



# Hard-a-Lee

Newsletter of the Wichita Falls Sailing Club, <http://wfsail.org>

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Lake Levels: Stage 5 Drought COMBINED: 24.9%, Lake Arrowhead: 23.3% Lake Kickapoo: 29.3

## Commodore's Corner

Sailing season is here with moderate temperatures, perfect winds, and nice lake water. I sailed my Sunfish, "Sunkist", last weekend and it was a blast. Launching the boat was not difficult. I just pulled the boat trailer down *Bink Blvd* to the middle of the cove and then with a dolly, pushed the trailer by hand into the water. When it was time to retrieve the boat, I tied a rope to the dolly and pulled the trailer out of the water. Easy to do!

That being said we are ready to start **Sunfish races Saturday the 7th of June**. We will launch the boats at 12 with skippers' meeting at 1:30.

To really get things moving this year we are going to introduce a raffle at each race starting with the June 21st race. Each race we will raffle off a sailing item at \$5 to \$10 per ticket. You can buy as many tickets as you want knowing that the money will go to the WFSC capital campaign. To encourage participation in the race, one must be present to win the raffle, but you do not have to win the race to win the raffle. At the June 21st race, we will start by raffling off a new white Sunfish sail with window from [IntensitySails.com](http://IntensitySails.com). Tickets are \$10 each. The following race July 5th, we will raffle off sailing gloves at \$5 per ticket. If there are other items that interest you, let me know and we will include them in future raffles.

**Hamburgers will be served to all the racers (no matter where they placed!) after each Sunfish race.** Eddie Harvey and David Johnson are coordinating the menu.

I am glad to report that our good friends Dustan and Karol Mathews are applying to join the WFSC. Dustan has just purchased one of Steve Priester's Sunfish and is raring to go. He is new to sailing except for the time last May that I dumped him in the lake sailing my Flying Scot. If Dustan can survive crewing with me as captain, then you know he can take anything.

I look forward to seeing everyone out sailing this summer and having a great time. See you at the lake!

- *Commodore Bill*

## **Harbor Master & Fleet Chairman "Ramblings"**

The dinghy fleet is trying to grow & has attracted several new dinghy owners, and a few new club members. It has been a tough task indeed with our current water situation but well worth it to see all the new dinghies and new members! Hard to believe that we are actually are on the upswing as a club, however, things may be about to change for the worse, but I believe we can delay & hold on until Mother Nature smiles on us.

So, please participate & make yourself present around your boat, club, etc. Check out your boat & how it's maintained (grass, rigging, overall appearance) this truly helps w/new members! Our new dinghy racing season is ready to start (June 7, with 1:30 skippers meeting). It will be pretty laid back and NO intimidation, we need all of you dinghy sailors to come out, join the fun and participate in the events.

- *Steve Priester, Harbor Master & Fleet Chairman*

## **BOATS FOR SALE**

- 1976 Force 5, \$1100.00. This 13' 10" two person racer, very similar to a Laser, is designed for single handed racing and fast recreational sailing. Weighs 145 lbs. It's in good condition with original mahogany dagger board and coaming; the rudder has been remade and coated in fiberglass. Comes with two main sails... one is a factory sleeved original, designed to slip over the mast and the other a custom made sail with two sets of reefing points designed to be hoisted with a halyard. All the deck hardware has been replaced with Harken blocks and the boom includes a downhaul. The Dilly trailer is hinged such that the boat can be launched into the water without the tires even getting wet... great for launching from a beach! Contact Steve Chase at [mkgsvcs@gmail.com](mailto:mkgsvcs@gmail.com)

- 1974 Balboa 26, \$2650.00. Swing keel sailboat with a 9.9 HP Johnson outboard motor and a tandem axle E-Z Loader trailer. Sails include two mainsails, 150 genoa, 180 genoa, working jib and storm jib. Overall, the boat is in good condition for it's age and has seen it's share of repair and restoration. All cabin teak is in excellent condition as is all the upholstery. The Balboa is sitting on it's trailer and except for dropping and securing the mast, it's ready for the road. Contact Steve Chase at [mkgsvcs@gmail.com](mailto:mkgsvcs@gmail.com)

## **BOATS WANTED**

Dingy - Many club members are looking for a Sunfish, Starfish, Lsler or any small beach launch boat. If you have one available or know of one please contact me at [L.Hulse@yahoo.com](mailto:L.Hulse@yahoo.com) to put it in the newsletter.

**NEWSLETTER** articles/events ect wanted. If you have something to submit to the newsletter please email me at [L.Hulse@yahoo.com](mailto:L.Hulse@yahoo.com) and we will get it in the next available issue.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING** will be Jun 5, 7pm at the Club house, everyone is welcome.