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# Potter to Potter

Newsletter of the Northern California West Wight Potter Assn.

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## Sailing Schedule

Sat & Sun, June 6-7	Woodward REservoir, Oakdale
Sat, June 20	Pittsburg Marina
Sat, July 11	Folsom Lake, Sacramento
Sat, July 25	San Leandro Marina
Sat & Sun, August 15-16	Encinal Yacht Club in Alameda
	WWP National Regatta



## COMMODORE'S LOG

Last Sail: May 9, Petaluma River

Only four Potter-Yachters turned out for this tranquil sail. Those attending included Harvey Podstata (#1050), Jacque & Pat Robinson (#1372), Don & Dee Bernreuter (#817), and John & Barbara Simpson (#266).

The incoming tide did not take us up the river fast enough so we motored for about an hour. Blue Herons perched along the shore and gracefully glided overhead. The small fleet stopped at a restaurant during the sail. The boat dock there had old boat hulks tied up and unattended. After the lunch break, the tide was running out and the wind picked up so we all had a brisk sail back, running and broad reaching all the way back to the launch ramp.

And The Sail Before The Last Sail: April 26, Opening Day on the San Francisco Bay

As we approached the launch ramp at 0900 hours and looking on Richardson's Bay, a lone Potter sail was spotted. The launch fee at Clipper Marine was \$7 to use the ramp but Ray Monroy said for a couple bucks more he spent the night at the dock. The ramp is better than the public launch ramp as well as the parking.

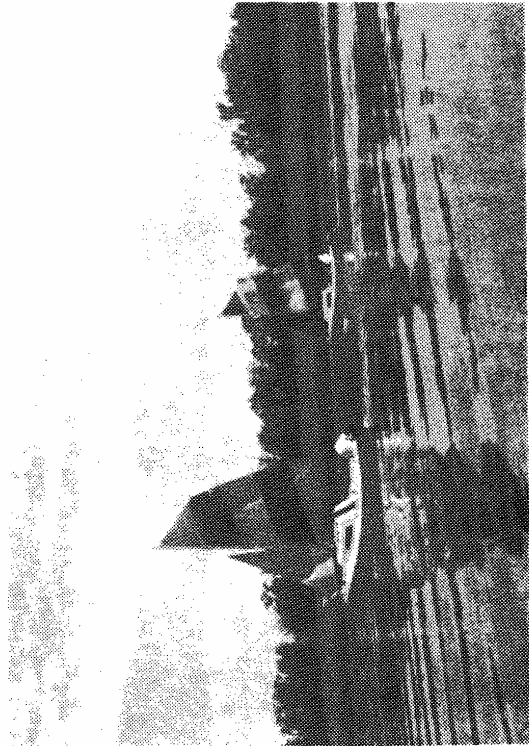
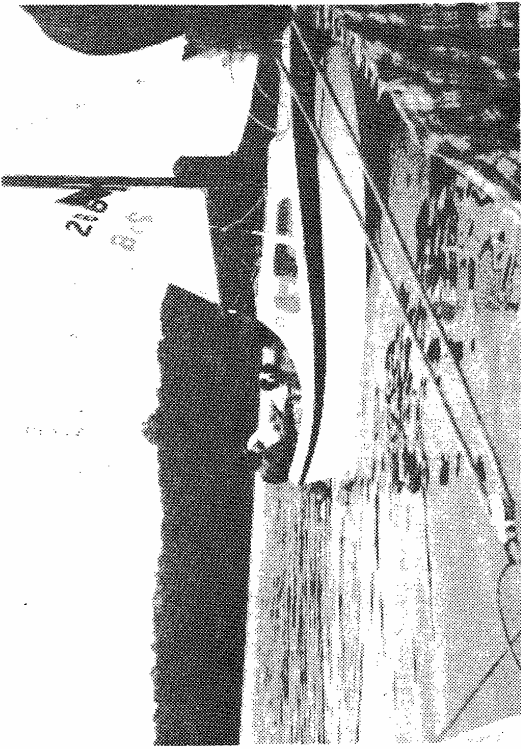
On the way to Ayala Cove, a harbor seal was spotted bodysurfing in an oncoming wave. Boat lined up and passed to be blessed by officials on the destroyer escort ship. There were yachts and boats of all sorts to be seen and bow wakes from every direction. Many of us gathered for lunch on the lawn to watch boats coming in being bombarded with water balloons, buckets and hoses. There was quite a chop as we made our way back through Raccoon Straits and to a nice breeze in Richardson's Bay.

Those attending were Lee, Ruth & Andy Edwards (#1287), Bob Bliss (#519), Bill Sprietsma (#1205), John & Barbara Simpson with Dolores Kock (#266), Ray Monroy with Catherine (P-19 # ) Mike Bartunek & Claudia Hassler (#748), and a mystery Potter--3 guys & a gal that gave their names and I forgot.



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This Is The Life . . . The Petaluma River sail upriver was slow but delightful on the way back. Harvey Podstata (#1050) and Jacque & Pat Robinson (#1372), upper left. Commodore John Simpson, Mickey Bow Wow, and Barbara Simpson (#266), upper right. Photos by Don Bernreuter.

Welcome Aboard, New Members

Paul & Sarah Olivier  
1666 Sherwood Village Circle

Placentia, CA 92670

P-15 #796 "Windchaser"  
714/528-8474

**ANCHOR:**

Any of a number of heavy, hook shaped devices that is dropped over the side of the boat on the end of a length of rope and/or chain, and which is designed to hold a vessel securely in place until (a) the wind exceeds 2 knots, (b) the owner and crew depart, or (c) 3 a.m.

**AUXILIARY:**

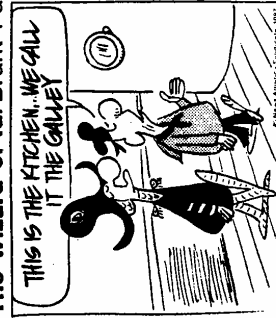
Any object, animate or inanimate, which is in the way when it is not needed and missing or broken when it is.

**AYE-AYE:**

Somewhat-somewhat redundant-redundant nautical-nautical method-method of-of saying-saying "yes."



**The Wizard of Id/Brant Parker/John Hart**



SOMEHOW I SENSE A REDUNDANCY HERE

PARKER

Next Sail: Saturday & Sunday, June 6-7, Woodward Reservoir, Oakdale



Besides great sailing, this is an overnight campout and potluck dinner. Bring along your boat(s), spouse, kids, friends, and other things like cold drinks, water, camp chairs, grill & charcoal, firewood, marshmallows, flashlight, etc. Oh yes, bring along your own entree and a dish for the potluck dinner. Chances are that there will be wine and snacks before dinner.

Take Highway 120 east and drive thru Escalon and a ways beyond. A few miles before getting to Oakdale, turn left on County Route J-14 and follow the signs to Woodward Reservoir. At the toll booth turn right and head toward "Sailboat Cove." At the sign, turn left for a short distance and you'll soon see the tents, RV's and Potters by the water. Launching will be from the shore but P-19's & Montgomery's should use the ramp near the entrance. If you can't come overnight then come for the day and the potluck dinner.



And The Following Sail: Saturday, June 20, Pittsburg Yacht Harbor

Skipper's Meeting: 10:30 am. Directions: From Route 4, head north on Railroad Avenue at Pittsburg, then a short left on 3rd Street, and then a right on Marina Boulevard to the launch ramp. Depending on the wind, weather, and tides, we'll decide there which way to sail. We may sail over to Antioch or out on the Sacramento River.

Heavy T

**ORDER TODAY!**



Just what you've been wanting and waiting for and they'll be ready for you at the National Regatta. We are in the process of ordering "Heavy T" shirts with the P-15 design on the front. They are white and made of 50% cotton and 50% polyester. The cost is approximately \$6.10 per shirt but the XXL size will run a little more. They will be ordered only if we have enough show of interest. Send no money now but let Barbara Simpson know how many you want. Her address and phone number is on the National Regatta entry form. The shirts can also be mailed to you.

NAME & ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
SAIL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER & SIZES: 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 \_\_\_\_\_

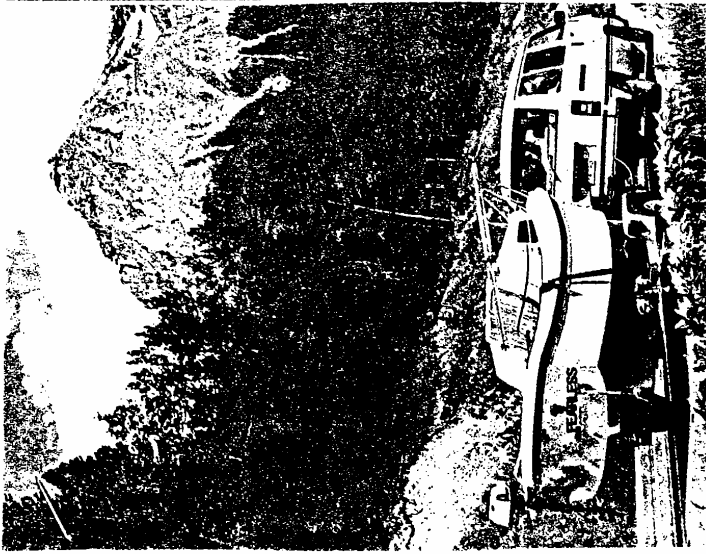
Send this form with the entry fee to: BARBARA SIMPSON, 12 BROOKWOOD ROAD, ORINDA, CA 94563  
Telephone: 415/254-2621 (Res), 415/376-0010 (Work)

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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### Sailing America

Larry Brown, along with his wife and two daughters, took a 10,000 mile circle tour of the United States and Canada in eight weeks. This vacation, took the Brown family to various cities and places to sail along the way.

Starting at Cape Cod, Massachusetts, and then heading south for their first sail at Chesapeake Bay. Here are some other places that were sailed. North of Phoenix, Arizona, they sailed on Lake Powell. At Marina Del Rey in Los Angeles, Joe Edwards of HMS Marine, Inc. sailed with Larry in the Harbor area. Next was the San Juan sail at Lake Winnipeg, Manitoba, and then the next sail was on Thunder Bay at Lake Superior. On the north shore of Lake Huron, there was some cruising at Manitoulin Island. While at Tobermory Harbor, Larry took pictures of underwater shipwrecks and almost did himself in with hypothermia. The last stop was home.

There was a lot of sightseeing along the way and many notes for his second book, Sailing America. His first book is called Sailing On A micro-Budget. This interesting article is from the magazine, Cruising World, March 1987.

### Potter For Sale

Fred Richter will accept the first reasonable offer for his Potter-15 (#783). This P-15 is a beauty with a red hull with matching red & white sails. The main sail has jiffy reefing and there are cockpit controls for the jib & main sails. The boat also comes with a tiller extension, an anchor, cockpit cushions, side rails & bow pulpit, oars & oar locks, and a 2 HP Suzuki outboard motor. Along with the boat comes a galvanized tilt trailer, spare tire, and tongue jack. Call Fred at 415/796-9685, and the boat can be seen at 6325 Quicksilver Street, Newark, CA 94560.

