

# Boulder Yacht Club

# Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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

Dear BYC Members

"The season is now coming to an end and the boats have started to pull out."

Our BYC storage shed received a long overdue facelift last week. Guy Knight was so nice and donated his time to paint the storage shed. The club paid for the paint. It took about 10 hours since the one side was so weathered and covered with mold that it needed bleaching and a few more coats, since the wood soaked it up so quickly. Please let Guy know that his work for the club is very much appreciated. If we just can get some volunteers together to get the storage shed cleaned out and organized.

To cap the season we will meet at 1:00 PM on December 4<sup>th</sup> 2010

The Ladies will be meeting at:

**John D. McGurk's Pub**  
**1200 Russell Blvd.**  
**St. Louis, MO 63104**  
**314 776 8309**

The Men will meet at:

**Johnny's Restaurant and Bar**  
**1017 Russell Blvd.**  
**St. Louis, MO**  
**314 865 0900**

These are the same places we met last year. It would be nice to see everyone again so please plan to attend.

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, the 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!!**

See you December 4<sup>th</sup>.

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

The season is coming to a close. Once again we begin the sad process of winterizing our boats. For those that are leaving boats in this winter have some pity on those of us that have already pulled our boats out. How about one last sail? Please!!

What a great time we had at this year's Halloween Party. Quite a few dressed in costume. Bill and Sharon Schmidt did a terrific job organizing the food and decorations.

This month's pictures are of some last minute raft-ups in Coles Creek in October. The first I took of some good friends. The second was taken by an old friend from Trade Winds, Dave Crumpston. If you have pictures of recent vacations or a favorite sailing moment you would like to share please E-mail your photos to me. I would like to post them in future articles



Friends from BYC October 2010



ats at Sunset In Coles Creek October 2010

Jeff Morrison, Vice Commodore BYC  
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## --FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER--

The Chili Supper seems like a long time ago, doesn't it? We had a great party, and despite the prediction of terrible weather, we had a good turnout of people, but not the 104 of last year. We also had the largest and best costumed showing at the Halloween party.

Can you believe that it's already the end of October, and many of us are pulling out our boats? Schmidty had 4 pull-outs on Friday (10/29). And, now, as the days get shorter and colder, we start concentrating on fixing and improving our boats. But, we still have the great memories of the past summer (crewing in races, parties under the pavilion), and we can dream about what fun we'll have next year.

Hope to see everyone at the December event where the men have a few drinks (much more fun), while the ladies have their Ladies luncheon.

See you at the Lake.  
 Bill Schmidt BYC Secretary / Treasurer  
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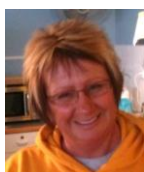
**-----THE SOCIAL CHAIR -----**



It seems like every year the Halloween party gets bigger and the costumes get better. Even though this time of the year can be cool it was warm enough to be out under the pavilion if you dared to be out with the ghosts and goblins. The scariest costume we had was Tim Schleper dressed as Schmidty. Cassandra and Isabel Bira were among the winners but every one of the kids won something for best costume for the kids while Jeff, Spiro, Kevin and Linda (team) were the best of the adults. The gourmet food was left over's from the chili super with Linda Scheers scrumptious potato soup and fine deserts that ladies in the club are well known for. Sharon would like to thank all those people that helped during the party and those that helped with the cleanup. We also had a great fire in the fire kettle that topped off an evening of sailors getting together to have fun.

Ladies don't forget your luncheon coming up Dec 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be at one place talking about things we like to talk about and the men will be down the street talking about things they like. I don't think they will be the same topics though.

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

The racing season ended with a bang, quite literally for some.

Historically the last weekend in October belongs to the Great Race held by CYC and this 35 edition was no exception. I think with more or less meager participation around the lake for most of the lake wide events, this one got a lot of advertising and eventually we had an outstanding field of around 43 boats on the line. Wind was all over the place with a downwind spinnaker start and pressure all the way up to 25 knots in some gusts.

The Boulder Armada (6 Boats) had big plans to re capture the CYC traveling trophy again this year. Barry was racing the Viper and had trouble to get her ready and was consequently 6 minutes too late for the start line. On a race where mere seconds cover the first 4 boats this was of course the end of it. Very high winds and a steep chop made it difficult for the Kittiwake to arrive in time for the start. But one has to give them credit as they started the race never the less despite a huge time deficit from the very beginning. Thor had a so so start but not only could hang with the Melges but also actually passed a few on the downwind run. The Tri is usually a little slower downwind but can go faster upwind which was the plan, until at the Keyesport mark a loud bang ended the season. The mainsail is completely torn and the race needed to be abandoned. Desperado was fighting their furling headsail (at around the same spot where Thor blew up) and lost valuable time to a frenzy of eager racers. Thor was right up there, Desperado was in a big time lead but it's only over after the fat lady has sung and this time it wasn't meant to be. After all the results were in Desperado was just 2 minutes out of the trophies (and 186 seconds away from first place), Rapture followed in place 5 with Blue Moon topping out the best 10 boats in this very strong 20 boat field.

We went to the trophy presentation at CYC and after some of our boats had to pay \$1 a foot in the marina in order to attend the festivities; we went into town and got a couple of bottles of rum. Unfortunately all the inside tables were reserved by CYC members so we went outside (the rum kept us warm anyhow). Note for next year's event: bring the boats home and have a tent with table and chairs and heater for us BYC folks in the back of the car and then get that CYC traveling trophy (Bullet has it this year) back north.

Kort and I are planning the next season. Let us know what you want more or less or completely different in the racing program. Initial plans are to keep the program very similar to the last 2 years but again do at least a couple of fun events, where elapsed time is almost secondary. Let's hear your suggestions.

Trophies are all ready to be distributed at the No Boat. We will have trophies for 3 fleets and 5 boats deep. Make plans to attend.

Looking forward for the Dec event to trade sailing lies (the older I get the better I was!)  
Cu for the parties  
Thor (slightly used mainsail for sale)

Thanks and cu on the lake

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

Marina News: Schmidty will quit pulling boats out November 22. He will be pulling boats Monday thru Saturday until Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Schedule your pull out with the marina.

This is that time of the year when boats are coming out or even if they are staying in the water they must be made ready for that long winter sleep. Here is one suggestion to speed up getting her ready again for next year. During the winter make a list of items that need repair before the boat goes in the water. These are things that you absolutely need repaired before you start sailing next year. Concentrate on these items first. Then make a list of items you would like to repair or change but are not necessary for sailing next year. These are items that you can do if you have time. Making these lists now while the recent sailing season is

fresh in your mind can be easier than next spring when time is essential. If you have a good idea for winterizing or a good winter project for you boat send it in, we would like to hear it.

For those sailors that leave their boat in the water and sail during the winter be careful out there. They drop the lake by two feet and places you sail now can be a location to run aground. Make sure someone knows where your are sailing and you have some means of communication as there probably won't be a lot of sailors out there. Some kids in a small boat found that out last week.

Many things have happened last year, some were reported and some not. If you have some send them in to the editor but remember a few people read the bits and we don't want to embarrass anyone. Well yes we do but only those that can take it.

### ---UPCOMING EVENTS---

Dec. 4 ----- Ladies Luncheon at McGuirk's Pub and Mens gathering at Johnny's Pub  
 Jan 27-30, 2011----Strictly Sail Chicago  
 Feb. 27----- 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](mailto: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 (December) issue of the Boulder Bits is **11/25/2010**. 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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December 4th 2010

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