

The WindWord

A PUBLICATION OF THE WINDYCREST SAILING CLUB KEYSTONE LAKE TULSA, OKLAHOMA



January 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Steering Committee Meeting
Jan 27
7:00 pm
Baxter's Interurban Grill

Annual Awards Party
Feb 22



Mark your calendars

The Annual Awards Party will be held on Saturday, Feb 22, at the Canyons at Blackjack Ridge in Sand Springs. The event is scheduled for 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

More details on this Mardi Gras themed event will be coming in the near future.

[Always check the website for the most current information](#)



WINDYCREST INFORMATION

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Facilities

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Racing

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Events

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Training

rear.commodore@windycrest.com

Lake Level

<https://www.swt-wc.usace.army.mil/webdata/gagedata/KEYO2.current.html>

Commodore's Report - January

The excessive voltage drop on B and D docks is still an issue.

- I have emailed Gilley requesting they fix it, at no charge to WSC, by installing larger wire. Their response was to offer to do it for \$20,000.
- I contacted the Oklahoma Construction Industries Board (OCIB) and spoke with Inspector Cliff Foster. He was sympathetic to our situation and did some research. Unfortunately, the NEC code only "suggests" that voltage drop be less than 5%, but does not specify that it "must" or "will" be less than 5%. Therefore, the CIB does not have authority to cite/fine Gilley.
- Estimates from two other contractors have been solicited. One has been received for \$15,800; waiting for the other.

The water leak that was resulting in some very high water bills (\$1,200+) has been isolated to the area downhill (to pavilion and docks) from the bathhouse. New valves have been installed at the bathhouse and turned off, stopping water flow down the hill. The latest water bill was \$26 and change, if I recall correctly.

Fair winds,
Mick Walsh
Commodore
WSC

Vice Commodore's Report – January

We are trying to get boats off the docks that haven't paid fees to clear space for those who will.

With colder weather, we are working to ensure heaters are on at the bathhouse when it's freezing.

As a reminder to our club members, everyone should make sure your engines are pulled out of the water so they don't freeze and crack.

Mike Darrol
Vice Commodore
WSC

Rear Commodore's Report – January

Happy New Year to everyone! I am excited to join the board and provide assistance in keeping this club going another year! Thank you for this opportunity to serve the club.

I don't have anything to immediately report. I will be out on the grounds hiking around over the next few weeks so if you see me come say hey or throw me some hand warmers!

David Atkins
Rear Commodore
WSC

As a reminder, we are preparing for a prescribed (controlled) burn at Windycrest in the near future, probably sometime between January 21 and February 28. This is very weather dependent, and we will let everyone know when a date is selected.

The reasons for the burn include:

- Reduce hazardous/invasive vegetation.
- Reduce uncontrolled wildfire risk.
- Improve habitat and ecological health.
- Improve aesthetics of our wooded environment.

Club members are welcome to come watch and participate if they would like. Watch your email inbox for more information soon.

Annual Steering Committee Meeting Date and Time

Past Commodores of Windycrest. We have set the date and time for the annual Steering Committee Meeting.

Please mark your calendars for Monday, Jan. 27 at 7:00 pm at Baxter's Interurban Grill which is located at 717 S Houston Ave #100 in downtown Tulsa.

Activity Captain's Report - January

Plans are taking shape for a Mardi Gras-themed Awards Party. It is scheduled for Saturday, Feb 22nd, at the Canyons at Blackjack Ridge in Sand Springs. We have many decorations in the shed for this event, and I ordered a few inexpensive table centerpieces. The golf club will cater the event in a very similar way to last year. Who will emcee the awards, Drew or Dan? We need to discuss trophies and what help is required. This event will be free of charge, as is customary.

I have discussed the activities schedule with Drew. Many details are yet to be determined. A few changes I've made should make this year easier to manage. I am forming three committees:

Holiday Long Distance Races

I have asked Andy and Sherry Leithner to chair and await confirmation. We need new ideas to make these events attractive and fun for more participants. Timing of the race is paramount to planning any food service activity. Breakfast before? Lunch-fixing buffet before? Dinner after?

Wednesday Night Series

Stephen Gent has volunteered to chair.

Dinner Event:

I will plan these five events... plus the Thanksgiving Potluck.

I have scheduled a holiday party for this year. Any objections? Suggestions for a venue?

Will we plan a charity regatta? Who will be the recipient? Will it promote sailing and WSC?

I suggest combining the Jr. Sailing Camp with the regatta and having it scheduled for Saturday at the end of camp. WSC could grant a few "scholarships" to the camp to a youth charity, and funds raised could be shared with the charity and with WSC to promote the camp.


I am still looking for a replacement for the activity captain position.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Keithline
Activity Captain
WSC

New Racing Rules Announced January 1, 2025

The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) are revised by World Sailing every four years. New rules took effect on January 1, 2025, and remain in force until December 31, 2028. US Sailing adds “US Prescriptions” to the racing rules – these are rules that apply only in the United States.

As a result, we recommend club members review the new rules and even consider getting their hands on a RRS rulebook so they are well-versed on the topic. Another great option to consider is the mobile version of the rules which you can access anywhere, anytime via your phone. See [this link](#) for more information and for access to added resources featured below.



US Prescriptions to *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028*

[READ THE PRESCRIPTIONS](#)

Racing Rules of Sailing

THE RACING RULES OF SAILING 2025-2028
(WORLD SAILING VERSION)

Changes and Corrections to the RRS for 2025-2028 effective January 1, 2025

[CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS V1](#)

Changes to the RSS that Affect Race Management, effective January 1, 2025

[CHANGES THAT AFFECT RACE MGMT](#)

The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028 Study Version

Racing Rules of Sailing Study Pack 2025-2028 (Redline version, Submissions, Yellow Papers)

[RRS 2025-2028 STUDY VERSION](#)

Changes to the RSS that Affect Judging, effective January 1, 2025

[CHANGES THAT AFFECT JUDGING](#)

Appendices KG and LG, Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions Guides and Templates

World Sailing has provided guides and templates for writing the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. Please consult Appendix J, Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, for detailed guidance, and read the notes in the PDF Guides for suitable language to use in writing race documents.

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An Overview of the Significant Rule Changes in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028* by Dave Perry

(Excerpted from Dave Perry's *Understanding the Racing Rules of Sailing through 2028* – posted January 16, 2025)

[DAVE PERRY'S OVERVIEW OF CHANGES](#)

Hearing Request Form

Use this form to request a protest hearing, redress hearing or reopening (*formerly known as the protest form*)

[HEARING REQUEST FORM](#)



Treasurer's Report - January

Renewal processes are in full swing and should be mailed to members very soon.

For 2025, this is going old school, but for 2026 we are planning the future, with website shopping for events and renewals to make reservations and pay renewals. Carmen and Danny have been making headway and we will be able to use the website for payments for 2025, but signed renewals, and slip lease agreements, will need to be mailed in no matter how you pay.

Carol Hindsman, Secretary and I had a conversation how Online QuickBooks should be able to take on the lion share of the database functions for Membership Renewals.

We should be able to maintain member data, asset location, etc. and be able to upload a template of the renewal form to run the annual renewal, deliver via email an/or snail mail, possibly send email blasts to the membership, I am waiting to learn Thea swear to this and buy the online version.

The other flexibility of the online is multiple BOG members will have access in view only, while others will have edit capabilities of some files, examples: Vice Commodore will have access to the inventory (all available space assignments land and water) to maintain who occupies spaces, Secretary edit of Customer Data for mailings and emails, etc.

Ability to sign documents online, using something like DocuSign through QuickBooks. The ideas just keep coming. If you think of something, share it with me.

Thank you
Skeeter Chilton
WSC Treasurer

From the Editors

Our goal is to publish the *Windword* middle of each month. In order to do that, we ask club members to contribute content by the tenth of each month. This includes classifieds as well. Submit content to Danny Ziegler at sailamc@aol.com or Leah Kelso at leah.kelso@hilti.com Preferred formats include word files and jpg graphics.

Windycrest Activity 2025 Calendar

For planning purposes, only. Final activities and dates will be published once voted on by the Board of Governors.



Date	Activity	Location	Theme
Sat Feb. 22	Awards party*	Canyons at Blackjack Ridge Golf Club S. S.	Mardi Gras
Sat Mar 15	St Patrick's Day LDR	WSC Pavilion	TBD
Sat Apr 19	Chili Open LDR	WSC Pavilion	Chili Cookoff
May 17-19	Spring Open*	WSC Pavilion	Continental Bkfst, Lunch buffet, Dinner
Mon May 26	Memorial Day LDR	WSC Pavilion	TBD
Sat June 28	Keystone Cup*	WSC Pavilion	Luau? Cheeseburgers?
Fri July 4	Ind. Day LDR	WSC Pavilion	TBD
Mon Sep 1	Labor Day LDR	WSC Pavilion	TBD
Sat Sep 13-14	MC SW Regatta	WSC Pavilion	TBD
Sat Oct 18	WSC Annual Meeting*	WSC Pavilion	TBD
Sat Nov 15	Thanksgiving Potluck*	WSC Pavilion	Potluck
Sat Dec 13	WSC Holiday Party*	TBD	TBD

CLASSIFIED ADS
BUY-SELL-TRADE YOUR
BOATS-SAILS-EQUIPMENT HERE

This 8,000 pound level lift Hydro hoist is available for sale at Windycrest Sailing Club. This lift is in excellent condition. The air compressor has an excellent air valve system which makes it very easy to raise and lower the lift. The cost for this lift system is \$4,000 which also includes installation at Windycrest. For more information about the lift or to purchase call Bob McGinnis.



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Located in slip D-21

FOR SALE

Catalina 22 #1286

Includes trailer

A white Catalina 22 sailboat is shown on a trailer at a dock. The boat has a white hull with a red and black logo on the side. A white outboard motor is visible in the foreground. The background shows a body of water and trees.

Offered by
Mark & Nancy Lobo



\$3,500
terms available
for details:
~~908-645-7996~~
~~marknancy@windycrest.net~~

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FOR SALE 1995 MacGregor 26S

Good condition. Comes with main, jib and genoa all in good condition. Fairly new 6hp Nissan with very low hours. This is a water ballast boat and light on the trailer. Good boat for someone looking for their first boat. Must sell due to health issues.

Asking \$3000 or obo. Contact Dale Housley or Judy Andrews

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FOR SALE: Sanctuary. A 1980 Catalina 27.

This boat is well cared for and was owned and raced by a former Commodore.

Sails great, very fast and well-equipped boat with lots of extra sails and two stainless steel marine grills!

Powered by a newer 5hp Tohatsu SailPro Propane Motor. Just had it's first service.

Boat is currently in a slip located on B dock.

\$8,500 OBO

Contact Clark Wheeler or by email

clarkwwheeler@gmail.com

For Sale: 4,000lb Hydrohoist. Suitable for Catalina 22' or similar.

No leaks. Includes blower motor and all mounting hardware.

Asking: \$500 OBO.

Contact: Mick Walsh

As a reminder. In July of 2024 the Board of Governors proposed and voted to approve a number of changes. They are reprinted here for your reference as renewal letters are being prepared for distribution.

July 16, 2024

Dear Windycrest Members,

The Windycrest Board of Governors take our responsibility seriously and welcome your questions and comments on the following necessary changes. This decision was made at the recommendation of the Steering Committee (Past Commodores) following their Annual Meeting in January 2024. After researching area clubs fee structures, and careful review of the intended purpose of our Club's fees and dues, we agree that these changes are necessary to maintain and preserve the value of Windycrest. Therefore, at the July 8th Windycrest Board Meeting we voted unanimously to increase the dues and fees effective September 1, 2024. By reinvesting in the Club facilities and performing much-needed deferred maintenance projects, we will make our Club a place you can be proud of while also allowing us to keep pace with the increased costs of everything we use to keep our Club operating.

The immediate impact of the proposed increase in annual dues and fees will be:

- New applications for membership presented at the September 2024 Board Meeting will be at the new dues & fees rates.
- Any new slips, dry sail, or other fees incurred on or after September 1, 2024 will be at the new dues & fees rates.

Proposed WSC Dues & Fees as of September 1, 2024:

- Dues:
 - Regular members to \$800
 - Special members to \$400
 - Associate members to \$150
 - Sustaining Members to \$50

- Reduction of Work Party Credit to a total of \$200 for one of the following activities:
 - Annual Work Party work; or,
 - Working at the WSC Facilities on a specific project approved by the Vice Commodore; or,
 - Working on a PRO crew for at least 3 WSC regular, Wednesday night, or long distance races; or,
 - Another project approved by the Board of Governors.

- Annual Fees:
 - B & D Dock \$900
 - C Dock \$700
 - Board Boat Dock \$100
 - Centerboard or Catamaran on Trailer \$100
 - Keelboat on Trailer or Mooring \$250
 - Empty Trailer fee \$50
 - WindyRest \$1,000 + electricity

- Training fees for the use of a Club Boat (for all Members) \$150
- Boat Initiation Fee one-time \$500 (regardless of boat class)
- No free boat storage spaces will be permitted.
- There will be no Centerboards or Catamarans permitted on land storage without a trailer.

Bylaw changes necessitated by proposed increases in Dues and Fees

Note: Amendments to the Bylaws must be proposed at a Regularly scheduled Meeting of the Board of Governors. May only be adopted at a subsequent meeting. Must be made available to the membership at least 20 days prior to the meeting at which the changes will be adopted. Membership must be notified within 30 days after adoption.

Article XIII – COLLECTION OF DUES AND FEES

Sec. 1. a. An initiation fee of ~~\$200.00~~ \$500.00 will apply to Regular centerboard and keelboat memberships.

~~b. In the event that a regular centerboard member acquires a keelboat or an interest in a keelboat and the keelboat is kept on the Club premises, the member shall pay to the Club the keelboat initiation fee applicable as of the date that member first keeps the keelboat at the Club, less the centerboard initiation fee applicable as of the date that member first keeps his keelboat at the Club.~~

~~b.~~ The initiation fees will not apply to special memberships or associate memberships or to a former member returning to Windycrest. However, if an associate member acquires a boat to be used on Club facilities, a regular membership must be approved by the Board of Governors, and the initiation fee will be applicable at that time.

~~c.~~ All dues, leases and other fees for annual renewal of memberships in the Club are payable in full on or before February 1 of each year unless otherwise provided for in other sections of Article XIII.

Sec. 2. Dues for any person initially seeking Regular or Special membership after March 1st of any year shall be prorated based on the number of full and partial months remaining in the fiscal year at the time of approval of their membership by the Board of Governors.

Sec. 3. The Annual Dues for all Regular and Special memberships and Fees shall be established by the Board of Governors. ~~These dues shall be divided into two equal parts. Part A All Dues and Fees shall be due on or before February 1 of each year. Part B is due on or before July 1 of each year. However, part B shall be waived if the member has qualified for a "work credit" by performing any of the following services to the Club prior to July 1 of each year: A Regular or Special member may apply a Credit in the amount of \$200 to annual Dues by earning the Credit in the fiscal year preceding the year in which the Credit is to be used. The annual Dues Credit of \$200 may be earned by participating on one of the following opportunities:~~

a. Attendance and registration at a regularly scheduled work party.

b. Completion of a special work or service project approved by the Vice Commodore.

~~c. Service as a member of the Board of Governors.~~

~~d. Board members who have served two (2) consecutive years will be exempt the following year after service.~~

~~c.e. All Past Commodores shall be exempt receive an Annual Dues Credit of \$200.00 for due to their previous service to the Club.~~

~~d.f. Part A Dues shall be waived for the following for the year in which each holds his or her office or position: These Members are exempt from Annual Dues during current service to the Club:~~

~~(a) members of the Board of Governors;~~

~~(b) those working to publish the editor of the Windword, and;~~

~~(c) those working on the WSC website the Webmaster; and,~~

~~(d) the Facilities Manager.~~

~~This is to compensate these members for the personal time and resources they contribute in performing the tasks and functions of their positions. If such person serves in his or her position for less than a full year, the Part A dues waiver Work Party Credit shall be prorated according to the portion of the year served.~~

~~Sec. 4. The Annual Dues for Associate memberships shall be determined by the Board of Governors.~~

~~Sec. 5. The Annual Dues for Sustaining memberships shall be determined by the Board of Governors.~~

~~Sec. 6. The annual fee for storage space for centerboard boats or empty trailer storage shall be determined by the Board of Governors.~~

~~Sec. 7. The annual fee for storage of camping trailers and/or tents that are kept on Club facilities for more than one month out of the fiscal year shall be determined by the Board of Governors.~~

~~Sec. 8. The annual fee for use of keelboat slips, board boat docks, moorings and 'dry sail' keelboat land storage shall be determined by the Board of Governors.~~

~~Sec. 49. Membership dues or other fees are not refundable after an application has been acted upon and approved.~~

~~Sec. 510.a. A late fee of \$25.00 will be assessed on all annual dues and fees not postmarked by February 15. An additional \$25.00 (\$50.00 total) will be assessed if not postmarked by March 1. On March 15th, memberships with unpaid dues and fees will be assessed an additional \$100.00 late fee.~~

~~b. On April 1, memberships still unpaid shall forfeit their membership in the Club for nonpayment of dues. If the membership includes slip leases, they will be canceled and property subject to removal. They shall not be entitled to membership in the Club until~~

readmission by the Board of Governors. Forfeited memberships accumulate daily storage fees from February 1st until property is removed from the Club premises.

c. Dues and fees other than annual renewals will be due no later than 15 days from date of invoice. A late fee of \$10.00 per month or portion thereof will be assessed on late payments.

Sec. ~~6~~11. Any boat, trailer, camping trailer, or other personal property that is left at the Club by a member who relinquishes his/her membership under any circumstances will be subject to a daily storage fee. The fee for any such item shall be set by the Board of Governors. Additional fees may occur for boat "haul outs," or other movement of said personal property and such fees shall be determined by the Board of Governors.

Sec. ~~7~~12. Members other than regular will be charged a fee to participate in training. The fees will be determined by the Board of Governors.

Sec. ~~8~~13. A fee will be assessed for the usage of all training boats. The fees will be determined by the Board of Governors.

Sec. ~~9~~14. Changes to fee schedule shall be made available to membership at least 20 days prior to the vote on adoption.

---End of Proposed Bylaws Changes---

Respectfully, Windycrest Board of Governors