



# Windword

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**Rex and Allene Donley, Editors**

## DECEMBER

- 24 .....Christmas Eve
- 25.....Christmas
- 31 .....New Year's Eve
- 31 .....Full Moon

## JANUARY, 2010

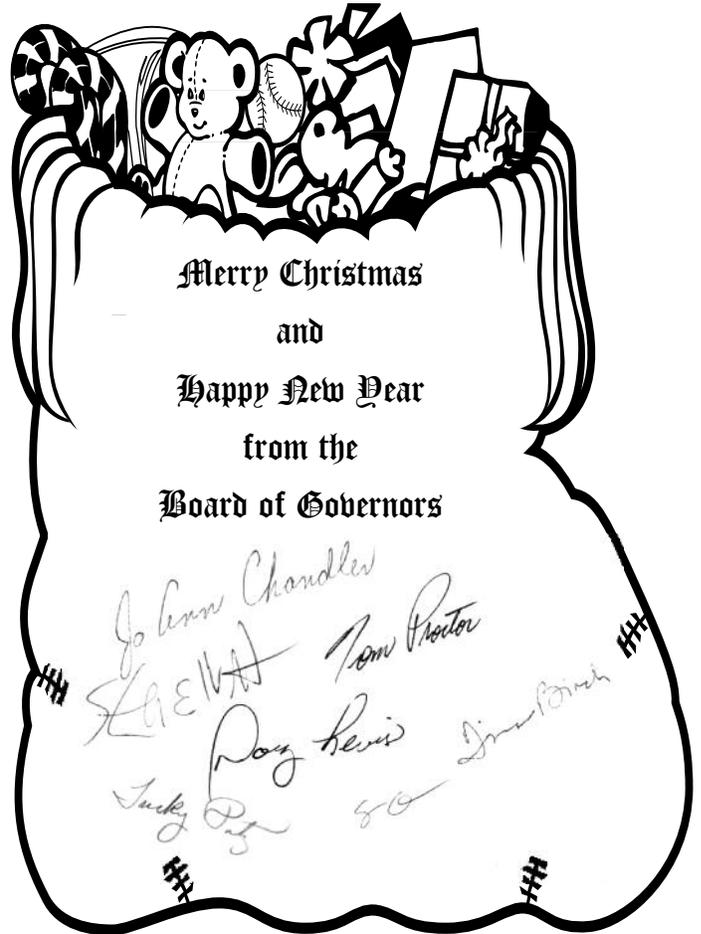
- 1 .....NEW YEAR'S DAY
- 1 .....I Hate Bowl Games Regatta  
Noon, WSC Pavilion
- 4 .....BOG Meeting  
Sand Springs Community Center, 6:30 p.m.
- 10.....Windword Deadline

## FEBRUARY, 2010

- 1 .....BOG Meeting  
Sand Springs Community Center - 6:30 p.m.
- 8.....Windword Deadline
- 27 .....The Awards Ceremony  
Jewish Community Center, 6:30 p.m.

**Membership Renewal - February 1st**  
Late on February 15th

**February 1 - 7**  
**Tulsa Boat, Sport**  
**and Travel Show**  
Windycrest Booth  
(See Article)



### ATTENTION ALL PAST COMMODORES

The Annual Steering Committee Meeting  
will be held on  
January 11, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
at OCV Control Valves  
7400 E. 42nd Pl. Tulsa, Oklahoma.

## BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S MEETING

### Windycrest Sailing Club Board of Governors Meeting Minutes 07 December 2009 (draft)

The BOG convened at 6:33 pm in the Sand Springs Case Community Center on December 7th, 2009. Governors present were Tina Birch, Jo Ann Chandler, Allene & Rex Donley, Steve Elliott, Stephen Gent, Doug Lewis, Tucky Patz, and Tom Proctor. Members present were Darline Hobock and Jack Stewart.

**Welcome:** Steve welcomed the attending members and mentioned that the Club had two membership inquiries which he passed along to the Vice Commodore.

**Secretary's Report:** The November Minutes were approved with minor corrections.

**Windword Editor:** Rex and Allene had nothing new to share.

**Facilities Manager's Report:** Jack has completed the winterization of the Club. He also has received an estimate from PermaJack for settling stabilization of the pavilion; estimates from other companies are forthcoming. Jack will also seek estimates to fix the Retaining Wall of Pizza. All seventeen fire extinguishers have been checked by the authorities with two having to be recharged. The two recharged extinguishers were discharged due to horseplay. The Membership is reminded that the extinguishers are not toys and are provided in case of emergency. Please also note, that it is against the law to tamper and/or discharge an extin-

guisher without an emergency.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tom reported the major expense this past month was propane for Club and that we are inline with the anticipated \$15,000 dip into the contingency fund due to the major repairs the Club weathered this past year.

**Activities Captain's Report:** Tucky announced there were 40 reservations for the Holiday Party as of this afternoon which appeared to be along the line with last year's 61. She also mentioned that calls have been made to the new Members to make sure they were aware the party was an opportunity to meet fellow sailors. The Awards Ceremony & Party is scheduled for the 27th of February.

**Fleet Captain's Report:** Stephen reported on the ad hoc racing meeting the 5th of December. About 20 were present with a good +95, keelboat and centerboard mix. There was heavy debate about scheduling the centerboard and keelboat races on different weekends, about competitive racing, newbie racing, the decline in participation, and help from the CSSA; also to renew Fleet activity, host humorous specialty races, and better use of the facilities. Stephen also reported he would have a tentative calendar drafted for next BOG meeting with the intention to finalize and publish it prior to the Awards Ceremony.

**Webmaster's Report:** no report received

**Rear Commodore's Report:** Doug checked into the purchase of two boat covers for the 420s, finding both poly-

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ester and acrylic fabric offerings. Jack suggested Doug concentrate his efforts on acrylic covers as the polyester ones do not hold up well. Doug inquired about passing along boat information received from non-

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**2009 FLEET CAPTAINS****Keelboat Racing Fleet****Terry Rainey****369-5493****rainey@olp.net****Keelboat Cruising Fleet****Richard Bunn****252-1305****rbunn@rlbunn.com****MC Scow****Matt Gillis****918-557-6256****mgillis@aol.com****Centerboard Racing Fleet****Darrel Daniel****865-2719****drrldaniel@aol.com****Catalina 22****Doug Lewis****694-9044****d3klewis@cox.net****Thistle****Fred Morgan****245-6419****fmorgan@tulsacounty.org****+95 Fleet/Sunfish****Steve Snider****242-3192****mscelloplayer@ecewb.com****C27/25****Allene Donley****744-8656****crdonley@juno.com****Santana 20****IV McNamara****408-1603****cam@the4th.us****COMMODORE'S REPORT**

As we approach the middle of the Holiday season, I'm always impressed by humanity's capacity to express sentiments of peace and goodwill. Hopefully, our recent dues and fees increase will do nothing to diminish our member's enjoyment of these times of love and good cheer among friends and family.

Many of our Sailing Club family have been working to find ways to encourage more pursuit of sailing. Over the time when the weather makes it less appealing to sail, we still have opportunities to generate excitement for next year's sailing season. Whether it is helping a new member or connecting with a long-time member that has drifted away, our overall level of participation is affected greatly by interpersonal contact.

Next month, I'll try to express what it is about sailing that I find so enjoyable. In the meantime, if you haven't hugged your boat lately, think about how you may reignite the dreams of sailing satisfaction that prompted you to get that boat in the first place.

Happy Holidays!

Steve Elliott

**PAST COMMODORE'S REPORT**

Here we go again, time to start thinking about our New Year's resolutions. I hope that at the top of your list is "to become a more active member of Windycrest. Attend the parties, become active with your fleet and SAIL. Most of the fleets have regular meetings which are primarily social events intermixed with a small amount of fleet talk. If your fleet does not have meetings join another fleet, it is a great way to get to know other sailors.

The 2009 Windycrest Sailing Club Christmas Party was a very elegant event. If you did not attend you really missed a good time. Smanatha Kerns, who gets more beautiful every year, handled the registration with her usual grace and charm. Thank you Tucky Patz for organizing an outstanding party.

CSSA has not yet finalized their 2010 calendar. I will post it on the web site as soon as it becomes available. I would like to encourage you to sail in as many of the regattas as possible. Start now planning your summer now to include as many sailing events as possible. You will have a great time, meet new people and SAIL.

Jo Ann Chandler

Past Commodore



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club members. It was decided that passing along an individual's wish to sell a boat was acceptable; however, commercial enterprises would be ignored. Doug will check with GUST about their training offer for next year, noting that Windycrest is in need of professional and/or advanced teachers; the Club has several certified trainers to care for beginner and intermediate instruction.

**Vice Commodore's Report:** no report received

**Past Commodore's Report:** Jo Ann is hoping to host a sailing movie at the Circle Cinema on February 20th. She received a suggestion to have a speaker after the movie and will pursue the suggestion. Details will be presented to the BOG next month.

**Commodore's Report:** Steve inquired about the budget being ready for the Steering Committee meeting in January and reminded Jo Ann that she was in charge of scheduling such meeting. // Steve voiced his concern for the success of the Club and the lack of any real measure thereof. Realizing that people join the Club for different reasons, expecting different things from their membership, he stated that he was going to concentrate this year on better fulfilling the Club's purpose; we have a Mission Statement and he would like to make sure the Club is on track. Suggestions to Steve were to emphasize the on-the-water state boat tax registration; expand the new member introduction at the BOG meetings stressing what participation the Club would like to see from the new Member; call inactive members, asking what might be done to increase their activity; encourage members to make the effort to introduce themselves to any unknown member; and to compile a Help Directory listing individual contacts for different kinds of questions. Steve believes much energy is spent on distractions from the Club's purpose and he endeavors to place a sharper focus on the quantifiable success of the Club.

**Old Business:** Tom passed out the proposed changes to the By Laws as published to the Membership. With clarification to the wording of Section 5, the Board of Governors accepted the package changes to the By Laws which become effective with the new fiscal year beginning February 1st, 2010. Stephen expressed an interest in reducing the Associate Member Training Fees. Jo Ann said the fees historically helped cover repairs and maintenance to the Club's training boats. Doug will do some research on the subject and present his findings next month.

**New business:** Peace on earth and good will to men.

The next Board of Governors meeting will be held January 4th at 6:30pm in the Case Community Center, 1050 W Wekiwa Road, Sand Springs.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina L Birch, Secretary, Windycrest Sailing Club



### Waiting List - December, 2009

Changes: For any changes, additions or questions about the waiting list, please call Steve Elliott, or email at [vice.commodore@windycrest.com](mailto:vice.commodore@windycrest.com). Requests for water space, dry sail space upgrades and trailer space MUST BE MADE IN WRITING to the Vice Commodore. The list date is the postmark date if mailed, the date of hand delivery or date email is sent. Past due fees will cause removal from the list. Your membership must be current to be on the list.

#### Slip Waiting List

5/15/2007 Roger Hartley  
6/11/2007 Maurice Casad  
6/29/2007 Edith Coen  
7/16/2007 Harry Potter  
9/10/2007 Christina Birch  
9/15/2007 Mick Walsh  
11/28/2007 Bob Ibanez  
9/2/2008 Clay Agent  
10/8/2008 Bob Ronne  
10/9/2008 Kevin Donovan  
5/21/2009 Stu Bernd  
6/1/2009 Marcus Fairless  
6/8/2009 Mike Dixon  
7/6/2009 Shaun Green  
8/14/2009 Joe Bidwell

#### Upgrade for a slip

7/21/2001 Rex Donley move C to B  
5/2/2005 Skeeter Chilton B or D  
10/20/2005 Phil Montalbano C to B  
4/20/2006 Stan Minor  
7/16/2007 Harry Potter to B or D  
9/10/2007 Christina Birch to B or D  
11/28/2007 Bob Ibanez to B or D  
8/02/2009 Charlie Keithline D to B

**Passed on Slip - Persons who have passed, may request reinstatement at the top of the list.**

6/2/1997 Ed Dailey  
10/14/2001 Joann Chandler  
1/30/2002 George Thomas  
8/4/2003 Mark Romeo  
10/5/2003 Wendy Hawkins  
2/3/2004 Darrel and Sally Daniel  
4/1/2005 Margaret Shinn  
5/2/2005 Skeeter Chilton  
4/19/2006 Kurt Kraus

#### Travel Trailer Space Waiting List

3/26/2005 Diana Locke Opalach  
4/1/2005 Margaret Shinn  
6/6/2005 Brit Williams  
7/1/2005 Sam Mieir  
2/17/2006 Nuel Holman  
3/28/2006 Steve Goff  
1/7/2007 Lynn Hargrove  
8/6/2007 Lisa Weatherholt

#### Passed on Travel Trailer Space

2/27/1999 Phil Montalbano, 3rd pass,  
10/09/07  
10/30/2001 John Lissau, 2nd pass,  
10/09/07  
8/4/2003 Mark Romeo, 2nd pass,  
10/11/07  
10/9/2004 Reid Barcus, pass,  
10/15/07  
10/10/2004 Joe Perrault, pass,  
10/29/07  
10/11/2004 Terry Dannar, pass,  
10/29/07

#### Upgrade for Travel Trailer Space

1/11/2000 Charlie Keithline- Stay for  
now 3/29/06. Keithline  
waiting on larger lot

**Given Up Slip - Persons who have given up a slip in the past, may request reinstatement at the top of the list.**

1/30/2002 Roger Siemens  
2/22/1998 Bill Gent  
6/30/2007 Chris Gill  
5/25/2009 Grant Gerondale  
8/18/2009 IV McNamarra

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## 2010 Training Schedule

April 15th -Registration due date

April 16th-May 15th - \$20 late fee

No registrations after May 15th

## NEW YEAR'S DAY IHBG RAFT UP (I HATE BOWL GAMES)

Come enjoy New Year's Day on the lake with friends to share food, drink and black eyed peas. Come to Windycrest about noon on the 1st of January, take your boat out or join someone else and head out to a protected cove, either Eagle's Cove or Washington Irving Cove, depending on the weather and wind. The first boat out decides which cove and will go in and anchor. Other boats come in and raft up to the anchored boat. Bring an appetizer to share and your own drinks. We'll enjoy the

day and walk between boats to share food and drink. Hopefully we may see some eagles before the raft up is over.

What better way to start out the year than to begin it on the water with our friends at Windycrest!

PS If it is to cold or to wet to go out, we'll start a fire in the fireplace, enjoy Danny and Jack's new window in the pavilion and have our raft up on land.



## Windycrest Booth



Again this year WSC will have a booth at the Tulsa Boat, Sport and Travel Show at Expo Center on the Tulsa Fairgrounds to promote sailing and the club. The dates are February 1st running through the 7th (Monday - Sunday).

My plan is to have a sign up sheet at club events and a link on the WSC web site so you can sign up for the times you can help. On Saturday I would like for the juniors to man the booth to promote junior sailing. I'll be responsible for setting up the both and see that everything goes as smooth as a perfect tack. For your entry and access to the show we will have six exhibitor badges for those helping

Help WSC meet the public and promote sailing, our favorite sport.

Email Steve Snider at [mscelloplayer@cewb.com](mailto:mscelloplayer@cewb.com) or call 242-3192 to pick a block of time to help .



## Rear Commodore's Report

If you know someone who interested in learning to sail, the Windycrest training programs are a great place to start. It is a fun, low key, inexpensive place to begin. Minimum age to participate is 8 years old, and your never too old to learn.

Membership is required to participate in the Windycrest training programs. Participants do not need to own a boat. The Club has age and experience appropriate boats for your use. No sailing experience is required to participate in the programs. A swim test is required to be passed to participate.

I will have more information in the next Windword with dates, times and any costs for Associate Members and the use of boats, if needed.

Help promote sailing, invite a friend.  
Doug Lewis, Rear Commodore



## A reminder from the Windycrest Store-

Please be sure to contact me for any Windycrest Store needs, either at club events, by phone or email. If ordering clothing it is possible to just order one of a wide variety of items. Jackets, slickers, fleece vests, windbreakers with or without linings, short or long sleeve polos, and denim shirts are just some of the things that can be ordered with the Windycrest logo.

### In-stock items include:

Burgees  
Lapel pins  
Koozies  
Caps  
Soft lunch coolers,  
And some youth denim shirts



Do let me know if there is anything you would like to order or purchase.

Tucky Patz

Activities Captain 794-9033 [tuckypatz@yahoo.com](mailto:tuckypatz@yahoo.com)



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## Fleet Captain's Report

There has been a lot of talk, debate, arguing, etc about this year's racing season and about what is going to be done for next year. Everyone knows we have been having a decline in participation over the last few years and that maybe the changes made to the schedule only led to a farther reduction in participation. It's hard to say what the direct causes are. We can weigh the Pros and Cons all day and still not come up with any definite answers. But what everyone wants to know, "how do we get more participation?"

There is kind of a delicate balance between wanting competitive racing and wanting more participation. Getting another boat on the starting line is one thing, getting them over the finish line is another. I would like to believe there are people in our club who are interested in racing but for whatever reason, haven't quite gotten out there yet. I know there are a lot of people who used to race fairly regularly and don't now. We need to find a way to get all these people on board, back on board, and keep them on board.

There was a Club Racers' Meeting not too long ago where we discussed the upcoming racing season and some ideas the racers had to improve the racing at Windycrest. I had no intentions of setting anything in stone and finalizing the schedule for next year. I wanted to have an opportunity for everyone to come out and speak their mind. Thankfully, that's what I got. There were about 20 people in attendance from a diverse group of boats. Just about every racing class at Windycrest was being represented at this meeting. Having this many people allowed me to get a wide range of views and ideas from the racers.

There was a fairly heated debate on whether or not combining the fleets was or wasn't beneficial for the club. As I said, we can weigh the Pros and Cons all day and still not come up with any kind of an answer. For some it may have been, for others, not so much. I had a vote of the people who were there on whether we should keep the fleets combined, separate them, or if they were indifferent. The voting came out about even between the three choices. What it really comes down to is, we are asking the wrong questions.

We need to go to each fleet and figure out what it is that

is making the stronger fleets strong and the weaker fleets weak. Having more active fleets will be a huge stepping stone in the participation at our club and this doesn't necessarily have to be racing. We need to get them to Work Party, the social functions, etc. Some of the things are more easily corrected than others. If a racer on, say, a Keelboat has back on racing because of a lack of crew, we need to try reach out to more people to try to get them involved and try to keep them hooked. If it is a financial issue, there isn't a lot anyone can do.

Something that was discussed is that maybe our club is too "cliquey." I am probably just as guilty as anyone else on this. We all need to make an effort to get to know more people at our club and build stronger relationships. This can be as easy as simply talking to someone you see at the club that you don't know. It can also go back onto the fleets. In addition to building each individual fleet, we need to have better inter-fleet relationships.

Some of the other ideas that are more directly related to racing were: having the spring series for training new people, having more race series with less races, having the KBs and CBs race on separate days but allow them to come out on either race day and be scored unofficially, changing the handicap for wet sailed boats to better compete with the dry sailed boats, bring back getting t-shirts and stuff for racing, different types of courses like on the long distance races, etc.

I am hoping to have a tentative schedule ready by the January board meeting where it will be presented and discussed, a revised copy by the February board meeting, and then have another racers meeting before the awards banquet where everything will be finalized. So before then, please share any ideas you have. I am obviously more than willing to try new or different things.

It has been an absolute pleasure being on the board this year. I appreciate all the support I have gotten from everyone at the club. I look forward to my next year as Fleet Captain and I hope to see more people, more often on the starting line.

Stephen Gent



## CATALINA 25/27 CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Catalina 25/27 Fleet met in the home of Mike and Jeanne Love on December 4, 2009, for the annual Christmas Party. The Love's provided a delicious ham while other Fleet members brought side dishes, desserts and appetizers. After dinner, Fleet members had a "Dirty Santa" present exchange where gifts were opened, exchanged and finally taken home. It was a fun evening with good friends, great food and excellent hosts for this Fleet event.



## Windycrest Christmas Party

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# All Club Awards Ceremony/Party

**Saturday - February 27, 2009**

**Tulsa Jewish Center**

**2025 East 71st**

**6:30 PM - Desserts and Drinks**

**No Cost - No Reservations**

**Everyone is encouraged to attend and enjoy the evening, racer or not!**