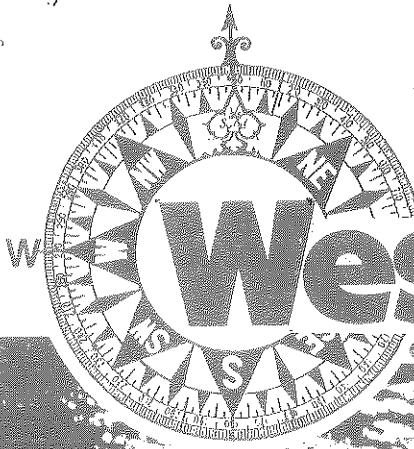
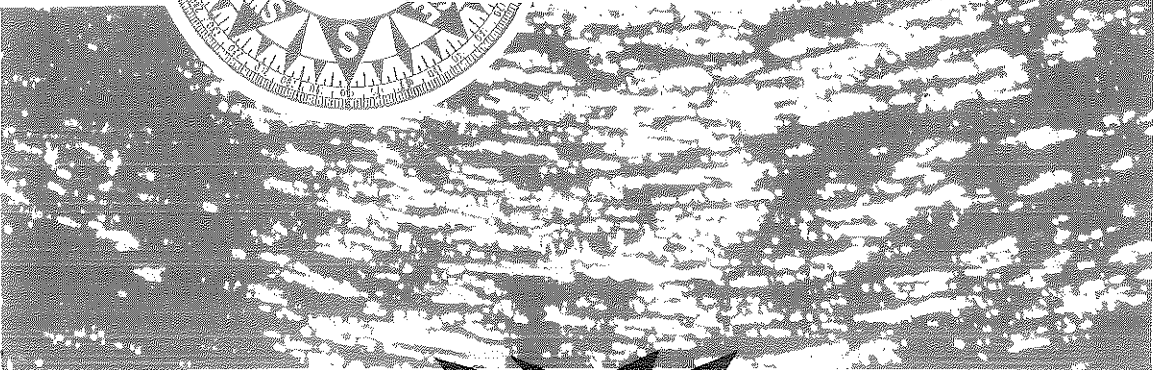


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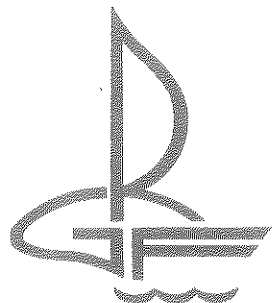
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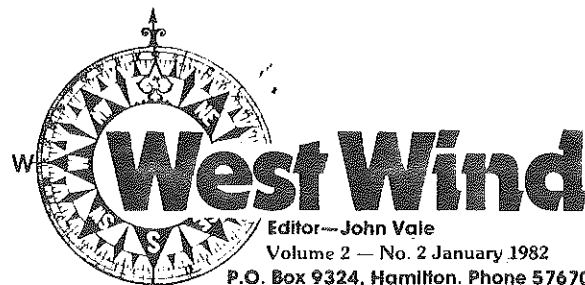


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### EDITORIAL

In this National Champs issue of WEST WIND we publish Sailing Instructions and other information concerning the contest at Torbay on 23-24 January 1982. After the magnificent silver jubilee event at Tamaki last year when a record 66 Zephyrs graced the Waitemata it may be too much to expect that figure to be equalled or surpassed at Torbay. However, a large number is anticipated and all entrants and their connections can look forward to another enjoyable championship both on the water and off which this year and next is sponsored by Broadlands. It will be the first official National Championship. We again look forward to meeting our friends from Canterbury and assure them of a warm welcome and financial support.

To date the savings scheme to encourage a large contingent to travel to Christchurch in 1983 for the first ever Nationals in the South Island has attracted \$3650 to the Broadlands investment. Several members have availed themselves of the opportunity to invest lump sums at the 14% interest rate. The number of monthly contributors is encouraging but there is still room and time for more. If not already in, make a New Year resolution to join now. Take an "interest" in the scheme.

**COVER:** Six of the 66 Zephyrs at the 1981 National Champs close hauled just off the clubhouse at Tamaki. Courses set close inshore enabled spectators to view scenes like this. At left of picture is 216, Zeppelin, with Don Barker (Waiuku) at the helm. Also shown are 73, Witchspark, Alan Morris; 61, Hauti, Brett White; 113, Lark, Trevor Pollard; and 38, Fever, Austin Leuty.

Photo:- David Pardon, Seaspray.

### SOME ZEPHYR!

This advertisement published in the Herald recently caught our eye.

Zephyr, 63, near new, stars and sails. Newly redecked by prof. Just painted. Excell trailer with new WOF; \$12,000.

Presumably the owner will sell separately, boat and trailer, \$1,200; stars \$10,800!

FUTURE FEATURES

NATIONAL CHAMPS	Torbay	23 & 24 January
AUCKLAND ANNIVERSARY REGATTA	Auckland	1 February
TONKIN MEMORIAL (TEAMS RACING)	Hamilton	6 February
MATCH RACING	Hamilton	7 February
TOWNSON DAY	Tamaki	14 February
ESTUARY PENNANT CHAMPS	Christchurch	14 February
SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPS	Christchurch	20 & 21 February
WAIKATO/THAMES CHAMPS	Te Puru, Thames	27 & 28 February
AUCKLAND CHAMPS	Tamaki	3 & 4 April
ESTUARY PENNANT CHAMPS	Christchurch	4 April



*French Bay Froth*  
By David Brown

Until the last sailing weekend before Christmas, sailing at French Bay has been a catalogue of broken gear, heavy weather and cancelled races. In the last category,

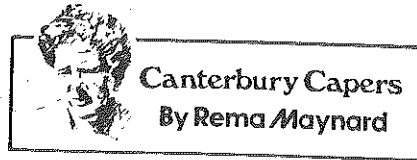
one of our biggest disappointments was the cancellation of the Manukau Regatta at Waiuku, which French Bay Zephyr owners had been looking forward to attending in force.

The boat starts to which I referred in the last WEST WIND have been a successful and welcome innovation for this season's sailing. Numbers have been about the same as last season, with visits from Max Walker, Cor van der Pol, and Rachel Upton. A number from French Bay visited Tamaki and our Zephyr open day (just prior to the big blow which stopped the Manukau Regatta) provided some good competitive sailing.

All Zephyr sailors who have competed with Austin Leuty will be sad to learn that he has been unable to sail this season because of ill health and that he has spent some time in hospital. His absence has been felt with deep regret at the Club and it is good to know that his health has lately improved.

The first series of the season, the Cornwallis Cup, was won by Bob Foster in Sea Fever, with Belinda sailed by Clynton Leuty coming second, and Ted Frankham's Tania third. The New Year could well see the return of Bob's daughter Bubbles to the scene, so with more visits from Rachel we could see the start of a nucleus of lady Zephyr sailors. All Auckland lady Zephyr owners, please take note.

French Bay wishes all fellow Zephyr sailors the compliments of the season and happy sailing in 1982.



*Canterbury Capers*  
By Rema Maynard

The first part of the season in the south has been marred by strong winds on some weekends, but we have also had some good days. As the weather and water warm up, the Zephyr fleets have increased and most of us have been sailing regularly. Michael McFie has got his new boat in the water, although with a borrowed sail as his new one has not come to light yet.

We are still getting numerous enquiries from people wanting Zephyrs - old and new and rumour has it that several boats are making their way south.

The Christchurch Yacht Club fleet has been looked after for the last few weeks by Christchurch's resident sea lion Elizabeth. She has made the Club her home lately, after spending the last two to three years in the Estuary and up the Avon and Heathcote rivers into Christchurch proper. She seems to enjoy city life, but is not too popular with the Traffic Dept! We are hoping she doesn't try to compete in the racing.

Results of the first two heats of the Estuary Pennant series are:  
Heat 1 - Zippy, Sandra Hines  
Zonda, Austin Ebert  
Charade, Robert Glue  
Heat 2 - Spirit Wind, Heather Cullen  
Karyn, Peter Pascall  
Zippy, Sandra Hines

Both these heats were sailed in reasonably light weather, with rain for the second heat. Very damp and cold!

Three or four skippers are making the trip north to Torbay and are looking forward to the 1982 contest.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - NOTICE OF RACE

The Broadlands National Zephyr Championships 1982 will be hosted by the Torbay Boating Club and the Z.O.A. on 23 - 24 January.

A copy of the Sailing Instructions is included in this WEST WIND.

Further details:

- Entry Fee - \$12.00
- Barbecue - Saturday night, cost to be advised
- Excellent championship and handicap prizes.

Boats must be rigged to the north of the ramp at Waiake Beach and all trailers must be left in the car park.

Please note: Briefing 9 a.m. on Saturday  
1st Race 10 a.m.

Come and join the fun in our first official National Championships.

1. Venue  
Sailing area: In an area east of Waiake Beach, Torbay.  
Hosts: Torbay Boating Club and the Zephyr Owners Association.  
Official Noticeboard: Sited in the Torbay Boating Club.  
Officer of the Day: Steve Moses
2. Racing Programme:  

Saturday, 23 January	9 a.m.	Briefing
" "	10 a.m.	Race 1
" "	1.30 p.m.	Race 2
" "	2.45 p.m. approx.	Race 3
Sunday, 24 January	10 a.m.	Race 4
" "	1.30 p.m.	Race 5
3. Control:  
All races shall be under the control and management of the Race Committee. It shall have the absolute control of the event and its decision shall be queried only by protest to the protest committee. The Race Committee shall delegate to the Officer of the Day full power of selection of course, postponement, cancellation, abandonment and general recall.
4. Racing Rules:  
These shall be the 1981/85 I.Y.R.U. Rules, the N.Z.Y.F. prescription to these rules, the N.Z.Y.F. Safety Regulations, Part 1, the current Zephyr Class Rules and these Sailing Instructions.
5. Courses:  
These shall be of the Olympic type, i.e. three sides of a triangle formed by three rounding marks.  
  
The weather mark (Mark 1) shall be moored approx. 1.2 nautical miles from the leeward mark (Mark 3). The gybe mark (Mark 2) shall be laid at the right angled apex of the triangle.  
  
All marks shall be left to port or starboard as indicated by a red or green flag on the Committee boat at the start of the race. A red flag indicates all marks shall be left to port. A green flag indicates all marks shall be left to starboard.  
  
The marks shall be rounded in the following sequence:  
Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - Finish.  
  
Approx. distance 6.5 nautical miles.
6. Starting and Finishing Lines:  
The starting line will be between the windward edge of mark 3 and the mast of the Committee boat. An inner distance mark may be laid approx. on the starting line and no boat shall pass between this mark and the Committee boat after the preparatory signal.  
  
The finishing line will be between the windward edge of Mark 1 and the mast of the Committee boat.  
  
For starboard hand courses mark 3 will be to starboard of the Committee boat and for port hand courses mark 3 will be to port of the Committee boat when starting the race.
7. Starting Procedures:  
The starting procedure will be -  
(1) Warning Signal 10 minutes Class flag 1 gun  
(2) Preparatory Signal 5 minutes "P" flag 1 gun  
(3) Round the Ends Rule 1 minute "I" flag sound signal  
(4) The start is signalled by the lowering of "P" to which attention will be drawn by the firing of a gun.  
  
Note: Code flag "I" (Round the Ends Rule applies) will be replaced by code flag "H" (One Minute Rule applies) for the 2nd and subsequent starts.
8. Individual Recalls:  
A sound signal will be made and code flag "X" displayed (in accordance with Rule 8.2(b)(ii)), until the yacht or yachts concerned have returned in accordance with clause 10 below, or 2 minutes after the start.
9. General Recalls:  
These shall be in accordance with I.Y.R.U. Rules 4.1 (First Substitute) and 4.6 (Calling attention to signals).  
  
After a general recall the "one minute rule" shall apply. "When any part of a yacht's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or its extensions during the minute before her starting signal she shall be disqualified." A sound signal will indicate the commencement of this period one minute before the start.  
  
I.Y.R.U. Rule 12(c) shall also apply.
10. Round the Ends Rule (51.1(c)):  
This shall apply on the first start after which the "one minute rule" will apply.
11. Postponement:  
Should it be necessary to postpone a start for any reason code flag Answering Pennant (AP) will be hoisted accompanied by 2 sound signals. The AP shall be lowered and one sound signal made one minute prior to the hoisting of the warning signal.
12. Time Limit:  
The time limit for a race shall be 2½ hours for the complete race. If the first boat completes the race within the prescribed time the race shall be valid for all boats finishing within 45 minutes of the first boat. Any boat not finishing within this time shall be deemed to have retired.
13. Protests:  
Protests shall be made in accordance with I.Y.R.U. rule 68 on forms supplied and shall be delivered to a member of the race committee not later than 2 hours after the time of the last finisher in the race. In the case of a back to back race the protestor should lodge his protest as soon as possible after getting ashore and no later than 2 hours after the time of the last finisher of the day. No protest fee is payable.
14. Alternative Penalty:  
The 720° penalty shall apply instead of disqualification for infringement of a rule Part IV (Appendix 3 (1)) of the I.Y.R.U. Rules.
15. Measurement:  
Shall be in accordance with the Class Rules which are to be taken as part of these Sailing Instructions.
16. Changes to Sailing Instructions:  
Should it be necessary to change the sailing instructions, the Code Flag 3rd substitute will be displayed on the Clubhouse from 1 hour before the starting signal of the race. This will denote that a change of the sailing instructions has been posted on the notice board. It shall be the responsibility of all yachts to consult the notice board.
17. Mark Missing:  
In the event of a missing mark, a mark boat shall take up station and will display Code Flag "M". Attention may be drawn to this by repeated sound signals.
18. Committee Boat:  
The Committee boat identifying flag shall be the T.B.C. burgee.
19. Marks:  
These shall be inflatable orange markers.

20. Change of Course:

Should there be a substantial wind shift after the start and before any yacht has rounded the weather mark at the end of the first windward leg the race may be abandoned and restarted by displaying code flags "N" over "X" accompanied by 3 sound signals. These flags shall be lowered one minute before the new warning signal and a long sound signal will be made.

21. Cancellation, Abandonment & Shortened Courses:

Signals in accordance with Rule 4.

If the O.D. considers it desirable to shorten the course the race will then end when the leading boat in the event crosses the line between the Committee boat and the mark of the course near which it is stationed.

22. Scoring System:

The Olympic scoring system as in Appendix 5 of the Handbook.

A minimum of 4 races is necessary to constitute a series. When it is possible to race only 4 races, all shall count.

23. Signals:

International Code Flag signals shall be used (N.Z.Y.F. Yacht Racing 1981/85, pages 163 & 164).

24. Retiring from a Race:

Competitors must notify the O.D. on the Committee boat or an official on the shore base as soon as possible after retirement.

25. Liability:

Competitors' attention is drawn to I.Y.R.U. rule 33.2 and 33.3 and the N.Z. Safety Regulations, Part I.

Competitors sail entirely at their own risk. Neither the organizing authority nor the club nor any of the organizing bodies nor the individuals appointed or volunteering for the regatta accept any liabilities for damages (material or personal) suffered during the races or at any other time nor are they responsible for the seaworthiness of any yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

IT SHALL BE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH YACHT TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO START OR TO CONTINUE TO RACE.

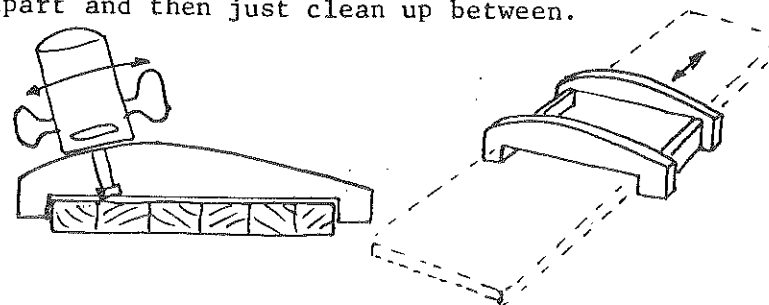
PAST NATIONALS CHAMPIONS

1959	N. Thom	Why	4	Auckland
1960	W. Moyes	Zephyr	1	Auckland
1961	W. Moyes	Zephyr	1	Taupo
1962	R. McKay	Radiant	8	Auckland
1963	J. Farmer	Komuri	35	Howick
1964	T. Finlayson	Baloo	168	Napier
1965	T. McDell	Zephyr	1	Auckland
1966	M. Sargisson	Gwendolyne	17	Taupo
1967	G. Dickey	Omana	13	Murrays Bay
1968	J. Faire	Marietta	202	Maraetai
1969	J. Faire	Marietta	202	Taupo
1970	J. Faire	Marietta	202	Howick
1971	J. Faire	Marietta	202	Tamaki
1972	M. Sargisson	Zeppelin	216	Murrays Bay
1973	M. Sargisson	Zeppelin	216	Murrays Bay
1974	M. Sargisson	Zeppelin	216	Murrays Bay
1975	C. Duncan	Goldfinger	220	Tamaki

1976	B. Smith	Cindy	12	Waiuku
1977	M. Sargisson	Zeppelin	216	French Bay
1978	C. Duncan	Vooka	118	Tamaki
1979	J. Faire	Marietta	202	Arkles Bay
1980	I. Cook	Kerry	183	French Bay
1981	R. Durrant	Cherie	221	Tamaki

SHAPING A CENTREBOARD by Peter Pascall

I'm not a woodworking expert but Alan Blyth (who runs a woodworking factory) showed me a neat way to cut an aerofoil section. If you have or can borrow a router, you set it up with about a 1" blade. You make up a guide to the outer shape of aerofoil (refer WEST WIND, December 1980), and inner shape to fit piece of soapbox you are trimming. You go along the board cutting correct profiles all the way about 1" apart and then just clean up between.



You obviously set the cutter to start and finish somewhere near the axial centre line of the wood and then fan off the front and back radius a la Sargisson - probably won't make you go faster but helps to psyche the opposition!

ZEPHYRS FOR SALE

- 16 Mark II, two sails, not raced for some years. Hugh Monckton, 17 Hinton Ave, Hamilton, ph. 394-032, res., 390-321 bus.
- 25 Calypso, needs painting, \$450. John Muir, 42 Hamilton Drive, Waiuku, phone 58-278
- 50 Harlequin, well tuned, basic gear, only \$550. Jim Brokenshire, 159c Nixon St, Hamilton, ph. 62-044.
- 107 By Golly, excellent order, two sails (one brand new), \$800. Peter Lewis, 9 Bellwood Ave, Hamilton, ph. 56-937.
- 126 Hauraki, three sails (one brand new), fair price \$600. R.W. Glasgow, 21A Peakes Road, Wanganui, ph.58-534 bus., 57-264 res.
- 145 Pandora, sound, not raced for some seasons, needs painting, built-in buoyancy. Brian Insoll, R.D.4, Hamilton, ph. 291-731.

**SAWDUST, WOODCHIPS  
& PAINT PEELINGS**  
By Zephyros

With National Championship time just around the next buoy orders for new sails, masts and booms have increased dramatically and the event promises to be as keenly contested as ever. Current

national champ. Russell Durrant has still not made an appearance with his new boat so he will be an unknown quantity. Hot favourite must be Murray Sargisson who has his boat going faster than ever, it seems.

The ladies are also warming to the occasion with current trophy holder Sandra Hines returning to defend her ranking as our top lady. She will have to work hard to beat Stephanie Bridges who has shown good form since attending the women's coaching school in Taupo and Rachel Upton who has been fine tuning Simba for the occasion. Michelle Parkinson and Kay Clapperton (in her new boat) have yet to be seen afloat and both must therefore be rated dark horses. Kay has been too busy listening to pukkos at Shakespeares Bay to get her boat finished sooner - a more novel excuse for a holiday at Whangaparaoa I have yet to hear.

Cantabrians have added a further three boats to their ranks with two of Hamilton's Zephyrs heading south and an order placed for a new hull by Jim Park. At this rate there'll be no North Island Zephyrs left before too long.

For those who have been wondering what's happened to my old friend Paddy lately I found him engrossed in his Irish Cube which he's been struggling with over the last few months. (For those who don't know, all the sides of an Irish Cube are green.)

In the absence of Murray's tuning notes in this issue I'll close with a hot tip given me last weekend by a well known Hamilton fleet captain who shall remain anonymous. Anyway this chap while taking it Free N Easy in a light but shifting easterly went off into a complete day-dream only to be rudely brought to his senses by the sounds of someone swimming. Alas it was himself. He probably had a hard time explaining to his wife why he'd got soaked through on such a beautiful day. Just goes to show how careful you've got to be when boating.

Happy New Year to all and I'll see you at Torbay for the Nationals.

- Zephyros

P.S. Yet another call from Christchurch for a Zephyr in good condition. Is there any room on the Estuary for anyone else?

OBLIGATIONS TO N.Z.Y.F.

Brief mention was made of our obligations to the N.Z.Y.F. in an earlier WEST WIND.

The N.Z.Y.F. administers our sport principally through the affiliated yacht clubs. Class associations may affiliate with the N.Z.Y.F. by payment of a fee which is a nominal one and does not reflect the costs of running the Federation. In doing so we receive the full benefits and assistance of the Federation. The Federation running costs are recovered by a levy raised through the yacht clubs on all active yachtsmen. For this reason all members of owners' associations are expected to belong to a yacht club affiliated to the N.Z.Y.F. Otherwise there is no means of collecting the levies which are properly due to the Federation and which it needs to cover the costs of administering our sport.

Your committee appreciates that a significant number of class supporters are not actively racing but contribute to the class by turning out occasionally at some of the numerous special events hosted by Z.O.A. It is not our wish to turn such people away from Z.O.A. regattas unnecessarily and for this reason our obligations to the Federation have been brought to your attention.

We hope all members will continue to support the class as they have done in the past but in the meantime we urge you to also support your sport by joining an appropriate yacht club.

Anyone wanting further advice in this regard should contact their fleet captains: (Refer October WEST WIND.)

TEAMS RACES (TONKIN CUP)/MATCH RACING (DETTOL CUP)

Saturday, 6 February - Sunday, 7 February, Hamilton Lake.

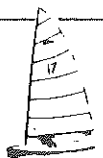
Fleet Captains, get your teams lined up.

PROGRAMME:

Saturday, 10.30 a.m. First teams race. Further teams races as required to decide the challenger to the holders, Hamilton. Final to be sailed in the afternoon. A normal H.Y.C. race will be sailed at 2.15 p.m. and all visitors will be welcome to participate in this race. Barbecue in the evening.

Sunday, 10.00 a.m. First race, match racing series. Continuous racing thereafter until a winner is decided. Full details of the match racing arrangements will be advised to Fleet Captains as soon as they are completed.

For billets or accommodation, phone Joy Homewood, Hamilton 77-437.



## Hamilton Happenings

By Frank Ward

Our two lady skippers, Joy Homewood and Stephanie Bridges, have been smiling ever so sweetly at the handicapper and in consequence have finished with some very good placings. Could be just good

sailing on their part of course. The A series was won by By Golly, Peter Lewis, with Miscka, Russ Rimmington and Solitaire, Roger Walker, filling the minor placings. The first club champs resulted in a fine win for Vooka, Brett Martin, by only six seconds from Minx, Alan Richardson. After the good fleets for the early season races, it's a shame that numbers seem to have dropped off somewhat. Jim Brokenshire has his new boat Eclipse going nicely and very nearly won the Mark Foy, Povey Trophy race for the Zephyr class.

Spare a thought for poor old Stan Cook who had only just informed us "officially" that the renovations to Marie, 84, were completed only to find the whole bottom section has come away from the centre case. Do you think you might be carrying a bit too much weight, Stan?

Russ Rimmington says it is not true that he has sold his Zephyr because he got fed up with people asking him had he reported the damage to his insurance company.

Brian Hutchinson is arranging accommodation for the Zephyr Nationals - give this one some serious consideration.

A prominent Zephyr skipper at the last club working bee was told by the Club Captain to dig a post hole 3 feet deep. When Bernie checked later he found three holes had been dug and asked why? "I had to," said the Zephyr man, "the other two weren't deep enough."

Then there was the thoughtful yachting who sold his small keeler to buy a new and much larger boat so his wife could bring her cello on board, only to have the ungrateful woman declare she didn't really want it on board.

### 1981 FRESHWATER CHAMPS

Max Walker won his first major Zephyr class title when he took the freshwater championship at Lake Hakanoa, Huntly. In a series sailed in mainly fresh to boisterous wind Walker won two races and was second in the other three in the best of four races to count. Runnerup in the national championships for the last three years he had a popular and well deserved win.

Entries were smaller than expected - only 19, from Hamilton, Waiuku, French Bay and North Shore. Hamilton boats filled the first 4 places.

Second overall was Alan Richardson and third was Brett Martin. Second and third were very close, only two points separating these young

Hamilton sailors. Fourth on points was Roger Walker. All these competitors were from Hamilton and the first visitor was Clinton Leuty (French Bay) who was fifth.

Murray Sargisson (French Bay), titleholder, sailed only the first 3 races. He won all three but was disqualified in one for a premature start.

Handicap first placing went to Dave Thorp (Waiuku), Jim Brokenshire (Hamilton) was second in his new boat, and Dick Mercer (Hamilton) was third and veteran Cor van der Pol (North Shore) fourth.

Results show only boats completing at least four races.

No.	Boat	Name	1	2	3	4	5	Pts	Pos
85	Gamble	Max Walker	2	2	2	1	1	6	1
215	Minx	Alan Richardson	5	DNF	1	3	4	23.7	2
118	Vooka	Brett Martin	3	12	8	2	2	25.7	3
111	Solitaire	Roger Walker	12	4	3	7	5	36.7	4
87	Belinda	Clynton Leuty	4	8	DNF	5	3	37.7	5
236	Eclipse	Jim Brokenshire	7	3	9	6	7	43.4	6
83	Springbok	Dave Thorp	9	10	6	4	6	46.4	7
146	Sandpiper	Cor van der Pol	8	7	7	8	DNF	54	8
65	Woodwind	Dick Mercer	16	14	12	9	8	67	9

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Sir,  
Greetings.

Every association employing volunteer officials working selflessly to further the interests of the group seems plagued by a minority of sleepers, nuts and faceless persons contributing little but irritation; the blank wall of the unresponsive. This seems a suitable moment to introduce myself to you as one of the bricks in that wall.

For about eleven years I have sailed Zephyr 91, Zest, with ecstatic pleasure; voiceless under the shower, but making noises that might amaze or, at least, alarm you from the centre of Rangitoto channel, when I and the sun and the wind, the sea and a marvellous sailboat are one with nature. We have seldom raced, expect perhaps that in a sailboat the Walter Mitty in men makes most encounters on the water, at least for a few moments, a race. Twice, by accident, we did come first.

Once in the magic of the moment the race had been forgotten when the gun evoked a reflex, probably conditioned in wartime, and I nearly fell over the side. The second fluke was on an almost windless day when the competition bunched increasingly behind looked reminiscent of the Armada, blundering up the English Channel. Aside from being damned lazy I am a realist, and quite prepared to leave it at that.

I thought that you would like to know that at 67 years of age I need humouring. And if I continue to sail for pleasure, read WEST WIND and your communications with seeming unresponsiveness, but secret pleasure, there is a fringe benefit for you. You will probably never hear from me again.

John Badger,  
Custodian of Zephyr 91, Zest.

P.S. Zest is the name of the sailboat, not a personal attribute!

Sir,

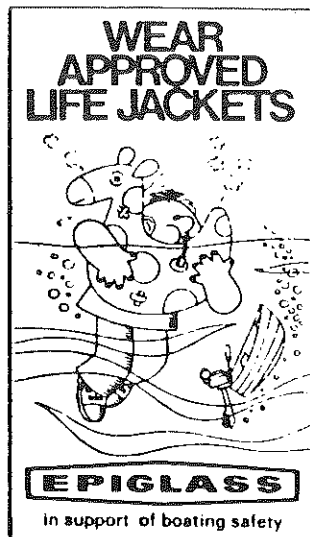
We are interesting to know the characteristics and the performances of your centreboard, with rules and restrictions. We should like to receive also some slides and if possible to know to whom request the set plans of built and the eventual price of royalties.

Secretary,  
Associazione Classi Veliche, Milano.

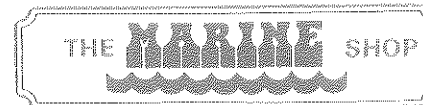


Sir,  
Best wishes  
to West Wind  
from Fleet Captain  
at W.P.Y.C!

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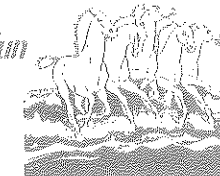
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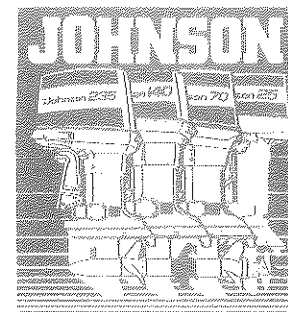
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