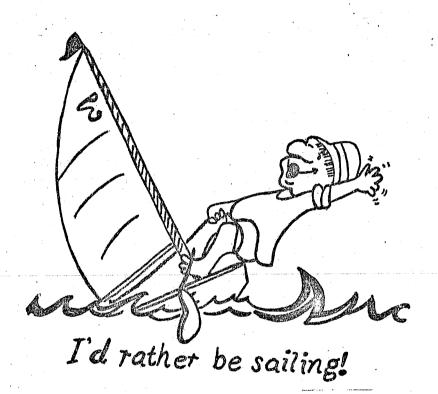
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PUBLICATION OF THE UNITED STATES SIDEWINDER ASSOCIATION



We would too! Spring is officially here and in two short weeks our Sidewinder will be out of storage just itching to be back on the waters of Pennsylvania. Our first racing of the year will be with the Penn State Sailing Team on March 25-26, the water temperature will be frigid but bareable with the excitement of sailing again. The great sailing will come when we get to some Sidewinder regattas. We have been writing to all of the hosts of previous Sidewinder regattas to see about regattas for this summer and we hope to hear from all of them saying, "Yes, we'll be hosting a regatta." As soon as we get the information concerning regattas we'll let you know in the newsletter. (We'll be trying to get newsletters our the first week of each month in April, May, June and July).

We have been enjoying the comments you've been writing on the membership application. Now, how about writing us an article or a letter sharing experiences or modifications you made on your boat or telling everybody which books

or magazines you find helpful or. . . The topics are endless.

We thank Dick Gibbs (co-designer of the Sidewinder) for writing the feature article about the Sidewinder. We received all good comments on his article and hope we'll hear more from him in the future. Also, if you have questions on the trailering helpful hints by Dale Eager and George Lockwood feel free to contact them for more details. Both addresses are listed under the membership listing included with this newsletter.

Well, life has been made easier for us thanks to Dale Eager. Dale has listed all Sidewinder members on a computer program and donated the printed, gummed labels to the association. Thanks for saving our tongues Dale! If there is a typeographical error on your label please let us know so the label can be changed.

In this issues "Get to know your Officers Column" John Harvey has written an article telling us how he got into sailing and how he got into racing his Sidewinder. John is our current Chief Measurer and is very involved with the association. He organized fleet 19 and, as Chief Measurer, has attended USYRU meetings.

## GET TO KNOW YOUR OFFICERS COLUMN

One sailor from a large family of motorboaters. I began my boating with a powerboat: my father and three brothers also have powerboats. I've always stayed in the sail boat displays at the philadelphia boat shows while my brothers pant over the stink-pots. I'm still the maverick in my family.

My second boat was a pink foam hull board boat with lateen rig. I learned to sail on it, but it was so bad a sailing boat that I soon returned to power. My fourth boat was a two berth CORSAIRE sloop built in France. I obtained it previously owned, but complete with dry-rot. After two seasons of equal parts sailing and fixing, I was back to power.

I purchased my sixth boat at the 1975 Philadelphia boat show. The Sidewinder was chosen from the hundreds on display because of its apparent performance characteristics, its optional spinaker rig and of course price.

My very first race was in the 1975 Sidewinder nationals at Lake Glendale. I expected to be a novice competing with professionals, but found out I was a novice with some good and some very good amatuers and other novices. It was a very pleasant and friendly way to get into racing.

My home fleet (number 19) was organized in 1976 at Peace Valley Yacht Club in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. Consistant local racing and attendance at a number of Sidewinder regattas helped improve my racing skills and gained many friends: it also resulted in my election to measurer at the nationals in Cadillac.

1977 brought my relocation to Evanston Illinois. Mine seems to be the only Sidewinder around. My decreased race participation in 1977 resulted in higher finishes in the races I was able to enter. (editors note: higher is NOT better in sailboat races!)

Traveling to the regattas and sailing on different waters' is a great training program in sailing and a continuing party too; from the camp fires at Prince Gallitzin State Park to the dinner with four bean-cassaroles at Buzzards' Bay; the Sidewinder folk are friendly and interesting. They are also challenging during the races.

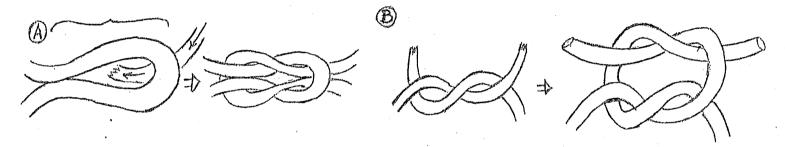
john harvey, chief measurer

### LEARN THE KNOTS

The <u>SQUARE KNOT</u> (REEF KNOT) is used in reefing, in tying up bundles of all kinds, and for many other purposes. It is insecure if the two cords are of different sizes or materials.

You'll need two pieces of line or you can use the two ends of one line.

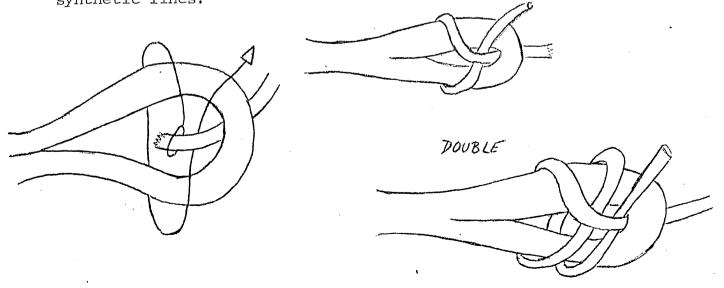
- A. Make a loop with one end (a bight) then follow thru the bight as shown in the illustration with the other end.
- B. Cross the ends over and under each other. Add a second overhand on top of the first. In tying the second overhand, be sure, the ends cross on the same side from which they emerged from the first overhand.



The SQUARE KNOT should not be confused with the GRANNY KNOT. The

granny knot is unsafe.

The SHEET BEND is used to join two rope ends together. In joining lines of unequal diameter, pass the smaller line through and around the bight of the larger. Use a DOUBLE SHEET BEND on synthetic lines.



# Nationals

The <u>Sidewinder Nationals</u> DATE has been SET FOR <u>July 22-23</u>. The Bandit 15 Nationals will be held along with our Nationals at Sandusky, Chio. Sandusky is a very centralized location for the Sidewinder members and is an excellent place to sail. Nationals are open to <u>all</u> Sidewinder members. This is the only time the whole group gets together, so come to meet people that enjoy sailing the same boat that you have.

JULY 22-23 -- SEE YOU THERE!

# Regattas

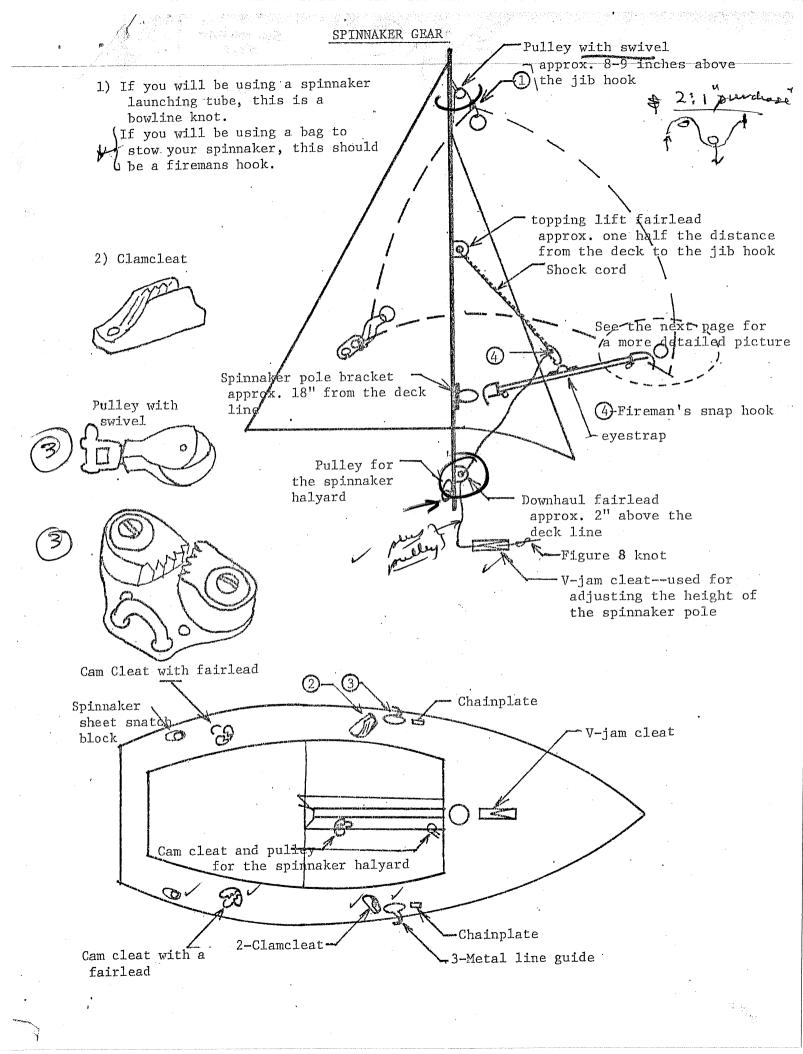
Erie Open JUNE 3-4 at the Erie Yacht Club, Erie, PA.
This reatta features a variety of classes
and is a great way to begin a summer of
sailing.

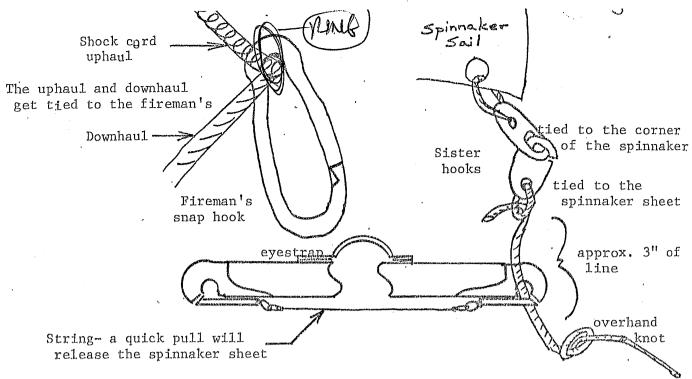
The next three pages of the newsletter feature the spinnaker gear layout for the Sidewinder and spinnaker nomenclature.

The reason for this artical is that a number of people asked for instructions on spinnaker gear set-up and how a spinnaker works; therefore, we have a three part artical concerning the spinnaker.

In this issue we have diagrams for the layout of the spinnaker gear. The illustrations show the hardware and setup of our boat—Sidewinder 1200. The second part of the spinnaker instruction will be in the next newsletter and it will talk about the two different ways to stow the spinnaker (a porthole bag or a launching tube) that are commonly used on the Sidewinder. In the following newsletter Mark Bloomstine, 1976 National Champion, has written an artical on how the spinnaker is handled. Jim Rickloff, Mark's crew, also has written some comments and we feel that you will all enjoy reading what Mark and Jim have written.

Don't mistake us - we won't just be talking about the spinnaker in the future newsletters. In the next newsletter we will have an artical concerning docking procedure and discuss how to get away from the shore when your first starting out the day. Another artical will talk about the capsize and how to handle the Sidewinder when it has capsized. We will also be writing articals for the people just getting into racing and how to get around a racing course.



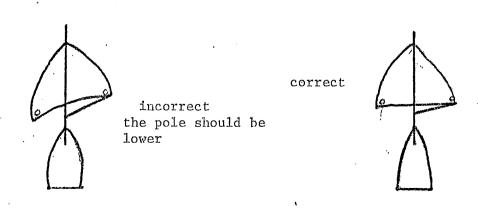


The spinnaker pole's legal maximim length is 66" (tip to tip).

These diagrams show the basic layout of hardware used for a spinnaker on the Sidewinder. When you recieve a spinnaker package from MFG you will recieve all of the hardware you need. These diagrams show th hardware we use, but outfitting a Sidewinder for a spinnaker is a job that you do to make it work for you. We have replaces some hardware that MFG gave us so that the spinnaker set-up is easier for us to handle, but it's a personal thing. This set-up is all legal but if you have questions about legality just drop us a note.

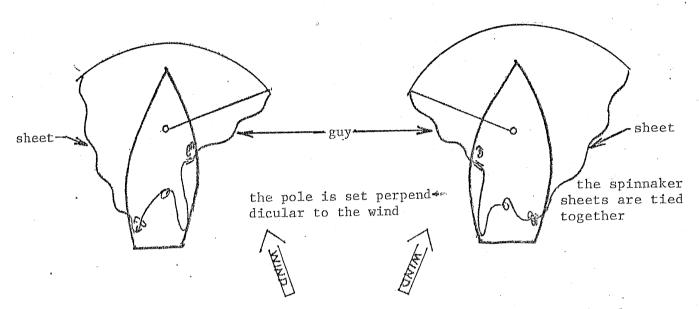
#### SPINNAKER NOMENCLATURE

- 1) the halyard- will raise and lower the spinnaker and the halyard is usually lead back to the skipper
- 2) the uphaul and downhaul- adjusts the height of the pole so that the corners of the spinnaker are set parallel with each other



# SPINNAKER NOMENCLATURE CONTINUED

- 3) the spinnaker pole- can only be 66" from tip to tip and is set perpendicular to the wind
- 4) The spinnaker sheets- adjust the spinnaker Depending where the wind direction is and the spinnaker is set one spinnaker sheet is called the guy and the other side is called the sheet
  - a) guy- adjusts the pole back and forth
  - b) sheet- adjusts the free end of the spinnaker



the guy runs under the metal line guide and is cleated in the clamcleat while the sheet is running free back to the cam cleat

Your Officers and Their Addresses

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# Current Sidewinder Membership Listing:

Listed are current members of the Sidewinder Association. Use this listing to find Sidewinder sailors in your area. Omaha NE area and Richmond VA area groups are getting together and the weather is telling us it's time for the rest of us to do the same. The smell of Sidewindering is in the air!

Our goal is to get all '77 members to be '78 members. We feel the newsletter is informative to you as a sailor and we would like you to join up again to give the association a base to grow on.

Remember: Everyone who doesn't have an asteric (\*) beside their name will receive only one more newsletter unless your membership dues are paid. The \$4.00 Membership dues covers the expense of the newsletter, membership correspondence, fliers promoting regattas and helps to subsidize nationals.

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David & Cynthia Turner	605 East Adams	Fairfield, IA	52556	1993

Let's give a warm welcome to our new members by inviting them to your local Sidewinder activities.

# FROM THE MAILBAG

Larry Booth (470 W. Willow Court, Fox Point, Wisconsin, 53217) writes:
"Just finished reading Dick Gibbs' article in the Newsletter and I must say I totally agree with his assessment of the Sidewinder as a genuinely unique and exciting boat.

Hope Cheryl and I can make it to the Nationals this year for our annual Sidewinder sail and reunion. We're sure gonna try!"

Pete Mainzer (1013 Westbriar Dr., Richmond, Virginia, 23233) writes:
"If your next Sidewinder Newsletter comes out the end of February, or after, you might mention that those in our area could contact us at home (phone 740-0063)."
Editors note--Pete and his family were very active with Fearless Fleet #7 before moving to Richmond and they are anxious to meet the Sidewinder sailors in the Richmond area.

D. Bruce Thering (177 Minnesota Ave., Buffalo, New York, 14214) writes:

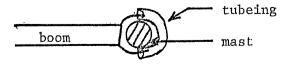
I am going to be opening a dental practice this summer in Dunkirk NY (western NY)
which is on Lake Erie. I would like to hear from any other boats in this area Chautaqua Lake, Lake Erie, etc. and become more involved in racing. Also what is
'legal' as far as launching tubes for spinnakers and how to use one."

Editors note--Good luck with your dental practice and we hope that people in the area will drop you a note and introduce themselves to you.

Thomas A. Hale (521 West Fairmount Ave., State College, Pa., 16801) writes:
"I've only been out in my Sidewinder twice, so I have a great deal to learn,
but perhaps you can help with the following items:

- 1. One of the 2 scress which holds the two-piece mast together has stripped the threads in the mast. Should I simply retap the hole and use a larger screw? YES-this is the quickest remedy
- 2. Since most of my sailing will be single-handed, I need some solution to the problem of the jib sheets catching on the boom yoke. When this happens, I have to stop, go forward, and free the jib sheet. Does anyone have a canvas or rubber cover which could be tied around the mast to cover the two ends of the boom yoke? Or is there another solution?"

  We usually use a piece of tubing that is approximately 9" long with an inside diameter of approximately 1".



The tuking should not be to long or the jib sheets will catch on it.

The inside diameter of the tube should be small enough so that the tube fits snugly and won't pop off.

# FROM THE MAILBAG con't

Marge Dalby (546 N. Main, Evart, Michigan, 49631) writes: "I wish you would give another list of the fleet numbers."

OK--#1 Erie, Pa.

- #2 Charleston, South Carolina
- #3 Albuquerque, New Mexico

#4 Columbus, Ohio

#5 Detroit Area, Michigan

#6 Monroe, Michigan

- #7 Lake Glendale, Pennsylvania (home of the Fabulous, Fearless Fleet #7)
- #8 Cincinnati, Ohio
- #9 Belton, Texas
- # Richmond, Virginia
- #11 north-eastern Ohio
- #12 Norman, Oklahoma
- #13 Cross Lake, New York
- #14 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- #15 Cadillac, Michigan
- #16 Central-eastern Ohio
- #17 Wharton, New Jersey
- #18 Omaha, Nebraska
- #19 Philadelphia area, Pennsylvania

Paul Riemer (Rt6, Box 295, Hayward, Wisconsin, 54843) writes:
"I don't mean to complain, but my heart sank when I couldn't locate a dot on your recent map to indicate sail #1818. Hayward is located in the upper (north west) fifth of the state. Also I hope to send a letter and drawings of some modifications that I added to the jib efing system."

Editors note--We won't miss you again!

We hope to see everybody at Nationals--July 22 and 23 at Sandusky, Ohio.

### For Sale

One set of Sidewinder sails (main and jib). Previously owned but unused for \$100 and no postage charge. Contact: William Schill
29 Trinity Place
Barrington, N.J., 08007

Barrington, N.J., 08007 609-547-0148

Sidewinder #1999. Red hull, white deck. Complete with windows in the main and jib, spinnaker, Harken blocks. Excellent racing condition. \$950 for the boat and \$200 more if you want its trailer and travelling cover. Contact: Walter Schroth,

41 West High St. Union City, PA., 16438 814-438-2410