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CAMPBELL RIVER YACHT CLUB



Dedicated to bringing ENJOYMENT to all aspects of boating.

***NEWSLETTER –
2ND QUARTER, 2024***

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Commodore's Message

Greetings to all and welcome to summer. The tides are challenging and the winds light but the scenery of the west coast is stunning. Hope everyone gets out as much as possible.

The April beach party at Don and Wendy Breaks' house was well attended and a good time had by all. It was a bit of a blowy day as the crew was inside sheltering from the gale.

At the Gorge Harbour rendezvous in May we had 9 boats tied up and Wade's roast was terrific as usual. Thanks again to Marg and Dan for the arrangements.

Our executive has been working on the revision of the by-laws as sent out for your perusal. We will have a membership vote on ratification at the AGM in November.

Rene Bosshart and Terry Pennock, long time members of the CRYC, passed away this month and will be very much missed. Condolences go out to their family and friends.

Wishing all fair winds and following seas,

Doug McGregor
Commodore
"Kismet III"

Editor's Notes

Due to personal reasons I was not able to attend Club activities for most of this quarter, however I understand that there was good participation and thanks to Club members who forwarded on some photos for enclosure in this newsletter, it appears that the weather for the most part was favourable. In late April, I was able to attend the Refuge Cove rendezvous, which was well-attended and during which the weather was really kind. In the latter part of June I was able to get out for a week and covered some of my favourite areas, plus some new ones (Jedediah Island). Fortunately I had following seas (see Doug's sign-off) for most of the trip. One of my favourite tie-ups is the Texada Island Boating Club marina at Sturt Bay, near Vananda on Texada Island. While I was there, the beautiful setting and calm evening was host to a "Paddle for Life" memorial service and I was fortunate to have a front row seat (not by design). After leaving Sturt Bay, I headed south and rounded the south end of Texada. The weather forecast was typical June unsettled weather (south-east gales) so I found a well-protected anchorage on the northwest side of Jedediah Island. The next day was really blustery and after sticking my nose out into the southeast blow, I decided to turn tail and run with the wind northwest through Bull Passage and make a course for Comox. I left the Lasqueti rocks at about noon and made excellent time, reaching 8.5 knots at times quartering down the long rollers with only about 2/3 of a headsail. By 1630 hrs I was negotiating that nasty stretch of water crossing the Comox Bar in a 30 knot+ southeaster. Tying up at the Comox Marina was not an option for a single-hander in that kind of wind, so I turned south and found some protection in the anchorage at Henry Bay on the north side of Denman Island. By the time I got anchored, the wind was veering southerly and even in the anchorage it was gusty and unsettled. Fortunately the holding ground is good and I spent a restful night with a quietening wind.

I want to extend accolades to Wade Major and crew aboard "Katana" for their excellent performance at the 2024 Swiftsure Race at Victoria. Wade has provided some insight into how his race went and some great photos (see the "Member News" section of this issue). In the "Member's Boat" section of this issue, Ken and Lynn Johnstone's boat "Adventure" is featured. Thanks to Ken and Lynn for providing some details on their boat, a Laguna 30.

Steve Gardner, Newsletter Editor

"Dance Lightly"



Plate 1. A Paddle for Life dragonboat on a peaceful evening at Sturt Bay, Texada Is.



Plate 2. The sea state prior to the wind reaching 30 knots and the weather closing in (no photos after that!)



Plate 3. The Henry Bay anchorage on the north end of Denman Is. as the wind veered south. The anchorage is sandy, and good-holding.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Calendar Items:

- **Men's and Ladies Lunch: TBA via email.**

Note: All planned social events will be confirmed by email, with more details. Un-planned social events, such as cruising hook-ups, are encouraged.

Planned Events:

The next planned event is the third Wednesday of September at the Fish and Wildlife Clubhouse: details to follow in an email which will precede the event.

Recent Events:

Thursday, April 18 – Saturday, April 20: Refuge Cove Rendezvous. This event is quickly becoming a favourite for early season boating. The prawning season is in full swing at this time of year, and the cold waters provide a great opportunity to harvest some oysters at nearby Teakerne Arm. This year, 8 boats attended this event. The weather couldn't have been better for April, with sunny days and clear still nights. I departed Campbell River on Wednesday, Apr. 17 and was lucky to catch a perfect northwesterly so that I was able to sail for 90% of the transit, arriving at Refuge Cove at about 1600 hrs. As usual, the food was excellent, with the Yacht Club providing a succulent Prime Rib for the evening of Friday, Apr. 19, cooked to perfection by Wade Major, with club members providing the side dishes which included some delicious salads.



Plate 4. Happy Club members enjoying a fine afternoon on the dock at Refuge Cove.



Plate 5. A peaceful evening setting in at Refuge Cove.



Plate 6. "Katana" departing for Teakerne Arm on an oyster harvesting expedition.



Plate 7. The delicious Saturday evening special on the Refuge Cove Dock.

Beach Hot Dog Roast: Club members Don and Wendy Breaks hosted the Club at their beachfront house for a hot dog roast in late April. The event was well-attended but a brisk wind put a damper on beach activities.

Gorge Harbour Rendezvous: The annual Gorge Harbour Rendezvous was held on May 17, 18 and 19. Nine boats were in attendance at this long weekend event. The Comox Yacht Club was also holding their get-together at the Gorge on this weekend as well, so the docks and facilities were busy. Again the weather cooperated to ensure a pleasant and peaceful weekend. The food at these events is always a big drawing card, and Wade Major performed his magic on a delicious prime rib provided by the Club, with side dish contributions from the attending members. Activities included annual mast maintenance.



Plate 8. Mast maintenance on a sunny afternoon at Gorge Harbour.



Plate 9. Club members enjoying in-house musical talent at the Gorge Harbour dock.



Announcements



We Support BC Marine Parks Forever <http://www.marineparksforever.ca/>

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Marine Parks Forever Website has some great tips and informative articles on stern tie methods (I highly recommend visiting this site). There is also some great information on tree damage (in particular arbutus trees) that can occur from stern tie rope abrasion. It's recommended that boaters not use live trees as stern tie points whenever possible, and when it is necessary, use a towel or rag around the tree and do not free spool the stern tie rope around the tree when retrieving, thus preventing excessive bark damage.

Marine Parks Forever –

The Campbell River Yacht Club donates each year to the B. C. Marine Parks Forever Society. Our membership donates \$10.00 each to Marine Parks Forever, as a surcharge on the Annual Dues. CRYC issues tax refundable receipts for these individual donations. Thanks to your generosity we can continue to support this worthwhile BC charity. For more info, see <http://www.marineparksforever.ca/>



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The B. C. Marine Parks Forever Society received feedback regarding the recent improvements to the Stern Tie Program (in particular Desolation Sound and Teakerne Arm Marine Parks). Attached is a map of the Desolation Sound Area (courtesy B. C. Parks and Recreation Website: not to be used for navigation). Recent stern tie improvements include both the Desolation Sound anchorages at Tenedos Bay and at Grace Harbour, as well as the Teakerne Arm Marine Park on West Redonda Island. As a result, a program of installing yellow tags on all stern tie anchor points was completed this year, in order to make the anchor points more visible to boaters. For more information on the stern tie program and other improvements, please visit <http://www.marineparksforever.ca> or <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/info>



A general note regarding Transport Canada Pleasure Boat Regulations (*according to the BCCYC there is some serious consideration being given by the regulators to require that lifejackets be worn at all times*):

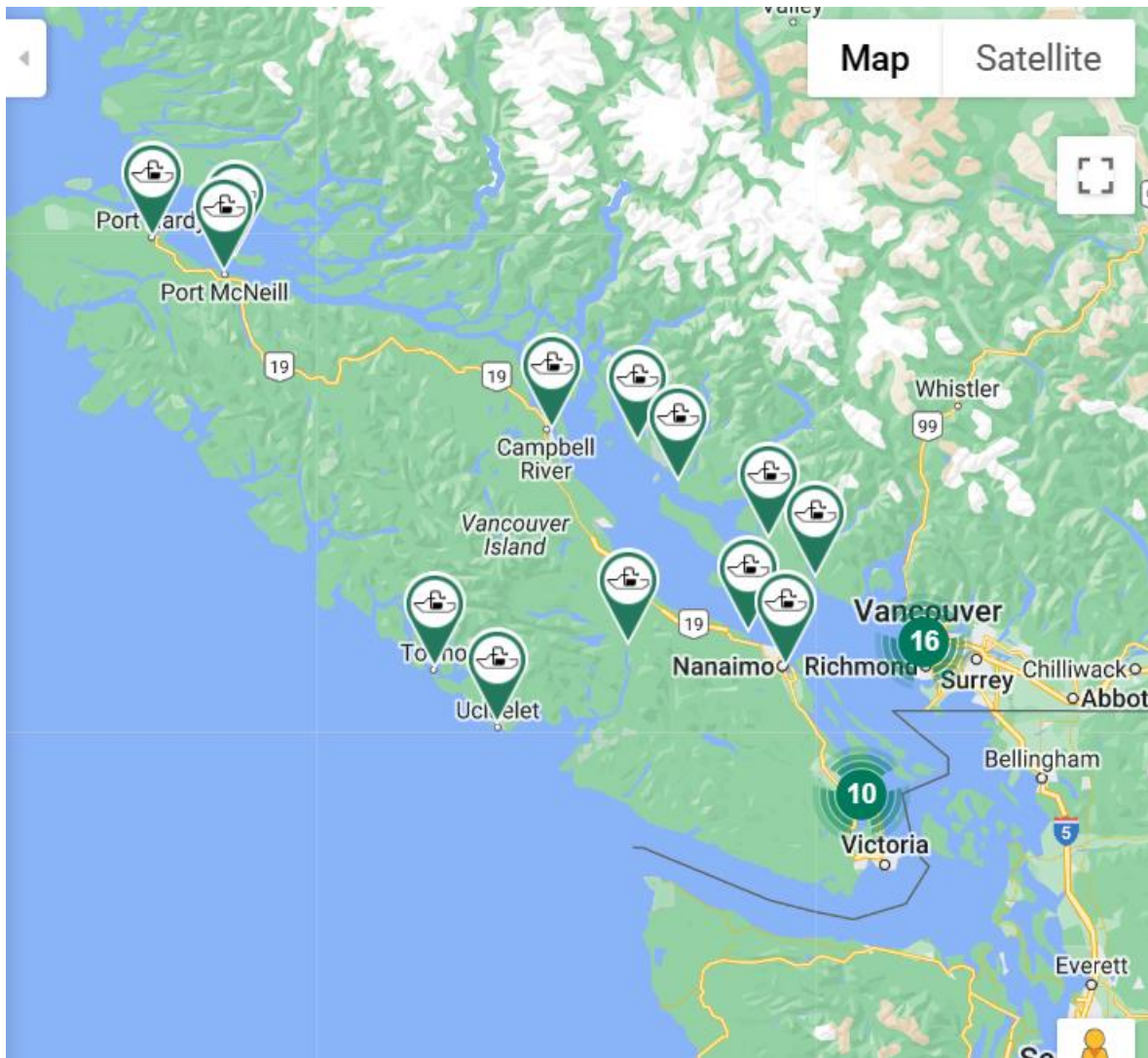
- You are required by law to have a lifejacket or PFD (Personal Flotation Device) on board for each person on a watercraft. This includes human-powered craft.
- A lifejacket is your best defence against cold-water shock. Research shows that unexpected immersion in cold water is a serious risk to life if a boater is not wearing a flotation device. This is true despite the boater's experience, closeness to shore, and even swimming ability.
- A sudden fall into cold water can seriously affect breathing, nerves, and muscle strength. A lifejacket gives you thermal protection as well as keeping you buoyant.

Link to DOT website: <https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/getting-started-safe-boating-/choosing-lifejackets-personal-flotation-devices-pfds>

In case of emergency... Channel 16 on the VHF Radio for the Canadian Coast Guard. The Canadian Coast Guard website lists the following contact numbers for BC: Toll free (within region) 1-800-567-5111; Phone 1-250-413-8933, Cellular #727

http://www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/SAR_Rescue_Centre_Contact_Information

Another item to note involves the testing of the CO2 cylinders employed by most of the inflatable life jackets that are so popular today. The cylinders should be checked annually to ensure that they have not been subjected to inadvertent decompression. Replacement kits are available at most marine retail outlets.



The Council of BC Yacht Clubs has provided a map showing the locations of marine pump-out stations along our part of the coast.

For those of you interested in studying regional weather patterns, Environment Canada produced a very detailed study on regional B.C. coastal weather patterns. Its available from the Environment Canada website:



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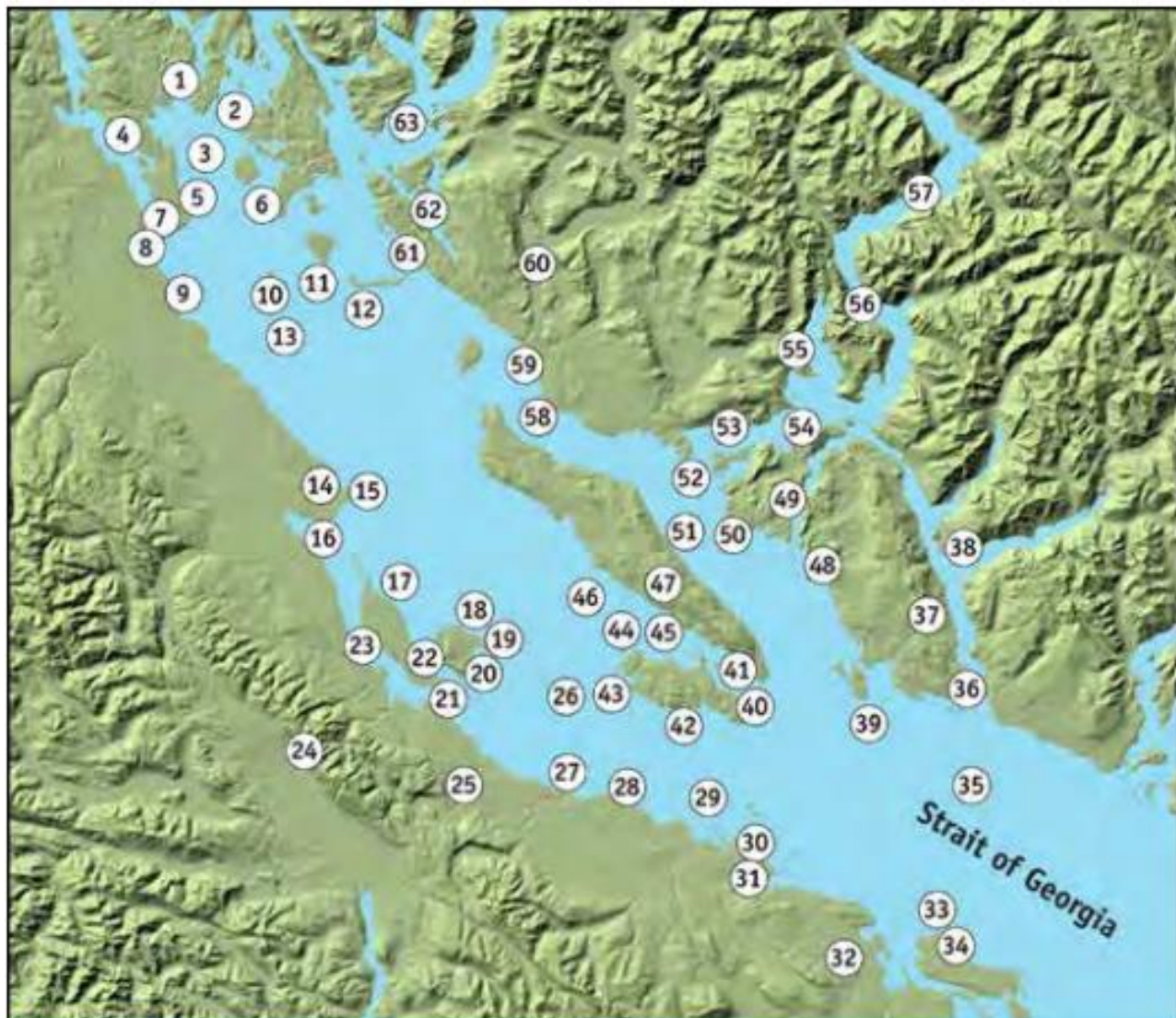
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www.ec.gc.ca

National Marine Weather Guide British Columbia Regional Guide

**I found a really good reference map on the Georgia Strait area,
reproduced below:**



Strait of Georgia

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| 1. Hoskyn Channel | 22. Lambert Channel | 43. False Bay |
| 2. Read I. | 23. Baynes Sound | 44. Scottie Bay |
| 3. Sutil Channel | 24. Beaufort Range | 45. Sabine Channel |
| 4. Discovery Passage | 25. Home Lake | 46. Texada I. |
| 5. Quadra I. | 26. Sisters I. | 47. Mt. Davies |
| 6. Cortes I. | 27. Qualicum Beach | 48. Pender Harbour |
| 7. Cape Mudge | 28. French Creek | 49. Agenemnon Channel |
| 8. Campbell River | 29. Ballenas I. | 50. Nelson I. |
| 9. Oyster Bay | 30. Schooner Cover | 51. Malaspina St. |
| 10. Mitlenatch I. | 31. Nanoose Bay | 52. Hardy I. |
| 11. Hernando I. | 32. Nanaimo | 53. Saltery Bay |
| 12. Savary I. | 33. Entrance I. | 54. Jervis Inlet |
| 13. Sentry Shoal | 34. Gariola I | 55. Hotham Sound |
| 14. Comox Airport | 35. Halibut Bank | 56. Prince of Wales Reach |
| 15. Comox Bluff | 36. Sechelt | 57. Princess Royal Reach |
| 16. Comox Harbour | 37. Sechelt Inlet | 58. Grief Pt. |
| 17. Denman I. | 38. Salmon Inlet | 59. Powell River |
| 18. Hornby I. | 39. Merry. | 60. Powell Lake |
| 19. Helliwell Pk | 40. Bull Passage | 61. Lund |
| 20. Tribune Bay | 41. Jedediah I. | 62. Okeover Inlet |
| 21. Chrome I. | 42. Lasqueti I. | 63. Desolation Sound |

CRYC BURGEE'S AVAILABLE NOW.

The CRYC Executive has on hand a new supply of CRYC burgees: For existing members, and new members, these are available at a cost of \$25.00 each. Please contact Dan Swain at 250-203-9100 to place your order.

Membership News...

The club currently has a total of 18 paid-up Memberships, 2 Life Memberships, and 2 Honorary Memberships. The Club dues for 2024 are pegged at \$150.00 which includes a \$10 donation to Marine Parks Forever.

Please notify Alan Marsh or Doug McGregor if you have a change of address, e-mail or telephone so the club can keep our Membership List up to date.

The mailing address for the Club is:

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2641 Campbell River Road, Campbell River, B. C., V9W-4P1

Mr. Alan Marsh, the CRYC Treasurer for 2024, is responsible for the collection of membership dues. If there are any questions related to membership, please contact Alan at 519-375-7625.

CRYC Annual Donations: In addition to our Annual Donation to Marine Parks Forever, the Club was able to donate \$325.00 in 2023 to the local Campbell River Food Bank, (a worthy recipient).

Swiftsure 2024

Once again Wade Major and crew in his boat “*Katana*” participated in the annual Victoria Swiftsure Race. The race was held on Saturday, May 25. “*Katana*” took part in the Juan De Fuca PHRA Monohull race, which is a 75 nautical mile course. “*Katana*” had a corrected time of just over 24 hrs to complete the course. Wade has provided a description of the race from his perspective:

“Conditions were difficult. Strong winds at the start with wind against current for short steep chop. Just before the start, we saw one gust of 28 kts. *Katana* started with a double reefed main and the number 2 genoa up. That worked well. Before we got to Race Rocks the current had changed and we had to go outside to sail to windward against a flooding tide. The seas gradually subsided and the wind slacked until we were able to go to a single reef in the main and then a full main. We rounded the windward mark just before dark and then sailed with the big spinnaker all night. Daylight saw us just north of Race Rocks with no wind and a small flood washing us outside the rocks. The wind stayed very light, the tide turned and at one point we were going backward 4.5 kts past Race Rocks. The wind gradually filled in from the SE and we were able to slowly sail against the current. We finished around 2:30, taking something like 9 hours to get from Race Rocks to Victoria. The positives were that we finished when over 50 % of the fleet did not. No one got seasick or injured. There was no damage to the boat. We finished 10 out of the 32 monohulls that started the Juan da Fuca race, including all the boats faster than us. We finished 4th in our division out of 12 similar boats.”

A very worthy performance indeed!!



Plate 10. The start of the Swiftsure Juan De Fuca race in a brisk wind.



Plate 11. Close action for the crew of “Katana” near the start of the Juan De Fuca race.



Plate 12. Wade Major and crew on board “Katana” in Victoria Harbour.

Members Boat

For this issue, Ken and Lynn Johnstone are showcasing their boat *“Adventure”*. *“Adventure”* is a Laguna 30. Ken and Lynn have owned *“Adventure”* for 16 years. Ken has provided some details as follows:

“After retiring from the Kootenays we left the snowy mountains of Rossland for a new adventure. After purchasing our home in Campbell River we purchased *“Adventure”*. The Laguna 30 was designed by Shad Turner who designed many other sailboats including Santana, Shock, Lancer, and Classic. Laguna Yachts existed from 1973 to 1987 before going out of business. Laguna sailboats were built for about 5 years. Laguna wanted to compete with Catalina yachts but were more expensive due to the additional features. The boat is 8700 lbs with 2800 lbs ballast. It is good in light winds but capable under more serious winds. The boat has a 10 ft 8 inch beam and is often mistaken for a 34 foot boat. Over the years that we have owned her we have repowered with a Yanmar 3GM 20 , added a windlass, and like any boat the list goes on. *“Adventure”* is a perfect boat for 2 but claims to sleep 7 (which we have). We have explored most of Desolation Sound, Discovery Islands, and up to the Blind Channel area. While out, beside enjoying sailing, we like to explore with our paddle boards, kayaks, and swim.”

The Laguna boat family was built to withstand typical offshore California sailing. According to the website [“SailboatData.com”](http://SailboatData.com), here are some details on the Laguna 30:

LAGUNA 30

Sailboat Specifications

Hull Type:	Fin w/spade rudder
Rigging Type:	Masthead Sloop
LOA:	29.96 ft / 9.13 m
LWL:	26.00 ft / 7.92 m
S.A. (reported):	432.00 ft ² / 40.13 m ²
Beam:	10.67 ft / 3.25 m
Displacement:	8,700.00 lb / 3,946 kg
Ballast:	2,800.00 lb / 1,270 kg
Max Draft:	4.00 ft / 1.22 m
Construction:	FG
First Built:	1983
Last Built:	1987
Builder:	Laguna Yachts
Designer:	W. Shad Turner

Auxiliary Power/Tanks (orig. equip.)

Make:	Universal
Type:	Diesel
HP:	18
Fuel:	16 gals / 61 L

Accommodations

Water:	31 gals / 117 L
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Sailboat Calculations

S.A. / Displ.:	16.39
Bal. / Displ.:	32.18
Disp: / Len:	220.98
Comfort Ratio:	21.12
Capsize Screening Formula:	2.08
S#:	2.40
Hull Speed:	6.83 kn
Pounds/Inch Immersion:	991.25 pounds/inch

Rig and Sail Particulars

I:	39.00 ft / 11.89 m
J:	11.50 ft / 3.51 m
P:	34.00 ft / 10.36 m
E:	12.25 ft / 3.73 m
S.A. Fore:	224.25 ft ² / 20.83 m ²
S.A. Main:	208.25 ft ² / 19.35 m ²
S.A. Total (100% Fore + Main Triangles):	432.50 ft ² / 40.18 m ²
S.A./Displ. (calc.):	16.41
Est. Forestay Length:	40.66 ft / 12.39 m
Mast Height from DWL:	43.00 ft / 13.11 m

Sailboat Organizations

Designer:	W. Shad Turner
Builders:	Laguna Yachts

Additional Notes

There was also a somewhat rare LAGUNA 33, based on the same hull but with a reverse transom. Later, this version became the CLASSIC 33. Neither of these extended versions were built in great numbers.

“Adventure” has a really well-appointed and bright interior, as the photos provided by Ken and Lynn illustrate:



Plate 13. Interior layout of “Adventure”, looking forward.



Plate 14: Interior layout of “Adventure”, looking aft, showing galley and aft quarter-berth.

A great photo of “*Adventure*” under sail.... (courtesy, Ken and Lynn Johnstone).



Plate 15: The Laguna 30 “*Adventure*” on a bright sunny day.