



AMBC NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2026

341 MEMBERS:

165 REGULAR

167 SOCIAL

9 HONORARY

OFFICERS:

Commodore Ron Cobine*
 Vice Commodore Rhone Gillis*
 Secretary Ryan Bollinger*
 Treasurer Ron Skrabacz*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Board Chairman Mike Hentrich*
 Bar Scott Mifflin*
 Dock Assignment Kenny Campbell
 Dock Repair Matt Knight*
 Entertainment Nick Fencel*
 Grounds Red Dunham*
 House Dan Fitzgerald
 Membership Scott Mandrell
 Special Events Ray Byrd

***Congratulations to our 2026 election winners!**

THE BOAT CLUB MOURNS THE LOSS OF:

LONGTIME MEMBER JOELLEN BUSH
 FORMER COMMODORE MIKE JACKSON
 JIM NEUMANN'S MOTHER
 RICH KORTKAMP'S FATHER

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS:

ROB WHITTEN – UPGRADE TO REGULAR
 SAM CRONIN – UPGRADE TO REGULAR
 SCOTT WIEBE – REGULAR

RECENT QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWINGS:

DATE	NAME DRAWN	CARD	POT
1/1	Julie Weiner	QH	\$2,178
1/15	No Drawing		
1/22	Don Schmoeller	JH	\$265
1/29	Terry Williams Sr	9C	\$295

RECENT WEEKLY DRAWINGS:

DATE	NAME DRAWN	POT	SIGNED?
1/3	Mindy Greer	\$618	NO
1/10	Debbie Wedding	\$706	NO
1/17	CPT Ron Jenkins	\$782	NO
1/24	No Drawing		

RECENT MONTHLY DRAWING:

DATE	NAME DRAWN	POT	SIGNED?
1/20	Cliff Rushton	\$1,500	YES

BOARD CHAIRMAN: Mike Hentrich 618-920-8227

Big thanks to all those who attended January's meeting and election, I believe we had 77 voting members! We will need fresh ideas and more volunteers to successfully keep the club and all its benefits moving forward. Please consider a resolution to attend this year's monthly membership meetings to share all your great ideas. Stay warm, the Jon Boat Jamboree is just around the corner.

UPCOMING EVENTS

4 February – Organizational meeting for April 18th fundraiser in coordination with Ducks Unlimited. Like our Turkey Shoot, this will take lots of planning. Help us get a timely start working on this event.

8 February – Super Bowl LX Potluck Party

The Patriots and Seahawks battle in a rematch of Super Bowl XLIX in 2015 where the last second interception by Malcom Butler gave Brady his 4th Lombardi Trophy. Bring a dish or a side, we'll bring the games and Drinks! Super Bowl at the Boat Club is always a great event.

28 February – Last Day to Pay your Dues

On March 1st, any member who has not paid their dues will be considered delinquent. A delinquent member will be reinstated if their dues and an additional 25% late fee are paid before April 1st.

21 March – Jon Boat Jamboree

Party starts when the first boat arrives, more info coming in the March Newsletter.

PAST EVENTS

20 January – Annual Meeting and Election

A very impressive 77 members cast their votes on election night. Thanks to all who performed their civic duty, and congrats to the 9 winners. Leaving the board this year are Matt Fitzgerald and Chris Nicholson. Thanks to both of you for your dedication to the Club.

31 January – Installation Dance

Flip the Frog joined us to install our new Officers and Board members for 2026. Another thanks to the outgoing board members and to all the nominees.

CLUB HOURS: MON THRU THURS 4PM-10PM, FRI 3PM-1AM, SAT 12PM-1AM, SUN 12PM-10PM

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BAR: Scott Mifflin 504-415-0200

New bar specials are coming soon. Mondays will have a dinner offering as well as \$5 Pizzas. Tuesdays will continue to offer \$5 Double Cheeseburgers and Wednesdays will be Ladies Night! Along with 75¢ Wings, we'll have wine specials and a \$7 Corking fee option where you can bring your own bottle!

DOCK ASSIGNMENT: Kenny Campbell 636-259-6568

Do you have a watercraft in the harbor, or a boat/trailer in the parking lot? Do you use the ramp? If any of these are true, you must turn in new copies of proof of \$300,000 liability insurance when you pay your dues. Also, docks are to be occupied by active watercraft. If your slip is not being used, you can sublease it for 1 year. After that, you must occupy the slip or put it up for bid.

DOCK REPAIR: Matt Knight 618-407-9890

The goal is to have the water to the docks back on by the Jon Boat Jamboree March 21st. Let Matt know if you see anything that needs attention or repair.

ENTERTAINMENT: Nick Fencel 618-540-2516

Flip the Frog will start off our year on Jan 31st. Monitor Facebook and newsletters for coming announcements.

GROUNDS: Red Dunham 618-600-5226

When the weather breaks, we'll need plenty of volunteers to clean our lot. Do we have any members with "green thumbs" or that like to landscape? Let's hear your ideas.

HOUSE: Dan Fitzgerald 618-806-3708

What's your special skill? HVAC, carpentry, plumbing, etc.? Fitz could use your expertise on the House committee. Work hours are always available.

MEMBERSHIP: Scott Mandrell 618-920-0695

Unless you are an Officer or Board Member, all 152 regular members must work 10 hours per year. In 2026, we want you to get involved. You'll get 1 work hour for each Membership Meeting you attend. As always, all unworked hours will be charged at \$20 each on your next invoice. Failure to pay for your work hours will result in a "Not in good standing" membership and risk termination.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Ray Byrd 618-973-8689

Less than 2 months away, Sunday, March 29th will be our Annual Kid's Easter Party. Anyone willing to help with the Event can contact Ray and Jen Byrd. Our AMBC Golf Tournament at Lockhaven is scheduled for September 19th. Who's going to be on your Foursome.

FROM THE KITCHEN

We've brought back our Thursday, Queen of Hearts dinner specials. If you have any suggestions for a future menu item or feature, let Red know.

WHERE DO OUR 341 CLUB MEMBERS CALL HOME?

GODFREY	140	EDWARDSVILLE	3
ALTON	72	HIGH RIDGE, MO	2
GRAFTON	21	ROXANA	2
DOW	16	ST LOUIS, MO	2
ELSAH	15	CARROLLTON	1
BRIGHTON	13	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA	1
JERSEYVILLE	10	MANCHESTER, MO	1
WOOD RIVER	10	MORO	1
EAST ALTON	8	O'FALLON, MO	1
GRANITE CITY	8	PIASA	1
BETHALTO	6	ST CHARLES, MO	1
FLORISSANT, MO	5	WEST ALTON, MO	1

FROM THE COMMODORE:

Beginning February 1st, all fees including membership, coupon books, docks, ramp access, and parking spaces are payable at the Club. Unless you are on an ACH (Monthly payment plan), your dues must be paid in full by Saturday, February 28th.

We've updated some of the rules on the Queen of Hearts game for this round in an effort to grow the pot faster. Remember, you can buy Queen tickets any day of the week. We've also been researching several other games and activities that could draw a crowd and show everyone a great time.

Thanks to all the members who do what it takes to make our Club the best on The Mississippi. I look forward to serving as your Commodore.

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FEBRUARY 2026 AT THE BOAT CLUB

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 KITCHEN 3-8 COUPON CARDS ARE RELOADED ALL DUES ARE PAYABLE \$2 BLOODY MARYS	2 BOARD MEETING 7PM PIZZAS AVAILABLE 	3 DOUBLE CHEESEBURGERS FRIES 5:30-8:00	4 75¢ WINGS PLUS FULL MENU 5-9 	5 QUEEN OF HEARTS 50/50 CHILI MAC FULL MENU 5-9	6 GALLEY 5-9	7 WEEKLY DRAWING 8PM KITCHEN 4-9
8  OPEN AT NOON POTLUCK PARTY \$2 BLOODY MARYS	9 PIZZAS AVAILABLE	10 DOUBLE CHEESEBURGERS FRIES 5:30-8:00	11 75¢ WINGS PLUS FULL MENU 5-9	12 QUEEN OF HEARTS 50/50 CHICKEN ALFREDO PASTA W/ GARLIC BREAD FULL MENU 5-9	13 GALLEY 5-9	14 WEEKLY DRAWING 8PM KITCHEN 4-9
15  KITCHEN 3-8 \$2 BLOODY MARYS	16 PIZZAS AVAILABLE	17 MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7PM MONTHLY DRAWING 7PM HARD AND SOFT TACOS \$2.50 EACH	18 75¢ WINGS PLUS FULL MENU 5-9	19 QUEEN OF HEARTS 50/50 STEAK KABOBS KITCHEN 5-9	20 GALLEY 5-9	21 WEEKLY DRAWING 8PM KITCHEN 4-9
22 KITCHEN 3-8 \$2 BLOODY MARYS	23 PIZZAS AVAILABLE	24 DOUBLE CHEESEBURGERS FRIES 5:30-8:00	25 75¢ WINGS PLUS FULL MENU 5-9	26 QUEEN OF HEARTS 50/50 COUNTRY FRIED CHICKEN OR STEAK KITCHEN 5-9 	27 GALLEY 5-9	28 LAST DAY TO PAY YOUR DUES WEEKLY DRWNG 8 KITCHEN 4-9 
			-DOORS AT NOON -ALL DAY POTLUCK -GAMES -DRAWINGS -KICKOFF AT 5PM -ARRIVE EARLY		JON BOAT JAMBOREE MARCH 21 ST , MISSISSIPPI RIVER 	

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