

# Boulder Yacht Club

# Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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## --FROM THE COMMODORE--



Hello everyone! I'm finally seeing more boats in the water than on land. It is good to see everyone getting those 'shake down cruises' out of the way. We had a great New Members Party. Thank you Spero for another fabulous spaghetti dinner with your 'SSS' (Spero's Secret Sauce)! We mingled with our new members and shared memories with old members – several members in attendance have been with the club longer than 20 years. WOW - thank you all for your continued support! I want to also thank those that helped setup, serve and cleanup. Sponsors are always looking for (new) people to help out – it's all about team work.

Memorial weekend provided us with our first race. Weather was a little iffy, but all in all it was a good race and more are on the way. June looks to be another fun month. We've got the TAPAS party June 8 which is always a lot of fun. Tom and Tracy do an amazing job and will have great prizes. I heard there may be a special surprise for this party, too. Sign up and find out what it is..... And the fireworks weekend is June 29. Our Social Chair, Laurel Juenger will have more details on these events.

From around the lake - TYC is having their Commodore's Cup on June 15. Sure this will be a good time with more racing, a dinner and dancing. The 'Sailing for Veterans' was postponed due to high water. A new date is TBD. Will let you all know as soon as we hear of the new date. I have one more thing to mention – if you have any ideas for another event, we have some room in July and could probably squeeze something into September or October. Some ideas I've heard kicked around are a movie night or an ice cream social. Some other events we've had in the past that could be fun are a Trivia Night or a Toga Party. Sponsoring events is not as hard as you may think. Laurel can help with the details (or ask most any of the officers, as many of us have had that position in the past) – we have plenty of examples of flyers and how to set them up. We could also have Pot Luck Dinners, too – we did that after our races last year – it was pretty informal and brought us together to talk about the race and just plain socialize. If you have ideas, please see Laurel. Keep your eyes open for some 'freebies', too.

Lastly, I would also like to make a special recognition as to the spirit of camaraderie in this club. Recently I personally know of several boats having some problems, one of them being ours. People seem to 'come out of the woodwork' to help each other. I want to give a special thanks to Kort, Tim and Deb Akey, Tim Bira and Steve and Kim Cantino that helped us with our boat. I noticed quite a few others helping each other, too. I think that is something very special about our club and our marina and I want to recognize that. See you at the lake!

Pam McBride, BYC Commodore

**---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---**

So, the first holiday weekend of the 2013 summer has come and gone. There are still quite a few boats in the parking area, giving cause to wonder if some sailors have opted to forego a season of sailing this year. It has been a strange year with the weather being less than favorable at times and providing more water (rain) than we now need. On the positive side some of us have enjoyed some spirited sailing with the high water and decent wind.

Our boat reached the slip on Tuesday May 14th. A few projects remain but the boat seemed ready for another season of sailing. Memorial weekend proved otherwise. A black cloud, murphy's law, and bad juju, (as Tim Akey so bluntly stated), descended on Jost Van Dock. Burnt shore power cords, a broken prop shaft, dead batteries, leaking fuel tanks and extreme docking seemed to dominate the weekend. It was suggested the blessing of the fleet should take place immediately to exorcise the nasty little demons haunting the marina. I say do it today. We did, however, enjoy a pleasant weekend of food, drink and a spectacular bonfire Sunday night. Members seemed to ebb and flow throughout the days. Some came early and stayed. Others arrived for just a day or two. Props to Schmidty and Cindy for their efforts making sure we had plenty of ice and other supplies. Some of the new (newer) members were at the marina as well. I encourage everyone to take a moment and introduce yourself to the newer members and make them feel welcome. We are anticipating a great summer of BYC racing and social events. C U at the lake!

Steve Cantino, BYC Vice Commodore

**---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---**

Our membership has grown quite a bit since last month. We now have 75 members. Twelve of those are new members. I'd like to welcome Boulder Yacht Club's most recent new members.

Darrel Cohoon

Al Green Sails aboard "Paradise" Slip JV20

Randy Hintz Jon 22

Mary Hollenkamp

Bill Hollenkamp & Wendy Parks Hunter 27 Slip JV48

Tom & Carol King Oday 34

Neal & Janice Scoggin "The Approved Solution" Lancer 25 Slip ES38

Michael Skolones & Adrienne Spindles "Juno" Albin 35 Slip M25

Please make a point to visit these folks and say hello. For those that haven't signed up yet you can do so by using our PayPal page at (<http://www.thorusa.com/byc.htm>) and email me a copy of the application. Or you may US Mail your application to the address below. Applications can be found attached to your Boulder Marina Lease agreement or at (<http://www.boulderyc.org/>).

You will find a copy of our BYC membership roster attached to this month's Boulder Bits. As more members join, we will republish a revised roster.

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



I'm sure many are looking forward to the Tapas on the Docks event this year (which takes place on Saturday, June 8). We should have some really great prizes and, of course, great food. This year we are adding an ice cream sundae bar in the evening after all the of the boat-visiting on the docks. There will also be a Blessing of the Fleet earlier on the same day; this will take place at 2:00 pm and performed by our very own Father Andrew Bako.

Also, for those who like to think ahead, please see the attached flyer for more info. on the raft-up for the fireworks viewing on June 29<sup>th</sup>. It is a great time and offers the best seats in the house to watch the fireworks. This year we will do some activities for the kids as well as the adults. Many boats choose to stay the night anchored together but you don't have to. Great "New Members" get together. Now, on to our members of the month :)



Tim and Lynn Bira hail from the south-South County and South St. Louis, respectively. They have a lovely 320 Hunter as well as 2 beautiful daughters. The girls are Rachel and Isabel; the boat's name is "Miss My Money". The Biras have been boating for around 20 years, the first 10 years in power boating. Isabel is involved in competitive dancing and Rachel competes with her piano playing. Tim's son Brad will be graduating this year in construction management. Both Biras have worked for 25 years for their employers-Tim at Boeing and Lynne for A.D.P. Tim loves skiing and playing on his hockey team whereas Lynn likes warm water and the beach. Tim and Lynn have enjoyed chartering in the British Virgin Islands and look forward to their next trip which will include the girls. They will be again be helping with the "Minute to Win It "party Aug. 24 of this year.

Laurel Juenger, BYC Social Chair

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



Thanks to all who came out for our very first race last weekend! The impending storms scared some off, but those who came out had a great time blowing the dust off their sails. Since it's all about participation at the BYC Races, we committee boat members saved a special treat for those who crossed the finish line last to prove the old adage "save the best for last!" Feel free to check out the picture below, but it doesn't do justice to the "salute" we gave to the blaring bagpipes of Rogue's "Gravel Walk". ;)

Next up on the cue is our race on the morning of the Tapas (June 8). This will be an earlier race so that all members can be back in time for the blessing of the fleet at 2pm. We will likely have a debriefing of the course at 8:30 am, and will plan on beginning the race at 10am.

Also, Tradewinds Yacht Club is having their Commodore's Cup Race on June 15. This is a great event that includes racing and also a great evening dinner party. You do not have to participate in the race to attend the after-party. Go to [www.tradewindsyachtclub.com](http://www.tradewindsyachtclub.com) or copy and paste

[http://www.tradewindsyachtclub/docs/TYC\\_2013\\_Cup\\_Packet.pdf](http://www.tradewindsyachtclub/docs/TYC_2013_Cup_Packet.pdf) into your browser for all you need to know about this fun event by our fellow yacht club. Or contact Stephen M. Hollingsworth, TYC Fleet Captain, at [smh@capriowners.com](mailto:smh@capriowners.com).

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**---UPCOMING EVENTS---**

- June 8: 2<sup>nd</sup> BYC Race, Blessing of the Fleet, & Tapas on the Docks
- June 15: 2013 TYC Commodore's Cup at Tradewinds Yacht Club
- June 29: Fourth of July Raft-Up (Cove 1)

**---FLOTSAM & JETSAM---**



Pam, Spero, & Virginia dish it up at the New Member's Party.



Joel Elden, Kacey Cramer, & Bob Elden doing a jig ...or some kind of shenanigans to conclude Race 1

**---EDITOR'S NOTE---**



Hello! If you want the Bits by e-mail, or would like to contribute to next month's edition, please contact me at [emmarion73@live.com](mailto:emmarion73@live.com). This year, the monthly deadline for each article entry will be set for the **25th day of each month**. This deadline will give me more time for me to get the printing press going for those who receive snail-mail copies. I encourage *everyone* to send articles of interest to share with the BYC family. You don't have to be an officer; you just have to have an interesting story or fun pictures to share. See you all out on the lake!

Emily Elden, BYC Bits Editor

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