

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some Noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

---UP COMING EVENTS---

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

April 1 to Nov. 30----BYC Sailing Season at Carlyle Lake

---FROM THE COMMODORE---



- Well the Holiday Season turned out to be a white and certainly very, very chilly. Early in December we had the Ladies Tea at McGurk's. The men joined the ladies this year. Nearly 30 people ate, drank and socialized for several hours. The Ladies seemed to enjoy the Sea Shell Wind Chime Gifts. Thanks to those that were able to fit it into their plans. It was a great turn out and a lot of fun.

One of our members, Bill Hatton brought up an idea to me at the Ladies Tea. Your help could sure be used to implement it. BYC is going to make a Movie. Well a short video to be more precise. Our hopes are to grow interest in Sailing. BYC members already know how much fun it is but perhaps the general public could use a visual aid. Your short clips, pictures and thoughts are encouraged. You will no doubt see use out there filming this spring. We plan to post our Video on the BYC website and the marinas. If you have some experience in this sort of thing please contact me. We can use all the help we can get.

I finally have the No Boat Flyer completed and you'll find it attached. On Saturday February 24th 2018 our No Boat will be held at *Crystal Garden* in Edwardsville Illinois. The theme will be New Orleans Mardi Gras. Masks and beads will be waiting at the door for you. Additional Costumes are encouraged!! We sure hope you and your guests will join us. This is a good time to introduce your friends to our club and hopefully increase their interests in sailing. Make your reservations now. For those wanting to spend the night nearby, we have arranged a discounted price at the Holiday Inn just down the street. They have set a deadline of February 3, 2018 in order to get that rate. Use the link on the flyer for easier access.

Jeff Morrison, Commodore BYC
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---FROM THE VICE COMMODORE---



-I hope everyone had a fantastic time this holiday season visiting with friends and family. I love this time of year, but still long for the long warm summer nights out in Coles Creek swapping stories and having a refreshing adult beverage. Hopefully those days will be here soon now that the calendar has turned. It was great to see everyone at the Ladies Luncheon and Men's Review which is always a great time. The No Boat is the next social event on the calendar and I am looking forward to getting together again with everyone for a great night of Mardi Gras fun. Be sure to take time out this winter and get over to the lake to make sure all the hatches are still battened down and the covers are secure. Have a great winter and stay warm.

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

Greetings fellow members,

It was a fun time at the Ladies/Guys lunch. There is no new information to share as the Secretary/Treasurer. Since many of you know I will be the new Race Chair I thought I would mention that at the CYC winter party I had a chance to talk with their Race Chair and Commodore. I will be meeting with them this month. I also have the email addresses of the BYC board members and will be contacting them about race scheduling. A spirit of cooperation is our goal.

Dorothy Rice, BYC Sec/Treasurer

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

- Season's Greetings to all at Boulder Yacht Club!!! I hope all of you were able to spend some quality time with family and friends over the holidays. We have had a busy few weeks - Steve is looking forward to getting back to the mundane. We have passed the shortest day of the year and are now gaining daylight, though the New Year has gotten off to a frigid start. With a full moon on both Jan. 1 and 31, for a fleeting second, I thought a Moonlight Sail would be great - that is until I went outside!! We had our Ladies Luncheon

combined with the Men's Review at McGurk's and had a great turnout!! Great Idea Jeff. Our next event is the No Boat on Feb. 24 - it is a Mardi Gras Theme, so start getting your ideas together as costumes are encouraged.

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---

THE NO-BOAT IS A GREAT TIME TO 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.

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By now most of the boats are either on bubblers in the lake or on the hard. The winter so far has been just as hard on your boat as it has been on us. When you get a chance it's a good idea to check on that boat and see if your winter protection is still doing its job. While you are there look at your friends' boat and give them an update on the condition of his or her boat. Your friend might appreciate learning that his boat is ok or needs some attention.

Man Overboard Alarm For Your Smartphone

Weems & Plath, the nautical safety and navigation product manufacturer, has introduced a new man-overboard (MOB) alarm system called CrewWatcher.

CrewWatcher is an app-based alarm system designed to help quickly rescue a person (or pet) overboard. The system works like a virtual lifeline and is made up of two components: a smartphone app and a small beacon that can be worn by each crewmember (up to five). The beacon does not require manual activation; the alarm triggers automatically in an MOB event. Should someone go overboard, the system automatically sounds an alarm on the skipper's smartphone, provides latitude/longitude coordinates of the person in the water, notes the time of the event, and visually guides the rescuer to the person overboard wearing the beacon "CrewWatcher is the fastest way to save a person or pet overboard," says Weems & Plath CEO, Peter Trogdon. "It aligns directly with our mission of fostering safe boating around the world and creating superior products for life aboard." The CrewWatcher single pack retails for \$89.99; the double pack for \$149.99. Go to weems-plath.com for more information.

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 ---

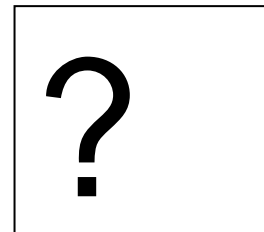
I am not the largest sailboat in in the marina but I am not the smallest boat either. My captain and I came to this marina about 20 years ago give or take a few. We live by a closer lake but it's not as good for sailing as Carlyle Lake and because of his love of sailing we are here. When he was younger he took an old fishing boat, put a make shift sail on it and olla a love of sailing was born. Not being a fancy boat but fast makes us a good pair to sail together along with his fist mate who can't always come sailing with us. He used to come to the lake on weekends but after he retired he will spend multiple days at a time. He once took me to Kentucky Lake for a while but came back to Carlyle because along with his sailing he likes the people of Boulder Marina. Along with his desire to sail he will always be glad to share his lake experiences with one and all. Whether you are a large high dollar sailor or a small economical sailor he will offer to help in any situation that may arise, at the cost of getting sailing advice along with it. The fact that, he spends so much time on the lake day or night only coming back when he runs out of coffee or needs to give advice, the club honored him with a Seamanship Award. We make a great pair, who am I.

WHO AM I?

Dec. who am I



Jan. who am I



Ladies Luncheon



---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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 The 2017 BYC Officers

2017 BYC OFFICERS	
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