

THE FALMOUTH CUTTER NEWSLETTER
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The big news seems to be the number of ownership changes since the last Newsletter of June 1988. This issue will be primarily an updating of the owners' directory. A thanks goes out to Rex Johnson for keeping the FC Newsletter going for as long as he could. Unfortunately, a heart attack necessitated selling "Seabird" and ending his part in the Newsletter. As for a new editor, the job is still open. Although I'm enjoying the contact with the other owners, I'm not in the best position to put out quality and quantity. I call myself "semi-retired" (i.e., I have to work double-time in the summer to pay for a winter of sailing.) The best I could hope for is two issues a year. So, if you are already telling yourself "I could do a better job than that" and you have always had a strong desire to be an editor of something, then here's your big chance! If I am not overwhelmed with applications, I will continue to do the best I can, but keep in mind, I'm doing it for fun. I have no expectations of following in the literary wake of the Pardeys, so please do not expect the quality of earlier Newsletters. My main objective is to get some of the owners together so that we are not literally "two ships passing in the night." Anything additional depends on the input from the owners. From the ones I've met, we have a very enthusiastic group.

Rather than sending cash contributions (which some of you already have) I would like a picture of your FC. It needn't be one in the lagoon of Bora Bora under full sail or surfing around Cape Horn under bare poles. Eventually I would like to put these on a color page of the Newsletter, after which you could probably send cash contributions.

If anyone has any equipment for sale (boats, trailers, sails, whatever), we can include an FC Classified section.

The following boats I have heard are for sale (with varying degrees of commitment by their owners):

One Trick Pony, Bob Davey
Bandit, Ross Bell
FC 25, unfinished kit, Henning Christiansen
Tomaquag, Will O'Brien
Libertad, Manfred Willasch
Sun Wings, Merle Weaver
FC 28 hull and deck, Ron Whitsel

We certainly get a lot of people inquiring about our boats. Maybe we can help get a buyer and seller together.

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH:

A tip that has been passed along to me: on those soft groundings, a short walk to the end of the bowsprit will lift the end of the keel better than trying to heel to port or starboard.

For those that do not enjoy the thrill of the guillotine, removable hinges on the lazarette hatch seem to be a popular idea.

George Ceolla, "Annie" NS 02007

Just recently purchased from Richard Moroney, "Annie" (ex-"Essence") was trucked to Stockton, MO where a custom trailer was made for her. She was relaunched in Lake Rathbun in southern Iowa in August. So many people were wanting to see the boat that George had to delay his first sail until they could all get a look at her. In 9/84 she was featured in a color layout in Cruising World magazine.

Brit Wells, "Grace" NS 5

After many years of neglect, "Grace" is getting ship-shape again as Brit is rediscovering the joy of having an FC. Currently on a lake in Texas, she was previously damaged by a wind-shear storm that sunk other boats in the marina. In addition, her engine was stolen. Brit figures he has a couple of years of spare-time work to get her finished and hopes to correspond with other owners for some ideas.

Manfred Willasch, "Libertad" NS 8

An increase in family size has Manfred looking for a larger boat with "Libertad" reluctantly being put up for sale. Sailing out of homeport Everett, WA, he was hoping to get a week's cruising this August.

Ross Bell, "Bandit" FC 2

"Bandit" is currently for sale. Ross says the cost of dock space in southern California is getting steep if you don't get full use out of your boat. A couple of years ago he bought an E-Z Loader trailer and took "Bandit" for some Sea of Cortez sailing.

Russell Andrews, "Jolly Dolphin" FC 3

Russell was so excited about the prospect of a Newsletter that he phoned me direct from NJ to make sure his name was on the mailing list (sounds to me like good editor potential). Russell purchased "Jolly Dolphin" in Sept. 88 from Sam Lippincott, who was trying to move up (?) to a Bristol Channel Cutter. Russell and his wife had previously lived aboard a Tayana 37. The closest FC must be at least a thousand miles away, but he did mention seeing a BCC. (No confirmation whether it was Sam or not.)

Gregg McDonald & Leah Adams, "Siddhartha" FC 6

That's our baby! I first stumbled across "Siddhartha" while wharf-rattin in Sausalito when Steve Casey had her for sale in the mid 80's. Fellow Portlander Latif Tinker was kind enough to buy her, truck her to Portland, and take care of her until last year when the bank deemed me a worthy creditor. Right now we are clearing house of excess boats and plan to trailer our Heritage 20 to Florida for a winter of sailing and selling. Next year we hope a trailer will expand "Siddhartha's" horizons. For now she is moored on the Columbia River within a half mile of "Mariko" and FC 15, which isn't bad company at all. With Ron Whitsel's hull and deck ashore, we must have about the most concentrated local FC fleet around.

Chuck & Shalline Chism, "Mariko" FC 9

Homeport for "Mariko" was moved from Eureka, CA to Portland this July. Previously owning and cruising several other boats, including the 32' Westsail "Saraband," they are quite happily living aboard at Tomahawk Bay Moorage.

John & Nancy Riebe, "Second Look" FC 11

The Riebe's routinely trailer "Second Look" between Mexico and the Pacific Northwest waters from homeport of Lake Tahoe. This summer they were on their way to the San Juans, Vancouver Island, and Desolation Sound.

Doug Hodgson, FC 15

Doug bought his boat in CA a couple of years ago and had it trucked to Portland where he was living aboard while trying to finish the interior. The outside was in sailaway condition, but the interior was bare with the exception of bulkheads and berth framing. She was finished with the help of Ahoi Mench, builder of the 24' Hess-designed "Woodrose", sistership to "Seraffyn." Ten months out of the water and a "few gold bars" later, she was relaunched this summer looking great. Doug is currently living aboard near "Mariko" in Tomahawk Bay Moorage.

Bob Davey, "One Trick Pony" FC 16

In '86 Bob sailed "Pony" from Texas to Florida and back, as was in earlier Newsletter editions. He made the voyage again in '87 solo. He is thinking of selling her to get a BCC, but in the meantime is getting "Pony" ready to hit the trail to more cruising.

Paul Christensen, "Searcher" FC 17

Sailing with family and friends, Paul makes Santa Cruz Island his favored destination. "Searcher" is now in a permanent slip in the Santa Barbara Marina, Marina 3, Slip B50.

Lore & Carroll Allen, "Aspeden" FC 20

Lore writes that "Aspen is in fine fettle, sailed often, our pride and joy, 'the prettiest boat in the harbour'."

Ennis Elliott & Becky Sanders, "Tattooed Lady" FC 21

Purchasing their FC in '86 with extensive cruising in mind, they are trucking to Houston in the spring of '91. After final touches, they plan to sail down the Caribbean chain to Venezuela - and then... ?

Merle Weaver, "Sun Wings" FC 24

Currently on Lake Roosevelt, AZ "Sun Wings" is for sale. Merle has recently purchased "Sun Wings II", a Hardin 45 berthed in Melbourne, Florida.

David Hamrick, FC 26

David expects to finish his boat this spring with plans of a summer cruise up the Pacific Coast through the inside passage to Alaska.

SIGHTINGS & OTHER RUMORS:

Lore Allen reported seeing "Penny Come Quick" and "Small World" in their Gulf Coast ports.

Paul Christensen has spotted Ingmar Mellin and "Palanthia" a couple times a year in various places around the Santa Barbara-Ventura area.

Brian Wooten-Woolley was talking with Rich & Connie Nowak who still have "Simpatico" hidden somewhere in Texas.

NS 3 "Windwalker" was reported to be in Seattle and appeared little used. No news on the owner.

"Bosun" is currently moored in Bodega Bay, CA by new owner Berkeley White. Ex-skipper of "Bosun" Jim Baker is in Portland preparing a 24' powerboat for an inside passage to Alaska this winter.

Jim Hughes has sold "Popeye" FC 4. No info on the new owner.

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