

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

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MARCH 2009

CALENDAR:

March 8	Daylight Savings Time
March 12	WVSC Board Meeting
March 17	St. Patrick's Day
March 20	Spring begins

From the Bow Pulpit – Again

Your Social Committee met on February 7 and has plans for a full schedule of monthly social events. Many already have a Host(s) who volunteered at the meeting, but a few will need volunteers to step up and be the Host. All will need volunteers to assist the Hosts in putting on the events. A list of the dates is elsewhere in this issue and you are encouraged to contact Debbie Chambers, Social Chair/Liaison, to assist her in this exciting schedule.

Gary Pierce and Gene Nold made a presentation to the Board at our February meeting to update the Board on the current activities of our WVSC/STEP sail training plans for 2009. In our discussion, we determined that they need some assistance from the WVSC membership in the daily operations of the training sessions. They present two training sessions each year – one in June and one in July. Each session is three (3) weeks in length and has a day class for youth and an evening class for adults. Their primary need is some adult assistance during the youth sessions when one of the adult leaders (Gary or Gene) may not be available for the full session. They would like a list of WVSC Club member volunteers who will be available during one or more of the daily sessions to be at the lake as an adult aide to assist the youth instructors in the event of an emergency or unusual event. If you would be interested in supporting this great program, please contact Gary or Gene to discuss their needs. I assisted them with the 2007 classes and, speaking from this personal experience, it is very rewarding and well worth the time you will spend supporting our kids and our talented instructors. Contact me for more information.

The annual “Off Season” park permits are available at a \$5.00 savings through March 31, 2009. The Kansas Seniors (65 and over) rate is even cheaper. Visit one of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks offices in the Wichita area to get your 2009 window stickers. You can also go online for more information.

Your Board of Governors and your Committee Chairs are looking forward to a great year at Walnut Valley Sailing Club. Now is the time to get involved and find that one event or activity that really gets you excited and volunteer your time and talent to your Club. Contact a Board member or one of the Committee Chairs to get in the action. It always helps to get those Work Credits in early so you can enjoy the sailing season. We can't operate without Your Support!

See You at The Lake.

David O. Reynolds, Commodore

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January Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Minutes Subject to Correction

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH, 2009



Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. Members present were John Ellison, Ernie Condon, Greg Rincker, Jerry Brady, John Carter, Mike Wasson, and David Reynolds. Members absent were Debbie Chambers and Ken Rix. Guests present were Gary Pierce, Gene Nold, and Paul Schye.

Special Presentation WVSC/STEP Review for 2009

Gary Pierce and Gene Nold made a presentation of the STEP program for the coming year. The program will be the same as last year with the exception of a new brochure. The sails have been reworked and restored on several of the Catalina 14.2's. Another Boston Whaler was also purchased last fall to assist with the training.

A work party will be announced this spring to assist the STEP Program with launching the boats. It was also discussed that a list be compiled of possible members that could assist Gary or Gene if one of them needed to be gone during a day of training.

Approval of January meeting minutes:

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

Treasurer's Report: Gary Hunter was submitted to the board as a new member and accepted for the 2009 season. Gary is a graduate of last year's STEP program.

Two members have requested an extension for payment of membership dues and it was approved by the Board. A member requested an end slip and was denied as there are open slips available and sailors in the club use the end as a temporary tie-up.

The Treasurer's report was approved as submitted with a notation by Jerry Brady that the Electric bill was down some from last year possibly due to the fluorescent bulbs on the dock lights.

Old Business: A presentation was made by Paul Schye, Chair of the Finance Committee, in regard to Fred Harvey's earlier suggestion for improving slip rentals for the coming summer (tabled from the November 2008 Board meeting). After much discussion a motion was made and approved for an incentive plan for slip leases to be announced later for new members or new slip renters for the 2009 year only. Our lease prices are comparable with other slip prices in the area.

A proposal to extend the concrete pad at the picnic shelter was presented by Mike Wasson, Building and Grounds Chair/Liaison. An initial bid for concrete work was \$2300.00 and more bids will

be coming. The proposal will enlarge the current concrete slab area by about 50%. Allowance will be made for future expansion of the shelter roof. Exact measurements will be included in the bids for consideration by the Board.

The 2009 racing season has been set with races every weekend starting in late April through September, alternating between Saturday and Sunday. This plan was approved by the membership present at the Racing Committee meeting on Sunday, February 01, 2009, in Rose Hill.

The 2009 social calendar has been set for May through September at the meeting of the Social Committee on Saturday, February 07, 2009, at Panera Bakery, North Rock Road. The Commodore reported for Debbie Chambers, Social Chair/Liaison.

John Ellison submitted a bid for an estimated 90 tons of rock to be installed and graded on the driveways in the dry storage area. The cost was not to exceed \$1700.00. Some discussion was had on the drainage problems now present, the long term maintenance and repair of the surface, and what additional rock in the drives would do to the slip levels. John was to check if the estimate included rolling the rock to ensure level access to all slips. A long-term solution was suggested to reconfigure the dry storage area by expanding to the South and moving the West fence to the East (uphill) to reduce erosion from lake flooding. That idea will require more study and will be a major financial project. The Board asked John to proceed on the current plan for 2009.

New Business: There was no new business.

Member Concerns: No member concerns were presented.

Closing Remarks: The March Board meeting will be held at the office of Steve Mardis on March 12th at 7pm. A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jerry Brady, Acting Secretary

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

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

2009 WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB/STEP YOUTH SAILING APPLICATION

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.

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

Date Signature

Parent's Signature if under 17 years old.



Ernie Condon's Snipe Modification for SPEED

WVSC 2009 Committee Chairs and Laisons

COMMITTEE	CHAIR	LAISON
Activities Center Committee	.Clark Chambers/Gene Plehal	.Jerry Brady
Archivist	.Janis Cooper	.Jerry Brady
Building & Grounds Committee	.Mike Wasson	.Mike Wasson
Calling Committee	.Donna Lynden	.David Reynolds
Club Powerboat Maintenance Committee	.John McCabe	.John Carter
Dry Storage	.John Ellison	.John Ellison
Finance Committee	.Paul Schye	.Ernie Condon
Government Relations Liaison	.Gene Nold	.David Reynolds
Harbor Committee	.Doug Johnson	.John Carter
Long Range Planning Committee	.Greg Rincker	.Greg Rincker
Membership Committee	.DeAun Warfield	.Debbie Chambers
Public Relations Committee	.Mac Carter	.Greg Rincker
Website	.Fred Harvey	
Newsletter Editor	.Nikki Rincker	
Racing Activities	.Dan Barlett	.Ken Rix
Sailing Program Committee	.Chuck Lynden	.Ernie Condon
Security Committee	.James Rix	.Ken Rix
Social Committee	.Debbie Chambers	.Debbie Chambers
STEP Program	.Gary Pierce	.John Ellison

Come Sail with Us

2009 SUMMER ADULT SAILING PROGRAM

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

We will teach you how to sail in a Catalina 14.2 centerboard boat or improve your sailing ability in advanced classes. We also offer Basic Keelboat classes.

So come sail with us this summer for a GREAT time on the water.

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 lifejacket (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)

2009 WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB/STEP ADULT SAILING APPLICATION

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.

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

UNCLE GENE'S FIRST ANNUAL SAILING SWAP MEET AT WVSC

We have been advertising a **SWAP MEET** for the last few issues, and we have now, finally, nailed Ole Uncle Gene down with a date.

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

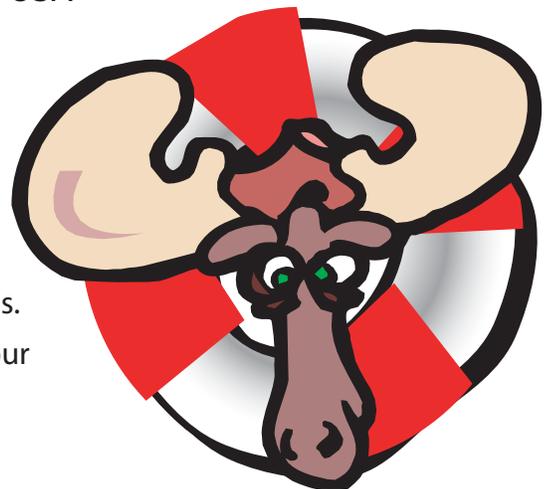
Bring your Stuff – anything related to sailing – pieces, parts, and sundry items. We plan to swap, buy, sell, trade, or give away – whatever works to get the Stuff moving from your hands to someone else, and vice versa. You now have a date, time, place and instructions.

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**





RACING STUFF MARCH

The general membership racing meeting Feb. 1st at Rose Hill was a success, although the turnout was not large. The following is a synopsis of this year's program so mark your calendars.

May 2	Sat	July 12	Sun	Sept 6	Sun
May 10	Sun	July 18	Sat	Sept 12	Sat
May 16	Sat	July 26	Sun	Sept 20	Sun
May 24	Sun			Sept 26	Sat
May 30	Sat	Aug 1	Sat		
		Aug 9	Sun	Oct 4	Sun
June 7	Sun	Aug 15	Sat		
June 13	Sat	Aug 23	Sun		
June 21	Sun	Aug 29	Sat		
June 27	Sat				

Competitors Meeting	1:00 PM
1st Race	2:00
2nd Race	to follow
Recognition of finishes	Approx 4:30

Perpetual scoring will use the average of finishes with a bonus of 0.10 per race for each race started, subtracted from the average. The winner of the Club Championship must participate in 30 % of the races held. Serving on the Race Committee constitutes race participation if races are held that day. The changes in perpetual scoring will be both simpler & place more emphasis on participation than in the past.

Most of the other stuff is basically the same as in the past. 2009 Racing Instructions will be distributed at the Andover Pizza Hut Meeting Sunday April 5, at 2:00 PM. Also don't forget the Saturday April 18, 2:00 PM training at the lake. Also don't forget Sunday April 26 at 1:00 PM for a practice race or training if Apr 18 was a bad day.

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.

1982 MacGregor 22 ft. sailboat with 1984 Nissan 5hp motor, trailer and all accessories including new winches, new boom vang, new mainsail cover, new trailer bunks, four adult, two child life jackets and other miscellaneous equipment. \$2800. Contact Gene @ 316-2091 or Gary @ 316-686-8823.

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

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.

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.



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.

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 Trailax aluminum trailer with spare tire. Great shape. Used very little. \$850. Jon Zehnder. 620-245-1776

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.

Capri 13.2 - 1992 Laser clone in great shape with large cockpit. Almost new trailer. Sunbrella boat cover.\$1000.00. Contact Jon Zehnder, 620-245-1776.

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.

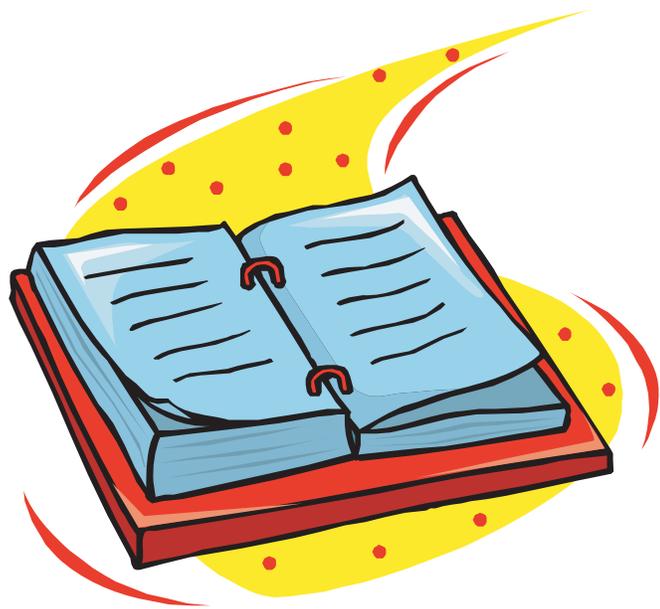
Catalina 25 - 1984—Includes 9.9hp Johnson SeaHorse electric start outboard, swing keel, VHF, AM/FM/CD, Uniden depth sounder, roller furling jib, pop-top sliding hatch, bimini, shore power, trickle charger, new bottom paint Spring 2007, Trail-Rite tandem axle trailer, dock box, Slip (D-21) with board approval, \$9,000.00. Call Doug at 316/641-3671.

Starwind 223. 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. Slip B4, which is a cat 2 price. Transfer subject to Board approval. \$6000. Call SONDY. 210-7731



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Wichita, KS 67208-1076

2009 Social Calendar



May 23, 2009 Shrimp Boil and Casino Night

June 20, 2009 Jamaican Vacation

July 25, 2009 Steak Fry

August 29, 2009 Fish Fry

September 19, 2009 . . . Mongolian Barbeque

November 7, 2009 Annual Meeting

December ??, 2009 . . . Christmas Party

To Be Announced Later