

THE WINDWORD

Calendar

March 1 Women's Brunch
March 6 BOG Meeting
March 17 St. Patrick's Day

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From the Commodore

Charlie Volk

March already - not much longer until the start of the sailing season. By the time this is published, the Racing committee and Social committees will have met and roughed out the racing and social schedules for the year. Those schedules will be included in the Membership Handbook. Check the BOG minutes for more information about this year's handbooks.

Sand beach - The board decided to stop plans for testing a sand beach in front of the shelter house. Practicality and cost of the total project were the primary drivers. The board is still exploring ways to improving the appearance of that shoreline by controlling plant growth or by other means.

Currently the lake is slightly less than four feet low. Hopefully spring rains will help fill it back up. Until the lake level rises, the public ramp may have to be utilized for early spring launches. We may also need a few volunteers to help reset anchors on the dinghy dock when the lake rises - we'll see.

I met with a couple of board members at the lake last week and was reminded of the importance of generally observing things and reporting something of concern. Last month Gene Nold advised me the field south of the dry storage area was extremely dry and appeared to be a greater fire hazard than normal even though the normal firebreak had been mowed. John McCabe contacted David Reynolds who completed the mowing. When you're at the lake during the off season, please take a look around and report anything that doesn't seem right. Please contact any board member, appropriate liaison/committee chair, or boat owner.





LEARN TO SAIL 2018

2018 Summer STEP Program Dates The club's STEP program will host various "learn to sail" clinics and camps this summer for both adults and youth.

The two adult sessions will solely focus on keelboat instruction. The main topics covered in the class will include sailing instruction on the water, boat maintenance, what to look for when purchasing a boat, boat safety and wind/weather conditions. Instruction will be on a Catalina 22 and a Sonar. The dates and times are as follows:

Session One: May 18th – 21st

Session Two: May 24th – 27th.

Thursday and Friday 6:00pm to sunset and Saturday and Sunday 9:00am to 1:00pm.

The youth program will have three sessions to accommodate sailors coming to the program with varying degrees of sailing experience. They are as follows:

Session One for the Beginning Sailor: June 4th, 5th, 7th & 8th. This session is for the sailor new to sailing or with very little experience. Instruction will be on Prams, Optis and Sabots. For ages 8-11.

Session Two for the Intermediate Sailor: June 11th, 12th, 14th 15th, 18th 19th 21st, 22nd This session is for the returning sailor that has some experience sailing or is a repeat camper. Instruction will be on Catalina 14.2's. For ages 12 and up.

Session One and Two will be from 10:00am to 4:00pm

Session Three for the Advanced Sailor: July 9th, 10th 11th & 12th. This session requires approval from the instructor and is for the advanced sailor. Instruction will be on lasers or the equivalent. This is a fast paced, intense course focused on racing strategies, team racing, match racing and sail trim. Sailors will compete in the club's Wednesday night racing program during the week of the camp. This session may be taken by youth and adults. There are a limited number of club lasers, it is recommended that sailors bring their own boat.

Session Three will be from 4:00pm to sunset.

Official enrollment forms will be emailed to club members and placed on wvsailing.com



Follow WVSC on Facebook!

To see all the current and upcoming activities our club has going on visit and like our official FB page *WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB*.

Also, visit and like *WVSC STEP SAILING PROGRAM* for all information regarding WVSC's learn to sail program.



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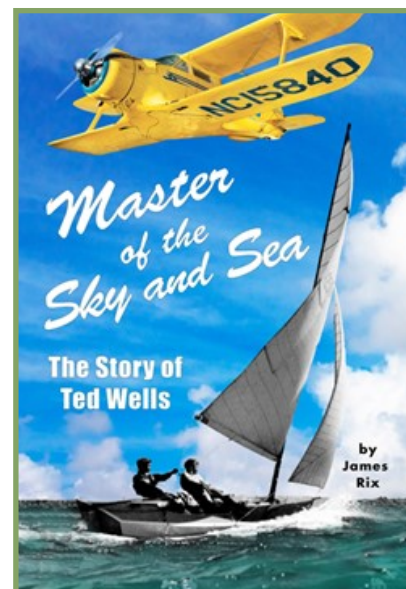
You may be interested in a book about Ted Wells, designer of the Staggerwing. Ted was one of the founders of Beech Aircraft, and a past member of the Wichita Sailing Club who won two World Championships.

The book covers some history of the club and the Snipe class.

It's available now on Amazon.

James Rix

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/1942790112>



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WVSC STEP Program Items for Sale

- ◇ Capri 22 Spinnaker, New, **\$700**
- ◇ Spinnaker, used, **\$625**
- ◇ Lewmar Winch, **\$193**
- ◇ 110% Jib for Capri 22 (?), **\$620**
- ◇ Catalina 22 Main, **\$495**
- ◇ Spinnaker pole, 8' 2", 2" dia (New), **\$500**
- ◇ Whisker pole, 6' 6"-12' extender twist lock, **\$300**
- ◇ Whisker Pole, 10' 5"-17' 5" extender, 2" dia. Line extender, **\$700**





Club Members:

**Please let Ardie Condon know if there are any corrections or changes to
your current contact information so that information in the club directory
can be updated and corrected before it goes to printing.**

The club directory will be printed soon so please let her know ASAP.

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WVSC Board Meeting—2-8-2018

CALL TO ORDER: 7:08 pm

Board Members in Attendance:

Ginger Brown, Richard Barth, Dave Bonifield, Ardie Condon, Deann Gadella, Charlie Volk, Paul Schye, Steve Kubin, Blaine VanDam (Guest)

Commodore's Remarks – None

Board Minutes from January 11, 2018 approved with the clarification that the 2018 Handbooks will have a PDF version available to every member and that 50 handbooks will be printed and available on a first come first served basis.

Member Concerns: Blaine VanDam requested approval to install a replacement Hydro-Hoist. Approved: (Volk/Condon)

The following was discussed Liason/Committee Reports:

- 1) Steve Kubin to research use of VanDam's old HydraHoist for the Club's Race Committee/rescue boat.
- 2) Harbor reviewed need to replace electrical conduit under the docks due to water getting into the system. They will research cost to repair with professional electrician. Harbor also to review repairs to the dingy dock.
- 3) Board agreed to write-up rules for club use of venders and contractors for 2019 Handbook. Steve Kubin to write a rough draft for next Board Meeting.
- 4) STEP has set adult class date to be published in the Windward. The 2018 program will use keelboats for training.
- 5) Deann Gadalla has been working on an official WVSC Facebook page and the website. She reported that we have recovered much functionality in the last month in the website. Board plans to appoint a Website Media Manager as a point of contact for Jenn who actually runs the website for WVSC.
- 6) A Dry Storage map is completed and boats on site reported to the County Treasurer's office as required.
- 7) The Treasurer's Report was accepted.
- 8) After review of costs, liability and usage, the Board voted to stop the Sand Beach Project. (Condon/Kubin)
- 9) Race Committee announced the Racer Meeting for 2-17-2018 for 2:00 at the Andover Pizza Hut.
- 10) Steve Kubin proposed that the Christmas Party be held at the Hereford House on 12-1-2018 pending Board approval. Costs will be the same as the 2017 party. Board approved finalization of reservations.

Due to scheduling conflicts the next Board Meeting will be Tuesday March 6, 2018. Same location, 9449 E. 21st, Suite 200, Wichita, KS

Adjournment: 8:55 pm.