

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

Website: www.wvsailing.com

FEBRUARY 2007

CALENDAR:

Feb. 2	Groundhog Day
Feb. 12	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
Feb. 14	Valentine's Day
Feb. 22	George Washington's Birthday

New Clubhouse Phone Number

316-841-4776

This is a Wichita phone number, so it may be necessary to dial the area code when calling from El Dorado.

From the Bow Pulpit

It seems that each month when I write this column, we are receiving some weather in the form of moisture – last month it was rain; today (January 20) it is snow, and a very beautiful snow, I must admit. It looks like we have received about 5 inches here so far. That will probably turn out to be about 2 inches of moisture. It will probably have a minimal impact on our Lake level, but will add needed moisture to our fields and ponds in the agricultural areas. Our Lake remains about 5.5 feet below pool level and we are continually monitoring it with regard to our floating docks, walkways and Activity Center.

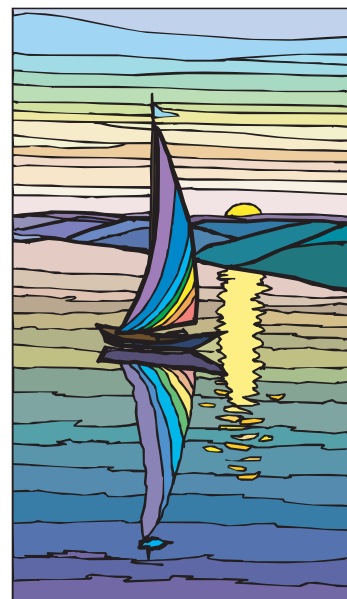
As you will see from other articles in this newsletter, we are progressing with our plans for an eventful sailing season. We have a new Windword Editor, the Racing Committee has its schedule ready to present to the membership, the Social Committee is about to plan another fun season, and we have all but one Committee Chair appointed. Look at all of the opportunities available for you to involve yourself in the wonderful world of our sailing and social community!

I am working with Bruce Ward, Public Relations, to update and enhance our website to provide a “one touch” place to get information on our Club and our activities. Bruce would like to have some assistance in the Public Relations area – someone who is interested in promoting our Club and informing the Wichita area of our activities; someone who can work with our Membership Committee to increase and maintain our membership level; someone who is excited about our sailing, racing and social functions and wants to share them with the World! Think about it—you might just be that person. Contact Bruce or me for more information.

Now is a good time to think about all these things and contact one or more of the Committee Chairs to volunteer your time and talents to your Club. Select your spot and be prepared to carry the banner for WVSC to the benefit of all our members. Be sure to read the Minutes from your Board meetings to keep up on the business of your Club. Those of you who have not paid your 2007 dues and fees – we would like to hear from you to continue your membership and support us financially. We don't like to lose a member.

And a Happy Ground Hog Day to one and all. That means the sailing season will be upon us in no time. Start working on the boat (David, that means you, too!), get the sailing gear out and make it ready for the season, think about taking a sailing lesson or refresher course this summer with STEP – the excitement is building! And don't forget to spend a little time thinking positively about moisture in the air to raise the Lake Level!

David O. Reynolds, *Commodore*



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**ATTENTION!
ALL WVSC MEMBERS**



2007 RACING ACTIVITIES INFORMATION MEETING

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11th
2-4 PM
GANDER MOUNTAIN**

Come and learn about the 2007 Racing Season at WVSC:

- Race Calendar
- Regatta Format
- CSSA Regattas hosted by WVSC
- And more...

Get your racing questions answered, and get ready for another racing season full of fun and friendly competition.

Novice and veteran racers are all welcome! Never raced before, but want to give it a try?

We'll help introduce you to the fun and exhilaration of sailboat racing!



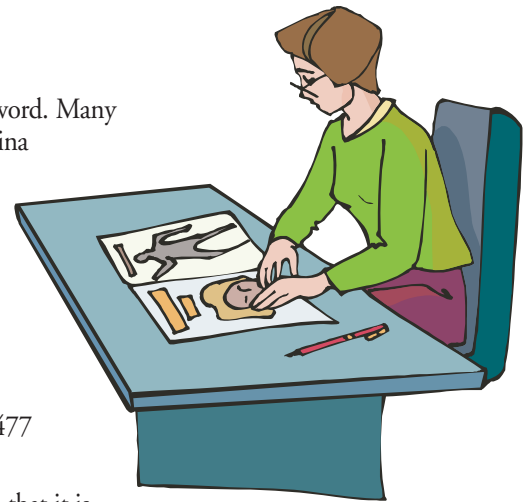
Say Hello to Nikki

I am pleased to announce that Nikki Rincker has agreed to serve as Editor for the Windword. Many of you know her. She and her husband, Greg, joined the Club in 2000. They sail a Catalina 22 and have a slip near the clubhouse, so you will see them regularly at the lake.

Nikki worked most recently for the Wichita Bar Association, where one of her jobs was to put together the monthly magazine for them called the Bar-O-Meter. I am a member of that association and have read the magazine every month for many years, so I can attest to the great job she did for WBA. If she can please a bunch of fussy lawyers, she will have no problem with the genteel members of Walnut Valley!

Starting immediately, please send to Nikki any material you have for the Windword. Her E-mail address is: tensfan@cox.net and she can be reached by phone at 316-832-0477 in Wichita. As always, please help her by checking your work for spelling and grammar.

My thanks to Nikki for taking on this job. Volunteers are what make WVSC the great club that it is.



Bruce Ward, Public Relations Committee

Newsletter Submission Guidelines

1. All submissions for the Newsletter are to be submitted to the editor no later than the 20th of each month. The editor for the Newsletter is:

Nikki Rincker
316-832-0477
tensfan@cox.net

2. Please note the change in the submission deadline. The editor must have your material by the 20th of the month so the material can be reviewed, edited if necessary, packaged and sent to the publisher by the 25th of the month. Any material submitted after the deadline, may not appear in the next issue.

3. All material submitted should be prepared in electronic form and emailed to the editor at tensfan@cox.net. Documents should be written in Microsoft Word and attached to the E-mail message. Graphics, photos, artwork, charts, etc, should be prepared in JPG, TIF, or PDF format and attached to the E-mail message.

4. Please name your document with a descriptive title. (Example: Midnight Sail.doc) When documents coming in from multiple sources with a generic name (Example: doc1_.doc), there is a risk that something may be seen as a duplicate and missed.

5. Please proofread your material for spelling and grammar errors.

6. If you want the same material repeated a second time or more, don't assume that this will happen automatically. You must re-submit the material for each month you want the material published.

7. When you submit material, please give clear instructions on how you wish the material to be published. Please submit your material as close to final form as possible. **If your article includes a picture, two files need to be sent—the text document and the picture.** List the name of the author or contact person at the end of the article or notice and appropriate contact phone numbers and email addresses.

Thank you.

Bruce Ward, Public Relations Committee

Windword Checklist

- ✓ Submit by e-mail the **20th** of each month.
- ✓ Document has been created & saved in Microsoft Word. Any graphics in the document also need to be sent separately.
- ✓ Document has been proofread and spell-checked.
- ✓ Document has been named descriptively.
- ✓ Supporting files, such as pictures or illustrations have been attached to your email.



Board Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNOR MEETING

Minutes Subject to Correction

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2007

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

PRESENT: David Reynolds,
Ken Rix, Steve Mardis, John Carter,
Kathy Malcom, John McCabe, Pat Boyarski, DeAun Warfield

ABSENT: Jerry Brady

CALL TO ORDER: Commodore David Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER MINUTES: The minutes of the December 2006 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Malcom, second by Rix, motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kathy Malcom presented the Treasurer's report. Currently, the club has 112 regular members. There were two (2) Resignations/Terminations: Kenneth and Mary Lee Gebhardt, Sr. and Gregory and Melody Capsel. Nine (9) members remain unpaid. They will receive a second reminder. A request was made by Greg and Helen Joyce to change to Inactive status. Carter made a motion to approve. Seconded by Rix. Motion passed. The December 2006 Treasurer's report was reviewed. Rix motioned to approve. McCabe seconded. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORT: Discussion was held concerning whether to continue with committee reporting to the Board for 2007. A decision was made to continue with specific committees - Social, Building and Grounds, Harbor and Racing. Each of these committees will be asked to present a report (current/future plans) to the Board no later than the May 2007 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Commodore Reynolds reported we have a new newsletter editor for the Windword. Nikki Rincker has volunteered. Thanks Nikki!

Clark Chambers submitted a written report for the flotation project. He is currently looking at another company for a contrast bid. He is also continuing his research with the HVAC project. He is trying to combine projects to make sure the dock flotation system will have sufficient flotation with the additional weight of the proposed HVAC project, if approved, or any other future needs.

Commodore Reynolds noted that the lake water level is currently 5.5 feet below pool level. The electricity to the docks will be rerouted due to complications with the water level. It will be reconnected through a flexible joint so electricity will continue to operate the hydro hoists and bubblers for the winter months.

Commodore Reynolds also reported twelve (12) beaver have been removed from the inlet area west of our docks. It has been requested that members who visit the facilities in the winter months and see new beaver activity should report it to Gene Nold or the Commodore.

At this time, the floating docks have been disconnected and will continue to have some bracing adjustments to relieve stress due to the

low water level. Gene Nold, in coordination with the Harbor Committee, will head this effort. Kudos to Gene.

New Committee Chair assignments are as follows: Harbor - Greg Rincker; Social - Marilyn Grisham and Debbie Chambers; Powerboat Chair - open position. We are also looking for someone to head the public and media relations aspect of our Public Relations Committee to assist Chair Bruce Ward. If anyone is interested in either the powerboat or public relations committee, contact the Board Liaison or Commodore Reynolds.

Discussion was held concerning having a club presence at the upcoming Wichita Boat Show and as liaison to the Red Cross Boating Classes. John McCabe volunteered to research this project.

NEW BUSINESS: Schedules and Membership lists are being compiled for the Membership handbook. Distribution date is set for the first social in May.

The Building and Grounds committee will handle the grass-mowing contract for 2007.

The club activities calendar is in process of coordinating both the racing and social calendar.

Racing schedules will be presented at the February 11, 2007, general membership meeting.

John Carter discussed a maintenance plan for the First Aid kits located in the Activities Center next to the freezer. In 2006, John and Tess inventoried and re-stocked the kits. This had not been done on a regular basis in the past. The club is looking for a volunteer to continue this project. If interested, contact John Carter.

MEMBER CONCERNS: Discussion was held concerning inactive status vs. affiliated member status.

CLOSING REMARKS: Members are encouraged to use the club website for information and updates.

The Long Range Planning Committee is still working on projects. The board is asking the committee to report status soon so projects can start early in the 2007 sailing season.

The public relations/membership committee is looking for new members. Contact Bruce Ward if you are interested.

A Racing Activities Meeting for general membership will be held February 11, 2007, at Gander Mountain. Refer to an article in the February newsletter for further information.

The February 2007 Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2007, 7PM, at the office of Steve Mardis, 9415 East Harry, Suite 603, Wichita KS

Meeting adjourned, 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

DeAun Warfield, Secretary

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".



ACTION MARINE has moved to a new location, 13906 SW US Hwy 54, Andover, KS 67002. 316/733-0589 or 800/799-SAIL. web site: actionsail.com e-mail: actionm@swbell.net

Cal 9.2 (30ft). 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 and suitcase A/C. CD player. Custom road trailer. Slip transfers with Board approval. Price reduced to \$27,500. To see this boat in the water, call Patrick at 540.3674

Prindle 19 - 1987 with trailer, equipment box, sail tube. Ready to go for only \$1200. Call Patrick at 316-540-3674.

S/2 7.3 - 1984 24' cruiser. OMC Saildrive. Main, 100%, 150%, and storm jib. Tandem trailer. Slip transfers with BOG approval. \$5,000. Call 316-540-3674.

2001 Keystone Cabana Camper, Model M

- 1975, 20 ft., popout queen size sleeping berth, microwave, sleeps 6 or 4 very comfortably, great AC. \$5900. Call Barbara at 393-7823 or email bjquad@aol.com for info and pix.

Radio Controlled Model Yacht, East Coast 12 Meter. Ozmun Hull. This is a 1/12th scale model of a 1962 Americas cup defender. Former regatta winner. The hull is 5ft long with approximately a 23lb displacement. Three (3) complete rigs are included: The "A" rig stands approximately 6ft tall and is the largest of the three rigs. I also have the "B" and "C" rigs for higher wind applications. All three rigs feature clear mylar sails just like the big boys, and aluminum masts and booms with carbon-fiber spreader bars. It doesn't get any more real then this... the boat has adjustable backstay, shrouds, forstay, topping lift for jib and main, and boom-vang, downhauls and outhauls. Includes a rechargeable 4ch Futaba radio to control the rudder, mainsail, jib, and jib kicker. Includes many extras such as a cradle, extra rechargeable battery for the receiver, extra carbon spreader-bars, the EC12 tuning manual and more. When fully charged, in moderate winds, this boat gets about 4hrs of sailing time! Hull is white with a blue deck, and is blue below the waterline. Fast and impressive on the water. Call 993.8959 or e-mail jw@jonathanwooddesign.com for more information or pictures or to come check it out in person. Over \$2500 new, asking \$1575obo. Jonathan Wood.

Starfish - 1978. Red Regular with trailer. Best offer. Bobbie Keltner. 316-722-5621

J/24 - 1981 - IOD racing boat. Like new, fresh throughout, on custom trailer. Near-new Nissan 3.5hp outboard. Numerous excellent sails onboard, including spinnaker. Similar boats typically run many thousands more with no trailer and no sails. Bottom never painted—smooth as glass. Price=\$9,900. If interested, contact me at thomsond@ksu.edu or by phone, 785-764-3063.

Laser 28 -1985, with a very nice sail inventory. Main and 150, 2 years old used only for racing. 3 year old near new 107 blade. Nice cruising sails include main, 150 light air, 2nd blade, 80, and 3 spinnakers. Currently not installed rolling furler w/sail. New taktick speed, heading, depth race master combo in 2006. Complete hull refurbish in 2006 including all gelcoat cracks repaired above and below waterline. Removed old barrier coat & completed new. Entire hull painted original white. New toe rail in 2006. The hull looks brand new. New head and life lines in 2005. Cushions re-covered in 2006. Comes with double axle trailer, lifting hoist and lots of extras. Asking \$24,000. I have pictures from the May '06 launch on the trailer and late October in the water and will e-mail if requested. Contact Brian Denney at 913967-4007 (work) or by e-mail at brian.denney@applebees.com

San Juan 21 Mark 2 - 1978. All sails, main, working jib, genoa, spinnaker with all spinnaker gear. Was raced in 1999 North Americans. Electrical panel for stereo, cabin lights, anchor light, running lights, depth meter, knot/trip meter. Vents, bottom paint, bow pulpit, Fleet Captain trailer with spare tire. 2 rudders, one is kick-up. Mid boom sheeting, split back stay. Well maintained, \$2,500. See at the lake in Lot #662. Contact Patrick (316) 540-3674 or Francis Toews (316) 253-1903, fntoews@swbell.net

Wanted: daysailer - good racer. We are looking for a family daysailer and good racer, 16' to 20', with spinnaker, large cockpit and cockpit benches, easily dry-sailed, with good trailer for distance travel. Examples: Wayfarer, Ideal 18, Precision 18.5, Rhodes 19, Chrysler Buccaneer, Flying Scot, Highlander, Thistle. Contact Doug Woolley: dwoolley@kumc.edu days 316-293-2607 eves 316-641-4063

**New Clubhouse
Phone Number**

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2007 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

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Calling Committee	Cheryl Wertheimer	DeAun Warfield
Club Powerboat Maintenance Committee		Steve Mardis
Dry Storage Committee	Ron Dreiling	John McCabe
Finance Committee	Don Chism	Kathy Malcom
Government Relations Liaison	Gene Nold	David Reynolds
Harbor Committee	Greg Rincker	John Carter
Long Range Planning Committee	John Carter	John Carter
Membership Committee	Donna Lynden	Steve Mardis
Public Relations Committee	Bruce Ward	David Reynolds
Racing Activities	Ken Rix	Ken Rix
Sailing Program Committee	Charles Lynden	Jerry Brady
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