

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

Website: www.wvsailing.com

APRIL 2009

CALENDAR:

April 5	Racing meeting
April 9	WVSC Board Meeting
April 12	Easter Sunday
April 17	Cooper's Island Theater
April 18	Race Committee Training
April 25	Activities Center Spring Cleanup
April 26	Make-up Race Committee Training or Practice Race
May 2	1st Official Race Swap Meet

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From the Bow Pulpit – Again

The trees and flowers are budding, the grass is turning green, the weather is getting warmer, and the lake level is holding at pool level. What more could you want for the start of a beautiful sailing season!

Your Racing Activities Committee has published the 2009 Racing Schedule and the Social Committee has posted the dates for our monthly parties. I hear the Work Parties are getting started, our Sailing Activities Committee is looking for ideas for fun sails, and plans will be underway to spruce up our Club area at El Dorado Lake to prepare for the numerous activities planned for this season.

Your Board has planned some improvements in the Dry Storage area that should improve our facilities so that you may enjoy your time at our Club. We look forward to the opening of our Activities Center around April 15th when the Park Service turns on the water in our area so we can continue to enjoy our Club House. The first racing activities will start on April 18th with a training session at the lake. Our first big party will be on May 23rd. Things are happening and your help is needed. If you have not already called the Social Chair or one of the Committee Chairs and volunteered to do something, we hope you will seriously consider doing it soon so we can all benefit from our collective talents. We can only do as much as our membership is willing to support with your time and energy.

When preparing your boat for this sailing season, be sure to keep safety in mind and be sure you have the proper equipment for your type boat and sailing style. Get the correct size and type PFD (personal floatation device) for yourself, your crew and your young ones. Remember, the little ones are required to wear a properly fitted PFD when on the docks, walkways or on the boat – anywhere they are “over the water” or near it. As a good example, you might want to wear one yourself, too!

You can keep abreast of all the plans and activities by reading your newsletter and checking the website. We are trying to keep you posted on events as they are planned and want to have you involved in Your Club in every way that makes the WVSC sailing experience more enjoyable.

Let us know how we can improve on our collective enjoyment. Contact one of your Board members or your Commodore with your input. The fun is waiting for us; we just have to make ourselves available and be a part of it.

See You at The Lake.

David O. Reynolds, Commodore



March Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Minutes Subject to Correction

THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH, 2009

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:03.

All Members were present except Jerry Brady.

Approval of March meeting minutes: A motion to approve the February minutes was made and seconded and the minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Ernie Condon reported that there are still a number of members that have not paid their slip fees. Second notices have been sent out. Ernie stated that there could be a cash flow problem if those fees are not paid in a timely manner. A motion to approve the February report was made and approved.

Old Business:

- A.** Work continues on securing the Insurance renewal. As soon as the plan is finalized by the Treasurer and Finance Committee, Commodore Reynolds will advise the board.
- B.** Debbie Chambers reported that she had talked with DeAun Warfield about the 2009 member handbook and was advised that work on the handbook was coming along very well. The plan is to have the book completed in the next few weeks and then to have it printed and ready for distribution to the general membership at the first social of the season in May. By distributing the handbooks in this manner there has been a significant savings on postage for the club.
- C.** John Ellison reported that he had gotten a quote for the cost of putting new gravel down in dry storage area. The Board discussed when this improvement could be arranged and it was generally felt that the sooner the gravel could be put down the better. With spring rapidly approaching and with the likelihood of rain during this time, it was generally felt that if the project could be completed prior to the ground becoming saturated with rain, the better the outcome of the project. Ernie stated that even though there is still a large amount of money not yet paid for slip fees, there would be enough money in the

account to cover to cost of gravel and labor. A motion to approve proceeding with this project was made, seconded, and approved.

- D.** John Carter reported that he had contacted Debbie Chambers to see if the date for the August social was firm or could be changed. As in the past, John will host his WSU students at the club. John had originally proposed the date for this activity to be August 22, the same Saturday as the August social. Debbie agreed to change the date and move the August social to August 29th. Debbie will advise DeAun Warfield of this change in order to get the correct date in the handbook prior to printing.
- E.** Greg Rincker reported that he is continuing to work on ideas for long range planning and the formation of a committee for 2009. As soon as soon as a comprehensive plan is developed, Greg will bring it to the Board for approval.

New Business:

Mike Wasson reported that he had gotten one quote for the cement and labor to extend the cement pad at the shelter house. Commodore Reynolds requested that Mike secure a couple more estimates and report back to the board at the April board meeting. Like the project for the dry storage area, there needs to be a push on arranging for this improvement in order for the project to be completed early in the season so the club will be able to benefit from the improvement for the entire season.

Member Concerns: No member concerns were presented.

Closing Remarks: The April board meeting will be held at the office of Steve Mardis on Thursday, April 9th at 7pm. A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Chambers, Secretary

2009 SUMMER YOUTH SAILING PROGRAM

Bring a Buddy and Come Sail with Us

The Walnut Valley Sailing Club/STEP program is offering two sessions this summer.

We will teach you how to sail in a beginner's class or improve your sailing ability in advanced classes. We are offering Keelboat classes to advanced sailors.

So come sail with us or better yet, get your buddy that would like to sail with you and join us this summer for a GREAT time on the water.

Our fleet consists of: Prams, Sabots, Optimists, Catalina 14.2's, Sunfish, Lasers, Sonar, Catalina 22 and Catalina 25's.

CLASS STRUCTURE

Age Prerequisites: Must be 8-17, have an interest in learning to sail and swim 25 yards without a lifejacket (PFD) (swimming will be tested).

Equipment requirements: Participants are required to provide their own life jacket (PFD) US Coast Guard approved, age-appropriate size and sunscreen, hat and water shoes.

Course Content: Three levels of sailing instruction, beginners, intermediate and advanced sailing offered. Safety, weather, self-rescuing skills, basic rules of the road and nomenclature are also covered.

Schedule: 3 days per week (Mon, Tues, and Thurs) for 3 weeks 10am to 4pm, 2 sessions:

- 1st session: June 15 through July 2
- 2nd session: July 6 through July 23

Cost per Student: \$25 non-refundable Registration Fee, Plus \$45 class fee for WVSC members; \$70 for non-members.

Fee Includes: USSA "Start Sailing Right" or "Basic Keelboat" instruction manual, use of a boat for the summer, T-shirt and awards. For participants between the ages of 8 and 17, the fee also includes a Youth Membership to Walnut Valley Sailing Club which begins at the beginning of class and continues for the remainder of the year. Drinks are furnished. Student brings lunch.

Class Size: 20 students per session. Prerequisite for Keelboat instruction — proof of advanced sailing abilities. A minimum of three students are required for the Keelboat class to be held.

Boats used: Prams, Sabots, Optimist, Catalina 14.2, Sunfish, Laser, Sonar, Catalina 22 and Catalina 25

Registration and Questions: Call Gary Pierce 316-686-8823 or Gene Nold 316-636-2091

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Announcement

Activities Center Spring Cleanup

First Work Party of the 2009 Sailing Season

Date: April 25th Time: 9:00 – 1:00

Get a start on your work credits early

Cinnamon Rolls, Coffee and Juice

For additional information call

Gene Plehal (722-1037) or Clark Chambers (722-5235)

Grab your sweetie, some fast food and join your Yacht club friends for the
Season's Grand Opening

A cartoon and
Old Uncle Gene's
Famous Popcorn



Bring your own
Chair and beverage

Theater

Sundown • April 17

**UNCLE GENE'S
FIRST ANNUAL
SAILING SWAP MEET**

Uncle Gene Plehal is looking forward to seeing you at the
SWAP MEET with all your old, discarded, unwanted
but not forgotten sailing stuff to sell or trade.

SATURDAY, MAY 02, 2009

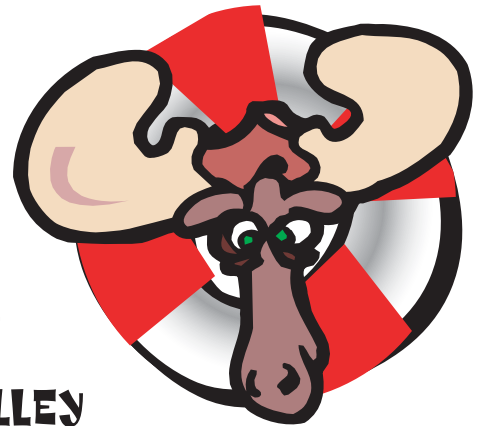
from **1000** to **1400**

(That's 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM for you novices!)

at

**WALNUT VALLEY
SAILING CLUB**

El Dorado Lake, Kansas, USA



Bring your Stuff – anything related to sailing –
pieces, parts, and sundry items. We plan to swap,
buy, sell, trade, or give away – whatever works
to get the Stuff moving from your hands to

someone else, and vice versa. You now have a
date, time, place and instructions. All you gotta
do is be there! Bring a little cash and your
own refreshments.

Call **UNCLE GENE PLEHAL** for more information **316-722-1037**

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Our adult fleet consists of — Catalina 14.2's, Sonar, Catalina 22 and Catalina 25's.

CLASS STRUCTURE

Age Prerequisites: Must be 18 years or older, have an interest in learning to sail and swim 25 yards without a life-jacket (PFD). (May be 15-17 years old if accompanied by an adult).

Equipment requirements: Participants are required to provide their own life jacket (PFD) US Coast Guard approved, age-appropriate size and sunscreen, hat and water shoes.

COURSE CONTENT:

Basic Sailing Course - Covers beginning, intermediate and advanced sailing techniques. Boat handling skills, boat related skills, basic rules of the road, safety, weather and nomenclature. Everything you need to know to sail your own boat safely and with confidence.

Basic Keelboat - The keelboat course leads you through the essential principles of safe, confident day sailing. It covers basic sailing concepts, boat handling, docking, anchoring, safety and emergencies, weather, basic navigation. The keelboat course requires a minimum of three students per boat.

Prerequisite for Basic Keelboat instruction - you must have the Basic Sailing Course or equivalent sailing experience.

Schedule: 3 days per week (Mon. Tues. Thurs.) for 3 weeks, 6 to 9pm. 2 Sessions:

- 1st session: June 15 through July 2
- 2nd session: July 6 through July 23

Class Size: 10 students per session

Cost per Student: WVSC members-\$25 non-refundable Registration Fee, Plus \$155 class fee, total cost-\$180; Non-members-\$25 non-refundable registration fee Plus \$155 for class fee and \$100 for ? annual WVSC club dues Total cost- \$280. (accompanying Spouse or family member \$180)

Fee Includes: USSA "Start Sailing Right" or "Basic Keelboat" instruction manual, instruction, use of a Catalina 14.2 (if checked out) boat for the summer, T-shirt and certificate. Includes a membership to Walnut Valley Sailing Club, which begins at the beginning of class and continues for the remainder of the year.

Boats used: Capri 14.2, Sonar, Catalina 22 and Catalina 25's

Registration and Questions: Call Gary Pierce 316-686-8823 or Gene Nold (316-636-2091)

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Don't forget to attend the meeting **Sunday, April 5**, at 2:00 PM at the Andover Pizza Hut. The agenda will be open, I think, so be prepared to learn everything about everything. Also, copies of this year's Racing Instructions will be distributed.

Don't forget to be at the lake **Saturday, April 18**, at 2:00 PM. Race Committee training, Speed training, & help launching boats.

Don't forget **Sunday April 26**, at 1:00 PM at the lake training if April 18 was a bad weather day. — Or, if April 18 was a good weather day, we will have practice race or races. These will NOT count toward standings.

Don't forget the first official races **Saturday, May 2**. Competitors meeting at 1:00 PM, 1st race at 2:00 PM.

Don't forget to tell your spouse that you love her (or him).

Sat. May 23rd **ISLAND PARTY** **SHRIMP BOIL**

and Cooper's Island Casino



Social
6pm

Dinner
7pm

Join us under the Canopy for
all you can eat peel & eat
shrimp, green beans, corn
on the cob & potatoes.

Deadline for Reservations, Monday May 18th

\$12.50 Adults \$6 Kids under 10

WVSC member items

1986 MacGregor 25 ft. sailboat with 4 hp Johnson motor, trailer, newly reconditioned sails, new lines and other miscellaneous accessories. \$4500. Contact Gene @ 316-2091 or Gary @ 316-686-8823.

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J/24's For sale Many great J/24's are available for sale both Regionally and Nationally for very reasonable prices. If you are interested, contact Schoen Fitzgerald at 316-685-9225 or Dan Acridge at 316-687- 2471. Call us or stop by the slips, we'd be happy to take you out to test drive one of these great one-design racers. J/24 .The ultimate One-Design.

Cal 9.2 (30ft). Price Reduced to \$19,000. For Sale by owner. 1982. Looking for a nice big boat with trailer? Check this out: New main and Jib in 2000. Spinnaker and Flexible Furler. Universal Diesel. New running rigging. Bimini and cockpit cushions, refrigerated icebox CD player. Custom road trailer. To see this boat, call Patrick at 540.3674

Old Town tandem kayak- 2003 -T-160. Rudder, paddles and Trailax aluminum trailer with spare tire. Great shape. Used very little. \$850. Jon Zehnder. 620-245-1776

Chrysler 26: Complete sail-away package for sale by owner! Experienced 1978 Cheney cruiser has main, jib and storm jib in good shape, bimini, cockpit cushions, Sony stereo, alcohol stove. Excellent Class 4 slip on A Dock transfers with BOG approval to new owner. Tandem EZ Load trailer. 1989 9.9 Yamaha 4-stroke electric start outboard runs great. New barrier coat not too long ago, no blisters now. Halyards are rigged back to the cockpit for easy single-handing. Needs some TLC from the new owner, \$5,500. To see the boat, call 316.540.3674.

Capri 13.2 - 1992 Laser clone in great shape with large cockpit. Almost new trailer. Sun-brella boat cover. \$1000. Contact Jon Zehnder, 620-245-1776.



Catalina 27- 1981- Dark & Stormy - LOA -26'-10", Beam - 8'-10", Fin Keel, Draft- 4'-0". 11hp Universal Atomic Diesel, central A/C, 150% roller furling jib, apparent wind direction & speed gauge, depth finder, knot meter, cock-pit Bimini, Zarcor French doors, Peek-a-boo blinds, Edson cockpit console w/Auto Pilot. Two deep cycle house batteries & one standard engine battery, Guest 2610 chargers, 500 watt inverter. Stern rail B-BQ, cockpit & cabin speakers w/ CD/FM & Aux. Stereo. Wall mounted Flat screen TV, VHF marine, porta-potty head, much more. 2007 Viking Spirit Dual Axle Trailer. The best looking boat in the club. -\$19,000 contact Ed Knox 316-794-2790.

Catalina 25 - 1981 - Swing keel, trailer and slip with board approval. VHF radio, radio/CD player, microwave, air conditioner, head with holding tank. Good main with roller-furling North genoa, spinnaker with new ATK sock and new Lewmar self-tailing winches. Bimini top, new cockpit and cabin cushions, 9.9 outboard, and much more. \$9500. Call Tony Scuka at 316-942-1990.

Catalina 25 - 1984—Includes 9.9hp Johnson SeaHorse electric start outboard, swing keel, VHF, AM/FM/CD, Uniden depth sounder, roller furling jib, pop-top sliding hatch, bimini, shore power, trickle charger, new bottom paint Spring 2007, Trail-Rite tandem axle trailer, dock box, Slip (D-21) with board approval, \$9,000. Call Doug at 316/641-3671.

Wanted: parts to fit an older Catalina 22, especially, lifeline stanchions and stern and kick-up rudder, with or without tiller. Call Rod at 620.664.2427.

Hobie 18SX, 1990 - 3 mainsails, colors: Mardi Gras, Sky Blue & White & Pink & White, 2 sets of dagger boards 1 brand new race rudder & Spinnaker rigged. Rolco trailer with fiberglass sail-box & sailtube! \$2950 NADA wholesale priced. Contact Al Pinaire at 316-262-1210.

Starwind 223. 1985 Simplifying my life and sadly selling. Starbird.. Pretty little single-hander. Rolling furler with 155 genoa (needs to be reinstalled), spinnaker, hank on lapper jib, grill, swim ladder, new 5.5 hp motor last season, huge cockpit for boat size, very beamy (8.5'), all good tires on trailer, some only couple years old, good bottom paint. Teak interior, electrical outlets in cabin, sleeps 3, no underwater drains, nice little table for use in either cabin or cockpit, plenty of life jackets, new dock lines last year. \$6000. Slip B4, which is a category 2 price. Transfer subject to BOG approval. Call Sondy. 210-7731

Catalina 350, 2005 -\$140,000- Well equipped and cared for, includes A/C, microwave, stereo w/CD changer, TV, VHF, Night lights in interior, separate shower, cockpit shower, dodger, bimini, stainless cqr anchor, electric windlass, electric halyard winch, cockpit cushions, Approximately 70 engine hrs on 35 HP diesel, one year old bottom paint, winter cover. Slip transfer with board approval. Alan Huffman, 316-706-8042

Nor'sea 27. 1978 Tall rig, center cockpit. Fresh Tanbark sails, 135% genoa on new Harken furler. Inboard Yanmar diesel. Autohelm tiller pilot. Knotmeter, depth-sounder, VHF. Cockpit cushions. EZ Loader trailer. A Lyle Hess design, this trail-erable bluewater sailing vessel is famous for seaworthiness. Built tough, yet sails nimbly, and tracks like it is on rails. If you would like to check out an honest ocean-going yacht, call Patrick at the lake. 316.540.3674 For sale by owner. Slip transfers with BOG approval. \$35,000.



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SUMMER 2009 WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB/STEP APPLICATION

STEP YOUTH SAILING PROGRAM

Last Name First Name

Street Address City Zip

Home Phone Age T-Shirt
Size

Emergency Contact Person Phone

E-Mail address

I am a ____ member ____ non-member of Walnut Valley Sailing Club

I wish to enroll in the Youth Program:

____ Session 1- June 15 - July 2 ____ Session 2- July 6 - July 23

Please enclose the non-refundable deposit of \$25 with this application.

Date Signature

Parent's Signature if under 17 years old.

STEP ADULT SAILING PROGRAM

Last Name First Name

Street Address City Zip

Home Phone Age T-Shirt Size

Emergency Contact Person Phone

E-Mail address

I am a ____ member ____ non-member of Walnut Valley Sailing Club

I wish to enroll in the ____ Centerboard Program ____ Keelboat Program

____ Session 1- June 15 - July 2 ____ Session 2- July 6 - July 23

Please enclose the non-refundable deposit of \$25 with this application.

Date Signature

Please enclose the non-refundable deposit of \$25 with this application.

Mail to: WVSC Sailing Program c/o Gary Pierce, 1431 South 127th Street East, Wichita, Kansas 67207