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Cheney Lake, Kansas

From The ~~Commodore~~

Even though the weather has been giving us a spring preview most of the winter, the calendar finally says it's almost here. I've noticed a lot of activity in the yard, and a couple of boats put in the water last weekend. I hope everyone is looking forward to the season as much as I am. We have a lot of great activities planned, and I encourage everyone to get involved and enjoy our great facilities and friendship. For those of you who follow the legislature, State Senate bill 583 has been proposed which would provide a regular funding source for our parks through lottery funds. Let someone in Topeka know how important that really is.

See you at the lake,

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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 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.

* Slip Exchange Meeting

Don't forget the slip exchange meeting at the Afterdeck Sunday March 12 at 2:00.

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, April 6th.
- Only items on IBM formatted discs or e-mail will be accepted until 6:00 p.m Monday, April 10th.
- 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.)

Board of Governors

MINUTES
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MARCH 2, 2006

Present: Huffman, Carlsen, Findley, Fitzgerald, Mason, Adams, Graves, Johnson, Shull, Fox, and Honeyman.

- The meeting was convened at 7:05 pm at Quincy's.
- The minutes of the February 2, 2006 meeting were approved as published.
- Johnson reported on the status of dues collection.
- Committee member needs were discussed and all committee chairmen are urged to get their committee size requests to their respective board member as soon as possible so committee assignments can be made.
- The wet slip exchange meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2006 at 2:00 pm at the Afterdeck.
- The monthly financial report was presented, discussed and accepted.
- Adams reported new outside lights had been donated and installed on Afterdeck, replacing the inferior rusting ones. He also reported that some deck expansion efforts had started.
- Carlsen reminded members to put their names on their trailers in the yards.
- Honeyman reported that the power had been shut off on D and E docks to reduce winter electrical usage. He proposed the board consider establishing a policy to do so in future years and consider a rule requiring all winter slip stored boats be moved to slips A and B between specific dates to allow power to be shut off



to the other slips each winter. The board tabled the matter for future review and action.

- Mason reminded everyone that a Casino Night party will be held April 1 at the Afterdeck to raise funds to complete the deck expansion, and that a Bonfire party will be held at the shelter house on April 8. He discussed the activity beginning on the deck expansion and the material that had been ordered.
- Mason also requested any member who wanted to advertise their business in the yearbook contact him soon.
- The board also discussed putting the yearbook on computer discs and possibly on the website when a secure member section is established. The matters will be referred to a committee to review for future consideration.
- Findley announced that the KBRS meeting is scheduled for April 9 at 2:00 pm at the Afterdeck. He also advised that the Sweet 16 fleet planned on having their national championship regatta here in September.
- Huffman discussed the March 16 legislative reception in Topeka and will follow up with the PR committee regarding our participation.
- Fox discussed assisting WSU in developing a sailing team. The board approved his investigating it with WSU officials to determine if there is interest on their part.
- The board discussed new member recruitment and decided to turn it over to the new member committee for follow-up.

Announcements:

- April board meeting April 6, 7pm at Quincy's
- BOG breakfast March 14, 7am at Beacon
- Slip exchange meeting March 12, 2:00pm at Afterdeck

Meeting adjourned at 8:10

To All Members of the Ninnescah Sailing Association.

I want to thank each and every one of you for the Sheplers Western Wear gift certificate which was presented to me at my retirement party. It is most certainly appreciated and will be used in the very near future.

It has been my pleasure working with all of you ever since I first started as Park Ranger at Cheney State Park. There have been tremendous changes to those facilities since 1974. I always admired how you all worked together to expand facilities, make the area more attractive, and provide a user-friendly environment. You can be proud of all the special regattas that have been held throughout the years. There is no better sailing organization throughout the State of Kansas, and I have always been proud to have this facility within the boundaries of Cheney State Park.

I know that the association will continue to grow and become an even more popular "Sailing Center of Kansas" in the future. I have always appreciated your support and I wish all of you the very best in the future. Thank You.

Jerry Schmidt

BOOM!

Hear that, KBRs racers? That was the sound of the 10 minute pre-race signal for the 2006 KBRs season. But before you start jockeying for position at the starting line, we need to have a meeting. (Stop whining, we don't like meetings either!)

On April 9th at 2:00 pm, the annual KBRs race meeting will be held in the Afterdeck. You will have a chance to meet the new KBRs Race Committee, talk to your fellow racers after a long winter hiatus, and learn about some of the changes being made to the race reporting and KBRs www.kbrs.org website. In addition, if you have any new ideas, we would be glad to hear them. If there are changes that you feel need to be made, this would be the time and place to voice them.

So pack your spinnaker, round up the crew, and set a lay line for the meeting. It's the start of a new season and another summer of friendly competition.

p.s. Let it be known that the KBRs Race Committee does not officially accept beer bribes for better start times or control the weather.

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

Social Calendar for 2006

- April 1, Saturday, Casino Night fundraiser for deck expansion. Reservations and fee. 6:30
- April 8, *Saturday, Burgers-n-Brats Bonfire, on the point. Reservations and fee. 6:30
- May 28, Sunday, Memorial Day Dinner. Reservations and fee. 6:30
- June 17, Saturday, Block Party on D Dock Patio. 6:30
- July 3, Monday, Independence Eve Dinner. Reservations and fee. 6:30
- July 4, Tuesday, Commodore's Pancake Feed. 8:00-10:00 a.m.
- July 22, Saturday, Block Party, 6:30
- August 5, Saturday, KBRs Potluck Dinner, after the race.
- August 12, Saturday, Progressive Dinner. 6:30
- August 19, Saturday, NSA/CLA Golf Tournament, 8:00 a.m., at The Links at Pretty Prairie.
- September 3, Sunday, Labor Day Dinner and Fireworks. Reservations and fee. 6:30
- October 7, Saturday, Low Country Boil and Bonfire, on the point. Reservations and fee. 6:30
- October 14, Saturday, KBRs Potluck Dinner, after the Race
- November 5, Saturday, Annual Meeting, Elections, and Potluck Dinner. 2:00
- December 2, Saturday, Holidays Party, 7:00.

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 Ninnescah Sailing Association, P.O. Box 1587, Wichita, KS 67201.

Checks should be made out to Ninnescah 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.)

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

- 3.8-inch diagonal, 480 x 320 pixel, 256-color TFT screen with adjustable LED backlight
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- Rechargeable lithium battery offering 5-15 hours of use (depending on backlight settings)
- Built-in basemap with automatic routing and turn-by-turn directions
- Accepts standard Garmin data cards and pre-programmed data cards
- Large numbers option for easy viewing
- Alarms: anchor drag, arrival, off-course, proximity waypoint, and clock
- 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).

And from Operations

Two upcoming events are the April 1 Casino night and the April 8 Bonfire, Burgers and Brats. Both require reservations be made no later than the Thursday before the event by midnight. Contact me at Mmasonwcht@aol.com or call me at 316-722-0207. The Casino Night will start at 6:30, cost \$25 per person, and include a meal and an evening of playing casino games. It will end with an auction. The bidding will be on the basis of your winnings from the casino games.

The Bonfire, Burgers and Brats will take place on the point starting at 6:30, weather permitting, and will cost \$7.50 for all the burgers, brats, baked beans and desert you can eat. We will have the feed no matter the weather. If it is raining- we can only hope for that- it will be held in the Afterdeck.

Mike Mason

NSA Yearbook Ad

If you would like to place an advertisement in the yearbook, now's your chance. Contact me immediately at Mmasonwcht@aol.com or call me at 316-722-0207. The ads cost \$75 for a ¼ page, \$125 for a ½ page, and \$200 for a full page. The ads are in our yearbook for the next three years. The advertisements are an encouragement to our members to patronize the businesses owned by our members who in turn are supporting our yearbook publication.

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OUT OF CONTROL?**

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\$134 / yard space**

**For More Information
Contact Allen Johnson**

at 729-5757 (Note the corrected number.)

Proceeds benefit NSA Jr. Sailing programs.

The Passing of our Cheney Lake Friend and Icon

A few weeks ago I lost a very close friend, Bob Winkler. He had been ailing from a long-term heart condition. But, as many of you know, this didn't slow Bob down from taking care of business. Bob and a few friends founded the Cheney Lake Association as a result of his vision of improving the value of Lake Cheney. Cheney Lake is more than a place where we sail, fish, or ski. I came to know through my association with Bob that the lake also supports the water supply of Wichita.

Many of you know that he worked with the Kansas Legislature as well as Federal and Kansas Wildlife and Parks officials. Due to his in-depth knowledge and relationships, he and the CLA were able to get millions of dollars of matching funds and support funds from these agencies to improve and maintain the lake.

When he was told "No," Bob would revisit his focus and work at another way of solving the problem. I was very lucky to already know him when I went to the Sedgwick County Fair. I was Commodore Elect for NSA and visited with him at the CLA booth. He and I formed an immediate friendship and respect for each other's focus on Cheney Lake.

Gregg Greenwood, I, and many others have accompanied Bob to Topeka dozens of times to meet with the Governor, President of the Senate, Secretary of the House, and the Secretary of the Wildlife and Parks. Bob was always well received because of his knowledge and preparation before our meetings.

Bob became less able to make those trips and had many phone conversations with state, city, and federal officials. He requested me and our CLA secretary to come to his intensive care room before a very important meeting.

This is only a thumbnail view of Bob Winkler and his family's commitment to Cheney Lake and supporting the KWL&P as well as the NSA, Cheney Marina, and Wichita. The Winkler family and many CLA volunteers have spent countless hours helping NSA build the Afterdeck. Bob felt the importance of uniting everybody concerned with Cheney Lake and the KWL&P. He and I spoke recently of continuing all of these commitments. Many of us plan on doing just that. The Winkler family and CLA have not only contributed hard work to building the Afterdeck, they have contributed thousands of dollars.

Join us in continuing all of Bob and his friends' work toward many long-term goals.

Thank you,
Andy Woodward
Former Cmdr. NSA
Former President CLA

NO APRIL FOOL, HERE!

CASINO NIGHT HAPPENS SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2006

A FUNDRAISER FOR DR. THORP MEMORIAL DECK EXPANSION

AT THE AFTERDECK

COME EARLY, BRING A GUEST!

ADMISSION IS \$25 PER PERSON

**DINNER AT 6:30 PM, TABLES OPEN AT 7:30 PM
FUN, PRIZES, AND SILENT AUCTION!**

CONTACT MIKE MASON FOR RESERVATIONS

Mmasonwcht@aol.com, or 722-0207

DON'T WAIT...MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!



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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"

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.

J24 - USA 3803 is a turnkey race ready program. Proven boat speed at national and regional regattas. Boat has been meticulously maintained and fully upgraded with the new deck layout, professionally faired and templated keel and rudder, VC Underwater Epoxy bottom, and all the go-fast equipment. Boat is dry sailed and stored indoors during the winter. Tandem axle Triad trailer makes trailing to regattas a cinch. Boat is lying in St. Louis. This boat is a bargain!. \$13,500. <http://webpages.charter.net/twyman01/USA3803/USA3803.htm> .Tom Wyman 314 983 0711. twyman01@charter.net

For Sale: Flying Junior, 13' fiberglass daysailer. This is the Custom model, built in the mid 1960's by Advance, with foredeck storage, and molded-in seats. Custom winter cover, new North main and jib, rebuilt rudder head, beautiful ivory hull repainted with Imron 2-part epoxy. Trailer has new axle, bearings, and wheels. Like it's current Collegiate model counterpart, this is a fun, deceptively fast and easily sailed boat. See in yard space #90. \$1,100. Rob Fresh, 316-744-0062.

Nissan 5HP 1992 -long shaft, 2-cycle outboard with integral tank for sale. Runs great. Can be seen at Action Sailcraft & Marine in Andover. Justin - 316-688-1346.

For Sale: "TTSY-BITSY-DITSY-DINGHY" Walker Bay 10' white polypropylene dinghy with stylish lapstrake hull. Includes blue cover, 2.5hp Cruise 'n' Carry motor, and trailer. Makes a great tender, rowboat, or sailboat (you add optional oars and/or sail conversion available from West Marine, etc.) Excellent condition. \$1200, obo. Rob Fresh, 316-744-0062.

For Sale: 1979 Hobie 18 with trailer, in good condition, ready to sail. Rudder and daggerboard covers included. Currently in yard space #92. \$1100, obo. 316-729-1361.

Macgregor 25' Sailboat in good shape. Sleeps 5 with a galley that has an ice box, sink and counter space for a stove. Dinette seats 4 adults. Sails consists of good main and jib. Evinrude 9 Hp OB. Equipment includes life vests, anchor and rode, dodger for raised cabin. It pulls very easy and can be launched where ever a power boat is launched. Always stored inside during off season. This is a great starter boat yet is big enough to vacation aboard. Call 540-3526 or email sdwcheney@yahoo.com for a Sea-trial.

WANTED: Small, used travel trailer 15-21 feet. Texie Randle, 729-6358.

WISH LIST: The following items are currently needed for the Afterdeck kitchen. If you would like to donate any of the items, please bring them out and then cross the item off the list. The list is located on the bulletin board in the foyer. **Cheese grater, Large soup kettle, Electric griddle, Measuring cups.** Thank you!

5 Ton Hydrohoist \$1500.00 687-2471 or 755-1381.

Hobie Holder 14' The monohull, all Harken rigging, and the teak wood is all in excellent condition. The boat has a kick up fiberglass rudder, and folding centerboard. The main sail, and furling jib are like new with no tears and all battens. The boat also includes a white trailer that is in good condition. It also comes with many accessories; foldable anchor, wind gage,

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Members and Non-members are invited to use this service at no charge to advertise boat related items. Call or mail your ad copy to the Editors at: 3240 Country Club, Wichita, KS 67208, (316)-685-7425.

mainsheet@ninescah.org. Your item will appear in two consecutive issues and on the w.w.w. unless you advise otherwise. Please let the editors know if the item is sold or if you want your ad discontinued after the first insertion.

small trolling motor and battery. Would be a great starter boat and family boat, but could also be enjoyed by the most veteran sailor. \$2,000 O.B.O Contact Cary Wright at or call 316-729-7819.

Hunter 22 head sail for sale. J (fore triangle base) 14'2", I (foretriangle ht.) 25'6". Sail made by Ulmer and is in good shape. I think it is a 150% Genoa. Includes sail bag. Asking \$200.00 of best offer. Jim Honeyman 945-7575.

Land Yacht. 94 Lincoln Town Car. Very experienced lake vehicle has high miles but mechanically very good. Tinted windows, leather, 18 mpg, a very safe ride. No slip, no trailer, no porta-potti. Discounted to NSA members at \$3950. Call Patrick at the lake: 316.540.3674.

Wanted: Catalina 22. Sondy Garvey, 210-7731



The Following ads are from the Walnut Valley Sailing Club - Windward

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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