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Potter to Potter

Newsletter of the Northern California West Wight Potter Assn.

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Sailing Schedule

Sat & Sun, July 11-12 Folsom Lake Campout, Sacramento
Sat, July 25 San Leandro Marina
Sat & Sun, August 15-16 Encinal Yacht Club in Alameda
WWP National Regatta



COMMODORE'S LOG

Sail Before Last: June 6-7, Woodward Reservoir

Reports kept coming in to the Commodore that Woodward Reservoir was down 8 feet, 15 feet, being drained, impossible to launch boats, and there was no "Sailboat Cove." At the last minute almost 100 notices were sent out changing the sail to Lake Camanche. The lake was also down about 15 feet but it did have water!

We camped near the edge of the water which was actually part of the lake bottom. Saturday was a day of on and off rain and wind in the afternoon but we were treated to a beautiful sunset as the clouds passed through. Everyone enjoyed the potluck dinner with a variety of salads, side dishes and desert being served. Despite the whether, we eat good. Afterwards, we had a campfire with everyone telling tales. Sunday brought clear skies, sunshine and wind. Everyone left the shore to explore the lake with some sailing down to explore the indian caves.

Those attending this turnout were David & Candy Hogan with daughters Heather & Krystle (#261), John & Barbara Simpson (#266), Jacques & Pat Robinson (#1372), Stan & Dorothy Butler (#850). Mike Bartunek & Claudia Hassler (#748), Scott Reuter (#1253), Terry & Mary and Barbara Gotcher (#841), Pat & Maria Paige (Lido-14), Stephen Heskinson & Rosalinda Pesqueria with Liana and Sarah Beth (#1282), Bryon & Rob McClain (#1168), Don & Dee and Stephany Bernreuter with Liz Tichenor (#817), Gwen & Mahendra and Wendy Singh (#206), Bill & Freda Sprietsma (#1205), John & Anne Ockes (#1060), Bruce Hood (#1246), Leighton Johe & Sue Aitken (#773), and De & Sydney Marsh (#512).

And The Last Sail: June 20, Pittsburg Marina

Wild and windy is a mild term for this sail. Five Potters launched with reefed main sails to cross the Sacramento River in winds of 25-30 knots. We made our way up Spoonbill Slough to an area on the river bank where we were able to tie all the boats up and have our picnic lunch under a no trespassing sign. After giving up hope that the wind would abate, we again crossed the river and back to the launch ramp where the sailing conditions were a little better. This was a white knuckle sail.

Those hearty souls who attended this sail were Paul Apfel with son Paul (#1154), Leland & Ruth Edwards (#1125), Sam Cocks (#1378), Jacque Robinson and daughter Linda (#1372), and John & Barbara Simpson (#266)



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Welcome Aboard, New Members:

Kathleen Moltoni & Mario Alvarez
1439 So. Burnaby Drive

Glendora, CA 91740

P-15 #900
818/335-7907



Next Sail: July 11-12, Folsom Lake Campout and Potluck Dinner

This is an 18,000 acre lake with 75 miles of shoreline. Folsom Lake is about 25 miles NE of Sacramento. From Interstate Route 80, turn east from Roseville on Douglas Boulevard that leads directly to the lake and Granite Bay where we will launch out boats. Boat camping is allowed here but you must check in with the ranger. The campsites are located at Beals Point. Before getting to Granite Bay, turn right onto Folsom-Auburn Road a short distance to the entrance. This is a popular area and we may have to double up at campsites. If possible, come Friday evening or early Saturday morning.

For the potluck dinner, we will meet at Beals Point in the picnic area. Bring your own entree and a dish for sharing such as a salad, fruit, beans, bread, vegetables, dessert, etc. Beforehand, we will probably be relaxing with wine and snacks. Also bring along lawn chairs, firewood, cold drinks, lantern, stove, charcoal, and what ever. Besides sailing, it is also a great place for swimming, hiking, fishing, and biking.

And The Following Sail: Saturday, July 25, San Leandro

This has always been a leisurely sail out into the San Francisco Bay and along the shoreline. Bring a light picnic lunch for onboard dining. After the sail, we'll stop at one of the 3 restaurants at the marina. From Route 880 in San Leandro, drive west on Marina Boulevard to the launch ramp on South Dike Road. We'll launch by 10:30 am.

Potter-19 For Sale:

On May 19, 1987, Larry Burnham passed away very unexpectedly and the members of our association who knew Larry will certainly miss his passing. The officers and members of the Northern California West Wight Potter Association also share in this feeling of sorrow.

Betty Burnham is offering this P-19, #202, that has only been used about 6 times. The boat has a new smoke-colored top and a recently installed dagger board hoist as well as many extras. Also included is the trailer, extra sail (lapper), a 4 HP Mariner Motor, and all of this for \$7,000. The boat is located in Santa Cruz County. If interested, call Betty at 408/728-3989 (home), or 408/277-4956 (work)

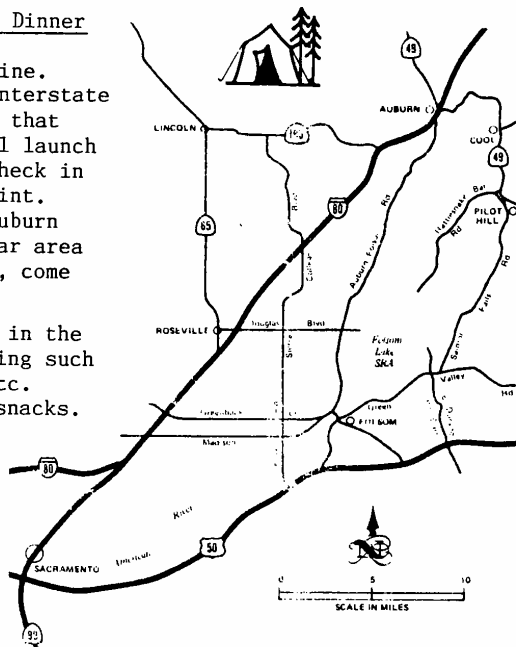
Potter-15 For Sale. WWP #182, oldest boat registered with the Association, is in fine shape and ready for sailing. Included in the asking price of \$2395 is a 4 HP Johnson deep draft outboard motor, Dilly trailer with new tires, and the boat comes with new shrouds, a second self-steering tiller, cockpit cushions, running lights, deep cycle battery, bumpers, cover for mast/boom when trailering, new cam cleats, and a new bottom last eyar. Jack Thomas was featured in a newsletter article from last October with his 4-day sail at Lake Tahoe. Jack has his boat listed with a broker in the Sacramento area. Telephone 916/332-0775, ask for Gale Stockdale.

Potter-15 Wanted

Bill Snow is interested in purchasing a used P-15 in good condition. Bill is located at 441-B Earle Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95461, telephone: 707/544-5121

ATTENTION!

I'd Rather Be Sailing!



Last Call

ORDER TODAY!

Gee, I want one of those and I'd better let Barbara Simpson know about it by July 10th or I won't get one. The "Heavy T" shirts will be ordered and ready by the National Regatta date. The cost is approximately \$6.10 plus postage if mailed. The XXL will cost a little more. They are white with the Potter-15 on the front, and they are made of 50% cotton and 50% polyester. Send no money now but let Barbara know how many you want. See the regatta entry form for the address and phone number for ordering.



NAME & ADDRESS _____

SAIL NUMBER _____ NUMBER REQUESTED: S _____, M _____, L _____, XL _____, XXL _____

The 20th Annual West Wight Potter National Regatta

NATIONALS



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1987 WEST WIGHT POTTER NATIONAL REGATTA ENTRY FORM

HULL NUMBER _____ BOAT TYPE (Circle): P-15 GUNTER RIG, P-15 MARK I/II, POTTER-19

NAME _____ NUMBER OF PERSONS ATTENDING EVENT _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE NO. () _____

I need an overnight berth for my Potter: YES _____, NO _____ \$6.00 Entry Fee Enclosed _____

Send this form with the entry fee to: BARBARA SIMPSON, 12 BROOKWOOD ROAD, ORINDA, CA 94563
Telephone: 415/254-2621 (Res), 415/376-0010 (Work)

STATEMENT OF SKIPPER: I assume the risk of all hazards of the races for the 1987 WWP National Regatta on August 15 and August 16, 1987. I agree that I shall hold blameless the Northern California WWP Association and its members, and the Encinal Yacht Club and their members from liability for any injury, damage, or loss incurred by my entry in the event and related activities, releasing and waiving any and all claims that might arise from my participation.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

It shall be the responsibility of each skipper to ensure that his/her vessel complies with the appropriate US Coast Guard rules and equipment.

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Schedule of Events: 1987 WWP National Regatta, August 15-16, Encinal Yacht Club, Alameda

This is the 5th year to have the Regatta at Encinal Yacht Club which is the 3rd oldest yacht club in the San Francisco-East Bay area. Joe Edwards is will be furnishing the trophies and a complimentary luncheon for those racing. If you are not racing but want to come and watch and have lunch and dinner, contact Barbara Simpson. There will be a charge for this and we must let the caterer know the count. Also, the EYC has a Sunday brunch and you'll have to call 4-6 days before the regatta for a reservation, 415/865-1303.

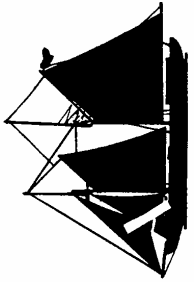
Saturday: Check-in/Registration--0830-0930 hours. Skippers meeting & race instruction--1000-1030. First race, 10 minute warning--1115. Lunch break, buffet luncheon provided by Joe Edwards, President, HMS Marine, Inc. Second race, 10 minute warning will be sounded one hour after last finisher of first race. Cocktails, no host club bar--1800-1900. B-B-Q dinner on the grass lawn area--1930.

Sunday: Skippers meeting, Powder Puff race--1030-1045 hours. First warning, 10 minute warning--1130. Third race, 30 minutes after finish of last finisher of Powder Puff race. Trophy presentations, 45 minutes after last finisher.

After you send in your registration entry form, you will receive a packet of information in the mail that will describe this weekend event in greater detail.



• **Christian Radich**, 241-foot Norwegian full-rigged ship. Built in 1937 as a sail-training ship for the Norwegian merchant marine. It carries 14,525 square feet of sail and six officers, 11 crew members and 80 cadets.



• **Bluenose II**, 161-foot Canadian gaff-rigged schooner. Built in 1963 as a replica of the original Bluenose that fished the waters of Nova Scotia between 1921 and 1938. With 12,560 square feet of sail, it now sails as a goodwill ambassador for the province of Nova Scotia.

California sentinels:



Point Bonita (1855)

Clinging to a basalt outcrop northeast of the Golden Gate Bridge, it's reached by trail, tunnel, and suspension bridge. Many wrecks occurred offshore, one on the rocks below—a heroic keeper descended a rope to reach survivors, but the rope ran short and he had to climb back up (they were later saved by boatmen). This low iron tower is spectacular at sunset: guided sunset walks take place the first and third Wednesdays each month; times vary. Open winter weekends for a 2-hour tour at 1 p.m. For directions or to reserve monthly moonlight tours, call (415) 331-1540.

East Brother (1874)

On a 1-acre island off Point Richmond in San Francisco Bay, this light guides ships through narrow San Pablo Strait. Often shrouded in fog, the island was rammed by a tug one pea-soup night. After automation, the Victorian buildings deteriorated until restored by volunteers. Now there's a bed-and-breakfast inn (book months ahead—\$225 per couple, including five-course dinner, breakfast, and the short boat ride over). Or reserve a day visit (\$10 each person, minimum four); call (415) 233-2385. The boat leaves from San Pablo Yacht Harbor.



Gary Mis, our visiting member from Wisconsin, and his friend Linda Persand with Bruce Hood, getting ready to rig and launch at the Martinez sail. Bruce is visiting the British Isles this summer and plans to visit the Potter Boat Company. It will be interesting to hear about the factory tour and how the English and American Potter's compare to each other.

BOATING MYTHS

BAR:

Long, low-lying navigational hazard, usually awash, found at river mouths and harbor entrances, where it is composed of sand or mud, and ashore, where it is made of mahogany or some other dark wood. Sailors can be found in large numbers around both.

MARINA:

Commercial dock facility. Among the few places, under admiralty law, where certain forms of piracy are still permitted, most marinas have up-to-date facilities for the disposal of excess amounts of U.S. currency that may have accumulated on board ship causing a fire hazard.

