

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

---UP COMING EVENTS---

Dec. 2 -----Ladies Tea & Men's Review at McGurk's Irish Pub

Feb. 24-----No Boat Regatta at *Crystal Garden*

---FROM THE COMMODORE---



- Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with family and friends. The BYC Thanksgiving gathering at the lake was well attended. We had about 35 people! Of course there was plenty of food. Thanks to Kim Cantino for organizing the event and Dennis Smith for grilling 5 Turkeys for us. Those that helped with clean-up after dinner are always appreciated.

Just a reminder about the No Boat on Saturday February 24th 2018. Once again we will hold it *Crystal Garden* in Edwardsville Illinois. The theme will be New Orleans Mardi Gras. Costumes are encouraged!! We sure hope you and your guests will join us. I'll have all the details in a flyer for our next addition of the Boulder Bits.

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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---



- HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Hope to see everyone at the Ladies Luncheon.

Tim Bira—BYC Vice Commodore
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---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---



Greetings fellow members,
No article

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

- Happy Holidays Boaters!

The sadness of the end boating season is lessened by the start of the holiday season-at least in my opinion. If you ask Steve, I guarantee he has other thoughts about that. While all of the boats are all snuggled in for the winter, we started off the holiday season with Thanksgiving at the lake. The meal was delicious, but the celebration with friends was the best. Thank you to Dennis and Petra for providing and cooking the turkey. We had a variety of sides and plenty of dessert. Why do I ever worry there won't be enough food!!

Our next event is the Ladies Tea and Men's Lunch on December 2 at McGurk's. Hope you can join us.

Steve and I wish you and yours a wonderful Holiday Season. Hoping you get to spend some time with family and friends, all the while dreaming of the "Boating Season"

Kim Cantino, BYC Social Chair
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----FROM THE RACE CHAIR ----

-Ahoy fellow sailors.

I can't believe our final race for 2017 didn't happen. With high winds and gust up to 40 it was decided not to endanger life and property. Your next chance to race will be if there just might be another boat on the lake the same time as you.

Thank you and keep your sheets to the wind.

Captain Raimund Stoehr, BYC Race Chair
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---FLOTSAM AND JETSAM---**GET INVOLVED AND VOLUNTEER**

You have many reasons to be extremely proud of your Boulder Yacht Club! We not only promote sailing on Carlyle Lake but promote safe boating for everyone. We support a wide range of events and organizations, each one making a difference on the lake. We have a well-earned reputation for "Getting the Job done", it's been said more than once, if Boulder is involved it will be a success!" Needless to say it takes a lot of dedicated and caring people to make it hap-pen. And that's where you come in, if you're not already involved in an event pick one out and jump right in!

If you have photo of club events you can send them to me for the Bits but I can only put a few in the Bits so look on the website you can see them in albums. If you have lost your schedule of event or other club information you can find it on the club website at the address on the bottom of these pages.

By now most of the boats are either on bubblers in the lake or on the hard. The winter would be a excellent time to inspect the standing rigging before next summer's launch. Stainless rigging that have been in salt water may have corrosion, but stainless rigging in fresh water may have stress and fatigue cracking. If your mast is down you can use a magnifying glass and a camera with a macro setting to inspect for cracks. For standing mast a boson's chair or a camera with a good zoom. You can put the pictures in a computer and blow them up to find possible stress cracks. Inspect all swages/mechanical fittings, turnbuckles, chain plates, and toggles for crack and broken strands. A little time spent now could save some down time next summer.

The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects the wind to change. A leader adjusts the sails

--- A BOAT SPEAKS OUT WHO AM I ---

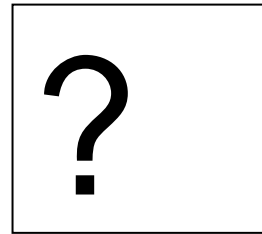
I am not the largest sailboat in in the marina but I am pretty big. I was once owned by the sailor that started the club then my current owners bought me. They had a slightly smaller boat that was also owned by that same man, apparently they liked the same boats as he did. My captain and crew have been at the marina for quite some time before joining the club, but since joining the club both my captain and the first mate have each been the Commodore of the club. I'm not sure who is the captain however one has a father that does most of the work keeping me shipshape. The one that claims to be captain consumes a lot of pirates brew and has a really good time. He also bums cigarettes and cigars that he claims he will pay back. Whether he does or not he is a lot of fun to be with on a boat or at a party. I have heard a lot of people say we need more members like him and I agree.

WHO AM I?

Nov. who am I



Dec. who am I



Thanksgiving Dinner





---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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