Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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MORE RAMP DEEPER WATER

Yo! You sailors with the deep draft boats no longer have to drive around to the windy public ramp to launch. The Marina has extended the launching ramp. This extension will allow us to lift out a boat that draws 8' at summer pool or 6' at winter pool (although the route along the north side of Jost Van Dock may limit that to 7' and 5' respectively - until we get some more dredging done). How did they do that The pad was 22' wide x 34' long and 5" thick with fiber and 1/2" rebar every 1' length wise and cross wise. This pad was pushed in over the existing pad and onto a pre-graded incline of hard pan (natural hard clay) and was stopped to allow a 3' overlap with the existing pad. Two layers of 1 3/4" thick reinforced concrete pads (1st layer 2'x2', second top layer 1'x2') will but up against the 5" lip to provide a gradual stair step for the boat lift tires or trailer tires. The raised lip on the front end prevented the slab from digging into the clay as it rode past the existing ramp so it would slide along the pre-graded clay sub-grade. Before pouring the concrete we put a layer of sand on the bottom (top of the existing pad) and also used sand to fill in any crevices. We then lined the entire form with two layers of 9 mil plastic which allowed the cured pad to break loose and slide into place when pushed by the



Photos by Steve Kratchman

Bulldozer. Many thanks to the Corps of Engineers, and their hard working staff.

Dennis

FROM THE COMMODORE

Ahoy BYC Sailors,

The weather seems to have finally smoothed out and West Marine is having one sale after another. Boats all over the lot are being opened up, some for the first time in months. Everyone's thoughts are turned to maintenance and upgrades. I know many of you are like myself and find working on our boats very therapeutic in relieving the stress of today's hurried lifestyle, but let's not lose sight of what a sail boat is for. I hope to see more BYC members out on the lake enjoying sailing.

Remember that our New Member Fun Race and New Member Wine and Cheese Party are on May 5th. If you're like me and your boat is still on the hard there are lots of people with an open boat policy that would be glad to get extra crew, it's as simple as asking. I encourage all member to join in the race and the party to help kick off the season and welcome the new

members. I would also like to invite everyone to a new lake wide event at CSA, The Blessing of the Fleet and Taste of Carlyle. It takes place at the CSA on May 19th with a float-by-blessing and food stands from restaurants in Carlyle, so we can go make a day of it. I'll get more information and post it at the clubhouse.

Another big lake wide event is the Leukemia Cup Regatta May 25-27 based at the CSA. This is a great time. I'll email more info later.

Fair Winds and Flat Seas Kort Kunderwater@aol.com

Commodore's Quote of the month: In a powerboat you get there fast, but in a sailboat you're already there.

Author unknown from The Cruising Compass

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

Did you ever wonder exactly, what a Vice Commodore, is???. According to webster Commodore is a Naval Officer (that Ranks) under a Rear Admiral" and Vice is "An immoral habit or practice" So you tell me, what you think it is!!! I'm wondering what kind of Position (get it) I got myself into???

On a more, serious note (and I'm not a real serious kind of Guy!) By now I'm sure you've seen the new Ships Store on Display in the Clubhouse. First, I'd Like to thank Dennis for the space, and second, his new attendant, Molly, for helping Rearrange the place, so everything would fit so nice! Third and Most importantly, My Dearest Mother and Lovely Wife, for filling the Display Cases. I'll be getting your Ideas on new things to Order, real soon! Until then, " See Ya at THE LAKE."

Gary & Margaret Lopez Vice Commodore gary.lopez@charter.net.

FROM THE SEC./TREASURER

We have two new members for the month of April. Please welcome Bill and Barbara Jaworowski, with their 30' Hunter named Moonbeams, located on Jost Van Dock; and Dan and Julie Garland, who do not have a boat at Boulder, but we'll work on them. Dan is owner of Madinger Wines and has already expressed an interest in hosting a wine tasting party for us this season. I've been to previous BYC wine tasting

parties, and boy is he in for a surprise. Be sure to say hello to the Jaworowskis and the Garlands on May 5th at our New Members Wine and Cheese. Also, don't forget the two members mentioned in last months Bits, Steve and Kim Catino and Rick and Christine Olsen.

I would like to send out a reminder to everyone to get your party reservations in on time. It is very helpful for those planning parties to have some idea of the headcount the week before. We don't like charging more at the door, and we would hate to have to turn anyone away, but running out of food or drink would not be fair to those who send in their reservations.

I have mailed out membership and reciprocal cards for everyone who has renewed, and I am mailing reminders to those who haven't. If you mailed your check, but have not gotten your cards, please call me at 636-274-3509, so we can get it straightened out. Of our 88 members from last year, only 39 have renewed so far. Please get your checks in so as not to miss out on any of the fun!

See you around the fire ring.

Deanna Schroeder Secretary/Treasurer 636-274-3509 toddanddeanna@juno.com

THE SOCIAL CHAIR

ALL RIGHT FELLOW BYC MEMBERS, SPRING HAS SPRUNG. AS THE BYC SOCIAL DIRECTOR, I HAVE IT ON GOOD AUTHORITY THAT THERE ARE STILL OPENINGS FOR EVENT SPONSORS. TAKE A LOOK AT THE EVENT SCHEDULE, PICK A DATE AND A THEME. YES, YOU CAN DO IT, AND IT WILL BE FUN, TRUST ME. OK. DON'T TRUST ME. BUT A WISE MAN ONCE SAID, A COWARD DIE'S MANY DEATHS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SCHMIDTY. schmidtypatty@aol.com

Social Calendar

Event------SponsorsNew Members Wine & Cheese---Sat May 5-----Alan & Kathy

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Tapas On The DockSat. June 16Rick & Eileen
Humphrey
On the Water Party & Cove OutSat. July 28OPEN
Caribbean NightSat. Aug. 4Kort & Laurel
Ice Cream SocialSat. Aug. 25OPEN
Pig RoastTodd &
Deanna
Chili SupperSat. Oct 6OPEN
Halloween Party Sat. Oct 20 OPEN
Ladies Luncheon & Cookie Exchange-Sat. Dec. 1OPEN
Mens MunchinS'Sat. Oct. 1OPEN

FROM THE RACE CHAIR

Well I have received 2 race declarations so far and I would like to try to get everyone pumped up for the season. I hope it will get better once we have our first gathering on the hill. I would like to try a fun race on may 5th if I can get together enough racers. The racing fee for the season will be \$50 per boat. I will put \$25 for the lake wide races and \$25 for the racing at Boulder. I hope to see everyone this weekend the 28th. Keep those Race Declarations coming in.

Ryan Bietchert (2007 BYC Race Chairman) sail 81@yahoo.com 618-830-5968

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Last months what did "Scrub A Dub Dub" refer to in April of 2000? You guessed it; Steve Kratchman installed hand Scrubbers in the rest rooms. This months blast from the past. The No Boat Regatta, Chili Supper, and Commodores Race all started in the same year. What year was it?

FROM BYC MEMBER

BYC Environmental Control Board (A bit of humor from Steve Kratchman)

Actually I believe as both a nonprofit membership organization as well as responsible citizens of this world, we owe it both to our children, ourselves, and this community (BYC) to act responsibly and recycle whatever we can. This means at the very least, aluminum cans placed in the container by the telephone pole in front of the restrooms. What it does in a small but very meaningful way is to show by example to our

children what it means to respect our environment, keep waste and landfills to a minimum, and repay some expenses incurred by the club because I turn those cans into cash for the club racing program. Bottom line is "It is just the right thing to do"!

And if we all strive to keep our cans separately, crush them at parties separately, place them in bags separately, I will do the recycling which will build a nest egg, keep the area clean, eliminate space in the land fills, teach us and our kids to respect our environment because when you see a real landfill it appears to be a mountain but it is really yours and my trash...and it just does not seem there will ever be enough room for it all.

If you want to know an easy and simple way to handle this task on your boat, come on over to mine at Margaritaville-M59 and see the installed can crusher. Nothing fancy but I can retain a month of cans on my boat before taking them off to recycle. Maybe give the kids \$.01 per can to crush them. It couldn't hurt.

Steve Kratchman Casa Cita II M59

Kids Corner

For those not knowing what this is about, it is just a brain tickler for the fun lovers who enjoy a challenge. Although it was to be for oiur kids, I realized it could be a drive-time event as well as a family affair. But the winner(s) prize is for kids only. As an example of how these work, I missed the April issue of the Boulder Bits so here are questions and answers:

- 1-What do elves use to make sandwiches? (Shortbread)
- 2-Why did the boy stick a hose in his friend's ear?(To brainwash him)
- 3-Who granted the fish's wish? (its fairy codmother)

So now you know the answers are not very forthcoming. If you're game, begin with this month's KIDS KORNER

and see just how nutty your answers can be so we can all have a good time reading them. Although I did not expose anyone's answers last year, this year might be different. No names will be mentioned in order to protect the innocent.

May Issue

- 1-What kind of fruit do trees like?
- 2-How do porcupines talk?
- 3-What's more dangerous than pulling out a shark's tooth?

UP COMING EVENTS

New Members Wine & Cheese---Sat May 5------Tapas On The Dock------Sat. June 16----

BYC Series.....

June 16, 2007-----Race #1

Lakewide Distance Racing.....

May 13, 2007--- Race #1 May 20, 2007---Race #2

Special Events Schidule.....

May 26-27 2007----Leukemia Cup June 9, 2007-----Tradewinds cup June 23, 2007------CYC Commodores cup

THE LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA

SUPPORT A GREAT EVENT; HAVE A GREAT TIME

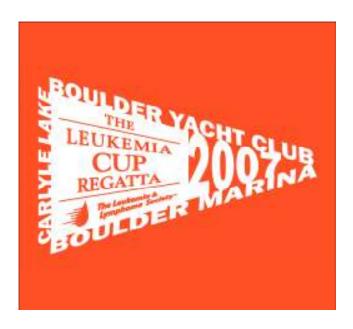
Can you believe it? The Leukemia Cup Regatta is less than one month away. I hope everyone is making preparations for this Memorial Day weekend of great sailing and great fun. The weekend starts on Friday, May 26 with a Happy Hour at CSA hosted by CYC from 5:-9:00 PM. Saturday starts with a continental breakfast from 7-9:00 AM. Following the 9:30 AM opening ceremonies, the racing will begin for the several fleets. The Rum Tent and the beer wagon open following the last race – for registered participants. Dinner, a live auction of some great nautical stuff and fabulous live entertainment all starts at 6:00 PM and go until.... Racing resumes at 10:00 AM on Sunday following the 8:00 AM continental breakfast. Racing and fundraising awards will be presented following lunch and the conclusion of racing.

Ask any Boulderites who have attended; it's a great party and lots of fun. Most importantly your participation will contribute to the critical need to find a cure to blood related cancers. It is important to note is that all the funds raised in the St. Louis area stay here funding researchers and assisting patients and their families. And, everyone is

encouraged to raise funds on your own; you will be eligible for fantastic prizes while supporting a vital human need. For information and details on fundraising ideas and prizes, please contact me.

To participate, just fill out the registration form (attached). Please note all BYC boats are cabin boats (you certainly don't have to race – consider it a contribution). Then select your choice of meals you would like to enjoy at the event and send in your check, or use your credit card number on the form.

In recognition of your contribution, you will receive a beautiful and handy skippersduffle bag with this graphic saluting the \$1,000 contribution raised last year by Boulder Yacht Club and Boulder Marina.



This year looks to be another great event. We hope to see you there. And please remember, your support, fundraising, and contributions will help us "Race Toward a Cure." For details, please contact me at 6518.632-7347 or reyneville@yahoo.com.

SPRING THAW

Thanks to all who helped with the painting of the pavilion on Sat. April 28th. It was nice to see some new faces along side the die-hard members that have been with the BYC, for some years. I know it was hard to give up a few hours from working on their own boats or enjoying a sail and the help was appreciated. I think the fresh strawberries and moist banana bread helped draw them in too. We still have more painting to do (ran out of paint) so if you missed your chance let Kort know you'll give up an hour to help finish the job.

Laurel Juenger



We will be sending new rosters soon as many people are signing that have not previously done so.

If you see a printing error or to receive the *E–Bits* contact me Bill Schmidt

Magicdragon1@prodigy.net

or Deanna Schroeder at toddanddeanna@juno.com, and we will set you up.

. If you see an error in the English language, remember we are sailors so contact someone else.

Deadline for June Bits May 25, 2007 If we meet this deadline maybe the Bits will be in time. Send to magicdragon1@prodigy.net



Photo of Jeff Morrison by Sharon Schmidt

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DATE: SATURDAY, 5 MAY 2007

TIME: 5:30 PM

WHERE: BOULDER MARINA UNDER PAVILLION

Come welcome and introduce yourself to the new members.

Enjoy wine, cheese and snacks. Punch, soda and snacks for the children.

Member Cost: Adults - \$7.50, Child 10-18 - \$3.00 New Members (if you joined BYC after 30 Sept. 2006): **Free**

Please Send In Reservations by 27 April 2007

Hosted by: Alan Trodus and Kathy Dworetzky

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Wine and Cheese Reception Reservation	
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Name	
No. of Adults No. of Children	
Total Amount Included \$	
	
Please submit by 27 April 2007 to: Deanna Schroeder – Secretary/Treasurer	
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