# The WindWord

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



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### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

IHBG Regatta Monday, January 1, 2024 I Hate Bowl Games Regatta Shared food and beverage raft up

Board of Governor's Meeting
Our next meeting will be either
Monday, January 8 or Tuesday,
January 9, 2024 Watch your
email for an update

Always check the website for the most current information

"You don't have to say everything to say something."

~Beth Moore

### I HATE BOWL GAMES REGATTA / RAFT UP

Each January 1, Windycresters have a choice to make. For those not actually attending either the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans or the Rose Bowl in Pasadena to watch Washington square off against Texas or Michigan take on Alabama, you could stay home and catch these games on television. Another option to consider. You could join fellow club members at the lake for the I Hate Bowl Games Regatta / Raft Up. An informal raft up, this annual tradition brings together both football fans and those not so into sport together to start the year off with food, drink and camaraderie.





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### Lake Level

https://www.swtwc.usace.army.mil/webdata/gaged ata/KEYO2.current.html

# A Note From Activities Captain Nancy Keithline



Now that the holiday season is upon us, I want to wish you and yours a wonderful time together with family and friends, wherever you are!

But, let me first say a big THANK YOU to the great volunteer crew who helped

pull the Cowboy Christmas/Holiday Hoedown together!

Marsha and Harvey Baker, David Hyman and Tobie Bresloff, Andy (Sherry, I'm sorry you got sick and couldn't make it) and Austin Leithner, Blake and Leah Kelso, and Blake Annis.

We had a terrific time at the P Bar S Ranch with a delicious meal catered by the Alley Cat Ranch. Everyone wants to return next year! I hope you will join us then.

# WINDYCREST COWBOY CHRISTMAS / HOLIDAY HOEDOWN PHOTO RECAP







## **WINDYCREST COWBOY CHRISTMAS / HOLIDAY HOEDOWN (CONT).**























## Windycup Club Championship Recap



The racing season at WSC culminates each year with the Windycup regatta. This years' regatta took place on November 11th and 12th. The format was the same as last year, day one, open class racing to qualify, day two, one-design racing to determine the championship. Each day saw four races in light to medium conditions with bright sunshine and warm weather, overall, a beautiful fall weekend.

The purpose of the Windycup is to determine the overall top sailor in the club. Traditionally,

Windycup participants qualified for the championship by winning the season series in their respective boat class. All series class champions qualified to participate in the regatta and therefore, in theory, the best sailors in the club raced for the overall championship or championship of champions. This year, the qualification regatta was open to all members and all classes. Many, but not all the most accomplished racers in the club took part in the qualifier regatta.

Eight boats raced on Saturday in the qualifier. The conditions were light and variable, perfect conditions for the powered-up MC Scow to excel, and that class did just that with each of the top four qualifiers sailing the MC. The top four finishers in order of finish were Harvey Baker, Stephen Gent, Kris Bundy, and Rob Stout.

This year, the Windycup championship committee selected the excellent J-22 class as the championship class, and four boat owners graciously volunteered their boats as racehorses. Thanks to those who volunteered their boats.

This year's race format prescribed swapping skippers each race while a single crew member manned each boat for the duration of the regatta. This way, each skipper helmed a different boat with a different crew each race. Sail deployment was limited to main and jib only. The idea is to put good sailors on fairly equal one-design boats and let them battle it out, while hopefully neutralizing the variability between boats, equipment and crew.

Racing was close and exceptionally tight in the light and variable conditions. Unlike most regattas, no one really dominated the day, and the results were very mixed among all. Results were so mixed that after discarding each skipper's worst score, a three-way tie remained, with the tiebreaker coming down to the finish position of the last race.

Following races on Sunday, all commenced to the WSC pavilion for a delicious Thanksgiving meal with turkey breast excellently prepared by Activities Captain Nancy Keithline, and some of the best potluck dishes this reporter has ever tasted. If you didn't make it out to the lake for this event, you truly missed out on a beautiful fall weekend, great racing, camaraderie and delicious food.

The final tally showed Stephen Gent 1st, Harvey Baker, 2nd, Rob Stout, 3rd, Kris Bundy 4th. The winning crews included Aren Johnstone, Evan Arter, Simon Nyssen, and Jeremy Kirby. Thanks to all who participated and all who volunteered to make this event another memorable Windycup championship at WSC.



### **Website Development Volunteers Needed**

Happy Holidays Club members!

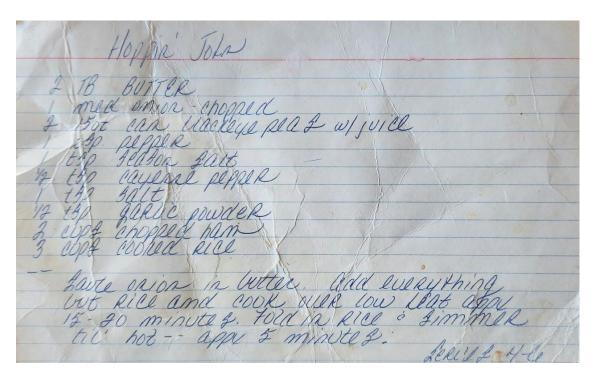
Our WSC webmaster, Carmen Skelton, has been tasked with reviewing our website and making changes to increase its functionality. We need your help. We are trying to get a small group together that has experience in website development. The goal is to recreate our site under a platform that would simplify things such as accepting payments, party sign-ups, membership management, and other items of this nature that would ease Club operations.

If you have experience in website building for platforms such as Wix, Shopify, Word Press, or others, we would love to hear your suggestions about how to better our site's functionality.

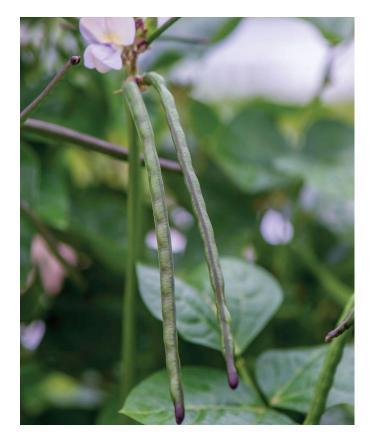
Please reach out to Carmen at <u>carmenskelton AT yahoo</u>. We would love to hear from you and need your ideas and expertise to better our Club.

### 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 AT aol or Leah Kelso at leah.kelso AT hilti. Preferred formats include word files and jpg graphics.



For as long as I can remember since becoming a "Kelso," Blake's mom, Sharon, has cooked up a batch of Hoppin' John on January 1. I'm not sure the original source (it could be from a fellow Windycrester). Either way, here is her recipe which I faithfully use each new year's day for my own family. - Leah Kelso



## The Story of Black-Eyed Peas as a Source of Good Luck

According to Wikipedia, there is a belief in the Southern United States that eating black-eyed peas or Hoppin' John (a traditional soul food) on New Year's Day is thought to bring prosperity in the new year. The traditional meal also includes cabbage, collard, turnip, or mustard greens, and ham. The peas, since they swell when cooked, symbolize prosperity; the greens symbolize money; the pork, because pigs root forward when foraging, represents positive motion. Cornbread, which represents gold, also often accompanies this meal.

Several legends exist as to the origin of this custom.

If you have a moment, read <a href="here">here</a> to learn more about this meal and the history of blackeyed peas originating from West Africa.

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New bottom paint.

The trailer is custom built dual axle trailer with fenders welded/built with square tubular thick steel frame with 6 adjustable removeable telescoping support hull pads made of steel u channel/marine plywood/carpet, removeable steel u channel front hull stand with rubber V, a welded front access ladder, removeable steel frame/ wood plank keel guide and a 30ft. steel u channel extension hitch for loading/unloading so it is not your inexpensive trailer for sure.

Boat/trailer pictures along with boat brochure can be emailed.

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