

# Hard A Lee

An occasional newsletter of  
The Wichita Falls Sailing Club

March 19, 2025

## Commodore's Corner

By Rip Medlinger, 2025 Commodore

Ahoy sailors!

With some fun events coming up at the end of this month, we need to do some housekeeping at the Club this Saturday (3-22). Hopefully the call for "all hands on deck" will ring out loud and clear and we'll have a good turnout.

On the 29<sup>th</sup>, we are sailing, having a chili contest, a chili feed and an evening of live music from "Gray Matter". It's a great kickoff to another exciting sailing season. Hope to see you there!

Kudos to new webmaster Maja Spadin, who has completed updating our existing website and also has started a new Facebook Group for Wichita Falls Sailing Club. If you hang out on Facebook, check it out.

### 2025 WFSC Board of Directors

Commodore	Rip Medlinger	940/867-2550
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Saturday (3-22) has been declared a Club Work Day. Come out and see what needs to be done. Coffee, etc, starting about 10 a.m.

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Chili cooks and chili eaters, take note.

This annual event is going to be a blast.

And Live Music? Be there or be . . . well, something less than well fed and entertained.

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Some fun non-race events were added to the

schedule during last month's annual fleet meeting.



## Sunset Sails

One event that has gained in popularity recently is the sunset sail, coordinated to the rising of a full or near-full moon.

Glen Spadin is the contact for these sails.

Here are the potential dates for the 2025 **Potluck Dinner/SunSet Sail** events:

Friday 11 Apr

Friday 9 May

Friday 13 June

Friday 4th of July Fireworks Extravaganza

Friday 11 July

Friday 8 Aug

Friday 5 Sep

Friday 3 Oct

Friday 7 Nov

Ahoy, sailors! Get ready to hoist your sails and kick off the Sailing Club Racing Season in style!

Chili Cook-off    Margarita contest    Live Band

Saturday, March 29th 4-8PM

CHILI COOKOFF

MARGARITA CONTEST

## Schedule

**Register** as soon as possible by texting your name to Glen at 940-500-0478. We can't take entries after March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Bring your prepared chili in a crockpot. Arrive no later than 3:30 to set up.

12:00 Skipper's meeting AND  
**MARGARITA CONTEST**

12:30 Fun on the lake

3:30 Chili set-up

4:00 Judges get to work

5:00 Eat-off

6:00 Live Band

## Rules

- No MSG
  - Secret Ingredient can't be a can of chili
  - Texas Chili - NO beans
  - New York Chili - anything goes
- BEST OVERAL** receives trophy.

LIVE  
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## Volunteers

!!We Need 'EM!!

Please bring cornbread, sides or desserts. (Let Glen know what you plan to bring 940-500-0478)  
Club will provide sour cream, chips, Cilantro, onions, cheese, sliced jalapenos, limes

## WFSC 2025 Racing Schedule

Big Boat Fleet, Flying Scot Fleet, Open Regattas, Open Sail events

RACE DATES / TIME OF SKIPPERS MEETING

### BIG BOAT SERIES

(using Portsmouth Handicaps)

**April 5/ 12 p.m.**

**May 3/ 11 a.m.**

**June 7/ 11 a.m.**

\* **July 12/ 10 a.m.** “Hot Stuff Regatta”. All boats welcome, handicap scoring, doesn’t count toward either series

**August 2/ 10 a.m.**

**September 6/ 11 a.m.**

**November 1/12 p.m.**

\* **October 18/ 11 a.m.** “Harvest Winds Regatta”. All boats welcome, handicap scoring, doesn’t count toward either series

### FLYING SCOT SERIES

(racing one design)

**April 19/ 12 p.m.**

**May 17/ 11 a.m.**

**June 21/ 11 a.m.**

**July 12/ 10 a.m.** “Hot Stuff Regatta”. All boats welcome, handicap scoring, doesn’t count toward either series

**August 16/ 10 a.m.**

**September 20/ 11 a.m.**

**October 4/ 11 a.m.**

\* **October 18/ 11 a.m.** “Harvest Winds Regatta”. All boats welcome, handicap scoring, doesn’t count toward either series

### CONTACT LIST

WFSC Race chairman, Dave Brunner, 237-3334.

WFSC Race Committee director, Deb Halter, 632-8557.

Big Boat captain, John Kidwell, 781-1310.

Flying Scot captain, Lee Havins, 704-1474.

### NOTES

\* **Skippers must attend the skippers meeting. Please rig your boat BEFORE the meeting.**

Series make-up races will occur on the following Saturday (and Sunday, if required).

Series race dates may include up to three races.

Three boats on the lake at the start are required to score a fleet race.

Other technical details (throwouts, etc), are listed on the scoreboard inside the Clubhouse.

### OPEN SAIL EVENTS

Two non-racing events have been added to this year’s schedule for Club members to simply launch a boat and get on the lake together. **May 31**, beginning at 11 a.m., and **August 30**, beginning at 10 a.m.

## LAKE LEVEL

3-19-25, 67 percent

2 days ago, 67.3 percent

1 week ago, 67.6 percent

1 month ago, 67.1 percent

6 months ago, 66.5 percent

1 year ago, 55.6 percent

## FOR SALE AT THE CLUB



**“Windsanity” is a solid Catalina 22** that has been a fixture at WFSC for many years.

She has been on the dry for several of them now, and is seeking a new owner to clean her up, fix a couple of things and launch into a new round of sailing adventures.

Currently for sale at a very attractive price. For more information, call Rob Havins, 940/257-1621.

*(Club members:if you want to list a boat or related equipment in a future Hard A Lee, send us a pic and some info, including a phone #, to [sailing@wfsail.org](mailto:sailing@wfsail.org). Please use the subject line “For Hard A Lee” so we can more easily distinguish your email from all those offering Ukrainian brides and stuff)*