

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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--COMMODORE'S COMMENTS--

Our No Boat Regatta is coming up Saturday February 25th. The evening begins with a Happy Hour at 6:00 drinks and horderves. Our Dinner Buffet will start at 7:00. You have little more than 1 week to sign up for the festivities. The deadline is February 10. If you don't have your reservations made please do so today on our Pay Pal website or by mailing a check directly to Bill Schmidt. This is the link to the BYC PayPal site. <http://www.thorusa.com/byc.htm> We will have live music and dancing after our changing of the Officers and awarding of Trophies. Hotel Reservations can still be made at the regular rate using the following link, or you can phone them if preferred. Rooms are still available for those wishing to stay the night. http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/S/STLSTHX-BYC-20120225/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

We have included a copy of the No Boat Flyer for those that don't have one. If you have any questions or comments please don't hesitate to contact me.

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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

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---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---

I have 41 people signed up for the No Boat Regatta and the deadline is coming quickly. I also have 34 memberships renewed. If you haven't done so yet you can still mail your checks to me, but after the Feb 25, you will need to mail your memberships to the new secretary/treasurer Jeff Morrison. His address is 1520 Summer Chase Lane, Fenton Mo., 63026. I am confident that Jeff will do as good a job at this office as he did as Commodore. I am also confident that you will give him as much help that you have given me the last 2 years. For that I thank you.

See you at the No Boat.
Bill Schmidt BYC Secretary / Treasurer
Magicdragon1@prodigy.net



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

Just want to drop a quick note on the next 2 events. February 4 is our 'Winter Warm-up' pot luck. Get out of the house and come share some good food and company and talk about warm weather to come. If you have any vacation photos from past trips, bring them along to share! Then there is the No-Boat on February 25. Hope you have all RSVP'd.....We will be picking the winner of those who RSVP'd throughout the year at the No-Boat. A nice prize awaits you!

This is my last article as Social Chair. I hope you all had a fun year. I know I did. I look forward to next year where Sharon Schmidt will have the honors. Please join me in supporting her and sign up to sponsors some events. There will be a sign up sheet at the No-Boat. I hear we have some new parties in store that sound really fun as well as some of our tried and true events. Please remember we also look for people to help with the set ups and clean up. We all work great as a team. See you all soon!

See you all soon!
Pam McBride Social Chair
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-----FROM THE RACE CHAIR -----

I would like to thank everyone for letting me be the Race Chair this past season and hope that you will join me in supporting Joel (as our new Race Chair) by joining in the fun and participating in the race program in the next season. Fair Winds and Flat Seas.....Kort

May you have fair winds and flat seas.
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---BYC DIRECTORS CHAIRMAN---

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---BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM---

Last weekend some ventured to the Strictly Sail Show in Chicago. I have been to quite a few in the past and this is the first time I didn't see ice at the Navy Pier. Most people go by train as parking cars is expensive in Chicago but we found a Hotel that has free parking so we drove.

To compare with years past I think less large boats, more small boats, less vendors and less people. The smaller crowds made it easier to board the boats get to the vendors, and the beer in the snack area. Our group (me, Sharon, and Schmidty) boarded some small boats. We talked to vendors. You can get information straight from the manufacturer rather than some dealer that may or may not know very much.

While in Chicago you might as well see some of the nightlife and being with Schmidty we went to a night spot featuring blues music. Close to the hotel there was true blues music with an international crowd. Word must get around about Blues Chicago.

Getting a jump on spring. Sometimes, it's the little things that get overlooked; something as minor as a worn impeller or dead battery can ruin a day on the water. Even major things like a dismasting from a cracked fitting or a ruined engine due to clogged manifolds can be prevented by a quick inspection. This winter, devote some time to a few easy inspections or simple projects to make sure next spring your boat is ready for smooth (and safe) sailing. Check your motors impeller. A worn impeller could make the difference the

embarrassment of being towed in or landing on the rocks. Check your stuffing box this could make the difference of a leaking boat when launching your boat. Check for worn hoses and seacocks that could also cause leaks. Check your steering linkage this could also keep you out of unwanted places. Check your batteries as this may keep you from wanted places. Some other things to check are batteries, engine fluids, standing rigging, running rigging, winches, and for us trailerable boats check that trailer before you move that boat. These are just some of the things to check to make the upcoming boating season a pleasant. We sometimes forget these in the winter and get in a hurry in the spring.

---UPCOMING EVENTS---

February 25-----BYC NO BOAT DINNER
April 28-----Spring Thaw & Flea Market

---EDITOR'S NOTE---

This is my last issue as bits editor and I thank all of you that were so helpful to me during that time. Kacey Cramer has been kind enough to take over the Bits and I am sure you will be as helpful to him also.

If you see an error in the Bits, or if you want the Bits by e-mail contact me Kacey Cramer at kaceycramer@gmail.com 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 (March.) issue of the Boulder Bits is **2/25/2012**. 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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**BOULDER YACHT CLUB
NO-BOAT REGATTA
FEBRUARY 25TH 2012**

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE BYC NO-BOAT REGATTA. ADMISSION IS \$30.00 PER PERSON WHICH INCLUDES HAPPY HOUR WITH HORDERVES, OPEN BAR, DINNER AND LIVE MUSIC. IT BEGINS AT 6:00.

DINNER LOCATION

ALL OCCASION BANQUET CENTER

**I-70 AT CAVE SPRINGS
111 COMPASS POINT DRIVE
ST. CHARLES, MO 63301
(636)946-1011**

WWW.ALLOCCASIONBANQUETCENTER.COM

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[HTTP://WWW.THORUSA.COM/BYC.HTM](http://WWW.THORUSA.COM/BYC.HTM)

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4392 COTTAGE GROVE HOUSE SPRINGS, MO 63051

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