

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

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NOVEMBER 2007

CALENDAR:

November 3	CSSA Meeting Tulsa, OK
November 10	Annual Meeting
November 11	Veterans Day
November 15	Board Meeting
November 22	Thanksgiving
December 1	Holiday Party

From the Bow Pulpit

Another year has come and gone in the life of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club at El Dorado Lake. It is the 70th year of our existence from the beginnings of the Wichita Sailing Club, founded in 1937, and our 21st year as WVSC at El Dorado Lake. We've gone from an L-shaped dock and one concrete ramp to our present facility with a picnic shelter, two ramps, a widened walkway, many more slips, a larger dry storage area, an active sail training program, and an Activities Center on the water.

Have we reached our maturity? Will we continue "as is" for a while, or will we grow in numbers and improved facilities? Our membership has been static for a number of years. Our budget has remained constant, with marginal annual increases for some years, and we have open slips on the water. We have room for growth in membership with our open slips. We may be close to capacity when we have turnouts for social events as experienced in 2007. Hopefully, that will continue and we will experience growth by the necessity to meet the needs of our membership for more social activities and sailing events. Time will tell.

As of this writing (Sunday, October 21), we will have the floatation enhancement project for the Activities Center completed in the next week. The water has been turned off and the Club facilities will be winterized. Most boats will be pulled from the water and only the truly hardy sailors will continue "going out" in the coming months. The time for settling in for the winter has begun.

You are invited to the Annual Meeting on Saturday, November 10, at the House of Schwan. You should have received your official notice in the mail by the time you read this and another is included in this issue as a reminder. It is the time for all members to join together to hear reports of our activities this year and plans for the future. I hope you will make this a priority this year and be there.

Christie and I look forward to hosting the Annual Christmas/Holiday Party at our home near Benton in rural Butler County. The Invitation is included in this issue.

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting and at our house on December 1st.

Holiday Greetings to One and All. I pray for Peace throughout the world. It has been a wonderful ride as your Commodore. I look forward to working with our new Officers and Board in the coming year.

David O. Reynolds, Commodore

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The Walnut Valley Sail Club Christmas Social

will be held at the rural residence of Commodore
David and Christie Reynolds, on

**Saturday, December 1, 2007,
beginning at 7 p.m.**

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 the Walnut Valley Sailing Club, P.O.
Box 20076, Wichita, KS 67208-1076, before November
26, 2007. 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.

A Sailor's Rescue - Mel Wade

When down in the dumps, folks start crying
When down in the dumps, some even go buying

But I believe what's better than wailing
Is go to the dumps and —come out sailing.

Let me explain before psychoanalysis
Puts an end to my poeal synthesis:

I went to da dump, to da dump dump dump.
But after dumping developed a lump

In my throat as I looked at discarded treasures
And daydreamed of long past vacationing pleasures,

Afforded by a bed, a pier, or a bike
A boat, a stove, a stroller and the like.

A scavenger hunt at a Northwood's site
Soon makes you feel just about right.

As I stood by my empty trailer
Feeling deprived I spied—a sailor!

The hull of a sailboat of plastic and foam!
I couldn't resist just dragging it home.

It sat by my cottage for a year looking sad
Till a trip to the dump had me feeling so glad

That perhaps I did what you might think rash
I brought home—a Sunfish! Complete with a gash.

As I sail my "new" "Dumpster" I still feel a lump
Of guilt for returning my first boat to the dump.

Alas, this poor vessel had suffered the worst
For it had the distinction of being the first

To ever be dragged to a sanitary site
Not once, but twice. It just doesn't seem right.



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

October 25, 2007

Re: 2007 Annual Meeting Notice

Date & Time: Saturday, November 10, 2007, at 1800 hours (6:00 PM)

Place: House of Schwan, 3636 North Comotara Street, Wichita KS 67226

The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club will convene promptly after 6:00 PM. The business portion will follow the general outline of prior meetings. The meeting booklet will include an agenda, minutes from the 2006 meeting, committee reports, Board elections, the 2008 proposed budget, club awards, and general business items. The nominees for the Board of Governors for 2008-2010 are:

Deborah Chambers

John Ellison

Ernie Condon

Nominations may be made from the floor, with prior permission from the nominee.

The meeting will be followed by a potluck supper and social time. Please bring an entrée, vegetable, salad, or dessert. The House of Schwan will provide beer and soft drinks. Please abide by the House of Schwan's rules that prohibit us from bringing any alcoholic beverage, except wine, on their premises.

The Annual Meeting is the time when all members can learn of the operations of your Club and elect the members to the Board of Governors. It is your opportunity to participate in your volunteer organization. Please make an effort to be there.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Cordially,

David O. Reynolds
Commodore 2007

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). NEW PRICE \$21,000. FOR SALE BY

OWNER: 1982. Looking for a nice big boat with a slip and 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. Slip transfers with Board approval. To see this boat in the water, call Patrick at 540.3674

S/2 7.3 - 1984 24' cruiser.

OMC Saildrive. Main, 100%, 150%, and storm jib. Tandem trailer. Slip transfers with BOG approval. Price reduced to \$4,500. Call 316-540-3674.

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 22 - 1976 - with trailer.

4 horse outboard in near new condition. Boat is clean and in dry storage in the east yard. Good solid boat. \$3000 OBO Contact Dave or Tony at (316) 691-9405 or (316) 772-1216 Email: dave.theotherside@hotmail.com

Prindle 15. Excellent condition, new trampoline. White hulls, yellow deck, 1983, with trailer. \$1150 OBO. In Oklahoma City. Call (405) 844-0292 or email andyandjulie@cox.net.



Cape Dory Typhoon. 1973 -

This rare, classic 19' full keel boat is in excellent shape and has been lovingly taken care of. The hull topsides, deck, and bottom are in excellent shape. All running rigging replaced in 2007. Comes with newly restored set of sails (2007-Sailcare), Main Jib, Genoa, Spinnaker, and a brand new storm tri-sail. The boat comes with a beautiful 2004 Triad Trailer with the float off package and tongue extension. The trailer is galvanized with stainless brakes and brand new 'D' rated heavy load tires. The boat trails easily! The boat is a joy to sail and launches and loads easily at any ramp. The boat also includes a 2005 Nissan 3.5 HP outboard. My family has grown so much that the five of us cannot sail in her comfortably any more, so we are moving up to a larger boat. The boat is in the water and may be viewed on C Dock. Have \$10,000 invested, but will consider any reasonable offer. Make offer. Call Matt @ (316) 708-2800 or email me at matt@itieng.com.

Oday 25 — 1975. Ready to sail; good condition; swing keel; 9.9 Evinrude; full set of sails; nice cabin; trailer; anchor; two-way VHF marine radio; port-a-potty; life jackets; refrigerator; CD player. Includes slip at NSA (per Board approval). \$4,500. Call Doug at 316.773.0246 or 316.305.4091.

COLUMBIA 26 Mk II w/ trailer - WENDIGO III. Fully restored last year. New gauges. New interior. Asking \$8000. OBO. Call 316-619-0003

Winter storage. I'm looking for someplace to store my boat for several months during the winter inside, hopefully near Wichita. I want to do some work on it. Please call or email me any info you have on inside storage, please? Thanks, Jeff Lane tel #650-4660, email: drjlane@hotmail.com

Hobie Outback SUV Kayak - 2006

- with TrailEx aluminum trailer. The boat with options cost \$2000, the Trailer \$800. Asking \$1800 for both. The Kayak includes beach wheels, sail kit, and outriggers. This is the sit-upon kayak with peddles, paddle, and sail. Go to Hobie.com to see a movie about the peddle feature, it is remarkable. Call or email, Frank Hopper, 316-641-6136, fhopper@cox.net

South Coast 23 -

STARDUST - Original Carl Alberg design. 1969. Completely rebuilt in 2002. Original red gelcoat hull. New teak. New Schaeffer roller furler and 130% genoa. New mainsail cover. Lazy jacks. Spinnaker & pole on deck chocks. New Harken traveler and mainsheet. New Harken boom vang. Two halyard winches on mast. All new running rigging. New rubber rub strip. Automatic bilge pump. Three anchors, new rode and chain on each. Marine head. 5hp Seagull Silver Century+ F/N/R outboard. Tandem axle trailer. Full cabin & cockpit cushions in good shape. Also includes two sets of foul weather gear. Hand held marine band VHF radio, hand held Magellen GPS and several good quality life jackets. \$6000.00 FOB Wichita, Kansas (316) 722-8983

Board Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Minutes Subject to Correction

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2007

Call to Order: Commodore Reynolds called the meeting to order at 1904 hours at the office of Steve Mardis, 9415 East Harry, Suite 603, Wichita, KS. Board members present were David Reynolds, Steve Mardis, Kathy Malcom, John Carter, Pat Boyarski, Ken Rix and DeAun Warfield. Members absent: Jerry Brady, John McCabe. Guests: Janis Cooper, Don Chism.

Approval of the September 2007 Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the September 13, 2007, meeting were reviewed and submitted for discussion. A motion was made to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

August Treasurer's Report: Kathy Malcom reported the cash balance for September 30, 2007 was \$15,763. We currently have 112 regular members. No new members, resignations or terminations were reported. After a review and discussion, a motion was made by John Carter to accept the Treasurer's report. Pat Boyarski seconded. Motion passed

Committee Reports

Finance Committee – Don Chism: Don presented the 2008 Proposed Budget. He also presented a three-year financial forecast for WVSC. After a review of minor changes in the budget, he expressed that the club is in good financial health. Don will be presenting the proposed budget and forecast at the November Annual meeting.

Nominating Committee – Janis Cooper: Janis, Nominating Committee Chairperson, reported the 2008 Board of Governors nominees. Within the bylaws of WVSC, three members have been slated: Debbie Chambers, Ernie Condon, and John Ellison. Thanks to each of them! We are grateful for their willingness to serve. The Nominating Committee members included Michelle Carlini, Pat Boyarski, Don Chism, and Gary Pierce. Elections will be held at the November Annual meeting.

Janis also addressed the Board with concerns of the general membership's lack of volunteerism in all areas of leadership. All felt the majority of the membership is engaging the privileges of membership in an all volunteer sailing organization without the willingness of serving. Janis made a number of suggestions to the Board for future use. The Board will revisit this concern in future meetings. Thanks to Janis and this committee for their commitment to enhancing our club's leadership.

Old Business: The Floatation project is underway. A contract has been received from Atlantic Meeco. A down payment has been made to begin work. At this time, Atlantic Meeco is looking to have the project completed possibly by the end of October.

The current lake level is slightly below pool level.

Repairs to the docks were made at the September work party.

The newsletter mailing list is currently being revised. The Commodore made a recommendation to update the mailing list monthly. After the November mailing, the list will be evaluated again.

The circulation fan in the clubhouse has been installed and is operating.

The CSSA Annual meeting will be held Saturday, November 3, 2007, in Tulsa. We will be sending someone to represent WVSC. At this time, we will not be bidding on any regattas for the 2008 sailing season, unless someone volunteers to chair the regatta prior to the November 3 meeting date. Ken Rix reported that no one has contacted him in response to the request in the October Windword for a regatta chair.

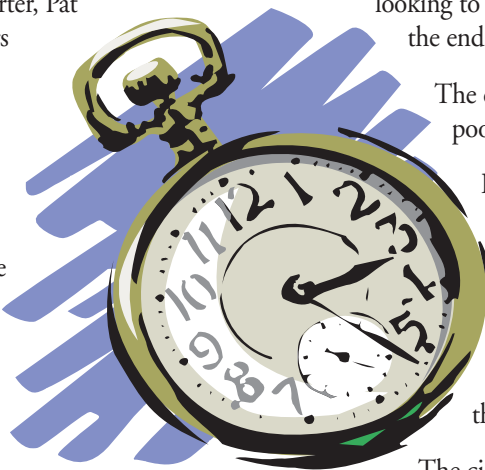
Committee reports are due for the Annual meeting. Committee Chairpersons have been contacted to turn in reports to Commodore Reynolds by October 22, 2007.

New Business: No new business.

Member Concerns: John Carter is recommending that the Commodores plaque, which is in the clubhouse, needs to be updated. The Past Commodore and present Commodore need to be added. The Commodore volunteered to get the plaque updated.

Reporting for absent member John McCabe, John Carter revisited the situation of boats in dry storage that are present with members no longer in the club. The property owner of one boat has been contacted numerous times and the removal date has passed. Discussion was held. David Reynolds will be contacting legal advice for the removal of the boat.

Kathy Malcom noted there are additional boats in dry storage with no current membership. These past members will be contacted to remove their boats.



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Closing Remarks: The October social will be the Men's Ethnic Cook-off on October 13, 2007.

The water will be turned off by Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks at the lake on /about October 15, 2007. The Wednesday morning group will be winterizing the clubhouse the following Wednesday, October 17. Portable toilets have been scheduled for delivery prior to the water shut off.

The Annual meeting will be November 10, 2007, 6-10pm. Meeting notices will be sent within 30 days prior to the meeting per our By-Laws.

The club Christmas party will be held December 1, 2007, at the home of David and Christie Reynolds. Marilyn Grisham, Social Activities Co-Chair, is planning the event.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2007, at 1900 at the office of Steve Mardis, 9415 East Harry, Suite 603, Wichita, KS. This meeting will be held after the 2007 Annual Meeting.

Adjournment: Having no further business, Ken Rix motioned to adjourn. Steve Mardis seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2125 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

DeAun Warfield, Secretary

I Didn't Go to Church Today

I didn't go to church today,
I trust the Lord to understand.
The sea was swirling blue and white,
The children swirling on the sand.
He knows, He knows how brief my stay,
How brief this spell of summer weather.
He knows when I am said and done,
We'll have a plenty of time together.

—Ogden Nash