

Boulder Yacht Club

Boulder Bits



Carlyle Lake, IL

Bits and Pieces: Some Noteworthy, None Newsworthy

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OFFICER REPORTS

FROM THE COMMODORE



Well we are in the dog days of summer now; heat and humidity are the rule of the day. It's a good thing we have access to a large body of water and the means to get out on it.

We have had a lot of fun events at the marina so far this year with many more to come. I heard the canoe races and pancake breakfast were a big hit; thanks to everyone who helped out. Unfortunately our outing with Miracles N Progress had to be postponed until next spring as the rise in Covid cases in the region made it too risky for participants. I hope everyone who volunteered their boats this time around will be able to participate next spring. We also have the seafood boil coming up which is always a great time,

so please RSVP if you plan to attend.

On a personal note, I would like to wish Jeff and Gail Morrison good luck on their next adventure: experiencing the sights and sounds of this country on their land yacht. Jeff got me into sailing many years ago and has always been there to lend a helping hand when I needed it, and I have needed it a lot! It will be strange not seeing you guys a few slips down, but rest assured you are welcome on our boat anytime you ask.

Tim Bira, BYC Commodore

FROM THE VICE-COMMODORE



The Canoe Races on August 14 th were a blast. A blast of water that is. Contestants were subjected to a barrage of water balloons and squirt guns. I'm happy to report that my canoe partner Natalie and I dodged most of them and managed a 3rd place finish! Thanks to Bill and Pam for hosting such a great party with hamburgers and hot dogs after the races!

Jeff Morrison, BYC Vice-Commodore

FROM THE SECRETARY-TREASURER



Ahoy and greetings from your Treasurer. Thor and I have been having a great time this season with our new boat. Thanks to everyone who has helped us along the way. We are still getting used to Schatz Sea. Each week there seems to be a new box of something that we had to have: paddle board keeper, chocks, whisker pole, lines, and, and. That's if we could get it. With the pandemic, boat stuff is sometimes months or more on back order. Thor and I love all the new faces and new friend prospects. New peeps should feel free to ask us oldsters out or jump aboard our boat. We learn by just doing but can always get a nugget or two from an Ole Salt.

As to treasury stuff, our membership continues to grow and we are in a good cash position with all bills paid. There are still many fun upcoming events too: Renshaw Regatta, Seafood Boil, Chili Cookoff. Looking forward to seeing you all there. Prost!

Cheryl Schaette, BYC Sec/Treasurer

FROM THE RACE CHAIR



Sept will be busy with the "Renshaw" and the Cruiser Cup. Renshaw was one of the club's founding members and he started the Racing Program at Boulder some 45 years ago. His take on regattas was that they would be fun for everyone, and we still live by that promise. We will do a staggered start for the Renshaw, which will allow a stress free start; first boat to finish is the winner. If you never raced but have an inkling that this might be for you, join the fun!

Thor Schaette, BYC Race Chair

FROM THE SOCIAL CHAIR



It seemed the activities started late this year, but we've had some fun events. August started with the annual canoe race with the challenge being canoeing backwards on the last leg of the race. On top of that, the racers were bombarded with hoses, water guns and water balloons. The last man in was doused with a dock cart full of water. Only one canoe capsized but we had a fantastic rescue crew right there to help them out of the water. Fun was had by all. Thank you to everyone who participated, those who helped and to our sponsors Bill and Pam. The following Sunday morning was Claire's waffle

breakfast. Claire made the waffles and others contributed to make an awesome breakfast. That was a huge success as well. Unanchored Miracles is currently postponed until Spring due to COVID concerns.

September 18 th is the Seafood Boil and we are hoping to have live entertainment. Cost is \$30.00 per person and there will be chicken for those who don't enjoy seafood. Please get your reservations in now so we can plan for the amount of food we need. It is so important for everyone to sign up for all events in advance as it helps the sponsors know how much food to prepare. You can turn your reservations and money into Shanna (cash) or Kim Cantino (venmo, see flyer).

Carolyn Sutorius, BYC Social Chair

MARINA MEMOS



I must say, we have definitely been having a fantastic first season with you all so far. All of the events have been an absolute blast and there's still more to come. Boulder Marina will be hosting a Pirate Party on September 25th and later hosting a Halloween Party with live music provided by Hideous Jake on October 16th! We encourage everyone to attend and join the fun! It's also a great opportunity to meet some of the new faces who have recently joined the Boulder crew.

With all the fun we've been having it's hard to begin thinking about Autumn and the fact that boat lift outs will soon be upon us. We want to take this chance to gently remind everyone that we are now asking all lift outs and trailer outs to be scheduled no less than one week in advance. We get that for some folks this is a new practice and we're asking for your patience and kindness as we all adjust to these changes. Scheduling is truly a necessary evil these days with the Marina offering more services than it has in the past. Though it is a new practice, it's not going to be a difficult one. Simply let us know what you need and we'll get you on the schedule. We look forward to all that the season still has to offer with all of our fellow Boulderites!

Shanna Sampson, Boulder Marina Management

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Emily Elden, BYC Bits Editor