

# Boulder Yacht Club

# Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some noteworthy, none newsworthy.

August 2000

## Nominating Meeting Scheduled for Sunday September 10, 2000

BOULDER, IL — The BYC Board of Directors has announced the annual nomination meeting will be held on Sunday, September 10th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Marina Lounge. Nominations will be taken for all Offices of the Yacht Club and two (2) Board of Directors positions.

There will be a General Meeting and election of these Officers on October 15th at 9:30 a.m. in the Marina Lounge. All members of Boulder Yacht Club are encouraged to attend these meetings and share your concerns or opinions with the Club.

Your Board of Directors are: Don Schiller, Ken Schowe, Dennis Smith, Art Seise and Parks Smith. The Commodore, Dave Grimes, serves as an ex-officio member of the board.

### COMMODORE'S CORNER

Here it is Mid-Summer and we have had some good racing and some fun parties.

I would like to thank all the people who helped in getting the "TENT" up on Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>. As those who participated found out, it takes about 14 people to assemble and lift the roof structure high enough to get the side support poles attached.

A special thanks to Don Schiller, who was not there, but had color-coded all the parts last year. This made the whole process go much faster than previous years.

Dale & Angie West sponsored another one of their special parties with a 60's theme; psychedelic colors, black lights, lava lamps and a wonderful one-man band. It misted a little but no one got wet enough to melt and I am sure that was the incentive for the members of BYC to erect the "TENT" on Sunday morning.

On another tack, let's think about Marina cleanliness and appearance.

In most cases after a party, the lounge and picnic table areas are cleaned up pretty well. However, from week to week we are finding all kinds of leftover trash that members are leaving around the fire pit and in the lounge. Dishes are being left unwashed in the kitchen sink. Toys and books are scattered all around. We cannot control trash left by campers and marina transients but all of us should be responsible for our own clean up.

We are looking forward to the Fall Racing Season and some of the season's best parties are yet to come.

See Y'all on "The Hill."

**David Grimes**  
Commodore

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat. & Sun. Sept. 2 & 3 — Bob Renshaw Regatta  
Sat. Sept. 9 — Fall Race #2  
Sun. Sept. 10 — Nominations for club officers  
Sat. Sept. 16 — Pig Roast  
Sat. & Sun. Sept. 16 & 17 — Whale of a Sail  
Sat. Sept. 23 — Fall Race #3  
Sat. Sept. 30 — Fall Race #4



## FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER

**A SPECIAL WELCOME!!  
TO THESE NEW BYC MEMBERS**

**DAVID & NANCY SILL  
DON & DEE DELLERMAN  
CHRIS KNEIBERT  
& MARGARET ALTNETHER**

BYC membership is looking forward to meeting all of you and sharing our great times at Boulder with you!

**Dave Uttendorfer  
Secretary/Treasurer**

## FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

Observations: The weather is slowly changing and very soon, the Boulder Marina Ceremonial Fire Cauldron and Navigational Beacon will light up the autumnal skies. For those chilly evenings around the fire, you will need a cozy and stylish long-sleeve garment. The BYC Ship's Store has a few offerings from which to choose. Stop by and make your selection.

Ship's Store: In case you haven't noticed, Official BYC Caps are back in stock. They are offered in either Navy Blue or Khaki. Only \$10.00

Gift Idea: Are you stumped trying to figure out the perfect gift for a friend, loved one, regular or occasional crew member or for yourself? Don't forget the wonderful items available at the BYC Ship's Store. They make great gifts and you will be supporting a wonderful organization.

**JOHN CARNASIOTIS  
Vice-Commodore**

## THE SOCIAL SCENE

### **Raft-Up.**

After talking to some of the sailors who attended the Raft-Up, I am really sorry that "Sharon's Puff" was not there. It seems that Bonnie did another great job putting the Raft-up together, but we've come to expect that. Where does she get these ideas to mistreat your body while wrestling

with a watermelon? Fighting over watermelons is not what old time pirates used to do, but we modern sailors have to make do with what we have. The reason we takes so much



*Bonnie orchestrating another successful raft-up in her special way.*

stuff on our boats is so that we can win prizes when Bonnie asks if you have a ----- on board. There were games for the kids also. As much fun as the older sailors had, I heard that the kids had more. What did everyone do with those noodles? @Thanks Bonnie.

### **THE 60'S.**

Angie knows how to throw a great party. First you get



*Do you know these people? Look closely, you will see our Editor, Liz, and her faithful companion, "Arlo."*

some people hungry for another party, and then you get your brother and sister-in-law to do it. What a recipe for a party. It seems that all of Angie's relatives were there working. They had more sixty paraphernalia hanging around, than was there back then. There were some authentic costumes such as Arlo & Sunshine. I couldn't tell who was who because they all looked alike, but so did the hippies of the sixty's. She had games and prizes. There was bubble blowing, hula-hoops, limbo dancing, name that, what was, who was, and a lot of other trivia. The food was good and plentiful. The one-man band, the Kevin Heim Show, was great. I'll bet his neck and facial muscles were sore Sunday. What a Party — Thanks Angie (and Family).

We're looking forward to seeing everyone at the next social event, our famous Pig Roast, on Saturday, September 16th.

**Sharon & Bill Schmidt**

## BYC RACING

While everyone suffers through the heat and humidity of a St. Louis summer in July and August, BYC racers take a break from racing while they await the fresh breezes that usher in the Fall Series. There was one exception to this moratorium. CYC held their annual Moonlight Regatta on August 13th. BYC was represented by three boats: Scimitar, October Breeze and NaBoLisk. The wind was light but steady, according to the racers. It took them about 13 hours to complete two laps of the lake (from the dam to Coles Creek then on to Keyesport and back to the dam). Then, they had to sail back to Boulder. From all reports, they had a good time and came home flying new flags for finishing in the top of their division. Scimitar took third place and October Breeze captured fourth. Not bad for a couple of low tech cruising boats! Congratulation to Ben, Parks and their respective crews!

The Fall fun begins August 26th with our first race of the Fall Series. Ben Barlett will be trying for an unprecedented fourth straight series title. Everyone else will be doing everything they can to deny him that honor or, at the very least, make certain he earns it.

The second annual Bob Renshaw Regatta will be held Labor Day weekend (the 2nd & 3rd). If you haven't already done so, it's not too late to sign up if you act fast. Don't miss out on the fun and the food!

Lastly, it's not too early to be assembling your crew for the Commodores' Cup. More on that event in the next issue of the Bits.

See you at the starting line!

**Barry Nielsen**  
**Race Chairman**

## Sailing News from BYC Member:

As a BYC member and racer, I sail Gandydancer, a Corsair F/31 folding trimaran. When in town I dry sail out of West Access but I race (and have for years) under the BYC Flag! This has been a pretty good year for Gandydancer and the Club.

We raced the Chicago NOODs and finished 5th (we missed the first day due to mechanical problems but came back for 2 bullets out of 3 races).

Julie Jones and I also did the Doublehanded Challenge from Waukegan, IL to Port Washington, WI (60 miles) and finished 2nd over the line; first in our fleet (we were the only multihull!).

The next day with a full crew (4) we raced the Queen's Cup from Milwaukee, WI to Grand Haven, MI. We were 3rd over the line finishing behind another F/31 and a Santa Cruz 70. We beat the rest of the 70-foot fleet even though they had started 10 minutes before us! We carried a boat speed of over 16 knots for more than 3 hours. It was a dark, wild and wet ride. By the way, this is a night race that starts at 7:00 PM!

Finally, we finished our Lake Michigan season with the Chicago to Mackinac Race. The Chicago Yacht Club's Race to Mackinac is the world's oldest freshwater yacht race. We set sail Saturday, July 22. Three hundred boats crewed by 3,000 sailors compete annually in this 333-mile race from Chicago to Mackinac Island, Mich. Founded in 1898, this year marks the 102nd anniversary of the race's founding and the 93rd running of the race. This year was a little bit slow, with most of the race upwind (beating) or drifting in "no" air. Luckily, Gandydancer and crew had years of training in "no" air on Lake Carlyle! We finished 2nd in the Open division and beat all the other Corsair boats with an elapsed time of 60 hrs/59min/18seconds! The winner was a custom boat piloted by Mead Gougeon, inventor/owner of West System epoxies.



The nice thing about a folding trailerable boat is the ride home! We made it back to Carlyle, 800 miles in just under 15 hours. Gandydancer is now back at Carlyle and I will soon be up for a visit! Remember if you see me on the lake, I need a little room; I am 22 feet wide!

**Kip Williams**

## OUR BYC BOATS

MODEL: HUNTER VISION 32

Length: 32 ft.	Berths: four
Beam: 11' 3"	Engine: Yanmar 27 HP
Draft: 4' 3"	Fuel: Diesel
Sail Area: 567 Sq. Ft	Head: Yes

Hull: Fiberglass

Galley: 2 Burner Alcohol/Oven

Mfr: Florida - Hunter Country of Origin: USA

Name: MOONRAKER (Topmost sail on a Square-Rigger)

The current owners are Jim and Sue Murphey.

This is a unique sailboat, as it has no standing rigging. The huge tapered mast is anchored on the keel with a compression ring and a stainless steel through bolt. In addition the mast is held in place by another compression ring on the cabin top.

The interior is light and airy with a Vee berth forward and an aft cabin for accommodating 4 in comfort. The head is to Starboard and is "L" shaped with a shower.

The Port side galley has a two-burner alcohol stove with oven and a refrigerator on the centerline of the boat. The refrigerator and the galley counters are topped with Corian. The "U" shaped dining area has hidden lighting above the table in the overhead for a warm soft ambiance.

The aft cockpit is equipped with a bimini and has a stern entry and swim ladder that lowers directly into the water.

Jim has installed many extra electrical features such as remote operation of the VHF radio from the helm.

May they both continue to enjoy their "MOONRAKER" for many years.

## FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

**MUD DAUBERS, anyone?**

Or would you prefer mosquitoes, gnats, flies, and a thousand

spiders? I have experienced all of the above including a mouse! With the help of many of you, I have finally found an answer to this problem. There is an item available; the trouble is there is no consistent supply nor is it convenient to get. The answer? A pest strip similar to what we all knew at one time years ago as the Shell Pest Strip. Now it is available in such few stores and at such rare times as to make it almost impossible to get. I have a source and can get it in cases of 12. The yellow strip is encased in a rigid white plastic with a large plastic hanger and is effective against wasps, flies, mosquitoes, gnats, spiders, etc. for up to four months. It is to be hung in an area approximately 10' x 13' or smaller and that works in most all our boats.

To use, I hang one in my mid-cabin hatch and one inside my mainsail upon leaving the boat. When returning, I open the boat, hold my breath, place the hanging unit inside a plastic case and place inside a box under the helmseat, allowing a few minutes for the boat to air out. No mud daubers, no flies, no gnats, no mosquitoes, no spiders, no odor, no residue!! NO PROBLEMS!

Within the sail area, it has considerably reduced but not totally eliminated the mud daubers. What a blessing to open the sail and no longer experience 10 lbs. of mud and spiders spilling onto the just-cleaned deck.

The cost for each of these is \$5.50 and if you wish to own any, I will place an order for them. I will only place an order upon receiving sales of 12 which means it only takes 6 people buying two each, so they can have a bug-free environment on their boat.

Of course, if you have a bimini that gets folded or a dock box, that would be 3! Note——cutting one in half and placing inside each section of bimini also gives protection, and at the end of the season, you could cut in half and place in dock box for end of season over winter.

Contact Steve Kratchman: Phone (314)962-1220, Fax (314) 963-7220 or e-mail: casacita@juno.com. Cash in advance only!

**Steve Kratchman**

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Deadline for the next issue of Boulder Bits is Sept. 11th. Fax articles to Liz Seise at (314) 781-4616 or e-mail: BuildingButlers@aol.com

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# BYC'S PIG ROAST



Saturday Sept. 16

RSVP--BY--SEPT 12

Pig-out time--6:00 PM

SUPRISE AGENDA ????????

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Pig Roast Sept. 16,2000

ADULTS 8.00

CHILDREN 5.00    Number Attending    Adults\_\_\_\_\_    Children\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_

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