



THE SMOKE SIGNAL



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THINGS TO THINK ABOUT IN 66

From in and around the Lodge several good ideas have been heard which deserve consideration. They're on a wide variety of subjects and if you have an opinion, send your ideas in writing to the management, Indian Lake, Central City, Pa.

Should Gas or Electric Golf Carts be allowed on the Golf Course? Most Country Clubs permit the use of the electric operated carts.

A Golf Committee for the Lake? A representative group to make rulings on the standards of the course as it is expected to become more and more crowded. Also, in line with this, how about a "Children's Golf Etiquette School"? They wouldn't be allowed on the course until they had completed this course. Because golf is such an etiquette game and is enjoyed more in proportion to the etiquette practiced, such a school would be an advantage to the children.

Decide on a 'class' of sailboat for the lake. Such a move today will make it easier for the Lake to sponsor sailboat racing in the coming years and will assure a sufficient number of competitors.

Any suggestions for Saturday morning Cultural Classes? These courses have been well-attended. If you have an interest in some subject, bring it up. Maybe other Indian Lake residents would be interested in pursuing it with you. It could add to your enjoyment.

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what a year!

'65', THE YEAR THAT WAS!!

"The year that was. It was a great year. For Indian Lake it was the year it came of age. Newcomers and property improvement were the chief reasons that Indian Lake enjoyed its greatest year. Indian Lake residents, both old and new participated in the many exciting happenings of the past year. Let's take a moment to review the many events of 1965 as written for "posterity's sake" in the pages of the Smoke Signal.



INDIAN PRINCESSES

"Two charming and beautiful Indian Lake Princesses found themselves, almost overnight, elevated to the regal status of reigning Queens."

Miss Janet Smith of Somerset, Pa. and Linda Stoddard-Donner were named Queen Maple XVIII and Laurel Highlands Snow Queen respectively during the past year.

Since then Miss Stoddard became the bride of Lynn Donner and Miss Smith is well into her freshman year at Shippensburg State College.

WIN—THE KEYWORD

Nineteen hundred and sixty-five saw the second Indian Lake Travel Contest boom to undreamed of proportions. Participants vied for fabulous prizes and the race was neck and neck throughout the nine months of competition.

The contest was charted monthly in

the Smoke Signal and the winners were interviewed monthly in the PERSONALITY CLOSE-UP column. In the course of nine month's competition, we had five individual monthly winners. They were: Mitch Withrow in March and August; Nick Papasoff in April; Dr. Bill Lascheid, May, June and November; Don Corbett, July, and Lynn Donner, September and October. It was a torrid race with each winner working hard to cop a monthly prize.

Of course, the contest was culminated in the last Smoke Signal with the announcement of Dr. Bill Lascheid, Mitch Withrow, and Lynn Donner as winners of the top three Grand Prizes.

SERVICES BOOM

The Indian Lake Service Corporation reported at their April, 1965 Annual Stockholder's meeting that financially speaking the Corporation was in good shape and that all projects were coming along as

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SKI TALK

by

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Well, we're still waiting for a good consistent snow-fall. There was some good skiing over the New Year's week-end but other than that there is little to report. One interesting note is almost 18 inches that Boyce Park, an Allegheny County Course, has been able to maintain. They've done this by having two men work throughout the night on the 'snow machines', sometimes in freezing weather. They are also using an advanced 'air gun' which runs cool and can be used for long periods at a time. The new snow making equipment of Indian Lake has finally arrived and should be installed by Jan. 20th.

To continue our discussion of equipment begun last month, let's consider your choice of boots and bindings.

The boot one chooses as a beginner is normally dependent on the budget. Remember, however, the boots and the bindings are your source of control and therefore, certain standards must be met. The boot must be snug when laced for maximum support; yet, the toes must not touch the front leather. The heel must be solidly held within the boot so that lacing will not allow the heel to leave the insole. Also, the boot should be fit with one pair of heavy socks and when laced properly should never be so tight as to bind normal circulation.

The bindings lock the ski to the boot and secure tension will allow the skier to initiate and complete his turn. The majority of skiers from beginners to experts use a binding with some sort of release factor. The boot is released by a sharp twist or a forward thrust. The time taken to familiarize yourself with your release is important. **ALWAYS CHECK BINDING.** Good skiing.

expanded dining room, new kitchen facilities and a very unique nursery system, designed to aid mothers in finding the time to pursue Indian Lake's various social and cultural activities. The new addition alleviated a serious space problem at the lodge and has added greatly to the enjoyment of all who call Indian Lake their second home.

SOCIAL DOINGS

Of course the whole of "The year that was" was permeated with successful and sometimes hilarious social events. The year was kicked off with the Queen's Testimonial Ball, honoring Indian Lake's two queens. This was followed by a succession of Contest Parties where happy residents learned of fantastic winnings. The first Stonycreek Party was held successfully and will become an annual event.

The August 8 Ski Show, promoted by Bob and Pat Barron was a huge success and drew a lively crowd to the banks of Baltzer Point. As you probably remember the highlight of the show was Bob Barron hanging precariously from a kite above the inviting waters of Lake Stonycreek.

The teens kept the Lake buzzing with their monthly "A Go Go" dances and hay rides. Country-Western was big in '65 as the country boys of Somerset County introduced the Pittsburgh city boys to the sound of the fiddle and the steel guitar.

The Harvest Ball, the Christmas Dance and the New Years' Eve party are still fresh in the minds of all of us. The decorating committee for all these affairs deserve a big hand for the tremendous job they did.

Fashion shows turned up big in '65. Several successful showings of the season's attire were held at the lake with the ladies giving them enthusiastic support.

And of course, the very funny party we remember is the Halloween shenanigans of several residents.

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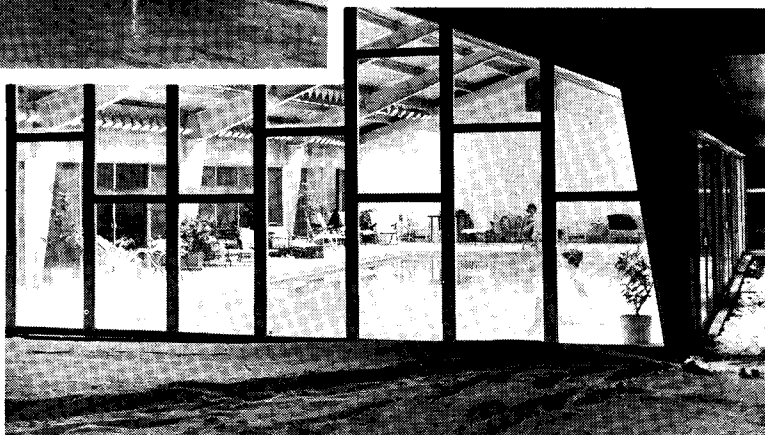


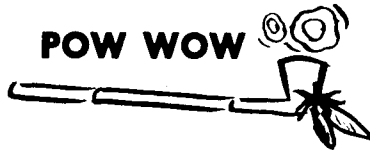
expected. In particular, reports were finalized on purchase of Fire Engine, Inhalator, Snow Removal and Road Paving costs. Indeed, all of the roads on the west side of the lake, east side access roads, and access roads to the peninsula were paved during the past year.

LODGE IMPROVEMENTS

Perhaps, greatest of all 1965 accomplishments was the ambitious plans for expanding the Lodge, unveiled in March, 1965 and recently completed.

Included in the new lodge addition are: Indoor/Outdoor heated swimming pool, pool lounge, stag lounge, locker rooms,





Oh Yeah! With the expanded dining room and facilities this column should be able to expand too. More people mean more tidbits for Pow Wow consumption.

These are the latest words from the last stool on the far end.

Looking above, the beautiful flower boxes over the bar were arranged by MRS. HART . . . We're not telling but who was the charming lady who lost her shoe New Year's Eve and where did she find it? . . . OH YEAH! . . . What a year! . . . BOB LONG'S motor scooter really works—he has proof that he rides it. . . . There are two halves of venison in the freezer. They were donated by those two venerable hunting legends, MERLE JOHNSON and AL COUCH . . . What to do with all that "deer" meat. How about a "Wild Game Dinner"? It's being planned. Look for news of it in future Smoke Signals . . . OZZIE and JIMBO, those two reknowned 'mixologists' are experiencing illusions of grandeur. They think of themselves as magicians as they demonstrate their newly acquired 'glass chiller' to any person or body who'll watch . . . QUESTIONS for the new year: Will T. O. SMITH travel to Pinehurst, North Carolina on a "Sam Snead Scholarship" to prepare for the defense of his crown next summer? . . . Will the LASCHIED's ever return from beautiful Hawaii . . . or, will they return and say: "they saw nothing as beautiful as Indian Lake?" . . . Will anybody get to see WILLIE KLEIN fall down on the ski slopes? . . . Will ART POORBAUGH make a comeback, a la ARNOLD PALMER . . . Will BOB BAR- RON ever come down to earth on his kite? . . . Where is Julie Sham? . . . and finally will your good friend make it to the tennis court this year to lose those pounds that he keeps promising to fight? OH YEAH! . . . It was a great year . . . This year should be better . . . OH YEAH! . . . Oh Yeah! . . . oh yeah! . . .

SOCIAL SCENE

The scene is ever-shifting from good times to better. More and more residents are having Sunday dinners at mid-day at the Lodge.

Coming in the next month: Feb. 4, Square Dance Night. Feb. 5, Regular Saturday Night Dance. Feb. 12, Sweetheart Dance. Bring your valentine. Feb. 19, the Cherry Tree Dance, honoring the father of our country, and Feb. 26, our first LUAU, a Hawaiian spectacular. And a good chance that the new pool will be the scene.

LOOKING TO "66"

The fruits of '66 are more than dreams or promises. Most of them are already in the preliminary stages or on the planning board. Real quick, some of the coming improvements are fantastic to think of.

Look for news of a new 18 hole Championship Golf Course designed by a national figure. The course will sprawl over the peninsula and will provide a picturesque setting for future homes.

Look for the new Airport with its 4,000 foot runway and parking facilities for private planes. The runway will be on the neck of the peninsula. It will feature 'commuter service' to Pittsburgh and other key geographic locales.

GOLF COURSE RE-DESIGNED

Plans are being finalized to modify the present golf course in an effort to improve its playability.

As it now stands, the changes call for the golfer to go from the number 3 green to the old number 4 tee. But instead of driving the "dog leg to the left" the golfer will now tee off down the old number 7 fairway with its pond on the left.

Making old number 7 the new number 4, par 3 hole, necessitated that old number eight becomes number 5, old number 4 becomes number 6, old number 5 becomes number 7, old number 6 becomes number 8 and number 9 remains the same.

The change is expected to improve tee accessibility from preceding greens; it will provide another par 3 hole by modifying old par 4, number 7 hole, and it should provide better and more challenging golf to everybody's dismay.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

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residents of all ages. Probably be held on Friday nights. Would add to every ones delight.

Think about some new types of entertainment for the Lodge dances. The management has New Orleans Jazz (Gut Bucket music), Country-Western sounds, and Latin-American Rhythms. Bands from the Pittsburgh area could be imported to provide the sounds when a local band is not available. Also, consider the incomparable Harold Bettors as a guest combo some night. His trombone is well-known in the tri-state area.

Finally, when you buy a plane for our new runway, stay away from the 'tail wheel' types. You'll find other types, better suited to the mountain weather and its peculiar air streams and pockets. Use of the air strip will be limited to nose wheel aircraft only unless carrying an air taxi certificate.

Look for all road paving on the peninsula, itself, to be completed. This improved access to the peninsula will aid the mobility of residents, the appeal of the peninsula, the progress of peninsula projects and of course stimulate the building of homes on sold lots.

Look for the balance of the water lines to be installed and in working condition. This too will stimulate building and add to the appeal of previous "virgin lots".

Look for all obstructions to be removed from the lake. The great sport of boating will become even better in the days to come.

Look for Indian Lake to become a full-fledged borough of its own. A petition to this effect has already been filed under proper conditions and all evidence points to the fact that it will be favorably received.

Look for a tougher Golf Course in '66. Certain changes on the existing layout should improve the playability in terms of handling crowds but the pars should be tougher. The new number 3 hole, with its pond, will be one 'beautiful' golf hole.

Look for the new and beautiful Indoor/Outdoor Pool to become a hub of Indian Lake activity. The effects of this improvement in terms of the benefits to the residents will be measured for years to come.

These are a few of the things to look for in '66. The future of Indian Lake without a doubt is solid and bright. Every move is designed to maintain the integrity and privacy of the Lake while they will automatically raise the value of every resident's investment.

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People make for a good social whirl and at Indian Lake the people are the difference. With a great year behind us, the coming year of 1966 should be an even "bouncier" year.

A PUFF OF SMOKE

That was the year that POW WOW was born, much to the chagrin of our many friends. The best item to appear during the year: It's a tie between 'Speedy Eddy Specht's boat launching and Ralph Guarino's backward trip down a hill on a bicycle'.

SPORT SCENE

The opening of Indian Lake's Winchester Franchised Gun Club highlighted the sports arena. This unique concept in shooting features a network of skeet and trap ranges, a small bore rifle and pistol, indoor range, a gun shop and a lounge. Top attraction, so far, has been the three dimensional moving "running deer target". This target is mounted on a triangular track which carries the real-life target at various speeds in and out of the foliage.

The most dramatic action of the past season occurred on the links. The famous charge of T.O. Smith is written forever in the golflore of Indian Lake. The championship tournament saw Smith overcome a great lead of Jack Butler's; it saw Don Landis' title hopes smashed with a "monstrous" triple bogey on par 3, eighth hole and final bogies on numbers 10, 11, 12, 15, 16 and 18.

It was a great tournament and T.O. Smith succeeded Art Poorbaugh as the



Club Champion. T.O. is a great champ. His cool play on the final nine is compared with the best, relatively speaking.

Elsewhere, a new golf fad, Scotch Ball Foursome, caught on. This game is enjoyed by both men and women. It features happy competition by mixed teams.

The Memorial Day Golf Tournament, played under the Callaway system of scoring, was won by a feminine dark-horse, Polly Poorbaugh. She was one of the few women entered in the event.

Best 9 hole score is still Paul Wagner's par.

With the new Gun Club, the Rifle Leagues flourished as did the Bowling Leagues.

PLENTY TO DO

Several clubs and activities flourished during the year. The cultural series began; ski clubs and boating clubs made their appearance as did the art of 'sailing'.

1965 was the year that Merle Johnson almost won the "Top Buck" award from the Gun Club for his hunting prowess. It was the year Bud Burns and Nick Papasoff joined the management staff. And the Char Grille Room was formally opened.

OH YEAH!

All in all, it was a really good year. 1966 should be the greatest year yet. The management thanks the many residents for co-operating with them in making it the best year yet. And looks forward to the coming one with "enthusiasm."

The Smoke Signal will again chart the course of the Lake as the future unfolds. Any suggestions on ways to improve the contents, format, or the effectiveness of the Smoke Signal will be considered. Or, if you have items for the Smoke Signal's POW WOW column, feel free to submit them. Anything in good taste and of interest will be considered for publication. See you in '66.