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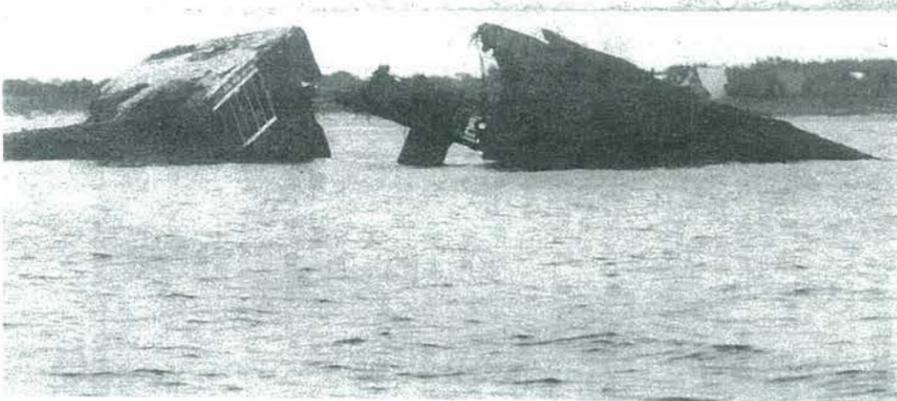
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Tanker Battles The Ewings

Early September saw the Ewings take on a tanker for right-of-way in their favorite fishing hole. The results (see photos below) prove you don't mess with the Ewings when they are catching fish.



Before



After

I Been Burglarized



Gene Coleman is shown above after discovering half of his house missing. "I got so many children I don't know what to do . . ." he was quoted as saying. At this writing, he was negotiating with an old lady for a shoe.

Miss Jeri II Records High Catch



On Sunday August 4, the fishing quartet of Randy Frech, Eugene Coleman, Earl Schliegelmelch, and Keith Shelly recorded the season high catch of 118 trout aboard the Miss Jeri II. This fearless foursome braved high seas, blazing sun and Earl's bologna to accomplish this amazing feat. The four have written a book, **Catching Trout Earl's Way**, which will go on sale February 8th at Liberty Fire Hall.

New Appointment at Bowers



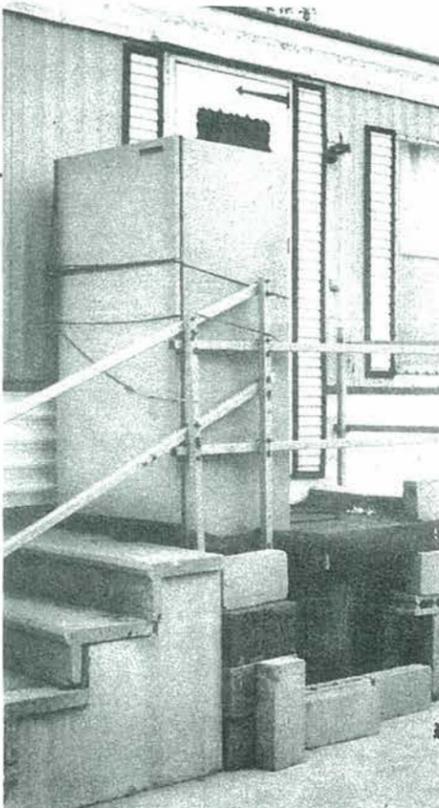
We are also proud to announce the self-appointment of Dick Fauber to the post of Special Projects Supervisor. Dick's willingness to watch anybody work makes him a natural for this important post formally occupied by Frank Battuss. With all the special projects proposed for the coming summer, Dick demanded rapid transportation to properly supervise all operations and was provided budgetary means of travel as shown above.

Bowers "500" to be Held July 4th



July 4th has been set aside for what promises to be one of the greatest races ever to come to the state of Delaware. Hotrod Hunsicker, seen taunting an opponent, will bring his 4 wheel drive Ariens to do battle with Pop-Pop Ewing. Pop-pop will be driving his fuel injected craftsmen, and has a qualifying time of 2.4 lawns an hour. The loser will have to mow all lawns for the remainder of the summer.

Incredible Hulk Visits Bowers

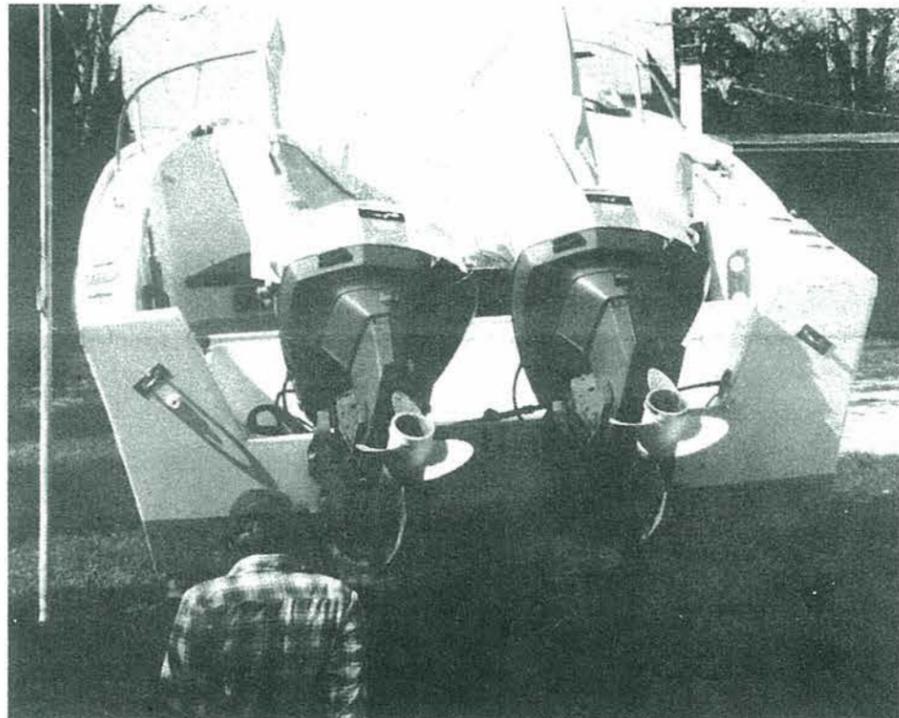


Our roving photographer picked up this pre-hurricane preparation. Ken Walker wanted to make sure his trailer didn't float away, so he tied it to his refrigerator.



On Saturday, August 10, the Incredible Hulk made a stop at Bowers. The hulk seen talking to Slug, is a charter member of the Beach Bums and wore his t-shirt to prove it. The hulk will be available for autographs on Saturday, February 8th at Liberty Fire Hall.

Antique Motors for Sale



Jim O'Connor, seen praying for his motors to run one more time will auction off two Johnson 115 h.p. outboards to the highest bidder on February 8th, at the Liberty Fire Hall.

Rons Used Boats



You too can be a boat owner. Visit Rons Used Boats, Bowers, Delaware for the biggest selection of boats in the area. Most are cream puffs, with less than 2,000 hours. Stop in and see Ron today. (No reasonable offer refused.)

Horse Shoe Champions Crowned



Randy Frech and Jerry Shelly were crowned horse shoe champions at Bowers at the first annual crab feast. The pair swept through the grueling single elimination tournament with a 5 win 0 loss record. They climaxed their march to the top with an exciting, come from behind, 21-8 victory over Earl Schlegelmelch and Bill Henebury. A capacity crowd lined the Beach Bum horseshoe arena, bringing gnats and mosquitoes, to cheer teams doing battle in the pits. The champions plan on taking a few weeks off before going on an exhibition tour in Lewes, Rehoboth, Dover and finishing with a grudge match against cross-river rival South Bowers. They attribute the success to lots of hard work and plenty of Milwaukee's Best.

Battle of the Bulge waged at Bowers



This year fishing competition was hot and heavy between two arch rivals, Ed Ewing and Earl Slegemillech. This year they were pitted together aboard the Lazy Daze in an effort to finally put to rest the issue of fishing expertise in the unlimited class. This is a best of three series, so you'll have to wait until 1987 for the results. When asked when the idea for this grueling matchup came from, Captain Ron Hunsicker stated, "I needed ballast to test my trim tabs."

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USED POWERPACKS for Evinrude engines. See Bloomy or Rich Ewing at Liberty Fire Hall, Spring City, on February 8, 1986.

SINGING LESSONS AVAILABLE. Country Western our Specialty. "It's Hard to be Humble" Voice Academy. See Albert Jerrell at Spring City, February 8, 1986.

HURRICANE SURVIVAL TECHNIQUES taught by the best. Prepare yourself for the worst. Seminars given by Harry Crawford.

PAUL'S PROP — Modification. Props modified without drydock. Blade reduction our specialty — See Paul Coleman, Main and Hall Streets, Pa. at 6:00 p.m., February 8, 1986.

JIM'S BATHROOM RENOVATIONS — "We take our time to do it right." Order now to ensure completion before the next return of Halley's Comet. See Jim O'Connor at the Banquet on February 8, 1986.

KEN'S PAINTING SERVICE — "We take our time to do it right." Order now to ensure completion before the next return of Halley's Comet. See Ken Jones at the Banquet February 8, 1986.

WICKENHIESERS SCHOOL OF ROUGH WATER NAVIGATION — The best techniques for predicting rough seas and under-water piloting. Learn what you shouldn't do when the waters turn rough.

Hurricane Hits Bowers Beach



While Bowers Beach remained virtually unscathed from Hurricane Gloria, two more fearsome hurricanes inflicted localized damage. The first storm, Hurricane Bill, ripped through the Snyder, Hannebury, and O'Connor properties leveling virtually every tree in its path. Cleanup operations are not yet finalized. The second hurricane, Hurricane Ken, was even more select in its destruction. Only one tree on the Riese property received damage, but the chain-saw like winds not only cut every branch, but stacked it in a huge pile. (See Photo).

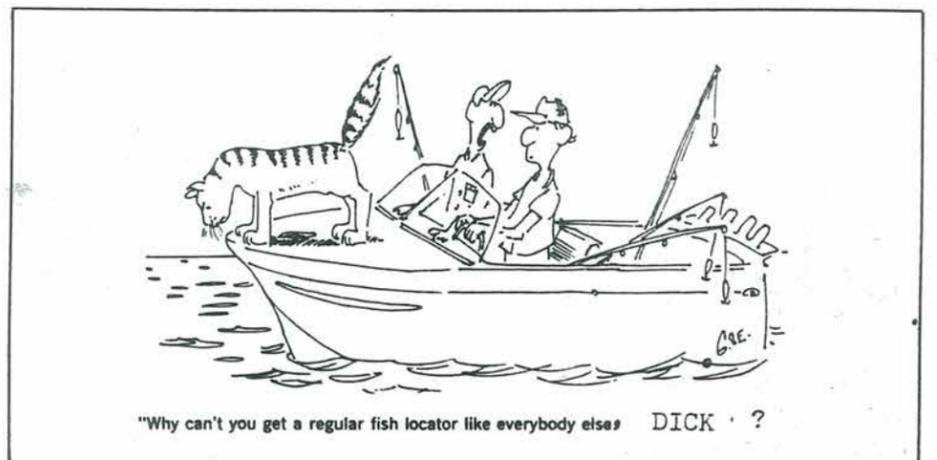


1st Annual Crab Feast A Success

Sunday September 1st, the Beach Bums took time off from their usual fish catching to attend the Beach Bum Crab Feast. An estimated 150 people were on hand to enjoy the festivities. Highlights included good food, good stories and an exciting horseshoe tournament. Next years' feast promises be bigger and better than ever.

Clammers Score Big

Earl Schliegelmelch again took a crew of clammers to southern Delaware. After a year of ridicule, Earl silenced critics by bringing home 400 clams. Earl's crew included Jerry Shelly, Keith Shelly, Rich Ewing and Ed Ewing. No bearded clams were caught but many were reported sighted. Earl attributed his success to a more efficient bartender.



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