

Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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----BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM----

Dear Boulder Yacht Club members,

In pursuit of excellence on Lake Carlyle I would like you to know about Carlyle Lake Association and what it means and has meant to the lake experience we all enjoy. Since its introduction, the lobbying efforts on behalf of marina owners and the boating and sailing community with the Corps of Engineers and Illinois State Park have remained pretty much behind the scenes except for those of you following their successes. And for a minimal \$10 membership fee you, too, could be updated. Just email tbeier@sbcglobal.net or Karen.sanders@il.nacdn.net to receive the latest copy of the bulletin. I know you will be pleasantly surprised to see how little it costs as a membership and how much has been accomplished on our behalf.

Divided into groups of representation, there is Agriculture, Boating-Sailing, Business, Fish and Wildlife, Landowners, Marina Management (Dennis Smith & Greg Kintz), and Director at Large. This is probably one of the more democratic committees representing a majority of interests within the region and they have accomplished a great deal over these past few years. And we are all the recipients of improvements to the lake. I would encourage everyone to support this effort and support the improvements Dennis has been seeking from the Corps and Lake management we see in our own marina. Just ask Dennis for his input. Much of the marina improvements have been due to his representation on this board and how he has developed that relationship with the Corps. We all receive the benefits from the Carlyle Lake Association and his association with it. A greater membership from BYC would only enhance that relationship, thus, its benefits. I hope you will consider a \$10 investment worthy of your support.

Thank you,
Steve Kratchman
BYC Board Chairman

The Corps of Engineers held a meeting on Oct. 23 to discuss the lake water control issues. Maybe some one would give this reporter a report on what was discussed and I could report to all of you.

North Sails is trying to contact all of the Yacht Clubs to set up a racing/sailing seminar similar to those they put on in Chicago, Annapolis, etc. I do not have the particulars at this time, however, as a club function,

and a perk that could prove very effective for anyone who is interested in upgrading their sailing proficiency both on and off the water, I would like to hear from those interested in such an event to contact me by just emailing to casacitaii@msn.com and when more information is given either I or those presenting it from North Sails will update you. These usually take place in large cities for the exposure and if it is anything like what I attended some years ago in Chicago, the amount of information is astounding and the goodies given out are a bit of a payback as well. Hope to hear from all of you BYCers, racers and cruisers, et.al.

Thank you, Steve Kratchman CasaCitaii@msn.com 314-909-7220

Boulder YC kicks butt at Lake wide Regattas...

Berry has won one first and one 4rth at the last two lake wide regattas.... and maybe even more impressive is the fact that at the Moonlight Regatta there were 5 boats from Boulder and at the Great Race again 5 boats from Boulder participated.... To my knowledge that hasn't happened in a long time (ever?) Full results are unfortunately not yet available :- (But we all did a great job representing Boulder on the lake).

Great start for the next season (racing will be mandatory, remember!!! More details to come in the upcoming winter months)

Thor

----FROM THE COMMODORE----

Where has the Sailing Season of 2008 Gone??? I just can't believe that it's time to winterize our boats, stow the sails and face another Long Winter! As I was at the Marina, plugging in my boat heater, Monday afternoon (based on the 28 degree, predicted low) I saw Rey Neville, with his jugs of Red anti-freeze, vigorously chasing Jack Frost away from his Slip! Well, as you all know, I am an advocate of staying in the water over the winter. My Beneteau has spent more winters in the Water, than on the parking lot and I've never had a blister yet. All you need is a bubbler (or partner up with someone with one) and I always use a small cabin heater to keep the moisture in check. Before you know it, it's time to hang your Sails back on, wash off the winter dirt and start your Sailing Season! No sanding, no bottom painting, not to mention the Money you've saved hauling out and back in, again, think about it!!!

The Ladies Luncheon is coming up (I'll have a Flyer out soon) on Dec. 6 at J Buck's in Fairview Hgts. at St. Clair Square Mall. So all you Ladies plan to attend! The Gentlemen with retire to Hooter's for Hot Wing and Cold Brews, while the Ladies Lunch.... don't get any better than that!!!

See ya at the Lake,
Gary J. Lopez Commodore
gary.lopez@charter.net

----FROM THE VICE COMMODORE----

I refuse to believe it is this late in the season, or that the season is over, but we must. I want to thank all the present officers for the great job they did this year in making this sailing season a fun one. As next years Commodore I want to assure you that the new officers will continue working to make next year as enjoyable. Ulli Schaette the new Vice Commodore is remodeling the ships store, Rob as Secretary/Treasurer will continue to do a great job, Jeff Morrison and his Social crew will have some great parties to attend, and thorsten Schaette is already working out some racing ideas to get more of us to race around the marks. In the upcoming months will be working on next years schedule so you will have it by the No-Boat in February.

I look forward to seeing you on the docks, arie mon.

Vice Commodore Schmidty 314-704-0177 or magicdragon1@prodigy.net

----FROM THE NEW VICE COMMODORE----

Hello BYC Sailors

I have overhauled the Ship Store a little and also placed a sample order. The new samples should hopefully arrive shortly. I have enclosed a flyer for Bill to add to the November Bits. If there is anything you like to have before Christmas let me know. Look at the glass case in the clubhouse. The new samples should be displayed shortly. I have made up little info cards with available colors and sizes that should give you plenty info about all of the new items.

Some new shirts come with Dry Wicking and anti-microbial performance capabilities.

I also ordered a sample of Ladies and Men's winter jackets. They are made of breathable waterproof 100% polyester fleece membrane with H2X technology.

Ulli

E-mail (ulli-24@hotmail.com) or call me (618 302 0859)

----FROM THE Sec./Treasurer----

Hello All.

It seems like a long time ago, but the Chili supper was a great party. We had a lot of great food and a fantastic turnout, with 99 attendees. And, it was another party where we ended up in the black instead of the red. Yeah!

I also had a lot of fun at the lake in the Moonlight race. The following day, we went sailing from the south end of the lake and maintained 8 – 9 knots, flying the main and spinnaker. No, it wasn't a Catalina 30' J. I can see how racing could get in your blood.

See you all on the water.

Rob Schmidt Sec./Treasurer

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----FROM THE SOCIAL CHAIR----

The BYC Chili Supper has come and gone. Many thanks to the Kitchen Ladies: Mary Neville, Kay Vogel and Barb Weber. The specialty chili's prepared by Carmen Davis (Veggie) and Marilyn Antonacci (White chicken) were a special treat and our grill-masters Bill Harper and Ken Schowe cooked the wieners (chili dogs) to perfection. The weather was perfect, no bugs, and a roaring fire in the BYC Cauldron topped off the evening. Mark your calendars for the next events - the Halloween Party on November 1st and the Ladies Luncheon On December 6th. The Senior Schmidt's are hosting the Halloween (free party) and Mrs. Commodore - Maggie Lopez is in charge of the "Ladies Luncheon". Hope to see you all at these events



Photos
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----FROM THE RACE CHAIR----

Ahoy Racers, news from the Race Chair,

Wow it's November already, and with only a month to go in the season, the racing on the lake has come to an end. On October 4th we had our big lake wide event that had an excellent turnout, attracting 19 boats registering and 18 completing the race. We had 7 entries from "BYC", unfortunately all the trophies went to the other clubs (again). I hope to see more BYC boats racing in the future and hopefully we can keep some of the awards here.

Our last two series races were held on Oct. 11th, with light air and a shortened course we managed to get both races in with 4 boats competing. The final standings for the series races are as follows: in the ODR Fleet – Thor take first place with Valdez nipping at his heels taking second place, in the JAM Fleet we had a mix of racers with Casa Cita II as the only boat to complete four races, taking first, Sailing Fox completing three races to take second, while the rest of the fleet only managing the complete one or two races, October Breeze and Gail Force managing to get in two races, and Quicksilver and Albatross completing one race. I would like to thank Jeff Morrison/Gail Force for participating in the last two races on Oct. 11th, so that we had two boats competing in each fleet, and Thorsten for all his help this season. Thanks guys. October also held the last two lake wide races, the CYC Moonlight held on the 18th, with 5 BYC boats competing and Barry Nelson taking first place in the JAM division, and on the 25th the CYC Great Race, which also had 5 BYC boats racing, with Barry again placing, this time he took fourth place in the spinnaker division.

See you on the lake,
Jon Miller, 2008 Race Committee Chairman
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October Breeze, Quick
Silver and Water Music
around the marks at the
Commodore's Cup
By
Sharon



----UPCOMING EVENTS----

November 1--- Halloween Party at BYC hosted by the Schmidts
December 6 -- Ladies Lunch & Men's Review

Officers for the 2009 Season

Commodore is Bill (Schmidty) Schmidt
Vice Commodore is Ulli Schaette
Secretary/Treasure is Rob Schmidt

Social Chairman Jeff Morrison
To replace outgoing Director is Sharon Schmidt
Race Chairman Thorsten Schaette

----EDITOR'S NOTE----

If you see an error in the club roster or in the *Bits*, just send an E-mail to myself, Bill Schmidt, mail address magicdragon1@prodigy.net or Rob Schmidt at robschmidt@aaahawk.com and we will set you up to receive the *E-Bits*.

I don't know why I put this in here but the **deadline** for the next (Dec.) issue of the Boulder Bits is **11/24/2008**. We encourage everyone to send articles of interest to share with us. **To save me from sending 2 files you can download Adobe Reader at adobe.com free for either MAC or IBM.** Rob Schmidt and Rey Neville tell me it's easy. If you have any questions get in contact with these guys, they can guide you through it.

Bill Schmidt, Editor magicdragon1@prodigy.net

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Call Bill or Sharon at 636-671-1063 or 636-208-1690 or E-mail them at magicdragon1@prodigy.net if you can attend the spooky party. Reservations not necessary but give us an idea on how many are coming.