

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

Website: www.wvsailing.com

JUNE 2007

CALENDAR:

- June 3 Club Regatta
- June 9 Capri 14.2 Orientation
- June 16 Club Regatta
- June 15 Movie Night
- June 17 Father's Day
- June 23 Island Party
- June 24 Ladie's Day Sail
- June 4 Independence Day
- July 8 Club Regatta
- July 21 Club Regatta

From the Bow Pulpit

We officially opened our Racing Season with the first regatta yesterday – two have been “blown out” so far - and the opening of our Social Season last night (May 19) with the Blessing of the Fleet and a new members recognition dinner. When members signed up for supper, they received the 2007 Handbook insert. Grandma's family-style supper was catered by the Cassoday Café. It was mighty good! About 90 members and guests feasted on fried chicken, ham and all the fixin's. A Big WVSC Thank You to the Chisms and Carlinis for hosting this evening.

We also celebrated the lake level at 1 foot above pool – the lake reached pool around May 09 and has seemed to level off over the last few weeks. It is time to get out to the lake and enjoy the sailing.

We also have a new addition to the Activities Center – a wind direction and speed indicator. The Breakfast Club installed it on May 16 with help from Jerry Brady, Gene Plehal, John McCabe and your Commodore. The sending unit is on the Dry Storage building with the console located in the display case in the Activities Center. It provides members with a quick look at the wind conditions for planning your sail. It also displays the outside temperature and relative humidity among other things. The Board approved the purchase at the April meeting. A little experience will help us put it to better use in the future.

Your Social Committee (Marilyn Grisham and Debbie Chambers) has made plans for some real great parties in the coming months with the help of a number of member hosts. If you haven't signed on yet and want to be a part of this excitement, contact these ladies and they will put you to work. Watch your newsletters for details on our monthly activities.

A special vote of appreciation goes out to Andy and Beth Rizza, new members and owners of Stone Creek Nurseries, for donating plantings for our little sailboat planter at the entrance to the walkway and picnic shelter. They have also promised some additional flowers for the boxes located on the walkway in front of Coopers Landing. The flowers should be blooming soon. Tell them Thanks or go by and see them at their El Dorado location.

As we start gearing up for the season, it doesn't hurt to throw in a few reminders about safety, both on the water and around our beautiful club facilities. Please review your new 2007 Handbooks for rules and safety guidelines. If you did not attend the May 19th social, your Handbook has been mailed to your home address. Please let our Membership Committee know if you have not received your copy.

And now for the safety and security reminders – children should wear a PFD while on or around our docks and walkways (this is a club rule as well as a good judgment and boating policy). Shoes are a “must” when entering the water due to the zebra mussels; they're sharp. If you notice the Dry Storage yard gate open and no one is around, LOCK IT before you leave the club area to go sailing or to go home. The same with the Walkway Gate - better to close it (it locks when closed) when you go sailing or go home than to chance a break-in or theft of equipment – items seem to “walk off” when left unattended. All members have the club combination to open our gates, so, when in doubt, CLOSE AND LOCK IT!

I look forward to seeing you at the lake or on the water at one of our next regattas, cruising on the lake, or at a social event. Have fun and be safe.

David O. Reynolds, *Commodore*

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MOVIE NIGHT

JUNE 15: Grab your sweetie, some fast food, and head to the lake to join your Sailing Club friends for a

TALE OF YOUNG LOVE IN QUEST FOR THE AMERICA'S CUP

Bring your own beverage and chair • Popcorn provided
See the whoomper in action

Ladies Day Sail – Sun. June 24

Here's your chance to make new friends, sharpen your sailing skills, and work on your tan – all in the company of the awesome ladies of WVSC! We will load up the boats at 1:00 p.m. and sail (not race!) to the Marina and back. For more information and to sign up contact: Chuck Lynden @ 722-2889

COME ON OUT FOR A FUN-FILLED AFTERNOON OF SAILING

Check Your Drawers!

A number of knives and other utensils are missing from the Clubhouse kitchen. If you know their whereabouts or have taken them home by mistake, please return them.

What A Deal!

We are in the process of getting some new chairs for the clubhouse and are discarding the white plastic ones. If you would be interested in buying some of these @ \$2.00 each, please contact Jerry Brady @ 775-3163 or David Reynolds @ 778-1056.

Save Money for the Club

If you are receiving the Windword both in hard copy by mail and electronically by E-mail, please let me know so I can drop you from the hard copy mailing list. That will save the club a little money in printing and mailing costs. If you are not now receiving the Windword by E-mail and would like to, please let me know.

Some of you may not know that you can also read the Windword each month by accessing the club's website at www.wvsailing.com. The current issue is always posted there along with past issues for several years. Check it out. Thanks.

Bruce Ward, Public Relations Committee
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Special Thanks

I would like to thank Paul McCausland, John Carter, David Reynolds, David Bonifield and Gene Plehal for their assistance in getting our docks and walkways ready at the May 5th work party.

Your time and efforts are appreciated. Thanks guys!

Greg Rincker, Harbor Committee

A Reminder From the Editor

Newsletter Submission Guidelines state: 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.** Please abide by this guideline in order to avoid confusion and prevent omissions. Thanks for your cooperation!

I wish to thank the people who came out and worked on our spring Club House cleaning. They are Gary, Kevin, & Aaron Wilson, Clark Chambers, Steve Mardis, Roger Potter, Gene Plehal, Gwynne Bonifield, Douglas and JaNine Erickson. These people put a shine on the Club House that will start the season fresh!

Jerry Brady, Activity Center Committee

WVSC Club Regatta - Saturday, May 19, 2007

Keelboats

Skipper	Boat	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Total Points	Final Rank
Warfield, Brett	C22	1	1	1	3	1
Kroupa, Arnie	Ideal 18	2	2	2	6	2
White, Ron	SJ 21	5	4	3	12	3
Brown, Rob	C22	3	3	7	13	4
McCausland, Paul	C22	4	5	7	16	5
Burgin, Tom	Merit 25	6	7	7	20	6 (tie)
Wasson, Mike	C25	6	7	7	20	6 (tie)



ISLAND PARTY SHRIMP BOIL



Join us under the Canopy for all you can eat peel & eat shrimp, green beans, corn on the cob & potatoes..

Stay for Casino Night after Dinner!

\$12.50 Adult \$6 Kids under 10

Mark Your Calendar. Sat. June 23rd. Social 6pm, Dinner 7pm

Order Your OWN
COLORFUL SHRIMP BOIL
T-SHIRT FOR \$15ea.

To order....e-mail or Call Sharon at Fullmoon Signs
with your sizes & quantities

264-4075 or Sharon@signsbyfullmoon.com

Deadline for Reservations and Shirt orders is Wed., June 13th

1973 San Juan 21 Mark I with 5 hp Mercury outboard for sale. \$2500.00 316-775-3163

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".

16' Laguna Sailboat fixed keel, full enclosed cabin, trailer with tongue extension 5 HP motor & swing mount \$2750. Phone 316-775-7996.

MacGregor 22 – 1982 Trailer, anchor, life jackets, sails (sails in good condition) Motor- Nissan 5hp 1984, very few hours \$2800. Call Gary Pierce 686-8823 or Gene Nold 636-2091.

FOR SALE New Catalina "SPORT 22"
Sailed only Seven times. Offered at \$14,700 -- 33% LESS than New Price. Fully equipped with all new Harken hardware and two suits of sails. One suit of seldom used Club racing sails and a New National Cat 22 Regatta Suit. All sails made by GUS Sails in Dallas (the leading sailmaker in the Southwest). Bottom is still gelcoat, and was kept on a boat hoist last summer. Price includes a ten year old 4hp Nissan outboard, and a two year old factory trailer. Don Chism, ph# 630 - 9389.

Chrysler 26 - 1978 for sale by owner. Sails include both a full and an asymmetrical spinnaker, 150 genoa, jib, storm jib, and main. 9.9 hp 4 stroke outboard with electric start and cockpit controls. Cockpit cushions and a bimini for sailing in comfort. Depth, speed, and compass instruments are aged but functional. Halyards and jib sheets were new last year. This cruiser has both a swing keel and rudder that are perfect for those times when the water is not so deep. Below deck are spacious v-birth and aft cabins, an enclosed port-a-potty head, sink, and gas stove. Included is a tandem axle EZ Load trailer. She needs a little freshening up but is in overall good physical condition. NSA slip transfer with board approval. Asking \$6,000. Eric Palmquist 316-729-7241 or MEPalmquist@Cox.net.

Hunter 260 - 2005. Well maintained 26' cruiser. Tandem trailer and 4 stroke engine. Sleeps 4 to 6. Marine head and galley. Garmin electronics and bulkhead compass. VHF marine radio. Cloth cushions inside, cockpit cushions out- side. Bimini and other added canvas items. \$31,000. For more information brucedavid@cox.net or 316-204-8383

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



J24 (1981) Hull #2564: Extensive paper- work available on this boat, including original manufacturer's order. Hull is flawless, with new professional paint in 2006. Exterior teak sanded and oiled in 2006. Deck professionally restored in 2007. All fabrics in very good condition and freshly dry-cleaned. Interior woodwork has fresh finish, and new paint throughout. Nissan 3.5hp 1998) in excellent condition — motor always garaged. Custom trailer (1981) in excellent condition; tires have very good tread, sidewalls weather-checked but solid. Additional equipment: Sailcomp 103AC digital compass/nav repeater. Sail inventory: full suit of sails in excellent condition. Spinnaker and pole. Several older but serviceable sails. Boat last measured by the J/24 class association in 1992. Other: Winches, lifelines, cabin lights, stereo available, outboard bracket, two Coleman sailboxes bolted on trailer, new APS tiller. A new boat is over \$40,000. THIS BEAUTIFULLY RESTORED BOAT IS \$10,900. thomsond@ksu.edu or phone 785.764.3063.

17ft. Venture This 1970 Venture 17 is in good shape and has been sailed regularly for the past 2 seasons. It has a cabin that can sleep 2. Running lights and electrical system work well. Jibs and main sail are in good shape. The halyards and sheets are in good shape. It has a trailer included and is easy to launch using a ramp in shallower waters. The swing keel draws about 17" when up and 4'9" when down. The Keel has been patched but is in good condition. It has a throw floatation cushion, two oars, self-bailing cockpit and an anchor. I have a 4 hp Mercury outboard motor that is in good working condition that will go with the boat. Asking \$500. Damon Martin 316-204-7785 or 316-684-7213.

ERICSON 23' - 1976 in good condition, comes with a dual axle trailer, 9.9 Mariner outboard, along with main, jib, and genoa. It has a roomy cockpit and a cabin that sleeps four. It comes with a slip pending BOG approval. Call 620-665-6510, \$4000. Thank you, Delmer Thibault.

Hobie 16 Parts Wanted: Boom, Sails, main and jib. Battens, Both halyards. Mainsheet blocks, Forestay, Tiller Extension. 316-519-1887. mblack@ou.edu

Travel Trailer – '91 Kit 22LT, AC, central heat, stove, ref/freezer, micro, bath with shower, awning. Sleeps 6. \$3,500.00 David 253-8576.

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.

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.

2007 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.

We will teach you how to sail in a beginner's class or improve your sailing ability in advanced classes. This year we are offering Keelboat classes to advanced sailors.

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

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. Thurs.) for 3 weeks, 10am to 4pm.

2 Sessions:

- 1st session: June 11 through June 28
- 2nd session: July 9 through July 26



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 7 and 15, 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. For participants age 16 and over, the fee includes a Junior Membership to Walnut Valley Sailing Club that 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

2007 WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB/STEP SAILING APPLICATION

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Age _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Emergency Contact Person _____ Phone _____

E-Mail address _____

Date _____ Signature _____

I am a ___ member ___ non-member of Walnut Valley Sailing Club

I wish to enroll in the ___ Youth Program
___ Adult Program

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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

Board Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Minutes Subject to Correction

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 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, Ken Rix, Kathy Malcom, DeAun Warfield. Members absent: Jerry Brady, John Carter, Pat Boyarski, and John McCabe.

A quorum was not present this evening. No official business will be conducted. Anything concerning finances and issues needing approval will not be discussed until the June meeting.

Approval of the April Minutes: Minutes of the April 12, 2007, meeting were deferred due to a quorum not present. Approval will take place at the June meeting.

Treasurers Report: Deferred until the June meeting.

Committee Reports

Ron White and the Power Boat Committee will be replacing at least one of the boat batteries (two batteries in the bank). It was suggested the committee maintain the battery bank according to the boat specifications (2 batteries) to ensure proper performance.

Old Business

The Activity Center floatation project is ongoing. Atlantic Meeco is expected to contact Clark Chambers in the next week to set a date to start our floatation upgrade (by report).

The current lake level is up 0.64 feet ABOVE pool level! (Last month, it was reported 4.9 ft. BELOW pool level)!

The main walkway has been reattached.

Beaver trappers have been contacted; evidence of recent activity has been noticed.

The Dinghy dock has been reconnected.

The Club handbooks will be reviewed and ready for delivery at the May 19th social.

The Activities Calendar, including racing and social, are complete.

New Business

An electronic vote was requested prior to the meeting this evening on two issues.

A hard copy of the Windword will go to the Archivist each month for her records. Board approved by electronic vote prior to this meeting.

Dock corners for club member. Board approved by electronic vote prior to this meeting.

Member Concerns

John Carter has requested Board approval to host WSU students in June or July as in previous years. This date will not conflict with any WVSC activities. The date will be determined at a later time. Prior to this evening's meeting, this event was Board approved by an electronic vote.

Closing Remarks

The racing season has begun. The first event was canceled due to weather. The social activities begin in several weeks.

The next Board of Governors meeting will be held Thursday, June 14, 2007, at 1900 at the office of Steve Mardis, 9415 East Harry, Suite 603, Wichita, KS

Adjournment: Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1925 hours to review the proof copy of the 2007 Handbook by the Board members present.

Respectfully submitted,

DeAun Warfield, Returning Secretary

CAPRI 14.2 ORIENTATION TO BE HELD JUNE 9TH

An orientation class for using the STEP Capri 14.2's will be held at 1pm on June 9th. It is a 4-hour program designed to acquaint you with the Capri 14/2. **This is not a learn to sail program.** You must be a capable sailor.

THE ORIENTATION WILL COVER:

- Rigging the boat
- Storage of the boat and equipment
- Ability to get away and return to the dock
- Capsizing and righting the boat

This is being offered at no cost on this one-day orientation. Orientation at any other time has a \$40 fee. The program qualification is good for one year and must be repeated each year. If you would like to sail these boats in 2007, come join us on June 9th.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED AND MUST BE MADE BEFORE JUNE 6TH.

For reservations please call Gary Pierce (686-8823) or Gene Nold (636-2091) before June 6th for your reservation.

2007 SUMMER ADULT SAILING PROGRAM

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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

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:

Centerboard 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- Covers beginning, intermediate and advanced keelboat techniques. Prerequisite for intermedi-

ate and advanced instruction- you must have beginning keelboat or equivalent sailing experience.

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 more clearly and concisely. The keelboats require a minimum of three students per boat.

Schedule: 3 days per week (Mon. Tues. Thurs.) for 3 weeks, 6 to 9pm.

2 Sessions:

- 1st session: June 11 through June 28
- 2nd session: July 9 through July 26

Class Size: 16 students per session

Cost per Student: \$25 non-refundable Registration Fee, Plus \$55 class fee for WVSC members; \$255 for non-members. (Spouse or family member \$80)

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

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E-Mail address _____

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

Racing Roundup

After two cancelled regattas, good fortune smiled upon the WVSC Racing Program and furnished not just a day of racing on May 19th, but also a lake full of water to go along with it. Spring rains at long last brought the lake up to normal pool level plus an extra foot to boot.

The weather forecast was calling for winds to strengthen through mid-day, with some gusts likely into the mid-twenties. When Gene Plehal, Jerry Brady and Tedd Blankenship set up the course, winds were 10 to 12 miles per hour, but quickly built to an average of 16 mph for the morning race.

Four centerboard boats had registered, but after a short taste of the gusty winds and building swells, abandoned the racing and scurried back to the cover of the cove where they played through the day.

Seven brave keelboat crews answered the starting signals and staggered onto the course. The windy conditions, averaging 16 miles per hour with gusts over 20, caused Burgin and Wasson to retire with equipment failure, while the remaining five boats completed the race. Five boats came out for the afternoon races, but two more, McCausland and Brown retired after race number 2.

RACING CALENDAR FOR JUNE AND JULY

June 3	Sunday	Club Regatta
June 16	Saturday	Club Regatta
July 8	Sunday	Club Regatta
July 21	Saturday	Club Regatta

The results showed consistent performances from Brett Warfield who finished first in all three races and Arnie Kroupa with three seconds. Ron White came out third overall. The detailed race results are summarized elsewhere in this issue.

The Race Committee is pleased with the participation and outcome of our first regatta. We encourage all sailors to join us for the June regattas, which are scheduled for June 3rd and 16th.

In other racing news, the Americas Cup competition is underway. Sadly, the sole American entry, BMW Oracle was eliminated in the challenger's semi-final by the Italian boat Luna Rossa Challenge. In the other Challenger semi-final, the New Zealand Emirates Team leads the Spanish team Desafio Espanol, 4 to 2.

Pat Boyarski for the Racing Committee