



# SPLINTERS

WOODEN HULL YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2004

## A VIEW FROM THE HELM



The WHYC's 2004 season is rapidly drawing to a close. This is an excellent time to take stock of what we accomplished in the year now ending, consider the challenges that remain to be met and plan for the 2005 season.

**Board of Directors.** We began rebuilding our Board of Directors with

the welcomed additions of Charlie Silver and Jerry Klein. With their talents, energy and leadership and nomination to the 2005 Board, they will continue to play key roles in our growth in 2005.

**Races.** To date, we successfully staged our planned 2004 racing events, including:

- One More Time Regatta (February)
- Wild Goose Chase (May)
- Heritage Regatta (June)
- Eric Erickson Oil Island Race (July)

In addition the Ray Wallace Iron Man Race and WHYC Annual Dinner are scheduled for November 13th.

The Heritage Regatta proved the most successful event of the year and best Heritage Regatta to date. Twenty WHYC boats participated in the event, which was held in conjunction with the Newport Harbor Nautical Museum's annual Seaport Festival. The event attracted a couple hundred people who appreciated the heritage of our wooden hulled vessels and Newport Beach history.

**Partnerships.** This year, the Newport Harbor Nautical Museum (NHNM) became an official partner of the Wooden Hull Yacht Club. The Museum provides us with a permanent meeting space and plays host to some of our events. I'd like to personally

thank Glenn Zagoren, Marshall Steele and all the other wonderful people at the NHNM for helping make 2004 a good year for our Club.

**Family Boat Building Weekend.** Last July, WHYC volunteers worked with the NHNM to help them stage their annual Family Boat Building Weekend. Twenty-eight families participated, each building their own 9-foot row-boat from scratch!

**Memberships.** We added 10 new members in 2004, including Michael Effler (*Sea Dream*), Jim O'Connor (*Commitment*), Ed Fitzpatrick (*Tiama*), Greg Wood (*Windsong*), Greg and Susan Reaume (*Tavana*), Vincent Joliet (*Rogue's March*), Ariane Campagnone (*Richmond II*), Richard Seward (*Games*) and Charlie Silver (*Nomad*). If you know wooden hull boat owners or yachting enthusiasts who you think would enjoy the events, benefits and fun of belonging to the WHYC, don't be shy: Invite them to join! We have Membership Kits you can keep on your boat to distribute to the other boat owners who you meet during your travels up and down the California coast. (Call us at 949-721-8686 to have us send you a pack.) This is your Club, and it needs your help and support if it's going to continue to grow.

I hope you all had a great 2004 season, and I look forward to seeing you all at our Annual Awards Dinner following the Iron Man Race on November 13th (See separate article).

It's been my pleasure to serve as your Commodore in 2004, and I look forward to supporting our club in the future.

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**Denton Porter**  
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**Bill Dunlap**  
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**Jerry Klein**  
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**Charlie Silver**  
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WHYC Kettenberg K40 Sisters! Zephyrus on left/Hale Makai on right, anchored off Catalina.



Vicki and Jim Carlisle, like everyone else on the Clark Sweet Cruise, enjoy a lot of good food, bbq and WHYC camaraderie!

Comments or Suggestions? Please email us at [whyc@go4tpg.com](mailto:whyc@go4tpg.com).



## A MESSAGE FROM THE NEWPORT HARBOR NAUTICAL MUSEUM

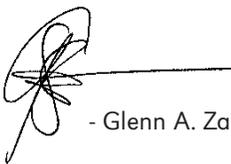
I'd like to congratulate the Wooden Hull Yacht Club on its successful 2004 season. This was our first year as a WHYC sponsor, and our partnership clearly benefited us both. The WHYC got an official "headquarters" as well as a place to stage many of its events, and the NHHM was able to increase its event participation and support as well as its general visibility thanks to the WHYC.

The WHYC was particularly instrumental in the success of this year's Seaport Festival and the Family Boat Building Weekend. Thank you again for all who supported and participated in these events.

### Upcoming Events

- *"Small Ships: The World of Model Ship and Boat Building."* (Now open) This exhibition of maritime history features upwards of 50 custom ship and boat models representing all vehicle types. This exhibit features many of the exquisite models presented at the annual Ship Modeler's Association event held annually aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, as well as many models not previously exhibited. *"Small Ships,"* which nicely complements our permanent exhibit of naval miniatures, continues until February 2005.
- *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.
- *Partnership for Clean Water.* We begin our fifth year of this program by training Newport-Mesa Unified School District teachers in the updated California 5th grade science standards to be addressed at the Museum. Starting in October, on every Tuesday and Thursday, 60 students from the District will visit the Museum for a well-rounded educational experience.

Congratulations again to the WHYC for another great season!



- Glenn A. Zagoren, President & CEO



## LOG ENTRIES

### News of the WHYC and Its Members

- This year's Clark Sweet Cruise was held August 21-22. Five WHYC boats made their way to Catalina Harbor where their owners, family and guests enjoyed a picnic complete with barbeque, libations, games and lots of great company! Participants included:

<i>Hale Makaii</i>	Skipper: Jim Carlisle
<i>Richmond II</i>	Skipper: Ariane Compagnone
<i>Samarang</i>	Skipper: Ernie Minnie
<i>Yankee</i>	Skipper: Don Siembieda
<i>Zephyrus</i>	Skipper: Alan Peterson



*Will Durant and Don Siembieda: Life – and the cold drinks – is good!*



*Ariane Compagnone, Ron Huerta and friend Samuda Ferebee get ready to enjoy (another?) good bottle of wine! (C'est vrai, Ariane?)*

- Commodore Alan Peterson has completed the three-month-long restoration of his 1960 Kettenburg K-40 *Zephyrus*. The restoration was done by Baja Naval shipyard in Ensenada, Mexico.

"I originally went to Baja Naval to repair 'a couple broken frames' and LP the boat, all of which could be done on the Peterson/Durant (PD) timeline of about three weeks," Peterson explained, adding, "By the way, as a rule, you must use a PD multiplier of 5 for actual



## SKIPPER OF THE MONTH



### Will Durant, Captain of *Jolie Brise*

Unlike many local sailors who have been plying the waters off Southern California for years or even decades, long-time WHYC member Will Durant has called these seas home for more than half a century. Given his first sailboat at the tender age of seven, Will, now 67, has spent more time at sea than many O.C. residents have spent in their cars.

"My family had salt-water in its veins," Will said. "My father sailed. My children sail. So do my grandkids. My wife, Ariel, loves sailing so much that we got married in the haul out yard of the San Pedro Boat Works. Now that's love!"

Will was raised in Southern California, spending time between his family's main home in Pasadena and their beach house on Balboa Island.

Losing his mother at the age of seven and his father while he was just a teenager, Will went on to study psychology at Pomona College, a subject in which he quickly lost interest. "As a sophomore I purchased a 34-foot Yawl by the name of *Truant* to find something fun to do. I also took a correspondence course in Marine Yacht Design. I eventually designed a 38-foot cutter for an Argentinean family, but unfortunately it never got built. Later, in the 1970s, some partners and I started a fishing boat-building company, Vega Marine on Terminal Island. I dropped out of it early, but my ex-partner went on to build about 100 fishing boats over 14 years. Looking back, I kind of wish I had stuck with it."

Instead, Will went into the packing machinery business, eventually starting his own company, PAC21, in 1992. His business acumen has helped him buy a series of fine sailing vessels, including an H-28 ketch, *Sea Brig* and later, his current yacht, a 38-foot cutter *Jolie Brise*. Between 1997 and 2001, Will and Ariel restored and sailed Coast Rhodes No. 3, *Lanakai*. *Lanakai* is now in the hands of Tom Zetlmaier and still a part of WHYC. Will also owns a 1963 International 14 racing sloop built at Cowes, England, in 1960.

*Jolie Brise* has made trips as far south as Mexico and as far north as San Simeon and Monterey Bay. Will reports that his longest trip was a two-week-long voyage from La Paz, Baja around Cabo San Lucas to Turtle Bay on the Sea of Cortez.

Will speaks proudly of his children, including his oldest son, Bill, who recently won the Catalina 37 National Championship at the Long Beach Yacht Club, his grandson, Dusty, 17, who this summer taught sailing at the Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club, and his granddaughter, Erin, who upon high school graduation sailed on an 84-foot schooner from Los Angeles to the Panama Canal.

What's next? Will has always dreamed of sailing to Hawaii, but has no immediate plans to make such a trip. His advice for would-be yachtsman? "Try to memorize the difference between port and starboard. Not knowing can get you in a lot of trouble."



*Okay, let's just gut the interior!*

replacing or re-fastening several butt blocks, adding a through-hull, plumbing a manual bilge pump, recaulking most of the hull below the waterline, repairing the rudder shaft seal, machining and replacing new chain plates, building a mahogany planked cabin floor and LPing the boat,

*Zephyrus* was completed some 15 weeks later. See how the PD multiplier works?"

After driving back and forth to Ensenada every one to two weeks, Peterson reports that he's delighted to finally have *Zephyrus* back in home waters and congratulates Baja Naval for a job well done!



*Preparing sister frames for placement and fastening.*



*Re-launched again*



*The Jolie Brise sets out to sea from Newport Harbor.*



## CHARTING THE COURSE

### A Preview of Upcoming WHYC Events:

- Iron Man Race – Saturday, November 13
- WHYC Annual Awards Dinner – November 13 (following the Iron Man Race)



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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@pacifiyachtsales.com](mailto:art@pacifiyachtsales.com)



FOR SALE: 28' Kings Cruiser Sloop – 1956 Built Gothenburg, Sweden by AB Telfa. Beam 7'2", Draft approx. 4'6". Tight seam African Mahogany planking over bent oak frames, copper riveted. Deck fiberglass over plywood, non-skid paint. Cabin trunk and interior African Mahogany. Mast painted fir (31'4") with tabernacle. Boom varnished spruce with bronze fittings. New s/s standing rigging in 1997. New bronze keel bolts in 1997.

Sails: main, jib, genoa and trys'l in good to fair condition. Two anchors with rode. Engine removed and gone. Fifteen gallon copper fresh water tank. Two s/s ten gallon fuel tanks. Two bilge pumps. One 12 volt deep cycle battery with charger. Tiller steering. Icebox s/s. W.C. marine head. Full canvas boat cover and canvas boom tent with curtains. Approximately 12 cracked or broken frames (could be sistered). Sound hull. Needs paint, varnish and 12-volt rewiring. Asking \$2,500 obo.

Local contact: Denton Porter, (562) 594-0730, after 1 p.m.

FOR SALE: 1946 Kettenberg Type 82, 46' PCC Sloop, *Eulalie*. 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.

Have a wood-hull yacht to sell or trade? Send us information (and a photo, if you have one) to [apeterson@go4tpg.com](mailto:apeterson@go4tpg.com)

***Do you have news? If so, please let us know by emailing us at [whyc@go4tpg.com](mailto:whyc@go4tpg.com).***



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