



A MESSAGE FROM THE NEWPORT HARBOR NAUTICAL MUSEUM

All of us here at the Newport Harbor Nautical Museum are looking forward to another fun and exciting year with the WHYC. This will be the site of the Club's upcoming Opening Day Ceremony and Heritage Regatta as well as other functions throughout 2005. In addition, we look forward to the WHYC's help in supporting the Museum's 2005 events, including our Family Boat Building Weekend in July.

Here is what's going on at the NHNM right now, as well as a look at some of our upcoming events:

* **"The World's Largest International Yacht Race" Exhibit.** The annual Newport, California to Ensenada, Mexico yacht race is one of Southern California's premiere sailing events. Now enjoy for yourself photos, trophies and other souvenirs of glorious races past.

* **Sportfishing Simulator.** The NHNM goes high-tech with this fun and realistic way to taste the thrill of classic deep sea fishing without ever leaving shore. Come aboard. Who knows, you could catch a marlin!

* **The Photos of W.C. (Bill) Sawyer.** Culled from our collection of more than 58,000 classic photos, these pictures chronicle the years 1915-1945 and include many exclusive photos of Hollywood royalty at sail here in Newport Beach.

* **The Ship Model Gallery.** View dozens of beautiful, intricately detailed replicas of classic sailing and steam ships.

* **Surfing Exhibit (Opens May 27).** Yo, dude. What's more O.C. than surfing? This May, surf's up as this bodacious exhibit celebrates SoCal's most excellent of water sports. Cawabunga!

* **Family Boat Building Weekend (July 23-24).** We're going to build 30 boats in two days. We supply the materials - you supply the elbow grease and the fun! This is a great family team-building event. Sign up now!

Be sure to visit us on the web at www.nhnm.org. Until next time, happy sailing!



- Glenn A. Zagoren, President & CEO

LOG ENTRIES

News of the WHYC and its members:

- The 30th Annual One More Time Regatta was held on February 26 in Santa Monica Bay. Fourteen classic boats from Marina del Ray, Newport Beach and Long Beach competed in the 15-mile race. The overall Peggy Slater Trophy was won by Tom Adams and his 32-foot PC "50," which completed the course in 2:31. Chris Kaplan's 55-foot schooner "Santana" won the Slater Trophy for split rigs while Carlton Chase's S&S 55-foot yawl "Niuhi" took line honors.

After the race, the competitors gathered at the Pacific Mariners Yacht Club, which hosted the event, for cocktails, awards and a fine four course dinner.

Following are the complete racing results:

SLOOPS and CUTTERS A

- 1st Place: "50", PC, Tom Adams;
- 2nd Place: "Rogues March," Herreshoff 33 ft cutter; Vincent Joliet,
- 3rd Place: "Hale Makai," Kettenburg 40, Jim and Vicki Carlisle

SLOOPS and CUTTERS B

- 1st Place: "Norseman," Atkins Ingrid 38, Jim Garvey
- 2nd Place: "Cannibal," Garden 28 sloop, Karl Lindblom and Leslie Bond

KETCHES AND YAWLS A

- 1st Place: "Niuhi," Sparkman and Stephens 55 ft yawl, Carlton Chase

KETCHES AND YAWLS B

- 1st Place: "Amethyst," Mariner 40 ketch, Mack Steagall
- 2nd Place: "Webfoot," Crocker 36 ft gaff ketch, Jerry Klein
- 3rd Place: "Resolute," Angelman 40 ft ketch, Mike Fabian

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- 1st Place: "Santana," Sparkman and Stephens 55, Paul and Chris Kaplan
 - 2nd Place: "La Volpe," 50 ft schooner, Tim O'Brien;
 - 3rd Place: "Bluenose," Chapelle 42, Dennis Peitso
- Commodore Alan Peterson, in partnership with Chris Welsh and Jon Richards has purchased the classic sloop "Ragtime." Originally named "Infidel," the 65-foot black-hulled John Spencer design was built in 1967. The classic boat has participated in numerous major yacht regattas, including many in the Australia and New Zealand region as well as 12 TransPac Honolulu races (a TransPac record!). She has been called "the most influential offshore racer of the past 30 years."

CHARTING THE COURSE

PLEASE HOLD THE DATES!

- 31st Annual Yesteryear Regatta — Saturday, May 14, 2005** — Sponsored by the Ancient Mariners Sailing Society. Contact Doug Jones at 619-294-2244 for more information.
- 2005 Kettenburg Regatta — Sunday, June 5, 2005** — Sponsored by the Southwestern Yacht Club and the Ancient Mariners Sailing Society. Contact Tom Sterling at 619-519-1533 for more information.
- WHYC Opening Day Ceremony and Heritage Regatta — June 25, 2005** — Our annual race held in conjunction. Call Alan Peterson at 949-721-8686 for more information.
- Clark Sweet Cruise — August 26, 2005** (Date TBD)
- Latitudes and Attitudes Catalina Island Cruise — October 2005 (Date TBD).** The annual Cruisers event sponsored by *Latitudes & Attitudes* magazine is scheduled to be held at Two Harbors on Catalina Island. All entertainment, including food, drinks and activities, are covered for by the magazine. Reserved mooring space will also be available. The WHYC hopes to have maximum participation among our members so we can stage our own "mini-boat-show." More information, including how to reserve your space, will appear in this section as soon as it's available.
- Ray Wallace Iron Man Race — November, 2005** (Date TBD)

JOINING THE FLEET

A Hearty "Ahoy!" to Our Newest Member

Sean Fagan
Boat: "Bounty" Type: Ketch (L. Francis Herreshoff)
Length: 72 Overall Berth: Newport Beach

Stephen Kincaid
Boat: "Talisman" Type: Cutter (Davie Hillyard)
Length: 40.6 feet Berth: San Pedro

Paul Kaplan
Boat: "Santana" Type: Schooner (Sparkman & Stephens)
Length: 61 feet Berth: San Francisco

Armand Renga
Boat: "Charity" Type: Ketch
Length: 38 feet Berth: Santa Barbara

Ronald McElroy
Boat: "Arctic Witch" Type: Ketch
Length: 45 feet Berth: San Diego

May the wind always be at your back!

SKIPPER OF THE MONTH

Paul Kaplan, Captain of **Santana**



It's not often that one gets to own a piece of genuine Hollywood history. The original *Maltese Falcon* statue, Judy Garland's "ruby slippers" from *The Wizard of Oz* and John Travolta's white disco suit from *Saturday Night Fever* have all fetched top dollar at auction. You can add to this list Humphrey Bogart's beloved sailing yacht "Santana," now the proud possession of new WHYC members Paul and Christine Kaplan.

"Santana" has gone through 13 owners since she was built in 1935, but by far her most famous owners were Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall who owned her between 1945 and 1957," Paul said. "This boat was his passion. He sailed her average 35 to 45 weekends a year. He kept a model of the boat in a glass case along with his two Academy Awards. This same model sat by the pulpit during his funeral. Our family serves as 'Santana's' current custodian, but it will always be 'Bogie's boat.'"

Paul, a lifelong sailor, acquired "Santana" in 1998 following its tragic sinking in her Bay Area berth a year earlier. Twin brothers owned the boat; one passed away and the surviving brother found it too large a task to repair her and reluctantly opted to sell the yacht instead.



The Santana under sail in her current home port of San Francisco Bay.

"I own my own boat yard - Keefe Kaplan Maritime, Inc. - so I had the means to repair her myself," Kaplan explained. "I'd been the victim of other boat yards in the past. This time, I figured I could be a victim of my own!"

Originally built as a schooner, the boat had been transformed into a yawl early in her life. Paul made it his mission to return "Santana" to her original configuration. "We invested about 15,000 hours in restoration and repairs over the course of a year. The results were more than worth it."

Although he and his wife Christine live in San Francisco, they decided to bring "Santana" back to her birthplace in Southern California for several races, including the recent One More Time Regatta. Both avid sailors, the Kaplan's intend to race "Santana" in this year's Newport-Ensenada Race as well. As for any long-distance adventures...?

"Santana" has already sailed around the world. Now 70 years old, I think she deserves to spend her golden years relaxing in her home waters," said Paul.

Complete information on "Santana" and her colorful history can be found on Kaplan's website, www.thesantana.com.



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YACHT BROKERAGE

FOR SALE: **"Kelpie."** 65' Gammage Shipyard Staysail Schooner. Year: 1928. Current Price: \$495,000. Location: Shelter Island, San Diego, Calif. 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. Owned for the last 20 years by the same owners and operated in Southern California waters. 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 : **"Eulalie."** 1946 Kettenburg Type 82, 46' PCC Sloop. Three-quarter-inch mahogany on steam-bent oak frame. Bronze fastened. Engine: Beta Marine 3 cylinder FWC diesel. In storage in Salt Lake City, Utah. Contact Max Manlove at 310-201-9618. Will accept best offer.

FOR SALE: **"Commitment"** — 1964 Cheoy Lee Bermuda 30 Ketch. Designer: Adaptation of the Herrshoff H-28 Offshore Ketch. Engine: 25 hp Universal Diesel. Accommodations: V-berth forward. Aft of the V-Berth is the head and accompanying sink. The main cabin has a salon to port and a salon/navigation table to starboard. The galley is located aft of the port salon. Spacious cockpit. Contact: Jim O'Connor (310) 220-9445, joconnor575@hotmail.com



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A VIEW FROM THE HELM



Spring is upon us, and with its traditional feelings of rebirth and renewal has come new energy and excitement in the WHYC. We've already staged our first major race of the season, our official Opening Day ceremonies are approaching fast, we've added several new members to our roster and, perhaps most exciting of all, three historically important boats are now members of our "fleet."

Here's a summary of all the exciting goings-on:

- The 30th Annual One More Time Regatta was held on February 26 in the waters off Marina del Rey. Fourteen boats competed in the 15-mile-long competition, with 1st Place trophies going to Tom Adams' **"50"** (Sloops & Cutters A), Jim Garvey's **"Norseman"** (Sloops & Cutters B), Carlton Chase's **"Niuhi"** (Ketches & Yawls A), Mack Steagall's **"Amethyst"** (Ketches & Yawls B), and Paul and Christine Kaplan's **"Santana"** (Schooners). A full article with complete race results can be found later in this newsletter. Congratulations to all the winners!
- The WHYC's Opening Day Ceremony is scheduled to take place in conjunction with the Heritage Regatta, scheduled for Saturday, June 25 at the Newport Harbor Nautical Museum on Pacific Coast Highway in Newport Beach. They'll be food, fun and — of course — some remarkable and historic wooden hull yachts on display. More information coming soon!
- Our club's newest members are Sean Fagan, skipper of **"Bounty,"** Stephen

Kincaid, skipper of **"Talisman,"** Paul Kaplan, skipper of **"Santana,"** Ronald McElroy, skipper of **"Arctic Witch,"** and Armond Renga, Skipper of **"Charity."** Please see our Joining the Fleet section for more information on our newest friends.

- Three historic boats are now members of the WHYC fleet: Seagn Fagan's **"Bounty,"** which sports one of Herreshoff's most famous designs; Paul Kaplan's **"Santana,"** a 55-foot Sparkman and Stephens schooner once owned by Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall; and **"Ragtime,"** a famous John Spencer-designed TransPac racer of which I'm proud to be a part-owner. More information on all three of these great boats can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

So 2005 is off to a great start. I'm sure you're as excited as I am about what we've



Carlton Chase and crew aboard the Nuihi at this year's One More time Regatta

already accomplished this year, and the even greater times that lie ahead.

And by the way, we still have some room left on the Board of Directors, so if you are able to contribute several hours each month, we would like to have you aboard. Please call me at 949-721-8686.

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Ragtime with her new owners, Jon Richards, Alan Peterson and Chris Welsh.

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