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International 6 Metre World's

MEETINGS

- Thursday, 2 August, 7:30 PM, SWYC. General Meeting. Greg Stewart presents "The International 6 Metre World's, 2007."
- SUNDAY, 26 August, 12:00 PM. Commodore's Cup Race. Warning Horn 11:50, Buoy #17 (note the Change to SUNDAY)
- SUNDAY, 26 August, 4:00 PM (Following the Commodore's Cup Race) - Barbeque at the San Diego Yacht Club Pavilion.
- AMSS Board of Directors Meeting, Thursday, 16 August, 7:30 PM, SWYC



Doug Peterson's *Bob Kat II*

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Staff Commodore Greg Stewart joined Ancient Mariner Doug Peterson to race Doug's 6 Metre yacht, **Bob Kat II** in the 6 Metre World's sailed in Cowes, England. They raced the Classic Division (25 yachts), and the complete results are posted on page 3. The Modern Division comprised 23 more yachts. Greg reports on the races:

"**Bob Kat II** is a 1931 Sparkman & Stephens design, built by Nevins. Our crew consisted of Doug, myself, Mike McCafferty, 'Ben' from Cowes and 'Ricardo' from Spain. We won the practice race preceding the eight official races (which some say is bad luck). Day 1 races were abandoned—no wind. Our Day 2 starts were good, but imperfect tactics resulted in an 8th and 10th ranking. Day 3 was excellent; great boat handling and tactics scored 5th, 2nd, and 5th... (Cont'd on page 4)

From the Helm: July, Basking in the Sun



July has been very pleasant, a little warm and a mite dry.

On the first weekend, many of us sailed the 20 Guinea Cup #4 Race; results are posted

on page 5. Course "Echo" gave the big boats a small advantage, in that there was a fair breeze and we were reaching most of the day. Tom Sterling's **Taroa** led the pack, finishing 1st. **Maid of Kent** won the Short Course, and **Zephyr** bagged the Luders class (as the only Luders sailing that day).

After the race, **Altair, Sally, Scamp, Maid of Kent, Sprig** and **Freedom** formed a raftup,

and went ashore for the evening Barbeque at the SWYC. **Sprig** was abandoned by her owner at the raftup overnight and while there were some rabble suggesting that the boat should be towed over to the police docks for safekeeping, it seemed too much trouble.

Coming up this month, we'll start with a program on the International 6 Metre Worlds, just sailed in Cowes, England. That is, at our General Meeting this Thursday (2 August), Staff Commodore Greg Stewart will present a program and slide show focusing on this extremely competitive series. Greg joined Doug Peterson's crew aboard **Bob Kat II** (previously the **Sceptre**, when owned by Staff Commodore Richard Wright here in San Diego). **Bob Kat's** final position in the races was 6th, a very impressive standing for an essentially new boat and crew, sailing with the world's best. There are two Divisions in the 6 Metre World's, "Classic" and "Modern." Greg will explain the rules and ropes of international 6 Metre racing at our Thursday Meeting. He is planning to prepare his 6 Metre **Sprig** (designed by Clinton Crane and built by the Nevins yard in 1930), making ready for the next 6 Metre World's regatta.

Looking ahead to this Fall, the Ancient Mariners have a wonderful opportunity to attend the Eighth Maritime Heritage Conference, a triannual event hosted this year by the Maritime Museum of San Diego, 9-12 October 2007. The AMSS was invited to submit an abstract of a paper for presentation at the conference. We have recently been notified that the abstract has been accepted, and we are working with the museum to establish our panel for the conference. Deb Dominici, Jerry Newton and I composed the abstract, titled: "San Diego Ancient Mariners Sailing Society: A Living Museum of Vessels from the Golden Age of Yacht Design," which is enclosed in mailed issues of this newsletter, or included as an attachment to our e-mail edition. Please see www.sdmaritime.org for complete information regarding the Maritime Heritage Conference. I'll be contacting some of you soon to request your help in developing our program, and making our presentations at the conference. Aloha! — Dave

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International 6 Metre World Championship Results

Cumulative Results—Classic Division—Final

Pos.	Sail No.	Boat	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Race 6	Race 7	Race 8	Total Points	Best Points
1	SWE6	Fagel Bla	7.00	1.00	6.00	4.00	1.00	2.00	9.00	30.00	21.00
2	DEN64	Sun Ray	3.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	7.00	9.00	3.00	30.00	21.00
3	GBR48	Caprice	1.00	6.00	7.00	26.00	3.00	4.00	1.00	48.00	22.00
4	GBR22	Titia	6.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	11.00	15.00	41.00	26.00
5	FRA111	Dix Aout	2.00	13.00	2.00	8.00	8.00	6.00	8.00	47.00	34.00
6	US54	<i>Bob-kat II</i>	<i>10.00</i>	<i>8.00</i>	<i>5.00</i>	<i>2.00</i>	<i>5.00</i>	<i>12.00</i>	<i>5.00</i>	<i>47.00</i>	<i>35.00</i>
7	GBR57	Erica	9.00	10.00	8.00	11.00	4.00	5.00	2.00	49.00	38.00
8	FIN44	Toy	14.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	26.00	3.00	7.00	64.00	38.00
9	GER59	Aida	4.00	12.00	13.00	7.00	12.00	7.00	6.00	61.00	48.00
10	CAN8	Carin II	11.00	9.00	9.00	14.00	9.00	1.00	14.00	67.00	53.00
11	US60	Nancy	5.00	7.00	16.00	10.00	26.00	15.00	4.00	83.00	57.00
12	FRA105	Maybe VIII	15.00	2.00	10.00	12.00	10.00	14.00	11.00	74.00	59.00
13	K12	Nada	13.00	11.00	11.00	6.00	6.00	18.00	13.00	78.00	60.00
14	S100 / GBR42	Melita	16.00	15.00	20.00	9.00	11.00	8.00	17.00	96.00	76.00
15	GBR69	Victoria	12.00	14.00	12.00	12.00	13.00	19.00	16.00	98.00	79.00
16	GER30	Mena	17.00	26.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	10.00	12.00	110.00	84.00
17	N72	Noreg	20.00	17.00	18.00	26.00	16.00	13.00	10.00	120.00	94.00
18	SWE136	Lisbeth V	19.00	16.00	14.00	13.00	14.00	26.00	26.00	128.00	102.00
19	SUI15	Beausobre	8.00	26.00	23.00	19.00	26.00	16.00	18.00	136.00	110.00
20	NED46	Fiona	23.00	18.00	17.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	26.00	138.00	112.00
21	GBR19	Finvola	22.00	19.00	21.00	20.00	17.00	17.00	19.00	135.00	113.00
22	GBR1	Maida	24.00	20.00	19.00	18.00	26.00	21.00	21.00	149.00	123.00
23	F23	Cailin	18.00	26.00	24.00	26.00	26.00	22.00	20.00	162.00	136.00
24	GBR66	St Kitts III	21.00	26.00	22.00	21.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	168.00	142.00
25	K15	Duet	25.00	26.00	25.00	26.00	26.00	23.00	26.00	177.00	151.00

The sea evokes in me infinite thoughts and moods; serenity, turmoil, the beginning of life, the unconquerable end. Majestic, awesome, often cruel but always indescribably beautiful—Ricardo Montalban



6 Metre Worlds, Cont'd

...On Day 4, we had the best start of the fleet to begin the first race of the day. We went to the wrong side of the course, as it turned out, and finished 12th. The next race was more like it, with a 5th place finish. Day 5 racing was cancelled due to high winds and currents. This was a very special regatta for **Bob Kat II**, which had previously raced these same waters off Cowes in 1932, as part of the American Team in the British-American Cup.”

Editor's note: Please join us at the Ancient Mariner's General Meeting this Thursday, 2 August, 7:30 PM at the Southwestern Yacht Club, where Greg will present a program on the 6 Metre Worlds, with several beautiful photographs of this year's races, such as the one seen here.



A Downwind Leg, with Bob Kat II at Far Right

8th Maritime Heritage Conference San Diego, October 9 – 12

The Maritime Museum of San Diego, in conjunction with other leading maritime heritage organizations is proud announce the Eighth Maritime Heritage Conference, to be held in San Diego, October 9 – 12, 2007. The conference chair is Dr. Raymond E. Ashley, Executive Director of the Maritime Museum of San Diego.

The Maritime Heritage Conference is a triennial event designed specifically for those from all walks of life interested in maritime culture, history, and heritage. It gives the opportunity for researchers in the manifold aspects of the story of human interaction with



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oceans, seas, and waterways, to share their knowledge and enthusiasm for this integral part of our history. Specialists in maritime history, education, the preservation of historic vessels, marine sanctuaries, underwater archaeology, as well as interested amateurs will have the opportunity to socialize, exchange experiences and ideas, and learn from each other. This will occur through formal receptions, keynote addresses, and close to 200 individual papers to be delivered at more than seventy panels. Mark your calendars!



7 July: 20 Guinea Cup #4 - Race Results

Yacht, Handicap SPM	Allowance SPM	Allowance H:M:S	Finish H:M:S	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Place CL, Points CL
Long Course (Echo), Distance 10.60, Start Time 12:00:00						
Taroa, 165	1007	0:16:47	13:40:32	1:40:32	1:23:45	1, 1
Freedom, 175	1113	0:18:33	13:45:15	1:45:15	1:26:42	2, 2
Sally, 75	53	0:00:53	13:28:45	1:28:45	1:27:52	3, 3
Frolic, 150	848	0:14:08	13:42:10	1:42:10	1:28:02	4, 4
Pacifica, 110	424	0:07:04	13:37:02	1:37:02	1:29:58	5, 5
Brushfire, 70	0	0:00:00	13:30:11	1:30:11	1:30:11	6, 6
Sprig, 125	583	0:09:43	13:44:30	1:44:30	1:34:47	7, 7
Altair, 160	954	0:15:54	13:54:30	1:54:30	1:38:36	8, 8
Short Course (Echo), Distance 5.30, Start Time 12:00:00						
Maid of Kent, 450	1034	0:17:14	13:05:50	1:05:50	0:48:36	1, 1
Pilot, 255	0	0:00:00	13:01:01	1:01:00	1:01:00	2, 2
Zephyr, 270	80	0:01:20	13:07:00	1:07:00	1:05:40	3, 3
L-16 Cup						
Zephyr, 270	80	0:01:20	13:07:00	1:07:00	1:05:40	1, 1

Ray Ashley Presents "The Evolution of the Ship, 6 September

At our 6 September General Meeting, we are pleased to announce that the Executive Director of the San Diego Maritime Museum, Ray Ashley, will host us aboard the ferryboat **Berkeley**. Ray is well known for his insightful and entertaining presentations. September's program will address "The Evolution of the Ship," drawing from the experiences of those who accompanied Ray on an expedition last May through Northern Europe and Scandinavia.

This unique tour traced the origins and development of the ship itself, including the early dark ages, the Viking era, the days of great oceanic empires, and the maritime industrial revolution. Sixteen ships were viewed in six countries spanning more than 2,000 years of maritime history. Ray's program promises to be an extremely interesting account of this adventure, and you may expect extraordinary photography to accompany an incisive overview of the great ships that have been preserved in some of Europe's finest museums.



Courtesy of the Vasa Museum

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12	13	14	15	16 BOD	17	18
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26 Com. Cup	27	28	29	30	31	

UPCOMING EVENTS

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