

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

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JUNE 2006

CALENDAR:

June 3	Nautical Scrabble
June 4	Centerboard Racing
June 10	Feast of the Full Moon
June 17	Centerboard Racing
June 18	Father's Day
June 25	Sunday Sundae Sail
July 2	Regatta
July 4	Independence Day
July 10	Clubhouse Paintathon
July 15	Regatta
July 22	2nd Annual Shrimp Boil and Casino Night
Aug. 12	Pirates of the Carribean Pig Roast

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The social season at WVSC got out of the blocks with a highly successful Seafood Pasta dinner on Saturday, May 13th. Congratulations and a big thank you go to Mike Wasson and his crew of volunteers. The fettuccine with shrimp was really delightful. It was paired with a crisp and tangy green salad, along with loaves of sliced bread lathered with decadent garlic butter and toasted in the oven. Yum! Members brought dessert to share...everything from fruit pies and cheesecake to brownies and other baked treats. It was definitely good eating! To accompany the food, Jimmy Buffet's songs rang out all evening courtesy of a good sound system and strategically placed speakers.

As is the custom with the first social of the year, our new members were introduced and after dinner Cheryl Wertheimer conducted the blessing of the fleet. What a great evening it turned out to be. The best part is that there is another social event that we will enjoy in June. So be sure to get the date from the announcement in this newsletter and mark your calendar. For those unfortunate members who couldn't join us for May's social, I hope to see you in June.

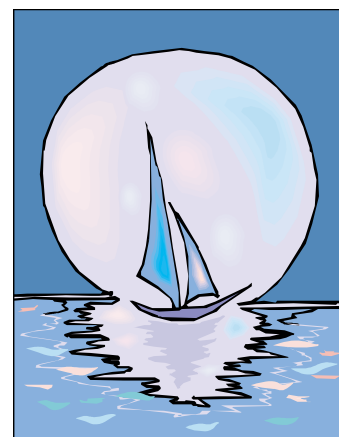
Racing activity stepped up a notch in the first May regatta, made especially notable by a terrific turnout of 4 Snipes. You can find details of the regatta in this issue, courtesy of Ken Rix. I hope the Catalina 22 fleet will be able to start turning out in bigger numbers and not let the centerboarders outdo them. June will offer two regattas, so come out and participate as skipper or crew. If racing is something you are just thinking about trying, come out and we will find a spot on the committee boat or aboard one of the keelboats so you can get a close-up view of racing.

By the way, have you seen the handsome Precision 18 that Maurice Goff acquired over the winter? How does she sail, Maurice? It is great to see you back on the water in your new boat.

Occasional ninety degree days in May preview the warm summer that lies ahead. We'll know that summer is really here when we see Charlie Volk and Paul Schye floating in the water by the docks with a beverage in hand, smiles on both faces and a cigar in Charlie's hand. Don't let anymore of the sailing season go by without getting out to the lake to enjoy it all. There are still a number of slips that remain empty, their boats remaining in dry storage for one more coat of bottom paint or a repair that was planned to be done by now. Sailors, get that work completed, launch those boats and join in the fun.

See you at the lake!

Pat Boyarski, Commodore





WVSC 2006 Racing Calendar

There will be two races per month from April through September, and a two-day Club Championship Regatta to close out the season. Dates are as follows:

June 4, Sunday

June 17, Saturday

July 2, Sunday

July 15, Saturday

August 6, Sunday

August 19, Saturday

September 3, Sunday

September 16, Saturday

Club Championship Regatta

September 30, Saturday and
October 1, Sunday

FROM THE EDITOR...

To our club members that have lost loved ones recently – please know that we are with you in mind and spirit. We will continue to pray for you and keep you in our special thoughts. May the Lord give you peace and comfort during this time of grief.



NAUTICAL SCRABBLE

June 3rd: John Carter will be hosting a Day long “Nautical Scrabble” contest. There will be five different locations around the lake to spot as many nautical flags as you can that represent a letter. As you reach a flag, you will open an envelope giving you a clue to the next flag location. Sound fun?? The contest starts at 2pm and we will meet back at the club house by 6pm. We will spell as many nautical terms as possible. The crew with the most terms wins, and will receive a fabulous prize!

Please bring a covered dish (and we’re not talking about your wife in a dress!) We will be supplying the meat. We plan to eat right after the prize is awarded. Please join us for some fun! (Note - this is not a race.) For more information contact Delton Sandefer.



CLUBHOUSE PAINTATHON JULY 10TH!

We will be painting the Clubhouse starting at 9:00 AM for those who love to paint (and those who hate to paint, but like to accrue credit hours!). You might even get to see the back side of the clubhouse up close.

Bring your favorite old brush to paint the slots, and if you have a sprayer, please contact Jerry Brady (775-3163).



SECURITY REMINDER

With more members coming and going frequently in the upcoming months, it is important to remind all members that it is their responsibility to make sure all areas are secured when leaving the club site. If you are the last one visible on the dock, please pull the gate shut making sure it is closed and locked. We have been fortunate not to have many security issues, but many of us remember the vandalism and break-in issues from last year. So please continue to be responsible members and lock up.

Thank you.

Security Committee

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"

J24 - USA 3803 is a turnkey race ready program. Proven boat speed at national and regional regattas. Boat has been meticulously maintained and fully upgraded with the new deck layout, professionally faired and templated keel and rudder, VC Underwater Epoxy bottom, and all the go-fast equipment. Boat is dry sailed and stored indoors during the winter. Tandem axle Triad trailer makes trailing to regattas a cinch. Boat is lying in St. Louis. This boat is a bargain!. \$13,500. <http://webpages.charter.net/twyman01/USA3803/USA3803.htm> .Tom Wyman 314 983 0711. twyman01@charter.net

5 Ton Hydrohoist \$1500.00 687-2471 or 755- 1381.

Hobie Holder 14' The monohull, all Harken rigging, and the teak wood is all in excellent condition. The boat has a kick up fiberglass rudder, and folding centerboard. The main sail, and furling jib are like new with no tears and all battens. The boat also includes a white trailer that is in good condition. It also comes with many accessories; foldable anchor, wind gage, small trolling motor and battery. Would be a great starter boat and family boat, but could also be enjoyed by the most veteran sailor. \$2,000 O.B.O Contact Cary Wright at: 316-729-7819.

Hunter 22 head sail for sale. J (fore triangle base) 14'2", I (foretriangle ht.) 25'6". Sail made by Ulmer and is in good shape. I think it is a 150% Genoa. Includes sail bag. Asking \$200.00 of best offer. Jim Honeyman 945-7575.

Erickson, 23 ft, equipped with main,genoa,and jib, 9.9 hp mariner, tandem axle trailer, new bottom coat for 4500. or OBO Phone 620-665-6510 Delmer Thibault.

Merit 23 -1985 Features include retractable wing keel, boom vang, Harken traveler, rope clutches for halyards, bow pulpit and lifelines, 4 HP Yamaha with adjustable motor mount, PortaPotti, compass, 4 sails in very good condition (main with jiffy reefing, 110 jib, 155 genoa and spinnaker), spinnaker pole, adjustable whisker pole, Danforth anchor with 130' anchor rode; includes trailer with tongue extension. Cabin sleeps 4 on new upholstered cushions. Contact John at 634-1050 after 5 PM; asking \$5,200.

San Juan 21 "Golden Girl" is for sale. Large sail inventory including nearly new main and jib. Spinnaker rigged and ready to race. Placed in the trophies at the last two North Americans. 4 hp long shaft evinrude with detachable mount. Trailer in good condition includes spare tire. \$3900, Ray Shirley, 316-733-8416.

Starfish - Light Green with 6-pack well, hull in good condition, needs new sail. Rudder and tiller need varnish. Trailer included. Last sailed in 1995. \$400, OBO. Sharon Mallory 316-262-1151.



MacGregor 25 – 1986 – One owner, very good condition. Depth finder, compass, sailcover, trailer and motor. \$5200 OBO. Gary Pierce – 686-8823 or Gene Nold 636- 2091

Want to buy Old Sunfish or similar boat. Mike Hand. 316 684 9690.

Land Yacht. 94 Lincoln Town Car. Very experienced lake vehicle has high miles but mechanically very good. Tinted windows, leather, 18 mpg, a very safe ride. No slip, no trailer, no porta-potti. Call Patrick at the lake: 316.540.3674.

Hobie 18' – 1989. Good condition, ready to sail. \$1200.00. I have too many boats! - Laso for sale another 18' parts boat that is 98% complete for \$600.00, or a package deal for both boats at \$1600.00. Interesting trades will be considered. With purchase of the '89 you get a choice of masts I have both the comp. Tip and the extremely rare uncut mast that racers love. The "Cheney Pirates" would love to have you join us this season, so here is the boat for you. Ike Hofling, 316-942-1387.

Prindle 15 - 1979. orange hulls, blue tramp, solid boat. trailer, cover, sail tube, mylar sail. \$700.00 or /trade// for Sunfish/ Looking for Hobie 18. Dale 316 371 7891 dale@cityblue.com 265-6224. Hi. I'm a 1979 S-2 7.3 (24') looking for a new owner. Mine bought a new boat and is broke. I'm in really good shape because he was pretty fussy. Khaki hull, white deck. Sails: new mainsail in 2003; original North 110 jib; Atlantic 140 genoa of unknown age; stormsail. Hull restored with Poliglow in 2005. New motor mount in 2005 for 1979 Mercury 7.5 HP long shaft outboard. Outrageously expensive cockpit cushions. Bow and stern rails, lifelines. Electrical systems work; water system needs new pump. Depth sounder. Cabin: 5' head room; updated cushions; teak and holly floor. E-Z Loader trailer. Asking \$6500. Before I feel too rejected, call Guy McCormick at 316-683-6879.

Balboa 24 with slip rights for sale. 1981. Fixed keel draws under 4 feet. Genoa, Jib, Storm jib and main. Evinrude outboard, dock box, trailer, VHF, BBQ, many extras. Slip transfers with Board approval: deep slip on B dock. Great PHRF numbers, big cockpit with pop-top cabin. Sail-away package for only \$4000. For sale by owner. Call Patrick at the Lake 540.3674 to check this boat out in the water.

★ A BIG THANK YOU!!! ★

The WVSC wishes to extend a big thank you to Arnie Kroupa for designing and constructing our new entrance sign! Thanks to Dave Reynolds who helped Arnie set the sign in the ground with some assistance from Gene Plehal.

Sharon and Terry Lewis donated the logo for the sign.

The sign looks **GREAT!** Thanks to all listed above for their help in making our Club entrance look nice!

From the Chartroom

*Ok ladies, what would it be like to sail around the world?
By yourself??*

"And why not," you say? Well, you've got a point! Because the precedent was set on June 8, 1978 when Naomi James, DBE (b. 1949) became the first woman to sail around the world via Cape Horn! (All right you purists, you're right – James was not exactly the first woman to sail around the world; Krystyna Chojnowska-Liskiewicz of Poland actually beat her by two months, completing her voyage on April 21, 1978. But her trip was a leisurely one, taking 401-days compared to James's 272. Besides – this is the June newsletter, not April!)

Not only did James complete her solo journey via Cape Horn, she actually beat Sir Francis Chichester's solo round-the-world sailing record by two days. She downright waxed him!

The New Zealand-born James made her voyage aboard the 53 ft yacht "Express Crusader". During her voyage, she once lost her mast, capsized and had no radio for several weeks. Although she finished her voyage without a companion, she did not start it alone. A kitten named Boris accompanied her but went overboard during the voyage.

Naomi James was knighted in 1979 in recognition of her achievements, and henceforth became known officially as Dame Naomi James.



As strange as it may seem, James gave up sailing in 1982 after winning the two thousand mile Round Britain Race with her husband Rob, because she suffered badly from sea sickness during that voyage. (editorial note - I don't blame her; I've never again eaten at Taco John's after that bout with food poisoning back in 1986!) Sadly, the following year she lost her husband who fell overboard and drowned while sailing off Salcombe, Devon.

Naomi James moved to the United States in 1990 after remarrying.

So, from Naomi James to all you lady sailors – "You go, girl!"

Fair winds and following seas,

Marshall Nauck, Editor
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Blessing of the Fleet, May 13:



The May "Blessing of the Fleet" was a real hit. We all had a blast and the food was exceptional and plentiful!

Now, it's time for June's: **"Feast of the Full Moon"!**

Join us June 10th as we gather for the first annual "Feast of the Full Moon" Featuring Grilled Steaks, Baked Potatoes, Corn on the Cob and Biscuits.

Cocktail hour begins at 5:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 6:30 under the canopy and dessert will be served dock side and deck side at 8:19 .

We will set sail by 7:50 and raft together in the middle of the lake, just outside the cove to celebrate the setting of the sun and the rise of the full moon. The sun will set at 8:19 and we will rejoice and celebrate with "MOON PIES" for dessert.

Bring plenty of refreshments, snacks, moon cheese and crackers! It the social event of the month and you will definitely want to be there. Bring friends and family. Remember, the more boats the merrier!

Dinner is only \$7.50 per person, Kids 11 and under \$5.00, Senior citizen discount do not apply cause there's way too many of you!

Please RSVP with the phone callers or contact Mike Wasson at 806-8411 Reservations must be completed by June 7th.

Mike Wasson, Social Chair

(really important stuff...)

Date: June 10th

Times: Social hour 5:00 pm

Dinner 6:30 pm

Set sail to raft at end of cove 7:50

Dessert 8:19 pm

Prices: \$7.50 adults

\$5.00 Kids 11 and under

Music: Pink Floyd...Dark Side of the Moon...

(ha, just kidding)

Contact: Mike Wasson, 806-8411



Summer Social Calendar

June 10th

Feast of the Full Moon

Steak, Baked Potatoes, Corn on the Cob and Moon Pies on the Lake! Cocktail hour starts at 5 PM. Dinner is at 6:30 Rafting on the lake at 8 PM. \$7.50 per person, Kids 11 and under \$5.00

July 22nd

2nd Annual Shrimp Boil and Casino Night

Prizes auctioned off at the end of the evening with casino winnings! Cocktail hour starts at 5 PM, Dinner at 6:30. Adults \$10.00, Kids 11 and under \$5.00. Casino participation is free!

August 12th

Pirates of the Caribbean Pig Roast

Cocktail hour starts at 5 PM, Dinner at 6:30. Adults \$10.00, Kids 11 and under \$5.00.

September 9th

Men's Mexican Cook Off and New Member Party!

Cocktail hour starts at 5 PM, Dinner at 6:30. Men must bring a covered dish.

October 15th

End of Season TailGater Party!

Join us Sunday afternoon for an Official Kansas City Chiefs TailGater Party! Come early and bring something for the grill and refreshments and get ready for a 3:15 Kick-Off against the Super Bowl Champion Pittsburgh Steelers! The game will be broadcast outside and on television inside the clubhouse.

Contact – Delton Sandefer

Sunday Sundae Sail

Come out and sail with us on June 25th! Bring your friends and family! Young people –bring out your water balloon launchers or r/c boats! This will be a fun day for the whole family.

We will be having ice cream sundaes at 2:00 pm, so bring your favorite exotic topping! For those a little more daring, feel free to show off your culinary skills by bringing your own homemade ice cream! Just have it available in the clubhouse by 2:00.

Let's make this a fun day for all. Bring a friend or make a friend!

If the weather is bad watch next month's news letter for an alternate date.

Good hearted volunteers are needed to make all of these exciting activities happen. Please contact Sailing Activities Chair Delton R. Sandefer.

June 25th • 2pm



RACING NEWS

Racing Cost Reductions...

In an effort to reduce expenses this year your Racing Committee decided to do away with bi-monthly trophies. Instead Gary Pierce has made Posting Boards for Keel Regattas, and Centerboard Regattas, to post regatta results throughout the season. The Club Championship, to be held Sept. 30, and Oct. 1, will determine whose name will get engraved on the perpetual trophies. Another cost reduction is the \$2.00 per person suggested contribution to help cover the cost of the after-regatta gourmet meal.

Racing Instructions

Racing Instructions were drastically revised this year and are posted on the clubhouse bulletin board, and hopefully are in the new Roster. A listing of the Wind Dependent Portsmouth Numbers for those members interested in racing has been compiled & is also posted on the clubhouse bulletin board. Both the Racing Instructions & the Portsmouth listing are documents that require up dating, & revising. If you have information that is not shown, like sail numbers, let anyone on the Racing Committee know your thoughts. We may, or may not change anything, depending on the bribe.

There were quite a few enthusiasts attending the launch day, April 1 & 2. Hopefully they are ready for a successful season.

Results and Summaries

The first regatta, held on April 22 had a turnout of 5 boats in 10 to 13 mph winds. Mike Hand won with 2 firsts, & a second. Ed Webb was 2nd overall with a DNS, a 2nd, & a 1st. John Aschbrenner, & Mike Wasson tied for 3rd overall. Charles Squires also ran. Don Chism cooked dogs & bratwurst, a Janis Cooper salad, and brownies capped out a successful opening regatta.

The second regatta, on May 7, had a turnout of 4 centerboard (all Snipes), and 3 keel boats. The winds on the first race varied from 4 to 12 knots. Gary Pierce/Gene Nold won the first race, Ed Webb was 2nd, and Mike Wasson was third. In the centerboards James Rix finished 1st, Ken Rix 2nd, Mary Ann Rix 3rd, & Ernie Condon in his first race in his Snipe finished 4th.

After lunch Pierce/Nold, Ed Webb, & Mary Ann woosed out. (Did not compete), so Mike Wasson sailed with the remaining centerboard boats. It should be noted that this is the first time in WVSC history, I think, that there was a centerboard race but not a keel boat fleet racing. The winds had picked up to 9 to 14 knots & the water is still very cold in early May. Ken Rix came in 1st, James in 2nd, & Ernie in 3rd. Mike Wasson actually beat Ernie by 22 seconds on corrected time but being the only keel boat it was not scored. It takes 3 centerboard or keel boats to constitute an official race.

Lots of talk, sloppy joes, pasta salad, brownies, Mike Wasson's birthday cake & ice cream concluded the fun day.

Remember the next regattas on May 27, June 4, & June 17. Expect to see you all participating.

Ken

Board Meeting Minutes

WALNUT VALLEY SAILING CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNOR MEETING
Minutes Subject to Correction
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2006



CALL TO ORDER: Commodore Pat Boyarski called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the office of Steve Mardis, 9415 E. Harry, Suite 603, Wichita, Kansas. Board Members present were: Pat Boyarski, David Reynolds, Kathy Malcom, Steve Mardis, Gene Plehal, Ron White and John McCabe.

APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES: The minutes of the April 13, 2006 meeting were reviewed and submitted for discussion. Discussion was had and Malcom noted that the minutes should be amended to reflect that the member installing the new boat lift had paid the damage deposit. Plehal noted that the second item under the New Business section should be amended to read, "The Dry Storage Committee plans to repair a non-operative pole light at the east end of the Dry Storage facility". Gene noted the repair had been made. The corrections were acknowledged by the secretary. Reynolds made a motion to approve the April 13, 2006 minutes, seconded by John McCabe. *Motion carried.*

MARCH TREASURER'S REPORT: Malcom reported that there were 108 paid regular members and 1 regular member is currently unpaid.

Treasurer Malcom reported that two new members have joined the club: Robert and Keri August and JaNine DeLaughder. The Augusts were previously approved by a telephone vote conducted by Boyarski. De Laughder was approved by voice vote.

Malcom reported that the cash balance at April 30, 2006 was \$36,326.

Malcom presented the financial statements for the period November 1 2005 through April 30, 2006 to the board for review. Malcom also presented to the board the monthly check register for April 2006. Ron White made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, John McCabe seconded. *Motion carried.*

OLD BUSINESS: All committee chairs have been filled except for Building & Grounds and Harbor Committee.

NEW BUSINESS: The Building and Grounds Committee liaison, Ron White, gave a briefing to the board. The new sign has been erected at the entrance. The committee presented an invoice to the board for the first mowing of the season. The committee's short-term plans include a replacement of the bottom plate on the grills and spraying of weeds in the storage area when deemed appropriate by vendor. Boyarski requested that the committee review the mowing service cost and frequency.

The Power Boat Committee liaison, Gene Plehal, reported for Paul Malcolm, committee chairman, that the committee boat cover and upholstery needed repaired. They will obtain an estimate of cost to repair. The committee believes a log book should be maintained for all boat usage, including: date boat is used, operator, and fluids added.

The following committees were selected to report at the next board meeting: Building & Grounds, Harbor, Security and Dry Storage.

The following committees were selected to report at the July board meeting: Public Relations.

Boyarski requested that the Finance Committee present the 2007 budget at the September board meeting.

MEMBERS CONCERNS: Discussion was had relative to dock security. Members should be reminded to make sure the gate to the club house is locked and secure upon leaving the facility. It was also discussed that boats and trailers in dry storage should be properly secured and trailers should be marked with the owner's name.

The attachment points for the port-a-potties and the dry storage fence need to be inspected for damage. Also, the picnic tables are in need of repair. Gene Nold, Government Relations Committee Chairman, will contact the Park Service regarding exchanging the tables. John McCabe agreed to coordinate the table exchange.

The Park Service has requested the use of the activity center for an employee retreat during the middle of October 2006. The board agreed to allow the use of the activity center, without charge, in support of the Park Service employees. The Park Service will be allowed to use the activity center with the understanding that the water may have been turned off and sewer winterized for the season. Gene Nold will assure that this is understood by the Park Service.

The next Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 14, 2006 at Steve Mardis' office, 9415 E. Harry Suite # 603. *There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Plehal, seconded by McCabe, and motion was unanimously carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Mardis
Secretary



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RACING ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Sunday June 4, &
Saturday June 17:

Gary Pierce will be organizing this month's races. If you really want to get serious about racing, don't miss these races.

Sunday July 2, &
Saturday July 15:

Ken Rix will direct July's regattas. You can be sure that Ken will have something out-of-the-ordinary for us to enjoy.



Mark your calendar:

~~Sat.~~ July 22nd

Social 6pm

Dinner 7pm



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

\$10 Adult \$5 Kids under 10