

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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--FROM THE COMMODORE--



It's The Little Things

Launch day finally arrived this past weekend. It is a welcome relief to be floating again instead of climbing the ladder on the hard. Unlike the previous four years the pre-launch preparation only required two weekends of work. The bottom received a coat of VC and the topsides were buffed to a dull sheen. The engine fired on the first try and I motored away from the lift headed for JVD slip 22. Wait just minute, a systems check revealed a small problem with the fresh water system. The pump failed to prime. Fearing a mechanical pump problem I jumped to the internet. Thankfully, Thor shared a little bit of info about his experience with a similar problem and in short order water flow was reestablished, in more ways than one. The inline check valve between the pump and hot water heater ruptured and directed the pressurized water throughout the engine compartment. Ironically, I'd replaced this same valve last year. Duh!! I really wanted to blame the valve (manufacturer) but visual inspection indicated damage due to freezing. Okay, so it only takes two laps around the lake to figure out this valve will need to be removed and bled at the end of the season. It's always the little things. Did I mention how great it is to be tied to the dock again? We hope to see a few more boats in the water next weekend when we celebrate Cinco de Mayo and the Kentucky Derby. Join in the fun, watch the run for the roses and usher in the month of May.

Steve Cantino, BYC Commodore

---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---



It's nice to see everybody starting to filter back down to the lake to start or finish up those boat projects so they can get back out on the water. There have been a few boats already launched and hopefully in the next few weeks we will see more of them in the water than on the hard. We had a good turnout to the Commodore's breakfast and flea market, a few items changed hands and the food, as always, was fantastic. Other than that, not much is going on. Be sure to RSVP if you plan on attending the Cinco de Mayo or Kentucky Derby parties, I am sure they are going to be a lot of fun.

I also wanted to give a shout out to a company called Sail Care. I don't know if anyone has used them in the past, but my experience has been very positive. I shipped my sails off to them a few months ago and after a week or so they contacted me with a detailed list of everything that needed to be done. Once I approved all the work it took about 4 or 5 weeks before they were shipped back looking good as new. I

would highly recommend them if your sails are looking old and you would like them to be once again crisp and clean. <http://www.sailcare.com/>

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---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---



Our membership is at 54 as of April 24. There are some longtime members that have not renewed their membership yet, some may be selling their boat but some just have not renewed. Just a reminder our parties are not open to the public you need to be a member to attend. We have had 2 parties which Pat and Donna did a terrific job organizing. The flea market was free but the flyer asked for RSVP so they knew how many hotdogs and hamburgers to bring. We had 8 RSVPs and 21 show up at the door; luckily they had enough food. In the future, if you think you might come to the party email or call me, and THEN you can pay at the door. If you can't come we would rather have food left over than an angry member that RSVP and he didn't get to eat because we ran out of food. Come on guys; it's common courtesy.

Also, we have two new members this month. Clint & Mendy Koerkenmeier, on a Hunter 25 named Melinda/Leigh, and their 2 children Jackson & Conner. Their boat is on the dry so if you see them putting it in, they could possibly use some help. The next couple was here and had to move away because of jobs; now they're back. Robert & Denise Bullock on Tardis, a Hunter 27, tied up Jost Van Dock slip 32. Rob and Denise still look the same but their children Olivia and Conner have gotten taller. Let's give these couples a BYC welcome and share some of our famous, almost-true stories to catch them up. Finally, I will be mailing membership cards out in May.

Bill Schmidt BYC Sec/Treasurer
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-----THE SOCIAL CHAIR -----



Hello Everyone

The signups for the Cinco de Mayo and Kentucky Derby are going well. The events, respectively, take place on May 2 and 3. Remember, if you are interested in signing up for either or both events, just email me at the address below and or visit the PayPal site for more information. Also, please see the flyer for the Spaghetti Dinner, which will be another attachment with this month's Bits email. Remember: sign up early each time for a chance at a free slip rental for the month of November!

Donna Krockenberger, BYC Social Chair
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----FROM THE RACE CHAIR ----



The racing season has finally arrived, and May 17th is the day we have all been waiting for. I hope your boat chores are proceeding well and you will join us for this fun race. For the first race I'm planning a Triangle Olympic Modified course with the windward, jibe and leeward marks. Special thanks to Kort and Laurel Juenger on Quicksilver for volunteering to be the committee boat. The skippers meeting will be at 9 am, under the shelter at the clubhouse, and I will have drawings of the course to hand out. If you're interested in giving racing a try, please come to the meeting. Whether you want to captain your own boat or want to crew on someone else's we will get you started. After the race

we are having The Blessing of the Fleet, followed by Spero's famous spaghetti dinner at 6pm.

The Carlyle Sailing Association (CSA) is again sponsoring the Sailing for Veterans Race, May 23, 24 and 25. This is a great cause and it would be nice to see a large BYC turnout in support of our wounded Veterans. For more info go to <http://sailingforveterans.com>

Mike Shelton, BYC Race Chair
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---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. 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.

*Submission Instructions: just email your article or pictures to me at emmarion73@live.com. Please copy and paste any text from a word document directly into the email text body to ensure there are no formatting translation errors. Event flyers should be submitted in PDF format unless you would like me to check them for errors, in which case a word document is fine. If you have any questions, feel free to email me or come find me on Jost Von Dock aboard the Dehler 31 *Pascagoula Run*. See you all out on the lake!

Emily Elden, BYC Bits Editor
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---Message in a Bottle (AKA, Editor's Poem Contribution)---

Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?
Thou art more lovely and more temperate.
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's lease hath all too short a date.
Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,
And often is his gold complexion dimmed;

And every fair from fair sometime declines,
 By chance, or nature's changing course, untrimmed;
 But thy eternal summer shall not fade,
 Nor lose possession of that fair thou ow'st,
 Nor shall death brag thou wand'rest in his shade,
 When in eternal lines to Time thou grow'st.
 So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see,
 So long lives this, and this gives life to thee.

--William Shakespeare, Sonnet 18

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