

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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Barbecue and Trivia

Coming June 9, 2001

Our Commodore and the Social Ambassador are teaming up to bring us another great party. This time its Barbecue and Trivia time. John and Susan have put together a great menu and are accumulating some really obscure and arcane trivia to test even those who have read all 20 of Patrick O'Brian's Aubrey/Maturin novels.

In addition to the great food and questions with the answers just on the tip of our tongue, this is also an occasion to meet and welcome our new members. New members are invited as guests of the club.

Come on out and enjoy the fun and fellowship. RSVP to Dave Uttendorfer by June 5th. The tariff for adults is \$8.00 and children \$5.00. See the attached flyer for complete details.

FROM THE COMMODORE

Boulder Cinema: On May 5th, our club experienced the much-anticipated opening of the Boulder Cinema with the sailing classic "Dead Calm." A table of treats was served up and the moviegoers enjoyed an exciting evening of sailing adventure. Coming features and times will be posted on the door to the clubhouse and on the Official BYC Bulletin Board which is located on the outside west wall of the clubhouse. Many of our members have sailing, nautical or sailboat maintenance videos in their private libraries. Donations of videos will be kept in our video library for all members to enjoy. Perhaps you have videos that you are willing to loan to the club for an exclusive engagement. Prepare a list of your titles and give it to John Carnasiotis. Arrangements will be made to borrow and show your videos

over the summer.

Do you have videos of your sailing adventures in Paradise that you would like to share with the club? Many of our members have not yet been on a bare boat charter vacation. Or they may be curious about the cruising area that you enjoyed. Your videos might be of great interest.

Party: Susan and I are serving as CPOs (Chief Party Officers) for the **Back Yard Barbecue and Trivia Challenge**, Saturday, June 9th. This party is free to all New Members (joined for the first time after November 1, 2000). Details within this issue of Boulder Bits.

Dock Carts: Two new dock carts have been delivered and are already in service at our docks. As a courtesy to others, **Please return all carts to the loading area immediately after use.**

Vehicle Parking: Beware. Marina management has advised that the Corps will soon be issuing **Parking Tickets** to any vehicles parked on the grass. As more boats are launched, the lot will be cleared to accommodate all our vehicles.

More New Equipment: Due to the diligent efforts of our club's Official Scroungers, we now have the beginnings of a Stereo and Public Address system. **Nick Beulick** and **Karl Schmitt** have located and obtained at great savings, two speakers, a small amplifier and a microphone. The amplifier is also a small karaoke! Does this inspire anyone?

Kudos: **Pam and Randy Wheeler** have prepared and served up dinner for the club on two consecutive Saturdays to the delight of all. May 5th was 'Cheeseburgers in Paradise' and May 12th was 'Regatta Kickoff.' The proceeds from these two events are to be donated to the

Leukemia Society. Well done!

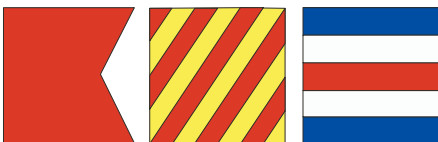
Radio Etiquette: Proper use of our VHF Radios will make communicating easier and will be appreciated by all.

1. Monitor Channel 16 for calls and announcements.
2. To make a call, say the name of the vessel that you are calling two or three times and the name of the vessel making the call. E.g.: **“Bounty, Bounty, Bounty, this is Bligh, over.”**
3. To answer a call: **“Bligh, this is Bounty, over.”**
4. Unless the situation is an emergency, you should then ask that the call be switched to a different channel. **“Bounty, switch to Channel 68, over.”**
5. This request must be acknowledged. **“Bligh, this is Bounty, switching to 68, over.”**
6. Now carry on your non-emergency conversation on Channel 68. Other noncommercial intership channels are 69, 71 and 72.
7. Keep your conversation brief and avoid the use of profanity.
8. To end a call, say the word **“out”**. Never ‘over and out.’

Unless an agreement has been discussed to remain on a certain channel, the vessels will return to Channel 16 to monitor their radios. It is not necessary to announce that you are returning to Channel 16.

Fair Winds,

John Carnasiotis
Commodore



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sat. June 2 Spring Race 3 & 4
- Sun. June 3 Hearne Ladies Challenge Race
- Sat. June 9 BackYard BBQ & Spring Race 5
- Sat. June 16 Make-Up Race if needed
- Sat. June 23 Summer Race 1
Race 2 (night)
- Sat. June 30 Fireworks at Dam

NEW BYC MEMBERS

A SPECIAL WELCOME!!

JOHN & VICKIE FINLEY
MICHAEL & LISA RAMSEY
BOB TRUTTMAN
PLUS NEW/OLD MEMBERS
MIKE & VICKIE FERGUSON

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

Dave Uttendorfer
Secretary/Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

New Member Spotlight: Michael and Lisa Ramsey have purchased their first sailboat and joined our club. They are the proud owners of a Hunter 22 named “Allegro” which is berthed at Easy Street 51. Mike is a carpenter and Lisa is in higher education. They have a nine-

year-old son, Nicholas, who will serve as crew.

John and Vickie Finley are from Lawrenceville, Illinois. While they are currently boatless, John and Vickie would like to serve as crew while searching for the right boat.

Bob Truttmann hails from Collinsville, Illinois and has been involved in boating for over 25 years. He is the skipper of "Bean Breeze" a Beneteau 21 which he keeps at Easy Street 50.

Michael and Vicki Ferguson have joined us again and we are delighted to welcome them back. Their Catalina 28, "Time Out" can be found at Margaritaville 5.

Party Time: The Back Yard Barbecue and Trivia Challenge, which is free to new members, will be held on Saturday, June 9th. Look for details in this issue of Boulder Bits.

Gentle Seas,

Susan Haase
Social Ambassador

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

"Our clothes are just flying out of the shed!!" Our new clothing items are selling like crazy. Don't miss out. Wonderful new colors will brighten your wardrobe. Great new sweatshirts, windbreaker jackets and caps. If you need a bigger size or a child's size, please let me know. You can make your purchase from the marina office or from me. Look for my red flag with white stars on the flag pole and come see me. Our boat is finally in the water and our slip is Hard Rock Dock, slip #47, on the right side close to the end. Here's to cool breezes!!

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BYC RACING

The racing is underway and the competition is heating up. The practice race brought four skippers and their crews out to shake down their boats. Judging from the practice race, I would keep an eye on Ariel. New Racer Eric Danielson with some help from his crew, Ben Barlett, have quickly figured out how to keep Ariel out in front.

The first race of the Spring Series brought out even more boats. 8 skippers and crews started the race. Early on it was Tony and Bonnie DiMercurio on Miss-B-Haven Too slugging it out with Dave Isom on Trouble Doll. Some-time after rounding the second mark, Trouble Doll had a few technical troubles and lost some ground. Eric Danielson on Ariel and Parks Smith on October Breeze quickly took advantage of the situation, earning themselves second and third place respectively with Tony and Bonnie DiMercurio on Miss-B-Haven Too capturing first. It was a day of great racing with the fleet remaining competitive throughout the entire race.

Thanks to everyone who helped out with the marks.

Attention Ladies, A unique event is coming up in early June, the Hearne Ladies Challenge. While this race has been around for a while, this year we've added a new twist.

Last year, in order to get more boats involved, we broke tradition and allowed 1 male to act as crew during the race with no input other than muscle power (and to fetch beverages).

This year, hoping to get even more boats, we will allow 1 or more of the TV remote hogs to act as crew. However, there is one catch, the men must dress the part. You might call it a drag race (It's in the spirit of fun, so I hope Wendy wouldn't mind). We will have prizes for the most outrageous and/or most convincing costume. Sorry guys, topless just won't get it.

Ladies throw some of your old clothes on that channel surfer and come out and show him how the boat should really be sailed (he is not allowed to argue) or better yet leave him at the dock.

The race is scheduled for Sunday, June 3rd with the skippers meeting at 9:00 am and racing at 10:30. Look for

fliers around the Marina.

I look forward to seeing everyone on the hill and out on the water...

Stan Philipak
Regatta Chairman

POETRY

Finding Your Sailing Spirit

Make ready, my soul as I cast off the line,
Drifting, drifting away from the wharf.
Wind, wind fill my sails!
Give them the power to touch the sky faroff.
As memories of mankind vanish behind,
I anticipate to be one with the sea.

“Hoist the mainsail, hoist the jib!”
Words that bring past adventures back to mind,
As the smell of salt air tickles my nose,
It refreshes my spirit of the unknown,
A spirit longing to be fulfilled by the wonders of the sea,
Yet, challenged to be courageous as a single hander.

Mighty mountains rise from the sea,
Wearing white caps of bubbly froth.
The bowsprit charges ahead, making new paths through
the watery graves of others.
I fear not being alone so far from land,
For my life is simple:
To wake each day to wind, water, and the ways of the
sea.

Whitney L. Robertson

NOTES FROM THE ETHER

It has been a little over a year since we started publishing *Boulder Bits* electronically. At the present time approximately 15 percent of our membership receives their issues of *Boulder Bits* via e-mail.

For those of you not familiar with its availability that way, we create the electronic newsletter using Adobe Acrobat and attach it to an e-mail message (I had been providing the *e-Bits* with only a hyperlink in the e-mail, but for some that has not worked satisfactorily). In addition, the current edition as well as all back issues are

available on our web site.

Benefits of receiving the Bits via e-mail are the ready availability of having a copy residing in your computer for as long as you want, and the savings the club obtains by eliminating the postage and paper associated with the mailing. If you haven't tried it, why not. If you find you don't like it, we can easily restore the tried and true snail mail method.

Should you want to receive the Bits this way, just send an e-mail to boulderyc@yahoo.com and provide your name and e-mail address(es) you would like to have delivery sent.

There have been some technical problems relating to viewing the bits using Microsoft Internet Explorer (IE). For what appears to be security reasons, IE is very particular in viewing PDF files. Should you have a problem in viewing the *e-Bits* through IE, then download the file and view it directly with the Acrobat viewer or use Netscape Navigator, which seems to be immune to these problems.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Deadline for the next issue of Boulder Bits is June 14.

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BACK YARD BARBECUE



TRIVIA CHALLENGE



**Saturday
June 9, 2001**

**1800 Hours
(6:00PM)**

Boulder Hill

Menu

*Pork Steaks or Chicken Breast
Asian Noodle Salad
Mediterranean Potato Salad
Barley-Roasted Corn & Black Bean Salad
Fresh Fruit Salad
Breads
Beverages
Assorted Desserts*

Following the Hearty Meal we will assemble in teams of eight or ten for the Trivia Challenge. There will be several rounds of questions covering a diverse selection of appropriate topics.

Boulder Cinema will be showing a family movie for the children and those weak of heart during the Trivia event.

Cost: \$8.00 Adults (Free to new adult members who have joined, for the first time, after Nov. 1, 2000)
\$5.00 Children

RSVP with check payable to BYC
no later than
June 5th:

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