# Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits



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Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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# -----UP COMING EVENTS ----

50 years of Carlyle Lake

# March to November there is enough water---- SAILING SEASON June 3---Trandewinds Commodore Cup

**June 10**—Appetizers under the pavilion the "Moon Light Race"

#### ---FROM THE COMMODORE---



- For the near future, we have little risk of running a ground on Carlyle Lake. I launched Gail Force a couple of weeks ago and was quite surprised to find 15 feet of water beneath her keel. Dennis and Kurt have done a great job keeping the walk bridge open for us. It sure beats using the Boulder Ferry back-up system.

Last weekend's 1<sup>st</sup> Club Race was a lot of fun. We joined in with CYC and TYC to make it a lake wide event. It was great to see 3 boats from BYC participating. Our

next club Race is June 10<sup>th</sup>. These moonlight races are always a lot of fun. Please join us either on your boat or crew with another participant. The race will be preceded by Appetizers under the Pavilion. Bring your favorite appetizer to share with BYC friends.

I'm not sure how many of you frequent YouTube. With little to watch on regular TV I frequent YouTube as a resource to find better methods to fix things, learn more about sailing and to follow Cruising Couples. Below is a link to a young Australian couple that has done more cruising than I could ever hope to do. They have over 120 videos on YouTube documenting their journeys so far. They started out on a Mono hull and are just about to transition to a Catamaran. I hope you enjoy watching them. Control + click to see <u>Sailing La</u> <u>Vagabonde</u>

Jeff Morrison, Commodore BYC morrison.jeff@ymail.com

#### ---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---



- Be careful what you wish for. Last month I was delayed in launching "Miss My Money" because the water in the lake was too low to accommodate her 4'6" draw. Well, after a lot of rainy days in a row, the lake is not only up but it was almost at record levels. While it may not be great for camping, as a lot of the campgrounds in the area have been closed, it is great for sailing around the lake to places we rarely get to go when it is at normal summer pool. Let's hope the Corp takes their time in releasing the water this summer so we can enjoy the extra depth.

I would also like to thank Spero and the crew of Paradise for once again putting on a fantastic Spaghetti Dinner and New Members party. The food and

camaraderie were great as usual. That's it for now, see you at the lake

> Tim Bira—BYC Vice Commodore tlbira@charter.net

#### ---FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER---



Greetings fellow members,

So far we have 46 members as of the end of May! This month we have three new families who have joined the club. Let us welcome Curt and Jerra, Andrew and Noelle, Brian and Noah. Their contact information is in the updated roster.

The club funds are in good shape. I appreciate that the officers and the people who sponsor social events make a point to keep within a budget.

I will be sponsoring the Tapas party event. My first for BYC. It should be a great event because of all the fabulous cooks that are also great sailors. Please be aware that there is also a Moonlight regatta and large events taking place at Damn West.

Dorothy Rice, BYC Sec/Treasurer sailcyc@hotmail.com

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



- Amazing what a few weeks and many inches of rain can do to the lake. Since the last article when we were able to put in due to the low lake leve, we have had the lake go up at least13 feet. It has come down some, but oh how much easier sailing is when the lake is up. Our boat along with some others have made it into our slips and have gotten off of the parking lot.

We have had 2 events - with good turnout for both. The "Cinco de Mayo" potluck was a huge success. More than enough food and such a variety. The Spaghetti Dinner that Spero hosted was delicious as always. Thank you to the many who help to set up and clean up. Many hands make the jobs go quickly and help the day to be enjoyed by all. Even just the offer of taking the trash down to the dumpster or clearing off tables really helps out. Our next event -hosted by Steve and Dorothy Rice-is Tapas "Around the World". We are doing this on the patio at 4 pm so that those wishing to participate in the moonlight race later in the evening can do so. Please see the attachment or click on it in upcoming event on the club website - would love to have many participate. Hope you can join-so much fun when we have a good crowd.

Kim Cantino, BYC Social Chair cantino@sbcglobal.com

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



- Dear Sailors of BYC.

Thank you so much for participating in our first race of the season.

I do know that the weather was keeping us on edge, and a lot of us were wondering, if it will happen.

It was a risky call. But on the end, we had a great race. Thanks to our racers, Jeff Morrison, Kirk and Ray.

Jeff on Gail force made first place then came Kirk on priceless and on tails end came Ray on aurora, thank you Ray for hanging in there.

And I do want to give a shout out to Steve Rice for helping me to understand the job of being the committee boat. Also a great thank you to Anne Rezentes for a great job blowing the horn, and she took the job very serious. She did not let go of that horn.

Also a great hurray to Spiro, Pam and Bill for an amazing spaghetti dinner. So please everybody do not forget our moonlight race on June 10th. We will have tapas on the patio, and then later following the

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moonlight race it is open to everyone. So please bring family and friends. And let's have some fun for everybody.

Raimund Stoehr, BYC Race Chair challenger670@gmail.com

# ---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.

This year Carlyle Lake is celebrating 50 years of existence. There will be some celebrations going on at the lake this summer I think mostly in June. Hopefully we will be informed and can publish these events in the Bits.

On May 20 in a lake wide race one of our fellow sailors from another club got seriously hurt while racing. Last weekend I heard he was doing as well as could be expected and we all certainly wish him to do well. This should be a reminder that sailing in strong winds even on a small lake can be dangerous. Simple things that we do most of the time require more strength, and dexterity in strong winds. Strong winds could also be a good reason to wear a life preserver which when you need one is why they call them life preservers. Let's be careful out there and still have a good time.

The lake is still higher than normal and you can go in places that normally are too shallow. Sail or power boats still need to pay attention to depth because the lake can go from enough water to not enough water in a very short distance. It is a little embarrassing to run aground when the lake is normal, but really embarrassing when the lake is supposed to have enough water in it.

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

I have been in the marina a lot of years. The couple that owned me for a long time had been at this marina and in BYC even longer. Then they decided to retire from sailing and sold me two years ago. My new owner and his lady friend bought me and he later decided to live on me which he does now. He sometimes talks in that a foreign language, I guess that is because he moved to the United States 23 years ago from a foreign country. He has relatives in many areas in this country but before me he lived in St. Louis. He is a painter by trade but he does restoration of painting in famous buildings around St. Louis. I think she was the sailor but he has done well in some of the races he has entered. He is a very friendly person and always ready to share a conversation and make new friends. He holds an office in the club but if I told you which one it would give his identity away and you wouldn't have to guess who I am. His natural way of having morning coffee in his cockpit has surprised many an early morning fisherman, but since we know him it's no surprise to us.

WHO AM I?

WHO AM I????? May, who am I



June who am I



#### ---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 <u>magicdragon1@prodigy</u>.net. This year, the monthly deadline for each article entry will be set for the **25th day of each month.** I encourage <u>everyone</u> 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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