

# THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

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MAY 2008

## CALENDAR:

May 3	Racing
May 9	Cooper's Island Theater
May 11	Mother's Day
May 15	Board Meeting
May 17	RC Boat Racing Steak Fry Blessing of the Fleet Moonlight Sail
May 18	Racing
May 26	Memorial Day
May 31	STEP Capri 14.2's Orientation
June 7	Racing
June 14	RC boat racing Island Party Shrimp Boil
June 16	STEP Youth Sailing Program begins STEP Adult Sailing Program begins

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## From the Binnacle

In case you haven't heard, spring got off to a roaring start in early April when 100mph winds battered El Dorado Lake. Several members' boats were damaged and many shingles on the roof of our Activities Center were blown off. Thanks to the quick response of some of our members, arrangements were made for a new roof to be professionally installed within days of the storm. Other storm damage is currently being assessed. We are very fortunate the damage was not much worse.

The launch day scheduled for April 12th was postponed until April 19th, which turned out weather-wise to be a very pleasant day. Several members launched their boats and prepared for the sailing season. It is great to see the boat slips begin to be occupied once again.

On April 18th the second Friday night movie of the season was shown at our club, thanks to Mike Hand, with snacks prepared by Gene Plehal. I am told that all who attended were pleasantly entertained.

The Activities Center spring clean-up work party was held on Saturday, April 19th. Clark Chambers and his hardy group of volunteers did a fantastic job of getting our clubhouse "ship-shape". It is fully functional and ready for use by our members and their guests.

The Harbor Committee also conducted its spring work party on April 19th. Thanks to John Aschbrenner for heading up this important activity. Several projects were enthusiastically undertaken by several of our able-bodied members. Nevertheless, there remains much work to do in the near future on our docks.

The Power Boat Committee has been busy getting the race committee boat ready for its many and varied uses; as of April 19th their work on this boat was completed. In addition, this committee has thoroughly examined the pontoon boat and will soon be making several needed repairs.

On Sunday, April 20th the winds were in excess of 20 mph, resulting in our first scheduled club regatta being cancelled. Hopefully, we will have better weather conditions in May for our sailors to compete in the two club regattas.

We have been informed by the state park officials that new hazard buoys will be moored in the lake this spring. This equipment will be a welcome addition to aid both sailors and power boaters in avoiding various dangers to navigation.

Our first social of the year will occur on Saturday, May 17th when there will be a Steak Fry and the Blessing of the Fleet. Thanks to our Membership Committee, the new membership directories will be distributed at that event. We hope all of you make it out for this first of several great parties.

My wife and I are looking forward to seeing all of you at the lake soon.

*John W. Carter, Commodore*

# Come Sail with Us

## 2008 SUMMER ADULT SAILING PROGRAM

The Walnut Valley Sailing Club/STEP program is offering two sessions this summer.

We will teach you how to sail in a Catalina 14.2 centerboard boat or improve your sailing ability in advanced classes. We also offer Basic Keelboat classes.

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

**Age 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:** Basic Sailing 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** - 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. The keelboat course requires a minimum of three students per boat.

**Prerequisite for Basic Keelboat instruction** - you must have the Basic Sailing Course or equivalent sailing experience.

**Schedule:** 3 days per week (Mon. Tues. Thurs.) for 3 weeks, 6 to 9pm. 2 Sessions:

- 1st session: June 16 through July 3
- 2nd session: July 7 through July 24

**Class Size:** 10 students per session

**Cost per Student:** WVSC members-\$25 non-refundable Registration Fee, Plus \$155 class fee, total cost-\$180; Non-members-\$25 non-refundable registration fee Plus \$155 for class fee and \$100 for ? annual WVSC club dues Total cost-\$280. (accompanying Spouse or family member \$180)

**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)

## 2008 WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB/STEP ADULT SAILING APPLICATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address City Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone Age T-Shirt Size

\_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact Person Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail address

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

I wish to enroll in the  Centerboard Program  Keelboat Program

Session 1- June 16 - July 3  Session 2- July 7 - July 24

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

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Date Signature

## COMING SOON — TO A WVSC SOCIAL EVENT NEAR YOU!

THE 2008 DIRECTORIES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT  
THE SAT. MAY 17 BLESSING OF THE FLEET/STEAK  
FRY SOCIAL. PICK UP YOUR COPY WHILE ENJOYING  
THE FOOD AND FUN. SEE YOU THERE!



Sat. June 14th  
**ISLAND PARTY**  
**SHRIMP BOIL**



Social  
6pm  
Dinner  
7pm

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

Deadline for Reservations, Monday June 9th

**\$12.50 Adults \$6 Kids under 10**

# Board Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

*Minutes Subject to Correction*

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2008

## April Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. The following Board members attended: John Carter, Ken Rix, Kathy Malcom, Debbie Chambers, John Ellison, David Reynolds and Jerry Brady. The minutes of the March meeting were approved as written.

## Treasurer Report:

Commodore Carter presented the March treasurer's report in Ernie Condon's absence. Randy and Jacque Holloway were approved as new members. Eric Rieger has requested inactive status; a motion to approve was given and the request was approved. Stan Dace has resigned and requests that he be allowed to leave his boat in dry storage until it is sold. It was moved to allow Stan Dace to leave his boat in dry storage until the end of the calendar year. There will be a dry storage fee of \$80.00 and if the boat sells before the end of the year there will be no refund. The motion was approved.

## Committee Reports:

Building and Grounds - Kathy Malcom reported that Gene Nold is working on getting the mast hoist repaired since it was damaged in the recent storm. Ed Klima, chairman of Buildings and Grounds, will be working on the electrical system in the shelter house that was damaged last year in the high water.

Commodore Carter reported for Ernie Condon that we presently have \$64,252.00 in working capital, which is adequate to cover the routine expenses in our current budget. Damage to the roof of the Activities Center in the recent storm has resulted in having to replace the roof. The approximate cost will be \$5,500, which will be covered from the \$5,000 contingency fund and the \$1,000 miscellaneous fund. All Board members approved the roof replacement.

Jerry Brady, Harbor liaison, plans to replace all of the lights on the docks with more energy efficient bulbs to help reduce the monthly electricity bill. Jerry also plans to purchase three aluminum ladders which will be placed on the dingy dock and two on "B" dock. After Board discussion, it was decided that Jerry would look into the option of fixed versus retractable ladders and their cost difference. He will report his findings to Commodore Carter.

## Old Business:

A proposal regarding a new website manager was tabled until next month's Board meeting.

Debbie Chambers reported that no additional progress towards prioritizing a list of club house improvements has been made due



to the recent storm damage. When all of the costs of those repairs has been determined the Board will again be asked to select what improvements or updates will be made, based on available funds.

Commodore Carter reported that April 29th is the date of the hearing in the Small Claims Court regarding the abandoned boat, Gentle Lady. Gene Nold will represent WVSC at the hearing.

## New Business

Commodore Carter reported that he had been in contact with Doug Woolley regarding WVSC buying a defibrillator. The Commodore will present this information at the May Board meeting.

There has been a request for a Laser Regional Regatta on August 23rd at WVSC. Gary Pierce will be the chairman for this event. A motion to approve this regatta was made and approved.

## Member Concerns

Commodore Carter reported that he had recently been informed that Bea Lippitt, a long standing member, has died. While no longer active in the club, many members will remember her. DeAun Warfield will send a card from the club to her family in Minnesota.

## Closing Remarks

The spring launch day is set for April 12th with a rain date for April 19th. April 19th is also a work party day for the Activities Center and Harbor Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
**Deborah Chambers** – Secretary

## OBITUARY

**Bea Lippitt**, wife of deceased Art Lippitt, died recently. Bea moved from Wichita to her home state of Minnesota about 10 years ago. She was a life member of our club and joined our Club in 1944. Her husband, Art, was a Snipe owner and also crewed for Ted Wells. Life membership in our club was an honorary position that is no longer given, but was awarded to several wives of long term members, including Dorothy Rix, Marge Wells, & Lavon Fugit. Those of us that knew Bea will miss her.



# RACING (and other) NEWS

May 2008

- The Racing season began on April 20. The next races we want you to participate in are:

Saturday May 3  
Sunday May 18  
Saturday June 7

- Class Regattas at WVSC:

Snipe	July 19 & 20	Contact Ken Rix
Laser	August 16	Contact Gary Pierce or Brett Warfield
Catalina	August 23	Contact Gene Nold or Paul McCausland

The Catalina Nationals are being held this year on May 27 – 29, at Grapevine Lake (near Dallas). Contact Gene Nold.

- Boats that were damaged by the early April wind storm hopefully have been repaired, or will be shortly.
- There will be 3 ladders installed on our docks & slips, which will make it easier for accidental falls into the lake (& recreational swimmers) to regain their dignity.
- Words of Wisdom (or Old Age)  
Make Good Starts
  - Crossing the starting line 15 seconds after the start is 15 seconds wasted, never to be regained.
  - It's tough to pass boats.
  - There is always bad air behind the leaders.
  - It's the cool thing to do.



## COOPER'S ISLAND THEATER

Friday May 9

The movie that started it all!

## Raiders of the Lost Ark

(new Indiana Jones Movie Starts May 22)



Bring Beverages and a Chair  
and as always  
Old Uncle Gene's Popcorn

# 2008 SUMMER YOUTH SAILING PROGRAM

## Bring a Buddy and Come Sail with Us

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We will teach you how to sail in a beginner's class or improve your sailing ability in advanced classes. 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

**Age 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, and Thurs) for 3 weeks 10am to 4pm, 2 sessions:

- 1st session: June 16 through July 3
- 2nd session: July 7 through July 24

**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 8 and 17, 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

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Last Name First Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address City Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone Age T-Shirt Size

\_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact Person Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail address

I am a \_\_\_\_ member \_\_\_\_ non-member of Walnut Valley Sailing Club

I wish to enroll in the Youth Program:

\_\_\_\_ Session 1- June 16 - July 3 \_\_\_\_ Session 2- July 7 - July 24

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

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Date Signature

**Parent's Signature if under 17 years old.**

**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 trailer? Check this out: New main and Jib in 2000. Spinnaker and Flexible Furler. Universal Diesel. New running rigging. Bimini and cockpit cushions, refrigerated ice-box. 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.

**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.

**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

**COLUMBIA 26 Mk II** w/ trailer - WENDIGO III. Fully restored in 2006. All new halyards, lines, Stays & electrics. New gauges (Wind Apparent/Speed, Knotmeter, Depth Finder & Compass). All new interior & exterior cushions. Sails w/ bags - 2 Mains, 4 Jibs & a 4 color Spinnaker. AM/FM CD & Aux MP3 jack stereo w/ interior & cockpit speakers. 6 hp Johnson outboard or new 2007, 6 hp Nissan 4 stroke for additional \$2000. Asking \$8000 for boat, trailer & Johnson motor. OBOCall 316- 619-0003



**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 Magellan GPS and several good quality life jackets. \$6000.00 FOB Wichita, Kansas (316) 722-8983

**Dinghy trailer** with mast crutch. \$300 or \$250. You decide. Jon Zehnder. 620-245- 1776

**Want to Buy** - Dock Boxes. Call Roger & Joan Gibson 620-663-5572.

**Old Town tandem kayak**-2003 - T-160. Rudder, paddles and Trailex aluminum trailer with spare tire. Great shape. Used very little. \$900 or \$850. You decide. Jon Zehnder. 620- 245-1776

**Hobie 20.** 1998 .Excellent Condition, 2007 Main and Jib, Full trailerable cover \$5900, icsammis@yahoo.com, 316-371-7809

**Bottom Paint** - One gallon, Red, Interlux Bottomkote with Irgarol Ablative bottom paint \$100. Approximately one and one-half gallons of, blue, Interlux Micron CSC Antifouling Paint \$250. Contact Tony @ 316-942-1990 or n0cur@yahoo.com

**San Juan 21**, Mark I, with trailer. Boat has mid-boom sheeting with traveler. Good Main and Jib sails with red and Blue spinnaker. Has both wisker pole and spinnaker pole. Boat is Dark blue hull with white topside. Retractable engine mount with 1998 Mercury 5 hp motor. Asking \$2200.00 with motor. Contact: j2kbrady@aol.com

**Hunter 26** - 1995. Water ballast and swing keel make this boat easily trailerable. Dual axle trailer in excellent condition. Tohatsu engine with electric start and inboard controls. Cabin includes forward and aft berths, newly installed CD player, two burner stove, counter with cooler storage and sink. Also has head with sink, 5 gallon tank and hanging locker. Cockpit has bimini top, cat bird seats, and easy access to all lines and halyards. Halyards are equipped with clutch cleats. Many more extras. Boat is in great condition and ready to sail. \$16,000. For more information or to see this boat, contact Dan Barlett at 316-733-2754 or thebarletts@earth-link.net

**26' Classic** – 1993 Custom built, well maintained cruiser with great features. Custom tandem trailer with 10' tongue extension. Neil Pryde sails with Furlex 150% jib roller furling and mainsail reefing system, Harken HiBeam heavy-duty traveler system. Johnson 9.9 hp outboard with alternator and remote start. Edison Pedestal 816 helm with 24" wheel, transmission & throttle controls and lighted Richie compass. Electrical system can accommodate 2 12-volt batteries with Perko battery switch to power cabin and deck lights and 2 outlets. Shore power through 50' Marincos cable for supply of 110 volts to 4 outlets. 9 bronze opening ports with screens and shades, bronze cleats and winches. Sunbrella dodger and bimini with side curtains to allow total enclosure of the cockpit. Cabin sleeps 6 with 6' 2" headroom. The teak/maple floor has recently been refinished and most of the cushions are new. Separate head compartment with self contained head, galley with stainless steel sink with 23 gal tank and electric/manual pump and 2 burner Origo 4000 alcohol stove. This is a beautiful boat and has had great care. Many extras too numerous to list. Currently at WVSC dry dock #107 "Linger Longer". \$22,000. Chris Hearn 316-253-4489.

**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



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

## CAPRI 14.2 ORIENTATION TO BE HELD May 31st

An orientation class for using the STEP Capri 14.2's in the Wednesday evening fun races and throughout the season will be held at **1pm on May 31st**. 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

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 2008, come join us on May 31st.



**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED AND  
MUST BE MADE BEFORE May 22nd**

For reservations please call Gene Nold (636-2091) or Gary Pierce (686-8823) before May 22nd for your reservation.