

Fishing



By

"The Crappie Catcher" Echo Bay Will Be Best

The ole C.C. picked up the best news of the year for Lake Mead fishermen and vacationers, and is jumping the starter's gun by passing the news along.

ONE OF the largest operations on the Strip is taking over the Echo Bay Hotel and facilities and will develop that area into the top boating, fishing and vacation spot in the land. The conveniences presently available at Echo Bay are already the best right now, but will be expanded into a recreational paradise under the plans of the new operators.

The only hotel on Lake Mead is at Echo Bay. It is brand new, ultramodern, and top cabin. The rates are unbelievably low, at \$12 to \$14 per day. It is a 50-odd room structure which will eventually be expanded to a much larger one.

The hotel sits majestically on top of a ridge and as all rooms are outside rooms, all guests are offered a wonderful view of a wide expanse of beautiful Lake Mead.

A RANGER Station is located on the same ridge, about 100 yards above the hotel.

Below the ridge, on the Echo Bay side, away from the lake, is a modern trailer park and picnic grounds. Expansion plans call for doubling the number of trailer spaces. Running water, electricity and telephone facilities are available, and though present facilities are already the very best on the entire lake, they soon will be larger and even better.

The loading ramp, though not as large as some others, is the best. It will be doubled in size by the new operators from the Strip.

The Echo Bay harbor is the best protected boat mooring facility on Lake Mead. Regardless of wind velocity, or wind direction, Echo Bay harbor remains calm and safe.

THE DOCK has excellent slips and services for boaters. There is a store located right in the center of the dock which stocks all emergency needs for fishermen and boaters. Food, beverages, ice, tackle, bait and marine supplies can be purchased right there on the dock.

The new development plans for the dock (which will be enlarged to handle a hundred boats) are fantastic and the store will be enlarged and stocked with everything vacationers might need. Gasoline and Marine services are now available, but also are scheduled for improvement.

Echo Bay can be reached via the picturesque North Shore drive, an excellent road that limits the trip to about an hour of easy driving.

This vacation paradise can be reached from Vegas Wash in about an hour and a half by the average boat with a 28 to 30-mile cruising speed. The boat ride from Vegas Wash to Echo Bay is a scenic delight. The water route is shorter than the overland haul, and is the best way to travel on a calm day.

WITHIN A 20 to 30 minute boat trip out of Echo Bay, there are dozens of the best fishing grounds to be found on Lake Mead, and excellent fishing is to be had without venturing outside the bay.

Rental boats of all sorts and sizes, from skiffs to cabin cruisers, are available as are fishing guides for those who desire them. The price is right for whatever you want.

The Echo Bay vacation paradise is designed to fit the budget of the average family. The entire promotion is being geared to fit the pocket-books of those who want the best, but who must stick to a tight budget.

The entire plan for this greatest recreational facility of the West will follow the pattern of "all of the best for a little less" policy in the exact theme as does the Strip Hotel which is promoting the dreamland for the average American family.

The Stardust is the Fairy Godparent of this dream, soon to be a fact.

HEADSTARTERS CHECK PARK IMPROVEMENTS



Miss Rose Lee Wilmore and her "Operation Independence" Head Start Class take a look at new improvements in Highland Park with R. O. Forson, Director of Parks & Recreation for North Las Vegas.

Improvements include new cement sidewalks, game courts, tree planters and attractive landscaping. --(R.E. Walpole photo)

Spotlight On Sports

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(Editor's note: As we go to press, the 1967 World Series Champions have not yet been determined although the St. Louis Cardinals are still odds-on favorites as they have been from the beginning against the valiant young Boston Red Sox team. Following the Cardinals' NL pennant victory, we were in receipt of the following article (dated Sept. 22) by NPI sports-writer Livingston picking the Cards to win in six games, no matter which American Leaguers they faced in the Series, and recalling the master pitching performance of Bob Gibson for St. Louis in the 1964 World Series and speculating on the probability of the ace hurler repeating that performance. Although the answer to the Series is not known at this writing, the question of Gibson's contribution is in the record. We thought you might enjoy reading it).

WILL HISTORY REPEAT FOR GIBSON?

With the St. Louis Cardinals already sitting pretty atop the National League, with its second pennant in four years, thoughts may now be turned to the speculative aspects of the Redbirds' impending World Series clash with the American League winner.

In 1964, the Redbirds had to scramble for the pennant, rallying from 11 games out as late as Aug. 23. By contrast, they made it look rather easy this year, wrapping up the pennant early last week with many games still remaining on their schedule.

But there is still enough resemblance between the 1967 Cardinals and the scrappy Redbirds of '64 to venture some comparisons in performance.

FIRST OF all, let me predict that the Cardinals will win the Series, and require no more than six (6) games to do it. This may appear bold and premature for, at this writing, the American League flag race is yet undecided. Four teams are slugging it out: the power-laden Minnesota Twins and the equally free-swinging Boston Red Sox; the fantastic hit-and-putt, pitching-deep Chicago White Sox, and the scrappy Detroit Tigers.

But the question of the eventual winner of the AL race doesn't matter terribly; for it is my view that neither of the four AL contending teams can hold a candle afield to the haughty, talent-laden Redbirds.

With forecasting the Series winner out the way, then the big question still in my mind, as it may be for many baseball fans, is whether history will repeat itself for Bob Gibson, the Cardinals' slender fast-balling righthander.

In '64, the Cardinals rode to the pennant on the strong right arm of Gibson. In '67, Gibson was again pitching the Redbirds to the pennant when tragedy struck. His right leg was fractured at about mid-season when he was struck by a whistling drive off the bat of an opposing player. As a result, Gibson was sidelined for several weeks.

But you don't keep a man of Gibson's indomitable spirit on the bench. Near season's end, Bob bounced off the bench to pitch three successive victories, including the one that clinched the pennant for the Redbirds.

OF COURSE, the biggest clincher of all in Gibson's baseball career came in the seventh and final game of the '64 Series against the then-mighty New York Yankees.

Gibson was pitching his third Series game in eight days and there was some apprehension as to whether, on such short rest, he could withstand the Yankees onslaught, led by Mickey Mantle, Elston Howard, Tom Tresh, John Blanchard and Joe Pepitone.

Guys like them could "knock a pitcher's brains out" under any circumstances, but Gibson was not awed by them, and what happened in the exciting, but nerve-jagging ninth inning of that Series finale proved it.

The "Mick" had put the Yankees back into the game with a three-run, opposite-field homer in the sixth inning, to make the score 6 to 3. Then came the pulsating ninth.

Clete Boyer promptly slugged a solo homer to make the score 6-4, and the 30,346 partisan St. Louis fans began to worry. "Would manager Harvey Keene yank Gibson?" Keene himself was pacing the dugout with furrowed brow, no doubt puzzling that question himself.

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Football Star Divorced

BALTIMORE - (NPI)--Mrs. Jean Marie Lorick, wife of Baltimore Colts' star fullback Tony Lorick, recently was granted an uncontested divorce that included \$700-a-month payment and custody of the couple's three children. Included in the \$700 Lorick is to pay his wife, are \$400 for alimony and \$300 support for the children. Lorick reportedly earns \$20,000 a year from the Colts.

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