

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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Maying Feast great fun; \$\$\$ raised for Leukemia Society!!!

Allan Stewart and Karen Kraft did it again. The Maying Feast proved to be another sterling party theme with great food in conjunction with fun and clever costumes. Several of the participants arrived in nymph costumes representing Naiads (nymphs of rivers and streams) and Limnades (nymphs of Lakes). We even had a Hermès (the god of shepherds), or at least it appeared that way. With all the costumes and fun and games we concluded with a coronation of the king and queen of the Maying Feast – Dave Uttendorfer and Dana Maschmeyer.



Photo courtesy of Ken Schowe

May Queen Dana and King Dave basking in their royalness.

The food was plentiful and delicious with chefs Moti Schwartz and Dave Vogel grilling the beef and chicken shish kebabs served up with bakes legumes and other tasty items.

To accompany the dinner, Allan concocted another superb batch of rum punch. Just take a look at the photos under Maying Feast on the web site to see how many folks were seen sipping from plastic cups filled with a frothy orange liquid.



Photo: Rey Neville

May Feast costumes and Allan's Punch - a combination for fun.

Although fun was on the agenda, our key purpose for gathering this beautiful evening was to raise funds for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society as a part of the Leukemia Cup Regatta fund raising activity. The combined 50-50 and dinner receipts resulted in a total of \$420 that Boulder Yacht Club donated to this very worth cause, making the evening and party a complete success.

New member wine and cheese party well received

Boulder Yacht Club has accrued several new members over the winter and early spring. That being the case, a party to welcome them to BYC seemed entirely logical and was made so. Many thanks to Gary and Kay Vogel for hosting the party and selecting some outstanding cheeses and wines in the under \$10.00 range - hard to do these days. Rex Goliath, Woop Woop, and Red Truck are just a few that come to mind and can be found at World Market.

If the interesting wine and excellent cheeses were not enough, we then launched one of our famous Potluck dinners. It was splendid as always. This event looks like a tradition in the making.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sat/Sun May 29-30 . Leukemia Cup Regatta**
- Sun June 13 Race 5 and makeup 1**
- Sat June 19 Hearn Women’s Memorial Race**
- Sat June 26 Tapas on the Docks party**
- Sat July 3 Fireworks at the Dam - raftup
and potluck**
- Sat July 10 The Greek Party**
- Sat July 31 Moonlight Regatta at CYC**

***For complete schedule see the web site**

MEET RECENT NEW MEMBERS



Photo courtesy of Bill and Sharon Schmidt

Joe & Jodi Fesi of “Veliero”, Catalina 250

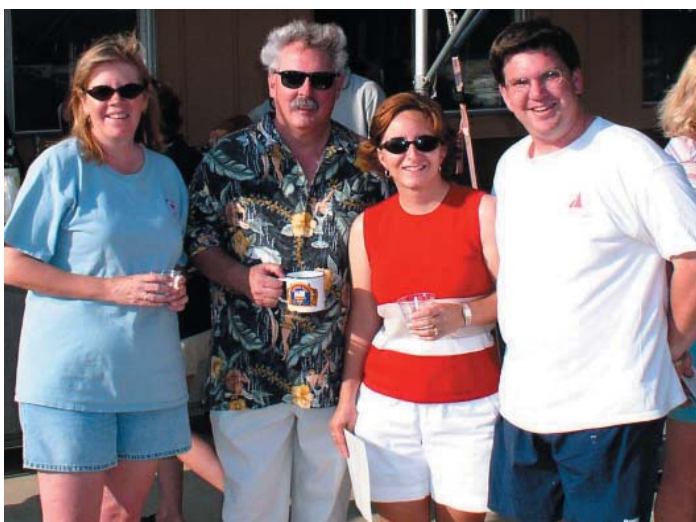


Photo courtesy of Ken Schowe

Karen Kraft and Alan Stewart with new members Carla and Garen Miller (left) at the New Member Wine and Cheese Party

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COMMODORE’S COMMENTS

Our social season is starting out well. Good fun, food and fellowship have been found in abundance at the Spring Thaw and, most recently, the Maying Feast – many thanks to Allan Stewart and Karen Kraft for putting on a delightful party. Not to be outdone, Gary and Kay Vogel hosted the New Member Social and Potluck Dinner - a total success. And if that is not enough, rounding out the May activities, we have the Leukemia Cup Regatta over Memorial Day weekend to benefit The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

I encourage everyone who can to “show their colors” at the Regatta being held at Carlyle Sailing Association. There will be good food, entertainment, and excellent items to bid on at the auction. In addition, there will even be exciting and competitive racing. It’s still not too late to reach for that checkbook, download an entry form from the website and sign-up for the only major fund-raising activity on Carlyle Lake that involves all the sailing organizations – BYC, CYC, CSA and TYC. Mary and I hope to see you there.

Coming up in June we can look forward to the Tapas on the Dock party hosted by Gary and Lila Luttrell. Then in July we will be treated to the famous Greek Party hosted by John and Susan. Be sure to get your reservation in early, as my crystal ball portends fun and great food this summer.

Our racing program, on the other hand, has gotten off to a slower start as pointed out in Rich’s article – due in some measure to difficult spring weather on boat preparation weekends. However, it now looks like most boats are launched giving us hope for a good turnout for the remainder of the spring series. I should point out that we do have a somewhat smaller racing fleet this year, so if you have been considering getting “your feet wet” in our racing program, this would be the time to do so. As many of you may know, Mary and I have been

racing for several years, and this past Saturday was the first time we have ever finished in the money, so to speak.

Our infrequent success may give cause for some to wonder why we persist. In short we enjoy the camaraderie, the competition and the opportunity to improve skills - all good reasons, in my opinion, to give it a try. If the idea generates a little anxiety, why not crew with someone and get the feel of it. Once you have, I think our brand of friendly, low-tech racing will get you hooked.



photo: Rey Neville

Jeff Gates' beautiful, hand made "Boulder Yacht Club" plaque.

In the kudo department, be sure to take a look at the beautiful hand carved BYC banner plaque that identifies space where our trophies and other plaques are placed in the club house. Be sure also to thank Jeff Gates the next time you see him for creating this beautiful addition to the clubhouse.

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FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

Well, *Serenity* is finally in the water! After several weekends of work, *Serenity's* co-owner Rick and I finally were able to get her ready. Since my son's arrival, I have been busy at home, and I haven't been able to work on the boat as often as in the past. But we did manage to get the bottom painted, the hull polished, the deck scrubbed and some of the teak varnished, then topped it all off with a new (used) Genoa. The boat looks pretty good.

We were able to get the boat ready in time to do the Poker Run Saturday, May 15. We sailed alongside BYC members Parks Smith and Barb Weber aboard *October Breeze*, and were one of the few boats to get our poker hands out on the water. We had enough wind to sail down to CSA, but had to motor most of the way back, which made us very late for the pig roast dinner. Rick drew the winning poker hand, and

then donated his prize money to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Since we did get to do some sailing, I think *Serenity* is reasonably ready to go to the Leukemia Cup Regatta, May 29-30, an event that raises money for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, which funds cancer research. This is an event I look forward to all year. I hope to see you there.

See you on the lake,

Bob Bender
Vice Commodore
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FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER

I want to welcome the following new members who have joined since our last Boulder Bits was published.

Rob & Shelly Schmidt – *Jolly Mon*, MacGregor 26

Nick Monasita – *Any Time*, Cris Craft 30 (docked in San Diego)

Dave Commens,
Secretary/Treasurer
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FROM THE RACE CHAIR

The racing season has gotten off to a very slow start. The first two scheduled races have been cancelled because of a lack of participation. I'm sure that some of this is due to not having all of the boats in the water.

We have two of the Spring Series races and the Women's race coming up in June:

- Spring Race #5 and Spring Race #1 Make-Up: Sunday, June 13th
- Hearn Memorial Women's Race: Saturday, June 19th

So mark your calendar and plan to join us. Since we will be going to the make-up dates for the first two races, you still have a chance to compete in the Spring Series. As this issue of Boulder Bits goes out, you still have time to sign a declaration (download from the BYC website) and start racing. If you plan to race and you haven't sent in your race declaration, please send it in as soon as possible. If you have reservations about racing because you feel that you have a lack of racing knowledge, I would be glad to go over the racing rules and our sailing instructions with you individually. I look forward to seeing all of you on the lake!

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THE SOCIAL SCENE

Allan Stewart and his wife Karen hosted the Pagan Rite Of Spring Party on May 8. Needless to say, it was a hit!! Good job Allan and Karen! The kebab dinner was delicious, the costumes imaginative and the rum punch as only Allan can make it – stupendous. Congratulations to Dave and Dana as the King and Queen of the Fairies, although Dave visualized himself more of a satyr. Needless to say there were lots of laughs and fun to be had as we celebrated May day.

June 26, 2004: Gary and Lila Luttrell of *A Photo Shoot* have volunteered to host a The Tapas on the Dock party. Thanks sailors!! This is a different twist on our always fun potluck events. We are asking everyone to bring a tapas or hors d'oeuvre and serve from your dock finger or boat. To increase the festive character of the event, we hope you will dress your "ship" with burgees and pennants and offer visitors an chance to tour your "pride and joy." See attached flyer for details.

July 10, 2004: Don't miss John and Susan's (sailing on *Alcestis*) Greek party on this date. 2002's Greek event was well attended and filled up fast. So mark your calendar and send in the attached flyer.

September 18, 2004: Ken And Monica Schowe will be hosting BYC's version of the October Fest. The sailors of *Brumbear* have hosted this event in the past. It's hard to believe that they can make it even better since previous events were outstanding.



photo courtesy of Ken Schowe

The hors d'oeuvres were plentiful ad everyone is having a blast!!

October 9, 2004: Chili Supper This is always a fun event. Rey & Mary Neville have already snapped up the host & Hostess spots. Thanks!!!! The Vogel's will be assisting. And, we suspect that several more sailors will be volunteering for the fun.

Parties & Reservations: An editorial comment from the Social Chair:

If you have never hosted a party at the Lake, you should! It takes some planning and some work. But most of all it is fun and a great way to meet people at BYC.

But to plan a party, the hosts really need to know how many people are coming. It is difficult to plan food, drink, and games if you have no idea how many will attend. Worse, you plan for 25 pre-registered guests and 25 more show up the night of the party! You hate to tell fellow sailors that they cannot attend since they didn't sign up in advance but you also know there may not be enough food to go around. In fact, at a few previous events, the host has had to make an emergency run to Carlyle to fetch supplies for guests who weren't registered! That makes it tough for the party givers!

I know it is difficult to plan in advance. But, for the sake of those folks who are willing to give up their time and sanity to throw a party for us, SIGN UP in advance so they can plan for food and drink!!

Gary Vogel
Social Chairman

BYC EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST

Good news Topica users. Because of the annoying ads and possible email address sharing, we are deleting the account and moving to Yahoo Groups for our Distribution List. Information will be forthcoming via email.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Deadline for the next issue of Boulder Bits is June 14, 2004. Please submit articles to Ken Schowe, brumbear@earthlink.net. We encourage everyone to send articles of interest to share with us.

The Sea Gypsy
By: Thomas Hovey

I am fevered with the sunset,
I am fretful with the bay,
For the wander-thirst is on me
And my soul is in Cathay.

There 's a schooner in the offing,
With her topsails shot with fire,
And my heart has gone aboard her
For the Islands of Desire.

I must forth again to-morrow!
With the sunset I must be
Hull down on the trail of rapture
In the wonder of the sea.



TAPAS* ON THE DOCKS

- A progressive dock party - dock to dock; finger to finger; boat to boat
- Finger foods on the fingers - serve a favorite tapas on your dock finger
- Refreshments on the dock - chilled beverages at the end of each dock
- Participation prizes - West Marine does it again; but you have to play
- Open boat - dress ship - optional: salon ship-shape and colors flying



Lets have some fun on the docks. Meet new people; see new boats; have some tasty home cooked food. The progressive feast will start on *Jost Van Dock*, move to *Easy Street*, then on to *Hard Rock* and end up at *Margaritaville*. Just listen for the ship's bells. Early reservations are urged to help in the planning of the event. Want to help the Luttrells put this on? Just check the reservation box.

\$5 PER ADULT/\$3 PER CHILD

TAPPAS ON THE DOCKS PARTY

Name: _____

Number attending: _____

I can help out: Call me at: _____

We will serve hors d'oeuvres: Yes _____ No _____

I plan to bring: _____

Our boat will be open to visitors: Yes _____ No _____

Make your check out to Boulder Yacht Club. Tear this reservation sheet and send with your check to:

Dave Commens

144 Timber Run

St. Peters, MO 63376

*Any of various small, savory dishes (typically Spanish), often served as a snack or with other tapas as a meal. Also known as potluck hors d'oeuvres on the dock.



BYC BIG FAT GREEK DINNER

SATURDAY, JULY 10, 2004

6:00 P.M.

BOULDER CLUB HOUSE

HOSTED BY: SUSAN HAASE AND JOHN CARNASIOTIS

MENU*

PITA WITH TZATZIKI & HUMMUS

CHEESE/OLIVES

STUFFED GRAPE LEAVES

SPINACH PIE

PASTITSIO

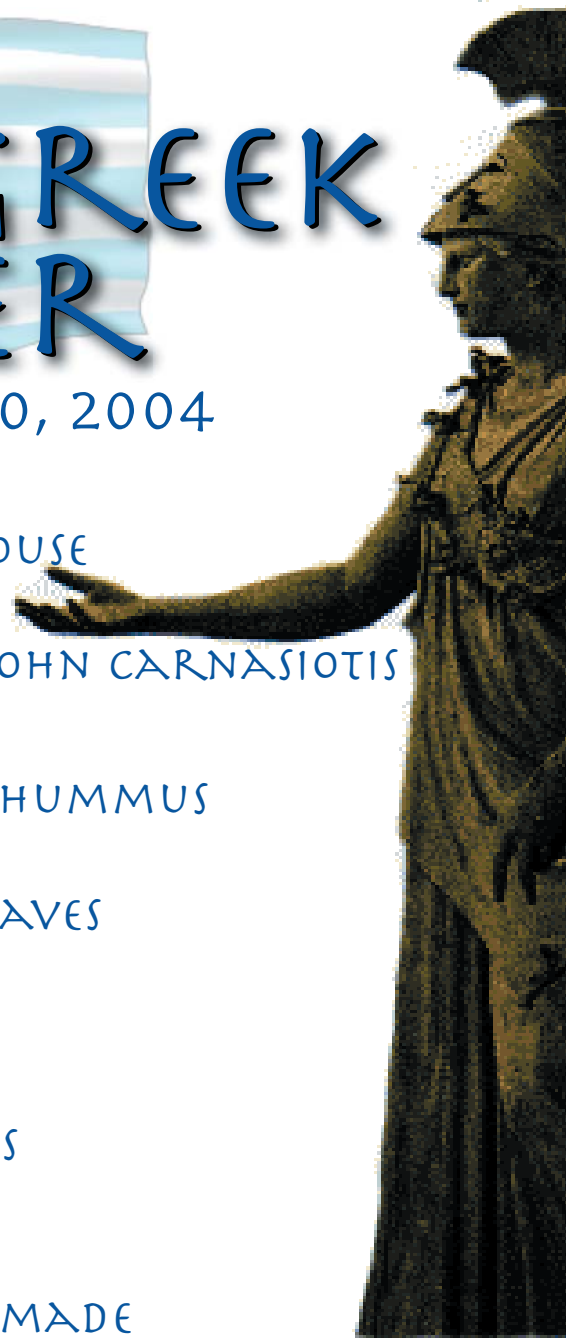
GREEK SALAD

GREEK PASTRIES

RICE PUDDING

ICED COFFEE

*ALL FOOD IS HOME MADE



DINNER IS \$10 PER PERSON. RESERVATIONS ☞ MUST ☞ BE IN BY MONDAY, JULY 5TH. NO EXCEPTIONS.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: BYC

SEND CHECKS TO: DAVE COMMENS, 144 TIMBER RUN, ST. PETERS, MO 63376

NAME: _____

NUMBER OF PERSONS ATTENDING: _____