

Boulder Yacht Club

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Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

----UP COMING EVETS ----

Dec. 3----Ladies Luncheon and Men's Review in Saint Charles
March 4---No-Boat Regatta at Bill and Karol's Krystal Garden

---FROM THE COMMODORE---



Notes from the Commodore's table:

Whoa! Who turned the lights off on the end of the season? Boats are all tucked away for the winter, antifreeze and covers in place and waiting for the new spring to arrive. Still, the turkey dinner was a great way to celebrate the close of the sailing season. Thanks to Dennis and Petra for providing the birds and to everyone who brought the great selection of goodies to share. The night was made even more interesting with a power outage that turned the toasty interior of Manana into

something not quite so toasty. Thinking it had to be something that I had done wrong I donned something warmer than my jammies and ventured out on deck only to hear that it was out everywhere. Luckily it came back on not too much later but the heater never did catch up with my cold tootsies. On the other hand, Carolyn just pulled her sleeping bag up over her head, zipped it up tight and never seemed to miss a beat. I was not going to be able to sneak into there to warm up. Still better than a day at work though!

Still have a couple of great events coming up. The Ladies Luncheon and Men's get together is coming up on December 3rd over here in Saint Charles. See the attached flyer for more details. The No-Boat is going to be a bit later than usual next year. We'll be having it on March 4th at Bill and Karol's Krystal Garden in Edwardsville. The theme will be either Spanish or Mexican (I haven't decided yet). Stay tuned for additional details.

After having to "suffer" through three Thanksgiving dinners in the last four days I can hardly wait for more food and drink.

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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---

The Lake Days

Last month I lamented how I was going to miss my 'lake days' and thought that I should schedule one of those while still at home. Unfortunately, the approaching holidays, the never ending battle with the leaves, yard work, etc. have not made that possible. I will admit, Steve does 99% of that yard work. It is hard to believe that up until yesterday, the temperatures made it feel like Sept./Oct. and not November.

Not sure how those days get taken from April - Oct., with all that happens on the



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weekends. Looking forward to the Ladies Luncheon and then before you know it we will be planning for next season. Hope all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. See you at the Ladies Luncheon.

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---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---



Where does the time go? Last weekend Steve and I went to the marina to check on our boat. We saw some of the fellow members doing some final boat winterizing. It is great that the weather has been mild this fall so this task was an easy one. As the secretary and treasurer I think we had a good year. Thanks to all those who joined BYC this year. New faces are always a pleasure to see. We still miss seeing some long time members since they have started many new adventures. I am looking forward to next year with a new boating season.

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



Ahoy BYC members!

Season's Greeting to everyone! Hope you are all going to join us for our seasonal merriment at the Ladies Luncheon and Men's Get-together this weekend. It may be a great way to start off the day because you can then tour old St. Charles as they are holding their Holiday Traditions weekend

event. It's fun to stroll along Main Street afterwards to check out the shops and holiday decorations. And if you don't attend and I don't see you, I want to wish you a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Speaking of the New Year, we don't really have much going on for January or February, but March will start the beginning of a new 'fiscal' year for BYC with the No-Boat Regatta. Yes, it's moving to March in 2017 in the hopes that those 'snow bunnies' that prefer warmer climates in the winter will have returned from their winter refuge. The date is March 4 and will be at Crystal Gardens....so be sure to pencil it in on your calendar.

As for February, I might put something together to get you all out of your winter hibernation and over to visit your sad boat who wants some attention.....so stayed tune. I'm open to ideas, too. Just let me know.

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



Greetings Fellow Boulder Racers.

It's sad but true the cold weather has finally arrived, the boats are on the hard and the racing season is over. Thanks to all that participated in the racing program whether it was on the committee boat, as captain, crew, or sandwich maker for the crew. Special thanks to "Paradise" and "Gail Force" for setting the marks and Steve Rice and Dennis Smith for running the races in my absence this summer. I was excited about the good turn outs for the racing clinics and hope to see more of you on the race course this next season when Raimund Stoehr steps up as Race Chair. Looking

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forward to see all in March at the No Boat at the wonderful, always tasty, Chrystal Garden in Edwardsville. Fair winds and flat seas.

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---FLOTSAM AND JETSAM---

Quote of the day: The pessimist says the winds are too strong, the optimist says the winds will change, but the leader adjust his sails.

Although it's warm now cold weather is coming, and there are critters around the marina that need to find shelter for the winter. There can be raccoons, cats, and mice looking for winter homes in your boat. Not only do they do damage to the interior making your boat comfortable for them but they can be hard to get rid of come next spring. Covering large and small holes while still allowing ventilation in your interior is the trick for winter storage. There is not many people around the marina in the winter so it is not so scary for these critters to enter our boats whether they are on the hard are still in the water.

A BOAT SPEAKS OUT, CAN YOU GUESS WHO I AM?

My present owner has been at the marina for a lot of years but he has not always had me. Before me he sailed a 26 foot boat and did not belong to the club. Some of his friends talked him into joining the club and he then became an active member holding an office one year. My previous owner was not an active sailor and didn't take very good care of me. Since (oops I almost said his name) bought me he sails me a lot while restoring me to my earlier prime condition. He is trying different sails on me while sprucing me up and letting me show my stuff on the lake. He even races me sometimes and I really like that. He likes to show me off by inviting people aboard for sails during the day and some nights also. I am bigger than his first boat so I really shine on those windy days when smaller boats can't go out. Even though he sails me a lot he will always help someone either with sailing or fixing something on their boats.

WHO AM I?

If you did not attend the Thanksgiving Dinner you should have. Dennis and Petra not only supplied the turkeys but they prepared them on the weber pits to make them the best turkeys ever. Jeff coordinated the dished brought by the attendee's so that we had the fixings for the perfect Thanksgiving Dinner. I am sure all the people that came will join in with me in thanking Dennis, Petra, Jeff, and all who helped make it an excellent event.





2016 BYC Ladies Luncheon and Men's Get Together Saturday, December 3rd at 11:30 AM

For the Ladies of the Lake:

Lewis and Clark's Restaurant
 217 S. Main
 St. Charles, MO 63301
 Contact Carolyn at 314 308 7843 or redponyspeed@gmail.com to confirm.

Men's Get Together

Trailhead Brewing Company (you would expect beer to be involved wouldn't you)
 921 South Riverside Drive
 St. Charles, MO 63301

Please call your Commodore at 636 634 0379 or 012redboss302@gmail.com to confirm your attendance.
 Saint Charles is holding its Holiday Traditions every weekend making street parking just about impossible. The best place to park for Lewis and Clark's is in the parking garage across from City Hall. For Trailhead the best option is the boatyard or the Casino lot next to it.



---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 magicdragon1@prodigy.net. This year, the monthly deadline for each article entry will be set for the **25th day of each month**. 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 magicdragon1@prodigy.net. 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.

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