

WESTSAIL – NUMERO UNO

Congratulations to Al and Margaret Nowlin on winning first in their class in the Ensenada Race! I wanted to send out a news release saying that a "turkey double ender had gobbled up the Ensenada Race" — but alas, no one around here except Snider Vick thought it was a good idea.

GOING TO CANADA?

I received an interesting letter from David and Laurel Sedgley (Proprietors of the CRACROFT MARINE SERVICE, Lagoon Cove, East Cracroft Island, British Columbia, Canada). I thought I would share part of it with you:

There have been many changes in my life since 1972 and the first was that I bought this business. The development has changed due to local conditions and the income base. Now instead of 100% marine repairs centered around the marine ways, it is catering for the tourists in the summer months with enlarged float space (from 100' to 464' this year) and gradually supplying services for this trade. The marine ways also operates for repairs, but we are branching out into more things like fuel (as an independent operator), some accessories, and even garden produce which is surplus to our own needs. Our speed boat is used for both water taxis work and some towing too.

We wish you nothing but success in your sales of a solidly made seaworthy vessel for the serious yachtsman, and wish to let you know that if you have the organization to make this known that any Westsail owner who comes in here will get their first night of the season float space free. We hope to see some of them up here in our ideal waters for cruising families in the near future.

I will clarify that this gentleman is not a Westsail owner; however, I thought it would be nice to let all of you know that the invitation has been made if you're planning to be in the Canada area. He can be reached at P.O. Box 42, Minstrel Island, British Columbia, VOP-1LQ, Canada.

A LITTLE BIT OF TEXAS

"Only in Texas" was all I could say when Bob Marsh, our Westsail representative in Houston started off the April Cruising Conversations with a CANNON SHOT!!! I'm afraid we will be hard pressed to follow THAT act with future events.

ANOTHER WESTSAIL RACES, SINGLEHANDED

The invincible Dave White races his fair CATAPHA yet again, this time in the famed Singlehanded Transatlantic Race from Plymouth, England to New York harbor. After the race you can hear about Dave's adventures firsthand, as he will be available indefinitely at our New York/Connecticut Cruising Center.

SHOP THE WESTSAIL SHIP'S STORE IN PERSON

As of June 1 all the fine accessories you've seen in the pages of the Windbag can be ordered in person at the Newport Beach Cruising Center. Ann Moreland, who has worked with Ship's Store customers for several years, will be on hand Tuesdays through Saturdays to explain the features of the most unique assortment of cruising paraphernalia in the country. So now you can order by mail, in person, or by phone (714) 549-9711 . . . either have your selection delivered to your doorstep or pick it up in Newport Beach. Be sure to come by!!!

TREASURE HUNT IN SAN FRANCISCO

The first Westsail Cruising Rally was held on April 10th in San Francisco. I was personally unable to attend but understand that it was a huge success! Don Ketcham owner of RELIANCE, Westsail 32 hull no. 264 took home the first place trophy. Stan Tice, Westsail 32 hull no. 280 AL NA'IR came in second and Steve Payne, Westsail 32 hull no. 52 AEGIR was third. Congratulations to all of you.

WIN A WESTSAIL

Win a Westsail??? A Westsail as a door prize??? Bring a friend to the second annual Westsail Cruising Ship's Contest. Have them step aboard the beautifully outfitted competing Westsails. Then vote for their choice . . . your friend may be the lucky person who leaves with the door prize . . . a Westsail 32 hull!!! Why not give someone you like the chance to join the Westsail family at a price anyone can afford — FREE! A 32 foot sailboat as a door prize? Well . . . she won't sail until she's finished out to their satisfaction. But it's easy with the instructions and help furnished by Westsail. So let your friends know that all they have to do is attend either the West or East Coast Cruising Ship's Contest, vote for their choices in the 4 categories and in return they will be given the chance to win a Westsail 32 hull! Two Westsails will be given — one on the East Coast and one on the West Coast.

Westsail employees and their families and present Westsail owners are not eligible to win. (Don't feel too bad as that lets ME out too!)

While we are on the subject of the Westsail Cruising Ship's Contest, I might make mention the fact that this year we will be charging a \$3.00 admission fee for anyone attending (which hopefully will keep the crowd down to the "serious cruisers").

Also, the location for the East Coast Contest has been changed to the Westsail Cruising Center, Horn Point Harbor, Annapolis, Maryland. It is the general feeling that Wrightsville Beach is not as convenient to most of our East Coast owners as Maryland.

It has been definitely decided that the race this year will be a "couples" race. The race will be held on Friday afternoon preceding the start of the Cruising Ship's Contest. The exact course and rules will be sent to you with your entrants package.

By the by . . . I am somewhat concerned that some of you are waiting until later to sign up for the contest. I would STRONGLY urge you to turn in the form which is enclosed TODAY!! we have limited dock space at both locations and I would hate to see anyone left out who really had planned on entering. To repeat the locations and dates:

WEST COAST CRUISING SHIP'S CONTEST — Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 4 & 5, Westsail Cruising Center, Lido Village, Newport Beach, California.

EAST COAST CRUISING SHIP'S CONTEST — Oct. 16 & 17, Westsail Cruising Center, Horn Point Harbor, Annapolis, Maryland.

I just saw the list of prizes this year!! WOW!!!

If any of you have any questions whatsoever, please feel free to call or write to me here at the factory (P.O. Box 1828, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 — (714) 549-9711).