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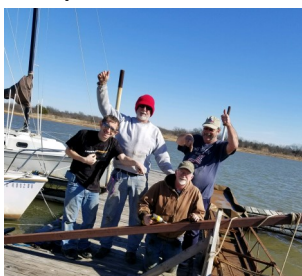
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## Club Upgrades by Larry Ahlhorn

Excited to take over as 2018 Commodore, one of our priorities is to enhance the club ground and facilities. January was a busy month for club upgrades and so much to mention to include; raising of the floating dock, club house back porch project, dingy dock extension, and boat ramp sand removal.

Thank you for all of the volunteers who have pitched in to make all of these projects a success or a work in progress.

The biggest project to date is the raising of the floating dock. As you can recall, WFSC lost the finger dock during a storm back in 2017. Mastermind, Mike Gillis and crew created a crane lever and raised the dock up from the cloudy and murky waters of Lake



Arrowhead. Mike Gillis's team included help from Chris Brunner, Larry Ahlhorn, and Dave Brunner.

Just when you think the club has exhausted all avenues, the enthusiastic, and energetic volunteers kept going. The club house is getting a back porch located outside of the Kitchen's (AKA galley). It was a double win



with cleaning up the grounds and recycling old metal dock frames. Larry Ahlhorn and Steve Priester framed out the new back porch.

The dinghy dock extension is underway because of the receding water levels at Lake Arrowhead. Current Lake Lev-

els are 84.6%. The dock extension will aid in the Flying Scot Fleet or any



other smaller boat will have an area to launch their boats.

The boat ramp is fully functional and operational, please see article on page 2 for more details.

Although these are just a few projects to aid in the club renovations, ideas and suggestions are always welcomed. If you see something that requires attention, please let someone know about it so we can make our club the best club it can be. Again, thanks for all of the volunteers in helping out with the club.

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## Racing Fleet Markers by Steve Priester & Lee Havins

Terrific news! The sailing club has acquired two new race markers. One permanent marker was retrieved by Steve Priester with his keen abilities of networking with some locals. Rumor has it Steve offered them a lifetime membership of the Spar Bar but it is not slated to open anytime soon. One of the markers will be placed out permanently in the lake

which means reduced course set up time and more actual racing time. One of last years race committee members was interviewed and was, "extremely ecstatic" about the new permanent marker.

The other inflatable marker was procured by our Past Commodore, Lee Havins and men-

tioned that it was shipped via mule and should arrive sometime in February.

We are going to try out this new design of a marker and should be a little more easier for the

Race Committee to dispatch and recover.



New Permanent Marker

## 2018 Racing Fleets Meeting by Steve Priester



It's time for our annual fleet meeting. Open to all Skippers, Crew and Race Committee members. The meeting will be Monday, February 12 at 7:00 PM at the WFSC clubhouse. Light finger foods @ 6:45ish served by our onsite Chef & Commodore.

The agenda will be scheduling times & dates for Flying Scot & Big Boat Fleets.  
- Considering two series race season; Spring & Fall, versus one series as in the past. Two could provide more options for each boat when missing a race is necessary. (July,

all boats Regatta , etc.)  
- Attention to Race Committee (R/C) needs & improving system assigning racers for R/C duty.  
- We will finish with a take home rules quiz & answers ,to ponder at home.

## Boat Ramp is Operational by Steve Priester

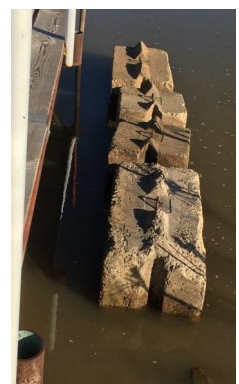


Boat Ramp at Sunrise, Oct 2017

The boat ramp is fully functional and operational. The sand was removed from the ramp and a miniature seawall was created on the South side of the ramp to slow down the build-up of

sand. Thanks for everyone who made this event happen.

The Ramp had an operational check performed by Dave Brunner on Saturday Jan 27.



## House Fires by the Club by Steve Priester

On Tuesday, January 23 there was a house fire right across from the club. Steve Priester ran over to the scene and no one was in the house but was kind enough to take some pictures and send them in for the HAL.

On Saturday, January 27, there was another fire East of the club.

Although it is not con-

firmed, it is alleged there might be an arsonist in the neighborhood. Steve Priester has already contacted his lawyer regarding the incidents.

As many of you already know, we are in a heightened alert for fire danger because of the dry season we are having.

To help reduce the risk

of fire spreading, please do your part and help the club decrease fire danger by keeping your areas around your trailers and boats mowed.



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- Feb 1, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Feb 12, 2018, Fleets Racing Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Mar 1, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Apr 5, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- May 3, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Jun 7, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
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- Oct 4, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM





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## 2018 Racing Fleets Meeting by Steve Priester

The 2018 fleet meeting was productive and fun. Twenty people attended and there were hot wings, etc. prepared by Larry Ahlhorn & Steve Colley.

We decided to try a Spring and Fall series for both fleets. We also nailed down a good schedule. Bink Davidson, Dave Brunner and Steve Priester are the

three fleet captains with Debra Halter as fleet chairman. Bink and Dave are both going to coordinate Big Sailing Boats this year.

As the meeting ended a rules quiz with answers was handed out to all skippers to take home. Lee Havins, Glenn Tole and myself prepared the quiz with assis-

tance from US Sailing publications. (more than help) We will have an informal rules quiz get together in March. I will make sure that all of you get the quiz packet! Participate, it will be fun!!

The new schedule is in this HAL below and on the scoreboard at the club.

### Wichita Falls Sailing Club 2018 Racing Schedule

Fleets	Spring Series			Jul	Fall Series		
	Apr	May	Jun		Aug	Sep	Oct
Big Boats Handicap Scoring	7 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting	5 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting	2 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting	7 Sat All Up Race Day	4 Sat 10 AM Skippers Meeting	8 Sat 10 AM Skippers Meeting	20 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting
Flying Scots One Design	21 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting	19 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting	16 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting	Club Race and not part of the Series	18 Sat 10 AM Skippers Meeting	22 Sat 10 AM Skippers Meeting	6 Sat 1 PM Skippers Meeting

#### Notes:

Big Boats and Flyins Scot Make-up Race is the following Saturday of that Race Day

Oct 20, Harvest Winds Regatta, All Boats Welcome with Handicap Scoring

## Mow Season

Mow Season is about to kick off and we will continue to hire a contractor to do a majority of the grounds. The mowers keep their distance around trailers and boats and it is each member's responsibility to mow around their

designated areas.

Benefits of Mowing; reduces risk of fire spreading, deters critters (snakes, rats, etc...), great exercise, fun & exciting, and provides club with a professional image.

Come on out and test drive the new mower, you will not be disappointed.



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**Lake Arrowhead  
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## Dinghy Dock Update by Larry Ahlhorn

The Dinghy Dock extension was prepared by three courageous volunteers; Mike Schulte, Paul Spilman and Larry Ahlhorn. They procured and installed a new deck on an older metal section dock. The extension will be used to move out the existing dinghy dock to allow the Flying Scot or other small boats an area to safely launch and re-

covery their boats. Huge thanks to the volunteers in making the club a better place.

If you would like something fixed or repaired, please let a Board Member know.



## Snakebite First Aid

### CALL 911 IF:

- Any chance that the snake is venomous
- The person has difficulty breathing
- There is loss of consciousness

1. Note the Snake's Appearance, Be ready to describe the snake to emergency staff.

2. Protect the Person, while waiting for medical help:

- Move the person beyond striking distance of the snake.
- Have the person lie down with wound below the heart.
- Keep the person calm and at rest, remaining as still as possible to keep venom from spreading.
- Cover the wound with loose, sterile bandage.
- Remove any jewelry from the area that was bitten.
- Remove shoes if the leg or foot was bitten.

### Do not:

- Cut a bite wound
- Attempt to suck out venom
- Apply tourniquet, ice, or water
- Give the person alcohol or caffeinated drinks or any other medications.

If you know the snake is not venomous, treat as a puncture wound.

Source: WebMD

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## Spring Series Race Begins (Big Boats / Flying Scots)

**Great news!** On Saturday, April 7. Big Boats Skippers will meet at 1 PM and will kick off the Spring Series Race Season. All make-up races are schedule for the following weekend. For questions or comments regarding the Big Boats Race, please contact Bink Davidson & Dave Brunner.

**More Great News!** Flying Scots first race will be on April 21. Skippers will meet at 1 PM and race to follow. For questions and information regarding the Flying Scot Fleet, please contact Steve Priester.

Also, we had a good turnout at Back Porch Restaurant

for racing quiz discussion and good natured talk of up coming season.

**Volunteer Opportunity:** We are always looking for folks to assist with the Race Committee. If you are interested, please contact Debra Halter.

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## WFSC Chili Cook Off

The Annual Chili Cook Off is schedule for Saturday, April 14 at 5:00 pm

Chili cooks, you will be able to prepare your chili on site as soon as you would like, or prepare at home and bring with you. Just have your dish or chili ready to serve by 5:00 PM on Saturday.

There will be three categories in which to enter your, **concoction** and win "oohs and aaahs", "delicious!", "awesome" and "what was that?"

**Best Traditional Chili,  
Most Original Chili, and  
Hottest Chili**

**All cooks entering the  
Chili Cook-off contest:**



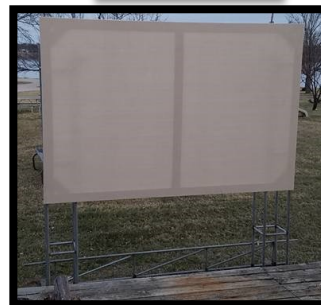
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Steve Colley at [lunk8362@yahoo.com](mailto:lunk8362@yahoo.com) or (940) 733-0847  
Come on out, bring some chili and a side and let's have a party.

## Movie Night

Movie Night at the WFSC was a success and the folks who attended cannot wait for the next one! Chef Ahlhorn prepared his world famous nachos and movie style popcorn. The weath-

er was phenomenal and for those of you that did not come out to watch the movie, "Wind" not to worry because the next movie night is going to be spectacular as well and scheduled for May 12, 2018. Big Thanks to Steve Colley and crew in making this event a success. Steve Colley masterminded a canvas screen and provided the projector and incredible sound system too.



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## Club Upgrades

Club upgrades continue as Paul Spilman spent numerous hours cleaning up the club from shrub removal to spraying pre-emergent on the grounds to prevent weeds and more importantly reduce or eliminate the stickers. Big thanks to Paul for brining out his tractor and assisting the club.



Mike Gillis repaired the once sunken finger dock by using some recycled lumber for the decking. The finger dock will soon be floating again.

Additionally, a big thanks to the other club members, not pictured or named that also assisted with various projects.



## WFSC Marker Update

The new marker is almost complete and it will be used as a racing mark & sailing point for club boats.

It was given a upgrade with stencils and markings thanks to Emily Baker who created the decal work. Emily created the stencils and wording from scratch to personalize our new permanent marker in Lake Arrowhead. A Big thanks goes out to her. Special thanks to non member for providing buoy and all it needed was a little TLC.

Furthermore, we would like to thank Paul Spilman for surveying the area for where the new permanent marker is going to be placed. It will be located north, northwest of Pawnee point & can be seen from the club. Paul Spilman will be assisting the club in installing the new marker in early April. He also crafted

up a state-of-the-art anchoring system that is near hurricane proof too. Cable system is expected to be completed in early April & plan to launch the buoy in preparation for the beginning of the racing season.

Huge thanks to Steve Priester in presenting and getting the approval of the buoy by the city.

Several club members helped with float testing of buoy. Special thanks to non-member for providing buoy & all it needed was a little TLC.

The great help and support of the club members enables the club to keep heading in the right direction. Thank you to all of the volunteers in making this happen.



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## Spring Series Race Begins (Big Boats / Flying Scots)

The Spring Series did kick off and unfortunately the big boats were unsuccessful with two attempts this month because of weather. Mother Nature did chime in again and prevented the Flying Scots from starting as well. The Flying Scots did manage to race on Saturday, Apr 28 for a makeup race with 4 flying Scots entries and the results are as follows;

1st race Baker, Havins, Tole, & Brunner.  
2nd race, Tole, Baker, Brunner & Havins.  
3rd race, Tole, Havins, Baker, & Brunner.

Weather conditions was very light air & fleet had to wait awhile to start 1st race. The new marks were used



(permanent & yellow can) & they both did their job! All WFSC sailors hope May is kinder to us than April, Congrats to FS fleet for getting one race day in.

Big Boat handicap scoring fleet will try for 1st Saturday in May. If you noticed in the FS scoring there was a lot of place changes which makes it good for all racers, sometimes a real guessing game on tactics in really light air!

## WFSC Chili Cook Off

On April 14, the WFSC Chili Cook Off was a great success! Thanks for all of the Chili entries, folks who came out to enjoy the chili and endless volunteers who cleaned the club before and after the event.

Bragging rights and first place goes to WFSC Rear Commodore and Part-Time Chef Steve Colley and his amazing Chili. He managed to go home with an empty bowl. Paul Spilman, Vice Commodore place a solid Second Place and Third

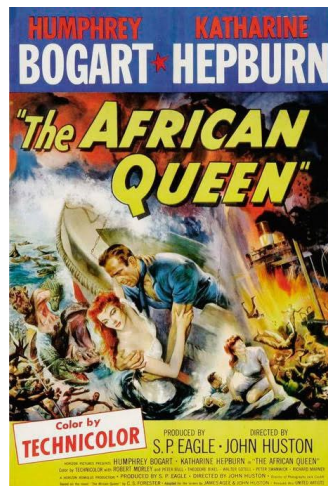
Place went to Bink Davidson, Big Boats Chairman.

The excitement was very intense and plans are currently underway for next years event and Chili Bragging Rights.



## Movie Night Under the Stars

Mark your calendars because on May 12, Movie Night Under the Stars is back by popular demand and those who came out for the last one know how well it was. This month we are trying to use the pavilion to watch the movie on Steve Colley's huge cinema screen. Stunning and amazing popcorn and nachos will be available. Please bring your own drinks, lawn chairs and bug spray.



The featured film is, "The African Queen" starring Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hepburn. You don't want to miss this classic movie. Additionally, rumor has it that our very own Commodore might be serving popcorn again and possibly making the World Famous Nachos. Come on out and enjoy the movie under the stars.



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## West Beach Project

When was the last time you went out and visited the club? It is definitely looking better and the pictures on the right was an overgrown field but not no more.

One particular group of individuals went above and beyond and volunteered numerous hours in making the Club Great Again. We want to recognize the following in making the West Beach Project a complete success; Bink Davidson, Lee Havins, Steve Colley, Steve Priestster, Paul Spilman Michael Schulte, Zach Ahlhorn, & Larry Ahlhorn



## Spring Clean Up

On Saturday, May 12 from 9 am to noon, we are looking for volunteers... to help out with the Spring Clean Up.

It is time to clean up the club grounds and requesting assistance from members and any other volunteers that want to pitch in and

help out. Come on out with rakes, shovels and weedeaters and let's get this done. With the heavy rains and the warmer temperatures, the club grounds require a little more TLC.

Come on out and have some fun!



## Race Committee Boat

The WFSC has a fully functional Committee Boat thanks to the hard work and efforts of Paul Spilman, Vice Commodore and Part-time Boat and Outboard Mechanic. Paul put some serious sweat hours on the Committee boat and motor. Here is just a few things accomplished; in-

stalled new battery, installed fuel tank, lower unit lubricated, steering cable was lubricated and replaced the water pump. He even performed an operational check on it to ensure it was sea-worthy. There is a lot more to list but space is limited on the HAL.

Larry Ahlhorn and Paul Spilman launched the boat and placed the Committee boat in the slip so they can now work on the trailer which requires a minor overhaul.

Great news is Race Committee is always looking

for people to run the Committee boat and if you are interested, please let us know. There is talk about possibly having a "how-to" seminar on operating the boat in the immediate future.



## Flying Scot Sailing Association Regatta

We received a message from Lee Havins, Past Commodore, about the Flying Scot Sailing Association Regatta and details on how you can join in the festivities. Thank you Lee for sharing. Here is the message;

Join us in Heath, Texas (East Dallas area) at the Rush Creek Yacht Club for the 2018 North American Championship! Registration is now open. See below why so many are excited to race at Rush Creek.

**Dates.** June 9-14, 2018

Registration & Who's Coming:  
<http://regattanetwork.com/event/15921>

Rush Creek Yacht Club Event Site: <http://rcyc.org/2017/2018flyingcotnac/>

**Geographic Location.** Rush Creek Yacht Club, Heath, Texas. The club is located on the south-east shore of Lake Ray Hubbard, which is a 22,745 acre reservoir located twenty-five miles north-east of Dallas, Texas. RCYC's 4500 square foot deck overlooks the sailing venue and affords an excellent spot to enjoy a beverage from the club bar and watch

the racing action.

**Historical Winds/Weather.** Wind averages 10.5 mph with temperatures averaging lows of 72 degrees and highs of 89 degrees. In the June timeframe, sailors can expect temperatures in the upper eighties to low nineties and a southerly breeze ranging from seven-to-fifteen mph and higher.

**Racing Area.** As depicted in the photo below, we are fortunate to have a large, open and lightly traveled sailing area of approximately 2.5 miles in diameter that is only minutes from our docks and ideal for setting quality courses of substantial length, no matter the wind direction. The starting line is often less than a five minute sail from the dock eliminating the need to tow boats to or from the racing area. Another significant benefit of our location is that all lake-front commercial establishments and fuel docks are located at the opposite end of the lake so power boat traffic is minimal.

**Boat Launching.** The two hoists and double wide boat ramp will be staffed by volunteers to facilitate speedy launch-



ing and retrieval of all competitors' boats each day. If you have a lifting bridle, bring it with you as the hoists are the fastest way in and out of the water. There are no overhead powerlines to interfere with boat movement around the property.

**Club Facilities.** Rush Creek Yacht Club offers a heated and air conditioned full service clubhouse with restaurant, bar, 24 hour locker rooms, swimming pool, playground and huge deck overlooking the racing venue. All club facilities will be available to sailors and their families with the ability to purchase food and beverages. Smoking is allowed outside the clubhouse only.

**Vehicle Parking.** There is ample paved parking to support this event. Member's boats will be relocated to ensure boat and car parking is available next to the hoists and boat ramp for participants. Additionally, there is a three acre field adjacent to the club used for overflow parking and camping.

**Camping:** The three acre field on the shore of the lake and adjacent to Rush Creek's clubhouse is simply fantastic for tent camping and RVs. Twenty-four hour access to showers and restroom facilities are provided in the clubhouse.

Area Hotels:  
[www.rcyc.org/2015/area-hotels/](http://www.rcyc.org/2015/area-hotels/)



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- May 3, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- May 5, 2018, Big Sailing Boats Race, WFSC at 1 PM
- May 12, 2018, Club Spring Cleaning at 9 AM—Noon
- May 12, 2018, Movie Under the Stars at 8 PM
- May 19, 2018, Flying Scot, One Design Race, WFSC at 1 PM
- Jun 2, 2018, Big Sailing Boats Race, WFSC at 1 PM
- Jun 7, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Jun 9, 2018., Mexican Dinner Night, WFSC at 7 PM
- Jun 16, 2018, Big Sailing Boats Race, WFSC at 1 PM
- July 4, 2018, Fish Fry



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## Spring Series Race (Big Boats / Flying Scots)

The Big Boats had a large course race on May 5. The weather was completely beautiful and the results are as follows;

- 1st Place Larry Ahlhorn
- 2nd Place Bink Davidson
- 3rd Place Dave Brunner
- 4th Place Dave Meany
- 5th Place Steve Colley
- 6th Place Robert Broussard

Flying Scots Fleet tried to race on May 19 and had too much wind, the make-up race was on May 26. Conditions were extremely light wind to no wind. They performed one race, triangle course and a leg took approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes. Light air chute flying was a must and only 3 boats with 2 oth-



ers not starting because of crew and skipper illness. Debbie Halter and Bink Davidson were the Race Committee in the old running committee pontoon boat. The Flying Scot fleet will go again in Jun. The race results are as follows;

- 1st Place Steve Priester
- 2nd Place Glen Tole
- 3rd Place Dave Johnson

## Movie Night Under the Stars

On May 12, the WFSC hosted Movie Night Under the Stars and it was a Blast! A Slight change did occur but it did not stop the fun and entertainment. The winds were a little too strong for the movie screen and a



decision was made to watch the movie inside the air-conditioned club house. The movie, "African Queen" was loved by all ages.

Huge Thanks for all that attended and prepared the

event. Special thanks in Steve Colley in brining in his fancy industrial popcorn maker and Colley Cinema Productions equipment. Once again, Chef Ahlhorn was in the kitchen mastering up his World Famous Nachos and other treats too.

## Mexican Cuisine Night

On Saturday, Jun 9th the WFSC is hosting a Mexican Cuisine Night at the club. The social will begin at 5 PM and dinner will be served at 6 PM. Dinner will consist of Beef and Chicken Enchiladas, Rice & Beans and Sopapillas. Another spectacular event you don't want to miss. Rumor has it some form of entertainment is brewing for the

event.

We are asking everyone to please R.S.V.P. to Steve Colley by Jun 6 by either calling 940-733-0847 or email

[lunk8362@yahoo.com](mailto:lunk8362@yahoo.com)



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## Spring Clean Up

Spring Cleanup was a complete success and thanks for everyone who showed up and battled the Spring growth this year. Our recent rains and warmer temperatures has caused much of the grass and mesquites to spring into action.

We were a little unprepared for the overwhelming participation, but everyone quickly jumped on a project or created a project to tackle the overgrowth of the grounds to include; mowing, weed trimming, tree trimming, fire break project, and battled overgrown areas by cutting

grass on the North East side of the club. With 7+ acres, there was plenty to do.

Special thanks for Paul Spilman's and his power tools; tractor with brush hog attachment and impressive push behind brush hog.

Additionally we want to thank the following volunteers; Lee Havins, Jack Russell, Rodger Hollister, Paul Spilman, Bill Robison, Steve Steve Priester, Hilarion Mikalofsky, Larry Ahlhorn, & Dave Meany

Be on the lookout for another cleanup day and we will let you know in advance as we are going to trim even more trees sometime in June.



Before and After pictures of the front

## Mooring Buoy Painting Project

One man's vision and dream turned in to a reality. Rob Havin's goal last month was to paint the club's three buoys and he painted all of them. Rumor has it the Wichita Falls Airport is now using them as a landmark for flight patterns. Thanks Rob for making the club a better place.



Rob Havins painting mooring buoys



Before and After pictures of the mooring buoys

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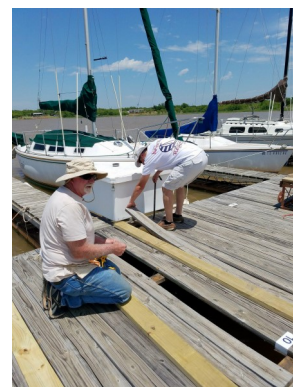
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## Floating Dock Deck Repair

The floating dock had a few boards replaced this month and other various repairs by Mike Gillis. The broken and warped boards were replaced along with some minor hardware for other mounting boards too. In the future, more boards are going to be replaced.



Mike Gillis and Dave Meany



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- Jun 7, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Jun 9, 2018, Mexican Cuisine Night, WFSC at 5 PM Social / 6 PM Dinner
- Jun 16, 2018, Flying Scot Race—One Design Fleet, WFSC at 10 AM
- July 4, 2018, Fish Fry (Details Pending)
- Jul 5, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Jul 7, 2018, All Sailing Boats Race Day (Non-Series Race) at WFSC at 10AM
- Aug 2, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Aug 4, 2018, Big Sailing Boats Race, WFSC at 10 AM
- Aug 11, 2018, BBQ Dinner



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June/July 2018

## End of Spring Series Race

The Big Boats completed the large course race on June 2. The weather was completely favorable and the results are as follows with handicap scoring;

1st Place [Steve Colley](#)

2nd Place [Bink Davidson](#)

3rd Place [Dave Meany](#)



**The** Flying Scots Fleet tried two times to race in June but the winds would not

cooperate. On June 16, winds were sustained at 20-25 mph. A second attempt was made on June 23 but the winds were too strong again. Hopefully the Fall Series will be better.

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## July 4th, Fish Fry & Rise and Shine

On the 4th of July, the WFSC hosted a Fish Fry at the club. It started out with a Social followed by dinner and entertainment all night long. DJ & Chef Colley and crew served catfish and sides and then continued with music as members and friends lit up the North East side of the lake with fireworks. When the fireworks stopped, music continued into the night.

The Rise and Shine Breakfast was held on July 7. The breakfast was delicious and big thanks for the numerous volunteers who jumped up to assist with the event.

Immediately after breakfast, the eager Skippers awaited as the winds were doing the normal Summer shenanigans. For the brave sailors who attempted to go out, were out paddled by the kayaks.

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- Jul 24, 2018, Fleet Meeting, Bark Porch Draft House 6:30—8:00 PM
- Aug 2, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Aug 4, 2018, Big Boats Race, WFSC at 10 AM
- Aug 11, 2018, BBQ Dinner
- Aug 18, 2018, Flying Scot, One Design Race, WFSC at 10 AM
- Sep 6, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Sep 8, 2018, Club Event, details pending
- Oct 4, 2018, Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Oct 6, 2018, Flying Scot, One Design Race, WFSC at 1 PM



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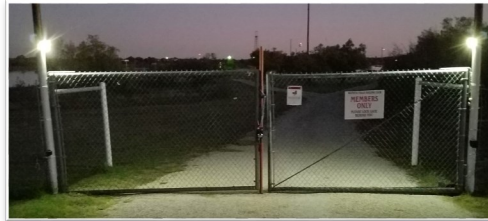
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## New Remote Gate

The WFSC now has a remote control gate and requires access with a special opener, they are available and require a \$20 deposit which is refundable upon return. With one click the gate will open and remain open until the remote is pressed again. For members not wishing to use this new feature, they can still access the club using the mechanical key and left side of the gate. Please do not

attempt to force the remote gate to an open or closed position. If it is required to be opened and you do not have a remote (trailer, oversized loads) please contact a board member for assistance.. Additionally, the club did get motion sensor lights too that will assist members to safely get in and out of



the gate. In the event the gate malfunctions, please contact any board member so we can get it fixed immediately. Special thanks to Paul Spliman in overseeing and executing this project. He also put solar powered lights at the house.

## Sail Storage Room

The house sail room went under a complete cleaning and reorganization headed by Jack Russell. He did a fantastic job in cleaning the much needed and overdue chaos inside of the room. Please contact Jack before putting anything in the room to keep the clutter down. The club also re-

quires your assistance in maintaining this room and requesting all members to label their sail bags and sailing related equipment inside this room. Thank you for your assistance. Furthermore, if you have any issues with the house please contact Jack Russell or any board member.



## Boat Ramp Dock Recovery

On November 3, the high winds and waves pushed the boat ramp dock off of the ramp and into the lake. Our very own Commodore jumped in to the water under the supervision of Rob Havins and Paul Spilman and recovered the dock. They

tied the ramp up and pulled it back to the designated area and secured it. Special

thanks for making the boat ramp fully operational again.



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## Movie Night

Movie night was a complete success and huge thanks to Steve Colley and Larry Ahlhorn. Steve did an amazing job with his custom big screen and awesome sound system to show the movie, "Vanishing Sails" and it was incredible! The snacks were overwhelming and we are looking forward to the next movie night at the club!



## Boneyard

The WFSC Bone Yard has a set of rules for all members to follow. All boats are personal property and please ask permission before removing any equipment off of any boat, trailer, etc.... If you don't know who the item belongs to, please ask a club member or board member. Thank you for your cooperation.



## Christmas Party

Please mark your calendars for the WFSC's Christmas Party and it is an event you don't want to miss. The social begins at 5 PM followed by dinner at 6 PM. Dinner is the World Famous Shrimp Boil by our very own Chef Ahlhorn and is incredible!

Please RSVP by visiting the [wfsail.org](http://wfsail.org) website.

If you are interested in participating in the Chinese Gift Exchange, the maximum is \$30 per gift and rules will be explained for this fun-filled event.

Additionally, we will have voting on the best-holiday decorated sailboat for bragging rights.



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To prepare for the holidays, the Club is having a decorating party on Dec 1, at noon. Come on out and help us decorate the club for the Christmas party. We place lights on the outside as well as decorate the inside of the clubhouse. In the past, the event is a lot of fun.

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## Upcoming Events

- Dec 1, 2018 Decorating Club at Noon
- Dec 6, 2018 Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Dec 8, 2018 WFSC Christmas Party at 5 PM
- Jan 3, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Feb 7, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM



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## Christmas Party

On Dec 8, the Wichita Falls Sailing Club hosted it's Annual Christmas Party and was an absolute blast. The event started with a social and mingling of club members, family and friends. Dinner was the World's Famous Shrimp Boil and it was absolutely delicious. Our master of ceremonies was Steve Priester and thanked the previous Board Members and announced

the 2019 Board Members. The event continued with the awards of the Flying Scot and PHRF Fleets.

The club also recognized Debra Halter as the Race Committee Chair and was the catalyst for our successful races in 2018.

After the mini ceremony, the club transitioned in to the night with the Chi-

nese Gift Exchange and it was fun.

Special thanks for the Decorating Committee for setting up the club for the festive event. Additionally, special thanks to Chef Ahlhorn and Chef Colley in making the event a success. The weather was very nice at the club with no ice in sight.

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## Race Season Ends by Steve Priester

Some of the racing this year was hampered by crazy weather.

Each fleet (PHRF & Flying Scots) tried a new set up, a Spring Series & a Fall Series. We will rethink that set up @ fleet meeting in January. The 2018 final series was the Scots Fall Series. They

sailed 5 races in the series & was won by Lee Havins with Glenn Tole close behind in second.

### The Big Boats Race

The Harvest Winds Regatta had been postponed for a week but they sailed it a week later. It was a "all boats race" with PHRF

scoring. First was Glenn Tole (F/S), Bink Davidson (Hunter 25) 2nd & new/old member John Christoff, 3rd. Seven boats of all flavors participated. We are looking forward to fleet meeting in January 2019.

## David Johnson



On Nov 17, we lost a Skipper, David Johnson. David will always be remembered as a passionate sailor and his love for the water. He will be remembered for sailing in the Flying Scot Races and occasionally would take out his Hobie too. He will truly be missed.



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Dec 31, 2018**

## Board of Directors for 2019

The WFSC conducted elections back in November 2018. The votes are in and new 2019 Board of Directors are as follows;

Commodore: Dave Meany

Vice Commodore: Glen

Treasurer: Matt Baker

Secretary: Lee Havins

Past Commodore: Larry Ahlhorn.

We are still looking for volunteers for the following positions; *House Chairman, Grounds, Harbor Master, Fleet Chairman, FS Fleet Chairman, and Big Boats Chairman*. No experience is required, just looking for motivated individuals to help out around the club.

The 2018 Board of Directors did a fantastic job. We had numerous improvements around the club. Some of the projects included; electric gate opener, security lights at gate and clubhouse, dinghy

dock extension, dock ramp improvements, back-porch project on the clubhouse, cleaning of the storage room in the clubhouse, sliding glass door repair, sunken finger removed, clean-up around the grounds, and expansion of west-side beach, and the list goes on. Tremendous thanks to Larry Ahlhorn and the other Board Members in making this a success!

We had numerous club events throughout the year and special thanks to all of the volunteers and also hats off to our very own Chefs Steve Colley and Larry Ahlhorn in making the events extra special. Steve Colley literally planned an event every month and went above and beyond to ensure everything was in place to execute the events. We had a few events that we postponed because Steve had some conflicting schedules but we managed to work around them too. Steve Colley is a mastermind and

the guy behind the curtain always ensuring the the event is a success.

Special thanks to our Race Committee Chair, Debra Halter and numerous volunteers to assist her in ensuring the races goes off without a hitch. She is also responsible for making sure all Skippers proceed safely by monitoring the weather too.

Big thanks for Steve Priester in making the Flying Scot race schedule and ensuring the correct participation occurs. Huge thanks for the Big Boat schedule was completed by Bink Davidson and Dave Brunner.

Hopefully, Mother Nature will behave in 2019 and provide us with terrific weather and winds

We also started a Winter Series Big Boats Racing but is 100% dependent upon

the weather and winds. Big thanks to Bink Davidson, Dave Brunner and Bill Robison

## For Sale Section



1978 San Juan 21  
Please Call  
940-704-5320



1971 Catalina 22  
Please Call  
940-704-5320

## Boneyard

The WFSC Bone Yard has a set of rules for all members to follow. All boats are personal property and please ask permission before removing any equipment off of any boat, trailer, etc.... If you don't know who the item belongs to, please ask a club member or board member. Thank you for your cooperation.





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## T-Shirt Sales

We still have t-shirts available, both Harvest Wind Regatta and the One Design shirts. Please contact Stacey Meany at 940-782-6495 for size availability.



Harvest Winds T-Shirts  
on sale for \$10 each



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Big Boats Chairman:	Dave Brunner	940-237-3334	<a href="mailto:bigdave555@aol.com">bigdave555@aol.com</a>

## Upcoming Events

- Jan 3, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM
- Feb 7, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting, WFSC at 7 PM