

# The WINDWORD

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***Windycrest Sailing Club*** is an excellent mix of keelboats and centerboard boats, racing, cruising, training and social events that offers something for sailors of all ages, interest and skills. Lake Keystone is just 20 minutes west of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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# **FROM THE HELM**

## **Commodore Report, October 2022**

Where to begin... as October is the end of my year as Commodore. It is an honor to be on the Board of Governors—or as it is commonly called, “The BOG”. A Commodore who has also been Rear Commodore and Vicre Commodore. There’s one mre year on the BOG as Past Commodore, where your hard-won lessons help to hone sage advice and keen observations!

This year—2022—has seen us wake up from that darned COVID fearfulness. While it is still with us to a lesser extent, we have generally resumed our sailing activities and parties. During all of this time, keeping the club in good repair has been a constant. While we employ a Facilities Manager, Chris Foster, the necessary maintenance has always required the work of volunteers. We are a volunteer-driven club, and as is common with a such a setup, there are a few folks who do a lot of work. The myriad tasks and the volunteers will require a separate article!

One example: The Breakwater. There are two main sections of the breakwater. The North, or smaller one, has been repaired too many times. In the past couple of years, we (BOG members) have searched for dependable contractors to help us replace/repair such installations. The Covid pandemic has complicated matters, even for us. Materials cost more and there has been increased interest in boating—thus more demand for dock services.

A few years ago the original set of slips (“A Dock”) was removed. It had been repaired many times and had become unsafe. My guess is that the record Flood of 2019 was the last straw. We need to replace that dock, and whenever we find a good contractor it is high on the list of projects. And it will be 150-200% more expensive than in the Before Times!

These are but two important items in our inventory of Things To Look After. If you are interested in hearing or even helping to shape the decisions made by the BOG, every WSC member is welcome to tune in to our Zoom meetings on the first Monday evening of each month.

As we sail into a new year, there have recently been some whispers about new ways to handle our duties. We must acknowledge the need to improve our payment method(s) and to double down on our instructional offerings. Our club was founded by a bunch of sailors who raced centerboard boats on a reservoir in north Tulsa. If I’m wrong, someone else can write another article (be my guest!)? So the racing knowledge and participation was ‘built in’ as they moved out to Windycrest when Keystone Lake was new. Today, way more than 50 years later, we have more and more members who are seeking sailing lessons both as beginners and to upgrade their basic skills. Another way to frame it is that we need to grow a new crop of racers if we want to continue our great racing program.

We are also shifting the parties and meal offerings to update into the 21st century! 2020 and 2021 were full of apprehension and disagreement as we planned and then sometimes canceled events. We now have a perfect Activities Captain (Nancy Keithline) with an encyclopedic knowledge of food safety, cooking, & organizing. She is so good at facilitating any type of gathering. This is one of the best facets of membership—being in a community of sailors, with the excellent probability of finding several new friends who can crew for racing, or help with maintenance how-to’s. Or, just share a leisurely sail.

This article is too long! Good thing I can hand the list to the next Commodore, Maurice Casad.

# **Membership, BOG and Contents**

Windycrest Sailing Club is open to all type sailors, with or without a boat, beginner or expert, cruiser or racer, you can find a place for yor sailing spirit.

Go to [www.windycrest.com/membership.html](http://www.windycrest.com/membership.html)

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# **What is going on?** (NOR, Parties, Events, etc.)

## **2022 Windycup Regatta**

**Hosted by:**

**Windycrest Sailing Club**

**Tulsa, OK USA**

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### RULES

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions and the Windycrest 2021 Sailing Instructions.

### RACING FORMAT

The regatta will be a two-day event. Day 1 racing will be qualifying and day 2 racing will determine the champion. The regatta will be open to all boats and members of Windycrest Sailing Club.

Day 1 qualifying: All boats will start together and race the same course. The qualifying regatta will be scored according to the Portsmouth handicap system for all boats, *The Racing Rules of Sailing App A* low-point system. At least 3 races will be sailed in qualifying round. If 4 or more races are sailed, 1 discard is allowed. The top four (4) finishers will qualify for the championship.

Day 2 Championship: The Championship will be a raced single-handed on the Hobie Wave. Four races will be sailed. To ensure fairness, competitors will switch boats between each race. If 4 or more races are sailed, 1 discard is allowed.

### SCHEDULE

**Qualifying. Saturday, October 29, 2022.** Competitors' meeting will be held at 12pm. First race begins at 1pm. Plan to race a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 races.

**Championship. Sunday, October 30, 2022.** Competitors meeting will be held at 10am. First race begins at 11am. A total of 4 races will be sailed.

### AWARDS

The winner of the 2021 Windycup Trophy will be the boat with the lowest aggregate score among the races comprising the regatta. Prizes will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Place.

# **MY FIRST REGATTA REPORT IN FOUR YEARS ...**

& a challenge to the other travelers in the Club to share some good stories.

Finally! – this Commodore overcame inertia, loaded the rig and the dolly onto the trailer with the Sunfish and headed to Lincoln, Nebraska to sail on Sept. 24 & 25. Nebraska is far, but the driving is easy.

Lincoln Sailing Club members are stalwarts of the Snipe class, and now they have added a SF fleet! They snagged the SF Southwest Regional regatta (usually held at a TX venue). This regatta was a qualifier for the SF Worlds, so it drew competitors from Nebraska, OK, TX, WI, MI, and FL, & maybe I forgot someone.

Sailing in a fleet is usually great fun and certainly more sociable than 1 or 2 lonely SF at our own club races. I was very rusty at sailing in a crowd, and OH the wind! A cool front presented us with 15 mph & up breezes—and don't even ask about the 'puffs'! Every race came with wind bombs & hand of God moments. Here's the downside—usually we (WSC) don't sail in this much wind so one must balance control of the boat with maintaining forward motion! There is lots of skidding while going downwind, but we call that planing--which is tons of fun. Also hoping for the best at the jibe mark! But a Sunfish can withstand those rigors if the skipper is up to it, due to the boat's quirky design. Suffice it to say that hanging on for dear life, finishing every race with the mast in the air was a triumph.

Each regatta presents learning opportunities. The list is long this time!--enough said. The remedy? More regattas!

Here's nearly The Very Best Part: Seeing old friends. Annie from Austin and Gail from Michigan, especially. Coming in a close second? Making new friends. I am especially keen to acknowledge the friendliness and great hospitality of the host club. Their SF fleet is brand new, but they are quite experienced in hosting regattas. A special THANK YOU to Mary Buckley, the Regatta Chair and Commodore of LSC!

Here is a thought relevant to Windycrest: we have Sunfish Fleet 208, which has been dormant for a few years. Let's wake it up! Stay tuned for an opportunity to attend a fleet meeting if you are at all interested in sailing a Sunfish, & hopefully dipping your toe into racing here at WSC. Support your fleet! Improve your sailing, have new adventures (esp. at Windycrest); make new friends.

Lisa Weatherholt  
Sunfish 78565



# **NEVER.....**

Have you ever said you would “never” do something again only to find yourself doing it (again)? I distinctly remember saying these words to family and friends in 2005 after having served on the Windycres Sailing Club Board of Governors and as commodore in 2004. It wasn't that I had a bad experience during my first tenure on the Board. It was a great time and I learned so much. Rather it was just that I had done it and felt it was time to enjoy other events in my life. My daughters were moving into junior high school and their activities were taking up more and more time.

Fast forward nearly 20 years and here I am, eager to officially join the Board of Governors as Vice Commodore. After being away from the Club for so many years focusing on all those other things that consume our time-career, family, and side interests (other than sailing)-Leah and I found returning to the club a little like coming home.

It felt great to sail our Catalina 250 with my parents with whom we share a boat. Holden, our 3-year-old grandson, enjoyed playing on the same playground our daughters, Hayden and Madison, played on themselves. It was nice to reconnect with other members at the Annual Meeting held recently.

These moments were only possible because of all the great people over the years who may have found themselves doing that thing, they said they wouldn't do again--be it serve on the Board of Governors, serve on the race committee on an incredibly hot day, rebuild docks or breakwater, cook and clean after a club event. We've all been there.

If you haven't been to the Club in a while, trust me, you are missing out. The longer you are away, the easier it is to stay away. But if you are like me and my family, you might find that coming home and reconnecting feels better than you imagined.

I am eager to again dig in and continue the great work of those before me helping ensure future families and friends have the ability to make these same great memories. I have a personal commitment to repairing and making the club a place that members want to enjoy. Many of us are not as young as we once were, which makes work projects more difficult. We will focus on what we can do and hire what we can't. We also have an opportunity to bring additional members the club by offering training and utilizing all the great people we have willing to help train adults and kids.

I want to encourage you to use your boat. But if you have a boat you don't use or feel is too far gone(I get it, trust me), contact me or anyone on the board and we might be able to help you get it to someone looking for a boat or relocate it so it is no longer weighing on you. Remember, you can still be an active member without a boat.

I look forward to seeing you soon at the lake.

Blake Kelso

# **THE SUPER WONDERFUL 43rd ANNUAL WINDYCREST CHARITY REGATTA** By David Hyman

Despite woefully light wind, this year's Windycrest Charity Regatta on September 10 was one of the most successful events in its 43 continuous years. Our members showed their enormous generosity by contributing more than sixteen thousand dollars to the ALS Association of Oklahoma for the support of ALS patients and their families in the Tulsa area. The Regatta's success flowed not from our generous members' donations alone, but also from a troupe of members' very hard work. Nancy Keithline lent her house and graceful entertaining skill in hosting the Landlubbers' Watch Party with the assistance of Tobie Bresloff, Marsha Baker, Marion Kerr and Elena Bundy. Skeeter Chilton, Charlie Keithline, and Blake Annis ran a continuous shuttle service shuttling people between the club and the Keithline house for the watch party. Sandye Taylor, Evelyn Hayes and Mary Snider ably handled regatta registration and raffle ticket sales. Gil Greenwood and Terry Rainey organized and managed the race with the help of race committee members Ruth Horn and Sally and Darrell Daniel. Richard Ferguson donated the classy awards and, more importantly, was the guy who generally made everything come off as it was supposed to. Ace drone pilot Michael Gent buzzed the fleet gathering stunning pictures. JoAnn Chandler and Margaret Shinn designed, printed, addressed, and stamped the invitations and announcements, and would actually have delivered them if necessary. Danny Ziegler, Allene and Rex Donley, and Rita and Art Long donated and prepared all the great food for the awards lunch. Facilities manager Chris Foster made sure that the club grounds looked fine for the big day. And, of course, main act were the more than twenty-five boats and their crews who turned out on that disappointingly windless day to sail. We were doubly fortunate to have the support of generous patrons who donated the prizes for the successful raffle: Anne Bogie of a&bIdentity, Roger Kerr of Kerr Sails, Tim's Midtown Diner, Raymond James Financial, Tracy Lang, Michael Gent, Nancy and Charlie Keithline, Mary Snider, Rex Donley, West Marine, and the Kingdom of Norway. We owe special thanks to Olympic sailing champion Paul Foerster, who drove up from Dallas once again to support the Regatta by allowing us to raffle him for his invaluable on-the-water race coaching.

**It was indeed a great day, a great regatta and, once again, a great achievement — all done in the continuing Windycrest tradition**



# SUPER WONDERFUL CONTINUED.....



# MEMBER NEWS

Recently, Bob McGinnis and crew completed getting five of the panels on the Large Breakwater back in operation. "So at this point, we think we have all 100 panels working properly", Bob informed me while discussing the matter at the Annual WSC Meeting. "As I've said in the past we need to have someone checking all one hundred panels once a month," said Bob, "It is so much easier to fix a panel that is hanging by one chain than making a new one and attaching it to the frame." The Breakwater is probable the most important asset the club has to protect our boats at Windycrest Club and our docks.

Rick Martin and Bob Wanders have worked with Bob McGinnis to replace one of the 1000-pound panels that had fallen off the Large Breakwater. While working on the panel, Bob informed me, he had discovered another panel that was hanging by one of two chains. "Hopefully, I can get it repaired in the next week," said Bob.

Having worked with Bob "Breakwater Angel" McGinnis myself, I have gotten some knowledge of our breakwater system. There are many kinds of breakwaters from natural materials to submerged shipping containers. We use a floating type which has 2'x4' steel and concrete panels that hang to help absorb wave action and steady the breakwater.

As you can see from talking with Bob, the wear of the waves and the acidity of Keystone Lake weaken the hangers, going as far as having the panels to break away and sink to the bottom.

"A conversation with Bob", Mark Hoagland



Allen and Sharon Kelso maiden sail of Kelypso II

# MEMBER NEWS

## **An Email from Victor Wanders:**

Hey mark!

Our beloved facilities manager, Chris Foster, just released a new video. A lot of it was filmed around his spot up on the hill with his wife Joy at Windycrest. Would be great to share this information in the next Windward. You might even consider adding the link in the email that you send when you send the PDF so that people can more easily access it!

<https://youtu.be/j1-x33bqLrg>

Or (easier)

<https://bit.ly/WindyChris>

Victor

Dear Windycrest Family,

I happily report that our 2022 Charity Regatta received more contributions in the days following the regatta, bringing total contributions to nearly \$16,000 for the support of ALS patients! Have a smile when you realize what a caring and charitable group of friends Windycrest Sailing Club is.

On behalf of the entire Regatta committee, thank you from the bottom of our keels.

Most sincerely,  
David Hyman  
Charity Regatta Chair

# **FLEET NEWS**



## **MC Scow Report**

The 2022 Southwest Championship is in the books. 16 boats show up the first weekend of October to duke it out in light conditions. The winner was Andrew Casey of Ada, OK. The top five were Andrew, Kris Bundy, Danny Ziegler, Stephen Gent, and Liam Hood of Wichita. The RC, led by Terry Rainey, did a great job on managing to complete 6 races in some pretty crazy conditions. Thanks to all of you. Many thanks go to JoAnn Chandler, who was awesome when it came to arranging breakfasts and lunches. Thanks to Amber, Nancy, Sharon, and others who helped with the “Cook Your Own Steak Dinner” which is always a good time. We’re appreciative of all our MC friends who traveled to the regatta from Texas, Kansas, and Missouri. We’ll do it again next year.

A week later four boats from Windycrest traveled to the Black Tie Regatta in Heath, TX. Included were Grant Gerondale, Randy Bell, Tim McMahon, and Danny Ziegler. The Rush Creek Yacht Club did a great job hosting the three day event. Unfortunately the wind did not cooperate and we only sailed Saturday. We still were able to get in four nice races. But we all enjoyed dinners out, excellent Black Tie party, dinner, and entertainment. The event was won by Kenny Wolfe, followed by Andy Burdick, Eric Hood, Scott Slocum, and Erich Schloemer. Time to start planning our next visit to RCYC, it will be MC Nationals next June.

The 2022 sailing season is quickly winding down, but there is still time to get out and sail. As the Nike ads say, ***JUST DO IT.***

# FUNNY PAGES

## Small change

A thirsty sailor runs from his boat to the nearest bar and shouts to the bartender, "Give me twenty shots of your best scotch, quick!"

The bartender pours out the shots, and the sailor drinks them as fast as he can.

The bartender is very impressed and exclaims, "Wow. I never saw anybody drink that fast."

The sailor replies, "Well, you'd drink that fast too, if you had what I have."

The bartender says, "Oh my God! What is it? What do you have?"

"Fifty cents!" replied the sailor.



What do you call a sail with only two corners? I haven't got a clew!



How many boaters does it take to change a light-bulb? None, because the right size bulb isn't on board, the local marine-supply store doesn't carry that brand, and the mail-order house has them on back-order.

What's the difference docking line and a lawyer ? One should be whipped at both ends: the other keeps your boat tied to the dock.

# Classifieds

## Services:

**Loren Kai Powell Massage**

Private Studio

Located in Home

Near 15th and Delaware, Tulsa

By Appointment

918 706 6821

15 years experience

COVID protocols required and are in place

## Charlie and Nancy Keithline Household Items for sale.

Furniture, appliances, Kitchen and Dining wares, bedding, books, lamps and much more.

**October 27, 28 and 29.**

**Warehouse Location**

**614 S. Troost, Tulsa**

(1 Block West of 6th and Utica)

**Thursday & Friday 8am - 4pm**

**Saturday 10am - 2pm**



## MC Scow Sails for Sale

2018 North Z-Max. Still some live **\$100**

2022 North Z-Max. Good Club Sail **\$400**



## Enclosed Trailer

**16'x6'**

**Needs Tires and Brake Job**

**New Paint, just dirty**

- **Double Doors in Back**
  - **40" Side Door**
- **Fiberglass Top for Light**
- **Flooring & Walls Good Shape**
  - **20 Foot Total Length**

**\$2250.00 OBO**

**Blake Kelso**

**918 760-1459**



# Classifieds

## San Juan 7.7

A Fixture Upper

Needs Work!

Main and Jib

Maybe a Outboard

No Trailer but One available  
New Running Lights available

Photos and More

Email [mthoag@yahoo.com](mailto:mthoag@yahoo.com)

or Text me 918 289 5613

**\$Best Offer**

If you are Handy and need a  
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M-20 Scow \$500-OBO

Contact Gil Greenwood

918 914 3613

[gilwood960@gmail.com](mailto:gilwood960@gmail.com)

•Islander 21 Swing Keel •••••  
•Fixer upper  
•Project Boat on the trailer.  
•Make me an Offer, Need more  
•info?  
•Call: Gil Greenwood 918 914  
•3613  
•[gilwood960@gmail.com](mailto:gilwood960@gmail.com)

## Creekmore 7m Boat

Located on C dock

Black Hull with green and white stripes

Brown Sail Cover

Comes with a trailer

\$1000 for boat, trailer and sails

Edith Coen: [edithcoen@gmail.com](mailto:edithcoen@gmail.com)

Contact for more information

## Other Items for Sale

Blake Kelso

918 760 7459

### 1. Light Grey Hot Tub Cover

Couple Years Old, Easy Lift Bar

**\$150**

### 2. Wood Burning Fire Place

Insert or free standing  
with Blower

**\$300**

### 3. Pool Filter

includes pump and other pool items  
a few years old

**\$200**

For more info and pics

918 760 7459

FOR SALE  
FIFTH WHEEL HITCH

\$300

FOR MORE INFO  
BLAKE KELSO

918 760 1459



# Last Word



## The Annual Meeting Closes

The Annual Meeting is over, next Windword hopefully I will give a report on what went on. Of, course the list of BOG members will change and we will begin a new year.

One more big regatta and the Holiday months are upon us. We slow down through the winter months only to jump up and start over in the spring.

## Thanks to all who sent in something for the Windword.

As I have always said this is the members newsletter. It is created by the members for the members.

1. If you have a story of an adventure or knowledge you wish to share.
2. A cartoon to add to the "Funny Pages"
3. An article about sailing you found in your reading.
4. Something to SELL
5. Members wanting to share sailing memories.
6. Fleets, I hope that the MC's are not the only fleet that is active.  
Fleets get active, organize meetings. plan get together and then let me know so we can share with the club.

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