

*Carter Lake*

*Sailing Club*



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Sailing into our 54<sup>th</sup> year

February 2008

## Commodore's Report

*From Mary Homan*

Congratulations to all who participated in the boat show! As a result, we have some new members and prospective members. Unfortunately, John and I were unable to attend as his mother passed away during that time. Thanks for picking up our boat show hours on short notice.

Speaking of members----our Winter membership meeting is coming up Saturday March 1. This is a great opportunity for you to participate in one of the club's social activities, and exercise your right to vote (good practice for November, 2008 :-)). We will have new and prospective members at the event, so it's a great time to meet them and tell them why membership in CLSC is a good decision. Some bylaw changes will be presented for vote- it's your chance to be heard during the discussion phase and to vote. So mark your calendars--I'm looking forward to seeing you!

Mary

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### 2008 Executive Board

#### OFFICERS

Commodore *Mary Homan*

Rear Commodore *Duane Chaloupka*

Treasurer *Denise Moriarty*

Vice Commodore *Doug McKnight*

Recording Secretary *Nancy VanDeMark*

Corresponding Secretary *Dana Lacy Chapman*

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Membership *Todd & Nina Rogers*

Education and Safety *Tracey Ireland*

Racing *Tom Ruwitch*

Clubhouse and Grounds *Jeff Gruver*

Dock/Slips *Rafe Ropek*

Social *Mike & Jan Morgan*

Boats *Steve Johnson*

Junior Sailing Program *Marilyn Miller*

Government Liaison *Dave Lock*

Webmaster *John Homan*

Historian *Jackie Gurley*



## Treasurer

*From Denise Moriarity*

Hello to everyone! Denise seems to be doing as well or better than expected. If you'd like to keep up on how things are going with her on this journey, visit <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/denisemoriarty>

Happy Sailing!

## Recording Secretary

*From Nancy Vandemark*

The minutes of the e-board meetings are posted on the website - [www.sailcarter.org](http://www.sailcarter.org) under officers and by-laws/minutes. All members are invited to attend the e-board meetings and encouraged to read the minutes of the meetings.

### **Attention—By-Law Change Proposed**

At its January meeting, the e-board voted to propose a by-law change to the membership for a vote at the Winter Membership Meeting in Loveland on March 1 at 6:00 PM. The proposed change replaces the current language in Article IV.3 that states "*Work hour requirements: Work hours are per calendar year*" with "**Work hour requirements: The work hour year shall be March 1 through last day of February**". The by-laws document is also posted on the website under officers and by-laws for those people who may be interested in learning more about the club by-laws.



## Corresponding Secretary

*From Dana Lacy Chapman*

We have a great story from Bob Miller this month. He tells us of the misadventures of one sail boat and a draw bridge.

This wasn't actually a sailing trip, just one of those things that you don't see every day... Laurie and I were in Annapolis for the boat show and to see ex-CLSC members Robert and Lana Lohe. During a lunch excursion by a "draw bridge", two people on a really nice 40'-45' yacht were caught by the current or just "jumped the gun" to go through and got it's rigging caught on the bridge as it was going up. Every time they tried to lower the bridge it would push the boat down into the water, almost to the deck and as they tried to raise the bridge it pulled the boat onto the rocks surrounding the bridge abutments putting a "gash" down the side of about 10' to 15'.



Finally a towboat arrived with a line to keep the boat off the rocks and a police boat had a line on the bow to keep it straight in the channel. After about 45 minutes, they were able to get the mast free and promptly got the forestay snagged on the bridge. Another 20 minutes, a lot of hand waving and yelling and the couple were free. The bad news was that in getting the boat free they were pointing in the wrong direction and would have to go through the opening again. After about another 20 minutes of circling, they finally got up enough courage to try again... This time they were successful, but so much time an effort had been spent that they turned around again and came back through to presumably go home and examine the damage. I'm pretty sure that the Captain was going to have a really hard time explaining to the crew how it was her fault that they ended up in that predicament, but I'm fairly confident that it was going to go down that way when they got back... Oh, and the meal was good too!

Laurie and Bob Miller



Don Waldburger has recommended committing to March 31 as slip put in day. While behind in getting the new building up and running, he reports that the county is ahead of schedule on the work at the dam! YEA!!!!



According to Don, the water is going to start filling the lake at the end of February!



## Membership Committee

*From Nina and Todd Rogers*

Thanks to so many CLSC volunteers at the Denver Boat Show, and the effort & outreach of many sailors in the CLSC, we welcome seven new members this month. It will be our pleasure to introduce them at the Winter Membership Meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup>!



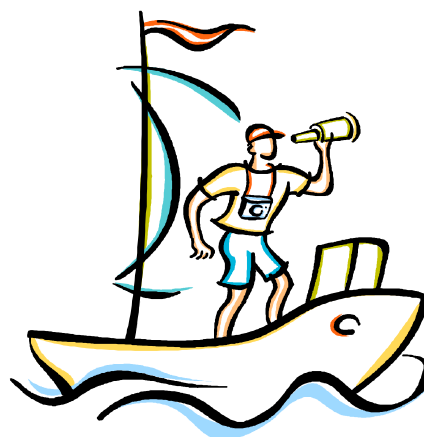
Showcasing our "CLSC COLORS" at the Denver Boat Show are members: (left to right) Todd Rogers, Carrie Pfister and returning, former members, Mark & Christine Bettridge.

We appreciate everyone who helped make the boat show a success!

## Racing Committee

*From Tom Ruwitch*

There will be a meeting for all racers and anyone interested in the summer race program, at the club house on Sat. Feb 9, 2008 13:00. We will discuss and set up the upcoming season, review schedules, scoring, fleets divisions and more. Please plan on attending, this is your race program so be there for your input.



## Clubhouse Committee

*From: Jeff Gruver (Cabin Boy, Trinket Guy)  
mailto:horseflyranch@earthlink.net*

**G**reetings frozen sailors. We had a very successful gathering last month at the clubhouse for "Dinner and a Movie". What a great way for sailors to get through the winter; great friends, warm food, and a nautical flic. I'll try to do one or two more before the season starts. If anyone is still looking to close out some work hours you might find a few hours cleaning/organizing the storage room up at the clubhouse. It is always in need of attention. Also if there is anyone in the club with a knowledge of tree health I have a few questions about some questionable trees on the clubhouse grounds. Please give me a shout if you can help out.

Along with clubhouse/grounds I have unofficially become the "trinket guy" as far as CLSC burgees, burgee stickers, hats and shirts etc. It's time to put orders in so if anyone has a need for a new burgee, stickers, or hats please let me know. I'm working on a generic CLSC shirt idea that I hope to have out in a few months so stay posted on that. Last year burgees were \$13.50 and should be close to the same this year. Stickers are \$2.00 and I can get you a hat of any color and style with the CLSC flowing burgee on it.

And now for the eagerly awaited "Cabin Boy Trivia Question"!

During the trade ship days the crew would often call their ship a "hen frigate". What would this nickname indicate?

E-mail me with your answers for a free burgee sticker!



## Social Committee

*By Mike and Jan Morgan*

**T**he Carter Lake winter membership meeting will be held at the Rainbow Plaza in Loveland on March 1st. from 6-9 pm. We will be voting on a number of issues so please try to attend. This will be a potluck so members with last names starting with the letters A-K should bring main dishes, H-P side dishes and Q-Z deserts. There will be a cash bar available that will have cocktails, soda and free coffee. The address for the Rainbow Plaza is located at 4229 W. Eisenhower (Hwy. 34). Take Highway 34 west past the K-Mart and new LaQuinta on the west side of Loveland.

Watch the website for a map. Or, you can contact Mike and Jan for more information.





## Club Historian

*From Jackie Gurley*

**M**ike and I were new to sailing in the fall of 1991, having bought a Catalina 22 after a few sailing lessons at Cherry Creek. We visited Carter Lake one weekend, and met Jim Nance at the top of the stairs as we stood and looked at the lake. He encouraged us to walk the docks and talk to people—little did we know at the time we were meeting an icon of the Carter Lake Sailing Club! We learned first hand why he inspired the “Jim Nance Award” trophy that honors the Club’s friendly and welcoming attitude.

We were excited to get a slip in 1992, and Mike helped build the new docks that spring. We didn’t attend any social functions that first year, not seeing ourselves as “club-joiners”. That was soon to end when we brought “recess” to the slips in 1999. Curious sailors could not resist a pretty new boat! By 1994, I was Recording Secretary and in 1996, as Vice-Commodore, I started the beloved tradition of a Pancake Breakfast at the Regatta. I was Commodore in 1997 and Mike was Commodore in 1999 and 2005. We have served as several committee heads—docks, social, clubhouse. We realized that the work we did as club members was a small price to pay for the

sailing, the time on the lake, and the friendships we had made.

Throughout our time as members, Mike and I were curious about the history of the club—how we came to have a clubhouse and docks on the lake. I began collecting “stuff”, but so much was missing. We heard rumors of a “box” that contained the history. In February, 2003, I received a call from Jim Muchow, Past Commodore. He was moving and had found several boxes of CLSC history. I was thrilled to find the original hand-written history that was started in 1953 as the “Denver Sailing Club”. The name was changed to the “Carter Lake Sailing Club” on July 7, 1975.

The history of the Carter Lake Sailing Club reads like the adventures of like-minded sailing enthusiasts over fifty-five years. All the members who have come before us faced challenges and celebrations that are in spirit, and often in face, very similar to those we continue to face ever year. As historian, I hope to continue to communicate the old news”, making it applicable to the “new news” for club members.

To this day, my favorite spot in the summer is on “recess” with a great novel and a cold beverage!

