bartender Kaylin Beile. Do you have any bartending experience? Are you interested in being a guest bartender at the club while earning your work hours? If so, let Chairman Claussen know.

DOCK REPAIR (MATT KNIGHT 618-407-9890)

Another free dirt day is in the works. There has been much interest and a date will soon be set. Ice is coming, be very careful when around the harbor.

DOCK ASSIGNMENT (JIM NEUMANN 314-580-0538)

The club still has 10 slips available. Get yours while you can! The Corps of Engineers are planning huge work in the mouth of Piasa Creek that will drastically improve boating in this area. Our harbor will soon be full.

ENTERTAINMENT (CLIFF RUSHTON 618-781-1156)

New Boat Club apparel should be arriving in early December including hoodies, sweatshirts, and long sleeve shirts.

SPECIAL EVENTS (JOHN DOOLEY 618-830-8755).

The Turkey Shoot was a total success. There are too many people to thank individually. Thank you all. Be sure to bring the kids to see Santa on the 11th.

GROUNDS (STEVE POHLMAN 618-975-7244)

Chairman Pohlman has removed the giant banana trees from the front of our clubhouse.

HOUSE (BRAD MAHER 618-466-3948)

Thanks to everyone who pitches in at the club. It takes a lot of work to keep this big boat afloat.

MEMBERSHIP (LINDA JOHNSON 618-466-9914)

Starting in early 2017, invoices will be mailed to all members with itemized descriptions of what each member owes. This will aid members in knowing the payment that's due. Check the hallway at the club. We've installed a dry erase board to be used for work hour opportunities. If you know something that needs to be done, write it on the board. If you need work hours, see if you can complete any task on the board.

FROM THE COMMODORE

Butch Rister has provided the Club with a detailed map of the planned Army Corps of Engineers project scheduled to begin early 2018. The map is posted on the enclosed bulletin board in the hallway at the Club.

Just a reminder that all dues and fees that are paid with a credit card will incur a 3% up charge. This is necessary to offset the fees that the credit card companies charge the Club to use the system.

After a short time off with an illness, we welcome our own Debbie Schetter back to the Boat Club. She's back preparing wings on Mondays and her delicious Wednesday specials. Stop in and wish Debbie well.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
OFFICER CONTACT NUMBERS: WYATT SMITH - 618-374-1517 RHONE GILLIS - 217-370-9047 SUZIE FILL - 618-781-4558 BILL KLINKE - 618-466-1925		NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31ST SIGNUP SHEET WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON. RESERVE YOUR SEAT ASAP.		frozen pizzas available	2 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8	B PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8
4 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 4-8	5 BOARD MEETING 7:00 FREE WINGS	6 FROZEN PIZZAS AVAILABLE	7 DEBBIE'S CHICKEN FRIED CHICKEN	B FROZEN PIZZAS AVAILABLE	9 UGLY SWEATER PARTY PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8	10 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8
KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY PEGGY'S FULL MENU 4-8	12 FREE WINGS	13 FROZEN PIZZAS AVAILABLE	14 DEBBIE'S MEAT LOAF	15 FROZEN PIZZAS AVAILABLE	16 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8	17 Wii BOWLING 7:30 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8
18 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 4-8	19 FREE WINGS	200 MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30 ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY AFTER METING	21 PEGGY'S PIZZA NIGHT MONTHLY DRAWING	222 FROZEN PIZZAS AVAILABLE	23 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8	24 CHISTMAS EVE KITCHEN CLOSED CLUB CLOSES AT 6PM
25 MERRY CHRISTMAS KITCHEN CLOSED	26 FREE WINGS	27 FROZEN PIZZAS AVAILABLE	28 Debbie's Tacos	29 FROZEN PIZZAS AVAILABLE	30 PEGGY'S FULL MENU 5-8	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY W/ THE OWLZ KITCHEN CLOSED



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