

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

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JANUARY 2009

CALENDAR:

January 1	New Year's Day
January 8	WVSC Board Meeting
January 19	Martin Luther King Day
February 1	Racing Activities Meeting

From the Bow Pulpit – Again

“And a good time was had by all...” As the saying goes, that, I believe, was the response from the Club Members who attended the WVSC Christmas Holiday Party at our home on December 06. We had a good group - 60 people - and the food, prepared by Debbie Chambers, was great and mostly gone by the time everyone left. As a side note, Debbie has a small catering business and could assist you in parties in the future. Give her a call. Christie and I had a good time as hosts and enjoyed having our friends share our country home with us.

As noted elsewhere in this issue, we have many of the Committee Chairs chosen for the new year but are looking for a few more to fill out the roster. If you have an interest in one of the committees, please contact the Board Liaison or your Commodore and we will be glad to talk to you about your contributions to the Club as a working member. We are a volunteer organization, and everything that happens depends upon volunteers to make it so. Your support will be much appreciated. Individual opportunities, such as a party host, will be available through our Social Committee, as well as work parties in Building & Grounds or Harbor throughout the year.

So far, our lake level has been maintaining at normal pool so we are good for the floatation of our docks, slips and Activities Center. With normal rainfall and weather conditions, we can, hopefully, keep at some normal equilibrium over the winter so we don't have any emergency dock adjustments for water level.

We will be having some organizational meetings for social activities, club racing, and sailing activities in the coming months so keep tuned to your newsletter and the calendar on our website. Fred Harvey, our webmaster, will be updating items as he is informed of them and hopes to better serve the membership with items on our website to keep you up-to-date on happenings before they occur. Stay tuned!

As I am writing this – the weekend before Christmas – Christie and I are planning an emergency trip to South Carolina for a family funeral and a return before Christmas Day so we can host our family at home in a Christmas Day celebration. Such are the ways of life.

We hope all of you have had a Happy Christmas Holiday Season and we look forward to a New Year filled with positive change and a peaceful world. Best Wishes to you and yours from our family.

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November Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Minutes Subject to Correction

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008

December Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 pm. The meeting was held at the office of Bruce Ward. All board members were present.

Call to Order:

Commodore Reynolds thanked Bruce Ward for the use of his office for the meeting and also for providing pictures of the 2009 Board members for the web page.

Approval of November meeting minutes:

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

Treasurer's Report

Ernie Condon reported that several members had requested a change in their membership status. The requests were: Mark Rector - resignation; George Spence - resignation; Chris Hearn - resignation; Janice Cooper - applying for affiliate membership; and Richard Zeitler - requested inactive status. A motion to accept these requests was made and approved by voice vote. An additional motion was made to accept the November report. Motion was approved.

Old Business:

- A. Commodore Reynolds requested that any board liaison that has not yet found a chairperson for the committees the liaison represents please continue to work on finding someone and report back at the next board meeting.
- B. John Carter requested that the board again work on a plan to increase slip rentals. A number of suggestions were presented. The group felt that input from the finance committee is needed prior to voting on a plan. Ernie Condon will address the issue of slip rental cost to the finance committee and will present information at the next board meeting. Also Greg Rincker stated that he and Mac Carter were working on ways to increase membership and felt that any plan would need to be a part of a coordinated marketing plan. This issue was tabled until the next board meeting pending recommendations from the Finance Committee.
- C. John Carter also presented a request from Gene Plehal to have a club swap meet. Anything related to the sport of sailing

could be offered for sale or trade from the membership. John stated that Gene Plehal has agreed to chair this event and work on arranging a date and time in coordination with the social and racing schedules for the coming year.

- D. Providing a free meal or work credit to those members that help with club socials was again discussed (previously discussed at the June 2008 Board meeting). Gene Plehal has requested clarification on this policy for those who assisted him with the 2008 Shrimp Boil. After lengthy discussion, it was agreed that the host for any social shall have the authority to provide a free meal (or equivalent work credit hours) to those that have assisted the host in putting on the social. The host will advise those that are taking the money for the social with the names of those members that will receive the free meal. Ernie Condon, Treasurer, will look into the Shrimp Boil party request and coordinate with Gene Plehal on a resolution.
- E. Ernie Condon reported that the Finance committee is working on insurance coverage for the club and he will report their progress at the next board meeting.
- F. Debbie Chambers reported that work on the 2009 club hand book will be started early in January so that the new hand book will be provided to the membership prior to the start of the 2009 sailing season.
- G. Greg Rincker reported that he and Mac Carter are working on a plan to raise community awareness of WVSC and hopefully increase club membership. Greg will report on their progress at the January meeting.

New Business:

Ken Rix reported that the Racing Committee has a general plan for the racing season subject to approval of the general membership in early February 2009. A meeting is tentatively planned for February 1st at Gander Mountain (or some other suitable location) to finalize the dates and times for the 2009 racing schedule. Ken will provide a notice for the January Windword as the formal notification for this meeting. All members are invited to attend, racers and non-racers alike.

Member Concerns

None were presented.

Closing Remarks

The January board meeting will be held on January 8, 2009, at 7pm at the office of Steve Mardis, 9415 East Harry, Suite 603, Wichita KS.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Chambers, Secretary



2009 COMMITTEE LIAISON LIST

Committee	2009 Committee Chair	2009 Board Liaison
Activities Center Committee	Clark Chambers/Gene Plehal	Jerry Brady
Archivist	Janis Cooper	Jerry Brady
Building & Grounds Committee		Mike Wasson
Calling Committee	Donna Lynden	David Reynolds
Club Powerboat Maintenance Committee	John McCabe	John Carter
Dry Storage		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
STEP Program	Gary Pierce	John Ellison

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

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. \$17,000. To see this boat in the water, call Patrick at 316.540.3674.

Chrysler 26 - Complete sail-away pack age 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.



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 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.

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

Tohatsu 3.5 hp outboard long shaft, 2007, only used 4 times last summer, basically like new, just broken in. \$500 call 721-1050

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 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.

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 Scuca at 316-942-1990.

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.



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It's Clean-up Time

Gene Plehal will be hosting a Swap Meet sometime this spring at our Club so you can buy, sell, trade, barter, or give away your beloved but unwanted stuff. Any sailing-related items are fair game – boat parts, expendable items, decorative items, tools – for this event. When you are cleaning out your boat, garage, or storage space, keep this in mind and hang on to your stuff a little longer. More later when the dates are set.

Racing Activities Meeting

The Rose Room
(Just South of the Rose Hill Bank)
Rose Hill, Kansas
Sunday, Feb. 1, 2009
2:00 P.M.

This is a General membership meeting to discuss & finalize the racing calendar & general racing information for 2009.

Racing Stuff

The Racing Activities Committee this year consists of Dan Barlett, Chairman and assisted by Tedd Blankenship, Arnie Kroupa, Gary Mackey, Gene Nold, & Ken Rix – 3 Center boarders, & 3 Keelers. Please contact any of these with suggestions & ideas on how to make improvements in our program.

The General Membership Racing Meeting will be at the Rose Room, just South of the Rose Hill Bank on Sunday, February 1, at 2:00 P.M. Rose Hill is straight South of Andover about 5 or 6 miles. Anyone interested, partly interested or even bored with racing is invited to find out what new and wonderful things are envisioned for this year – or the opportunity to make other suggestions, or vote against everything. Anyway, mark your calendar for February 1 and plan on coming. Lots of neat stuff will be discussed including when races will be held, alternate dates, & a new method of keeping cumulative scores.

Mark your calendar again. A race training session is scheduled for 2:00 P.M., Sunday, April 5, at the Pizza Hut in Andover. The main subject will be ways to beat Brett Warfield. On Sunday, April 26, at 2:00 P.M., we have scheduled a race committee training/ refresher class at the lake. This class will include laying out courses & starting lines, an easy way to keep track of starting & race timing, flags, horns, and a “hands on” powerboat introduction. If it's inclement weather on April 26, it will be postponed to May 10.

We are looking forward to an exciting racing season. Hope you are also.