

★ BULLSEYE ASSOCIATION ★

SEPTEMBER MAGIC

For many of us it is a long trip to Mount Desert Island where the 45th Bullseye Nationals will take place over the weekend of September 8-10, but it is absolutely worth it. There is no better sailing anywhere. Those coming from afar will not regret the myriad rotations of their trailer wheels. Southwest Harbor fringed with granite and evergreens is pure September magic.

Those who have made the trip before are familiar with this magic. This will be the 5th time the Southwest Harbor fleet has hosted the Nationals. Not only are the scenery and sailing great, but the hospitality of Chairman Margaret Beaulieu and her fellow volunteers is unsurpassed. Visitors feel welcomed and important from the moment of arrival. Nor is the SWH experience without culinary delight or the joy of deep sleep amid the pine-scented fragrance of a less anxious world.

Enclosed with this newsletter are the Notice of Race and the Registration Form. The latter is two-sided. Fill out both sides and return to Margaret as directed. Charters are available if you feel your tire rotations will be just too numerous. But act quickly. Numbers are limited.

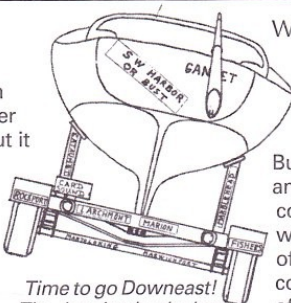
THE LURE OF LABRADOR

With his photographs and paintings artist Peter Stone took 68 Association members and their guests on a tour of the Labrador coastline at the annual dinner on April 29. He presented the lure of the Labrador so convincingly through his images that his audience was ready, then and there, to sign up for a voyage.

What made this northern land especially appealing was Stone's ability to convey his own enchantment with it. There is a soul in those open spaces with which the artist has a personal relationship. He helped us to understand why many who have traveled this same coast have felt a mystic tug beyond explanation. Is it the silence, the immensity, the sheer beauty, or all these and more together?

Not that all is perfect in Labrador. The bugs in their season are a curse. There is poverty in the villages. Something is being lost every day as the old ways of the Inuit are disappearing as young people are seduced by the trappings of today's materialism.

Yet the icebergs, the fog, the gales, the high mountains descending steeply to the sea all remain, as does the perfection of sunny, windless days when objects miles away seem close at hand. This is the kingdom of Nanook the polar bear who can scent a human ten miles away. Perhaps the true lure of the Labrador is the contrast it provides to urban sprawl and all the other places where once nature gods played until our oil-stained acres of asphalt chased them away.



*Time to go Downeast!
The drawing by the late
Jim Runkle symbolizes
the venturesome spirit
of the Bullseye fleet.*

WELCOME TO THE 45TH BULLSEYE NATIONALS

Dear Bullseye Sailors,
On behalf of the Southwest Harbor Fleet, I would like to extend a warm invitation to Bullseye sailors, their families and friends, to join us on September 8-10 for the 45th Bullseye Nationals. From the magnificent rockbound islands and granite cliffs to the sweeping vistas of Somes Sound, come to where the mountains meet the sea. We are blessed with the most beautiful sailing grounds on the East Coast, offering unparalleled scenery as well as very enjoyable sailing conditions. We do hope that you can make it for a weekend of fun, friends old and new, and great sailing.

— Best wishes, Fred Towers, Commodore SWHF

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Bullseye Association took place on April 29, with business conducted at Cape Cod Shipbuilding in Wareham in the afternoon followed in the evening by dinner and artist Peter Stone's presentation at the Beverly Yacht Club in Marion. Separating business and entertainment allowed more time for business and a more relaxed evening.

The afternoon session began with a tour led by Gordon Goodwin, President of CCSB, the womb of the Bullseye. This was followed by a demonstration of the technique developed by Phil Nutting, technical chairman, and past president Wendy Goodwin, for measuring Bullseye keels. (See article, p.3, for a full description.)

After this presentation President Joan Tiffany began the official business. Secretary David Burnham reported Association membership at 148. He urged participation at the Nationals the second weekend of September at Southwest Harbor, ME. He expressed pleasure over the growing interest of the Deer Isle, ME fleet in becoming more involved in the Association. Burnham's comments were followed by Treasurer Mark Cohen's good news that the Association's finances are healthy.

The bulk of the meeting consisted of Phil Nutting's presentation of six new technical specifications previously described in the March newsletter. Although President Tiffany encouraged discussion, it became apparent that the vast majority of the 35 people present had no objection to rulings to which almost all boats already comply. Blanket approval of all 6 was almost unanimous. (See article, p.3 for details.) The questions raised were more about process than the rulings themselves. President Joan agreed to form a committee to study the Association's by-laws with the aim of clarifying voting and other working procedures. Phil Nutting was presented with a famous Norman Rockwell rendition of a tape measure as a way of thanking him for his hard work.

Jo-Ann Lavigne, co-chair with Wendy Goodwin of the Nominating Committee, presented a proposed slate of officers for 2006-2007. The slate of Emily Wick, Historian; Elizabeth Wohler-Berry, Commodore; Phil Nutting, Technical Chair; Mark Cohen, Treasurer; David Burnham, Secretary and Editor; Susan Mead and Nanna Buckley, co-vice-presidents; and Joan Tiffany, President was enthusiastically accepted. Joan was complimented for remaining at the tiller for a third year and for skillful, dedicated leadership.

At the end of the business meeting those in attendance drove to Marion for the Annual Dinner and Peter Stone's magnificent celebration of Labrador. (See separate article, p.1.)

FROM THE PRESIDENT

As this newsletter reports we had a productive annual meeting including a tour and hospitality at Cape Cod Shipbuilding with demonstrations of the measuring followed by a lovely dinner at the Beverly Yacht Club with a great talk by Peter Stone. We expect that the continued progress on specifications and measurements will have long-term effect on conditions for racing Bullseyes that are fair, and, therefore, also fun. It was a pleasure to have everyone gathered together, and we look forward to the next time during the Nationals in Southwest Harbor, Maine.

Nanna Buckley has been newly elected as Vice President of the Bullseye Association. She has served as Co-Chairman of the Beverly Yacht Club Race Committee and has been an active and enthusiastic Bullseye racer and sailor having participated in the past four national regattas in addition to racing locally at BYC. We are delighted to have her as a new officer of the Association. One of her first assignments will be to review the Association bylaws and to make recommendations at the Executive meeting in November. If you are interested in helping, by all means, please volunteer to work with the Association.

Plan to join us! This year there will be competition for Bullseyes during the Buzzards Bay Regatta hosted by Beverly Yacht Club in Marion on August 4, 5 and 6. For further information: www.buzzardsbayregatta.com. If you need a place to stay we will help with housing! Happy summer sailing!
— Joan Tiffany

NANNA BUCKLEY HONORED AT BEVERLY

The 2005 Peggy Dyer trophy was awarded to Nanna Buckley. The presentation was made by Joan Tiffany at BYC's Cups and Flags event on Labor Day. Commodore Linda Goodwin arranged for Peggy's children, C.C. Dyer, Nancy Dyer Mitton, Julie Neal, Mary Lalli, and Tim Dyer to be present. The daughters assisted in the presentation. For years Peggy was one of the most ardent sailors and caring personalities in Bullseye world.

Nanna skippers *Freya*, and has been an enthusiastic member of the Bullseye fleet, and participant in several Nationals. In addition to her many duties on Race Committees for a number of years, she was an early promoter of the women's keelboat program, which has trained many racers and generally increased participation in racing competition. The award was announced as a surprise at Cups and Flags, and the cheers and applause of the members surely was an indication that they approved of Nanna's selection.

Thanks to Richard Pline for this timely reminder of the qualities of the Association's new Co-Vice-President.

OF JUNE AND JOAN

They may sound like twins, but one is a month and the other a president. Both connote happiness. Indeed, this editorial is a celebration of June and Joan. As I write, my boat is still in the garage and I feel a sense of loss as each beautiful June day goes by without my 51-year-old *Querida* tasting the water of Fishers Island Sound. Each morning I give her a pat and together we count the days. Someday, I always say, we will sail from May to October. But let's all be grateful for June when winter dreams of sparkling blue water and of the tiller between the fingers do become real.

Let us also be grateful for Joan who has cheerfully accepted a third year as President of the Bullseye Association. She has steered us through two not-so-easy years. Hard decisions had to be made about Technical Specifications. Had Joan neglected to lead in these matters we might well have lost our bearings and the enthusiasm of many members. Joan Tiffany's gift to Bullseye sailing has been that she encouraged the tough decisions while running the Association with cheer and humor. We are lucky to have her at the helm in 2006-2007.
— Dave Burnham

WELCOME NANNA BUCKLEY!

Nanna has accepted the role of Co-Vice President of the Bullseye Association for 2006-2007. One of the more venturesome of Marion sailors, Nanna has participated in the Nationals at both Card Sound and Southwest Harbor. She sails #595, *Freya*, out of the Beverly Yacht Club. Welcome, Nanna, to the Executive Committee and a new leadership role for the Association!



*Secretary Dave Burnham in *Querida* (80) and new Co-Vice President Nanna Buckley in *Freya* (575) race for the finish in the sparkling waters of Southwest Harbor, at the 2001 Nationals. Photo by John Johansen.*

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CARD SOUND FINALE: THE PUMPKIN KEY RACE

The sailing race around Pumpkin Key is the longest and most interesting race of the year at Card Sound. There were 15 mph winds and sixteen boats travelling a course that took them twice around the island, going either direction.

At the crowded start, Bob Holzman and George Fenner as well as Jane Schafer and Eileen Mullray got off to good starts - too good. They were over early and called back by the Committee Boat. Jane and Eileen returned to restart. Unfortunately, Bob and George did not hear the recall. Consequently, they rounded the first buoy in the lead. Sadly, again due to auditory deficiency, they failed to hear the change of course horn and were speedily sailing the course that had won them six of the pumpkin trophies in the past. They enjoyed their trip down memory lane and were last seen making a third pass around the island. Spence Gowrie and Linda Noble rounded the mark second having gone clockwise around the island. Dick and Valerie Elliott rounded the mark third but in the process hit the fourth place boat of Don Wright and Sandy Chapin. The Elliotts performed their 720 penance in a timely fashion. Al Mast and son Jeffrey, who has been serving in Iraq rather than sailing for several years, were in fifth place.

By the second mark Spence Gowrie and Linda Noble had the lead. Wright/Chapin were in second place followed by the Elliotts, Masts, and new kids on the block, James Morrison and David McDonough who had been dead last across the starting line.

By the third turn Gowrie/Noble had experienced a little excitement with Linda floundering about the bottom of the boat while Spence valiantly kept the boat from broaching, they dropped to seventh place.

At the final buoy, Wright/Chapin maintained the lead. Morrison/McDonough had taken over second. It was all coming back to Jeffrey Mast as he and his father moved into third. And behold - Gowrie/Noble overcame trauma for a fourth place finish followed by Stewart and Evie Pinsof who vow that they would have been first if everyone else had gone around the island in their direction.

As the picket boat Nobility was dismantling the race course by retrieving the buoys, one of the buoys preferred to stay where it was. Ever helpful mate Larry Chapin tied the line to the cleat. Captain Noble revved the engine and almost ripped the cleat off. The buoy won. There is now a fine anchor and severed line lurking on the bottom of Card Sound.

MASTS MASTER MILLS

Al and Lynne Mast, National Champions, dominated the racing in March with 5 firsts in the eight-race Mills Series. They were followed by Shirley Shumway who edged out the Fenner/Holzman duo by one point. James Morrison was 4th, and Don Wright an unusually low 5th. In the Metcalf Series (no spinnakers) Janette Ragucci took first followed by Suzy Rice in second and Ed Kirschner in third.

George Fenner and his brother Peter will be sailing in the Nationals at Southwest Harbor in September. We hope the Masts will also come to represent Card Sound and to defend their championship. All other Floridians are urged to come enjoy autumnal sailing in Maine.

Gracious Bud and Jane Berry provided a perfect picnic on their special island. To them we offer many thanks for hosting our favorite sailing event.

— Sandy Chapin



Where and when? Gordy Goodwin found this photo in Cape Cod Shipbuilding's archives. Is this at Key Largo? We don't think so. Send answers to a curious editor.

BULLSEYESFORSALE

Asking \$3200. Built 1960's. White topsides with green bottom. Needs paint and minor bilge repair. All sails and spars, including spinnaker and pole, oars, anchor, assorted fenders, rope and accessories. Cradle included (no outboard or trailer). Boat is in Mystic, CT. Contact Bill Thorndike at marthee@sbcglobal.net or call (860) 536-9478.

Asking \$13,500. Built 2001. Owner, Bob Carlson. (H) (941) 474-0046; email: rvcarlson.abc@comcast.net; Location, Lemon Bay, near Manasota Key, FL; sail #893, buff deck, red boot top, blue hull; main and jib; genoa tracks, boom vang, winches, jib club, anchor, cockpit cover; Triad trailer yr. 2000, excellent condition; outboard motor bracket and 2HP Honda; ladder, hiking stick, seat cushions.

Asking \$8500. Built 1972. Grey deck. White topsides. Comes with 1972 trailer in good shape. Boat very little used. In excellent condition. Stored indoors with cover. Located in Port Clyde Maine. Contact Christopher Schellens at (860) 767-1244 or

vintage. Former has new epoxy bottom and galvanized trailer in good condition. Latter needs TLC, but is in sailable condition. Contact Jean or Margaret Beaulieu at (207) 224-3374 or at classicboatshop@adelphia.net

Asking \$8,500. Built 1974. Sail #716, dark blue topsides and white deck. Included are Genoa tracks, Winches, Jib Club, Anchor, Boom Rest, Cockpit cover in excellent condition, 1968 homemade steel Trailer best for storage, Outboard Bracket and Pump. 1974 Thurston Mainsail and Working Jib in fair condition and 1994 Thurston Genoa in good condition. Boat is located in North Ferrisburg, VT. Contact Douglas Griffin (802) 425-2709 or Bullseye716@hotmail.com.

Asking \$12,500. Built 1994. Sail #849, White topsides and Tan deck. Included are Genoa tracks, Compass, Anchor, 1994 Magic Tilt Trailer, Lifting Sling, Outboard Bracket, 1993 3.5 HP Nissan Outboard Motor, Pump and Wood Seats. One set each of Thurston and Santa Cruz sails consisting of Mainsail, Working Jib and Genoa. Boat is located in Gimli, Manitoba, Canada. Contact Randy Melnyk (204) 793-0235 or fax (204) 688-5277

Boom Rest, Cockpit cover in good condition, immaculate custom steel Trailer with new tires, Outboard Bracket and Wood Seats. Thurston Mainsail and Genoa in good condition and new Thurston Working Jib and Spinnaker. Professionally refinished in 2005. Boat is located in Ipswich, MA. Contact Chris Small, (978) 500-4305.

Asking \$12,500. Built 1996. Deck gray; bottom blue; topsides white. Thurston sails, main, genoa, working jib. Spinnaker pole, genoa tacks, jib club, anchor, boom rest, cockpit cover, trailer, lifting sling, pump. Contact Dana Pollard, 28 Bruggeman Place, Mystic CT 06355. Tel: (860) 536-5322 (H) or (860) 961-7237 (W)

Asking \$7500. Built 1974. Sail #708, white topsides, grey deck. Boat in very good condition always stored indoors. Main & jib in fair condition. Genoa good. Included are cockpit cover, jib club, boom rest, anchor, compass, pump, etc. New S.S. lifting eye keel bolt and S.S. lifting sling. Trailer 1996, excellent, never in water. Located Vero Beach, FL. Contact Dean Young 772-234-2342, or deyoung@hotmail.com.