



# THE MAINSHEET



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Cheney Lake, Kansas

## From The Commodore

I hope you have been out to the lake during the great weather we have had the last few weeks. The lake can be beautiful this time of year, and I know we all like to visit our lonely boat now and then.. I thought I would take this month to remind everyone that we are a technologically advanced club, and that we should take advantage of it. I would venture that no other club in the Midwest has wireless internet available at its wet slips. We use some sophisticated software in scoring our regattas. Our website is constantly being improved. The Board of Governors is always looking for more ways to use technology to improve services and save money. I encourage everyone who is not reading this via email to take a minute and sign up for the email version as described later. You get the email version sooner, you can easily archive it, print it, or forward to a friend who might be interested in the classifieds or other information. With postage rates going up, it really helps the budget if we can use email for more things. We are considering other possibilities; so if you have an idea, let us hear it.

**Phil Mellor** passed away December 28, 2005. Phil was Commodore in 1976 and was one of the many people who built this association through countless hours of volunteer time and effort. He was active in the racing program and won many awards with the "Red Asp", a South Coast 23. His sense of humor led to many enjoyable times at the club and he will be missed by all of us who were lucky enough to have been members during his many years in the club. He is survived by his wife Babs, who produces our annual "worker of the Year" sculpture and his son Mark.

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## notices:

### \* Afterdeck Reservations

If you are interested in reserving the Afterdeck for NSA activities or renting the facility for a private function, please contact Past Commodore Jim Carlisle via e-mail [jamescarlisle@cox.net](mailto:jamescarlisle@cox.net) or phone (316-721-8350).

### \* E-mail MAINSHEET

Remember, the E-mail issue of the MAINSHEET usually arrives at your computer on the Tuesday following the Thursday BOG meeting. It is in color, and you can still print out your own copy if you wish. Every e-mail subscription we enlist will save the NSA time and money that we can use for other projects, and it will help keep your dues from increasing more.

## WELCOME ABOARD



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## Board of Governors

Board of Governors  
Meeting Minutes  
January 5, 2006

Members present: Huffman, Findley, Graves, Fitzgerald, Honeyman, Adams, Mason, Carlsen, Carlisle, Reeves, Johnson and Shull.

Guests present: Alan Stark and Jody Schwartz.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Quincy's at 21<sup>st</sup> and West St.

- The minutes were approved as published.

- Alan Stark from KDWP addressed the board concerning the upcoming National State Parks Directors' Convention being held in Wichita in early September. He advised that the group would tour Cheney with an evening dinner and concert held at the lake. He requested the club's participation in that event and possible use of the club facilities for the dinner and concert. The board agreed to assist and participate.

- He also informed the board that there will be a luncheon in the Capitol for the Legislature on March 16, 2006 and invited the club to set up an information booth and attend the luncheon. It will be a perfect opportunity for the club to explain its programs, events and facilities. It will also give the club a chance to discuss SB 87 and funding issues with the KDWP staff and legislators. He pointed out that Kansas is in 50<sup>th</sup> place among the states on money spent on parks. The coordination for the luncheon was assigned to the PR committee.

- The financial report was discussed at length and accepted as presented.

- Adams discussed the security system at the Afterdeck and presented several options. After consideration of the matter, the board decided to leave it as is.

- Carlsen reminded everyone to keep the gates locked and to check on their boats regularly.

- Honeyman advised that the boats in for the winter were primarily located on A and B slips and all appears calm. There was a short discussion regarding bubbler fees, but no action resulted.

- Mason said the New Year's Eve party was a success and that a Super Bowl party will be held February 5 at the Afterdeck. The proposed social calendar was distributed and discussed. It will be finalized after he consults the CSSA regatta schedule. There was a discussion of putting the directory on the web site if and when a secure "members only" section is reestablished. The board agreed to follow up this year with hopes it could be considered for

implementation next year.

- Findley advised the CSSA schedule was done and would be available soon. He also said the Boy Scouts were going to use the club facilities for sailing merit badge activities this season and one such activity is scheduled September 8, the day the State Park Directors will be present.

- Carlisle requested everyone to get Afterdeck scheduling items to him as soon as possible so the scheduling calendar can be confirmed. The Afterdeck is currently scheduled for Jerry Schmidt's retirement January 28 and for a girls' night out party February 24.

- In other business, the board discussed a proposal by Ray Fox that the club assist in establishing a WSU sailing team. The board agreed to follow up when Ray gets more information.

- The board also discussed pro-rating dues to members resigning during the year. The issue was tabled until February.

- The deck expansion was discussed and Graves advised the accounting system would reflect a separate account for the deck expansion funds.

- The board approved the purchase of a gift certificate and proper plaque to give Jerry Schmidt at his retirement.

- Graves then passed out the proposed 2006 budget. The board discussed it at length and agreed each member would review his respective portions for final action at the February meeting.

- The next board meeting will be February 2, 7PM at Quincy's, 21<sup>st</sup> and West St.

- Board breakfasts are scheduled January 17 and February 14, 7AM at the Beacon, E Douglas. Members are invited to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30



## And from Operations

### **Mike Mason**

New Year's Eve was a spectacularly warm evening at the lake. Nevertheless we had a fire in the fireplace and a small knot of revelers who covered the table with eats from game meats to pie. There were chips and dips and cookies and crunchies. At midnight, Pat Adams fired the obligatory cannon to welcome in 2006.

Our next social event is the Annual Super Bowl Party. This is a no reservation required event which will start sometime mid-afternoon in the Afterdeck. Bring a party dish to share and prepare to have fun watching the game, which I believe begins about 5:30 on Sunday, February 5. There will be games of chance and eats and conversation. You do not even have to like football to enjoy this.

# WIN THIS BEAUTIFUL GARMIN GPSMAP 276C !



*Yes, the Dr. Thorp Memorial Deck Expansion Committee is once again offering you a chance to win a great GPS instrument!*

The GPSMAP 276C is an all-in-one, versatile, color chartplotter and automobile navigator — perfect for land or water. This portable GPS navigator features a 256-color TFT display that's easy to read in bright sun along with a built-in basemap and auto routing to provide you with turn-by-turn directions to just about any marina for a day of sailing, or to **Milt Dowty** (who won our first 276C.)

## GPSMAP 276C features

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- MSRP is 'way more than \$700.00
- Many, many, many, many more features, but we can't list them all here!

**Tickets are \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.00; or 7 for \$10.00.** Proceeds will go toward the Afterdeck deck expansion project. Winner will be notified & need not be present to win. CONTACT ANDY WOODWARD FOR TICKETS, 841-8318, or 773-4800 (work).

### *From the Editors:*

### **Please note the deadline schedule:**

- Announcements of scheduled events (such as dinners and races), ads, and any items that need to be typed must be received by Thursday, February 2nd.
- Only items on IBM formatted discs or e-mail will be accepted until 6:00 p.m Monday, February 6th.
- Any late material will be published the next month.**

Bring or mail your material to the Editors, Mark Reeves and Mike Kilmer at 3240 Country Club, Wichita, KS 67208, (316-685-7425), fax it to Nancy at (316)265-8708, **or E-mail it to: nreeves@cox.net**  
(E-mail is actually the favored choice, since the material does not have to be scanned into the computer.)

### AFTERDECK - DR. TOM THORP MEMORIAL DECK EXPANSION

Please join in the support of this exciting addition to our Afterdeck. Make your choice below, and send to Ninescah Sailing Association, P.O. Box 1587, Wichita, KS 67201.

Checks should be made out to Ninescah Sailing Association, and annotated "Deck expansion."

I/we enclose a contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

I/we pledge to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_per year for \_\_\_\_years (3 years maximum.)

I/we want to contribute \_\_\_\_all \_\_\_\_half of earned work credit for \_\_\_\_2005 \_\_\_\_2006 \_\_\_\_2007  
(check each that apply.)

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## Racing News

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### KBRS

Just as the winds in Kansas change, so too are things in the KBRS ranks. Gary and Viki Cheatum have moved outside the states for professional reasons and they can no longer contribute the massive amount of time it takes to keep the KBRS organized. They did a great job, and we will miss them both.

Now for the changes:

If you haven't had a chance to view the KBRS website at [WWW.KBRS.ORG](http://WWW.KBRS.ORG), you need to do so soon. The proposed new schedules are posted here, as well as the weekly racing results, overall standings, and a copy of the racing start sequence, and other useful information. These will be kept up to date for all to use and see.

Additionally, a photo gallery showing a number of the boats that routinely race in the Wednesday night and Saturday afternoon races. When these happy sailors aren't racing, you quite often see them around the docks and cruising on the lake with friends. Even though the photographs are great, there's really nothing like seeing a multitude of white sails and colorful spinnakers moving around the race course on a late summer afternoon when the colors are rich and the sails are full. (As you can see in the pictures, the sailors are quite colorful as well.) We look forward to adding more pictures as the year progresses.

With the departure of the Cheatum's, new personnel were needed to continue KBRS operations. Your new KBRS committee is comprised of Frank Couch, Neil Carlson, and Alan Loehr. They will be responsible for the management of the committee and are looking forward to the challenges of moving the group forward. All of these individuals are active KBRS racers who bring different expertise to the committee from their "normal" lives. We'll announce soon a date for a kbbs meeting.

So check out the website, talk to the new KBRS leaders, and come out and enjoy some racing; either as skippers, boat hands, or spectators. If you really want to get a taste of the action but aren't quite sure if KBRS is right for you, contact KBRS through the website, [admin@kbbs.org](mailto:admin@kbbs.org), or through one of the racers and offer to help on the committee boat during a race one evening. It's like having front row seats on the 50-yard line during a football game!

See you on the water. I'll be the one wearing a hat and sunglasses.

Alan Loehr - [aloehr@aloehr.com](mailto:aloehr@aloehr.com)

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### Ninnescah Sailing Calendar 2006

May 19-20 .....	Boy Scouts-Sailing Merit Badge Instruction
May ? .....	Memorial Day Regatta
June 2-3 .....	Boy Scouts-Sailing Merit Badge Instruction
July 1 .....	Junior Regatta
July 4 .....	Colossus Cup Regatta
July 15-16 .....	Hobie Prairie Regatta
July 22-23 .....	Whitecap Regatta
August 26-27 .....	Cat Chase
September 2-3 .....	CORN
September 8-9 .....	Boy Scouts-Sailing Merit Badge Instruction
September 22-23 .....	Boy Scouts-Sailing Merit Badge Instruction
November 4 .....	CSSA Annual Meeting

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### Sailing Merit Badge

In support of the local Quivira scout council, several dates have been set aside for earning the Sailing Merit Badge. The event includes a Friday campout and all-day Saturday sailing activities. Friday evening will be devoted to learning basics, knots, on-shore activities, cookout, etc. Saturday will include several on-shore and learn-to-sail boating activities. Kids will learn to sail using Sunfish sailboats, and may also go out on larger sailboats with members. Scouts must be able to pass the scout swim test to participate. Cost is \$15 per scout. For more information, contact Mike Graham at 316-773-3580 or [5Grahams@cox.net](mailto:5Grahams@cox.net).



**SMALL SAILBOAT  
SAILING  
MERIT BADGE CAMP**

*At Ninnescah Sailing Association*

*Lake Cheney, KS*

**2006 Dates:**

May 19-20

June 2-3

September 8-9

September 22-23

Contact: Mike Graham

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## Meet Your New Board Member



Commodore-Elect Schoen Fitzgerald has been a member of the club since 1983. Previously, he served on the Board of Governors as Treasurer. After serving as the club Treasurer for several years, he was elected Commodore-Elect in 1990, Commodore in 1991 and Past-Commodore in 1992. He was awarded the Worker of the Year award in 1990 for his extensive efforts in the summer of 1990 managing the process of replacing wet slips A and B and the repair of C, D and E after the devastating June 19, 1990 storm. He has been active in the clubs programs serving on the Regatta Committee and the Youth Committee. He has always made himself available and taken a leadership role in the club whenever anything needed

to be done. He will be the second person to serve two terms as our Commodore, the first being Ron Miner when the club was formed in 1965.

Schoen became a member of the club in 1983 when he bought a 1979 J/24, "OutraJe", which is docked on B-Dock. He has raced that boat extensively locally, regionally on the J/24 Texas Circuit and nationally in the J/24 North Americans. Besides racing his J/24, Schoen has crewed and skippered "big boats" in Short and Long Distance races at Grand Lake and in the Chicago to Mackinac race. In addition to sailing, Schoen likes to hunt, fish, hike, canoe, camp, scuba dive, fly, train retrievers and work with model railroads.

Schoen has been married to his beautiful and crazy wife Nancy for 28 years. Nancy is also an avid sailor. She started her sailing as a crew member on the J/24. She owns a Sunfish that she sails every chance she gets. She is active in the clubs women's sailing activities including the informal summer days at the lake and the formal Women's Learn-to-Sail program. She has been a member of the Youth Committee for many years and also helps in any club activities needing help. He and his wife have chartered in the BVI and are looking forward to making another trip.

Schoen and Nancy have two children. Timothy (20) is a student at KU and is on the sailing team. He has represented NSA and the Walnut Valley Sailing Club (WVSC) in local, regional,

national and world class sailing events. He has been the Junior Sailing instructor and traveling coach for both NSA and WVSC for many years. Tim also teaches sailing to individuals giving private lessons and coaching. Their daughter Rebecca (17) loves soccer, playing year around, and is very active in high school activities. She has been on the Heights High School Varsity soccer team since her freshman year. She helps to manage the Heights boy's soccer team and in the winter she serves as manager of the wrestling team. Rebecca has been a participant in the clubs Junior Sailing program. She expects to head to KU in the fall.

Outside of his club activities, Schoen served as a Boy Scout Scoutmaster for 5 years for Troop 662 at the Calvary United Methodist Church. With his son Tim, he has made lengthy backpack and canoe treks at Philmont Scout Ranch and The Boundary Waters Canoe Area in connection with the Boy Scout Troop.

Schoen owns his own business, Schoen C. Fitzgerald, CPA, PA a full service public accounting firm providing Accounting, Tax and Management Advisory Services. In addition, he owns Fitzgerald Software & Services, Inc. which sells and supports Sage MAS90 and MAS200 accounting software systems for small, medium and large businesses.



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# THE MAINSHEET Classifieds



**J/24's For Sale.** Many great J/24's are available for sale both Regionally and Nationally for very reasonable prices. If you are interested, contact Schoen Fitzgerald at 316-685-9225 or Dan Acridge at 316-687-2471. Call us or stop by the slips, we'd be happy to take you out to test drive one of these great one-design racers. J/24 "The ultimate One-Design"

**Santana 25** – Quarter ton boat and trailer \$5,500 with some extras \$7,000. Great boat for pleasure or racing. Make offer. Boat located at 3416 1/2 W. university, Wichita, KS 316-946-0745.

**Missing Rudder** - I recently discovered my rudder for my Sweet 16 was missing, that is to say, someone took it from my boat out at the yard without permission. As of August 9th it was still missing and I haven't seen it since mid July. My yard space is #24 and my name is Tim McManamey. The rudder is a little unique for an S16 in that it is half metal half wood. If anyone has information on the rudder they can contact me at 304-2606 or at [tim@timmcmanamey.com](mailto:tim@timmcmanamey.com).

**Chrysler Mutineer**, 15' 1977 - with good sails and all new lines. Wheel bearings serviced in past two years. New reefing tube. Ready to sail! End of season deal - \$800 obo. 687-9240

**17ft. Venture** — This 1970 Venture 17 is in good shape and has been sailed regularly for the past 2 seasons. It has a cabin that can sleep 2. Running lights and electrical system work well. Jibs and main sail are in good shape. The halyards and sheets are in good shape. It has a trailer included and is easy to launch using a ramp in shallower waters. The swing keel draws about 17" when up and 4'9" when down. The Keel has been patched but is in good condition. It has a throw floatation cushion, two oars, self-bailing cockpit and an anchor. I have a 4 hp Mercury outboard motor that is in good working condition that will go with the boat. Asking \$1,350. Damon Martin 316-204-7785 or 316-684-7213.

**Lost cutting board**-Kate Jensen lost a cutting board the progressive dinner. This cutting board was given to her as a gift by Mrs Koch of Koch Industries. The cutting board is made out of maple as is very well cared for it and has been bee waxed several times. It is 18 by 24 and has John Boos engraved on both front sides of it. If you picked up the wrong cutting board at the Progressive Dinner please return this to Kate. Her telephone is 729-6450 Cell 640-9039.

**O-Day 25** - 1978 Cruiser with BMW D-7 inboard diesel (recently rebuilt) and E-Z Loader dual-axle trailer. Shoal draft/swing keel with Main, Jib, 150 Genoa and Storm Jib. Spacious enough for 6 adults, comfortable and well appointed – ice box, stove, sinks, enclosed head, radio, stereo, depth finder, compass – and in good condition. Brand new batteries and charger. Slip @ NSA transferred with approval. Asking \$6,500. Call David Nevill 316-773-2274.

**Clipper 26** Sailboat with Trailer. Swing keel, 1974 Model still in good shape. Good starter boat. Main, working jib, 150 Genoa, Spinnaker. 20 hp Mercury outboard. Call Jerry Baker at 316-788-5856.

**Mercury 7.5 outboard** 2 cycle. 1976 model. Long shaft with fuel tank. Runs great. \$175.00 Jon Zehnder, 620-245-1776.

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<http://webpages.charter.net/twyman01/USA3803/USA3803.htm> Tom Wyman 314 983 0711. [twyman01@charter.net](mailto:twyman01@charter.net)

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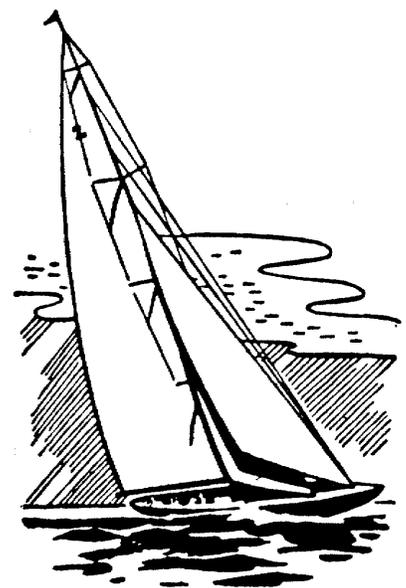
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**MacGregor 25** – 1986 – One owner, very good condition. Depth finder, compass, sailcover, trailer and motor. \$5200 OBO. Gary Pierce – 686-8823 or Gene Nold 636-2091

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