# The Binnacle

### **NOVEMBER 1994**



NEXT MEETING V.M.S.S. CHRISTMAS SOCIAL DECEMBER 8TH, 1994 6:00 p.m. Dinning Lounge of Westwind Motor Inn Langford, B.C.

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

December 8th, 1994

V.M.S.S. Annual Christmas Social

Westwind Motor Inn

Langford, B.C. 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

March 25th, 1995

CANADIAN OPEN EC-12 CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 26th, 1995

NORTH WEST RACING CIRCUIT,

MARBLEHEAD DIVISION

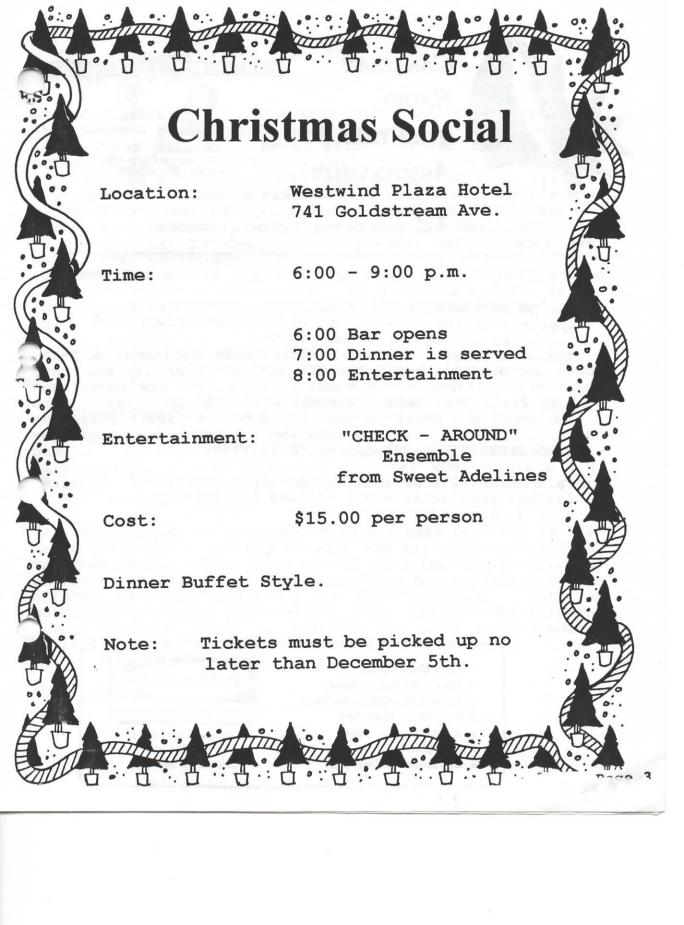
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Harrison Pond

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# CANADIAN RADIO YACHTING ASSOCIATION





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The EC 12 CANADIAN CLASS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, with approval of the CANADIAN RADIO YACHTING ASSOCIATION has given the organization of the CANADIAN OPEN EC 12 CHAMPIONSHIP 1995 to the VICTORIA MODEL SHIPBUILDING SOCIETY.

This event will take place March 25,1995 in conjunction with the annual NORTH WEST RACING CIRCUIT, which this year will include the MARBLEHEAD DIVISIONAL on March 26,1995.

This event will provide an excellent opportunity to further popularize model sailing in Victoria. Henk M. secr. EC12 CCOA.

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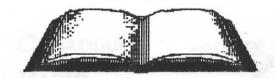
OR SOME EYES ONLY

Around Thanksgiving I got a call from one Robert Buchwald of 4988 Georgia Park Terrace above Cordova Bay. He know of my interest in making in model ships and had one for sale. Actually, he had his entire collection of a lifetime for sale due to his poor health and pending move to Seattle. Doug Dyer and I visited him and were bowled over by his vast array of nautical paintings, books, plans and drawings and workshop tools. The model in question, about 6 feet long, is of the only passenger-carrying whale back steamer ever built, the "Christopher Columbus". All the wood framing is complete and awaits the tin sheathing (a different method from mine which is all-metal). He also has a Saito Triple Expansion Steam Plant, still in the original box and never used.

The Lockley, Doug and myself revisited the place. Our Conclusion was that nothing there could justify club funds and library space. The large number of drawings are primarily British, French, German, and Italian WW l warships, and Eastern American steamers, both screw and paddle. This naturally reflects Mr. Buchwald's remarkable life story. A onetime U-Boat engineer who became a G.M. esigner in Detroit, he spent most of his active years round the Great Lakes.

So the geography is wrong for club purchase (and for me visa-vis the model), but any members who may have a particular interest in the above types should give the man a call. Of course he would like to sell everything by complete lots (he offered all the plans to us for \$500.00). But the marketplace doesn't know "wish", just "cash"! The trip out here would be worth it just to see such an incredible collection. Mr. Buchwald's number is 658-1984.

"Captin" Ron.



#### LIBRARY REPORT

#### REMEMBER BOOKS ARE ALWAYS DUE IN ONE MONTH.

The library is being put to good use by many members. I would like some suggestions in regards to new books people would like to see in the library, if you have any ideas give me a call 658-5645.

Other than that there is nothing else to report this month.

Doug Dyer - Librarian

November, 1993

#### -EXCERPTS FROM "FAMOUS OCEAN" LINERS" -

- The Q.E. 1'(1940) and the 'France' (1962) were the two longest liners, 1031 feet and 1035 feet.

The fastest ship was the 'United States', 30 knots. In speed trials she achieved 43 knots. More aluminium was used on this ship than any other ship or structure. One interesting note, 1,200,000 rivets were quick-froz before being driven into the aluminium hull plates.

- Most profitable liners were the 'Q.M.' and the 'Q.E.'.
Up to fifty exotic woods were used in the interior'decor' of the 'Queens'.

- The 'Empress of Britain' was the first liner to have a full size tennis court.

- The Cunard Liners, 'Lusitania' and the 'Mauretania' consumed 1,000 tons of coal per day on the Trans-Atlantic crossings.

- The Swedish Liner; 'Gripsholm', in 1925 was the first motor ship on the Atlantic run.

- The 'Rotterdam' (1959) was the first transatlantic line to eliminate conventional funnels, and instead used twin uptakes.

- As many as twelve tugs were used to dock the Famous Ocean Liners. To-day, with side-thrusters, many cruise ships can dock themselves.

- Marlin Spike.

#### RESULTS - VICTORIA REGATTA

October 29 & 30th, V.M.S.S. Sailors held the first Star 45 - E.C. 12M Yacht Regatta. Both these classes are recognized internationally & are growing within our Club to the level that a sailing event seemed a natural progression. Star's sailed on Saturday with the 12M Skippers officiating. Seven Stars participated & on Sunday nine EC 12 were on the water, with the Star sailors doing the officiating. The weather was kind enough to allow 14 races each day & a great time was had by all.

STAR results:

1st place: Rob Woodward 2nd place: Chris Rennie

3rd place: Ben Rusi

4th best contender: Ken Lockley

EC 12M results:

1st place: Doug Gilbert 2nd place: Rob Woodward 3rd place: Chris Rennie

4th best contender: Scott Ringrose

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