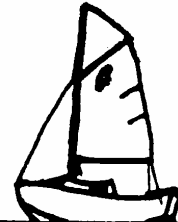


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NEXT SAIL: NON-SAILING

A repeat of last year's New Years Day brunch at Pete's Marina at 11:00. It has been suggested by several people as a good way to do some armchair sailing, tell some sea stories and nurse our aches, and thus has become a yearly habit. Hope to see you there. DIRECTIONS: From the Bayshore Freeway 101 at Redwood City use the Whipple Ave. ramp, East toward the bay onto E. Bayshore Rd. Continue past theaters, by the Peninsula Marina to the end of the road.

NEXT SAIL - OAKLAND ESTUARY SUNDAY, JAN. 10

Oakland has a free ramp, restrooms and ample parking. It has always been a favorite for Potter Yachters in the past. Launch time is 9:30 a.m. DIRECTIONS: Take the 5th Ave. off ramp from Highway 17, turn right at the stop sign and continue on to Estuary Park.

DECEMBER SAIL

Weather forecast: Dense fog, low, scattered clouds with the possibility of rain in the PM. All in all a most gloomy forecast for a day on the Bay. Undaunted, a small group of masochistically inclined Potter sailors groped their way over the freeways and actually found the Berkeley Marina. Jerry Barrilleaux;564, Don Bergst;797 and Stan Butler;850 were joined by our live-aboard member, Homer Jones;1098, who motored around from his mooring in the Berkeley lagoon. A skipper's meeting resulted in a number of suggestions, however, the only one printable seemed to be "lets start sailing and see where we come out."

A light breeze, gusting to 10 MPH, permitted a compass heading of 240-270 degrees into the fog in the general direction of Raccoon Strait and Angel Island. The Potter's luck held, shortly the fog lightened, followed by sunshine, and Angel Island loomed off the port bow. The smell (or thought) of the goody stand at Ayala Cove forced Jerry to fire up the Seagull and roar away in a cloud of smoke for chow. Not to be outdone, the others cranked up and the race was on. It was a pleasantly warm day on the island, no crowds and a choice of docks or mooring bouys was available. A lack of wind on the return leg necessitated a motor assist most of the way, and there were no crowds at the launch ramps either. Truly a great day and ending.

THE GOOD AND BAD NEWS

First the good news; the price of the annual membership to the Potter Yachters has not changed, it is still \$8.00.

Now the bad news; January will be here soon and you know what that means. If you don't, it's dues time again. Make dues payable to the secretary:

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SCUTTLEBUTT

January is the month of the big San Francisco Sports and Boat Show at the Cow Palace. H.M.S. will have a display there and hopefully they will be showing the new 19' Potter. Last year they actually sold more Potters at the show than Hobie Cats. It's always nice to stop by and say hello to the H.M.S. representative.

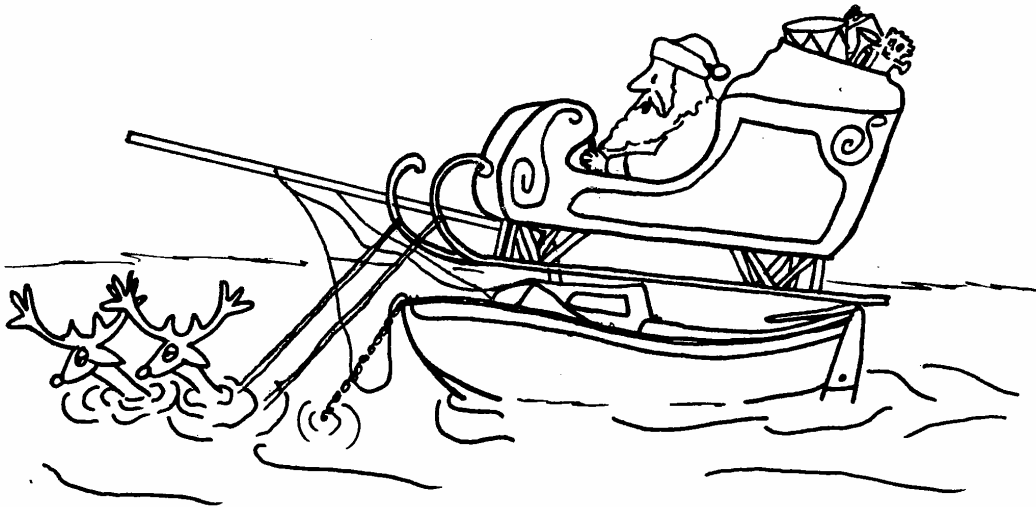
NOTES IN THE LOG

A glance astern reveals that our group is on course and making good headway. The year just past has had its shoals and foul weather, but it has had many more days of fine weather. Every scheduled monthly sail has been a success in terms of the warm friendships and the opportunity to learn more about sailing. The helpful and willing attitude of all hands has made for light work in many ways.

On behalf of all of you who have contributed so much to our group, our newsletter and our activities, I want to wish all of you an entire Potter full of holiday cheer!

Wouldn't it be great to have a thirty boat turnout in 1982!

Happy Holidays to you all ??



NEXT YEAR I'LL JUST MAIL HOMER HIS PRESENT!