



The Potter Yachter

Newsletter of the Northern California West Wight Potter Club

January 2008

Happy New Year



Steve Potter and *Stars and Bars*, on Monterey Bay.

See you at the Northern California Potter Yachters Annual Meeting.

2008 Sailing & Event Calendar

Jan 27, Sunday: Annual meeting, Oakland Yacht Club. Brunch, 9:00 to 10:30

Meeting, 10:30 Regatta Room. Gift exchange.

Feb

Open Date: Training class.

2/23 to 2/24, Sat/Sun: Havasu Pocket-Cruiser get-together/Poker Run.

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Mar

3/15, Sat: USS Thompson Day Sail, Redwood City. Sail Host: Dave Kautz.

3/29, Sat: Delta Day Sail.

April

Open Dates: Santa Cruz to Moss Landing.

4/16 to 4/20, Wed/Sun: Strictly Sail, Jack London Square.

4/20, Sun: Oakland Estuary Day Sail

May

Open Dates: Delta Cruise Overnight. Traditionally to Lundborg Landing.

5/18, Sun: Del Valle Regional Park Day Sail (Very first Potter event held at
Del Valle on Sun, 5/21/78)

June

Open Dates: Woodward Annual Campout

6/6 to 6/10, Fri/Tues: BEER Cruise in Florida. Contact Dan Phy for details.

6/14 to 6/15, Sat/Sun: Eagle Lake Annual Campout

6/18 to 6/21, Wed/Sat: SoCal Potters Catalina Cruise.

July

7/3 to 7/4, Thurs/Fri: Fourth of July overnighter Granville Island, the Delta.

7/19 to 7/20, Sat/Sun: Cruiser Challenge IX, Monterey.

Aug

8/2, Sat: Richmond Day Sail

8/16 to 8/17, Sat/Sun: Sat: Huntington Lake Campout with SoCal Potters

Sept

9/2 to 9/18: Messabout VI. All the Usual Suspects to Northwest

9/14, Sun: Delta Day Sail

9/27 to 9/28,, Sat/Sunt/Sun: Tomales Bay Overnighter

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ANNUAL MEETING

2008 Schedule cont.

Oct

10/ 11 to 10/12, Sat/Sun: Moss Landing to Monterey Over nighter.

Sail Host: Mike Swartz

10/26, Sun: SF Bay Day Sail, Clipper Cove picnic.

Nov

10/22, Sun: Richmond Day Sail.

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6. Take the ramp towards BROADWAY / ALAMEDA.
7. Stay straight to go onto 5th St.
8. Turn SLIGHT LEFT toward Alameda.
9. Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto WEBSTER ST. TUBE / CA-260 S.
10. GO through TUBE and follow CA-260 S.
11. Turn LEFT onto ATLANTIC AVE.
12. Turn LEFT onto TRIUMPH DR.
13. TRIUMPH DR becomes PACIFIC MARINA.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting will be held January 27, 2008, at the Oakland Yacht Club, Alameda. Brunch will start at 9:00 AM and the meeting at 10:30. Bring that a gift for the gift exchange and any ideas you might have for next year. We will hold a scheduling meeting afterwards to finalize the year's events. All are welcome to join in.

DIRECTIONS TO OAKLAND YACHT CLUB

1101 Pacific Marina
Alameda, CA 94501
(510) 522-6868

From the North

1. Head for Oakland, CA. and the I-880 Freeway.
2. Take the I-880 South toward ALAMEDA / SAN JOSE
3. Take the exit towards BROADWAY / ALAMEDA
4. Turn right onto 5th St.

From the South

1. Head for Oakland, CA. and the I-880 Freeway
2. Take the I-880 North toward Oakland.
3. Take the BROADWAY exit toward DOWNTOWN
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With a Grain of Salt

The **Potter Yachter** is a forum for exchange of ideas and information among West Wight Potter (and other mini-yacht) sailors. But we Potter Yachters are mostly a bunch of amateurs finding our way by trial and error and luck.

You will probably find some very helpful tips or ideas in the Potter Yachter that will enhance your sailing experience, but you may also find some ill-advised suggestions or ideas that just don't work for your particular boat, your sailing environment, your level of sailing experience, or your boat-working skills. So please understand that any sailing tutorials, suggested boat modifications, recommended cruises, etc., are the opinion of the author, based presumably on his or her personal experience and judgment at the time the article or letter was written.

If a Potter Yachter believes s/he has a good idea and submits it to the newsletter for publication, we will usually pass it on to the rest of you in the newsletter, but take it "with a grain of salt" and a large portion of your own good judgment, and perhaps get a second opinion before undertaking a modification or cruise or sailing technique you read about in the **Potter Yachter** (or any other publication) - *The Editor*