

BOULDER BITS



Bits and Pieces: Some noteworthy; none newsworthy.



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BYC ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 2004



Photo by Ken Schowe

BOULDER, Illinois — The Board of Directors accepted the election/appointment of officers for the Year 2004. They are:

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| Commodore | Rey Neville |
| Vice-Commodore | Bob Bender |
| Sec./Treasurer | Bill Hendey |
| Race Chairman | Thorsten Schaette |
| Social Committee | Marianne & Jim Moore |

Elected to fill one position on the Board of Directors:

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| 3 Year Term: | Bob Howard |
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Appointed positions:

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| Social Ambassador | Elva Franklin |
| Club Historian | Sharon Schmitt |

See the complete details on the attached .pdf page.



HALLOWEEN: A SCARY NIGHT

BOULDER, Illinois — For all who missed the



Photos by Thorsten Schaette

Halloween party, all had a good time.

The Schmitt's did a fantastic job decorating the marina building. And, despite a little rain the Fire marshal outdid himself with a great fire for all to warm up.

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| <i>Web page:</i> | http://www.boulderyc.org/ |
| OFFICERS | |
| <i>Commodore</i> | Allan Stewart |
| <i>Vice-Commodore</i> | Rey Neville |
| <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i> | Bob Bender |
| <i>Regatta Committee Chairman</i> | Dan Sargent |
| <i>Social Committee Chairperson</i> | Ulli Schaette |
| <i>Historian</i> | Susan Carnasiotis |
| <i>Social Ambassador</i> | Jane Floyd-Hendey |
| <i>Boulder Bits Editors</i> | Ken Schowe Eric Smith |
| <i>Webmaster</i> | Rey Neville |
| DIRECTORS | |
| John Carnasiotis, Chairman | |
| Bonnie diMercurio | Dave Isom |
| Art Seise | David Uttendorfer |

COMMODORE'S CUP AND CHILI SUPPER 'HUGE' SUCCESS

BOULDER, Illinois — Despite of light winds and "Corps Bugs" the BYC Commodores's Cup was



Photo by Ken Schowe

completed and a BYC boat won a 1st place trophy. We want to thank Eric and Ellen Smith for host-



Photo by Ken Schowe

ing one of the largest Chili Suppers in memory



CURMUDGEON'S OBSERVATION

If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

FROM THE COMMODORE

With this our last Boulder Bits the close of our sailing season draws nigh. It has been privilege to serve as Commodore, and I look forward to turning over the flag to Rey Neville at the No Boat. A hearty welcome to our new officers:

We missed the election. Had to be in Italy, oh darn. I want to thank Danny and Tony for a great racing season. Thanks to Uli for a fun social calendar. Rey did a wonderful job expanding the inventory of the ships store. A real credit to Mr. Whipple. Bob deserves great credit for keeping us solvent. Ken and Eric, thank you for your fine literary talent in keeping the Bits in circulation. The press of business and a sojourn in Italy have kept Karen and I from the lake for the past several weeks. We hope to squeeze in a few more sailing days before the winter sets in. We look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Fair winds, a willing soul, and sea room.
Allan F. Stewart, Commodore
mailto:vadm22825@aol.com



FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

First I must express the profound sadness Mary and I feel about the unexplained expulsion of our friends, sailing partners and dock mates of the past eight years, Bonnie and Tony DiMercurio. Their unexpected and untimely departure leaves a deep hole in our hearts. We will miss their friendship, their friendliness, their supportiveness, and their willingness to help anyone in need, sailing or otherwise.

Few couples have made more of an impact on the organization they love and the boating folk they befriended. No matter who you were, they offered their help and friendship. Our club of over 140 members accounting for nearly 265 people associated with BYC will be affected in small ways and large as a result of their departure. Bonnie, as past Commodore, is an active member of the Board of Directors and Tony is an integral component of our racing program. And of course, they both were completely involved in our active social program.

We owe them thanks for many things – too numer-

ous to mention them all here with perhaps one exception. Bonnie and Tony, with Pam and Randy Wheeler, worked with diligence and persistence to create an equal presence for Boulder Marina and Boulder Yacht Club as part of the Leukemia Cup Regatta held annually on Carlyle Lake. Their success in organizing and fund raising for this very worthy cause was reflected in the selection of Bonnie, Pam and Karen Schwartz (all Boulder Sailors) to the Regatta Executive Committee. A great cause and clear recognition of Boulder's standing on Carlyle Lake.

We know that wherever *Miss-B-Haven* finds a homeport, Bonnie and Tony will make it better because of their presence. Fair winds to you dear friends.

We've had a successful year in the chandlery department. Our new embroidery graphic was received with enthusiasm resulting in brisk sales all year long. To further our goal of a BYC shirt on every back, we held a spectacular sale to move old logo merchandise this summer. It was great success. We also added some new items that have been met with enthusiasm. They include tees with some really cool colors, ladies sleeveless pique and denim polos and new "bucket" hats. Clearly BYC'ers like showing their colors. Thank you for your support this year. If you need something special for the holidays, please give me a call before November 15 and I'll see what I can do.

Lastly, I want to thank all of you for your confidence in me to be your commodore next year. I leave you with a thought from John Kendrick Bangs in "*The Voyage*:"

For me, my craft is sailing on,
Through mists to-day, clear seas anon.
Whate'er the final harbor be
'T is good to sail upon the sea!

Rey Neville
Vice Commodore
reyneville@yahoo.com



FROM THE SECRETARY/ TREASURER

Our newest members are:

- Gary & Debra Bouge – Irish Ayes, Beneteau 28
- Erik Eaves – Rascal, J 24
- George Ezell – Satisfaction, Lancer 28

On behalf of the BYC membership, I would like to welcome all of the new members to the club. We look forward to meeting each of you at the lake.

The last update to the 2003 Roster is included with this mailing!

Bob Bender
Secretary/Treasurer
rbender9@netscape.net



FROM THE RACE CHAIR

We congratulate the 2003 BYC Commodore's



Photo by Ken Schowe

Cup Overall winner: Doug Draper on Blade Runner. Doug and Blade Runner does it again!



Photo by Ken Schowe

BYC finally placed first in the Second Division.

Your Race Chair
Daniel C. Sargent
mailto:SirVeyor_II@hotmail.com



THE SOCIAL SCENE

Calling all BYC ladies! The Boulder Yacht Club ladies winter luncheon will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2003, 11:30 A.M at Jimmy's Cafe on the Park, 706 DeMun Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri (Phone: 314-725-8585). Please send reservations to Barbara Weber per the attached flyer.

Mark your calendars: The BYC *No Boat Regatta* I and installation of officers is scheduled for February 21, 2004, location TBD.



CURMUDGEON'S OBSERVATION

Good advice is something a man gives when he is too old to set a bad example.

SPECIAL NOTE

Fellow Members,

By now many of you know that MissBHaven has left the marina for her new permanent home at West Access. There are a variety of reasons we have left that are too complex to discuss in this forum. But in no way was our move due to any aspect of Boulder Yacht Club. We have considered the club part of our own family in the last few years. We have no plans in the near future to discontinue being part of the club. Bonnie is on your Board of Directors due to your faith in her and your generous showing of support in past years. Bonnie plans to remain in that position for the remainder of her term.

We wish to thank each and every one of you for your friendship, your kindness and your support for the club. The good times we have had are very special to us (based partly by the size of our photo albums). We hope the good times will continue in the future but only time will tell considering the distance that now separates us. We hope you realize that if we are not present in the future both as much as we would like and were accustomed, it is not because of a lack of affection for you.

We would ask that all of you continue to strive to keep Boulder Yacht Club the best organization on the lake. May God bless you and give you fair winds. We hope to see everyone on the lake in 2004.

Tony and Bonnie DiMercurio
s/v MissBHaven

Boulder Yacht Club



Ladies Winter Luncheon

Jimmy's ON THE PARK

Saturday,
December 6, 2003
11:30 A.M.

Jimmy's Cafe on the Park
706 DeMun Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri
314-725-8585
<http://www.jimmyscafe.com>



Luncheon to include:

Entree (choose one)

STEAK SALAD LINEHAN—grilled peppered tenderloin, grilled asparagus, crumbled Gorgonzola cheese, and sliced new potatoes on a bed of mixed greens with roasted red pepper vinaigrette.

PORTABELLO CHICKEN MELT—grilled chicken breast topped with caramelized onions, portabello mushrooms and Swiss cheese served on a toasted onion Kaiser roll.

SALMON CLUB—grilled salmon, caramelized onions and steamed spinach on a grilled Kaiser roll.

DESSERT, COFFEE, TEA

Taxes and gratuity included—Tariff: \$19.95

RSVP—Please select your preferred entree, return with check made out to BYC before November 19, 2003 to:

Barbara Weber
14637 Timberlake Manor Court
Chesterfield, MO 63017
ph: 636-537-2995

2003 Boulder Yacht Club Ladies Winter Luncheon

Please tear and return with your check by 11/19/03 to Barbara Weber at the above address:

Name: _____

Luncheon preference (please check one):

- Steak Salad Linehan
 Portabello Chicken Melt
 Salmon Club



**MINUTES of BOARD of DIRECTORS
And
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
October 12, 2003**

The meeting was called to order at 0900 hrs by John Carnasiotis, Board Chairman.

Board Members in attendance: John Carnasiotis, Bonnie DiMercurio, David Uttendorfer, David Isom and Art Seise. Absent: Allan Stewart.

The election of officers was the first item on the agenda. Since there was only one person nominated for each office the marking of ballots was waived and each officer was elected by unanimous decision. The following officers and one director were elected for 2004.

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| Commodore | Rey Neville |
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| Secretary/Treasurer | Bill Hende |
| Race Chairman | Thorsten Schaette |
| Social Committee | Marianne & Jim Moore |
| Board of Directors (3yr) | Bob Howard |

The second item on the agenda was the request by Jane Hende the current Social Ambassador, to be relieved of that duty. Elva Franklin was asked to assume this position for the coming year and accepted.

The third item on the agenda was the request by Susan Carnasiotis the current Club Historian, to also be relieved of that duty. Sharon Schmitt was asked to take over this job and accepted.

The last item on the agenda was a report made by Art Seise regarding Bonnie and Tony DiMercurio not being offered a new contract by the marina owners. Art Seise discussed this matter with Dennis Smith, co-owner of the marina on Thursday, October 9, 2003.

The report, read by Art Seise is as follows:

I spoke with Dennis Smith last Thursday regarding the situation with Bonnie and Tony DiMercurio. The results of this conversation are as follows:

1. Both Stewart and Dennis made the decision not to offer them a new contract for the next year.
2. This decision was based on a number of incidents that have occurred over the past number of years.
3. The content of these incidents is private, not for discussion and will not be a topic for discussion.
4. I told Dennis that there were some serious concerns among members regarding this action. Some people feel intimidated and would be hesitant to offer constructive criticism to the owners for fear of being told to leave!

5. Dennis assured me that this was not the case and members should discuss any concerns they have with Stewart or himself.
6. The situation with Bonnie and Tony was very exceptional and the owners did not foresee this happening again.

Art Seise
October 12, 2003

The meeting was adjourned at 0935 hrs.

Submitted by:
Art Seise
Board Secretary