

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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---COMMODORE'S COMMENTS---

Dear BYC Members

Below is some info on the upcoming No Boat.

We have reserved the ballroom for our next No Boat Dinner at the Drury Inn in O'Fallon, Illinois. They are blocking off about 20 guest rooms for us.

Please make your reservations by **Wednesday, January 26, 2011** to receive our group rate. Reservations made after this date will be subject to prevailing rate and availability. Use the link below to make your reservation.

<http://www.druryhotels.com/Reservations.aspx?groupno=2103554>

Here are some of the amenities our group will enjoy:

FREE HOT QUIKSTART® Breakfast – At Drury, “hot” means Belgian waffles, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, sausage and more.

FREE DRURY 5:30 KICKBACK - From 5:30 – 7:00 pm, our rotating hot food menu may include items such as hot dogs, chicken strips, egg rolls, charbroiled meatballs, baked potatoes and more. As always, drinks are also on the house.*

FREE Free Long Distance - One hour every room every night.

FREE Indoor swimming pool for the kids.

FREE Wireless Internet Access – High speed Internet in all rooms and the lobby.

FREE Soda and Popcorn – From 3:00 pm to 10:00 pm every night in the lobby.

Plus much more!!

Also in order to get a good head count for the caterer, please sign up for the No Boat Dinner at least 2 weeks in advance.

See you at the No Boat

Ulli Schaette

BYC Commodore

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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

There was a nice turn out for the Ladies Tea and Men's Review. A great time was had by all. A number of topics were discussed but mostly it was "I already miss the Boat." Well at least that's how the men's conversations seem to be going. Another long cold winter is ahead of us. I hope many of you have plans to visit warmer climates. Please take some pictures and send them in to me for posting in a future Boulder Bit's. There is no shortage of luxurious boats in the British Virgin Islands. Here are a couple of pictures taken by Tim Bira in 2009.



"Maltese Falcon" found in the BVI 2009. It is 289 foot long.



Windstar Cruise Lines found in the BVI 2009.



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--FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER--

The sailing season seems like a long time ago, doesn't it? The recent below normal temps makes me ready for next summer's hot temperatures already.

This is kind of a quiet month for my office but with the "No Boat" coming up there will be a lot of work to do. Thanks to Dave Renard our new entertainment system is now insured. The new officers will be setting a schedule for next year and they will be presenting it at the "No Boat".

I would like to remind you that club dues, or as we call it club membership for 2010 are coming up. If you would like to get your membership cards at the "No Boat Regatta" you need to send them in early.



See Y'all at the No Boat.
 Bill Schmidt BYC Secretary / Treasurer
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-----THE SOCIAL CHAIR --

The "Ladies Luncheon" was last Saturday and was attended by about 12 lady sailors. Why is there a photo of guys? Bill charged the battery in Sharon's camera and left it at home. It worked well there. Some drove as far as 150 miles to McGurk's Pub while the guys met down the street at Johnny's. Those that drove so far had to stay in Missouri and party again Saturday night, but that is a different party to



be told later.

The next club party is the "No Boat Regatta" Saturday night February 26, but before that some people are going to Strictly Sail in Chicago. I hope to see you at the No Boat Regatta.

See you at the lake or in the office.
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----FROM THE RACE CHAIR ----

The lake is closed for November or so it seems. No Races on our muddy waters anyhow. That doesn't mean that we are all in hibernation though. Kort your new RC for next year and I are working hard finalizing the race dates for 2011. Emails to the other clubs to make sure that there is no interference are out there in Cyber world, a lot of planning what, where, when and how is going around.... Kort will keep the format about the same like in the last two years with a couple fun events sprinkled into the calendar.

One thing which needs to be improved on is the CB volunteer commitment. We had great folks helping us out last year, but a commitment from the participants early in the season will make things so much easier for the RC. Please check your calendar and jump on the dates (after they get released early in the year) stay tuned.

Seemed I couldn't get enough racing under my belly so we combined a family visit with a race in Charleston Harbor SC. I was invited through Sailing Anarchy on an all race prepped Beneteau First 36.7. Team Echo with 7 people on board let me do rail meat and sewer (getting the spinnaker into the V berth through the hatch and get everything ready for the next hoist). This was the very first time I was on a boat with a super efficient and trained crew. WOW....

As you all know I am pretty competitive and racing somewhat in my blood, but this was a new experience for me altogether. It was little too much stress and a little too much back and forth. I do know why I love our racing! And now I love (and miss) it even more. Furthermore although impressive how 8 people were tweaking pulling showing and whatever else it took to make the boat go fast, I am even more impressed that we do that on our tri with 3 people and have a much better time doing it... besides being almost double as fast. In other news the sail destroyed during the Great Race is fixed and ready for more. The boat needs a good cleaning of the bottom and a few items on the to-do list need to be ordered but everything will be ready for next season



Thanks Thor
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---BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM---

Pretty soon you will be getting the marina contracts in the mail. Along with the marina contract there will be a Boulder Yacht Club membership application. Although you mail the marina contract you can mail only the BYC membership (not the marina contract) to me Bill Schmidt C/O BYC Yacht Club, 4392 Cottage Grove Rd. House Springs, Mo 63051.

Coming soon is the Strictly Sail Boat Show in Chicago. For those of you that have never been there it is a good place to see new boats, boating equipment, or places to go. Sometimes you can get good deals or just see ideas for your present boat. It's not as large as some of the boat shows around the country but it's larger than the boat show in St. Louis and it's all sail boats. It comes at a time when we wish we were still sailing and gets us back in the frame of mind of sailing again. Get a group together and have fun in Chicago.

Here are some tips for winter boat storage. Remember your boat is sitting at the marina all by herself and winters can be harsh on her, so visit her once and a while to see how she is doing. Maybe the cover needs readjusting or something on deck needs checking. Also those little things you put in places to keep winter critters out need to be reinstalled. One boat had a raccoon move in the boat during the winter and had to be carefully removed when the boat was launched in the spring. It's much easier to keep them out now than removing them in the spring. Just remember to remove all the enclosures before you launch in the spring, it could make your engine run cooler.

Your new clubs officers will be meeting soon give us a schedule that will give us another fun filled sailing season. If you have some ideas you would like to do or seen done email them and let them know.

---UPCOMING EVENTS---

Jan 27-30, 2011----Strictly Sail Chicago

Feb. 26----- No Boat at Drury Inn O'Fallon, IL.

---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 when there is an attached BYC Roster E-Mail me and I will correct the error.

I don't know why I put this in here but the **deadline** for the next (Janusry) issue of the Boulder Bits is **12/25/2010**. 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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