



ALTON MOTORBOAT CLUB

NEWSLETTER

JULY / AUGUST 2019

275 MEMBERS: 146 REGULAR 124 SOCIAL 5 HONORARY QofH: \$11,000+

OFFICERS:

Commodore	Wyatt Smith
Vice-Commodore	Rhone Gillis
Secretary	Mark Gibbs
Treasurer	Rich Wille

DIRECTORS:

Board Chairman	Jim Neumann
Bar	CPT Ron Jenkins
Dock Assignment	Nick Holmes
Dock Repair	Matt Knight
Entertainment	Suzie Fill
Grounds	Chris Ontis
House	Dan Fitzgerald
Membership	Cliff Rushton
Special Events	Jim Dunham

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

RUSTY GILSON – SOC
MILES DAVIS - SOC

QUEEN OF HEARTS – Recent Results

<u>Date</u>	<u>Member Drawn</u>	<u>Card Revealed</u>	<u>Winner's Pot</u>
April 18 th	Claude Lane	A Spades	\$9,533
April 25 th	Lisa Haegele	6 Clubs	\$9,914
May 2 nd	Terry Ontis	10 Diamonds	\$10,359
May 23 rd	Ron Jenkins	2 Diamonds	\$10,777

PAST EVENTS

19 June – Membership Meeting at Trap House

The Club's members met up for the first time since the flood. Chairman Fitzgerald presented the state of the Clubhouse to the packed Trap house. Chairman Neumann presented a plan to go forward from the flood and answered questions.

9 July – Special Membership Meeting

A great showing for the special membership meeting was witnessed by all. A true demonstration of our membership to continue as a boating club. We have a unique connection unlike any other along the Mississippi. It's time to capitalize on our resources and look toward the future of what we get to build together.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Thursday – Queen of Hearts

18 July – Neumann and Pichee – Hot Dogs and Brats
 25 July – Pilkington and Friends – Hot Dogs and Brats
 8 August – Suzie Fill and Friends - Cheeseburgers
 22 August – Gibbs/Warden and Friends – Fried Tacos
 29 August – Steak Night

20 July - Shrimp Boil

Ed Mohr and crew are back in action to once again feed the masses Cajun style. Spend the afternoon at the pavilion and take a lesson from this professional cooking crew as they pass the torch on for this mouthwatering, lip-smacking event of which we've all grown so fond. Bring your appetite and lawn chairs for dinner at 5!

3 August – Boat Run

T-shirt sign up in progress! We're in search of volunteers for stops at the Alton Marina, Brick House, Piasa/Duckblind, Slim, Weber and the Club. Kick back and let boaters visit you at your stop. We could also use a few volunteers for registration and T-shirt distribution. It takes YOU to pull this event off for success! Please contact Suzie Fill to schedule you and your crew. Stick around and dance the night away with #4 Combo starting at 7:00.

14 September – AMBC Golf Tournament

The planning of this years' golf tournament is in full swing. Registrations are going slower than normal from our members due to the club being closed. We need all your help and support to fill up this event. Remember this is your tournament put on for you to enjoy a fun filled day with your fellow members. You can still register on our website www.altonboatclub.com or we are also accepting registrations at Lockhaven Golf Course. We are also offering an Early Entry Discount of \$60.00 per player thru 8-12. We are going to need volunteers in all sorts of capacities if you are interested please e-mail Mark Reader at mreader@bommarito.net.

DOCK REPAIR (MATT KNIGHT 618-407-9890)

The water has been turned on to the docks except for the Northwest set. As soon as these are accessible, the water will be on there. The power meters to the docks must be raised to 441 to be in compliance with Jersey County. Red Dunham, Stevie Ray, Claude Lane, and crew are on task to make this happen. Lastly, we're pursuing a plan to replace spud poles on Southeast Docks with taller ones.

DOCK ASSIGNMENT (NICK HOLMES 618-980-4913)

The following are all available immediately.

<u>Dock</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Monthly Cost on ACH</u>
1	36 Ft	NE	\$100 / Month
4	36 Ft	NE	\$100 / Month
8	36 Ft	NE	\$100 / Month
25	30 Ft	NW	\$87 / Month
26	30 Ft	NW	\$87 / Month
45	32 Ft	SW	\$91 / Month

CLUB HOURS: QUEEN OF HEARTS THURSDAYS, MEETINGS, AND EVENTS.

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SPECIAL EVENTS (JIM DUNHAM 618-466-7126)

The Turkey Shoot is on and will be on November 10th.

GROUNDS (CHRIS ONTIS 618-781-2001)

An additional Porta Potty is now in place for the South side of the Docks. We will keep 2 near the clubhouse, with a handwashing station coming soon. We're also working on cleaning up the Kids playground and adding more rock.

ENTERTAINMENT (SUZIE FILL 618-781-4558)

The water is receding, dock electric is coming. Enjoy your docks and let's party on the water. Over the Independence 4th weekend there were a few dock parties going on. Come on down and enjoy the harbor.

HOUSE (DAN FITZGERALD 618-806-3708)

There is a lot of work to do around the Club. Every regular member will need 10 work hours this year and there should be no problem getting them.

MEMBERSHIP (CLIFF RUSHTON 618-781-1156)

Although we have a flooded building, we are still getting interest in new membership. The boating community sees our resilience and they like it! We welcome two new social members Miles Davis and Rusty Gilson. This water won't dampen our spirits, we are after all, The Best Little Boat Club on the Mississippi. Our texting system will soon be active. We've been reaching out to the entire membership in order to update our contact info. If you haven't done so, call Cliff.

BAR (CAPTAIN RON JENKINS 314-852-7860)

We will offer canned beer on Queen of Hearts Thursdays and all events for \$2.00 per can. These events could use some volunteer bartenders so come on down, enjoy the events, and sling some beers.

CHAIRMAN (JIM NEUMANN 314-580-0538)

Priority for us is getting the harbor ready for our many boaters, while making plans for possibly building a new club house. Rich, Nick and Red have taken charge of getting our dock and shed electric elevated so we can get our power restored. While making these improvements they are also eliminating one more meter and low connecting electrical conduit. Please thank them for all the hard work on this project.

Membership has taken its First Step in looking at a New Elevated Clubhouse. We have hired Architect John Shortal. John is familiar with Jersey County and has many projects in Grafton. Please visit his website at johnshortalarchitect.com to view some of his work. John has

told us he can have some preliminary drawings before the next LRPC and Board Meetings on 8/5. Rhone, as acting Commodore, has set a Special Membership meeting for 8/13 7:30 to discuss. We had overwhelming response to the recent meeting and appreciate your attendance and enthusiasm. We will continue with our events as planned; Queen of Hearts on Thursday nights will be with food prepared by volunteers. See schedule in Upcoming Events. Please volunteer your group for dates left open- contact any Board Member to get on this list. Possible Fish Fry Night for QoH. What a Great Club to Belong To! I am looking forward to our next Special Meeting. We appreciated all the comments at the meetings. Except for a couple people coming off the Board, at the end of their term, this Board is dedicated to stay on and see these projects through. That is a testament to their dedication and the way we have been able to work together thru this difficult time. We cannot say THANK YOU enough to the MANY VOLUNTEERS that helped getting the club house cleaned out and the continued work on the Smoke Shack, Pavilion and the club house. We have many more projects to complete. YOUR HELP is needed by signing up with a few friends and getting these checked off the list- whether it be to cook for an event, clean or pull nails there is always something to complete. Posted bulletins of small and large projects forthcoming. Or look around, there is plenty to do.

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

Coupons: May-July '19 coupon books will be available for pick up and can be used at Queen of Hearts each Thursday. Aug-Oct '19 coupon books will be available at the Queen of Hearts drawing on Thursday, August 1st. All books issued in 2019 will be honored until we are back in a Clubhouse.

FROM THE COMMODORE

I want to convey great thanks to my fellow Officers, our Board Members, the Long-Range Planning Committee and our general membership for all your hard work. I've been out of State for a few weeks and Our Club has been in great hands. We have a long road ahead of us, but it's nothing we can't handle. The Boat Club isn't a brick building that can be damaged by a flood. The Boat Club is us, the Members, and we're stronger than ever.

Please donate your time and professional experience when you can.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
14	15	16 LRPC MEETING 6PM MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30	17	18 Q OF H 7:30 HOTS & BRATS	19	20 SHRIMP BOIL SERVED AT 5PM
21	22	23 LRPC MEETING 6PM	24	25 Q OF H 7:30 HOTS & BRATS	26	27
28	29	30 LRPC MEETING 6PM	31	1 Q OF H 7:30	2	3 BOAT RUN W/ #4 COMBO
4	5 LRPC MEETING 6PM BOARD MTG 7PM	6	7	8 Q OF H 7:30 CHEESEBURGERS	9	10
11	12	13 SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30	14	15 Q OF H 7:30	16	17
18	19	20 LRPC MEETING 6PM MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30	21	22 Q OF H 7:30 FRIED TACOS	23	24
25	26	27 LRPC MEETING 6PM	28	29 STEAK NIGHT 5PM Q OF H 7:30	30	31

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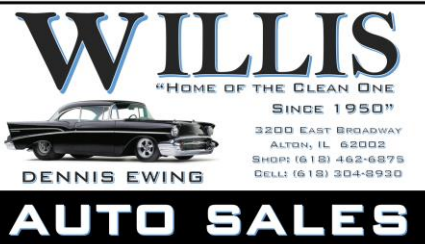
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