Boulder Yacht Club der Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS--

May is already gone, time flies when we are having fun. The atmosphere of BYC is great, and it is kewl to see all the boats coming and going out of the harbor, this is what its all about, sometimes I enjoy watching people have a good time as much as having it myself. Look forward to seeing all of BYC members in June, Iri mon!

That's all I have this month, see you at boulder where life is good.

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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

Since there is only so much I can write about clothing, I decided to quote a little out of "A Dictionary for Landlubbers, Old Salts, & Armchair Drifters." By Henry Bear & Roy McKie.

Berth- any horizontal surface whose total area does not exceed one half of the surface area of an average man at rest. Onto which at least one liter of some liquid seeps during any 12-hour period and above which there are not less than 10 kilograms of improperly secured objects.

Cabin – A cramped, closet like compartment below deck where crewmembers may be stored – on their sides if large or on end if small – until needed.

Fish – Any living creature that does not call the Coast Guard when faced the prospect of being submerged for more than a minute.

Jury Rig – An emergency arrangement of sails, lines, spars, ect, usually put together in a period of temporary insanity.

Passenger – A form of movable internal ballast, which tends to accumulate on the leeward side of sailboats once sea motions commence.

By the way those of you that have recently placed an order from the Ships Store, it has arrived. Your items are in the showcase with your name tagged to them.



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See you at the Lake!

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---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---

Hello one and all! It's been another lovely month at the lake that has swept past like a rolling wave. So, what's happened this past month from a secretary / treasury point of view?

We had a great turnout for our New Member's part on May 16th, with 64 attendees. With our newest members, and "old" members that have renewed, we have a total of 74 couples. We still have 37 couples from last year that haven't renewed.

Announcing our new members that have signed up since our last Bits: Danny & Margaret Summann, with their children Spencer and Ryan, have a 24' Riviera Cruiser named "3 Hour Tour". "Sit right back and I'll tell you a tale, a tale of a fateful trip...." Eric and Emily Wilson, with their youngster Isabella, have a 17' Florida Bay Mud Hun, currently named "Rocky", to be named "Honest Shot". You gotta love boat-renaming ceremonies - Champagne. We also have Thomas Przyzycki (I wonder how many teachers have butchered that name), with Livewire, his 25' Searay, and Tim & Cindy Garman with "Imagine That", their 27' O'Day.

"... And the Professor and Mary Ann, here on Gilligan's Isle!" See y'all hopefully sooner than later.

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----THE SOCIAL CHAIR ----



Wine tasting



new members, greet them Learn their names & boats



boat renamed

Thanks to all that attended the "New Members Wine and Cheese Social" last month. We had more than 70 people turn out to welcome New Members and enjoy Dan Garland's (Matinger Wines) nice selection this year. I ordered a few bottles myself. You can't survive on Rum alone. It turned a bit chilly once the sun set and most crowded around the caldron fire while Vince played that music we have come to enjoy. Thanks to Tim, Lynne, Gail and all the rest that made the party a success.

On June 13th the popular "Tapas Open Boat Party" will be hosted by Bill and Barbara Jaworowski (Moon Beams). We hope to see even more open-boats with all the new members joining this year. It's always

fun to see different types of boats and how we've improved on their original designs over the years. So polish up the brass and set out the hors d'oeuvres to welcome guests aboard your boat.

Once again the Carlyle Fireworks display will be held the weekend prior to July 4th. So make plans to join your friends for a BYC raft-up in Cove 1 Saturday June 27th. Many will plan to stay the night. Hope you can too!

If you have any ideas or need information about this year's events please contact me Jeff Morrison, Social Chair morrison.jeff@ymail.com.

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

The LCR event at CSA has passed and Boulder was present with quite a few folks. Our Boulder bags are real nice and ours will find a permanent place on our boat. Thanks to Rey Neville and the other members of the LCR committee I hope enough money was donated to make a difference. We tried to win some of their pickle dishes but sometimes lady luck is not on your side.

I am looking forward to our "Big Race day "coming up June 6. Bill from Moonbeams has volunteered to do CB. (Very much appreciated !!) We will have 2 races that day..... We will make the course easy with a simple Windward Leeward race. The skippers meeting is at 9 30 Saturday morning and we will decide there how many laps and other details. Usually crew is always needed, please don't be shy and come to the hill and we try to find you a boat to crew on. All other Carlyle boats are invited, please come to the skippers meeting or email me with your boat details no later than Thursday 4th. We will run 4 fleets (one start) to make this as fair as it can be, for any boat, no matter what, to not only participate, but have a good chance of winning their fleet.

Other dates around the lake:

June 6 will see the CYC Moonlight distance race (check the BYC yahoo forum for more details) June 13 is TYC lake wide race and June 20 is CYC Commodore Cup, see flyers at clubhouse Next Boulder Race date is July 11 for another 2 races the same day

Cu on the lake

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---BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM---

While sailing on beautiful Carlyle Lake one 10 to 14 mph winds day "Magic Dragon" got hit by a micro burst that knocked her down. She didn't round up; move forward, she just went over instantly. The fact that she went over so quickly and I couldn't release the mainsheet while trying to stay in the boat caused the mast to twist and break when she popped back up. The sails in the water still sheeted in were to heavy for the mast. Well at least we now know that a water-ballasted boat will right itself. What a hard way to learn.

Steven J. Kratcman is taking his newly purchased boat from its purchase town of St.Petersburg, FL to Miami, then up the coast to it's mooring at Solomons Yachting Center, Solomons, MD. Here is how the first leg went. Preplanning allowed for travel from May to June and to Miami by May 25^{th, which} was done. Upon leaving Ft. Meyers and coming down to Marco Island all weather reports for the day and the day after were for "slight chance of showers, 30% chance of rain, mild conditions, seas of 2-4 ft.". These conditions for my boat seemed fair to proceed on to Marathon, FL without incident. Approximately 3AM rain began; cooling conditions set in and winds up to 32 mph were seen on the wind display unit. Lightning continued around us with flashes, then, while holding to wheel at pedestal, a loud snap, sparks from above flew down to the deck, the JRC radar screen flashed on automatically from the charge and was turned off due to the glare, the center cover connecting the bimini to the dodger was missing, the only instrument seemingly working was the new Garmin 440S and the Simrad autopilot. In the morning light at approx. 5:30AM a cursory inspection from below with binoculars was made of the mast showing the one antenna missing and the fitting from it was on the deck. I still have it. We then saw the damage done to the bow where both sides of newly installed rub rail were ripped backwards on

each side approximately 6 ft. We then made an inspection of all the thru-hulls and hull fittings to determine damage. It was determined to proceed with original plans to get to Miami after getting a replacement for VHF radio. Both installed VHFs along with all pedestal instruments smelled of electrical burns. The only knowledge of depth for this trip is left to the Garmin chart plotter. After arriving in Miami and connecting to AC power, it was found that the Xantek inverter 2500 would not allow for the switch to AC power for using the air-conditioning. It also may have been affected by the strike. In conclusion, the hull and body parts of the boat except for the mast and fittings seem to be generally intact. The mast condition is unknown. I will proceed with plans to continue the trip up from Miami where I need to meet crew there and in Charleston, and upon setting up at the dock it should have a short haul for inspection by a surveyor to determine any major/minor damage as a result.

On a lighter note a formal boat renaming was performed at the marina last. Month. Tim performed the renaming ceremony the correct way with plenty of guest and champagne. You have to do it right so you don't anger the Great Lake God and he did it right. Maybe if he had done it sooner I wouldn't have lost my mast. The large houseboat will be known from this point forward as "Bonny Sue". Her previous name will only be whispered in dark corners.

Tim and Deb Akey took an instructional catamaran sailing course the week we had our party so they didn't have as much fun as we did. If anyone is interested in following their progress in the catamaran course you can go to their blog, "The Retirement Project" in the yahoo group. Glad your back sorry you missed all the fun at the new member party.

Leukemia Cup Regatta

Once again the Leukemia Cup Regatta has happened on our Lake. There were in the neighborhood of 100 entrees in the regatta with not much wind but since when do good sailors need a lot of wind to have fun. The food was good, the music was good and the beverages were plentiful. The auction went well with some of Grimey's photos selling add to the donation pot. The bag that BYC and Boulder Marina donated with our pig roast was a little different but really neat. Speaking of donations, not everything has been counted yet but it appears we made approximately \$30,000. Not bad for a good cause. See you next year.

Rey Neville BYC Leukemia Cup Regatta representative

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 6 ------BYC race 2 & 3
June 11th ------- BYC Race 4 + 5
June 13th ------- Tapas On The Dock and Boat Open House
June 13th --------Trade winds our neighbors across the lake Commodores Cup
June 20th--------CYC Commodores Cup
June 27th---------Carlyle Lake fireworks display on the lake

EDITOR'S NOTE

If you see an error in the Bits, or if you want the Bits by e-mail contact me at magicdragon1@prodigy.net. 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 (July) issue of the Boulder Bits is **6/25/2009**. 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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