



# Waterline

KEOWEE SAILING CLUB

January 2015

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## 2015 CHANGE OF WATCH

Davida began the Change of Watch with a welcome and a review of the year, including all the ups and downs. She had a big thanks to the Committee Heads and a gift for the Stewards and Board Members. John Landers presided over the official Change of Watch and the ringing of the eight bells. Our new Commodore, Adam Robinson, was then on deck to speak about he felt about Keowee Sailing Club, He was able to sum it up in four short words "I love this place."

The evening was extremely well attended with 128 members and guests. Michael Burnham and his crew served up a wonderful dinner as usual. There were many thanks all around to all the members that made this night happen.



## The History of Eight Bells...

Onboard timekeeping was a part of long distance navigation for the early mariners. It was during the 1500's that a signal bell would be sounded every thirty minutes so that the crew would know when to go on duty and when to come off.

After 1915 the bells signaled the shipboard time that reflected the four-hour watch served by the crew. Each watch has a specific name and is identified by its time of day. The Dog Watch was split into two parts so that those crew members would be allowed their evening meal.

These are the watches:

00:30 1 bell  
1:00 2 bells  
1:30 2 bells pause 1 bell  
2:00 2 bells pause 2 bells  
2:30 2 bells pause 2 bells pause 1 bell  
3:00 2 bells pause 2 bells pause 2 bells  
3:30 2 bells pause 2 bells pause 2 bells pause 1 bell  
4:00 2 bells pause 2 bells pause 2 bells pause 2 bells



The saying “eight bells and all is well” stems from the maximum number of bells that can be struck during the watches.

The specific watches are identified as follows;

Middle Watch	0000-0400
Morning Watch	0400-0800
Forenoon Watch	0800-1200
Afternoon Watch	1200-1600
First Dog Watch	1600-1800
Second Dog Watch	1800-2000
First Watch	2000-2400

The bells also serve another purpose. When there is low visibility and fog they are sounded rapidly for five seconds. During a general ship alarm they are rung for longer periods. Eight bells ringing also marks the passing of a sailor.



## Seawind Fleet Formed by Terry Keane

Pictures courtesy of Lucy Eubanks



A new fleet of boats has been formed at KSC. The SeaWind, a radio controlled model racing yacht has been acquired by a number of members. This month, the American Model Yachting Association recognized us as AMYA Sanctioned Club #337. An order of 13 boats was assembled and ordered last fall, arriving just in time for Christmas. These boats, combined with the existing 8 boats in the Club now constitute the largest one design fleet at KSC. The model sailors include: Rob Baldwin, Dwaine Eubanks, Doug French, Peter Hens, Glen Kats, Terry Keane, Jake Kohl, Peter Laurence, Tim Owens, Terry Patterson, Nigel Pitt, John Rice, Sam Secrest, David and Robin Strickland, Roger Sulhof, Jack Wise, and Chris Zander.

### Boat specifications:

Length: 39.3 in (1000 mm)

Beam: 8.9 in (226 mm)

Height: 72.25 in (1835 mm) bottom of ballast to top of mast  
61.75 in (1568 mm) bottom of hull to top of mast

Draft: 13.4 in (340 mm) Approx.

Weight: 6.5 lb. Minimum

Sail Area: 604 square inches

The boats are controlled by a two channel 2.4 MHz digital radio.



The fleet is in the early stages of organization and intends to start by racing following the regular races conducted at the club. We are encouraging practice on Wednesday afternoons as well.

## Membership - Denny Smith

The following Provisional members have completed one year of provisional membership and the Board of Stewards has approved them for regular membership; George and Meredith Flossing.

Total membership (regular and provisional) is at 217.

# Youth Sailing - Jack Wise and Dan Eskew

Dates set for Kids Sailing Camps - June 15-17 and June 22-24  
No date has been set for opening of registrations.



## WANTED - A SPARE BED FOR SAILORS

Do you have room to house sailors during a KSC Regatta?

KSC would like to offer housing to the out-of-town sailors who attend the larger regattas. If you have room please contact Cammie Kaiser at [Cammiek2014@hotmail.com](mailto:Cammiek2014@hotmail.com). Your name will be put on a list and then contacted if there is a request during a regatta.

## WHO TO CALL WHEN SOMETHING IS BROKEN (STOVE, ICE MAKER, ETC.)

Adam Robinson at [aplushomeimprovements@hotmail.com](mailto:aplushomeimprovements@hotmail.com) or 864-710-9624

Abbas Fiuz at [fiuz5551@bellsouth.net](mailto:fiuz5551@bellsouth.net) or 864-710-8555

## NOTICE FROM TLC, Barbar Kolze

If you know of a member that is ill, has experienced a death in the family, etc., please let Barbara know.

You can contact her at 864-903-9670 Cell or [kolzeinc@nctv.com](mailto:kolzeinc@nctv.com)

## EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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## WHAT'S COMING UP IN FEBRUARY

14 - Hot Rudderred Bums 2

21 - BOS Meeting

28 - Hot Rudderred Bum 3