

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

DECEMBER 2008

Website: www.wvsailing.com

CALENDAR:

December 6	WVSC Christmas Social
December 11	WVSC Board Meeting
December 21	Winter begins
December 25	Christmas Day
December 31	New Year's Eve

From the Bow Pulpit – Again

You've heard the old saying "What goes around, comes around." Well, your old Commodore is coming around again! I'm definitely older, have a little more life experience, and, hopefully, wiser (that may be up for question). The memory may not be as good, but, then, I remember the good times and try to forget the trying times. In any event, I am looking forward to the coming year with eager anticipation for more sailing activities, more racing sailors participating in club racing, and our usual great parties at our Activities Center and outside picnic shelter. And don't forget those thought-provoking Wednesday morning breakfasts and the fun-filled weekend work parties at the Lake!

As you have been reading in the Minutes, your Board has been working on the maintenance and upkeep of our clubhouse and the physical facilities at the lake. We hope to make some improvements that will better serve our membership and still keep a casual atmosphere for sailing season gatherings. Your participation and support of our club activities will insure our continued success.

As you will see in this newsletter, your new officers are ready to serve and are looking for members to support our efforts by volunteering for committees and leadership positions in our club. Our Club will be 72 years young in 2009 – we started in 1937! Many of you have only experienced the Club as it is currently situated at El Dorado Lake – we've been here since the Spring of 1986. A lot of things have changed during that time, but I believe our facilities and sailing venue have improved by leaps and bounds over the confines of the smaller Santa Fe Lake, our original home. With your continued support and participation in the activities of our Club, we will increase the value of membership in Walnut Valley Sailing Club for each of you and for future members.

Speaking of new members, Greg Rincker, your Vice Commodore and Liaison to the Public Relations Committee, is looking for ideas for, assistance in, and support of finding creative ways to enhance membership and gain new members who will enjoy what we current members already experience. Let's create a shortage of sailboats in our region by getting new folks to join us. Contact Greg or me with your offerings.

It's Holiday Party Time – Christie and I look forward to hosting the 2008 Holiday Party at our home in rural Butler County. We look forward to a full house on Saturday, December 6!

Best Wishes for a Happy and Joyous Holiday Season and a Bountiful New Year. Remember to pray for Peace on Earth and our men and women serving in the Armed Forces both at home and abroad.

David O. Reynolds, Commodore

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Annual Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB

Minutes Subject to Correction

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, 2008



Call to Order:

Commodore Carter called the annual meeting of WVSC to order at 7:15 pm.

Commodore Carter welcomed the general membership and, after thanking the membership for a very successful year, went on to review the meeting's agenda.

Approval of 2007 Annual Meeting Minutes:

A motion from the floor was made to approve the minutes of the 2007 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded and by voice vote the membership approved the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Schye, Finance Committee Chair, presented the ending financial status report for the year 2008. Paul then presented the Consolidated Financial Statements for the sailing club and the STEP program for the year ending October 31st 2008. The budget for WVSC for 2009 was presented and explained. Paul made a request to the membership for questions. There being none, a motion to accept the report and 2009 budget was made from the floor. It was seconded and by voice vote the report and budget were approved.

Election of Board of Governors:

Commodore Carter reported a nominating committee consisting of Pat Boyarski, Clark Chambers, Don Chism, and Ken Rix met in his home and selected a list of three members to be voted on for election to the Board of Governors for a period of three years – 2009-2011. The following names were presented to the general membership for a vote - Mike Wasson, Greg Rincker, and David Reynolds. Commodore Carter requested any additional nominations be offered from the floor. There being none, a motion to approve those members presented was made and on voice vote the Board members were elected.

New Business:

Commodore Carter presented a motion to amend the By Laws relating to how members are to be notified of the annual meeting or any other special meeting of the general membership. Currently the Bylaws require notification by mail or personal contact. Commodore Carter requested this be changed to also allow contact by e-mail as an option. There being no questions from the floor, the motion was approved by voice vote. By-Laws reference: Article V, Annual Meeting, Notice; Article XI, Amendment of By-Laws.

Standing Committee Reports:

Commodore Carter directed the membership to review the committee reports presented in the material handed out at the beginning of the meeting. Commodore Carter opened the floor

to any of the chairpersons who wanted to further expand on the report they had submitted. John McCabe, Club Powerboat Maintenance Chairman, thanked Mike Hand for all of the work that he provided in refinishing the club pontoon boat. Ed Klima discussed the projects that the Building and Grounds committee completed and thanked all those members that had volunteered their time to complete the projects. Ron Dreiling made a brief comment on the new space markers in the Dry Storage Report. Nothing additionally was reported on.

Presentation of Awards:

Genee Kubin, representing the Awards Committee, provided a brief statement about why we all love to sail and, after providing the membership with a handout with the words to the song "Sailing", requested the members sing along. Afterwards, Genee presented the following awards:

The Commodore Plaque and flag were presented to Commodore Carter with thanks for his service to WVSC.

Gene Plehal was presented with the Sportsmanship Award, recognizing his contributions to advancing the sport of sailing and also for all of the hours of service that he has given over the years to the WVSC.

The Bosun's Mess Award was presented to Bruce Ward, recognizing his long-term service to our club. Bruce has been the official club photographer, created the WVSC website as we know it today, and also has been a Board member and past Commodore.

Ken Rix then presented awards from the racing committee. Brett Warfield was presented the Keel Boat award and Ken Rix was presented the Center Board Award. Ken then proceeded to present awards to the members of all of the racing teams. Every participant was recognized and given an award for their participation regardless of how they had placed during the racing season. Special recognition was provided to those members that placed in first, second or third place after compiling all the scores for the season.

Adjournment: There being no further business a motion for adjournment was made, seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Chambers, Secretary



The Walnut Valley Sail Club Christmas Social

will be held at the rural residence of
Commodore David and Christie Reynolds,
on **Saturday, December 6, 2008,**
beginning at **7:00 PM.**

Buffet Hors d'oeuvres and finger foods will be served
along with soft drinks. Please BYOB.

The cost is \$12.50 per person.

Your reservation will be your check sent to
David & Christie Reynolds, 900 SW Indianola Road,
Benton, KS 67017-9184, before November 28, 2008.

The calling committee will remind you and
give any details you may need.

Here are the directions to the Reynolds residence:

From Wichita, go east on K-254 toward Towanda/El Dorado. Indianola Road is 7.0 miles east of North Greenwich Road. Approximately 1.6 miles East of Benton, turn North (left) on SW Indianola Road. Go 1.1 miles north to driveway on East (right).—Indianola Road is gravel and parking will be on gravel and grass. Appropriate footwear recommended. You're in the country! The WVSC flag/burgee will be posted on the mailbox.



November Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2008

November Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm. The following Board members attended: John Carter, Ken Rix, Jerry Brady, Ernie Condon, Debbie Chambers, John Ellison, David Reynolds and Greg Rincker. Mike Wasson was unable to attend.

Call to Order:

Commodore Carter called the meeting to order and welcomed the new members of the Board.

Approval of October meeting minutes:

A motion to approve the October minutes was made and seconded and the minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

A motion to approve the October Treasurer's report was made, seconded and approved.

Election of Officers:

The following Board members were elected to be officers of the Club for 2009: David Reynolds – Commodore; Greg Rincker – Vice Commodore; Ernie Condon – Treasurer; Deborah Chambers - Secretary.

Old Business

Commodore Carter requested that a proposal regarding slip rentals suggested by Fred Harvey be tabled until the December meeting for the new Board to consider. Commodore Carter announced he was turning the meeting over to the new Commodore, David Reynolds.

Opening Remarks:

Commodore Reynolds thanked John Carter for all the work he had done during 2008 on behalf of the WVSC and stated to the board that he was looking forward to 2009. Commodore Reynolds remarked that getting members to participate in the day to day running of the club continued to be difficult and urged the board members to continue to encourage the general membership to volunteer. Commodore Reynolds then requested that the board assign board liaisons for the standing committees. A list of those assignments is available upon request to the Secretary, Debbie Chambers.

New Business:

A request from Ron White to change his membership to an inactive status was approved. Ron is moving to Texas in the near future.

The Butler County Sheriff's department has requested that one day of Camp Butler to be held at the sailing club in June 2009 (1st or 2nd Saturday). This is a camp for disadvantaged youth and WVSC has participated in the past with members giving boat rides to the youth attending the camp. A motion to approve this request was made and approved.

At some time in the last two months, the power washer's pump burned out. As the washer was on permanent loan from the Corps of Engineers, it was necessary that the sprayer be repaired at Club expense. Gene Nold handled the repairs with a local pump repair company at a cost of \$400. This expense is to be paid from the club's contingency fund. The motion was made and seconded to approve this expense; motion passed.

Member Concerns:

There were no concerns reported.

Closing Remarks:

The Christmas party will be held Dec. 6th at David and Christie Reynolds' home. The Club will provide Hors d'oeuvres, finger foods, soft drinks and mixes. See notice in November newsletter.

Work continues on getting all members that have e-mail addresses identified. Commodore Reynolds will keep the board updated.

The finance committee will be meeting in the near future to work on getting insurance for the Club updated.

It was suggested the Long Range Planning Committee start work early in the year to consider any plans for action in 2009.

The December Board meeting will be December 11, 2008, at Bruce Ward's office. Photos of the Officers and Board will be taken at that time to be posted to the web site.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Chambers, Secretary



2009 Annual Dues Notice

As stated in our By-Laws, Article IX, "...Dues, assessments and fees shall be presented to the Treasurer no later than December 1. If the dues and fees remain unpaid at the end of 30 days, the membership shall be forfeited..." That means you need to pay your dues and fees by December 30, 2008!

If you have not already done so, please pay your 2009 dues by this deadline. Your Treasurer does not like to send out Delinquent Dues Notices! And your Board does not like to discuss delinquent dues at the Board meetings.

For the sake of those serving you, serve your Club by paying your dues on time.

David O. Reynolds, Commodore

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

24' Bruce Roberts design hand-crafted wooden sloop. Inboard Volvo diesel 7.5 hp saildrive, trailer, Murray winches, winter cover. Lovingly built by the owner. Can be seen in the West boatyard. Call Patrick at 316-540-3674 to check this boat out and make an offer.

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.

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

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.



Tohatsu 3.5 hp outboard long shaft, 2007, only used 4 times last summer, basically like new, just broken in. \$500 call 721-1050

O'Day 27. 1979 True Love for Sale - Available for immediate possession: Can be seen on A. Dock by appt. The boat is very clean and sails nicely. The engine has had a recent overhaul and always starts. The batteries were replaced with Diehard Platinum dual purpose batteries in '07. All the instruments were replaced in 06 The boat comes with a trailer and slip with board approval. Asking price is \$10,500. Yes, you can buy True Love!!! Contact Allen Hale at 316-461-4253.

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, cockpit 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.

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 sailbox & sailtube! \$2950 NADA wholesale priced. Contact Al Pinaire at 316-262-1210.

Catalina 30 tall rig - 1982 with trailer and transferable slip. Inboard gasoline engine, roller furling headsail, wheel steering, stereo, cockpit cushions. For sale by owner. \$17,000. To see this boat in the water, call Patrick at 316.540.3674.

Catalina 22 -1974 - Boat in very good condition, with pop top and swing keel. 7.5 merc motor and good trailer with near new tires, and wheel bearing repacked a few years back. Ready to sail. Cabin in excellent condition (sleeps four) with carpet, nice curtains, cushions for the cockpit and cabin, pull out sink, alcohol stove. Family is just too busy to use. Call Gary 322-0089 or 322-2005. \$2500.

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.



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Power Washer Notice – This is Important!

The following notice was sent to all members November 12, 2008, via email by Gene Nold, our Government Relations Representative, concerning the use of the Power Washer on extended loan to us from the Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks at El Dorado Lake. Please notify Gene or the Commodore immediately if you have trouble with the operation of the Power Washer system in the future. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REPAIR THIS EQUIPMENT ON YOUR OWN!

Your cooperation will be most appreciated.

David O. Reynolds, Commodore

The power washer has been repaired and will be available in the dry storage building.

The individual who made the repairs indicated that, based on the damage that occurred, the washer was left running for a period of time while the sprayer was not being used. The pump overheated causing the housing to fail. The pump was not reparable and was replaced at a cost of \$400.

It is imperative that everyone understands that you should not run the engine on the washer for more than two minutes at the absolute most without using the sprayer. Please read the entire instruction sheet attached to the washer before operating.

Additionally, when using the lake water as the supply, be sure to use the filter attached to the shallow well pump. Clean the filter regularly. If you use a submersible pump, it must be suspended from the walkway just under the surface of the water. Do not set the pump on the lake bottom or on the ramp. The filter is required on any system using lake water as the supply to the power washer.

The power washer is property of Kansas Wildlife and Parks and does not belong to the Club. It has been loaned to the Club to help reduce the spread of zebra mussels. Please do not attempt to make repairs to the washer. If you have any problems with or questions about using the washer, please contact Gene Nold.