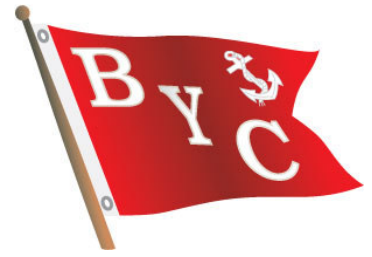


Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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With boats going back in the water it must be spring.

---COMMODORE'S COMMENTS---

If spring thaw is any indication, we are going to have a great season. Good people, good food and a great time. We have had a minor setback with the no fishing, but send in your stories to boulder, and we will prevail. The marina is having a meeting with lake officials about fishermen in the marina. If you have had any problems with the fishermen hitting your boats with their boats, lures, or beer cans please put it in writing and e-mail it to the marina. If you have had problems with them impeding your way arriving or leaving your slip or just not allowing you to maneuver inside the marina send it to the marina. If you have had any problems with these fishermen please e-mail it to the marina at bouldermarina@charter.net.

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

See you at the lake, irie mon.
Commodore Schmidty
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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

Hello Sailors. Its finally spring!

The "Spring Thaw" party last weekend was a fitting start into the 2009 season. Many thanks to our cooks and a very special thanks to our local fishermen who donated the tasty fish. We all appreciate them

watching our boats during the week and the long winter months, but being rewarded with some of their catch is something else.

Our Commodore is busy getting boats in the water and the parking lot slowly clears, a sure sign that sailing season is upon us.

Don't forget, May 16th is "Wine and Cheese" and also the "New Members" party.

We have sold quite a bit out of the BYC ship store last weekend, if I do not have your size in stock, ask me to special order it for you. I am planning to place an order in the next week or two.

See you at the Lake!

Ulli Schaette Vice Commodore

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---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---

Hello one and all! It was nice seeing all the happy, shiny faces at the Spring Thaw last weekend, which was very successful. We had \$214 in sales, with the club making a whopping \$34.90! Whew Hew! The fish was to die for! What a great weekend. The only shame is that I didn't get to go sailing! And, it sounds like there was some exciting sailing too, with big winds!

And, how about the Ships Store? Ulli's done a great job adding items people want. That stuff's been going like hotcakes! Check it out.

Over the past month we've added some new members to the BYC family: Terry & Shirley Robinson, with Family Circus, their Premier Pontoon; Herman & Brenda Rowcliff, with their Triton 17; and Rick Murray & Denise Gansauer, with Cardinal Sin, their Lowe 24. Ray Kritis ("Buccaneer Ray") with Jammin, his Buccaneer 27' re-joined the club, after a few year hiatus.

We also had some folks renew during the month. We're still missing those folks that haven't renewed. Come join the family, and we'll tell you what this year's secret hand-shake is.

I wasn't up at the lake as much as I'd like to have been in April, but plan to be there more during May (the best-laid plans, huh?). Hope to see y'all there.

"Don't worry boss. If anything's gonna happen it's gonna happen out there"

See ya at the lake, soon.

Rob Schmidt BYC Secretary / Treasurer

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

Many took advantage of Schmidt's April Saturday Launch opportunity. What a great idea Schmidt, thanks for doing that! Hope we can look forward to that next year too.

April certainly went out like a lion based on the high winds last weekend. It didn't seem to discourage several night sailors though. I understand it was one tack to the dam and one tack back.

Thanks to those that were able to make it to the Spring Thaw and Flea Market last Saturday. We had a great time. Several Sailors had dozens of items up for sale. Later in the afternoon 50-60 people feasted on the crappie contributed by local fishermen that walk our docks. Be sure to say thanks when you see them. The behind the scenes fry cooks (Tim Tracy and Sharon) did a wonderful job. I overheard some people say, "I don't usually eat fish but I sure ate my share of these fish". What another great idea from Schmidty.

May 16th is the New Members Wine and Cheese Social sponsored by the Bira and Cantino families. Dan Garland from Matinger Wines will bring a selection for us to sample. Bratwurst and Hot Dogs will be served in the clubhouse along with your pot-luck dishes. Live music by Vince K's Oldies will follow from 7:30-10:30. Please forward your reservations to Rob Schmidt as soon as possible and join us to welcome the new members of 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 morrison.jeff@ymail.com.

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

Sorry for the high winds at our frostbite season starter fun race. It was a good call to cancel that one, despite the 20 people that were on the hill. I was trying my wind instruments on Sunday, they were switched on for maybe 10 minutes, and despite that short time the highest recorded gust was 36 knots of wind..... Ouch!!!!

Thanks to Kort for presenting a very informative race rules clinic for everyone. Our 2009 Phrf numbers are hanging out on the clubhouse. The sport boats/multis and everybody who wants to run with a spinnaker will run the low numbers, everyone else gets the higher JAM (jib and main) numbers.

We do have our first race May 16; June 6 is the race 2 and 3. And in between we have the LCR (Leukemia Cup Regatta) down at CSA. Again they offer around the buoy racing on Saturday and Sunday and the attractive long distance race on Saturday only. It's not to late to sign up. Contact me and I will try to give you pointers about how when and where.....its for a great cause, lets show up in force.

Thanks to CYC for their invite to all BYC racers to participate in their first spring long distance race. (Report to follow)

I would like all folks who are interested in anything racing to sign up on the clubs Yahoo website. If you do not like automatic email notification, than you can simply check: read only on the web. That way you can check new messages on your own liberty and don't get any emails. I will try to post anything of interest there.

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---BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM---

Announcing the First Annual BYC Photo Contest!

It's come to my attention that there are a lot of very talented photographers in our group so we'd like to honor them for a good cause. Dig out those digital cameras and your creative juices and send some entries in to benefit the 2010 Leukemia Cup Regatta. Gary and Lila from Photo Shoot will help judge the entries. Read the rules page 4 and if you have any questions you can email me Deb Akey at d_akey@sbcglobal.net.

BYC 2009 Photo Contest Rules

1. Photographs must be taken between 4-1-09 and 11-1-09
2. Photographs must be in Digital format with high enough resolution to print 5x7 prints
3. Photographs must be original work and unedited except for the Art-Edited category.
4. All Photographs must be submitted via email to bycphotocontest@gmail.com no later than 12-1-09. Entries must be clearly identified in the email as to category, date taken, location taken, and the names of any boats and / or people in the picture.
5. Trophies will be presented at the 2010 No Boat Regatta. All entries will be displayed.
6. Entry Fee will be \$5.00 per contestant, limit one picture per category. The entry fees will be donated in entirety to the 2010 Leukemia Cup Regatta.
7. Competition categories:
 1. Landscape
 2. Boats / Racing
 3. BYC Member
 4. Sunset
 5. Wildlife
 6. Comedy
 7. Art-edited. (Please submit jpg files only)

Spring is here and the ticks will soon be showing their heads. Here is a good way to get them off you, your children, or your pets. Give it a try. A School Nurse has written the info below -- good enough to share -- if it really works. This is great, because it works in those places where it's some times difficult to get to with tweezers: between toes, in the middle of a head full of dark hair, etc. Apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball. Cover the tick with the soap-soaked cotton ball and swab it for a few seconds (15-20), the tick will come out on its own and be stuck to the cotton ball when you lift it away. This technique has worked every time the nurse used it (and that was frequently), and it's much less traumatic for the patient and easier for me. Why do sailors need to know this? We have to take our dogs for a walk to do their thing.

Leukemia Cup Regatta Coming Up

Make Plans for Memorial Day Weekend, May 22-24. The annual Leukemia Cup Regatta is just around the corner. As always it offers a fabulous fun-filled sailing and social event centered on our opportunity to help make a difference for those suffering from blood related diseases.

The weekend kicks off with a cocktail party on Friday night where you can register for the regatta, have a cold one and shop at the silent auction starting at 5:00 PM. Saturday is race day followed by a great party with live music, a rum tent and a full beer wagon for registrants and crew. Sunday concludes with a continental breakfast, racing, lunch and awards. Please see Carlylelaker.com and click on Regatta Weekend for details.

In case you missed it, the Kickoff Event was the best ever. It was sold out and as you might expect and the Kemoll's staff at the Top of the Met did a perfect job in keeping us snacked and our thirst slaked. Tania Abei was fabulous. Her story of her solo around-the-world sailing adventure fascinated everyone. Off the stage she was equally charming and interesting as her biggest fan, Mary Neville can attest.

Concluding the evening and giving real meaning to the purpose of our event, Zach Michael, a current U of M student, inspired us with his recount of the ongoing heroic struggle he is having with a virulent form of Lymphoma. If you attend the Regatta you can meet Zach and hear first hand how the research efforts and patient support of The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society are making a big difference in patient recovery. But, we're not there yet; there is so much more to be done. And we need your help to do it.

Remember you don't need to race to participate in the social events and contribute to this very worthwhile cause. To register go to the web site, click on Regatta Registration. Don't forget, the first 100 registrants receive the BYC – Boulder Marina logoed skipper's bag. We look forward to seeing you there.

Rey Neville BYC Leukemia Cup Regatta representative

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 2 -----Spring shakedown race CYC
 May 16th----- New Member Meet and Greet Wine/Cheese Social & BYC race 1
 May 22-24.----- The annual Leukemia Cup Regatta at CSA

Logo on skipper's bag
 By
 Rey Neville



- June 6 -----BYC race 2 & 3
 June 11th ----- BYC Race 4 + 5
 June 13th ----- Tapas On The Dock and Boat Open House

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 (June) issue of the Boulder Bits is **5/25/2009**. We encourage everyone to send articles of interest to share with us. I know I will get articles on time this year.

Bill Schmidt, Editor magicdragon1@prodigy.net

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 Contact the Sec/Treasure. →