

# ALTON MOTORBOAT CLUB

# NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2020

**276 MEMBERS:** 148 REGULAR 123 SOCIAL 5 HONORARY Qoh: \$4,000+

#### **OFFICERS:**

Commodore Rhone Gillis\*
Vice-Commodore Mark Gibbs\*
Secretary Bill Klinke\*
Treasurer Rich Wille\*

**DIRECTORS:** 

Board Chairman

Bar

Dock Assignment

Dock Repair

Board Chairman

Rich Kortkamp\*

Suzie Fill\*

Red Dunham\*

Dock Repair Red Dunham\*
Entertainment Mark Woulfe\*
Grounds John Dooley\*
House Dan Fitzgerald
Membership Cliff Rushton
Special Events Jim Dunham

\*Congratulations to our new 2020 AMBC Board members

#### **CONDOLENCES:**

AMBC is saddened to learn of the recent passing of Member Yvonne Pealer's brother. Our thoughts and prayers are with Yvonne during this difficult time.

#### **RECENT QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWINGS**

ROUND- WEEK	DRAWING DATE	NAME DRAWN	CARD REVEALED	POTENTIAL WINNER'S POT	
4-18	1/16/20	PHYLLIS GOVERNALE	3 HEARTS	\$3,624	
4-19	1/23/20	SHERRY MANEES	10 CLUBS	\$3,664	
4-20	1/30/20	DELL HUTCHENS	6 SPADES	\$3,834	
4-21	2/6/2	AMY SMITH	6 HEARTS	\$3,989	

#### NOTE FROM CHAIRMAN: (Jim Neumann 314-580-0538)

Out with the old, In with the new. The AMBC Board of Directors has selected Jun Construction to build the new clubhouse. We are just a few weeks away from the old clubhouse being razed. We will be applying for the permits and eagerly awaiting the approval to start the building. We will be selecting color and some interior design during the next 30 days.

We are also looking at repairing the mouth of the harbor. The plan is to shrink the width to 60' and extend the levee area on the east to a point with dirt and large rock. We have some information on this and look forward to having the membership to discuss.

We have some very important decisions to be made as a Club in the coming weeks. I would encourage everyone's participation in this decision process as we move forward with the building of our new clubhouse.

#### **PAST EVENTS:**

#### **2020 AMBC ELECTION RESULTS:**

Our annual AMBC Board election took place on January 21<sup>st</sup> at Lockhaven. This year, 5 of our 9 board positions were up for nominations. Chairpersons Jenkins, Holmes, Fill, Knight, and Ontis had fulfilled their commitments. Chairperson's Jenkins and Fill threw their hats back into the ring, as well as the other nominees John Dooley, Red Dunham, Matt Fitzgerald, Rich Kortkamp, Joe Smith, and Mark Woulfe. Also, up for election were all 4 for positions of the AMBC Officers. A special thank you to all Officers and Board Members exiting their post, and those continuing their service. Congratulations to the election winners.

#### **SUPER BOWL PARTY AT LOCKHAVEN:**

Thank you to those who attended this year's Super Bowl Party at Lockhaven making the event a total success. On February 2nd, Club members turned out to enjoy a much-welcomed spring-like day to enjoy food, friends, and of course football. We would especially like to thank those who participated in bringing in pot-luck specialties for all to enjoy.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### FEBRUARY 6, 13, 20 AND 27 - QUEEN OF HEARTS

Don't miss your chance to win big! It's just like old times, but now up the hill at Lockhaven. Pick up and spend your Boat Club coupon books on any bar or food item. The drawing is at 7:30pm.

#### **FEBRUARY 16 – DAYTONA 500:**

Daytona 500 party at Lockhaven. Come watch NASCAR season's opening race on Lockhaven's huge 75" bigscreen television. Food will be available.

#### FEBRUARY 27 – STEAK NIGHT AT LOCKHAVEN

The first Steak Night of 2020 will be held on February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Lockhaven Golf Club. Grills will be set up at Lockhaven. Steaks with sides will be sold for \$15, on a first come, first served basis starting around 6:00pm. Remember the 27<sup>th</sup> is also a Queen of Hearts drawing. Don't miss it!

#### MARCH 21 – 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 March newsletter.

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#### **CHILDREN'S EASTER PARTY:**

Due to the potential construction of the new clubhouse, we regret to announce the children's Easter egg hunt and party will be cancelled for 2020.

### REPORT BY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS: DOCK REPAIR (Red Dunham – 618.600.5226)

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. Bid requests have been sent out for this project.

#### ENTERTAINMENT (Mark Woulfe - 618.910.2614)

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)**

As soon as the AC roof units are removed, temporary power installed, the rest of the utilities can be disconnected, then we can move forward with knocking down the existing clubhouse.

#### MEMBERSHIP (Cliff Rushton - 618.781.1156)

Your individual dues invoices, if not already paid, have been included with this newsletter. Membership Fees are due by March 1, 2020. The 2019 Work Hours have been compiled to the best of the board's ability. If you are incorrectly invoiced to pay 2019 work hours, let Cliff or Rhone know and we will get it straightened out. Please remit payment by cash, check or by setting up an ACH account. For ACH, simply bring a voided check and the completed ACH form to Lockhaven during a Club event and we will get you set up.

#### 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 (Rich Kortkamp - 618.910.1175)

Thanks to Lockhaven owner Heinz Peter and General Manager Scott Schaefer for opening their bar to us while we're displaced. Remember, your coupon books are valid for food and drink at Lockhaven until further notice.

#### DOCK ASSIGNMENT (Susan Fill - 618.781.4558)

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

#### STATUS OF 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. The demolition bid was awarded to Stutz Excavation and the signed contract was mailed back to Stutz. The demolition permit submitted to Jersey County has been approved and in the Club's possession. House Chairperson Fitzgerald will be scheduling another work party to remove any fixtures left in the existing Clubhouse, then schedule the disconnection of the existing gas and electric.

#### FROM THE COMMODORE

I recently went through our membership roster to learn how many members I don't know personally or, "can't put a face to." Painfully, I found my number to be 88 of our 276 members. Super Bowl Sunday, taking membership payments, I dropped that number by at least 10 and met some great folks.

Our Clubhouse is in a demolition and construction phase, but our Club is you, the members, and retention of members has never been more important. I challenge every member to "break ice" with the members and spouses that you don't know personally. Also, to introduce members you may know, to others they may not and "bridge the gap." This will pay dividends to both you, and the Club as a whole.

We only have a few steps left in readying the existing Clubhouse for the wrecking ball. While that day will be a tearjerker, last year's flood has presented us with the opportunity to build a brand-new facility. I can't wait to overlook our harbor from our new elevated deck. It's going to be amazing.

12 members in total put their names up for the election to volunteer to lead this Club through the rebuilding phase. Thank you all for stepping up; it's a huge commitment. Lastly, our Long-Range Planning Committee or LRPC will continue to meet as we move forward and add a few facets other than building, such as marketing, interior design, networking, to name a few. 2020 is going to be a big year for our Boat Club!!

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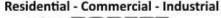
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# FEBRUARY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
FIRST 2020 STEAK NIGHT THURSDAY, FEB 27 <sup>TH</sup> AT LOCKHAVEN			SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 <sup>TH</sup> - WATCH AT LOCKHAVEN ON THE NEW 75" BIG SCREEN			LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON
SUPER BOWL	BOARD MEETING AT LOCKHAVEN 7:00PM	4	5	QUEEN OF HEARTS AT LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT 4	LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT 4	8 LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON
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16  LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT NOON	17	18 MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT LOCKHAVEN 7:30PM	19	QUEEN OF HEARTS AT LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT 4	21 LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT 4	22 LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON
23 LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT NOON	24	25	26	27 STEAK NIGHT & QUEEN OF HEARTS AT LOCKHAVEN OPEN AT 4	28 LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT 4	29 LOCKHAVEN BAR OPEN AT NOON

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