THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

OCTOBER 2008

CALENDAR:

October 4	Last Race Series
October 13	Columbus Day
October 13	Deadline for Turning in Work Credits
October 16	Board Meeting
October 31	Halloween
November 4	Election Day
November 8	WVSC Annual Meeting

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From the Binnacle

am writing this column on the first day of fall and what a beautiful day it is. The leaves are beginning to reveal their brilliant autumn colors and the mornings are becoming brisk. Let's enjoy this season of the year by sailing as often as possible.

On September 20th the weather cooperated for our first ever Mongolian barbeque. This social was a unique opportunity for many members and their guests to enjoy great food and good fellowship. Many thanks to Clark and Debbie Chambers and all their capable co-workers for making this occasion another great success for WVSC. Be sure and check out the great photos of this event on our website – thanks to Bruce Ward for taking all the pictures, including one of my beautiful six-month old granddaughter dressed in the Patriot Dream shirt.

On Saturday, October 4th the final club regatta is scheduled. For all you racers it's time to put forth your best effort and earn those final points toward the club championship. Many thanks to Ken Rix and all who served on race committee duty for making this racing season successful.

On Saturday, October 11th there will be a Chili Cook-Off starting at 5 PM. So come and enjoy the festivities and bring your favorite chili recipe. Who knows, your chili may be the top choice of our chili judges. After the Chili Cook-Off there will be a sunset sail sponsored by the Sailing Activities Committee.

Attention all committee chairpersons. It is time to report all work credits earned by our members – please mail this information to the WVSC post office box no later than October 15th. All our members who contributed their time to various projects will greatly appreciate it.

Starting the first week in November all club members who have an E-mail address will NOT receive a printed copy of the Windword. The Board approved this action to decrease our publishing and postage expenses.

Later this month the water will be turned off. So for some of our skippers it's time to begin thinking about decommissioning. For those who have concerns or questions about this process, just talk to one or more of our more experienced members who can assist you with answers to your questions. They will be more than willing to assist you in this important aspect of caring for your sailboat.

Recently I met Stephen and Diana Smith, two of our most recent new members. They had nothing but good things to say about WVSC and its members. It is always refreshing to hear how our club is held in high esteem by those who eagerly desire to become affiliated with WVSC.

Hoping to see you soon - sailing on Lake El Dorado.

John W. Carter, Commodore



September Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING *Minutes Subject to Correction* THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm. The following Board members attended: John Carter, Ken Rix, Kathy Malcom, Ernie Condon, Steve Mardis, Debbie Chambers, John Ellison, and Jerry Brady.

Opening Remarks: Commodore Carter stated that attendance at the Pirates Treasure Hunt was great and that the following social was enjoyed by all in attendance. He also advised the Board that the electrical work on the shelter house has been completed and the new outlets have been installed. He then read a thank you note from the WSU students thanking all that helped make their day at the lake a great experience.

Approval of August meeting minutes: A motion to approve the August minutes was made and seconded and the minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Ernie Condon reported that there are two new couples requesting membership. Stanley and Jan McLuen and Steve and Diana Smith were approved for membership pending receipt of their payments. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report from August was made and approved.

Committee Reports: Activity Center: Debbie Chambers reported that a new shower head and faucet in the men's bathroom have been installed. No work on the ceiling has been done due to the amount of humidity and rainfall which could adversely affect the results. Plans are for the ceiling to be refinished at a later date which may be next year. The repair of the screen doors is to be done at the final work party day when the club house is winterized. Finally, Clark Chambers is continuing to search for a storage shed that will meet the weight limits of the dock. When an appropriate solution is identified he will again present a plan to the Board. **Old Business:** Commodore Carter stated there is still some confusion from the general membership regarding the club's position on alcohol use. Individuals may bring and consume alcohol if they wish. However, the club will not pay for any alcohol that is served at the lake. If any member has questions about this policy they may contact the Commodore or any Board member.

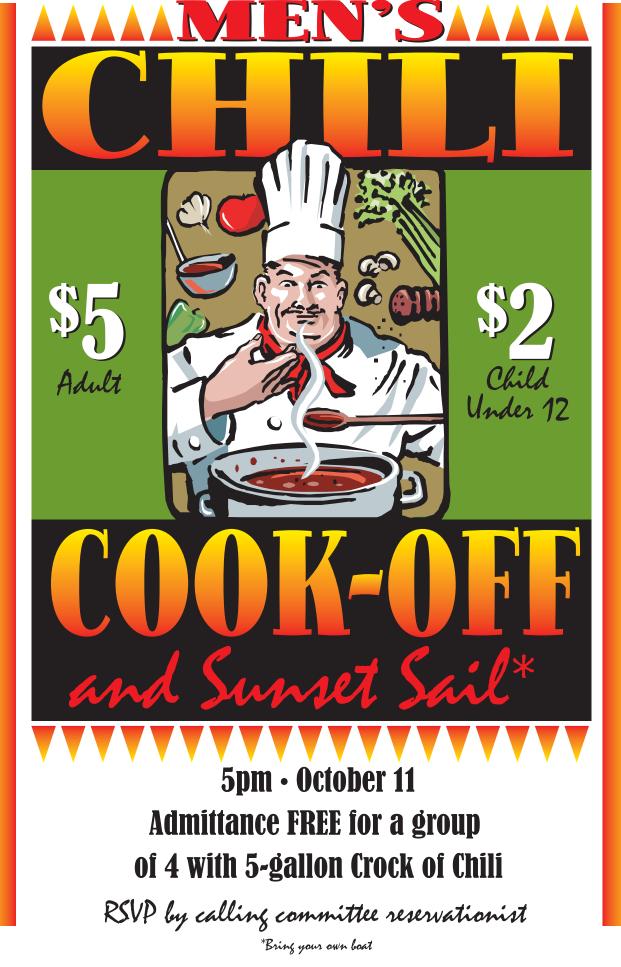
New Business: Commodore Carter reported that since the repairs to the pontoon boat have been completed it has come to his attention that its anchor rode is inadequate in length. Also the anchor rode on the race committee boat is very stiff and its chain is too heavy for the boat. To replace these items through West Marine would cost approximately \$370. Commodore Carter stated that he has two anchor rodes and chains which are appropriate for both the pontoon boat and the race committee boat. He also has a Danforth anchor suitable for the pontoon boat. After discussion a motion was made and approved to purchase these items for \$200.

Commodore Carter also advised all Board members to contact their committee chairs to remind them that work credits need to be mailed to the WVSC post office box by Oct.15th.

Member Concerns: No member concerns were presented at this time.

Closing Remarks: Commodore Carter reminded the Board that the next social will be a Mongolian BBQ on Sept. 20th. A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, **Deborah Reynolds** – Secretary



OCTOBER RACING STUFF

The racing season is almost over. The last race series is October 4th , which hopefully will be a beautiful day. This year we have had too many races cancelled because of weather.

I would propose next year we make several changes in the format. Since I won't be the Racing Activities Committee Chairman next year, I won't have to implement any changes or take the guff when things go wrong. My suggestions:

Continue to alternate Saturdays & Sundays with 2 race days per month.

Change #1: Start the first race at 2:00, with competitors meeting at 1:00 PM. There is too much time wasted now between the 11:00 first race start & the 2:00 2nd race start, sailing to the starting area, returning after the race, eating lunch, & returning to the starting area. Have slightly shorter, e.g. 45-minute, races.

Change #2: If the day of the initially scheduled races has inclement weather, postpone the series to Sunday of the next week. Postponing a Saturday race to the following Saturday would possibly interfere with a club social event (or those people who have a social life other than sailing). All potential racers would be notified by e-mail, so at least 6 days notice would be given. If that Sunday's weather is bad the races would be cancelled.

Change #3: Having the Race Committee provide the meals after the races has not been successful. I would propose everyone provide their own sandwiches, or whatever, for a light supper. Race results would be calculated then & corrected time differences, & other stuff discussed.

Change #4: Cut down on bureaucracy. On the volunteer sign-up sheet there would only be a RC head, & 1 or 2 helpers for each day. If a race is postponed, the RC & helpers are on tap for the postponed race. There would be no Regatta Chairman & no food preparation volunteers.

These are my thoughts. You have 3 months to get your head wrapped around them. As my boss once said, "You can disagree with me, but why jeopardize your whole future".



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 30 tall rig - 1982 with trailer and transferable slip. Inboard gasoline engine, roller furling headsail, wheel steering, stereo, cockpit cushions. For sale by owner. \$19,000. To see this boat in the water, call Patrick at 316.540.3674.

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

Catalina 25 - Kansas Twister- 2005 overall national champion. Fin keel 4' draft. Very nice, well maintained. One owner. Complete set both racing and cruising sails including spinnakers and spinnaker gear. Tandem road trailer, 8 HP Mariner outboard, many upgrades have been made. Asking \$12,000 contact Gary Shepard 316-259-3074 or 685-1624

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.

Oday 26 – 1984- Dual axle trailer, 9.9 HP Yamaha with electric start, shoal draft with centerboard, Roller furling 130 Genoa, additional jib, main sail w/ cover. Bimini, ice box, propane 2 burner stove, enclosed marine head, radio, AM/FM cassette stereo, depth finder, knot meter, compass, cockpit cushions, canvas covers, anchor and rode, shore power connection and cable, fire extinguishers, companionway and hatch screens, marine head, hanging locker, sink, and opening ports. Spacious enough for 4-6 adults, folding table in main cabin, galley with sink, large icebox. LOA 25' 8.5in. LWL 21' 7in. Beam 8'. Draft 2'6in / 6'. Displacement 4800. Ballast 1850. Sail Area 278 sq ft. \$11,000 - Edward E Evans edward.evans@ka-group.com 316-841-2734.

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"



14' Hobie One, 1994, \$500. This is a very sturdy boat for 2 or 3 people. Call Texie Randle, 729-6358 for details or view in the NSA Yard by the youth boats. The two sails are in good condition.

Tartan 28 - Konia Too- 1987 with trailer. 9' 10" beam draws 3' 11" with 8,000 lb displacement. Double spreader rig with Harken roller furler, 150% and 135% genoas. Raymarine instruments including autopilot. Bimini. New teak and holly cabin sole. Beautiful teak and upholstery below. CNG range with oven; stereo; VHF. Drop-in air conditioning. Yanmar diesel inboard. Slip transfers to new owner with Board Approval. \$35,000. To see this lovely yacht in the water, 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.

O'Day 27. 1979 True Love for Sale -Avaliable 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 440cca 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 \$10,500.00. Yes, you can buy True Love!!! Contact Allen Hale at 316-461-4253.

1977 Laser - Custom built trailer. All sails and rigging hardware included. Second spare rudder and spare tire for trailer. Instruction book for rigging. Kansas lake decal, expiration date 2009. Price: \$800.00 Cash or cashier's check only, no personal checks accepted. Contact: Gary Love 316-683-8382 gary-love@sbcglobal.net **Macgregor 26X**. 1997, with trailer. 50 hp Mercury four-stroke – also 1997. Spinnaker, furling genoa, mainsail with reefs, unused jib. Mainsail cover, bimini and cover, sink and alcohol stove in cabin, private head with sink, cockpit cushions, solar panel, dual batteries, GPS, new compass. \$16,000. Call Ernie at 316-733-8920.

Wooden Sunfish with trailer for sale-\$100.00. Call Steve at (316) 540-0462.

Tohatsu 3.5 hp outboard long shaft, 2007, only used 4 times last summer, basically like new, just broken in. \$500.00 call 721-1050

WANTED: parts to fit an older Catalina 22, especially, lifeline stanchions and stern rail, 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-B-Q, 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 22, 7.5 Mercury, and trailer (1974). In very good condition, ready for the lake (currently in a boat slip). \$2,500. Gary Wilson 322-0089 or 322-2005. Reason for selling, too busy to use.

Chrysler 26' Sailboat 1977—Heavy-duty trailer, 9.8 horsepower Nissan outboard, 3 head sails, double reef main sail, swing keel, enclosed head, 2 burner alcohol stove, sleeps 6. Boat Located at Lake Tenkiller in Cookson, Oklahoma. Call Andy: 479-414-3260 or Dennis: 316-517-2169 for more info. or to view.



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WVSC ANNUAL MEETING

WHERE: HOUSE OF SCHWANNWHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8WHAT: POT LUCK DINNER AT 6:00 P.M. FOLLOWED BY BUSINESS MEETING November 8, 2008