Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits

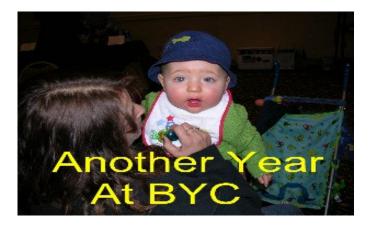




Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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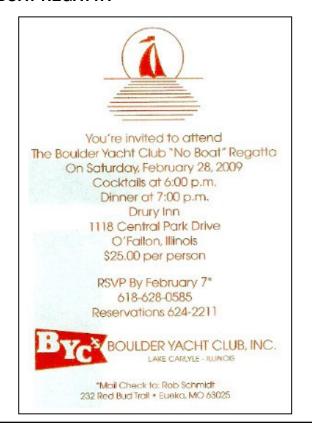
--- COMMODORE'S COMMENTS---

BOULDER YACHT CLUB "NO-BOAT REGATTA"

I can't believe it is 2009 already. I hope everyone had a Happy Holiday! So it is back to work, for most of us. I will be mailing invitations for the "No Boat" this week, but have enclosed a copy for all to view. If you haven't reserved a room yet, at the Drury Inn, call 618-624-2211 and do so. Remember to tell them, you want a room over the Ball Room.

If you haven't heard it yet, I have sold my beloved Margarita! Margarita is my "Beneteau", not my lovely wife. With all the Projects I've got going, I just didn't find time to sail her at all, and she's too Nice a Sailboat to leave at the dock all summer. But as you know me, I'm not without a Sailboat. I took a sweet little Hunter 23.5 on a trade-in, so I will sail her until I sell her or something else strikes my fancy! After all, it's not the Kill, I like, it is the Hunt!!!!

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



---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

In the next couple of weeks, we the new officers of the club will be planning a schedule for the BYC events for this year. We will do our best to make this year as good or better than past years, but we need your help. If you have some ideas on improvements to the club or some things you would like to see happen call me at 314-704-0177 or e-mail me at schmidt sail@yahoo.com.

See you on the docks, arie mon.

Vice Commodore Schmidty 314-704-0177 or schmidtw sail@yahoo.com

---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---

Anyone else getting the sailing "itch"? I'll be on the Internet, and suddenly finding myself watching a sailing video on "You Tube". Oh well, spring will be here soon, huh?

Since your probably not busy sailing, maybe you can do a few "housekeeping" tasks. First, please send in your membership app renewals and club dues, and we'll get your club cards ready for the no-boat.

Second, if you have any pictures on a public site like Picassa or Flicker that you'd like to share, send them to me, and I'll post links to them in the photo albums part of the website.

Third, if you're cleaning out the basement, moving that boom-vang from 2 boats ago for the 3rd time, take a pic, write a description, and send it to me. I'll put it for sale on boulderyc.org.

See y'all at the no-boat. Rob Schmidt BYC Secretary / Treasurer Schmidt Happens.... Rschmidt63025@gmail.com

----THE SOCIAL SCENE----

"The ladies Luncheon" held on Dec. 6th at J Bucks in Fairview Heights, hosted by Maggie Lopez was a big success. Maggie had a sailboat ornament for, each of the 20 women in attendance and they enjoyed the food, drinks, and friends. The men met at a nearby Hooter's and they enjoyed watching the waitress wearing trademark orange shorts.

Don't forget the Sailboat Show in Chicago the last weekend in January and the No-Boat gala on February 28th.

Happy New Year-



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Dave Uttendorfer and Dana Maschmeier daviduttendorfer@yahoo.com

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

The racing program improved some last year over the previous year and I think it will improve even more next year. The new Race Chair, Thor, has some great ideas that he will share with you when the schedule is approved.

See you at the No-Boat, Jon Miller, Race Committee Chairman Byc rc@sbcglobal.net

---BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM---

If any of you have tried to e-mail Parks Smith at the address on the roster arrrrgg, you found out it didn't work. His new address is steadypedaler@att.net so put in your roster.

I'm sure some of you read the informative article captain Humphrey wrote in last month's bits about Strictly Sail in Chicago. Well he is going up on Thursday so if any of you are going early drift him a line so you can get together in the windy city and compare notes on what is to see. Thanks Rick for the article.

----WINTERIZE YOUR BOATS

According to Boat US 50% of boats sinking at docks are caused by underwater thru-hull fittings leaking. Fittings like stuffing boxes, failed hoses or hose clamps intake strainers and drain plugs. Yes even air conditioning fittings and transducers. What better time to check these than when the boat is on the hard. While your checking these fittings, check the ones just above the waterline also. With clogged cockpit drains and heavy rains they may become under the waterline. Your bilge pump may not be able to keep up with several small leaks or your battery may go dead causing the bilge pump to not work. Just a thought.

If you have any ideas for storing your boat send them to me at magicdragon1@prodigy.net and I will publish them in the Bits.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chicago Strictly Sail –Jan. 29 to Feb 1 ----In Chicago IL. BYC No-Boat - Feb. 28----- Drury Inn, in O'fallon, IL.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

As editor and a member to Boulder Yacht Club I would like to thank last years officers for the superfluous job they did. Our party and race participation improved and that makes for a fun year. Remember these jobs are by volunteers that have real jobs to do also.

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 Rschmidt63025@gmail.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 (Feb.) issue of the Boulder Bits is $\underline{1/25/2009}$. We encourage everyone to send articles of interest to share with us.

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