

# THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

MAY 2010

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## CALENDAR:

May 1	On-the-water Training Session
May 2	Race Day
May 8	Race Day
May 9	Mother's Day
May 13	WVSC Board Meeting
May 16	Race Day
May 22	Race Day
May 30	Race Day
May 31	Memorial Day

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## From the Commodore

**R**eady! Set! Sail! The recent set of emails regarding the Club activities is a clear indication that the sailing season is here. The water has been turned on, the Clubhouse has been cleaned and weekend races are underway so the activities are starting. There are a lot of folks that have spent time planning and organizing their committees so that the rest of us can enjoy the facility and sailing. Review the list of Committee Chairpersons so that you can thank them for their efforts. Better yet, give one of them a call and offer to help. There are work party credits to be earned, but more importantly, these committees need your time and efforts for the Club to run smoothly.

In the past, I have written about our budget concerns. We may gain a few new members into the summer but our numbers are essentially set for the year. Based on the budget that was approved at the 2009 Annual Meeting and our receipts to date, we are on solid ground. The 2010 budget was conservative enough that the BOG has decided that we do not need to change Committee line items for this year with the exception of one entry for the Club House. The Board is getting estimates for the shelter expansion which was approved for 2010, and it appears that we will be able to proceed with that project.

Please review the Board of Governors meeting minutes. The Kansas Dept. of Wildlife and Parks has grant money and has made a proposal to WVSC to establish "water trails" at El Dorado Lake. This proposal would be unique and would have some real benefits for the Club, but a contribution, mostly from volunteer labor, would be required. Rob Brown is the Board contact for this proposal. We are soliciting your comments and feedback on this concept.

—Greg Rincker

# Come Sail with Us

## 2010 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 centerboard boat or a keelboat. We will 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 14 through July 1
- 2nd session: July 5 through July 22

**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 1/2 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

## SUMMER 2010 WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB/STEP APPLICATION 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 14 - July 1 \_\_\_\_ Session 2- July 5 - July 22

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signature

# April Meeting Minutes

## WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

*Minutes Subject to Correction*

THURSDAY, APRIL 8TH, 2010 • 7:00 PM

Office of Steve Mardis, 9415 East Harry, Suite 603, Wichita KS



**In attendance:** Greg Rincker, Rob Brown, John McCabe, Ernie Condon, David Reynolds, Gary Mackey, Doug Johnson, Debbie Chambers and Paul McCausland

**Club members present:** Paul Schye, Gene Plehal, Gene Nold and Gary Pierce.

1. Call to order – opening remarks
  - a. Quorum – yes.
2. Corrections to Minutes of March 2010 Board meeting?

None – approved as written.
3. Treasurer's Report – March 2010
  - a. Financial summary/projection to the end of the fiscal year  
Minutes:

New member application: New member Brad Oblak was approved.

Two key items: Budget and potential revenues.

Potential revenues: Many slips are left un-leased. This is a strong opportunity for increased revenue.

Budget: Collected revenues are higher than projected in the approved 2010 budget, and total expenses so far are under budget. No special reason at this time to re-budget – approved 2010 budget stands as approved.

Storage Unit: The \$900 allocated in the Activity Center budget for a storage unit for tables and chairs has been removed because it was deemed not practical. This frees up \$900 for other uses. The board's decision is to change the Activity Center budget from \$6000 to \$5100. All other items budgeted for the Activity Center stand as budgeted including refinishing the floor, refinishing the ceiling, repairing the chairs, repair or replace screen doors.

A retractable awning: This item was approved in 2008 but was never funded. Motion was made that this is not a practical project and should be removed from the projects list. Motion approved.

Shelter expansion: Get details on cost estimates to proceed with project. Paul McCausland is to follow up with a plan.

Picnic tables purchase: This item is listed and approved as 'other' in the 2010 budget and can be pursued upon completion of shelter expansion.

### 4. Old Business

#### a. STEP equipment buildings – update

Minutes: Two papers provided were by Gene Nold. One is the ADA paper that was discussed with Kansas department of Wildlife and Parks (KDWP) and the other is a storage unit status.

ADA: Once the storage unit is set in place, KDWP will make the determination if a ramp is needed for ADA accessibility. WVSC/STEP will readily comply with the decision. KDWP will supply the materials if so requested by WVSC/STEP.

Storage unit status: The storage unit has been moved to the new location. Aesthetic improvements are yet to come. New development: KDWP has volunteered to provide the siding for the storage unit, and will provide the labor to install it, if we so choose. Siding will match the existing clubhouse and storage unit. A pitched roof is not included at this time, but if at the end of the year a pitched roof is needed, the KDWP will look into helping with this as well. The building is a temporary unit, and a review will be made at the end of the season.

#### b. Committees – Liaisons and Chair positions and reports Annual meeting is scheduled at House of Schwann for Nov 13. Contract will be provided to Treasurer.

A proposal was received from a member to do the mowing for less than we have been paying. This proposal will be considered by the committee.

#### c. Vandalism/Thefts incident of May 2009 – status (Reynolds) No new news

#### d. Delinquent members – update (Condon/McCabe) All revenues received or accounts closed.

#### e. Abandoned boats – update(Condon) No update

#### f. Insurance – update McCabe/Schye Insurance paid – we are insured through Andy Woodward Insurance. The premium came in \$1750 below budget. Our thanks goes to Paul Schye for his efforts.

#### g. ADA complaint – follow-up Status provided. As described above, KDWP will review the need for a ramp once the storage unit is in place, and WVSC will comply with the decision. No other action is/will be required.

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# RACING STUFF MAY 2010

We are off to a successful racing season with our first race already run on April 18 and possibly the second race on April 24 by the time you read this. The racing schedule for May is as follows:

RACE DATE	RACE COMMITTEE
Sunday May 02	Mary Ann Rix
Saturday May 08	Dave Leiker/Dan Barlett
Sunday May 16	Ken Rix
Saturday May 22	Ted Blankenship
Sunday May 30	RC Needed

The Skipper's meeting is at 1:00 p.m. and first race is to begin at 2:00 p.m. on each race day. Anyone interested in crewing can show up at 1:00 p.m. and probably find a skipper that would be ecstatic to have some extra help, or there is always room on the committee boat for an extra hand.

The first long distance race is **June 12**.

There is an on-the-water training day planned for **May 1** starting at 10:00 a.m. for anyone interested. Gene Nold has some interesting ideas on what we can do and is also open to any suggestions. Come on out even if the weather doesn't cooperate, in which case we can stay in the clubhouse and discuss racing.

The 2010 racing instructions, including the schedule and the race committee volunteer sign up sheet, have been posted in the club house as well as on the web site.

The race committee is excited about a good summer of racing. We anticipate an eventful, fun-filled season — we hope you will join us!



The defibrillator (AED) training workshop was conducted on April 10th at the Wichita Red Cross facility. Five club members were trained in CPR and use of the AED — Clark Chambers, John Carter, Ernie Condon, Gene Plehal and Paul Schye. The AED has been installed on the east wall of the clubhouse next to the first aid kit.

### *Minutes — Continued from page 3*

5. New Business
  - a. Opportunity with the State of Kansas  
There was a proposal made by KDWP to pursue a grant to make “water trails” for public use. Other states have done this, but it would be a first for Kansas. If WVSC were to help with the establishing of water trails, this grant could potentially fund 80% of a floating storage unit for WVSC/STEP use to replace the temporary unit. To have a chance at this, the proposal would need to be submitted by August this year, would then be reviewed by October, and WVSC notified in January (2011). Hypothetical sketches for such a facility were provided by STEP in this meeting. The building would NOT be open to the public, though the trails would. The 20% contribution from WVSC could include volunteer labor in lieu of cash. Board direction is to prepare a concept and overview, provide it to the membership via email and newsletter for comments and to see if someone would like to help.....this is to be a WVSC project, not a STEP project: action for Long Range Planning (Robert Brown Chair) to provide the summary/concept/outline. Final full go-ahead will be decided later. This would be a small boat facility for the club and need to be managed as such.
- .6. Member Concerns  
A crack has formed in the parking lot and will need to be sealed before next winter. Building and Grounds Committee will review and make recommendations.
7. May 13th Meeting Notice – send agenda items by May 10, 2010
8. Closing Remarks
9. Adjournment – 9:00 pm

Following the formal BOG meeting, the Board went into an Executive session to discuss a claim made by a former member.

**Catalina 27** - 1981- ?Dark & Stormy - LOA -26'-10", Beam - 8'-10", Fin Keel, Draft- 4'-0". 11hp Universal Atomic Diesel, 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 ma-rine, portapotty head, much more. 2007 Viking Spirit Dual Axle Trailer. The best looking boat in the club. \$19,000 contact Ed Knox 316-794-2790.

**Starwind 223.** 1985 ?Starbird. Pretty little singlehander. Rolling furler with 155 genoa (needs to be reinstalled), spinnaker, hank on lapper jib, grill, swim ladder, new 5.5 hp motor, huge cockpit for boat size, very beamy (8.5'), good tires on trailer, good bottom paint. Teak interior, electrical outlets in cabin, sleeps 3, no underwater drains, table for use in cabin or cockpit, life jackets, new dock lines last year. \$6000 OBO. Slip B4, transfer subject to BOG approval. Call SONDY. 210-7731

**Catalina 350**, 2005 -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, depthsounder, VHF. Cockpit cushions. EZ Loader trailer. A Lyle Hess design, this trailerable bluewater sailing vessel is famous for seaworthiness. Built tough, yet sails nimbly, and tracks like it is on rails. 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. \$29,900.

**Cal 9.2** (30ft). 1982. \$17,000. A nice big boat with trailer? 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

**Santana 25** - 1973-Nice boat needs good home, includes trailer. \$4000. Contact Merle Morris 316-946-0745.



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

**Catalina Capri 30.** 1983. well-maintained, upgraded instrumentation. No leaks. LOA 29' 6", LWL 24' 2", Beam 11' 2", Draft 5' 4" fixed fin, Displacement 4985, Fast, fun and beautiful, PHRF 114, ready to race or cruise. 3 sails - Mainsail, Genoa and Spinnaker and all gear, New Raymarine digital wind instruments, auto-pilot, depth gauge and speed indicator, floating and digital compass, roller furling w/ twin track forestay system. sail cover. new tiller. New gas tank. Spinnaker pole. New deep cycle 27 battery. other extras. 83' Mercury 10 hp electric start with cockpit controls. Custom built heavy duty tandem axle trailer, repacked wheel bearings, electric brakes new brake pads & 8 adjustable pads \$16,995 Bob Born 316-208-8393

**Hunter 23.5** - 1995- \$8,000. includes 2007 6hp, 4 cycle Tohatsu O/B, full batten main, 110% Jib plus storm jib. New VC-17 bottom paint, original alcohol stove, sink with new hand pump, Port-a-Pottie, interior in excellent condition, sleeps 4. Canvas dodger provides stand up space in all kinds of weather. Water ballasted. New canvas companion way storage cover to keep out bugs and moisture. Stored inside winters. Galvanized trailer in good condition, functional surge brakes, lights, new tires last year and Bearing Buddie bearings on all axles. Located in Walnut Valley Sailing Club slip A19. Contact Dave Leiker - 316-640-4052 dpleiker1@cox.net.

**Old Laser**- good parts for sale.... Hobie 14 boat or parts for sale . Trailers call Dan @ 687-2471 dacridge23@yahoo.com

**SNIPE** -Fiberglass Balsa core, alum. mast and boom, sails maroon hull clear natural mahogany deck. \$1500.00 CONTACT Dick @ 316-685-8611

**Wanted** - Looking to buy a Catalina 30 sailboat. Age range 1980-1990. Might be interested in fractional ownership with the right party. Contact Paul at 214-6550 or sailingks@yahoo.com.

**Wanted:** a 9.9 or 8 hp outboard motor long shaft. Call Tim Peppard at 316-838-8214.

**O'Day 25** - 1982 Furling Genoa and extra sails. Inboard Yanmar diesel, Edson wheel steering, bimini, cockpit cushions, A/C, fridge, new mast lights, porta pot, 2 batteries, stereo, trailer with tongue extension, good tires, and recent paint. 5k obo. 265-6224 Ryan or Dale

**Catalina 27** - 1977 - Length 26'10, Beam 8'10, Draft 4', Atomic 4. Two battery set-up. Dinette, aft galley interior with microwave and stove. New halyards and topping lift. Includes tandem axle trailer. Slip transfer with BOG approval. - \$5,500. Contact Marion at 316-304-4703 or Karla at 316-617-6757.

**Wanted: Sunfish** - want to buy a used sunfish. Call Irene Barkman at 620-727-3460 ibarkman@cox.net

**Used Catalina 30** tall rig full batten mainsail (\$200) and Catalina 30 tall rig 135 RF genoa (\$150) - both in good to very good condition. Two 9 corner mount inflatable dock wheels (\$75 for both). Steve and Kim Hieger Hiegerx6@cox.net 316-729-7887

**Helsen 22** - 1973. \$4,000- see full ad at helsen22forsale.com - Ready to sail, ballasted keel, swing centerboard, shallow draft (14 w/board up,) foam flotation, trailer (2007,) 6hp Evinrude (1976,) depth finder, VHF radio, 2 main sails, 2 jibs, 1 genoa, pop-top, swim ladder, located at Snyders Marina, Cheney Lake.

**San Juan 7.7.** (25'9) 1980 - Purchased in 1992 from original owner. Evinrude Saildrive Inboard motor rebuilt in 2008. All sails and equipment good. Cabin redone in 2003. Jib Furling replaced in 2003 and bottom paint job in 2006 (water based paint from Action Marine). The boat is currently in dry storage at El Dorado for the winter with cabin cushions and sails stored at home. Asking Price \$8,000 including trailer, dock box if needed, and misc parts and tools. Details and photos available on request by email to mcarter23@cox.net or by phone 316 640 3481.



# 1st NOTICE

# OPEN REGATTA

**JULY 3 & 4 ★ Saturday & Sunday**

Open to all WVSC members, Ninnescah Members, & anyone else with a keel or centerboard boat. STEP boats are available for anyone qualified that wants to borrow one.

- ★ Registration Saturday 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- ★ Zero entrance fee
- ★ Competitors Meeting 1:00 p.m.
- ★ 2 Races Saturday starting at 2:00 p.m.
- ★ 2 Races Sunday starting at 2:00 p.m.
  
- ★ 2 starts for each race – 1st start keels, 2nd start centerboards
- ★ Everyone provides their own drinks & food
- ★ Award presentation at 5:00 PM Sunday
- ★ Awards will be miscellaneous nautical goodies
  
- ★ 1st Keel 1st selection by Skipper & crews
- ★ 1st C'bd 2nd selection by Skipper & crew
- ★ 2nd Keel 3rd selection by skipper & crew etc. until all goodies are gone

If you know of anyone with a boat, invite them as this is an opportunity for them to get acquainted with our club & members. If you have any questions, contact Ken Rix.

# 2010 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.

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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 14 through July 1
- 2nd session: July 5 through July 22



### 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

## SUMMER 2010 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 14 - July 1 \_\_\_\_ Session 2- July 5 - July 22

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signature

**Parent's Signature if under 17 years old.**

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



P.O. Box 20076  
Wichita, KS 67208-1076



# HARBOR WORK PARTY

22 May 2010 • 9:00am to 1:00pm

**Projects Include:**

Dinghy Dock Bumpers  
Repair work on A and B docks

**Equipment to Bring:**

Battery Powered Drills  
Skill Saws

**Contact Earl McIntyre 685-5607**

