

# Boulder Yacht Club Boulder Bits



Carlyle Lake, IL

Bits and Pieces: Some Noteworthy, None Newsworthy.

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## Introducing Our 2023 Officers

### Meet Our Commodore — Kort Juenger

*Hello*, I'd like to introduce myself, my name is Kort Juenger.

I've been a member of the BYC since 2002. In that time I've been Social Chair, Vice Commodore, Commodore and Race Chair twice.

I look forward to serving as Commodore for this season. Over the years I've made many life long friends at BYC and can't wait to make new ones.

I started sailing while SCUBA diving in the Bahamas and still use my diving skills to rescue items from the depths of Carlyle. I've sailed extensively in the Caribbean and hope to retire in the islands but for now my Catalina 27 Quicksilver and I will call Jost Van Dock our home.



The BYC is a tight knit family that accepts anyone who wants to come aboard. The new owners have made lots of improvements, and plan on making more, which is why BYC is the best place to keep a boat on Carlyle Lake. I urge everyone to join us in the sailing, racing, parties and camaraderie.

Please contact me personally with any questions, comments or concerns.

*Fairwinds and Flat Seas... Kort*

### Vice Commodore — Joel Elden



Hi, my name is Joel Elden, and I am the 2023 Vice Commodore. You can find my wife, Emily, and me aboard Pascagoula Run, a Dehler 31.

We are the red striped boat located towards the end of Jost Van Dock. Swing by and say hi! I'll give you the background to her name and all the places she has been.

I have been sailing on Carlyle my entire life and have called Boulder my homeport since 1997 when my parents purchased Dandelion, the San Juan 23 across from us.

Having lived on a houseboat for a few years, I have a connection with the motorized world as well as sailing.

When we aren't at the lake, my wife and I love to travel; although, we may be having to reevaluate how we travel as we are expecting our first child in July. I look forward to seeing both new and veteran members at the lake this season!

Joel

**March 18h -  
BURN YOUR SOCKS!**

## Our Secretary/Treasurer— Carolyn Sutorius

**Happy almost Spring!** - It's time to start preparing for the upcoming season.

My name is Carolyn Sutorius and I am the Secretary/Treasurer for BYC and manage the roster as well.



Rich and I sail a Hunter 33.5, Pura Vida. You can find us on Jost Van Dock

I got into sailing when I met Rich 43 years ago. He has taught me everything I know about sailing but I don't recommend picking a tree and using it as your point of sail. When the wind shifts it's hard to find your tree again. *Lo!*

We have been at Boulder Marina for many years and really enjoy it there. We have activities planned every month of the boating season and we hope you and your family will participate when you can.

**Just a reminder, dues are due by April 30th.** You can pay via PayPal on our website [boulderyc.org](http://boulderyc.org) or cash or check can be turned in at the marina office.

## Race Chair — Bill Rathbun

**Ahoy everyone!**

I'd like to give a brief introduction.

I've been sailing on Carlyle Lake since 1971. I've had a boat at Boulder Marina since 1985. Along with Pam McBride my significant other and her dad Spero we sail a Catalina 30 'Paradise'.

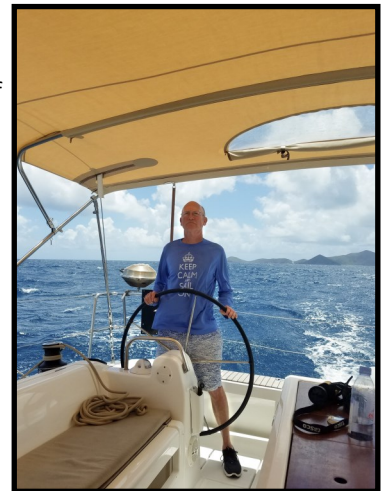
We are located on Jost Van Dock slip #20. We've been members of the Boulder Yacht Club since 2004 and enjoy the wonderful friendships and family spirit that the marina and Yacht Club provide. We've also cruised the Caribbean two or three weeks a year for over 20 years.

This is my second term as Race Chair. My racing experiences are limited but with the help of our experienced race committee we'll strive to develop a fun, exciting and family friendly race program.

This year we will work more with the Sea Scouts to grow a larger racing community. I would like to focus on intra-club races that are not overly long or intimidating and culminate with more challenging inter-club races for the Renshaw and Commodores Cup. By giving new sailors and those who are new to racing an opportunity to sail with experienced racers I think we can be successful.

Racing is an excellent way to hone your sailing skills. Any suggestions are more than welcome.

Bill Rathbun



## Social Chair — Karen Walker

*Hello Everyone!*



My name is Karen Walker. My husband, Dave and I are fairly new to the sailing scene.

We are the proud owners of "Island Time" which we purchased in May of 2020. As some people know, I am still very nervous with the "leaning" aspect of sailing and hope to conquer some of that fear this year.

Dave and I live in Waterloo, IL and come to Boulder Marina at least twice a month to visit with our BYC family. We have a daughter and grandson who also come to join us for some family fun time.

We have a lot of great activities planned for this year so please check the calendar of events and join us when you can!

Karen



**SEA SCOUTS  
EDUCATION WEEK  
March 18 & 19**

## Web Master Joel Elden and Boulder Bits — Phil Stephenson

*Trim that Jib and Break wind!*

You've met our Vice Commodore and able Web Master Joel Elden in his profile on page one. Joel is the go to person responsible for our BYC website, which is the primary source for all BYC information.

I'm that new guy that joined this past mid-Summer '22 when I purchased the Warnecke's Cal 25 II located at the Margaritaville dock slip number 8.

Prior to joining BYC my sailing experience has been racing one-designs ranging from the Comets, Flying Scots, Y-Flyers to the last boat I owned, a Lightning. I chose BYC because it has the best reputation for keel and cruising boaters in the region and in my brief time in the club I've met many of our experienced and knowledgeable sailors that make up the membership at Boulder who freely offer valuable tips and advice.

I've been working in technology for over twenty years and in my most recent position I'm a Principal Enterprise Cloud Architect for the Oracle Corporation and have a wide and deep knowledge of all things electronic and software and will be able to assist Joel if ever needed.

I'll be publishing the Boulder Bits as prescribed by the officers and welcome any additional content that our members would like to submit for publication. I look forward to our 2023 Season!

Phil



## The 2023 No-Boat Regatta Review and Rewards

I want to do a little write up about our “No-Boat Regatta” this year since we did things a bit different.

The difference being that we held the No-Boat at the marina so we could do our famous and popular seafood boil. There were multiple reasons for having the No-Boat at the marina, mainly we wanted to save a few dollars and there was a demand for having the seafood as we did not have it last year. I feel that this event turned out very well and it was really due to so many people coming together to help, which is what this club is all about. Whether it be putting on an event or helping your fellow sailors put on their sails or helping to figure out what is wrong with your engine or a leak somewhere in the boat, you'll find someone that is there to help.



So many **THANKS TO EVERYONE!**

P.S. We also lucked out on the weather as it was a gorgeous day for the first part of March.

### Awards Presented:

Along with our wonderful meal we had awards to hand out. It was unfortunate that those recipients were not in attendance, but they are indeed due the acknowledgement so here they are:

**Achievement Award goes to Dave and Karen Walker** for their contributions to the club for providing and designing canvas material to enclose our patio. They are also there to help with many events we have, and as they are fairly new to sailing *Island Time*, they are getting more and more comfortable sailing her and you might see Dave out there single handling her in some respectable winds!

**Seamanship Award goes to Charlie Brown.** He can be seen on *Perspective* either working on boat projects or getting out on the water getting more and more familiar with his 30' Hunter. Although we have seen him in some precarious situations (which at times can provide for some degree of entertainment—which most of us have also done), he perseveres to single handle his boat. He's also a very funny guy and has helped out with multiple club activities.

**The Lifesaver Award is a new award the club is handing out this year and goes to Jake Schroeder** for his quick actions when a fellow sailor mis-stepped while racing during the Intro to Racing race last year. Jake seamlessly helped Steve Rice by preventing him from going overboard, then took control of the helm as they were in a lot of wind and had just come about. Jake is 16 and even though he does not have many years of experience, with the knowledge he has, he prevented a bad thing from becoming worse and we want to recognize him for that!

The new officers are now in charge, so let the new season begin!

Be sure to follow us on [Facebook 'Boulder Yacht Club'](#) or on our website at <https://boulderyc.org/>.

Your past commodore, Pam McBride.



## 2023 BYC Race Results and Awards



<b>Race 1:</b>	-	Cancelled due to weather
<b>Race 2:</b>	Intro to Racing	5 boats entered, 3 finished. 1 <sup>st</sup> Place – Escapade, 2 <sup>nd</sup> place – Schatz Sea, 3 <sup>rd</sup> place – Kestral
<b>Race 3:</b>	Moonlight Race	5 boats entered, 1 finished. 1 <sup>st</sup> Place – Martha J
<b>Race 4:</b>	-	8 boats entered, 5 finished. 1 <sup>st</sup> Place - Martha J, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place - Escapade, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – Quicksilver
<b>Race 5:</b>	Renshaw Race	Cancelled due to weather
<b>Race 6:</b>	Commodore’s Cup	7 boats entered, 6 finished.
	High PRFH	1st Place – Quicksilver,
	Low PRFM	1 <sup>st</sup> Place – Pascagoula Run, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place – Schatz Sea, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – DejaVu
	Spinnaker Fleet	Fleet: 1 <sup>st</sup> Place – Determined, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Ella Jay

## **BURN YOUR SOCKS** — A Rite of Spring

**MARCH 18th  
CELEBRATE BURN  
YOUR SOCKS**

**Potluck Dinner in the club  
house at 5:00 pm**



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*Life  
Unanchored*

**We're on the web**  
**[boulderyc.org](http://boulderyc.org)**

*Boulder Yacht Club is a nonprofit sailing organization comprised of sailors/boaters who call Boulder Marina home(port). Brought together by our love for time spent on the water, we are the only yacht club on the eastern shore of Carlyle Lake, the largest man-made lake in Illinois. Our members enjoy sailing, motoring, kayaking, paddle-boarding, watching sunsets, and spending time with our marina family.*

## **Submit your Stories, News and Photos**

All members are encouraged to submit articles and images any time during the year. Please follow the Submission Instructions below.

### **Submission Instructions:**

If you'd like to contribute a story or images to an upcoming edition, please follow the instructions below:

- Send an email to: [philstepson@gmail.com](mailto:philstepson@gmail.com) with your article as the email body and any images attached.
- Event flyers should be submitted in txt/word or edible format to facilitate editing and revisions. Pdf 's will work but if revisions are necessary they will need to be converted.

Items received after the 25th of each month may be held over until the next edition.

Thanks for reading the BYC Bits!

