

ALTON MOTORBOAT CLUB

NEWSLETTER

JUNE / JULY 2020

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

GLENN HUBBARD – Regular Member ANGELA CARVER – Regular Member RONALD COBINE – Regular Member PHYLLIS GOVERNALE – Regular Member

RECENT QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWINGS

RD-WK	DATE	NAME DRAWN	CARD	POT
4-27	5-29-20	ROY MILLER	6 CLUBS	\$4,556
4-28	6-4-20	LISA HAEGELE	J CLUBS	\$4,763
4-29	6-11-20	RICH WILLE	7 HEARTS	\$4,934

Thanks to **Steve and Meaghan** with the **"Pig on a Wing"** truck for providing their delicious menu.

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

Nearly one year ago we started cleaning out the clubhouse. We did not know at that time it would be the last clean out. As I have reported we are very close to breaking ground. JUN has moved equipment on site. We have been delayed working with the lawyers from the Corp and IDNR.

We are through the first stage of IDNR approval. I am working with the Senior Chief of the IDNR. They told me last week it could be 90 days. You know I did not take that without many emails (no one will answer the phones). I have spoken with the first reviewer of the project. It is hopeful that within a week we could possibly have approval- just cannot get anyone to admit to this. The "New" Clubhouse is coming. Many, many people are responsible for this coming together, if it were not for the Corp and IDNR we would have gotten the building permit 8 weeks ago... We will not stop till it is built.

NEW BUILDING UPDATES:

The Board continues working diligently on the new clubhouse building, meeting once a week under the pavilion on the club grounds.

As of the time of this newsletter publishing, all permit applications have been approved to move forward with construction with the exception of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources, (IDNR/OWR). Along with the IDNR/OWR, a copy of our Application of the Building Permit has been forwarded to the IDNR's "Division of Real Estate Services and Consultation" for their signoff. This approval is the last of the permit application approvals required before construction can begin on the new club house.

In anticipation of the IDNRs approval arriving in the very near future, JUN Construction has started moving their equipment to the club grounds. While we encourage and invite members and guests to witness and record the progress, we want you to do this safely. Please observe all barriers and warning signs in and around the heavy equipment on the construction site as you tour the area, participate in the club's functions, or are making your way to the boat docks.

Wi-Fi has been re-installed on the property for our member's and guest's convenience. The Wi-Fi login credentials have not changed. If you need this login information, please contact Commodore Gillis or Vice Commodore Gibbs.

ENTERTAINMENT: (Mark Woulfe – 618.910.2614)

The AMBC "Poker Run" has been scheduled for August 8, 2020. We are looking for volunteers to host the various stops for this year's Poker Run, so if you are interested, please contact Chairperson Woulfe at the above phone number.

For this year's Poker Run, we have appointed two AMBC Board Members to serve as Event Safety Officials. The Event Safety Officials will be an important factor in maintaining safety on the clubhouse grounds during the event in our effort to enhance the experience for our members and their guests. These officials will be in the best position to serve as points of contact to resolve any safety concerns during the Poker Run. This year's Safety Officials are Vice Commodore Mark Gibbs and Dock Repair Chairperson Red Dunham.

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MEMBERSHIP: (Cliff Rushton - 618.781.1156)

Since dues became payable in February, only 18 members have formally resigned. 25 others are yet to pay, but due to recent circumstances, we have been under a "pay as soon as you can" policy. Our hope is to retain every member; about half have verbally committed to retain. These numbers are looking to turn out better than last year. Plus, we gained 4 new members in May and currently have at least 4 more applicants. Things are looking up!

We will be having a Special Membership Meeting on June 30, at 7:30pm at the club pavilion. We will be voting on four new Regular Member Applications. The new applicants are **Nicholas Dunphy**, presented by Matt and Mark Woulfe, **Derek Walter**, presented by Bill Walter and Thad Hartman, **Clay Bush**, presented by JoEllen Bush and Richard Stutz, and **Matt Weiner** presented by Carl Seidler and Mark Woulfe.

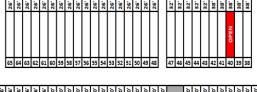
HOUSE: (Dan Fitzgerald - 618.806.3708)

Some attention will be geared toward the smoke shack over the next couple of weeks installing insulation and a window air conditioning unit to keep our volunteer workers a little more comfortable. The window A/C unit came from the old clubhouse and will be retrofitted for use in the smoke shack.

DOCK ASSIGNMENT: (Suzie Fill – 618.781.4558)

Our harbor has only 7 open slips available and they are going quick. Each of these slips have been available longer than 15 days and are now open to the first taker. You can have your boat ready when you are, and in the water for as little as \$88 per month.

The slips that are available immediately are three 36-foot slips, #1, #7, and #8. One 38-foot slip, #40, is available as well as three 30-foot slips, #25, #36, and #37. Slip locations are highlighted in the below diagram:





GROUNDS: (John Dooley – 618.830.8755)

We need to turn some of our attention to the club grounds. If you need work hours, we have some tasks that need to be completed. Staining of the wood walkways and swing sets should be completed before the Poker Run. If you have some experience on a tractor, we could really use someone to help us with some brush-hogging work. Please contact Grounds Chairperson Dooley if you would like to help in one or more of these areas.

BAR: (Rich Kortkamp – 618.910.1175) Thank you to all the volunteers and patrons for keeping our Club very active.

<u>DOCK REPAIR:</u> (Red Dunham – 618.600.5226) Our harbor mouth has been cleaned out and our dock holders have been thoroughly enjoying the harbor. We're currently working to build (if necessary) and/or repair all 63 dock extensions. This may take some time, but we are on it.

SPECIAL EVENTS: (Jim Dunham – 618.466.7126) The Turkey Shoot is less than 5 months away. We are going to have even better weather this year!!

FROM THE COMMODORE:

Wi-Fi internet access is back on the Club grounds. It is important to have a way to contact the outside world while at our get away. As you know, cell phone service on the grounds is nil. We are currently looking into a way to boost the signal to the East sections of the harbor.

I am excited to say that in May, we welcomed 4 new members. We have 4 more applicants this month, and I am encouraged that this pace will continue, if not increase!! If you know anyone who would be a great member, tell them about us.

Every regular and social member of the Boat Club has to purchasae \$100 in coupon books each year. Many members have one or more books available for pick up at any Queen of Hearts night. Come get them.

At the June 30 Special Membership Meeting, we will be voting on the exterior color of the new clubhouse. The Board will present renderings of the building with the color options for you to review before voting.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
21 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	22	23	24	25 Q OF H AT CLUB	26	27
28	29 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING 7:00 AT CLUB	SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30 AT CLUB	1	Q OF H AT CLUB	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY
5	6 BOARD MEETING 7PM	7	8	Q OF H AT CLUB	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 Q OF H AT CLUB	17	18
19	20	21 MEMBERSHIP MEEING 7:30 AT CLUB	22	23 Q OF H AT CLUB	24	25
26	27	28	29	Q OF H AT CLUB	31	

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