

Boulder Yacht Club

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Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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--FROM THE COMMODORE--



Hello everyone and welcome to a new year at BYC! We just had our No-Boat Gala on 2/23 and did our 'change of the watch,' so to speak, bringing in our new club officers. As your new commodore, I want to thank Thorsten for having great food, great music and all-around great party! For those of you that haven't attended in a while or maybe have never attended, you should try it next year – it's a lot of fun. It's definitely a cure for cabin fever and it's great to see everyone that you met and had fun with last year at the lake. Other new club officers are: Steve Cantino - Vice-Commodore, Jeff Morrison - Secretary/Treasurer, Laurel Juenger – Social Chair and Joel Elden – Race Chair. Our new BITS editor is Emily Elden. Thanks to all who help set up the party room, bar, décor and tablescapes (those are gorgeous Kim!). The attendance prize was cool, too. I can always use a knot quick reference card – fits nicely in the chart table! A special thanks goes out to Kacey Cramer for the 'after' party – a very class-act as well – appreciate that!

Winter is such a dreary season for us boaters, but March is here and it won't be long until we have warm enough weather to start getting our boats in shape for this season. Laurel will tell us about upcoming events, but I want to put out a special call to all volunteers on April 27 for the Spring Thaw (aka 'Spring Cleaning'). I'm going to be cleaning out the Club shed and would like some help. Other things could use some sprucing up, too, such as the kitchen area. Cabinet need to be inspected for old food items and straightening up as well as cleaning. Same goes for the frig and range. For all your hard work, I'll provide lunch.

To close, I want to let you know you can reach me pammcb@brick.net or come visit me on our boat 'Paradise' on Jost Van Dock when I'm at the lake if you'd like to chat. Hope to see you all soon!

Pam McBride, BYC Commodore
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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

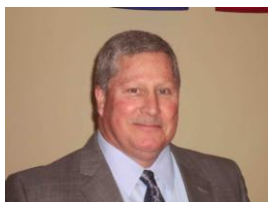


Many of us enjoy all aspects of boat ownership. Sailing our boats is, without a doubt, our first priority. We also spend countless hours cleaning, waxing, painting, and, in general, performing the normal maintenance. I have had my share of projects having owned two boats prior to Island Time, our C27. Most of my projects were the normal run-of-the-mill type. But, I've also been tested by some real issues that were, at the time, beyond my scope of experience. Props to our very knowledgeable and resident guru, Schmidty; he is the go-to guy when mayhem strikes. But, I have also found that there is a wealth of serious help online.

I have been a member of several online forums for as many years as I have been a boat owner. Many of you are familiar with these websites, but for those who are not, I would like to recommend several sites that can be a great source of information. Number one is www.sailboatowners.com, a very active site with brand specific forums and a very extensive archive of information. It has saved my butt too many times to count. Second is www.sailnet.com, comparable in nature and with great participation. I also belong to www.catalina27.org, an excellent resource for all 27 owners. A quick online search will generally reveal active sites for most makes and models of boats. I would encourage all to seek out their brand specific site and join their group. It's a great way to share your knowledge and it may reduce the number of times we say, "Hey Schmidty, you got a minute".

Steve Cantino, BYC Vice Commodore

---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---



Our No Boat Regatta was a wonderful success. We had great food and music. BYC had 64 people attend this year. A lot of time and effort goes into making these events a success. Thanks to our retiring Commodore Thor Schaeette and his Officers for organizing this terrific night.

Membership continues to build in BYC. Currently I have 38 members signed up. One of them is a New Member. Welcome to Tim Hechenberger and Reggie Bauer-Hechenberger. They have a MacGregor 25. Please make them feel welcome to the BYC family.

As mentioned in previous articles there are a couple of options for sending your membership applications. Of course the paperless option is the easiest way to submit your payment. Just use our PayPal web page (<http://www.thorusa.com/byc.htm>) for payment and follow-up by emailing me a copy of your application to the email address below. Or you can print the application and snail mail it along with your check made payable to Boulder Yacht Club. The address is also listed below. If you need an additional copy of the application it can be found on the BYC website. (<http://www.boulderyc.org/>)

Jeff Morrison, BYC Secretary/Treasurer
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-----THE SOCIAL CHAIR -----



As the new social chairperson for the BYC my goal this year is to get people to SOCIALIZE. That may seem obvious but what I mean by that is that I hope we will step a little out of our comfort zone and talk with someone we have not conversed with before. I hope to include mini bios of new members and seasoned veterans of the club so everyone can get to know as many people as possible.

I'll start off with myself and the crew of our boat "Quicksilver", a 27' Catalina we bought used from this very marina in 2003. The crew includes my husband Kort and daughters Myra and Kaila. We all have sailed in the British, Spanish, and US Virgin Islands and love talking about experiencing the Caribbean while living on the turquoise blue water. Our "wooden" home is in Troy, Ill. where we are carpenters and participators on and behind theatrical stages. Kort is also

interested in racing and captaining almost any boat with a sail and I love crafting in any medium. Kaila and Myra love books and traveling. All of us love diving and snorkeling the ocean. Enough about us. Visit us some time on Jost Van Dock. Next month I'll bring 2 sailing families I'm sure you will enjoy meeting.

I'm looking forward to meeting all of you and seeing you at some of our traditional get-togethers as well as some new activities like volleyball games, craft nights, board game potlucks. If you have ideas for get together at the lake this year let me know 618-910-2313 laureltree@charter.net . See our schedule below for the planned events so far.

Laurel Juenger, BYC Social Chair

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



Hello all! Before I get into business, I want to thank all of last year's officers, especially Thorsten Schaette and Kort Juenger. Their dedication and leadership made for an awesome sailing season. On another note, it was great to see so many friendly faces at the BYC No-Boat party last weekend. I hope everyone had as great a time as we did. This year, I'm hoping to see even more of those faces on the lake for our fun races. As I mentioned at the No Boat, the BYC race program prides itself on having one of the most laid-back and enjoyable atmospheres. We gladly welcome sailors regardless of their professed skill level. We especially love seeing the faces of self-professed "green" racers, because they always come back the following year smiling and with more confidence. Last year we started some fun new races that included scavenger hunts, and even bottle-rocket salutes ;) If you have any questions about our racing program or just want to hang out, you'll find Emily and I on our Dehler 31 racer/cruiser named "*Pascagoula Run*" down on Jost Van Dock. Until that day, stay warm and dream of the day when we can get those boats back in the water :)

Joel Elden, BYC Race Chair
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---BYC DIRECTORS CHAIRMAN---

Chairman of the BYC Board of Directors
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---BYC FLOTSAM & JETSAM---

Please see the attachment that came with this email if you are interested in attending a post-wedding party celebrating the recent marriage of Joel and Emily Elden. They were married on February 16, 2013 in Florida, and would like to share stories and pictures from their special day with the BYC marina family. The party is a potluck and will take place on Saturday, April 6th at 5pm at Boulder Marina. Please no gifts!!!! Just bring yourself and your favorite entree or side dish (dessert will be provided by Deb Akey). Soda and Beer will also be provided. Please RSVP to emmarion73@live.com with the number of individuals attending.

Also, as a reminder, last year we started an aluminum can recycling program. So, look for the two receptacle cans this spring on either side of the marina club house, and help us keep our marina "green"!

Below, you will find some pictures from the No Boat Party.



---UPCOMING EVENTS---

2013 Boulder Yacht Club Social Calendar

April 27 Spring Thaw and Flea Market and Soup Luncheon

May 18 New Members Spaghetti Dinner

June 8 Tapas on the Docks

June 29 Fireworks Raft-Up

August 24 A Minute to Win It

August 31 Hog Roast/Renshaw Race

September 14 Fried Chicken Dinner

October 5 Chili Supper/Commodore's Cup Race

November 2 Halloween Party

November 16 Thanksgiving Pot Luck (we need a sponsor)

December 7 Ladies' Tea/Men's Lunch

---EDITOR'S NOTE---



Hello! If you want the Bits by e-mail, or would like contribute to next month's edition, please contact me at emmarion73@live.com. This year, the monthly deadline for each article entry will be set for the **25th day of each month**. Contributors, please make a mental note, or grab a post-it to put on the fridge. I'm hoping the slightly earlier deadline will give us all less time to procrastinate, and more time for me to remind those who undoubtedly will ;) Also, I encourage everyone to send articles of interest to share with the BYC family. You don't have to be on the officer team; 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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<i>Commodore</i>	Pam McBride
<i>Vice-Commodore</i>	Steve Cantino
<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Jeff Morrison
<i>Race Chairman</i>	Joel Elden
<i>Social Committee Chairpersons</i>	Laurel Juenger
<i>Historians</i>	Sharon Schmidt & Laurel Juenger
<i>Boulder Bits Editor</i>	Emily Elden
<i>Webmaster</i>	Rob Schmidt
<i>Co-Webmaster</i>	
<i>Social Ambassador</i>	Laurel Juenger
<i>Fire Marshal</i>	Kevin Sheer
Directors	
<i>Chairman</i>	Ken Schowe
<i>Secretary</i>	Sharon Schmidt
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