### **SEPTEMBER 2016**

### CALENDAR

Sept. 3 Long	Distance Race #2	
Sept. 4	Labor Day	
Sept. 8Board of Governors Meeting		
Sept. 10	Italian Dinner	
Sept. 22	First Day of Autumn	

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### THE NEWSLETTER OF THE WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB

### Website: www.wvsailing.com

# From the Commodore

The Olympics are over, and for those who were able to watch the sailing contests, it was a spectacular event despite the threat from water contamination and travel holdups. I was in land-locked Bolivia at the time, but there are plenty of retrospective links on the internet to satisfy all you enthusiasts.

Sailing has been an Olympic sport since 1900. This year there were six basic sail boat classes from RS-X, a sailboard, to the 48er, a skiff with about as much stability as a tea-tray and a Portsmouth handicap value of 740. In between were the traditional Finn, 470 and Laser, and a multi-hull, the Navra 17. Caleb Paine for USA won a bronze medal in the Finn class. The major medal winners were Norway and UK. No keelboats were in the main event, but as I write, the Sonar is due to appear in the Para-Olympics as a three-crew boat. The Para-Olympics are scheduled to run from 7 to 17 September.

If you missed the main Olympic sailing events, there are lots of inspiring stories to be found among the Para-Olympic contestants. If you ever thought sailing was just for the fit and healthy, see what two ladies have achieved as competitive sailors. I recommend their story which you can find as a video at the following link:

### http://uncharted.sunbrella.com/athlete/walker-everhart-skeels/

Our club is not so far removed from these events as you might think. We have a Sonar in our fleet and the 14.2s are a similar size to the 470 though without the spinnaker option. Lasers are everywhere and we see them on our water often. Elsewhere in this Windword edition you may find an article from Dick Caspari about his experience of the Olympic training and selection process. Ed Webb has also contributed his thoughts on what it takes to be successful at a competitive level. USA has its youth training in the Olympic Development Program, using smaller models of the Olympic classes: the 420 for the 470 and 29er for the 49er. If parents have family members with an interest in a sailing career there is no reason to hold back just because we are in Kansas.

Our own racing season is going well. Wednesday evenings have been proving popular with many members but are drawing to a close. In September the Saturday race series starts, so get ready to adjust your schedules. You can join the series at any time or just sail one or two events when you have time.



Acknowledgements to:



and Wikipedia.



September 10	Italian Dinner
October 1	Octoberfest
October 15	Chili Cook-Off
November 5	Annual Meeting
December 10	Christmas Party
50	CIAL COMMITTEE: Julie Barth



### Whole Blood and Platelets Are Needed

The **AMERICAN RED CROSS** still needs your whole blood and/or platelet donation NOW. The Summer Season is no better than any other time of year the need is always present, and you can help fill that need. Only humans can make human blood! Call or contact the Red Cross today to set up your donation. Call **316-268-0875** for platelet donation or **316-268-0835** for whole blood donations. You can make a big difference for someone. I am a regular Platelet donor and a Red Cross Volunteer. Come join me. Call me if you have questions.

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In October 2015, a bylaw change was approved at a special meeting of the members which moves the annual billing earlier in the fall than prior years. This bylaw change ties regular membership payment status to voting eligibility. The updated bylaws are in the 2016 Member Handbook. A summary is below:

**ANNUAL BILLING for DUES**, less Work Credit, plus Sales Tax, and DRY STORAGE RENTAL will be billed at the **end of September**. **Full payment of this billing by November 1, 2016 will allow Regular Members to vote at the annual meeting in November**.

Please pay by November 1, for voting purposes and also to reduce follow-up on past due invoices!

# **COMMITTEE CHAIRS & BOARD LIASIONS:**

The earlier annual billing will require earlier submittal of WORK CREDITS for your volunteers!

Please submit your committee's WORK CREDITS by **September 15, 2016** to Brad Oblak, Treasurer at bkoblak@gmail.com.

For work performed after 9/15 and before 11/1, please also submit as soon as possible.



**September 3** Long Distance Race #2: Skippers 9 am, Race 10 am

## **USE OF CLUB REFRIGERATORS**

There needs to be some guidance concerning the use of the several refrigerators in the activity center. While the rules provide some indication (pg. 6, "No Exclusive Use") a degree of common sense is needed to make this work.

The cold storage is for all members use, but please be considerate of other people and don't fill the fridge to excess or over an excessive time period. Mark your name and date when you place anything perishable in there, so others can judge whether it has been abandoned. Do not leave stored personal goods when you have left the premises. It is accepted that recognized groups such as regular breakfast clubs leave appropriate items from week to week.

On nights when social events with food service are planned, the needs of the social committee and their designees take priority. Food may be re-arranged by the club cooks to enable event food to be stored in one place. Notices will be placed prominently a few days prior to enable members to economize on use of space for personal goods.

Thanks to everyone for cooperating in enjoyment of our Cooper's Island facility.









# Long Distance Race! Saturday September 3, 2016

### Sponsor: Ernie Condon

### **Entry Fee: One "white elephant" gift per boat**

9:00 to 9:30 AMCompetitors meeting/registration9:30 AMStart times assigned10:00 AMFirst boat starts (staggered start)Race duration:Trying for 3 to 5 hoursOne hour after predicted finish:Reporting of finish order

### 2016 WVSC LONG DISTANCE RACING SCHEDULE & INSTRUCTIONS

**Entry.** All competitors are required to bring a wrapped white elephant gift (value not to exceed \$15) for trophy exchange after the races. One gift per boat. Carrying a cell phone on the boat is highly recommended.

Any type of sailboat is allowed. If the boat is not a keel-boat, please contact the race coordinator prior to race day to aid in establishing a proper handicap rating.

Competitors should register at the Competitors meeting to:

- Confirm they brought a white elephant gift
- Record the following:
  - Skipper
  - Boat model/type for handicapping
  - Sail number
  - Cell phone number for contact during the race
- Agree on PHRF rating
- Agree on "Racer" or "Cruiser" status based on experience:
  - Anyone that has received a 1st/2nd/3rd club trophy in the past will be considered "Racer"
  - Anyone that has raced enough to qualify for a club trophy in the past will likely be considered "Racer"
- Receive a map of the race course and any pertinent instructions

Note that the Race Committee may also be a competitor.

**Timing of Racing Events.** The long distance races are intended to be recreational in nature as compared to the regular club races. The priorities are in the following order:

First Priority: Be Safe and have fun Second Priority: Sportsmanship & camaraderie Third Priority: Sail fast Fourth Priority: Out race your friends

The long distance races will differ from the regular club races in that they will be based on the PHRF handicapping system, and will have staggered/handicapped starts. The slowest boats will start first (at 10:00 am) and the fastest boats will start last, with the target of having all boats finish at the same time. The race rankings will then be the order of finish.

9:00 to 9:30 AM
9:30 AM
10:00 AM
One hour after predicted finish Reporting of finish order, and exchange of trophies

Races scheduled for a certain time may be postponed for up to 1 hour due to weather.

**Courses & Marks.** The race courses will not follow standard race course layouts. Course marks may be existing buoys on the lake or racing marks placed by the Race Committee. A simple drawing of the course, general mark locations, rounding requirements, and number of laps will be provided at the Competitors meeting.

The start line for all races will be the East end of the slips, and will be crossed from West to East. Each boat must cross the starting line at or after the time provided to them during the competitors meeting.

Any race courses that extend through the old Bluestem dam will require a verbal note of caution to the racers from the Race Committee during the Competitors meeting. The passage is narrow, with heavy boat traffic and contrary winds. For added safety, the use of the boat motor to get through the cut in the dam in permissible and encouraged.

**Starting Sequence.** As noted above, the race will include a staggered/handicapped start. Starting times will be based on PHRF ratings for the boats and the wind/race conditions. Starting times will be assigned at 9:30 AM. The slowest boats will be assigned the earliest start times, with the first boat starting at 10:00 AM.

A spreadsheet had been created to simplify calculating the start time. The start times are truncated to the nearest minute. The formulas used are based on guidance from the US Sailing website.

**Recalls.** Individual Recalls shall be indicated by verbal communication at the starting line, or by cell phone call to the boat. The Race Committee will attempt to notify early starters, but it is the responsibility of each racing boat to be aware of her relative position with the starting line. A General Recall is only applicable if weather requires this (see "Altering the Course after the Start").

Any postponements will be announced on-shore 30 minutes prior to the earliest start time.

Altering the Course after the Start. Any course changes (due to weather changes, etc) will be communicated to the boats via cell phone. The Race Committee will attempt to monitor the weather, but it is the responsibility of each individual skipper to maintain safety for their boat and crew, including watching for and judgments on inclement weather.

**The Finish.** The finish line will be the East end of the slips (the same as the start line) and will be crossed from East to West. Participants will note their finish time as they cross the line and then proceed to the activity center and record their time as noted during the Competitors meeting. There will not be a need to foot-race to the activity center – the time that counts is the crossing of the finish line.

**Time Limits.** The time limit will be established as one hour after the predicted finish time. Any boat that feels that they will not make it back by this time is permitted to use motor power to assist so that they will not miss the trophy exchange. If the motor is used, be sure to note your current "place" and record your finish order accordingly (record your finish after all boats ahead of you when the motor is started).

**Safety.** It shall be the sole responsibility of each skipper to decide whether to start or continue to race. Each skipper shall evaluate his own boat's sea-worthiness and his and his crew's sailing ability and determine to race, continue racing, or not to race. Each boat must carry safety gear prescribed by its respective class and other authorities.

Additional safety items noted above are:

No foot-racing on the docks is required (at the start, between laps, or at the end).

No racing into a slip or to the docks is required (at the start, between laps, or at the end).

Use caution if the race course extends through the cut in the old Blue stem dam. The passage is narrow, winds are contrary, and the traffic is high. Use of the motor is encouraged in the passage.

Watch the weather — it is the skipper's responsibility to ensure safety of their boat and crew.

**Scoring.** Because the start of the race is handicapped/staggered, the ranking of finishes will be the order of the finish. At registration, an attempt is made to list the competitor as "Racer" or Cruiser". The top three of each category will be announced at the post-race festivities (no special trophies will be given for the top three — see "Trophies" below).

**Trophies.** Each competing boat will bring a wrapped white elephant gift (value notto-exceed \$15) to exchange as a trophy after the race. The exchange will proceed as follows. All competitors will be ranked as a group (not separating Racers and Cruisers).

- All gifts are placed together for viewing.
- The last place finisher selects a gift and opens it.
- The next prior finisher then picks from the two following options:
  - Select an unopened gift and open it
  - Select a gift already opened by an earlier selection
  - (the person losing the gift then selects an unopened gift)
- Continue to next prior finisher with the same options.
- After the first place finisher has selected their gift, the last place finisher then gets to exchange their gift with any person they chose, thus ending the exchange.

All competitors are then REQUIRED (wink) to stay and share sailing stories from the race.

# News Report from the Butler County Times Gazette

### Posted August 4, 2016 at 12:36 PM

### El Dorado, Kan.

On July 21, the Jr. Sailing Program at the Walnut Valley Sailing Club, located at El Dorado Lake, hosted a youth "clean" regatta for 16 area sailors representing the Walnut Valley Sailing Club and the Ninnescah Sailing Club.

The regatta was certified a clean regatta by partnering with the conservation organization, Sailors For The Sea and received national recognition as a silver level clean regatta by implementing several conservation best practices into the race and race management.

Throughout the summer, the youth who attended sailing camps at the Walnut Valley Sailing Club have focused their efforts on the implementation of several conservation best practices to become better stewards of the environment and lakes.

Some specific best practices that were implemented during sailing camps and at the regatta were 1) the elimination of single use plastic water bottles and providing a continual water refilling station during camp and races. Each sailor was given a reusable water jug for use during camp and during the regatta, 2) complete elimination of Styrofoam products 3) implementing paperless race management practices. All information was given through the club's newsletter and social media, 4) Recycling and composting all products/food used at the regatta. Amazingly, the youth regatta produced no trash! and 5) reusable signage that can be used at next year's regatta. A total of 13 best practices had to be documented to receive the silver level recognition.

Trophies were re-created by the young sailors during camp by using parts from previously won trophies donated by club members and all other prizes

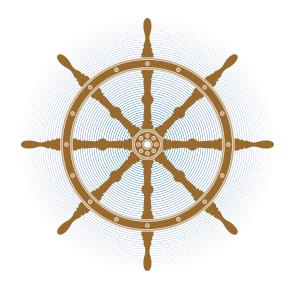
given to sailors at the regatta were usable and recyclable such as flashlights, lunch boxes, waterproof bags and coolers. In addition, area businesses donated reusable water jugs and reusable grocery bags to all participants.

Protecting the local waters is important to the club's jr. sailors. The clean regatta initiative will continue to be part of the Jr. Sailing Program at the Walnut Valley Sailing Club.



# LAUNCHING & HAUL-OUT FEES by Chris Collins

Although we don't have launching and haul-out fees, there are times when we should share expenses. Most of us are eager to help each other but sometimes it is possible to take advantage, such as when the other person



is supporting an expensive truck. I currently maintain three vehicles in addition to a plethora of other items like boats, houses, yard equipment, and shop equipment. Honestly, I can't keep up. The last thing I should have is a truck large enough to launch and haul-out my boat just two times each year. That would cost me several thousand dollars per year. So, I lean on others for help.

The member who helps me has a choice of driving to the club in his economy car or his truck. When we need help, he drives his truck over a hundred miles round trip from west Wichita. After arriving, he gives up two to six hours of his time helping haul one or more boats. He is retired, and, like us, his life is getting shorter by the day. I judge the main reason he owns his truck is to haul his personal boat. I know it is expensive for him to purchase, insure, drive, maintain, and suffer a depreciated value each year.

I want this member to be anxious to help me when I need it, and not dread hearing my cry for help. When he helps me launch, I give him a hundred dollar bill. When he helps me haul-out, I give him a hundred dollar bill. It is a super bargain for me, and I feel it is the right thing to do. I find him eager to help me, and I feel good about helping him in return.

## A SHORT PERSONAL STORY OF COMPETITIVE SAILING BY DICK CASPARI

I started sailing in 1960 after rebuilding a wood Snipe. Crewed for Ted Wells (a World Snipe Champion). We raced Snipes at the Wichita Sailing Club on Santa Fe. Lake, before the club became WVSC. I built Snipes and Tornado catamarans, both of which are international classes.

I attended the Snipe Nationals at Long Beach, Seattle, Oklahoma, Fort Worth, and World Championships in the Bahamas crewing for Ted Wells. I learned to surf the big waves at Long Beach. Being from Kansas that was quite an experience. I attended the Pan-American Games at Twin Cities, Minnesota and Oklahoma. I competed in two Tornado pre-Olympic Trials, one at Long Island and the other at Mentor, Ohio on Lake Erie. Boats were competing in pre-trials before going to the final Olympic Trials. Advancing boats were based on the top two or three from the boats entered. I finished 4th at Long Beach and 3rd. at Mentor, one out at both trials.

Later I raced in two Tornado Nationals, Port Arthur, TX. and NYC. Long Beach was a hoot, 35 knots and lots waves. Rowland Smith (Smitty) a veteran balloonist and Tornado skipper crewed for me. The waves were so close together I could not see the course marks. With Smitty on the wire standing on the transom he could see the marks and lead me around the course. If you have never sailed on a Tornado you must, it is very breathtaking.



Uwe Kils - Originally uploaded to English Wikipedia Tornado Catamaran image Uwe Kils.

As for where the Americas Cup is going. Not a particularly bad thing moving the catamarans onto foils. Foiling has to be a must experience for every sailor. With the wing rigs and speeds attained by these boats one learns a whole new knowledge of what sailing is all about. The down-side is the cost of these boats.



# MY OPINION COUNTS by Ed Webb



The 2016 Summer Olympics came to a close and what a great sporting event it turned out to be, with thousands of the very best athletes competing from all over the world. My favorite events are Sailing, Beach Volleyball, and Water Polo, in that order.

The U.S.A., with the largest number of placements, certainly did themselves proud and collected 121 medals to show for it. But what about Sailing? We did not do well, with just one Bronze medal won in the Finn Class by Caleb Paine. **This leaves a great opportunity for improvement.** 

It is my opinion that competitive Sailing is the most demanding of all of the Olympic Sports. You must have both the physical and mental ability to handle constant changes in dealing with the elements of water and wind. As most sailors know, the wind is constantly changing in velocity and direction, requiring constant changes in sail shape and weight distribution. The water venue can change from drifting conditions to white caps and heavy seas, and in some cases current may become a major factor. A little local knowledge may even be helpful. Sailing does not take place in a controlled environment. You are not just running on a track or swimming laps.

So what is necessary to take advantage of this opportunity in 2020, 2024, or 2028?

**1 - Early Commitment.** Don't wait until you are 40 years old like Lois and I did to discover Sailboat Racing. Learn to swim well by age 8 and get into an early Sailing Program for instruction and coaching. Our own S.T.E.P program would be a good start.

**2** - **One Design Class.** Popular class boats for early instruction are Sabots, Optimists, Sunfish and Lasers. The Capri 14.2 and the 420 classes provide a good step toward the 470 class, which is popular in many University programs. Keep in mind that your mature size and weight will be important in future choices. The Finn is the oldest class, very physical, but you can never to wrong with the Laser.

**3 - Family Commitment.** There must be a commitment in both time and expense. This is going to be true in all competitive sports, but equipment may be a more major expense in Sailing. You should also plan for expense in traveling. For the best competition you may travel from coast to coast and from the Great Lakes to the Gulf. Overseas travel may be important in the future.

**4 - Time on the Water.** Nothing beats Time and Practice with your boat of choice. You will feel it when you and your boat are performing well. Kansas weather can limit your sailing season, but you can still Think Sailing, Talk Sailing, Read Sailing, or winter in Florida. Remember what you have done right and overcome any mistakes that more time on the water can correct. **Your opinion** of yourself is of paramount importance.

### **STARFISH**

14 ft. w/trailer and accessory mast carrier, \$300. Please contact John Riggenbach at 316-788-1053.

### 1985 Hunter 23'

\$2499 OBO. Swing keel, good condition, with lots of extras: loose footed Main (2014) with two reef points, 135 Genoa (2014) on an Alado roller-furler, sail covers, tiller-tamer, 8 hp 2-stroke Tohatsu, AM/ FM CD player with speakers, Piranha depth/fish finder, whisker pole and trailer. New bottom paint. A nice sailing sloop, can be used as a day sailer. Moving away from the area. Slip# A20, El Dorado Lake. Please contact Brad Oblak at (316) 841-2815, bkoblak@gmail.com

### 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
- Whisker Pole, 10.5'-17.5' extender, 2" dia Line extender, \$700
- Tack Tick, \$350
- Hydrohoist Tanks 24" diameter 23' long, \$2,000
- New Life Jackets, \$25 ea
- 2" receiver hitches, \$9.00 ea

Please contact Gary Pierce 316-686-8823 Pierce, glpiercewich@cox.net or Gene Nold 316-734-3981, genenold@att.net

### Cruising Spinnaker for Precision 21

Or similar boats with dimensions close to 1:22.7' and J: 7.0'. Sail is new in bag. I bought it for my Holder 20, but have decided not to use it. Asking \$150.00, what I paid for it, or will consider an interesting trade. Please contact Sid Rousseau at 316-722-8983.



### **2HP Outboard Motor**

Long shaft, excellent condition, \$225. Will demo! Please contact John McCabe at 316-644-8344.

### 1983 Gloucester, 23'

In very good condition, comes with galvanized trailer. It has a shoal keel with a swing center board. Mercury 9.9hp motor with very few hours. The main was reconditioned with very little sail time. New sail covers at the same time. The halyards and dock lines were new in 2014. Sailboat can be seen at Walnut Valley Sailing Club, asking \$5,500. Please contact Ed Klima at 620-786-5146.

### Cal 21" with Trailer

Currently in dry storage at WVSC, only \$900. Please contact Don Bland 316-208-7371.

### 2003 Catalina Capri 14.2

Centerboard sailboat with colorful main and jib sails, whisker pole, jib furling system, headsail float, boat cover and jib sock. Galvanized trailer has wheeled tongue jack and mounted spare tire. Can see at El Dorado Lake. Priced to sell at \$2,500. Please contact Jacque or Randy Holloway at 316-721-9549, 316-648-3551 or rjholloway@sbcglobal.net

### Catalina 22

On trailer. Please contact John at 316-722-4356.

### **Catalina 25 1985**

Swing Keel, trailer, 2003 Nissan 9.8 outboard. Good main, front sail on roller furling. Can see at El Dorado Lake. \$7,000. Please contact Bruce Ward at 316-250-4479 or bruce@brucewardphotos.com

### Cal 21" with Trailer

Currently in dry storage at WVSC, only \$900. Please contact Don Bland 316-208-7371.

### Sail Fish/Sun Fish Clone

Virtually identical to the Sun Fish. This boat is very seaworthy, all new paint on bottom and all wooden parts recently varnished. New main sail control, all new mast and boom caps. The boat comes with new, high dollar, multi-color sail and a quality white window racing sail, new snap on sail rings. Dagger board and kick up rudder with tiller extension, all lines included, ready for the lake. No trailer, \$650.00. Please contact Ed Harned at 316-640-7148.

### 2004 Catalina 250 MKII

Wing keel sailboat with Nissan 9.8 outboard (electric start) and trailer. Standard package PLUS: Pedestal Steering with compass; 135% furling genoa; Raymarine ST60 Tridata speed-depth combo; Canvas package; Cockpit cushions; Cabin window shades; Flushing marine head with tank; Galvanized trailer package-wing keel (Tandem axle, winch, guide-ons, mast raising system, extension tongue); 2nd battery - Engine starting; Marinco AC charging inlet (installed in cockpit); 110 AC outlet installed in cabin; Anchor kit; Battery charger; Windex wind indicator; Life jackets; Life sling with assist tackle: Extra set of sail battens; Extra set of cabin pop-top enclosure canvas: Assortment of stainless steel hardware; Transfer of slip (with dock box) with board approval; Many other extras too numerous to list. Owner moving, all must go. Can See at El Dorado Lake, \$18,500. Please contact Randy Holloway at 316-721-9549, 316-648-6460, or riholloway@sbcglobal.net



### 1. Call to Order: 7:02 PM

**BOG Members:** Ginger Brown, Blaine Van Dam, Brad Oblak, Paul Schye, Ardie Condon, Geri McFadden, Brian Hakala, Cheryl Wertheimer

Guest Members: Kathy Malcom, John Trumpower

2. Commodore's Remarks: We wish to thank Deann Gadalla for her efforts in supporting the end-of-season STEP regatta. The regatta was based on an "environmentally friendly" theme, and received recognition from the Butler County Times Gazette and at the national level from Sailors for the Sea, a conservation organization. Sixteen area youth sailors participated in the regatta.



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#### BOG Minutes, cont. from Page 9

#### 3. July 2016 BOG Minutes: Approved.

4. Members Concerns: John Trumpower presented a plan regarding the installation of a water slide on the docks. The Board welcomed John's initiative to support our club's youth, however, due to insurance & liability concerns, the Board directed the slide to be removed until both insurance and liability concerns can be addressed. The Board took an action to consult our Club's insurer regarding both issues.

### 5. Liaison Reports

Activity Center (Ardie): Our new sun shade for the activity center dock area will be up this weekend. Given our heat this summer, this will be a welcomed improvement!

**Racing (Ginger):** Wednesday night racing continues to be a hit we had seven boats on the water last night.

**Social (Geri):** The "Pirate Melee" social will be this Sat, 13 Aug. Our club's guests will be the Adventurous Babes. Sailing activities start at 3 pm. Social hour at 6, hamburgers and hotdogs at 7 pm.

**Finance (Brad):** Our club stands at 102 club memberships. Brad reminded us that annual dues billings will go out earlier this year, per the Club's approval at the last annual meeting. Expect to see the new billings in late September. Kathy Malcom presented the club's budget status. Action for Committee chairs—please provide your

anticipated expenditures through the end of October to next month's BOG meeting in Sep. We'll need that data to project an accurate 2017 budget.

**Harbor (Paul):** We have identified a number of dock electrical outlets that need repair. Repairs being worked this week.

**Public Relations (Cheryl):** We now have firm prices for outdoor electronic billboard advertising. Sample rate: \$550/mth for Kellogg & Andover Rd location. Data point only – not a decision to implement.

**STEP (Blaine):** Training sessions are complete, with over 42 juniors and 14 adults sailing in our program this summer. The classes culminated in the "Green Regatta". A recognition plaque from the Sailors for the Seas is now on display in our trophy case. Following the training sessions, a number of our sailing students attended club socials and raced on Wednesday nights. The Club received three junior memberships from our students. Please extend a welcome to our new junior members and their families.

#### 6. New Business: None.

7. Meeting adjourned: 8:24 pm. Next Meeting Sept. 8th at Cabela's, K96/Greenwich.

