

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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---COMMODORE'S COMMENTS---

Labor Day means kids are back in school and swimming pools will close, but some of the best sailing is coming up in the following weeks. One of the fun events left is the Renshaw Regatta and the Pig Roast. The proceeds of this event goes to a great cause and is open to all sailors on the lake which means we will have people from other clubs attending. During the race we can try to best them as competitors, but at the party they will be fellow sailors so let's show them the BYC hospitality and really make them welcome.

Sunday we will have nomination of officers for the next sailing season. If you think you might like to be an officer but you are not sure what is involved come to the meeting and ask questions, and then get involved.

Dennis has an article in this bits and more info on the marina website about the BVI CRUIS. The more the merrier and a BYC armada in the BVI s would be really kewl.

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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

Hello BYC Sailors

I am a little out of the loop as what was happening at the lake last month since I have been in South Africa for most of August.

I was a little surprised how cool the weather was when Thorsten picked me up from the airport last weekend, but I am not complaining. It seems like this season went by so quick, much quicker than others. I guess time flies when you are having fun.

I had some special orders come in for the ship store that I will be bringing to the lake on the Pig Roast weekend. I will place the orders with your name in the ship store display case, so please see me or Cindy to pick up your items.

See you at the lake

Ulli Schaette Vice Commodore
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---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---

Hello All. We have some very exciting news. We now have an informal reciprocity agreement with the Adventurers Club, out of Chicago, IL.

What is the Adventurers Club of Chicago?

The Adventurers club was founded in 1911 and has around 250 members and is primarily open for lunch a few days a week and some evenings. It can be open other times if necessary on an RSVP basis. Their website is here: www.advclub.org. What is also great about the club is that there is no dress code - you can wear jeans or shorts. The only exception is that some of the events require coat and tie and similar attire for women. The club has an indoor hot tub and has some interesting collections including the largest private collection of shrunken heads in the world and a stuffed gorilla and many other exotic stuffed animals and fish that are mounted on the walls of the club.

The Adventurers Club's members include members of the Walgreen and Pritzker families in Chicago and have included President Theodore Roosevelt, Sir Ernest Shackleton, Ronald Amundsen, Admiral Byrd, Marlin Perkins, of Wild Kingdom fame, and the late Steve Fossett.

How would the reciprocity work?

It works very much like our reciprocal clubs that are part of the Yachting Club of America, except that it is not a yacht club.

If you are planning to be in Chicago and want to use the club (have lunch or dinner or drinks) just contact our club's secretary / treasurer (currently me), who will arrange it for you. All you will need is your BYC membership card and being willing to pay with cash or credit card (which is the preferred method of payment). You shouldn't contact the Adventurers Club yourself. It should be arranged between each club's secretary / treasurer.

Hope to see you all at the lake in September

Rob Schmidt BYC Secretary / Treasurer
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-----THE SOCIAL CHAIR -----



Spero wins Trex GPS



Mary wins 76Cx GPS

Glad to see we had a good turn-out for the GPS Poker Run. Most made it around the breezy course to find race markers set up at specific coordinates. Four prizes were awarded for drawing the best poker hands at the end of the day. The excitement did seem to build as each player drew their cards. After all the cards had been dealt first place was awarded to Mary Neville. She won a Garmin 76Cx GPS. Somehow I think Rey will have more fun with it than Mary will. Second place went to Spero Bude who won a Garmin E-Trex GPS. A \$50.00 third place was awarded to Kim Cantino and fourth place went to Diana Commens who may still have a bottle of Pussers Rum.

If you haven't marked your calendars yet, please do so. Saturday September 5th Labor Day weekend is the **4th Annual BYC Pig Roast**. As in years past we will have Live Music under the pavilion. Each year this event seems to grow. Please bring family and friends and join us for a terrific evening. The proceeds benefit a great cause too, **The Leukemia Society**. Free Slips are available for your guests which may be coming from other marinas. The marina is generously donating the Pig so we ask that the members bring a side dish to share with others. To avoid having 5 or 10 dishes of the same thing being served please be creative. The typical sides of coleslaw and potato salad to have already been covered, you may want to consider bringing desert. Brownies, cookies, cake etc. would be wonderful!

Make reservations at (636) 938-9179 quickly.

If you have any ideas or need information about this year's events please contact me
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-----FROM THE RACE CHAIR -----

Race 5 was a Hound and Hare regatta where the slowest boat starts first and the fastest last and then tries to pass everybody. It was great fun to see 9 boats on the course fighting it out. Keep the momentum going Boulder sailors we are on our way to build a great race fleet. At the skippers meeting... more jokingly I said that I will do a starboard start and everybody on port better watch out, as I will not give room(not supposed to as stand on boat) low and behold I find myself on the starting line with 4 port tackersI looked deep in Schmitt's eyes and called starboard ... he was approaching at max speed (7 knots) while I was coming from the other side (also 7 knots....= approach speed of 14 to 15 knots) he merely nudged his head and made a slight course direction to duck behind me ...there were a lot of wide open eyes when he scooted behind my transom within one ft of distance....WAY COOL !!! Haven't had so much fun in a long time.

Did I say that the Venture Crew worked their butts off on several boats.....My crew worked the spinnaker in gusty winds like pros ..I did a tactical mistake in the second race enabling Juno to Phrf over me big time ..,,,next time Juno ! A great time for all involved..It was great to listen to all the chatter on the hill after the races

This weekend is the Renshaw Race . A big Thanks for Ray Neville doing CB. Much appreciated!
2 week later we have a Sunday Race and on Oct 3 is our Commodore Cup ... Three more races this season for BYC. I can hardly believe that we are that far into our season, where did the time go ?

Cu on the lake

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---BYC GOES CRUISING---

BYC FLOTILLA IN THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (BVI)

Ahoy fellow sailors!! If you thought that you would like to bareboat charter or just help crew a bareboat charter in the BVI we are offering a great opportunity this coming winter. Schmidty and I will be bareboat chartering from Sunsail in the BVI during the first week of Feb, 2010 (Sat, 30 Jan – Sat, 6 Feb) which just also happens to be during one of their “double reef” weeks which give you their best discount of 25%. Since I have sailed the BVI several times, Schmidty and I thought we would offer all BYC sailors an opportunity to “tag along” as we visit the popular anchorages of Tortola, Norman Island, Peter Island, Jost Van Dyke and others.

If you would like to be a part of the “BYC BVI Flotilla” just get your crew and captain together and meet us down in the islands. The concept is this: Arrive at Sunsail’s charter base on Tortola Sat evening and spend the night on your charter boat. Depart late Sunday morning after the charter briefing and boat checkout and return by 11:00 AM the following Saturday, 6 Feb. I will be announcing our departure and destination each morning so others in the Flotilla can follow along, meet at the next anchorage or spin off in their own direction. Our exact itinerary will be based on wind and weather conditions at the time.

Example costs are \$3,817 for a 3 cabin, 3 head 42’ monohull (without the sunsail care/cancellation insurance of \$569). I acquired airfare through American Airlines for \$609 per person including all additional taxes and fees. There is other charter companies you can use other than sunsail and you should still be able to hook up with the flotilla. We plan on announcing our destinations each day on VHF channel 69 at 4:00 PM the day before and 10:00 AM the day of.

So guys and gals lets escape for a week in paradise and have some great fun and camaraderie in the crystal clear warm waters of the British Virgin Islands!!

For further information e-mail me at bouldermarina@charter.net. If you cannot get enough of your group to fill a boat we will try to marry up crew and captains however it will be up to each captain to coordinate with the charter company for reservations and payments. So let’s all have a great time in the BVI this winter and remember “Life is not a Dress Rehearsal” – we must live it to the fullest each and every day!

Dennis Smith
Boulder Marina
“Where Life is Good!”

---BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM---

Women's Sailing Class

The women's sailing class has been rescheduled for the Spring. We have many women that want to take the class but we were unable to get a date that everyone could work with. We will announce the new date in the Winter so that you will have plenty of time to get it on your calendar. This way everything you learn will be fresh in your minds for the 2010 sailing season!

Thanks for the great response to the idea. I really look forward to seeing you all at the class next year.

Product Review- ODØRLØS



A couple months ago I was telling a fellow Margaritaville resident that I was unhappy with the holding tank treatment that we were using. She went and grabbed a packet of the treatment that they were using and insisted that I try it. It's been a long time since I tried any product on the market that I would describe as absolutely amazing, but this is one of them. The product is ODØRLØS, manufactured by Yara North America in Tampa, FL. I was able to use a lot less than other products I had tried and had no odor in the boat after the second week of treatment. The company has this to say about the product:

- Eliminates ALL holding tank odors
- Fragrance free
- Clear, non-staining
- Breaks down waste / tissue
- Lubricates valves
- Prevents clogging
- 100% biodegradable
- Contains NO formaldehyde
- Safe for chemically sensitive people
- Septic tank safe

The company claims that more than 5,000 waste water treatment plants worldwide use the ODØRLØS technology for odor control so keeping a sailboat odor free is no problem! If you're interested, you can go to their website to purchase:

http://www.odorlos.com/products_info/products_consumer2.htm It's also sold at many RV dealers and Camping World.

Articles by Deb Akey

During this past summer the Commodore, Sharon and I have visited marinas on both the west coast and the east coast. We were in some marinas larger than ours and some smaller, but as it is on our own lake the sailors are a friendly group with the same common interest in sailing that we have. We also visited some reciprocal clubs that we had one more thing in common, belonging to a sailing club. Some were fancier than ours and some were not, but we all have one thing in common and that's sailing. What great way to find out about boats and sailing in different areas. Being a reciprocal club gets you into clubs and more insight of how they sail, race and just plain do things.

---UPCOMING EVENTS---

September 5-----Annual Pig Roast---BYC Renshaw race (race 7 championship)

September 6-----Nominations of Officers

September 19-----Whale of a Sail by CSA

October 3-----BYC Commodore's Cup and Chili Super

October 4-----Election of BYC officers

---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 (October) issue of the Boulder Bits is **9/25/2009**. 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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