

2020 ELECTION

ALTON MOTORBOAT CLUB

NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2020

277 MEMBERS: 151 REGULAR 121 SOCIAL 5 HONORARY QofH: \$3,600+

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

RECENT QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWINGS

ROUND-WEEK	DRAWING DATE	NAME DRAWN	CARD REVEALED	POTENTIAL WINNER'S POT
4-14	12/19/19	DAVE DARE	5 HEARTS	\$3,099
4-15	12/26/19	RED DUNHAM	K HEARTS	\$3,232
4-16	1/2/20	JIM NEUMANN	3 DIAMONDS	\$3,333
4-17	1/9/20	BRENDA THOMPSON	A CLUBS	\$3,465

CHAIRMAN (JIM NEUMANN 314-580-0538)

Welcome to 2020, The Year of a New Building. We are eagerly getting items removed from the old clubhouse so it can be razed to give room for a New Club House. If you have time and can help, please contact Dan for a list of items to be done. We are still vetting thru the bidding process, trying to get the most for our money. This is the end of our Fiscal Year and our election is set for Jan 21st during our annual meeting. Please come out and support those that are running, casting your vote for our New Officers and Board. I'd like to Thank All of the Board Members for their time and energy to help our Club. We will plan to have a calendar of events sent out after the New Boards first meeting. Rhone has set up to get your invoicing on Super Bowl Sunday at Lock Haven, saving us a stamp, you can also pay for your dues or sign up for ACH and begin a monthly payment which is easily budgeted. Bring along a dish to share and enjoy the game. For those that cannot make it, we will mail your invoice. Keep looking for more Text Messages and Emails on Club Updates. Enjoy the hospitality from Heinz Peter, and the staff at Lock Haven, while we are building our new club house. Thanks Again for All of Your Support.

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PAST EVENTS

17 December – Membership Meeting at Lockhaven

A crowd approaching 100 filled the Lockhaven Ballroom as the membership listened to a proposal to demolish our existing clubhouse, and use insurance funds and a low interest loan to construct a brand new elevated Boat Club. A roll call vote of all regular and honorary members was administered to document this huge moment. The results were 61 yes votes, 0 no votes. The loan will be paid for by funds formally allocated for expensive FEMA flood insurance.

UPCOMING 2020 ELECTION DETAILS

Our annual election will be held on January 21st at Lockhaven. This year, 5 of our 9 board positions are up for grabs. Chairpersons Jenkins, Holmes, Fill, Knight, and Ontis will have fulfilled their commitments and may step down or campaign for another 2 years. Chairmen Neumann, Fitzgerald, Rushton, and Dunham each have another year to serve and will remain. All 4 officer positions will be available as they are each year. The nomination board is posted in the "smoke shack" at the Club. The nominating committee of 6 formed by the Board of Directors is: Rich Wille, Dan Fitzgerald, Steve Stutz, John Dooley, Rhone Gillis, and Jim Neumann.

Here is the current state of the 2020 nomination board

Commodore Rhone Gillis	Board Members John Dooley CPT Ron Jenkins Red Dunham Suzie Fill Matt Fitzgerald Rich Kortkamp Joe Smith
Vice Commodore Mark Gibbs	
Secretary Bill Klinke	
Treasurer Rich Wille	

If you wish to run for a position, contact a member of the election committee. A secret ballot will be issued to each regular and honorary member attending. Each officer position nominee and the 5 board member nominees who receive the most votes will be elected.

TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS

To date, we've sent out 23 mass text messages instantly alerting all subscribed members and spouses about Boat Club events and news. If you don't currently receive the text messages or you know someone who doesn't, get signed up. Simply visit AltonBoatClub.com and fill out the form at the bottom of the page.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

16,23,30 January – Queen of Hearts at Lockhaven

Don't miss your chance to win big! It's just like old times up the hill at Lockhaven. Pick up and spend your Boat Club coupon books on beer. Food and drink are available each Thursday at 4pm and the drawing is at 7:30pm.

2 February – Super Bowl Party at Lockhaven

Bring a dish or snack to share. Lockhaven will prepare and offer hot wings for only 50 cents each. Boat Club Super Bowl parties have always been great. The doors will open at Noon and your 2020 invoices will be available. If you're currently on ACH, your payments will continue as scheduled. If you're not on ACH, you can sign up at Lockhaven on February 2nd. Just bring a voided check and fill out the form. For those of you paying outright, we can accept cash or check. Pay your dues on Feb 2nd and catch the Super Bowl with your fresh coupon book.

21 March – Jon Boat Jamboree

We're shoving off and heading toward Duck Blind Island again. If you've never been to this event, you'll want to mark your calendar. Kids have a blast, dogs have a blast, and us too (the big kids!!) There will be more info in the February newsletter.

DOCK REPAIR (MATT KNIGHT 618-407-9890)

Digging out the mouth of the harbor is on the Board's radar. Funds are set aside for this and we will get it done when the time is right.

GROUNDS (CHRIS ONTIS 618-781-2001)

Snow clearing at the Club this Winter will happen as necessary for demolition, construction, etc...

ENTERTAINMENT (SUZIE FILL 618-781-4558)

Our goal is for the 2020 entertainment season to proceed as normal. We will have Bands, Steak Nights, Boat Run, etc. We hope to have a schedule together soon.

HOUSE (DAN FITZGERALD 618-806-3708)

Thanks to a great work party on January 11th, the existing clubhouse is nearly empty. Call Fitz if you can help finish.

MEMBERSHIP (CLIFF RUSHTON 618-781-1156)

2019 Work Hours have been compiled to the best of the board's ability. Your individual invoices will be available at Lockhaven of February 2nd at Noon. If you are incorrectly invoiced to pay 2019 work hours, let Cliff or Rhone know and we will get it straightened out.

SPECIAL EVENTS (JIM DUNHAM 618-466-7126)

Our Board of Directors have decided to postpone our annual Installation Dinner until proper planning can be conducted. Details will emerge as plans are made. Look for possibly a March or April date.

BAR (CAPTAIN RON JENKINS 314-852-7860)

Thanks to Lockhaven owner Heinz Peter and General Manager Scott Schaefer for opening their bar to us while we're displaced. Enjoy \$2 beers and spend your coupon books for beers on Thursdays.

DOCK ASSIGNMENT (NICK HOLMES 618-980-4913)

There are 8 docks open for immediate rental. Contact Nick if you are ready to get your boat in the water.

FROM LOCKHAVEN

It is great to see the Lockhaven Bar alive again. We love having you guys here. Feel free to bring your friends and enjoy the place. We're open Thurs thru Sun and offer a menu of: Fresh Burgers, Hand Breaded Chicken Tenders, Debbie's Homemade Chili, Johnsonville Brats, All Beef ¼ lb Hots Dogs (all served with Fries). Plus, TJ Pizzas!! It's fantastic to see the Boat Club and Lockhaven continue to grow our partnership. Lockhaven offers free golf on Mondays to all first responders. Call the course at 466-2441 for details.

ABOUT THE NEW CLUB HOUSE

We have been approved for our disaster loan from the US Small Business Administration. The "ICC" program from FEMA will pay to have our existing building demolished. These 2 funds, along with our insurance money will be used to build the best Clubhouse we can.

FROM THE COMMODORE

Our 2020 Calendar of Events will be available along with an upcoming newsletter. We are indebted to Lockhaven for allowing us to utilize their beautiful facility until we can get back in our own space. Our Queen of Hearts nights at Lockhaven are beneficial to both businesses. Remember, every Thursday evening benefits the Boat Club. The Club keeps 40% of the revenue of every Queen ticket sold and half of all 50/50 drawing sales. Thank you to the Boat Club Officers, Board of Directors, Membership, and families for all you do.



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JANUARY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>12</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT NOON</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS AT LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>17</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>18</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON</p>
<p>19</p>  <p>NFL CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2PM LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT NOON</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTION 7:30 @ LOCKHAVEN BOARD @ 7</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS AT LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>24</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>25</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON</p>
<p>26</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT NOON</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS AT LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>31</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>1</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON</p>
<p>2</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>BOARD MEETING AT LOCKHAVEN 7PM</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS AT LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>7</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT 4</p>	<p>8</p> <p>LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON</p>
<p>↑</p> <p>SUPER BOWL PARTY</p> <p>BRING A DISH OR SNACK TO SHARE. LOCKHAVEN WILL OFFER HOT WINGS FOR 50 CENTS EACH. LOCKHAVEN DOORS OPEN AT NOON. PAY YOUR 2020 AMBC DUES, CASH OR CHECK ONLY</p>			<p>ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTION</p> <p>AT LOCKHAVEN GOLF CLUB</p> <p>JANUARY 21ST @ 7:30PM</p>			

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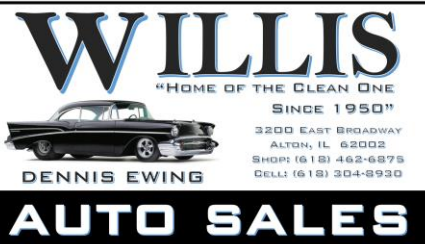
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