

# Minutes of the Annual Meeting

The 1987 Annual Meeting was called to order on July 9 at Tom's River YC in Tom's River, New Jersey. The roll call of fleets was taken, and 14 fleets were represented.

**President's Report:** Larry Cole announced that a new fleet charter was presented the the Bayside YC in Bayside, New York. (A complete report on the charter presentation will appear in an upcoming *Patter*. -- Ed.) Larry also announced that the Penguin will be featured in the Harken class of the month ad for August, at no cost to the class. Becky Patterson will be preparing information for any responses to the ad.

**Vice President's Report:** Mark Kastel reported that advertising in *Wooden Boat* magazine does exist. He also reported that more boats have been donated to the class, which has increased the promotional fund. (See Treasure's report.)

**Treasurer's Report:** David Stix reported that in the year dating from July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987, the class realized a gain of \$3,099.81. This brings the class coffers to \$13,036.28. Most of the gain was realized from \$3,000 in proceeds from donated boats. North American dues collected totalled \$3,257 for the year. Most of the class's \$4,151.23 in expenses came from

printing and postage costs for the *Patter* and other mailings.

**Secretary's Report:** Steve Shepstone said that four to five inquires are being answered per week, mostly about fleet locations and parts requests.

**Technical Committee Report:** Len Penso reported that 20 sets of plans were sold over the past year. After expenses (copying, etc.), a gain of \$500 was made for the class.

Jay Byrne nominated the existing officers for another year, with the exception of Arnaldo Androtti of Brazil to replace member-at-large Gonzalo Berdes of Argentina. The election was unanimous.

**New Business:** Discussion from the floor included a suggestion that the minimum crew weight be raised, and that the Internationals be held at a different time of year to increase participation. It was decided that both issues should be addressed through a special questionnaire sent to all class members. Becky Patterson and Pat Fitzgerald are putting the questionnaire together.

**Old Business:** Larry Cole has taken over the typing of suggested changes to the Constitution and By-Laws and reasons for the proposed changes. This will be put to a class vote through the mail.

-- Respectfully Submitted,  
Steve Shepstone, Secretary

**Special Report:** One of the distinct pleasures of being a class officer is to carry out the desires of the membership. At the Annual Meeting it was mentioned that the class had aquired a gift for the former *Patter* editor. Since she was not present (probably preparing the surface of her husband's Penguin for the fall season), the membership asked me to make arrangements for its delivery.

While returning the Brazilian loaner boat to the Shepstones, we stopped in Staten Island and delivered the gift. It is a beautiful glass domed clock suitably engraved with thanks for six years of service. Betsy remarked of her great joy over the gift, but recognized a minor dilemma, where to put it with the two young children (future crews for grandpa Joe) thinking it is their new toy. Next, Betsy expressed how much she thought she was going to miss being editor. However, she is adjusting very well and has even found lots of new space in her basement which was previously taken by *Patter* paraphernalia.

Thank you once again Betsy, and enjoy your retirement.

-- Larry Cole

## INTERNATIONALS RESULTS

Name	Home	Boat #	Finishes	Pts.
1. Roberto Guaragna	Brazil	9668	1-1-1-5-1-3-1	139.6
2. John Thompson	Oxford, MD	9664	4-6-3-4-2-1-2	129.4
3. Neil Litman	Edison Twp, NJ	9666	6-7-2-1-3-4-13	122.1
4. Mel Reid, Jr.	Port Jefferson, NY	9667	7-4-5-7-5-13-3	113.1
5. Bruce Patterson	Stamford, CT	9680	9-3-8-2-9-11-4	109.4
6. Paul Wurtzebach	Woodridge, IL	9629	12-10-4-8-4-5-6	107
7. Robert Finley	Glencoe, IL	8784	2-2-14-12-15-2	102.9
8. John Harkrader	Mantoloking, NJ	9632	5-13-6-3-7-8-16	102.1
9. Runnie Colie	Mantoloking, NJ	1377	10-5-7-6-14-17-8	94
10. Larry Cole	Northport, NY	9662	8-8-11-13-8-7-18	89
11. Ed Vienckowski	Belmar, NJ	9682	13-18-9-11-6-16-11	78
12. David Stix	Chicago, IL	9675	15-17-12-15-11-6-7	78
13. Laura Reid	Beechurst, NY	8323	3-12-16-17-18-9-14	73.1
14. Joe Hall	Staten Island, NY	9679	18-14-10-14-13-15-20	60
15. Vlad Kobal	Palatine, SC	9674	21-11-21-9-20-12-12	59
16. Jay Byrne	Northport, NY	9140	11-15-15-10-16-21-19	58
17. Larry Owen	Staten Island, NY	9670	17-16-18-DNS-10-18-9	56
18. Jim Knab	Medford Lakes, NJ	4086	16-21-19-16-19-14-5	55
19. Becky Patterson	Chicago, IL	4671	20-20-17-18--17-19-17	36
20. Bill Wienkop	Pt. Pleasant, NJ	7360	23-23-22-21-21-20-21	16
21. Angie Warner	Manasquan, NJ	8690	22-22-23-20-23-22-22	13
22. Steve Adams	Camnbridge, MD	8967	19-19-20-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS	14
23. John Janowski	Hackensack, NJ	9684	DNS-DNS-DNS-22-22-DNF-DNS	4



# PENGUIN PATTERN

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## CALENDAR

- Oct. 10,11 Atlantic Coast Champs, Bristol, RI
- Oct. 25 Columbia YC, Chicago
- Nov. 1 Belmont Harbor, Chicago
- Nov.14 Bayside YC, Bayside, NY\*
- Nov. 21 Deep Freeze, Staten Island\*
- Dec. 5 Ice Pick, Port Washington\*
- Jan. 1,2,3 New Year's Regatta, Port Washington\*

\*Merry-Go-Round Regatta

## PATTER PUBLICATION DATES

The Patter will be published five times per year, with special issues as needed. Following are the issue dates, and due dates for materials you'd like published.

- September Issue** material due: Aug. 1
- December Issue** material due: Nov. 1
- February Issue** material due: Jan 5
- May Issue** material due: April 1
- July Issue** material due: June 1



*The gang's all here! International Champions Roberto Guaragna and Maurico Milano (holding trophy, naturally) surrounded by the rest of the competitors in this year's International Championship held in Tom's River, New Jersey. Larry Cole photo.*

## Guaragna/Milano Int'l Champs!

The Brazilian team of Roberto Guaragna and Maurico Milano won the International Championship held July 8, 9, 10, 1987 at the Tom's River Yacht Club in Tom's River New Jersey. The only South American entry, the team from Porto Allegre' sailed a glass boat borrowed from Steve and Melissa Shepstone of the Sea Cliff fleet in New York. John Thompson and crew Chris Whalen of Tred Avon YC in Oxford, Maryland, finished second, followed by Neal and Kathy Litman of the Richmond County YC fleet. The seven-race series allowed one throwout, and

the Penguin class high-point scoring was used.

Wow! It was amazing how fast the South American representatives were. Wow! Also, it was amazing how much fun the Chicago contingent came to have and had. We all hope they make the trip, as promised, for this year's Midwinter Championship at Port Washington YC in New York. Continuing with amazing statistics, it was great to note the number of participants competing from Region II, which everyone feared was almost defunct. Also

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*Roberto and Maurico (left) pose with the glass boat George the Slug, which they borrowed for the regatta. Becky Patterson (above) came all the way from Chicago to sail her brand new Freedom wooden Penguin. In all, there were seven new boats at the Internationals: three from Freedom boatworks, and four glass boats from the Exact molds. Larry Cole photos.*

## *More on the International Championship. . .*

interesting to note was the age range of the competitors. The winning skipper is only 19, while septegenarian and seven-time International champ Runnie Colie finished ninth.

Enough of amazing facts--on to the racing. The series in general was light from a breeze standpoint, especially for a location which normally has much stronger southerly winds with a short, nasty chop. Breezes were generally five to eight knots, accompanied by hot, hazy, and humid weather. Only once did the twenty-four boat fleet come close to experiencing anything like normal conditions, but even then the wind didn't last through a whole race. The weather gurus blamed the lack of breeze on a stationary high pressure system.

In each of the seven races (the scheduled eighth race was cancelled during the starting sequence) those individuals that chose to go to the left side of the course (even when the wind came from a different initial direction) seemed to fare much better. Whoever said old fiberglass boats (not Burtis-made) were not competitive, should have witnessed Bob Finley in his 139 1/2 pound antique chasing the Braziliains in the first two races (Bob finished seventh). At times certain competitors were seen checking buoys for current, and during some races it was a factor, minor as it may have been. The last race on Thursday (sixth race) started out with the most wind of the

series (about 10-12 mph) but fizzled to a drifter about half way up the last weather leg. The boats on the left side again got the zepthers to finish before the rest of the fleet.

On the social side, the cocktail parties were great, if not at the club, at rented houses they were superb. Thursday night's dinner prior to the annual meeting was exquisite. In addition, the on-the-water lunches were quite adequate, even though I did not hear of anyone winning the M&M million dollar inside-the-package prize.

Compliments to the race committee for the courses, which were good despite the light conditions. Compliments to the competitors because even with the one minute rule in effect at all times, no one was over the line early in any race (save the last, which was cancelled).

There were an awful lot of past presidents competing and assisting in running the event. In addition, past International champions (also a lot of them) were competing and helping to make the regatta successful. To sum up the week, the turnout may have been small, but we certainly had a terrifically wonderful competitive and social time.

--Larry Cole, Richard E. Terhune

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