

Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits



Bits and Pieces. Some noteworthy; none newsworthy.

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September 2000

John Carnasiotis To Be Next Commodore

BOULDER, Illinois — The Boulder Yacht Club annual nomination meeting was held here Sept. 10, 2000 where names were placed in nomination for all elected officers. As a result of the recently enacted by-law changes, nominations could only be made at this nominating meeting with no new names allowed on the day of the election. John Carnasiotis was the single nominee for commodore as was Dave Uttendorfer the single choice for Secretary/Treasurer. They are expected to be automatically elected at the election meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, October 15, 2000 at the Boulder Marina Lounge.

The nominations were:

Commodore: John Carnasiotis

Vice-Commodore: Bonnie DiMercurio, Allan Stewart

Secretary/Treasurer: David Uttendorfer

Board of Directors

3-yr. term: Art Seise

1-yr. term: Parks Smith

Chairman Regatta Committee: Stan Philipak

Social Committee: Open

The full text of the letter announcing the results of the nominations and the ensuing election are found on page 6.

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Scott Phelps in Accident

Scott Phelps, son of Karen & Lendell Phelps, was seriously injured Friday, September 1, 2000 while doing some errands for his grandparents.

Scott was riding his Mo-Ped around the Glen Carbon -

Maryville area when he was struck by a van. Even though he was wearing a protective helmet, he has extensive skull damage and at this time, September 8, 2000, he is in a coma at SLU hospital on Grand Ave. in St. Louis.

Scott and the Phelps are my neighbors in Glen Carbon and their boat *O Happy Day* was only 4 slips away from mine on Easy Street Dock. Scott is always a very pleasant and charming young man. He talks to everyone young and old, and would give a willing hand at the drop of a hat.

Several years ago, he was awarded the Boulder Yacht Club "Seamanship Award" at the NO-BOAT even though he was not old enough to attend the event.

Let us all pray for a complete and speedy recovery for this very fine young man.

Get well cards can be sent to:

Scott Phelps

7 Meierwood

Glen Carbon, IL 62034

Congratulations

A hearty well done to Dan Sargent on winning the Renshaw Memorial Race for the year 2000.

No one knows better than I, how much this means to him, as Bob Renshaw was his mentor and step-father

Dan, enjoy your mantle trophy this year.

David Grimes
Commodore



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat. Sept. 16 Pig Roast
 Sat. Sept. 16/17 Whale of a Sail
 Sat. Sept. 30 Fall Race #4
 Sun. Oct. 8 Fall Race #5
 Sat. Oct. 14 Commodore's Cup/Chili Supper
 Sat. Oct. 21 Make-up Race if needed
 Sat. Oct. 28 Halloween Pot Luck
 CYC Great Race
 Sat. Dec. 2 Ladies' Luncheon

FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER

A SPECIAL WELCOME!! TO THESE NEW BYC MEMBERS

**MARGARET O'NEALL
 MIKE & MARGE CURRY
 JOHN ANDREWS & MICHELLE
 BOULAIS**

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

Ship's Store Report: The new line of high quality and stylish Official BYC clothing has been selling at a brisk pace. With the prospect of cooler weather just over the horizon, don't miss out on an opportunity to purchase a Long-Sleeve Denim Shirt or a Heavy Weight Navy Blue Sweatshirt both emblazoned with a red embroidered BYC logo. These warm and durable shirts will serve you well as you maintain the evening vigil around the Official Boulder Marina Fire Cauldron and Navigational Beacon. Visit the display case in the ClubHouse or see me at M-61.

Do You Have I.D.?? Last winter some of our members' boats were placed on the wrong cradles to rest quietly for the winter months. The boats sat quietly. All the owners did not. The management of our marina has asked that we clearly paint proper identification on all jack stands, cradles, and trailers.

Do You Know Your Neighbor? Our club has grown by 40 new members this year. When you see a new face, PLEASE take a few minutes and introduce yourself. Each member is an ambassador of our club. Let's make all the new members feel welcome.

**JOHN CARNASIOTIS
 Vice-Commodore**

THE SOCIAL SCENE

By the time you read this issue of Boulder Bits, we will have had the Pig Roast. In next month's Bits I hope I can report that you all came and had a good time. We would like to remind all our members of the CHILI SUPPER coming up on Saturday, October 14. Fill out the the sign-up sheet on page 8, and join us for a good time.



News flash: Boulder Mac Sailors conduct bold beach landing on the big island and reclaim it for Boulder Yacht Club. Participating in the action were: Cal Hopper, Bill and Sharon Schmitt and Barbara and Karl Schmitt.

We would also like to extend an invitation to all new members to come to the Chili Supper. This party always has a good turn out and is a great time for new members to meet everyone.

As we always need helpers to put on these parties, volunteering to help would assure meeting most everyone at the party.

If you can help, and it's always a lot of fun, call Bill or Sharon Schmitt at 1-314-671-1063. We would also really appreciate

ate it if members could donate a favorite dessert — brownies, cake, cookies, or whatever you would like to bring — for everyone to enjoy. So much from the Social Committee. See you at the Party!

Bill and Sharon Schmidt
Social Committee Chairpersons

BYC RACING

BYC racers are so anxious to begin racing again, that we start our Fall Series in late summer. For our first race, we got lucky - not too hot and winds in the 8 - 12 knot range. After missing most of the Spring Series because of other commitments (i.e. kayaking in the Bahamas), Dennis Smith (Desperado) led wire to wire to capture first place and serve notice that there is a new boat on the lake with which to contend. In a dual for second place, October Breeze (Parks Smith) corrected over Scimitar(Ben Barlett) by one second.

With temperatures approaching 100 degrees, seven racers braved almost brutal conditions to race in the Renshaw Regatta over Labor Day weekend. The heat coupled with light and variable winds, made staying hydrated a challenge. Racing was almost secondary.

In the first race of the two race event, after barely making the first mark within the one hour time limit, Jim Moore on Summer Place took advantage of a starboard/port encounter between Desperado (Dennis Smith) and Encore (Jim Haddox) to capture first place. Encore was second followed by Dan Sargent on Sir Veyor.

After another great steak dinner (Ben Barlett and Dennis Smith manned the grills), everyone was eager to try it again on Sunday (actually, eager might not be the right word - maybe reluctant but willing, would be more accurate). Nevertheless, everyone reported to the starting line. The wind wasn't any stronger than the day before, just flukier. After a fairly quick reach to the first mark (I know, it's supposed to be a beat), things really slowed down. The course was shortened and the finish line was moved to the second leg of the racecourse. Desperado crossed first but not enough ahead of Sir Veyor who corrected to first and captured the regatta championship with finishes of third and first followed by Summer Place who accumulated a first and a fourth. Jim Haddox on Encore finished third with a second and a third place

(Jim, you have to get Glenda a bimini or a bigger boat with a bimini).

Congratulations to Dan Sargent and thanks to everyone who participated. In spite of the conditions, it was a great time. Maybe next year, Bob will give us a break with the weather - we're due!

It's still summer, but the second race of the fall series is in the record books. As in the first race, we were fortunate to have some wind - 10 - 15. Steve Dowdy showed everyone that even though he has taken up golf, he hasn't forgotten how to sail. Dire Straits finished third but corrected first. Ben Barlett (Scimitar) decided to have some fun and took the penalty to fly his spinnaker. He and crew, Bonnie D. and Bob B. had a great ride. They finished first but corrected second followed by October Breeze in third place (only 7 seconds separate them in two races).

As you can see, summer isn't over but we're well into our Fall racing season. But there's still time to come out and have some fun. Next up - the Commodore's Cup on October 14th. No excuses — instructions and sign-up sheet are attached. I hope you will come out and support BYC. See you at the starting line!

Barry Nielsen
Race Chairman

The Inevitable Will Happen When Racing...

If you visit the internet even periodically, you must go to www.Sailnet.com and view some of the fine articles on trim, changing gears, strategies and stories about the pros on boats and how to handle the worst case scenarios. The following is an excerpt from just such an event during a race. Go to the site for full disclosure.

“Day one of the Farr 40 Worlds in Newport, RI dawned in a boisterous fashion. Extremely windy conditions and heavy rain set the stage for on-the-water drama...” “On the way out to the race course, the instruments on Flash Gordon registered a solid 25 to 28 knots of true wind speed... Despite this rugged environment Race One went off without a hitch...” “On board Flash, we were focused on getting a much better start in Race Two. Our tactician, Ed Adams, had us execute an aggressive pre-start plan and we rocked off the line as the gun went off. As we made our way up the beat, our position varied, changing anywhere from fifth to tenth, but we were looking much better than we did in Race One. We were on a

starboard tack as the course began to narrow at the top of the beat, heading a bit more to the left side of the course. To our left, Paul Cayard and the crew on In Victa-Nerone were coming in on port looking to duck our transom. It should have been an easy duck, even in those heavy-air conditions, but unfortunately, they missed by six to eight feet and cleaved into our topsides and deck in a way that 'scary' only begins to describe." "There's no getting around it-collisions happen in sailboat racing. They're just an inevitable part of the game when you have a lot of boats and a lot of wind in a small area."

There is much more for you to read if you get to a PC and go to www.Sailnet.com but the purpose is not to get you to use your PC or even to go over to Sailnet but to be prepared for what can and will happen to someone sometime while racing. On this site is a "Collision Management 101" set of rules for helping diminish the crisis and make it "damage control." In most cases, collisions such as this cause property damage, rarely bodily injury; however having a plan for your crew to follow whether in a race or just in a predicament, the challenge is to reduce damage and come back safely. All of us should know how to handle such emergency situations. You should also know that practice does help in both the preparation for and the conduct in such emergencies. To have this information, such as what I have related to you regarding these internet sites may prove helpful to avoid or at least deal intelligently and safely with such a situation should it occur during your own sailing time. I urge you to take the time to avail yourself of all such articles whenever they appear in whatever venue.

For those of us who do race, the word "protest" should not be anything more than an announcement that an infraction of the rules may have occurred and with that knowledge, all on the course should be aware in case that infraction may have an effect on other boats. For those involved, the sooner that infraction has been con-

ceded and dealt with the less of a problem it becomes for others, including the race committee.

The enjoyment and the thrill of coming in after a race ought not to be from placing in the top three positions, but from having learned something about your boat, your sails, your relationship with your crew, the race rules, bettering your position from one race to the next, something learned each time you go out onto the course. If it were only about winning how many of us do? Winning is only one of the many challenges of racing. The variables only get narrowed down when you are willing to pay the price for boat, racing sails, hull conditioning, racing prop, crew training, special equipment, onboard PC and electronics, and on and on. Is there anyone at this marina so bent on winning? I think not. So the other considerations are having fun, or learning each time



Don Schiller and Steve Dowdy in a close race during the fall season last year.

out to get better with your own boat, or both of the above. And each of the following will help to do so. Having regular crew, crew training, good communication, hull cleaning, good sails, setting up the boat for quick and easy adjustments, knowing how your boat sails in varying conditions, sniffing out wind puffs, knowing the "shallows," learning

how and when to tack, learning how your sails perform in differing winds, knowing where to set the fairleads for the best boat speed. So if you take up the challenge to learn your boat and sailing and weather education, you will definitely improve your racing position.

Notice in what order "racing position" comes? Last! At the end of a race, my crew and I just feel great in being able to be out on the water with other people enjoying what so many others wish they could do... Sail on the open waters. I am and I know they are just as thankful. We are a most fortunate lot, having sailboats or being able to spend time on the water with friends so

come out of the marina and join us if you have not yet done so. Better yet, offer to crew for someone who looks like they only have two or three on board for the race. It is time you learned what a great time can be had as crew. Then, maybe you will be holding a trophy at the NoBoat and telling everyone how much fun you had racing.

Steve Kratchman
Casa Cita II

OUR BYC BOATS

Uncommon Boats in Our Marina

Model Privateer - Ketch
 Length: 26"OD 31' 1" LOA
 Displacement 7000 pounds
 Engine: Yanmar 13 HP
 Draft: 4' 3" Fuel: Diesel
 Beam: 8' Head: Yes
 Hull: Fiberglass
 Galley: Yes
 Country of Origin: USA
 Designer: Thomas Gilmer
 Boat Name: GRACE
 The current owners are Mr. & Mrs. Mike Curry

GRACE was bought new in 1975 and put at Boulder Marina by the previous owner. Later she was moved to West Access Marina where Mike & Admiral Marge bought it in 1995.

Mike has done extensive renovations to GRACE increasing the stiffness of the deck and hull. Standing rigging and bowsprit hardware are all heavy-duty ocean going quality. There are several self-tailing winches in addition to the original bronze winches.

Currently this is the only ketch-rigged boat in Boulder Marina and she has the complete set of sails, the working jib, main sail and the mizzen sail.

With 3500 pounds of lead in the keel she should be a stiff and stable sailing little vessel.

Let us all welcome Admiral Marge and Mike, the owners of Grace to our marina.

David Grimes

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

Quote of the Month

“An inexhaustible good nature is one of the most precious gifts of heaven.”

Washington Irving

EDITOR'S NOTES

Deadline for the next issue of Boulder Bits is Oct. 26. Fax articles to Liz Seise at (314) 781-4616 or e-mail: BuildingButlers@aol.com.

Editor - Liz Seise

Your BYC Internet web site can be found at: <http://www.geocities.com/boulderyc>. This year's past issues of *Boulder Bits*, as well this one are located in the News section of the web site. Handy if you need to check a date or get a party sign-up sheet.

Don't forget, electronic delivery of the *e-Bits* can be had by signing up in the News section of the web site. That way you get the Bits first and in living color.

In addition, starting with this issue, we are implementing the use of hyperlinks in the Acrobat version of the *e-Bits*. Just look for text areas surrounded by a red border. These will either link you to a web site or a location in the *e-Bits*. For example, the BYC web site referenced above links to the start page of the web site; as does the URL in the mast-head on page one. Click either and the web site will open. Similarly, the link in the Social Section will open the web site to the on-line information relating to the Pig Roast. You should be logged on to the internet at the time for it to work smoothly.

Other links allow you to jump from one page to another. See the news article on page one and refereces to the Commodore's Cup/Chili Supper in the Racing and Social Sections.

If you are experiencing problems with either the *e-Bits* or the web site, drop me a note at ReyNeville@yahoo.com.

Editor *e-Bits* and BYC web site - Rey Neville

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BOULDER YACHT CLUB

DATE: September 10, 2000

FROM: Boulder Yacht Club Board of Directors

SUBJECT: Annual General Meeting & Election of Officers

TO: Members of Boulder Yacht Club

In accordance with the BOULDER YACHT CLUB BY-LAWS, the membership is hereby notified of the Annual General Meeting and Election to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2000 at the Boulder Marina Lounge.

A nomination meeting, open to all members, was held on September 10, 2000 at Boulder Marina. At that time, the Board of Directors received nominations and they are as follows:

Commodore:	John Carnasiotis
Vice-Commodore:	Bonnie DiMercurio Allan Stewart
Secretary/Treasurer:	David Uttendorfer
Board of Directors	
3-yr. term:	Art Seise
1-yr. term:	Parks Smith
Chairman Regatta Committee:	Stan Philipak
Social Committee:	Open

Under our new by-laws, NO Nominations will be taken from the floor the day of the election. The Board will take volunteers for the position of Social Committee. If anyone is interested in this position, please contact one of the Board members or our Officers.

An open meeting was held after the Nominations and many suggestions were made to the Board on improving our Yacht Club. Thanks to all who attended and gave their ideas. We will share these ideas at the next general meeting.

Board Members present on September 10, 2000 were: Don Schiller, Ken Schowe, Art Seise, Dennis Smith, Parks Smith, and Commodore David Grimes.

Signed

Don Schiller
Secretary, Boulder Yacht Club Board of Directors



BOULDER YACHT CLUB COMMODORE'S CUP AND CHILI SUPPER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2000

Please join us on Saturday, October 14, 2000 for our BYC Commodore's Cup Race and Chili Supper. Over the last few years this event has provided good sailing, excellent chili, and always good stories on the events of the day. The race course will be set in deeper water (everything is relative) again this year to encourage more participation from CYC and CSA. Anyone wishing to donate a dessert dish is welcome to do so. Come sail to Boulder, enjoy some of the delicious chili, and share stories about this season's sailing.

Barry Nielsen
BYC Race Chairman

NOTICE OF RACE

Rules. The race will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (1997-2000), the proscriptions of US Sailing, except as any of those that are altered by the Sailing Instructions, and by this Notice of Race.

Eligibility. The BYC Commodore's Cup non-spinnaker race is open to all monohull cabin boats regularly sailed on Carlyle Lake and all owners of monohull cabin sailboats who belong to BYC, CSA or CYC. A completed registration form and a signed BYC Racing Declaration are required to enter the race. (BYC racing fleet members who have already submitted a 2000 BYC racing declaration only need to complete the registration and fees section on the next page to enter.

Schedule.

Late registration — West Access	8:30am
Skipper's meeting — West Access	9:30am
Late registration — Boulder Marina	9:30am
Skipper's meeting — Boulder Marina	10:00am
Start approximately	12:00pm
Chili Supper will follow the race (approximate)	5:30pm

Course. The course will be a modified olympic triangle with up to 3 mile legs, depending on wind and lake conditions. The racing area will be in the central part of the lake.

Sailing instructions. Instructions will be available on the day of the race at the skipper's meetings.

Handicaps. Time-on-time handicaps will be used. They will be based on PHRF handicaps adjusted to non-spinnaker ratings and other performance factors such as maximum head sail size, prop configuration, etc.

Measurements. All boats planning to race will provide the P, E, I and J, measurements on the BYC Racing Declaration.

Alternative Penalties. The 720 degree turn penalty rule 44.1 and 44.2 of the racing rules will apply.

Prizes: Prizes will be awarded to the boats placing first, second, and third in each division as well as to the overall winner.

Marina Accommodations and access. For boats wanting to stay overnight, slips are available by calling Boulder Marina at 618-226-3223. To enter the marina stay within 2 to 3 boat lengths of the north rip-rap wall that leads to the cove.

Mail the form and payment to:

David Uttendorfer
2064A Runningridge Court
Maryland Heights, MO 63043

More information on the race

Barry Nielsen
2732 Autumn Run Ct.
Chesterfield, MO 63005
636.227.6538
cscap27@aol.com

More information on the Chili Supper

Bill and Sharon Schmidt
4392 Cottage Grove Dr.
House Springs, MO 63051
636.671.1063
magicdragon1@prodigy.net

BYC Racing Declaration

please print clearly and complete each question

Skipper's name: _____ Yacht club: _____

Boat name: _____ Sail number: _____

Boat manufacturer/year: _____ Boat length: _____

Rig Height: _____ Tall Mast _____ Standard

Rig Type (mark 1): _____ Sloop (Mast Head) _____ Sloop (Fractional) _____ Cutter _____ Ketch _____ Cat

Rig Measurements: P=_____ E=_____ I=_____ J=_____

Keel Type (Mark 1): _____ Fixed Std _____ Shoal Draft _____ Centerboard _____ Wing _____ Swing _____ Dagger

Propulsion: **Outboard** _____ Out of water for race _____ In water for race (one tack) _____ Fixed in Well (in water both tacks)

(mark 1) **Inboard:** _____ Exposed 2 _____ Exposed 3 _____ 2 Blade in _____ Folding or _____ 3 Blade
Blade Blade Aperture Feathering in Appr

Head Sail Type: _____ Unstructured (Dacron or Nylon) _____ Structured (Mylar or Kevlar)

Head Sail Size (Mark 1): _____ 131 to 155% _____ Up to 130% _____ 156 to 165% _____ 166% and over

Roller Furling: _____ Yes _____ No **Furling Drum Above Deck:** _____ Yes _____ No

Spinnaker Pole Length (Mark 1): _____ Standard (j Length) _____ N/A _____ Other (Specify) _____

Method of Storage (Mark 1): _____ Dry-Sailed _____ Kept in Water

I agree to comply with all rules and regulations of the Boulder Yacht Club, US Sailing Association (formerly USYRU) and other rules under which this race or a series is sailed. I agree to indemnify and hold Boulder Yacht Club, its officers, directors and committeemen harmless of any liability of any nature whatsoever for accident or injury to myself, my crew, my guests or my boat while racing or engaging in any activity related or connected therewith.

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____ Work Phone: _____

Registration and Fees

Make checks payable to: Boulder Yacht Club

Race fees (Registration cutoff: 9:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 14, 2000)

Early registration — \$15.00 (if received by Oct. 6, 2000) \$ _____

Late registration — \$20.00 (after Oct. 6 2000) \$ _____

Chili Supper fees

Early sign-up through Oct. 6, 2000

Adults _____ @ \$6.00 each \$ _____

Children (under 12) _____ @ \$3.00 each \$ _____

Late sign-up (after Oct. 6, 2000)

Adults _____ @ \$10.00 each \$ _____

Children (under 12) _____ @ \$5.00 each \$ _____

TOTAL (racing and chili supper) \$ _____

Mail this form and payment to:

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