

## Moose Lake News by Jim Onarheim

There was crowd at Louie's last Thursday afternoon. Apparently several ladies accepted Marge's invitation to play Pinochle. Eight Ladies attended last Thursday afternoon August 13<sup>th</sup> at Louie's Landing. All the ladies started playing at 11:00 AM. They ordered their lunch and continued playing until Jack served their meal. After a lunch break they continued with some serious card playing until around 3 PM.

In the end, the winner was Audrey Pearson with Carolyn Viertel taking second. Joanie Linahon took home the boobie prize which can be as much as up to a handful of dimes, or as little as just a few dimes. My wife Bard tells me that this all depends on how many times the ladies get set. I do not understand the game of Pinochle, but I know they have a good time each week. All ladies are invited to attend. They play every Thursday at Louie's at 11:00 AM. If you would like to play, give Margie Mc Cormick a call at 715-462-9414 or Carolyn Viertel a call at 715-462-4373. You are assured of a good time with an afternoon of fun.

This past weekend I and two other EMT's assisted at the Sayer County Fair during the Bull Riding on Saturday evening and the Dirt Dash Demo Derby and the Demolition Derby at the end of the event on Sunday afternoon.

On Saturday evening the bull riding started at 7 PM. During the Bull riding I noticed Sawyer County Record's News Reporter Terrell Boettcher taking some photos of the Bull Riding on the opposite end of the arena from where I was located. Apparently one of the bulls did not like him taking photos or maybe he was too close to the fence. The bull threw his rider and was jogging around the arena next the fence when he passed by Terrell. He then stopped and quickly turned around. I noticed that Terrell backed up very quickly. I think Terrell knew that the bull was a little upset after someone was just trying to ride him.

Yes, a Brahma Bull is nothing to fool around with. They are very unpredictable, powerful, and a strong animal. This I do know because I speak from experience. When I was in my 20's I rode in many rodeos on a part time basis. I traveled throughout the Midwest every weekend trying to challenge myself against some one of these 3000 lb. animals.

I also participated in the bareback bronc riding. I traveled as far west as Newcastle Wyoming but most of the time I spent my time riding in Minnesota and Wisconsin. At One time, I had the opportunity to draw the world Champion Brahma bull at one rodeo. In 1967 this bull was the best of the best. He was selected to go to the World Championship competition where he threw off the Cowboy who was crowned the world champion bull rider for 1967, Larry Mahan.

Yes, as far as my ride on Colonel B the World Champion Brahma Bull for 1967, I lasted maybe 3 seconds of an 8 second qualified ride. This was the most powerful bull I have ever been on. Luckily in my 8- year rodeo career I only broke one bone in my body which was in my R. arm. It was fun but challenging. The memories will always be there.

On Sunday we were on Standby duty for the Dirt Dash, Demo Derby & Demolition Derby. There were 44 cars that entered which was about twice as many as last year. There were about 16 races which consisted of 5 cars to a race prior to the Demolition Derby. Many of these cars had problems and had to

leave the race. After these smaller races were complete it was time to smash up the remainder of the cars.

All I can say in the end every car that could still run, participated in the Demolition Derby. There were about 16 cars that were still running that could participate.

The race chief started the final race and these cars kept banging into each other until there was one car left that could still run. He was declared the winner. I do not know anything about this sport, but what I learned is these drivers like smashing these cars up. They even accidentally rolled one car over. I personally feel this was more dangerous than the Bull riding. In both days we just had minor injuries. The contestants did not want any treatment for their injuries. They just wanted to tough it out.

Fishing on Moose Lake this past week has been the same as it has in the past few weeks, it has been challenging. One thing that has been working is trolling Rattle Traps or Flicker Shads at a slower speed. One guest at Mystic Moose Resort has been using this method and has some luck. He has been catching larger walleyes also. Something you may want to try. Water temperature is at 75 degrees. It is cooling off.

Birthday greeting this week are extended out to, Judy Seeger on the 19<sup>th</sup>, Rudy Seeger on the 21<sup>st</sup>, John Myhre and Jane Galles both on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Tommy Briggs & Christopher Seeger both on the 25<sup>th</sup> of August & Janet Bajek on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Happy Birthday to all of you. Anniversary wishes are sent out to, Tom & Chris Jablonski and Dave and Marilyn Sanders both on Thursday August 20<sup>th</sup>. On the 21<sup>st</sup> Dean and Penny Broberg & Fred and Joan Taylor will be celebrating. Our last anniversary this week is Bill & Carrie Jo O'Brien. Happy Anniversary to all.

Well that is all we have for this week. Keep the news coming my way so we have things to write about. Enjoy the beautiful summer weather with the cool nights which are good for sleeping. Remember, wear your mask, keep your distance, and stay safe. Any News that you have can be sent to me at [jonarheim@centurytel.net](mailto:jonarheim@centurytel.net) or 715-462-4448.