

THE WINDWORD

The Newsletter of the Walnut Valley Sailing Club

NOVEMBER 2023



HUDSON RIVER & NY HARBOR PORTS

Freight Delivery by Sail - Details Below

COMMODORE

**Word from
the Commodore:**

It's been a great year
for WVSC, new members, the
sail training program is up and
running again, a full year of
competitive racing and
outstanding social events.
What an honor it's been filling
the position of the WVSC
Commodore this year.

Thank you WVSC members for
a memorable year. I gave it the
best I knew how to give.

See you at the Annual meeting
and the Christmas party.

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WVSC club members are invited to share a brief bio. and a photo. It's always
interesting to learn more about our WVSC sailors. Who knows, next month it
may be you.
Thanks to all that have participated.

2023 WVSC Socials Sailing Activities Calendar

NOVEMBER:

Annual Meeting & Chili Cookoff: 6:00 - 9:00 PM
Saturday, Nov. 11

House of Schwan, 3636 North Comotara
Wichita, KS 67226

**WVSC Annual Meeting and...
The Smoke'n Hot Chili Cookoff**

Saturday, November 11

6:00 - 9:00 PM

House of Schwan
3636 North Comotara
Wichita, KS 67226



Yip, you read that right. The WVSC Annual Meeting AND The Smoke'n Hot Chili Cookoff are on the same day, same venue and at the same time. We've combined the two events. Please bring either a pot of Smoke'n Hot Chili for the Cookoff, or a desert or other delightful food item to compliment the chili.

Please plan to attend, we need your vote on important

club decisions - and Kevin Welch can't eat all of his award winning chili by himself, even if Randy can. See you there.



Merry Christmas

Saturday, December 16th at *The Point*
2101 Dearborn St #302, Augusta, KS

As always, nothing is set in stone. If you have an idea for a social or sailing activity, or would like to help out, let us know. Contact any board member, Julie Barth 316-644-4582 or Tedd Blankenship 316-775-1064



The water is turned off to the clubhouse and our plumbing system has been winterized for the season. You're welcome to use the clubhouse, however please remember - the clubhouse restrooms are closed.

Our newly remodeled, state of the art lavatory, proudly located at the west end of our parking lot is *open for business!* You can't miss it and OMG, you're going to be amazed when you open the front door!

Get Pumpkins by Sail Freight!

FOR DELIVERY TO SELECT HUDSON RIVER & NY HARBOR PORTS IN OCTOBER 2023

Hudson - Kingston - Poughkeepsie - Newburgh - Ossining - Piermont - Brooklyn Bridge Park - Red Hook, BK - Manhattan



October 2023 Sail Freight Voyage

<https://www.schoonerapollonia.com/sail-freight>

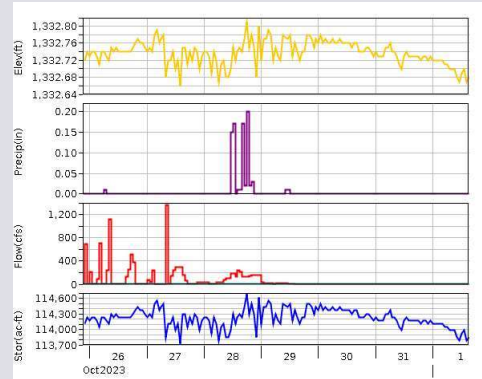


Click on the image-link above to view the beautiful boat Apollonia. Freight deliveries by sail are being made in all of the ports of call listed above. Manhattan, Brooklyn Bridge Park, to name but a few.



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Click on the graph at right to view current lake level data. Be aware, you may have trouble safely floating your Thanksgiving Day pumpkin in some parts of the lake.



El Dorado Lake Inflow-Outflow Data

CLICK ON THE GRAPH ABOVE TO
VIEW CURRENT DATA

Read more

www.swt-wc.usace.army.mil

Just Beyond B Docks



This is a plywood-epoxy replica of the 12th-century "Gislinge Boat," built by Chesapeake Light Craft. The boat is 25'4" long and 5'7" wide. Fully rigged, with ballast, the boat weighs about 975lbs.

In 1993, archeologists excavated a boat near the village of Gislinge (GISS-ling-ah), in Denmark. Dendrochronology established that the boat was built around the year 1130.

The Gislinge Boat was reconstructed and documented by the Viking Ship Museum in Roskilde, Denmark. In 2015, the Museum released the working drawings to the public, launching the Gislinge Boat Open Source Project.

Video was captured in October 2023 at the Mid-Atlantic Small Craft Festival, hosted by the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michaels, Maryland, USA. At the helm is John C. Harris, with CLC boatbuilder Steve Youngkin and serial adventurer John Guider.

Triple Dog Dare You!

If you're curious, come on out!

I would love to share a cup of coffee with you and talk about boats, sailing, or past Thanksgiving Day fiascos - anytime.

Stay 5 minutes or hang out all afternoon.

I have chairs, coffee, a wood stove, and... skegs and rub rails to install.

Tedd: 316-775-1064, 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM - OPEN INVITATION!

Visit anytime now through spring, 2024
5720 SW Santa Fe Lake Road, Augusta, KS



Tech. Tip of the Month



Reefing the Mainsail

This is as clear and concise as it gets. Learn to reef you boat with skill and confidence and one day you'll be glad you did. This video is an excellent place to start. Not a very sexy photo maybe, but hey... this is a great video.

Thanks to the fine folks at searchingforcoconuts.com

Out on the Race Course

**Racers - Here's our
2023
season final race results**

Congratulations to Steve Kubin and Randy Malcom for sailing to a first place finish and earning the Club Championship title - again!

Congratulations to Preston Brammer and Tedd Blankenship for earning a first place finish in the WVSC Catalina 22 Fleet.

Both crews completed the season with first place finishes across the board - well done!

Cheers,
Blaine



Walnut Valley Sailing Club
Catalina 22 - Two Thousand Twenty Three
Championship Trophy

A screenshot of a spreadsheet showing race results for the 2023 season. The spreadsheet has multiple columns for race dates, names, and scores. The data is organized into rows and columns, with some cells highlighted in yellow and green.

Click on the link at left to view the 2023 race results. Thanks for another great racing season WVSC sailors.

We'll see you all next spring!

**WVSC Board of Governors Meeting Minutes
October 11th, 2023, 7:00 PM - WVSC**

Due to technical issues the October Meeting Minutes are not

available at this time. Meeting Minutes will post in next month's Windword. If you have questions, please contact Stuart Funk or any WVSC board member.

Please don't shoot the messenger. Thanks, T. B.

Don't Be Shy

Sorry we missed your unbelievable double back pike - three and a half twist, tuck, swan dive at the rock quarry Chris Proudfoot.

We're just happy to hear you pulled it off safely!

Actually we'd love to hear about anything you've been up to lately sailors; stripping varnish, updating your rigging, practicing your reefing skills or diving at the rock quarry.

We're just happy to hear from you!



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Send information to:
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Earning work credits at WVSC is easier than stuffing a turkey. Just ask Gwynne Bonifield.

Come on out!

\$10 per hour up to 10 hours. We need you! Work Credit hours directly reduce your annual fees by as much as \$100. Not only



that, you'll go home feeling great about pitching in and helping out. If you can only help out an hour or two here and there, no worries. That's fine. Hours are flexible, and the dress code is always bow tie and blue blazer casual.

If you're experiencing a slight tingling all over your body about now, contact a board member today!

To all of our fine WVSC friends out there working to keep the lights on... thanks. We appreciate your time and effort.

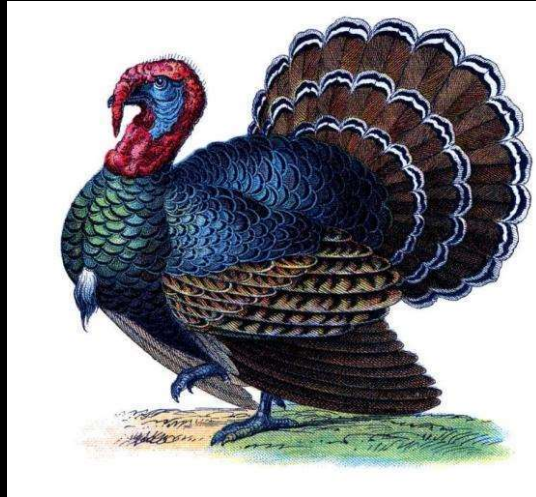


YOUR COUCH

Rain Dance - now through spring

Annual Mtg. & Smoke'n Hot Chili Cookoff

JOKE OF THE MONTH



What did the leftover turkey say?

"Make me a sandwich!"

Boats & Gear For Sale



1980 O'day 23

Shore-lander tandem axle trailer with keel roller launch/retrieve & 1979 7.5 HP Electric Start Mercury Outboard (old but runs well). Sails: Main, Jib, Genoa, Storm Jib. Has shoal draft keel (24" draft with C/B up) In Yard Space 618 at Ninnescah Sailing Association, Cheney Lake

Hull #XDYT0514M79G

\$6000 OBO Photo above

Contact Jim Steck (316-737-9010) or Jason Kaufman (316-393-9691)

It's official.

We reciprocate with Ninnescah Yacht Club

List your boat, boom vang or leftover Jello salad for sale in the Mainsheet and/or the Windword.

Contact: teddblankenship59@gmail.com for the Windword or Angela at Cheney to place your free ad: editor@ninnescah.org

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