



LOG ENTRIES

News of the WHYC and its members:

The first major WHYC event of 2006, the 31st Annual "One More Time Regatta," was held on Saturday, February 25th, in the waters off Marina del Rey. A record 25 boats competed the 14.85-mile race. The "A" Division competition was won by "Robin," the PC 32 Sloop skippered by Jonathan Blindman, which ran the race with a corrected time of 1:56:58. It was followed by "Lark," the PCC 46 Sloop captained by Greg Alexander with a corrected time of 2:01:24, and Jon Duff's "Raiatea," a K 43 Sloop with a corrected time of 2:12:41.

In the "B" Division, the winner was "Bettina," the Angleman 40 Ketch skippered by Larry Wave, which had a corrected time of 2:05:05, followed by Eddie Hollister and "Lady Gwenolwyn," which had a corrected time of 2:26:51 and "Webfoot," Jerry Klein's Crocker 36 Ketch, which had a corrected time of 2:43:09.



2005's McNish Classic featured dozens of Southern California's finest racing yachts.

Congratulations to all the winners, and to all those who participated!

The Marina Yacht Club of Long Beach has extended an invitation to all WHYC members to enjoy docking privileges at its slips in the Alamitos Bay Marina and the Long Beach Downtown Marina during its monthly cruise periods. The harbors have excellent facilities for fuel, supplies, ice and water as well as pump-out stations. The Downtown Marina is within walking distance of the Aquarium of the Pacific and many fine restaurants in the newly revitalized downtown area. Alamitos Bay Marina has repair facilities, supplies and several marina-side restaurants.

The Club's cruising schedule is as follows:

March 11/12	August 12
May 26-29	September 16/17
June 17/18	October 21/22
July 14/16	

For reservations, please contact the Marina Yacht Club of Long Beach's Vice Commodore, Jan Schuck, at 562-598-0389 or Commodore Tom Mayes at 562-433-0074.

Arrangements for other times may also be possible, so please call to make arrangements.



CHARTING THE COURSE

Please keep the following dates open:

- **Eric Erickson Race — Late April or Early May** — Long Beach potential, to be announced.
- **32nd Annual Yesteryear Regatta — May 13** — San Diego
- **2006 Kettenburg Regatta — June 4** — San Diego
- **WHYC Opening Day Ceremonies & 15th Annual Heritage Regatta — June 24** — Newport Beach
- **29th Annual McNish Classic Yacht Race — August 5** — Ventura — "One of the great wooden hull classic regattas in California!"
- **WHYC Clark Sweet Cruise — August 26-27** — Catalina Harbor
- **WHYC Family and Friends Social Event — September 21** — Location TBD
- **Latitudes & Attitudes Catalina Island Cruise — October 20-22**
- **WHYC Ray Wallace Iron Man Race & Annual Awards Dinner — November 18** — LAYC, San Pedro

32nd Annual Yesteryear Regatta to be Run May 13th off San Diego

San Diego's Ancient Mariners Sailing Society plans to run its 32nd Annual Yesteryear Regatta on May 13. Founded in 1975, the Yesteryear Regatta is one of the top wooden hull yacht racing events in Southern California, and all WHYC members are invited to participate. Last year's regatta drew more than 40 entrants, and that number is expected to increase in 2006, making for an even more exciting race! Let's see that WHYC members take some of the trophies back home!

Each entry will receive a participation memento. Trophies will be awarded to the first three boats on corrected time in each of the following classes; Classic Racing A, Classic Racing B, Sloops & Cutters, Split Rigs & Gaffers, and Small Boats (shorter course). In addition, the long standing Yesteryear Regatta Perpetual Trophies will be on display at the awards presentation and the winner announced. The post race party immediately following the race will be staged at Southwestern Yacht Club.

To receive an entry form, please contact AMSS Yesterday Chairman Greg Stewart by emailing him at nmyd@cts.com.

See you in San Diego!

29th Annual McNish Classic Scheduled for August 5th

The 29th annual running of the McNish Classic is scheduled to take place on August 5 off the Channel Island Harbor. The WHYC has been invited to participate in this important and exciting event, and all members are encouraged to sign up as quickly as possible.



Sponsored by the Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club, the McNish Classic is one of the most prominent regattas on the western seaboard. For more than a quarter century, it has attracted a remarkable mix of veteran and novice sailors from all over the West Coast. Remaining true to the tenets of traditional sailing, all the McNish Classic sailboats must have been designed before 1952 and may range in size from 17 to 82 feet.

For more information on how to sign up, visit the Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club's website at www.pccyc.org.



JOINING THE FLEET

The Wooden Hull Yacht Club gives a big "Ahoy!" to Our Newest Members

Michael F. Praamsma, Sylmar, owner of "Sea Moon," a 43-foot Angleman ketch built in 1960 and currently berthed in Long Beach.

David Womersley, Santa Clarita, owner of "Sealark," a 30-foot Angleman-Davies ketch built in 1964 and currently berthed in San Pedro.

Allen Wyman, Long Beach, an auxiliary member.

May the wind always be at your back!



SKIPPER OF THE MONTH

Armand Renga, Skipper of *Charity*



Armand Renga of Santa Barbara never intended to be a boat owner. In fact, through most of his childhood, he had little interest in sailing at all, afraid he would become seasick. It wasn't until, at age 21, when he met a girl with a profound love for the sea, that he found a compelling reason to give sailing a try. Within a few weeks he had purchased a 50% stake in a 28-foot wooden ketch and assumed responsibility for sailing it from Newport Beach north to Santa Barbara. By the time he reached his home port, he was hooked for life.

Love can be funny that way.

"Ever since that first trip up from Newport Beach, I've only trusted wooden hulled boats," said Renga, now 62. "They're solid. I like the way they take the waves. I once bought a 22-foot Columbia fiberglass boat, just to give it a try. I got halfway to the Channel Islands and the hull started to flex. I didn't like it. So I turned her around, got her home and sold her. Since then, it's been wooden boats all the way."

Renga currently owns three wooden hull yachts: "Charity" a 38-foot 1934 Atkins design built in Alameda in 1962; "Mariner" a 25-foot 1962 Norwegian International Folkboat he sailed for a few years, sold and then took back 20 years later. Additionally, he owns and has under restoration the "Willawaw", a Dragon which won the Gold Medal in the 1968 Olympics.

"Charity" is my main boat," Renga said. "My wife, Kym and I have sailed her to Mexico, but she has been mainly used for hundreds of trips to the Santa Barbara Channel Islands. We also race her here in Southern California."

Aware of the Wooden Hull Yacht Club for the past several years, Renga finally joined the WHYC in 2004.

"We used to have a wooden hull club here in Santa Barbara, but the club founder moved to Hawaii a few years ago and the club basically broke up after that," Renga explained. "I'm hoping to introduce a group of my fellow wooden boat owners to the WHYC. I like sharing my enthusiasm for these classic wooden boats with others."

Renga intends to race "Charity" in the WHYC's Heritage Regatta on June 24. But does he expect to win?

"Hey, if winning wasn't important, they wouldn't keep score," he laughed.



Armand Renga's Charity the 38-foot Atkins 1934 design built in 1962.



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YACHT BROKERAGE

FOR SALE: "Kelpie." 65' Gammage Shipyard Staysail Schooner. Year: 1928. Current Price: \$495,000. Hull Material: Wood. Engine/Fuel Type: Single Diesel. Length on deck is 65' on this charming classic sailing yacht. She is Coast Guard certified to carry 44 passengers for charter/excursion or 24 when under sail. She turns heads in every harbor and must be seen to be truly appreciated. Contact Pacific Yacht Sales at (949) 248-5440 or email art@pacificyachtsales.com

FOR SALE: "Adelphi." 1911 Edson B. Schock Cutter. LOA 51', LOD 46', Beam 12'6", Draft 7'. Rebuilt in 1978-80 by a select group of master shipwrights in Vancouver, British Columbia. We are looking for a few like-minded wooden boat enthusiasts to share joint ownership of the sailboat. We are interested in finding potential partners who would like to buy a 1/6 interest in the "Adelphi." The asking price is \$10,000 for each share; the operating expenses will be divided equally. A recent survey and more photos are available. Contact Jeff Downard at (928) 213-0302 or Jeffrey.Downard@nau.edu.

Have a wooden hull yacht to sell or trade? Send us information (and a photo, if you have one) to info@whyc.org.

FOR SALE: "Nereia." An L. Francis Herreshoff Design #87 36-foot ketch. Built in 1970, the boat just enjoyed a major restoration. Consideration to a good home. See photos and survey at www.HomeFindersNational.com. Contact Chester and Siouxzie Salisbury, Newport Beach, at (949) 675-9048 or (949) 338-1662.

FOR SALE: "Alert." The classic 1948 Rhodes ketch, 63', a recently restored nautical treasure in exceptional condition. Built by W.F. Stone & Son, San Francisco. Featured Wooden Boat Calendar 2000. Ventura CA \$395,000. Complete details at www.alert1948.com or call George McClellan for details 805-294-0737.



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A VIEW FROM THE HELM



It is a pleasure and honor to be your designated WHYC Commodore for 2006.

Under Alan Peterson's hard work and sterling leadership over the past two years, our club is revived. Today the Wooden Hull Yacht Club has increased energy,

membership, event participation and outside recognition from national and regional magazines as well as the yacht club community in general.

"That's right, we're bad!" What other club in Southern California can offer up such a beautiful collection of classic sailing vessels? Yachts with timeless lines designed by Alden, Herreshoff, Kettenburg, Stephens, S.S. Crocker, to name a few, still cruise the ocean with grace due to our diligent dedication.

Our first goal for 2006 is to have more fun, to further enjoy the time we spend together. We're working at larger event turnout through consistent communications. At race events, our strategy is to create more attractive "club"-level accommodations and tie-ups for the out-of-towners who sail in from home ports as far away as 60 miles. Whenever possible, we're aiming to regularly raft up or dock together for impromptu post-race festivities. We want to cap off events and cruises with evenings of good food, awards and socializing.

If our first 2006 event, the One More Time Regatta, is an indicator, we're off to a great start. We had a record turnout of 25 yachts for this annual winter event, including 10 that traveled in early from other ports. (See article

within.) And, there seemed to be very positive feedback on the overall experience.



Competitors in the WHYC's 2006 One More Time Regatta

Key for the club in 2006 we plan to further build WHYC's membership through big events, word of mouth, publicity, an updated, more engaging website and an active solicitation program. See the Charting the Course section for dates of upcoming events.

Make your plans, mark your calendar, let's have fun. I look forward to seeing you soon.

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