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# THE WINDWORD

September  
2019

[wvsailingclub.com](http://wvsailingclub.com)

## FROM THE COMMODORE

The 100 degree days should now be in the rearview mirror, leaving us to look forward to several comfortable days/weeks of sailing before winter sets in. By the increased activity at the club, I hope everyone is getting to some time at the lake and squeezing as much sailing, fun, friendship & conversation out of the balance of the season.

We have had a scurry of improvements at the club. Over the last 10 weeks, there have been numerous members investing over 250 hours to improve the club. A Big Thank You to all of the efforts to help recover our club from the wet season. Some of their accomplishments are:

- Dry Storage** - cleaned up
- Park Water Leak** - Searched & Found
- Walkway/Parking Stalls** - Power washed
- Flowers** - Planted
- Parking Lot** - Debris cleared & swept
- Picnic Table Bases** - Recondition/planting of the bases (no small feat)
- Picnic Table Tops** - Recondition/painting of the table tops
- Picnic Table & Tiki Bar** - Rescued out of the slips
- Tiki Bar** - Reconditioned (It's now open)
- Fire Extinguisher Fronts** - Replaced

- Bathroom Walls** - Put back together
  - Handicap Ramps** - Repositioned
  - Picnic Pavilion Facia** - Replaced missing facia & painted
  - Wood Kiosk (by picnic pavilion)** - Refinished - looks great - wood shingles is next up
  - Wood Kiosk Bulletin Board** - Temporary information replacement posted
  - Electrical Contractors** - Finished their mission
  - Bad GFCI's & Breakers** - Replaced with club labor
  - Wind Gale/Wind Directional Flags** - New ones installed on poles
  - Rocks Lining Parking Lot** - Brush & Overgrown grass around rocks removed
  - Outer Edges of Property** - Debris moved & condensed to burn pile
  - Charcoal Grills** - Repainted
  - Uncle Gene's Swap Meet & BBQ** - All had a good time
  - Club House Clean Up** - Kitchen looks great
- Work credits for the 2018-2019 season will be submitted on Sept 15th. To receive credit for work this season, make sure a committee chair records it prior to that date.

As we are heading into the final leg of the 2019 season, we will be busy preparing the Annual

Meeting as well as the Nominating Committee/ Nominations for the Board of Governors. Nothing happens without a member's participation, please consider one of the many positions that will be coming available for the 2019-2020 season, whether for the Board or Committee Chair position.

*Just a quick recap of upcoming events!*

- August 28th** - Wednesday Night Racing - 6pm
  - August 31st** - Labor Day Weekend Poker Run
  - September 4th** - Wednesday Night Racing - 6pm
  - September 11th** - Wednesday Night Racing - 6pm
  - September 14th** - Saturday Racing - 1pm
  - September 21st** - Saturday Racing - 1pm
  - September 21st** - Fall Open House - **See attached flyer!**
  - September 28th** - Saturday Racing - 1pm
  - October 5th** - Saturday Racing - 1pm
  - October 5th** - Chili Cook Off Competition - Details to follow
- If you have not been able to log into the Members Only section on the wvsailing club website - please let me know & I'll be happy to work through it with you. Just send me a note to [info@wvsailingclub.com](mailto:info@wvsailingclub.com)

**Hope to see you at the lake! RICHARD**

1937

Year Walnut Valley Sailing  
Club was established

85

Number of Sailboat Slips  
at WVSC at El Dorado, KS

130

Number of Dry Storage  
Spaces at WVSC Facility



## Minutes Continued...

**DRY STORAGE:** Weeds are being sprayed again. Will investigate returning to Vegetrol for this service due to somewhat spotty results this year with this year's vendor.

**BUILDING & GROUNDS:** Will spray for poison ivy found around cedars in our area. 23 Club members showed up to assist the Park Management find their leak. A major leak was found in their Restroom area. Hopefully, final testing will end tomorrow and we will have the water turned on.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Windword newsletter will try and include the latest information on water turn on. The newsletter was late due to issues at the media company. Expect 3 newsletters between now and the first week in September as the schedule is re-established.

**CALLING:** Announced a Saturday, August 10, 2019, work party followed by a cookout. Emphasis on trash removal painting picnic tables, general cleanup.

**SOCIAL:** The Swap Meet on August 17 will be accompanied by grilled brats & ice cream sundaes.

**SAILING ACTIVITIES:** A poker run will start September 2 and 11:00 on Labor Day plus they are planning a September Social.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Bylaw Committee working on new bylaw to adjust Board limits for emergency funds/safety expenditures. Board suggested that slip lease contract record use of bubblers, A/C, and heaters to allow efficient billing for these costs. The Board also discussed the prohibition on unattended electric heaters on boats (as per other marinas) for safety and electrical cost reasons.

**NEW BUSINESS:** An anonymous donor is offering funds for Activities Center improvements. A committee to develop a list of possible additions is being formed to respond to this generous offer. They are to report to the Board by the next Board Meeting.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:58pm.**

**Next Meeting, September 12, 2019 at 7 pm, 9449 East 21st Street N., Suite 200, Wichita, KS 67206.**

## Boats for "Sail"

**Asking \$34,750. 2001 Catalina 28 Mk II.** wing keel, 135% furling genoa, Dutchman system for mainsail curling, Universail 25 HP diesel, microwave, stereo, swim ladder, navigational instruments, outstanding maintenance with many upgrades. Bottom paint job 12/18.

Contact: John Carter at (316) 250-5874

**Asking \$3,900 O.B.O. 1983 Gloucester, 23'.** In very good condition, comes with galvanized trailer. It has a shoal keep with a swing center board, and a Mercury 9.9hp motor with very few hours. The main was reconditioned with very little sail time, and new sail covers at the same time. The halyards and dock lines were new in 2014.

Contact: Ed Kilma at (620) 786-5146

**Asking \$4,750. 1985 Hunter 23.5'**  
Sails – galvanized trailer.

Contact: Dick Caspari (316) 685-8611

**Asking \$4,750. 1988 Hobie 16'** Excellent Condition – no soft spots, sunrise sails, trailer.

Contact: Dick Caspari (316) 685-8611

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SEPT

### Fall Open House Event

Membership Event - SEE FLYER FOR MORE DETAILS!

Walnut Valley Sailing Club Activity Center,  
Boulder Bluff Rd  
El Dorado, KS 67042  
4pm-close

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SEPT

### Saturday Racing

Racing Event

Walnut Valley Sailing Club Activity Center,  
Boulder Bluff Rd  
El Dorado, KS 67042  
1pm

28

## Navigation Quiz

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D) What is a nautical mile?

1. A nautical mile is the length of one minute of latitude.
2. A nautical mile is 8,232 feet.
3. A nautical mile is the length of one minute of longitude.
4. A nautical mile is the length of one minute of latitude added to one minute of longitude.

E) What is a "fix" in navigational terms?

1. The planned arrival destination.
2. The amount of distance between two waypoints.
3. The navigational process to define a boat's position.
4. The amount of distance between departure and arrival including all tacks and jibes.

F) "LOP" stands for:

1. Latitude of position.
2. Longitude of position.
3. Length of portion.
4. Line of position.

G) What is a bearing in navigational terms?

1. The direction from you to anything else.
2. The route one takes to arrive at a destination.
3. A bearing is another way of saying "due north."
4. The completing of a 360-degree circle.

*(Answers located on page 6)*





## Rules of the (Liquid) Road

### American Sailing Association

#### SAFE SPEED

Regardless of whether a speed limit is posted or not, Rule 6 of the USCG Navigation Rules states that every vessel shall proceed at a safe speed, meaning one where she can take proper action to avoid collision.

#### PECKING ORDER

Sailors are quick to remind motor-yachters that we have the right of way, which is true. However, to be truly holier-than-thou, we must remember these points:

- A sailboat under power is a power-driven vessel. You've relinquished your "sailor's rights" as soon as you turn that motor on.

- Any *overtaken* vessel has the right of way over anyone overtaking. This means that if you're a sailboat overtaking a power boat (approaching from within the 135-degree sweep off her stern), you've got to make way for the other vessel, regardless of it's propulsion.

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# ALL THE FUN IS

## Recipe of the Month Honey-Garlic Shrimp

Courtesy of healthyfoodroad.com

1/3 cup honey  
1/4 cup soy sauce (low-sodium option works well too)  
1 tablespoon minced garlic  
1 tablespoon fresh minced ginger (optional)  
1 lb medium uncooked shrimp - peeled and de veined  
2 teaspoons olive oil

Optional: chopped green onion for garnish

- 01 Whisk the honey, soy sauce, garlic, and ginger (if using) together in a medium bowl.
- 02 Place shrimp in a large zipped-top bag or Tupperware. Pour 1/2 of the marinade mixture on top, give it all a shake or stir, then allow the shrimp to marinate in the refrigerator for 15 minutes or for up to 8-12 hours. Cover and refrigerate the rest of the marinade for step 3.
- 03 Heat olive oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Place shrimp in the skillet. (Discard used marinade). Cook shrimp on one side until pink - about 45 seconds - then flip shrimp over. Pour in remaining marinade and cook it all until shrimp is cooked through, about 1 minute more.
- 04 Serve shrimp with cooked marinade sauce and add a garnish of green onion if desired.





# ON THE WATER!

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- Ultimately, even if you have the right of way, just don't hit anybody! The cardinal rule applies to everyone: Every vessel shall use all available means to determine if risk of collision exists, and shall make decisive action with ample time to avoid it (my paraphrase of four pages of legalese)!

## THE SAILING SUBSET

Regatta right-of-way-intricacies aside, there are really only three rules according to the Navigation Rules when it comes to crossing situations between sailors:

- Starboard stand-on. Always.

- Windward give-away. Always.

- And if a sailboat on a port tack sees a sailboat to windward and can't determine which tack the other vessel is on (say, perhaps, it's flying a huge spinnaker out front, obscuring the boom), then she should give way to the windward vessel.

But I repeat, the rule that trumps all others is the common sense rule: Do whatever it takes not to hit anybody!

Sadly, there are times when the rules may fail you (such as when other don't understand or comply with them). So, have a couple of defensive driving strategies in mind. I like to raise other boat on the VHF to confirm the plan for the pass. I also make my crew ready to tack if approaching any close crossing situation, just in case. Whatever you do, don't be pigheaded about the rules - protect your boat and yourself.



# Boats for "Sail"...

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## Fundraising

### Support Walnut Valley Sailing Club, STEP & Youth Sailing Programs!

You already shop at Amazon and Dillons, why not earn money for Walnut Valley Sailing Club STEP (Safety Training and Education Program) and Youth Sailing too?

When you shop via the links on our website [wvsailingclub.com/fundraising](http://wvsailingclub.com/fundraising), we will earn a percentage of your purchase. There is no extra cost to you, just a special link. Check it out today!

Thank you for your support - WVSC

**Asking \$800.** Snipe Sails – no trailer  
Contact: Dick Caspari (316) 685-8611

**Asking \$3,200 O.B.O.** 1981 Balboa 24' Sailboat (Laguna Yachts) with Motor and Trailer. 2001 Nissan 9 HP Outboard Motor (NS 9.8 B). Three sails (Main, 135% Genoa and Storm Jib). Brand new main sail cover. 15 Amp Battery Charger, Transfer switch (1-2-both) and Share AC power (115 V) Depth Sounder, Compass, Knot Meter, VHF Radio. Solid Roadrunner tandem trailer – Lights and brakes need some work. Great sailing boat that can be seen i slip B35 at WVSC.  
Contact: Gordon Noel (316) 285-6825



### Saturday Racing

Racing Event

05

Walnut Valley Sailing Club Activity Center,  
Boulder Bluff Rd  
El Dorado, KS 67042  
1pm



### Chili Cook Off Competition

Social Event

05

Walnut Valley Sailing Club Activity Center,  
Boulder Bluff Rd  
El Dorado, KS 67042  
Save the date - Details to follow!

## Quiz Answers

A) 4 B) 3 C) 2 D) 1 E) 3 F) 4 G) 1



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# **SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>**

# **WVSC**

# **FALL OPEN HOUSE**

**Let's show potential members how great our club is!**

We will pair up interested potential members and families with current boat owners and show them our club and winds/weather permitting take them on a sail. We will end the evening with an all club Mexican dinner.

**4:00pm to 6:00pm**  
**tour and sailing for**  
**prospective new**  
**members**

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**6:00 pm to 6:30pm**  
**All Club Meet & Greet**

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**6:30 to Close**  
**Mexican Taco &**  
**Burrito Bar**

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**Let's show what**  
**WVSC has to offer!**

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**WALNUT VALLEY**  
**SAILING CLUB**

**Boulder Bluff Road**  
**El Dorado Lake**