# Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits





Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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#### ---COMMODORE'S COMMENTS---

Spring thaw, which is April 25th, we will be having a fish fry, instead of doe nuts. Feel free to bring something to go with the fish, which is crappie that was donated by the fisherman that walk and fish the docks. Speaking of fishermen, the no public fishing sign will be up by spring thaw, and IDNR will be helping enforce the sign. That's right no more fishing boats in the marine; this is Gary Lopez's legacy!! Rain or shine try to make it to spring thaw we have plenty of fish and good times.

See at the lake, irie mon. Vice Commodore Schmidty 314-704-0177 or schmidtw\_sail@yahoo.com

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

#### Hello all Boulderites

As your Vice Commodore I go through all kinds of hardship to provide all BYC Members with the greatest merchandise in the BYC ship store. This time around when everybody was freezing and boat chores are weighing heavy on every ones mind, I took the BYC RC and the Marina Owner to test some of the new 2009 garments for the ship store. After all, one persons' opinion is not enough. As the low temperatures in our latitudes were not allowing a valid test, we boarded a couple different planes and headed towards the Sea of Abaco, Bahamas. On board of a Moorings flagship catamaran, conditions substantially improved. This battleship was 46 feet long and 30 plus wide, with a raised commando/steering station that gave your hardworking fellow BYC officers a big enough platform to test the wicking properties of our newly acquired high tech fabrics. The temps in the 70s and wicket winds hauling from the east, all our tests clearly showed that the BYC Club gear is of the best quality and offers warmth against wind and spray but also wicks away heat and any sweat while preparing lots of sundowners or winching the huge sails.

We went through strenuous test after test to make sure this is the right stuff. And even while relaxing in the bar after a hard workday on the boat these shirts just performed. Now you can too experience all the great features while proudly showing of our club logo. Cindy or I will be happy to get you in the same gear for the season on Lake Carlyle since we so thoroughly tested them last week.

Ulli Schaette Vice Commodore ulli-24@hotmail.com

#### ---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---

It's been March Madness. Not the basketball kind, but the kind where you want to be out on your boat, But there's one day of warm weather, and snow the next, like today. AArrrggghhh! Oh, well. On the "bad" days, I get my sailing fix by reading "salty" books like "Two years before the mast" by Richard Dana or "Blown Away" by Herb Payson.

If you're like me, you also recently got your Boat U.S. membership renewal in the mail. If you are a Boat US member, and haven't renewed, or are considering joining Boat US. Boulder Yacht Club is part of the Boat U.S. Cooperating Groups. With this affiliation (http://www.boatus.com/group/benefits.asp), you pay just \$12.50 a year (assuming basic membership), and get the following benefits:

Members-only discounts and Member Rewards with West Marine equipment purchases Access to high-value, low-cost group-rate boat insurance Full year subscription to the award-winning Boat U.S. Magazine

Our Boat U.S. Cooperating Group membership is "GA81412Y". If you're renewing with Boat U.S., just write our group number on your renewal bill, and return this with your payment to Boat U.S. If you're not yet a Boat U.S. member, you can apply online at http://www.boatus.com or pick up an application, which we'll have in the clubhouse this summer.

Speaking of memberships, we have 2 new BYC couples. Jose Dumont and Maria Lopez, with "Some Day Came", their Hunter 27. We also have Kevin Budd and Karen Johnson, with "Pneuma", their Pearson 32.5. Please welcome our new members.

Just an FYI: If you've renewed your BYC membership for 2009, but haven't gotten your BYC membership and YCOA reciprocity cards, you'll get them soon. Sorry for the delay. Life and work keeps getting in the way of BYC "stuff". :-)

That's about it for the article. Must get your cards in the mail.

See ya at the lake, soon.
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### ----THE SOCIAL CHAIR ----

April begins the first full month of the Spring Season and again Boulder Marina has come to life. In just a just a few short weeks most of us will have finished our waxing and painting projects and will be anxious to launch. While organizing don't forget the "Spring Thaw and Flea Market" on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Do some Spring Cleaning and gather unused items to sell. Sailors are a frugal group of people and no doubt will make good use of the Flea Market Sale.

May 16<sup>th</sup> provides us with two events. **Our first race**, which I will be performing the committee boat duties. "Sure hope I don't screw this up Thor." In the afternoon will be our "**BYC New Member Meet and Greet** along with the **Wine/Cheese Social**." Please mark your calendars for these dates. Don't forget to send in your applications to join BYC. If you have any ideas or need information about this year's events please contact me at morrison.jeff@ymail.com.

Jeff Morrison, Social Chair

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

Its only WEEKS before the official start of the racing season at BYC. Several guests from other clubs have expressed interest to sail with us and we will have fun at the laidback Boulder events together. April 25 is coming FAST and it marks the first fun race .... most likely a reversed Phrf distance race across the lake and back .... more to come at the skippers meeting at 9 AM April 25.

I am still waiting of a few Racing declarations. Please go to the website, print one out, fill in all the details that you know and mail back to me. Thanks Thor

Cu on the lake Thor BYC RC corsai28r@hotmail.com

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

"From The Marina Office" Ahoy BYC Sailors - At last the 2009 sailing season is here! I wanted to remind everyone to make sure their " '09 Contracts " are filled out and turned into the office as soon as possible. Please remind your boating neighbors to turn theirs in also.

Here's hoping everyone has a great sailing season this year.

See you soon! Cindy Cohoon Office Mgr.

Hello Boulderites,

According to the calendar spring is here. Boats are getting ship-shaped the LCR committee is busy planning the activities for the Leukemia Cup Regatta on Memorial Day Weekend.

Coming up on April 17 we will be having the kick-off meeting at the Top of the Met again this year. Our very special guest speaker is none other than Tania Aebi. You may recall she is first American woman & youngest person to sail around the world alone (at that time). She wrote the book, Maiden Voyage, about the experience. You can read all about her and the event on our new web site:

<u>www.carlylelcr.com/pages/kick\_off.htm</u>. Be sure to get your reservation in early, this program is likely to sell out. If you're having trouble opening this web site there is a flyer on page 5.

And, on Sunday, April 19 the Manchester West Marine store will be hosting a Fleet Day with excellent discounts on the stuff you need. You can get the full details here: www.carlylelakelcr.com/documents/Manchester West Marine Fleet-Day.pdf.

In addition to the website <a href="www.carlylelakelcr.com/">www.carlylelakelcr.com/</a>, we are also maintaining a blog for the regatta this year. See it at: <a href="www.lcr-carlyle.blogspot.com/">www.lcr-carlyle.blogspot.com/</a>. Your subscription to the blog will keep you up--to-date on the events and activities as they are announced.

In these trying times organizations like the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society need our support more than ever. We hope you will be able to participate to the extent you can this year. Have a great sailing season and we'll see you on the water and at the LCR events.

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Rey Neville

BYC Leukemia Cup Regatta representative

Correction to last months bits on the article of No-Boat the awards are reversed. Jeff Morrison got the "Seamanship Award". Schmidty got the "Achievement Award". Thanks Pam McBride.

Why is that picture of a large sailboat on the front of our bits? It seems Jeff Morrison went on a charter in the Caribbean a couple of weeks ago and found his dream retirement boat. Great boat Jeff and what a kewel BYC club boat?

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

April 17<sup>th</sup>------**Kick off meeting for Leukemia Regatta 2009**April 25<sup>th</sup>-----**Spring Thaw and Flea Market & Spring Rush Race** (fun race)
May 16<sup>th</sup>---- **New Member Meet and Greet Wine/Cheese Social & BYC race 1** 

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

If you see an error in the Bits, or if you want the Bits by e-mail contact me at <a href="magicdragon1@prodigy.net">magicdragon1@prodigy.net</a>. If you see an error in the attached BYC Roster E-Mail Rob Schmidt at Rschmidt63025@gmail.com and we will correct the error.

I don't know why I put this in here but the **deadline** for the next (April) issue of the Boulder Bits is <u>4/25/2009</u>. We encourage everyone to send articles of interest to share with us. I know I will get articles on time this year.

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