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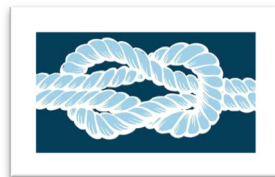
FROM THE HELM *Jeff Postek, Commodore*

I would like to thank everyone in the club for working hard throughout the year and sticking together during these challenging times. Together we made this year a little easier.

We've had some folks that did some outstanding work by taking this somewhat unbearable time and putting a positive spin on every situation. You know who you are. This alone helped keep the spirit of sailing at the club alive and well.

I predict in 2021 we will see a better year filled with a regatta, racing and lots of club functions. Stay positive and keep sailing fast.

Jeff



July 4th Boat Parade with participation by many from the CLSC as well as our boating friends over at the Carter Lake Marina. A beautiful evening and a full moon made this a great night on the lake!



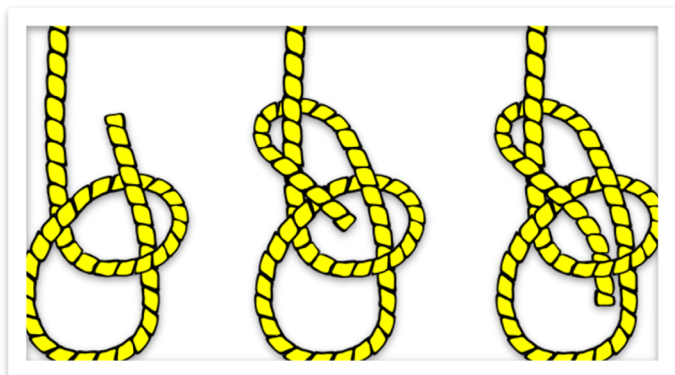
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LOST HALYARD?

NO PROBLEM!

...thanks to an article we found by Charles J. Doane. This visual clearly demonstrates using an extra halyard to hoist up a line with a loop to “lasso” over the one you need to retrieve! Then yank the retrieval line to close the loop and pull down both line & halyard.

Voila! You are back in sailing mode!



Another helpful tool is a bowline knot.
Sailors use this all the time.

Safe and secure!

Can you make one with your eyes closed?



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Sláinte and Ciao! Saturday, August 29th



We all miss social gatherings at the CLSC in these challenging times! Well, here comes **Irish & Italian** food and cheer, co-hosted by Cathy, Catriona & Kids (Irish), and Nina & Todd (Italian).

Note: This is not a potluck. All food will be prepared and served by the hosts.

Please wear a mask, following social distancing guidelines when picking up your meals and deciding where to eat.

Sorry – the deck is NOT available for dining.

Please bring your own utensils, plates and beverages for both the Irish meal and Italian desserts.

Cathy, Catriona and kids will provide an Irish entree to make sure you don't forget what it tastes like while we wait until next year to dance and tell good and bad Irish jokes together.

Each entree of Corned Beef, Cabbage and Potatoes will be packaged individually in compostable containers and handed out from the Clubhouse kitchen starting at **5:30pm**.

If you would rather have the meals delivered to your boat, please email to Catriona_Dowling@hotmail.com with subject "Dock Delivery Request" noting which dock and boat name,. We're happy to do that.

Irish music playing and Club celebrity musicians may be seen and heard.

*We will then move down to the lake, for **Italian Desserts at Dusk on the Dock**, south dock that is, around **6:45 pm** or as members wander down.*

Nina and Todd will be serving individually sealed portions of Tiramisu, Pizzelles and Prosecco-infused Biscotti on the south dock to the sounds of Italian music echoing over the water. Desserts can be enjoyed on the dock, boats or where members are most comfortable!

Please join us for this long-awaited social! Any questions at all, contact either Catriona at Catriona_Dowling@hotmail.com or Nina at Nina.rogers@comcast.net



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VICE COMMODORE

Dawn Robinson

Hello Fellow Members of CLSC.

There is not much to report from the vice commodore position. Except a gentle reminder to get your work hours in and record them.

Here's how.

Go to:

Sailcarter.org

Log-in

Go to Member Portal

Scroll down to Log Work Hours

Click on 2020 Work Hours Log Sheet

Scroll to bottom and add your information accordingly.

Need more details? Email me @ dkg2007@gmail.com

There have been a lot of questions about the work hours. The Eboard is set to discuss this in the next few weeks. Stay tuned. COVID-19 has made this a unique year.



SOCIAL

Andrea Mann

As you can guess, there isn't much to write about this year. Our very first event will be coming up on the 29th of August thanks to some creative thinking on the parts of Nina & Todd and Cathy & Catriona. Don't miss Irish/Italian Night!

We did manage a couple of distancing activities like the Rusty Nail Relay In June and National Ice Cream Sandwich Day on August 12th. In desperation to celebrate almost anything, National Cheese Pizza Day is Saturday, September 5th. If you are at the lake that day, stop up at the clubhouse in the afternoon. There will be ... you guessed it—club-sponsored cheese pizza for the taking. Saturday, September 19th is National Clean-up Day, so that would be a great time for some of us to tidy up the clubhouse while we talk like pirates, because there's *that* too.

Your very bored social committee chair, Andrea



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RACE COMMITTEE *John Heer*

The Covid-19 case rate in Larimer county continues to be a major concern. The daily average of new cases has been at 25 per day for the past 8 weeks, one of the highest per capita rates of any county in the state.

Never the less, I will be posting a Notice of Race, and Sailing Instructions for a few Covid-19 safety guideline friendly events in the near future. These include:

The Commodore's Cup, whereby the crew is expected to be primarily from a single family.

A Jack and Jill regatta, where the crew is to be composed of one male and one female.

A Rusty Nail race, just because the unofficial event was so popular.

A Lady Victory Cup race/regatta, because there has been much interest in it this year.



Participants will be expected to adhere to state and county guidelines on Covid-19 safety practices.

Working together to do things safely, there's still some fun to be had.

Health and safety will continue to be the primary considerations.

Pictured is a file photo of a previous year's Lady Victory "post-race team ensemble".



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MEMBERSHIP

Jan Poulsen

This season, Ken and I have found much solace on our boat and at Carter Lake. Among all other unprecedented events, we have had slips turning over as late as July! Welcome to our new members and those who have obtained slips:

Slip holders:

Paul & Rachael Helmbold, Beneteau First 21. SV: *Katana*

Jim & Amy Kuiken, Precision 23, SV: *Windependent*

Craig LoSasso & Nicole Jernigan, SV: *Boat TBD*

James Long, Catalina 22, SV: *Long Times*

Slip Listed:

Lee & Ann Barker, MacGregor 26, SV: *The Good Place.*

(Goodbye to Tommy & Rebecca Holley. We hope to see you in the future!)

Introductory: Pete Taylor & Bridget Julian

Please make *all* of our new members welcome!

Jan

Let us help you make the most of your membership during this challenging season!

Be sure to check out our By-Laws and Rules & Regs and reach out to an eBoard member if you have any questions or concerns, as you enjoy your first sailing season with us .

Show off your CLSC colors by adding a CLSC **hat, decal or burgee**—or **all three!**

More hats are on the way. Send requests to our Ship Store at nina.rogers@comcast.net



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DOCK MEISTER

Bill Fritz

It's been a great summer getting away from life in the city to a life on the docks. As your new dock meister, I wanted to thank those who have already supported maintaining and repairing the docks. It is a group responsibility. The docks are a necessary part of our sailing experience and I appreciate everyone who donates time to repair and maintain our docks.



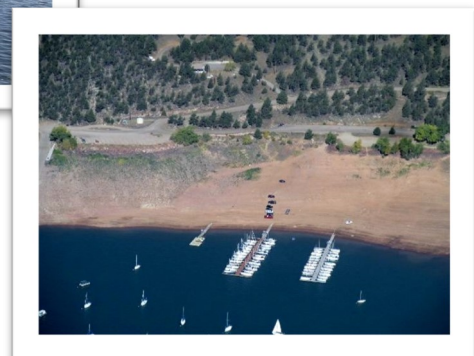
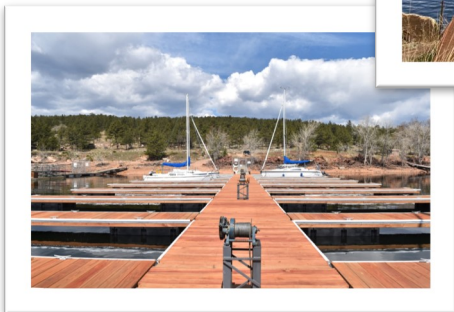
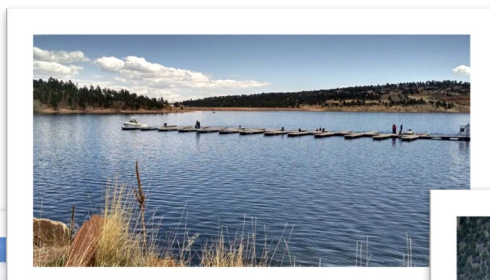
Looking ahead on the slips committee, we are evaluating the replacement of the courtesy docks, or designing and implementing a way to pull it out of the lake during the winter.

We will also be working on strengthening the south docks, as the bigger boats and longer fingers are having an impact on the structural stability of these docks. We keep having too much flex in the wrong part of the main dock sections. This will be tackled over the winter months.

Dock removal is planned for October 24th, with a secondary date of 10/31 if poor weather occurs. We will be social distancing when possible and wearing face masks.

Please enjoy your boats and the camaraderie on the docks, the season will be over before you know it.

Bill Fritz



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SOCIAL

Andrea Mann



*...Oh yes, there was one more thing that we were able to pull off this year in the time of COVID - a **sailboat party**! Thanks to all who participated.*

I don't know how Mark Kressin was able to hit the timer switch on his camera and still climb on the boat in time to take this picture. He is truly amazing. We look like we are having a good time even if it's all in our "heads".



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JUNIOR SAILING

Jeremiah Sailer

I want to give a huge shout out thank you to past member Joe Chinburg of US dinghys for putting on a demo day with a topaz ranger, topaz racer x, and a topper. Cindy and I were very excited about hopefully adding these to our fleet one day. I was able to test out every boat with some of our Junior Leaders and had an amazing day on the water. All the kids



were able to try these boats out and the smiles and confidence they had at the end of the day says it all!

With the cancellation of Junior Sailing this year, I have been in the works already for next year with hope's of the best camp yet! I have been working hard in getting the right vision and goals for our Jr. Squad, with the mind set of teaching skilled young sailors, excited about, racing, techniques, accomplishment in knowledge and sailboat handling along with a young sailing community of kids, that have friendship and something in common to bring them together.

Next year will be amazing and if you want to invest in the future sailors of our club please volunteer . We will need a great Crew to pull off another successful year of our Jr. Sailing program. Let's start the planning now!

Please call or email for any interest at sailercarpentry@gmail.com

WEBMASTER

Mark Kressin



Ahoy club members. I have added a new feature to the CLSC website intended to entertain and enlighten about the wonderful world of sailing. It is located on the home page and is called "Test your Sailing Savvy". This week's quiz is tailored towards racing.

Check it out!

Mark



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CREW SHOTS TAKEN BY MEMBERS



A few shots of the Sailers: Racing, Bella & Ruby at 4 & 6, and Jeremiah & Bella on the dock.



The Rusty Nail



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HISTORIANS

Jackie & Michael Gurley

Carter Lake Sailing Club: Sailing Through Sixty-Seven Years

The Clubhouse is 60 Years Old!

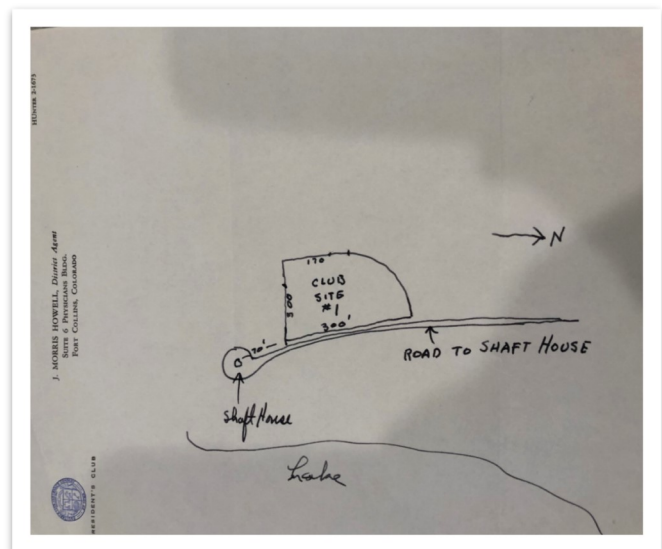
The Clubhouse has been quiet this year! No Club potlucks. No Club get togethers. No party celebrating 60 years of Clubhouse history! Although it can only be virtual celebration this year, it is fitting to revisit Clubhouse past: the plans, dreams and persistence of our Founding members, the completion of the original shell, and the on-going commitment of countless members over the years to maintain and improve our gathering place. If you have ever stood on the deck, looked down at the lake, and wondered about the history behind the Clubhouse, read on!

The newly formed Denver Sailing Club met in May of 1954 to make plans for the upcoming sailing season on Sloan's Lake in Denver. They were growing irritated at the increased power boat traffic on Sloan's and restrictions being imposed on sailboats. But then, Club founder Otto Koehler reported that he had heard of a new reservoir north of Denver, Carter Lake, where the club could sail and possibly lease a lot for a clubhouse. While this sounded intriguing, Carter Lake was fifty-two miles north on US 287, so members were hesitant. Only when the water level at Sloan's dropped to zero level for sailing in July did the group say, "Let's give Carter a try!" In August, permission was granted to use the lake and by Labor Day nine boats were sailing on a partially filled reservoir, water level at 35', no dock, no outhouse, dirt roads and a whole lot of mud. The sailing was wonderful, though, and the group felt like pioneers. Throughout the winter of 1954-55, club leaders kept up a conversation with the Larimer County Recreation Board, asking, "What about the promised club site?"

By March, 1955, Emmy Koehler, the original Recording Secretary, had the answer:

"The Recreation Department of Larimer County had allotted us ground on the east side of the road leading to the shaft house, with rights extending clear to the shoreline. Later the U.S. Forest Service objected to this as every citizen has the right to every foot of the shore. In the end, we obtained the 2 acres we have now on the west side of the road with our promise to build a club house later."

In 1957, this hand-drawn picture of the club site (see right) was sent from James Howard, Larimer County Recreation Board, with instructions to send him clubhouse plans for approval.



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HISTORIANS

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While nothing was finalized, the years of 1957-58 were spent planning and “collecting money for just about everything: meetings, refreshments, dinners, etc. for the benefit of the building fund.” The Club sold Christmas Cards and \$25 bonds to be repaid in two years. In 1958, the plot and road were graded and in fall, 1959, the foundation was poured. The shell of the building was completed under the budget of \$600 in the spring of 1960. Many years ago, long-time member Bill Kiese shared his pride in this accomplishment. As Commodore, he headed the building committee. He was also proud that in 1961, he finally signed a written lease with Larimer County Parks. Up until then it had been a verbal agreement.

A few pictures of the early construction have been preserved to compare to similar pictures taken in August, 2020. Pictures 1, 2 and 3: These are taken from the road, behind the building and the completed shell. The most striking difference between 1960 and 2020 is the lack of trees around the clubhouse site. There are trees visible above the shell to the west, though, so we may assume the original grading of the road and site took a toll on the vegetation.



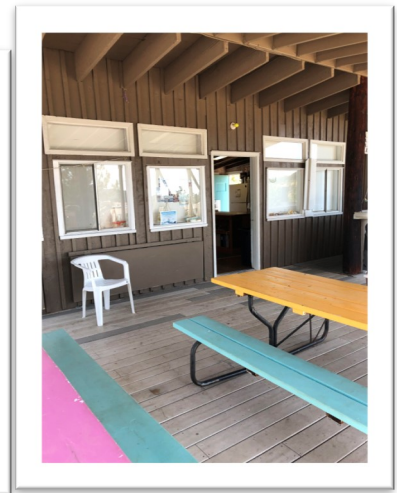
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Picture 4 was taken summer of 1963. The flagstone deck was complete, and the caption on the back from Lynn Kieser (third from the left) states, "Wives and children enjoy the shade in front of the clubhouse. Bring your own chairs!" Presumably, men are out racing. Lynn once shared that the flagstone patio was incredibly hot (remember the trees were still growing back), so they waited for the shade as the afternoon progressed. The curtains are an early homey touch!

Picture 5, 6 & 7 show the stages of taking out the flagstone patio and building the wooden deck and roof, beginning in 1982. Note the water tank located to the side of the building. Water was brought up and moved into this tank for use in the kitchen. The tank was sold when the County put in the water tap.



The deck was later expanded with the addition of the uncovered southern deck in 1992, with the addition of the large telephone poles. The plan was to expand the main deck further to the east to accommodate a hot tub. Some plans remained just that, though, and this project was never completed!

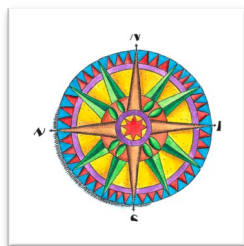


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HISTORIANS *Continued*

A National Park Service drawing from 1959 shows the plan for six clubhouse sites west of the road, with Denver Sailing Club occupying Lot 1 and the other five from Lot 1 to the main road. It appears that only the Founders of the Denver Sailing Club pursued the vision of a club house as a place for to gather for potlucks, meetings and sailing camaraderie. The next time you walk around the club house, appreciate the vision and tenacity of our founders as well as the dedication and continued work of countless club members over the last sixty years.

Jackie and Michael Gurley, Club Historians



Editor's note: So, that's a wrap! Thanks to everyone who contributed to this August 2020 edition of our CLSC Newsletter with stories, photos and club news. Members are welcome to send along your stories and photos at any time to nina.rogers@comcast.net

