

# HARVEYS LAKE *It's the Greatest!*

## Avanti Water Bugs Appearing At Harveys Lake

The thrills of water-skiing lure many young Back Mountain residents to try their hand at it—and when one or two skiers get together, more spectacular stunts for skimming the water's surface are devised.

The Avanti Water Bugs is a club of water skiers which was organized at Harveys Lake in 1968. The members, who specialize in stunting, typify the fun and thrill-loving set.

Ranging in age from 11 to 22 years, the club roster includes

Jim Kelly, president; Joe Volinsky, Billy Dunn, Tommy Dunn, Pedro Balzac, I.J. Hosey, Georgie Alles, Steven Volinsky, Woodie LaBar, Michele Kelly, Debbie Trapani, Bice Hosey, Dori Kelly, Lee Ann Dunn (the youngest), Mickey Franconi, Caddie LaBar, Mike Brice and Buddy Boris. The latter three are currently on the injured list. Jim Kelly was a member of the group which founded the club.

The Bugs, who have performed at Harveys Lake for the

past three years, can currently be viewed on television in a filmed commercial by a local beverage firm. Included on their ski show schedule for the summer are shows at Sandy Beach, Saturday, and at Hanson's Park, Aug. 8. Ski show acts include jumping, ballet, trick skiing, pyramids, clown skits, bare-footing and others.

A slalom course and a ski ramp have been set up at the Lake at Warden Place. Much practice time is spent on the course and ramp, as the Water Bugs get ready for the upcoming Eastern Regional Tournament at Lakewood, N.J. The local group have skied competitively on the eastern coast in sanctioned American Water Ski Association tournaments, including the New York State Championships in Schenectady, and the Northeastern Championships, Binghamton, N.Y., where they placed among the top 10.

Membership in the club is open to anyone.

### The Early Bird Gets the Space!

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Members of the Avanti Water Bugs form a pyramid during a performance at Harveys Lake. Shown on water skis, left to right are: Joe Volinsky, Bill Dunn and Caddie LaBar, Michelle Kelly, left, and Bice Hosey are on top. Bud Boris is at the wheel of the boat while I. J. Hosey observes.

## Game Commission Sets Game Bird Season

Dates of hunting seasons and bag limits for doves, rails, gallinules, snipe and woodcock for 1971 were established recently by the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

The framework for seasons and limits is set up by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington following annual surveys of breeding populations. States then select dates for seasons within the federal framework.

The Pennsylvania season for doves will open at 12 noon Sept. 1, and will close at sunset Nov. 9.

Daily shooting hours for doves will be from 12 noon prevailing time until sunset. The daily limit will be 12, with a possession limit of 24 after the first day of the season.

A 70-day season on sora and Virginia rails and gallinules will coincide with the dove season, opening Sept. 1 and closing Nov. 9. There is no open season on king and clapper rails in Pennsylvania.

The daily bag and possession limit is 25 on sora and Virginia rails singly or in the aggregate of the two species. The daily limit on gallinules is 15, with not more than 30 in possession after the first day of the season.

This year snipe season will open Oct. 11, and continue through Dec. 14. The daily bag limit on Wilson's or jacksnipe is 8, with a possession limit of 16.

## Theatre 3 Reports 66% Goal Reached

Louis F. Goeringer, general chairman of College Misericordia's 1971 Theatre 3 benefactor campaign, has announced that 66.8 percent of the total goal of 350 benefactors has been achieved following the first month of the campaign. The percentage represents 234 benefactors registered to date in the campaign scheduled to last through Aug. 11.

The Theatre 3 campaign status report was released following a meeting of the campaign team captains at the Hotel Sterling. The report meeting was the second for the campaign with the next meeting scheduled for July 28.

All benefactors of Theatre 3 are entitled to two reserved seats for each of the three Theatre 3 presentations. The first presentation for the 1971-72 series will be "The John Gary Show," Oct. 5. All programs will be held in the Irem Temple Auditorium in Wilkes-Barre.

The season for woodcock opens Oct. 16, the same day as the opener for squirrel and grouse. The woodcock season closes Dec. 18. This year's daily bag limit on woodcock remains at 5, with a possession limit of 10 after the first day.

Shooting hours for rails, gallinules, snipe and woodcock are from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset except on the opening day of the general small game season, Oct. 30, when there will be no hunting for any wild birds or wild animals in the state before 9 a.m.

## Iceland Hosts Anglers From Back Mountain

by Millie Hogoboom

To a fly fisherman, salmon is king. To the true sportsman, no distance is too great, no river too difficult to reach where salmon abound. So last July 8, nine local men packed up their rods and tied their last fly in preparation for their flight to Iceland and a week of casting

## Harveys Lake Loses Buoys

Four buoys in Harveys Lake have been stolen in recent weeks, according to Claude Neifert, coordinator, Region 3, Pennsylvania Fish Commission.

Tampering with or removal of the markers is a Federal offense, stated Mr. Neifert, and anyone caught violating the law will be prosecuted.

for salmon on the Laxa River, about 30 miles northwest of Reykjavik, Iceland's capital. The hearty adventurers were George Ruckno, Bob Weaver, Frank Henry, Harold Snowdon Jr., Louis Maslow, Austin Howard, Jack Conyngnam, Charles Epstein and Ed Allen.

What they found was a land of contrasts. The northern tip of Iceland touches the Arctic Circle and the southern shore is warmed by the Gulf Stream. Average summertime temperatures range between 40 and 65 degrees while the winters may be no more severe than ours. It is the land of the midnight sun and this presented the biggest problem to our fishermen. They found it most difficult to go to sleep in full daylight. Iceland is a volcanic island and still has some 30 active volcanoes, although they did not see any.

Inhabited for nearly 12 centuries, Reykjavik boasts that most of its population live in homes built within the last 20 years. Natural hot water springs provide heat and hot water for homes and the many swimming pools. Smog and air pollution are non-existent, but the terrain is totally devoid of trees. Fishing and farming are its principal industries; however, sheep and Icelandic ponies are also raised in abundance. The only wild animal is the Arctic fox but birds of all kinds are plentiful.

The local men found the people to be very handsome, intelligent, and most of all friendly. In return the natives were amazed at the skill and success our men had with fly fishing. Most Europeans who fish in Iceland use spoons, spinners or worms. To say it was a fantastic vacation is almost an understatement. It certainly was a truly masculine vacation.

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## PSU Vets Take Studies Seriously

George Nicholls, president of the Veterans Club of the Wilkes-Barre Campus, Pennsylvania State University, recently completed a survey which resulted in some interesting information.

Fifty-nine veterans were registered at the local campus during the past season—veterans who represented every branch of the military service.

In checking out records during their terms at Wilkes-Barre Campus, Mr. Nicholls came up with information that the group had achieved an overall average of B plus as compared to an overall cumulative average of C plus for students entering from high school.

This sets a fine example for the veterans in view of the fact that most of these men have been out of high school for at least six years before registering for higher education. In addition, their academic records were low when compared to those of students just graduated from area high schools.

Mr. Nicholls stated that most of the men reported that their experience in the service made them realize the importance of continuing their education in order to further their careers in civilian life. Most of the veterans developed an interest in various fields during their work in areas of the military service and have thus enrolled in surveying, electrical engineering, highway construction, mass communications, or drafting.

Although approximately 20 of the 59 veterans either graduated this year with an associate degree or transferred to another campus, registrations indicate that a larger number of veterans will be attending classes at the Wilkes-Barre Campus this fall.

## Mobile Homes Topic of New Library Book

More and more people are buying mobile homes as permanent residences every year, and there is little sign of the trend's coming to a halt. Interest costs will remain high; mortgages will remain hard to find; people will continue to buy cheap, good housing.

So You Want to Buy a Mobile Home by Al Griffin covers, in detail, the advantages and limitations of mobile home living and tells the customer what he has a right to expect. Basically, this is a how-to-buy book for prospective buyers of mobile homes on a dollar-and-cents basis, and includes a complete listing of mobile home manufacturers and their products.

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