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From the Editor:
Please note the deadline schedule.
- Announcements of scheduled events (such as dinners and races) and ads, must be received by the first Thursday of each month.
- Email will be accepted until 6:00 p.m. the first Sunday of each month.
- Any late material will be published the next month.
- Email your material to Doug Perry at editor@ninnescah.org.
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Message from the Commodore

Spring is officially here, and sailing season is in full swing! There are lots of boats in the slips, and most days you will see one or more of them out on the lake. The KBRS spring season is underway with a couple of races already in the books, and it seems like there is at least a threat of rain every day, so spring is finally here!

Next time you are out at the lake, check out the WiFi coverage. We have new fiber optic service through Ideatek, and our internet and WiFi are currently connected to it. Our WiFi coverage was not working correctly, so Stan Chase tackled the issue and with assistance from Justin Fremin got the entire system up and running. Stan removed all of the remote access points, brought them to the Afterdeck and reprogrammed them to talk to each other, then took them back out and re-installed them in the field, so now we have WiFi coverage all around our facility. Thanks Stan for all your persistence and hard work!

There are a few things of note going on around the club this week. We have our annual crane inspection this Friday, the 21st, and will have a manlift available for members to get work done at the top of their masts. Plan is to have the manlift available through the weekend. Saturday the 22nd is our second club wide workday of the year. Our April workday was very well attended, with 30 volunteers onsite to clean out the maintenance sheds, trim trees, mow and trim grass, and do a lot of raking and cleaning. We are hoping for a similar turnout this coming Saturday to get the grounds looking good for the Memorial Day weekend. Also underway at this time is our silent auction of useful items we removed from the maintenance sheds but don’t need to retain as club property. There are 50 different lots of items to bid on, so stop by and take a look before the auction closes just prior to the Memorial Day dinner.

And speaking of the Memorial Day Dinner that takes place May 30, a notice went out this week with all the details, including a sailing movie under the stars after the dinner, so be sure and get your RSVP right away! Soon after Memorial Day we will have memorial services for Andy Woodward and Pat Coulter. Notices and invitations will be out soon but keep June 6 and June 12 reserved on your calendar as we remember these two stellar members who contributed so much to our association.

Quick! Where is the closest fire extinguisher? Have you made a mental note of the extinguisher closest to your boat? Bet you didn’t know that we have 25 fire extinguishers on our property! We are planning to schedule a fire extinguisher demonstration to show the proper use of a fire extinguisher and touch on fire safety. More on this in the next couple of weeks. We are also planning to have a first aid/cpr/AED training class this spring. Our Operations chairman James Catt is qualified to present this training and has volunteered to do so, again we will be letting you know when we get this scheduled.

Finally, we are planning a day of orientation classes for the crane, Afterdeck, and if possible the race committee boat on June 5. If you are new to the club, or just want to refresh your knowledge, this is vital information to safely and responsibly operate or utilize these valuable club assets. We will be sure to send out a notice in the week before orientation, but mark your calendars for June 5.

So with all this going on, try to make time to get out to the lake to join in all the activities, and be sure to make some time to go sailing, the weather is getting warm and the lake level is just right!

Fair Winds!

Phil Nelson
A Life Celebration

HONORING

CAPTAIN

ANDY WOODWARD

June 11th, 1947 – September 5th, 2020

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A MEMORIAL SERVICE
WITH HORS D’OEUVRES, DRINKS AND CAMARADERIE.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6th
at two o’clock in the afternoon

NINNESCAH SAILING ASSOCIATION AFTERDECK BUILDING
Cheney Reservoir | Cheney, KS
Island Attire Optional
REMEMBERING
PATRICK “PADDY” COULTER
JUNE 19, 1948 - AUGUST 8, 2020

Please Join us for a Memorial Service
With Cake, Ice Cream, Dewars, and Good Friends

Saturday June 12, 2021
2pm at the Afterdeck

NINNESCAH SAILING ASSOCIATION - CHENEY RESERVOIR

Lake Dress Attire
MEMORIAL DAY DINNER AND MOVIE

Its time to party at the lake!! The annual Memorial Day dinner is scheduled for Sunday, May 30th. Bring a side dish or desert to share with others. The meat will be provided.

Come join us for a fun dinner followed by a wonderful evening watching a classic sailing movie under the afterdeck. Social time begins at 5:30 with dinner starting at 6:00. Bring a lawn chair because the movie will be presented after dinner in the yard area to the north of the afterdeck.

All are welcome!! Please RSVP so we know how much meat to prepare.
Jim and Cindy Catt, 316-618-3520
56th Annual Blessing of the Fleet

At the NSA Afterdeck

Saturday June 19

Ceremony 1-2pm After Deck

Boat Blessing to follow on the water 2-3pm

On the Water Boat Parade

Join us if you can!
If it floats it’s a boat and should be Blessed!
JUNIOR CLASS DETAILS

- Learn water safety, sailboat handling, sailboat racing, and sportsmanship.
- Coaches are US Sailing Certified.
- Boats are provided.
- Open to kids, age 8-17.
- Class meets from 9am - 4pm each day.

2 JUNIOR SESSIONS IN 2021

Session 1: July 12-16, 2021
Session 2: July 26-30, 2021

COST:
- $150 for Members of NSA
- $175 for Non-Members
LEARN to SAIL

COURSE CONTENT INCLUDES:

- Basic Boat Handling Skills
- Sailing Terminology
- Knot Tying
- Sailing Theory
- Sunfish & Keelboat Instruction
- Water and Small Craft Safety

Adult LEARN to SAIL

with Ninnescah Sailing Association
Summer 2021 at Cheney Lake

Follow Our Sails Online
Search Facebook & Instagram for
#JoinNSACrew

LEARN MORE ABOUT
Ninnescah Sailing Association
Visit us Online at www.ninnescah.org

ADULT CLASS SCHEDULE

SESSION 1
Thurs, June 24th, 6 - 9pm
Sat, June 26th & Sun, June 27th, 8am - 5pm

SESSION 2
Thurs, July 8th, 6 - 9pm
Sat, July 10th & Sun, July 11th, 8am - 5pm

SESSION 3
Thurs, July 22nd, 6 - 9pm
Sat, July 24th & Sun, July 25th, 8am - 5pm

SESSION 4 - Advanced Keelboat*
Sat, August 14th, 8am - 5pm

*NSA Basic Sailing Class or previous sailing experience is a prerequisite for Basic Keelboat.

Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn’t do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.

- Mark Twain

setsailks.com
Adult Learn to Sail

Class Size Is Limited, So Register Early!

Register online at www.ninnescah.org

Adult learn to sail classes have been taught at Cheney Lake for over 40 years. The NSA Learn to Sail Course was developed in conjunction with the U.S. Sailing Association and is for adults, age 18 years or older.

**Sessions 1, 2 and 3** include 20 hours of instruction, both in the classroom and on the water using Sunfish, small sloops and catamarans.

**Session 4** (Aug 15th) is a one day advanced course covering basic keelboat handling. NSA Basic Sailing class or previous sailing experience is a prerequisite.

Classes are led by a team of enthusiastic, experienced volunteer members of NSA who are U.S. Sailing Association certified instructors.

The week night portion of the class (Thursday) meets at the CoBank Building in downtown Wichita and the sailing portion (Saturday & Sunday) meets at the cove at Ninnescah Sailing Association on Cheney Reservoir.

**COURSE CONTENT INCLUDES:**
- Basic Boat Handling Skills
- Sailing Terminology
- Knot Tying
- Sailing Theory
- Sunfish & Keelboat Instruction
- Water and Small Craft Safety!

**PREREQUISITES:** To enroll in the adult NSA Learn to Sail course, you must be at least 18 years old. You must be able to swim 25 yards, be able to float or tread water for two minutes, and put a lifejacket on in deep water.

It is essential that you feel safe in the water!
KBRS - Racing

An excellent reason to come out to Ninnescah Sailing Association and scenic Cheney Reservoir at least once a week!!!

Improve your sailing skills!
All sailboats welcome!
Make new friends!

See some of the most beautiful sunsets in Kansas!

We would love to have you join us! If you have questions about getting started contact Kevin Findley:

316-204-8323
kevinfindley@gmail.com

Visit our website: https://sites.google.com/view/ninnescah-kbrs
Present: Phil Nelson, Jack Kramer, Rodney Johnson, Charles Bruce, Justin Fremin, Sheila Whiston-Fox, Bruce Rowe

Others: Allen Johnson, Sam Dold, Merle and Jennifer Richardson and son.

Commodore Phil Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

The previous meeting’s minutes were approved: Kramer/Rowe

Financial Report: S. Whiston-Fox

Revenue is below budget so far, so we still need to be cautious. The property taxes and lease have been paid but we have the insurances coming in June. The financial report was approved: Bruce/Fremin

Property Update: J. Kramer/Sam Dold

Norm Dodson did a great job coordinating and executing the clean out of our work sheds. Many thanks to all the club members who participated. It was not lost on anyone the amount of work that was carried out outside of the shed project though. We had a good turnout of members for the day and we enjoyed some great food prepared by the West Side Bait Shop/Boardwalk Café. The sandwiches were amazing!

The yards look good and no one was billed for any spaces unmowed, but this was the last freebie. The June inspection (1st Sunday) will come with bills being sent out for folks not keeping up with the grass.

Mowing of the facility is going well, but the work needs to be spread out among more members. Do not want to see the same folks mowing all the time.

The Afterdeck seems to be staying clean and maybe the late frost will have kept the fly population at bay.

The docks are looking good, but the membership/BOG will need to address “E” dock soon since we are at the end of our grace period. The Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) could not have been pleased seeing the foam still under it, we are waiting on the results of their inspection.

We still need a plan for addressing the fence repair behind the Jr. Sailing boats. It would help if when backing those craft into their spots the operators would not back into the fence. Maybe we need those concrete parking bumpers like at the crane?

Next volunteer work day is scheduled for May 22. Please come out and help!

Administrative Secretary Report: A. Johnson

The money continues to come in from dues and fees.

MEMBER/GUEST INTRODUCTIONS/FORUMS

Merle and Jennifer Richardson were auditing us tonight.

Board Member Reports

Treasurer: S. Whiston-Fox

The wire transfer for the new committee boat motor has gone through.

Yardmaster: Absent

I’d like to thank all that attended the work party and cleaned out the sheds. Norm Dodson did an excellent job recruiting manpower and organizing the effort to make the sheds look nice! I think it paid off during our BOR meeting with the state! Thanks again!

The landscaping crews are hard at it and progress is being made these last few weeks, as the spring season is upon us. Thanks to all that have mowed and are keeping the grounds looking nice! We have a long ways to go, but we will make every week better than the last as we push forward!

Would like to remind members to keep the tires on their trailers aired up and to replace those tires that are shot so that boats may be moved as needed.

Once again, it’s up to all club members to do their part. If you see some trash, pick it up. If something is not right or you find something broken, please report it to the appropriate person or our club hosts Sam and Courtney so we can correct the issue in a timely matter!

Look forward to seeing everyone at the first memorial weekend get together and on the water sailing.
Harbormaster: J. Fremin
Need to coordinate the Sea Scouts with duties they can perform to satisfy our requirements. Hook them up with the yardmaster or Scott Fry.

A non-member asked about renting a slip. The fee as outlined in our bylaws is $35/foot of boat length per month with a minimum cost of $645/month.

Member mentioned a water leak on C dock which I took care of.

Allen Johnson mentioned that at the electrical pedestal at his slip only one receptacle is live.

Operations: Absent
Vice Commodore: R. Johnson
Junior sailing first camp is over-subscribed. Camp 2 has two openings

Adult Learn to Sail practice sessions soon.

Committee boat is out of action. The motor has lost reverse. Tom Brown has graciously allowed us to use his pontoon boat for KBRS. Thanks to Tom Brown and Kevin Findley for their help in getting the committee boat onto its trailer.

Care in providing adequate fuel reserves for any boats used by Junior or Adult sailing classes. One of the Whalers has a two stroke motor that requires mixed fuel—don’t confuse them.

The Zodiac may have a faulty tilt mechanism.

Commodore Elect: J. Kramer

Past Commodore: C. Bruce
Requests for use of the Afterdeck continue to come in, but many balk at the cost to rent. I did some cleaning last week, but overall the facility looks good. Wildlife and Parks used it this week. I have scheduled it for this Saturday for my daughter’s graduation get together.

Old Business

We had a great turnout for our last workday with about 30 members in attendance. Now we need some way to accurately keep track of which member was here and what was done and for how long. Cleaning, treating, tree trimming and weeding was accomplished along with the work shed clean out.

We are assembling a brush pile behind the east yard. Beach goers looking for firewood are encouraged to check out the brush pile.

Great food from the “Boardwalk Café”!

Don’t forget the memorial get-togethers for passed members Andy Woodward and Pat Coulter; June 6 and June 12, respectively 2-5 pm.

Cabana #6 repair will commence soon. Doug Veith will dig the holes for the posts.

There are 24 fire extinguishers on site and they have been inspected. Possible fire extinguisher demonstration some day.

Many thanks to Stan Chase and Justin Fremin for their work in getting our wifi and weather station back online. With the increased bandwidth provided with the fiber optic system we may be able to provide some remote security for our facility.

NEW BUSINESS
The BOR has not released a report yet. They did like the clean sheds, but wondered where everything went.

Crane inspection is coming up May 21 and a man lift will be available that weekend for those members wanting to do work on their masts. However, since members will likely be wanting to launch, there may be some conflicts.

Trash service options: 4, 6 or 8 yard containers are available.

An RCH has been sent out regarding the silent auction for those materials reclaimed from the shed clean out. There are 50 lots currently residing in the Afterdeck basement with a bid sheet for each. The winning bidder for each lot will be required to remove said lot from our property after the close of the auction: 4:00 May 30th.
We had to buy a new 90 hp. motor for the committee boat: $10500. Purchase was approved by an email vote of the board prior to purchase commitment.

Thanks to Tom Brown for the use of his pontoon boat until ours is back on line.

A new method for keeping track of maintenance provided for each of our assets is needed as well as a schedule for each. A central location that can be easily accessed by relevant chairmen or governor.

Orientation classes June 5.

Need to get the barge working and address the trees and other growth on Adams Jetty.

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:55 pm: Rowe/Kramer

**Announcements:**
Memorials for Andy Woodward June 6 and Pat Coulter June 12, 2-5 pm.

Next BOG meeting: June 11, 2021, 7:00 pm. Pathway Church

Memorial Dinner May 30 6:30 pm.

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**SPRING CLEANING SALE!**

We had a great workday last month and cleaned out our storage sheds. We have quite a few items that we don't need, and are going to offer them to members in a silent auction. The items are separated into 50 lots and are gathered in the Afterdeck basement. Each lot has a bid sheet attached to it where you can enter your name and bid amount. At the end of the auction, which will be just prior to our Memorial Day Dinner, the highest bid wins the lot. Just a few rules; enter your name and bid amount on each lot you are interested in, highest bid at auction close wins that lot, please do not move items from lot to lot. Also note that the bid increments on most items are one dollar, but there are a few items that have a five dollar bid increment, so read the bid sheet. Payment will be due at the end of the auction, and we ask that you remove your items as soon as possible. We have everything from bolts and nuts to outboard motors, including four bimini frames, so come check it out and take home some treasures.

Happy Bidding!

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**Join the fun with Tuesday Sailing!**

All sailors (any boats) welcome!
Meet at the beach every Tuesday starting at 11:00 through July and August (some of August)

If you would like more information, please call Irene Barkman @ 620-727-3460

Hope to see you there!

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**AED**

There is a functioning AED in the Afterdeck between the door to the Kitchen and the East Main Entrance
Our members often drop what they are doing to help others out.

- Carry supplies from car?
- Helped with docking?
- Launching a boat?
- Tied down flapping sail covers?

Basically anything… big or small… send your short Thank You message to editor@ninnescah.org and it will be published each month to the Main Sheet Thank You Board!

NSA MENTOR PROGRAM

Can I leave my RV in my assigned storage yard space? Can I run the crane myself?

Members sometimes have lots of questions. You may not know who to ask, or may be reluctant to ask. NSA can assign you a personal mentor to serve as guide, assistant, and teacher, to address questions you have. Although you may find answers to administrative questions in the NSA Yearbook, we encourage you to choose a mentor for guidance on things not found in the Yearbook. For more information, check the NSA web site www.sailninnescah.org and click on Join NSA Crew. Or you may contact Program Facilitator Rob Fresh at freshwind1@att.net or 316-744-0062
Club rules require that we check our boat and trailer at least every two weeks. **If you are already mowing your yard at home, it’s a safe bet your yard space needs attention too.**

We mow for fire hazard as well as appearance. **Please do not use Roundup or other herbicides**, as they will only kill the grass, create dry areas that will burn easily, and only the weeds will return. During the heavy growth times, for fire safety, it may be necessary to mow more than just once a month.

**Yard spaces will be inspected the first Sunday each month. If the growth is heavy, thick or high enough to touch the frame of your trailer, it will be mowed for you and you will be billed.**

**Please take note:** Extra reminder notices won’t be going out this year. Please be sure to keep air in your tires and your trailer unlocked for easy moving.

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**TAKE THE EASY WAY OUT! AVOID WORRYING ABOUT MOWING!**

Sign up to have contract maintenance mowing for your space for only $162.50 per year!

Contact Brian Denney by emailing yardmaster@ninnescah.org

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**CURRENT FEES:**

- Mowing Maintenance Fee $162.50
- Mowing Yard Space Empty $46.00
- Mowing Yard Space Full $67.00
- Mowing Yard Space Immobile $108.00

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**Please consider the following:**

- Mowers are provided in the sheds in each yard. Please check the oil in the mower before using.
- Be sure to move your trailer to mow and bring your weed eater from home.
- Keep your space clear of junk and debris that will damage the mowers.
- The only tie downs allowed are those that are set in concrete. The twist in doggie style are mower killers, and do not hold in our Kansas storms. Please report any missing tie downs.
- The yard spaces are for boats and trailers only.
“Life moves pretty fast. If you don’t stop and look around once in a while, you may miss what is happening at NSA!”

**Helpful Links**

**Keel Boat Racing Squadron** - Racing every Wednesday!

**NSA Facebook Page** - Get the latest updates!

**NSA Instagram Page** - See the latest photos!

**NSA Calendar** - Find out when the latest events are happening!

**NSA Facilities** - Learn about our beautiful sailing facility!

**Current Weather** - Check out the latest info from the NSA Weather Station!

**Historic Cheney Lake Levels**

See how the lake levels changed over the years from 1964 to 2021!
Click individual event links for more info!

Saturday - May 22
NSA Work Day
9-2pm

Sunday - May 30
Memorial Day Dinner

Sunday - June 6
Andy Woodward Memorial
Location: NSA Afterdeck
2-5pm

Thursday - June 10
Board of Governors Meeting
Location: Pathway Church
2001 N. Maize Rd. 7pm.

Saturday - June 12
Pat Coulter Memorial
Location: NSA Afterdeck
2-5pm

Saturday - June 19
Blessing of the Fleet

Thursday - June 24
Adult Learn-to-Sail Class 1
Location: CoBank Building
245 North Waco. 6-9pm.

Saturday-Sunday - June 26-27
Adult Learn-to-Sail Class 1
Location: NSA Cove

Sunday - July 4
Colossus Cup

Thursday - July 8
Adult Learn-to-Sail Class 2
Location: CoBank Building
245 North Waco. 6-9pm.

Thursday - July 8
Board of Governors Meeting
Location: Pathway Church
2001 N. Maize Rd. 7pm.

Saturday-Sunday - July 10-11
Adult Learn-to-Sail Class 2
Location: NSA Cove

Monday-Friday - July 12-16
Youth Learn-to-Sail Camp

Saturday/Sunday - July 17 & 18
White Cap Regatta

Thursday - July 22
Adult Learn-to-Sail Class 3
Location: CoBank Building
245 North Waco. 6-9pm.

Saturday-Sunday - July 24-25
Adult Learn-to-Sail Class 3
Location: NSA Cove

Saturday - June 30
Blessing of the Fleet
Summer Sailstice Celebration

Monday-Friday - July 26-30
Youth Learn-to-Sail Camp

Saturday - August 7
Jr Sailing Regatta

Thursday - August 12
Board of Governors Meeting
Location: Pathway Church
2001 N. Maize Rd. 7pm.

Saturday-Sunday - Aug 21 & 22
Hobie Fleet 27 Prairie Regatta

Monday - September 6
Sunfish Masters

Thursday - September 9
Board of Governors Meeting
Location: Pathway Church
2001 N. Maize Rd. 7pm.

Thursday - October 14
Board of Governors Meeting
Location: Pathway Church
2001 N. Maize Rd. 7pm.

Thursday - November 11
Board of Governors Meeting
Location: Pathway Church
2001 N. Maize Rd. 7pm.

Sunday - November TBD
Annual Meeting

Thursday - December 12
Board of Governors Meeting
Location: Pathway Church
2001 N. Maize Rd. 7pm.

Keel Boat Racing Squadron (KBRS)
Spring: Wednesdays May 5th to July 28th
Fall: Wednesdays Aug 4th to SepT 1st
Sundays Sept 5th to Oct 24th

Awards: October 24th 2-5 pm.


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- Business card size: $50
- 1/4 page: $100
- 1/2 page: $200
- Full page: $400

20% discount for ads with no changes running for six consecutive months.

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- Non-members wishing to advertise a boat related item may do so using paid advertising with the following per issue fees: $25 per ad, 50 word maximum. Payment in full and copy must be received prior to placing ad. Send your ad copy and a check to Ninnescah Sailing Assn. PO Box 1587, Wichita, KS 67201.
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