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FROM THE QUARTERDECK



**A Report from the
Vice Commodore
Blair Cliffe**

I suspect that I may have a large part to play in the late arrival of this month's newsletter as once again I am adrift with my writing. So, apologies for that. However, I do have a bit of an excuse...

Hello everyone and greetings from the UK. Yes, I have braved the machinations of Covid restrictions to fly to the other side of the world. No, it was not for a holiday or for fun, more for a necessity. I have had to return to the old homeland to futureproof my elderly mother's care. The whole thing has been rather a surreal experience. Flying such a long distance is always rather stressful but jumping through the ever-

shifting bureaucratic hoops of NZ, Singapore and the UK added another whole layer. Anyway, I managed to get all the pieces of paper lined up and my arrival was without any dramas, just sore ears after having worn a mask for nigh on 48 hours (door to door travel time). Note to self: find one that has around-the-back-of-head straps rather than around the ears for the return journey.

I won't bang on about the differences in Covid rules/guidelines between NZ and UK too much as I suspect you have all heard enough. Suffice to say it seems everyone here is so fed up with having been in lockdown for close to a year and, most of the country having now had two jabs, it seems that they do not really care anymore. Check out the 'Social Distancing' at the recent England v Germany soccer game...yes exactly what social distancing?! And yet I still have to wear a mask as I wait to be seated for my table-service only in a pub or I go to the supermarket...ENOUGH I am glad to have gone through it in good old NZ rather than Blighty.

What I am not sad to be missing are the rather low temperatures that you have all been experiencing, I think Emma has been making a bit of a hole in the wood pile since I have been away. Reading the emails, it seems haulage is proceeding well although as always Nigel is on the hunt for more manpower. Emma and I had planned to haul Hautere this winter and do a fair bit of work (spend a lot of money!) to get her ready for some more extensive cruising next season. A round NZ trip was being spoken about and a number of other club members were very



interested in joining in. We will have to see the state of the boat fund by the time I return and make some harsh cuts to probably everything bar the essential list.

I remember reading, or being told, of a group of DYC boats that many years ago decided to do a round NZ trip in company. The first leg was to Nelson and it was decided to make a race of it apparently a whole load of other club boats joined in and it became a serious affair. Must look that up again and find the details, who remembers about this? I see the Island Cruising Association are under new management and are thinking about a round NZ trip next year, see it's getting bigger already!

Socially we have a few events coming up. The Spanish-themed evening this weekend sounds fun. I have seen the dancers strutting their stuff and it looks very much like a Brazilian Fiesta, so I hope you all enjoy the dancing, break out your feather head dresses and practice your Salsa. I am sad not to be there.

The prizegiving went off well again this year, certainly there were plenty of smiles to be seen. I particularly enjoyed the banter between 'elder statesmen' long may the fun remain, prizegiving does not have to be a po-faced affair.

I hope in between Southerly blasts, rain and gales those who do not haul or put their boats to bed for winter are managing to get out there still and enjoy the wonderful cruising ground on our doorstep. I am hoping to have a sail out of Falmouth on a friend's Sadler 25' before I head home, possibly a trip to Fowey, or maybe even the Scillies if the weather gods align.

Without wishing to offend anyone but speaking personally I would really recommend having the 'serious' conversation — you know the one 'life, death and the universe' with your loved ones as early as possible whether that is you as the parent or child. The longer it is left the harder it gets; it needs sorting, get it done and enjoy yourselves rather than worrying or burying heads in sand.

It has been great seeing Mother, catching up with old mates and sinking a few pints of 'real' beer BUT I am really looking forward to being home, Southerly blasts or not. I look forward to seeing you all down the club in August post another mask wearing marathon and two weeks tucked up in an hotel. Stay safe and what was that about a DYC Race to Nelson?!

Blair Cliffe



HAURAKI GULF UPDATE

by John Duder

At last — Government has finally started to address the critical state of the Gulf and have presented half an answer.

Eighteen new marine protection areas are being created and there will be restrictions on fishing to "bring back the health" of the beleaguered Hauraki Gulf "and in particular its fish stocks". Some of the areas will be no-take, but most will be customary; it will take 3 years because of "legislative changes" — where's the urgency??

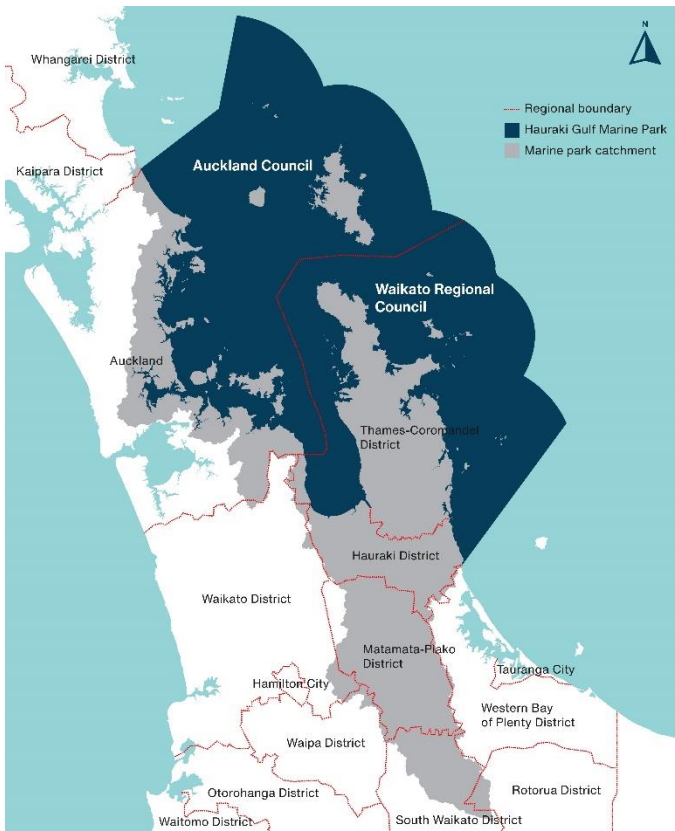


Kina barren at the Noises (Photo — Shaun Lee)

You may have vague memories of something called Sea Change - Tai Timu Tai Pari, a well thought-out prescription for starting to heal the Gulf. Published in 2016 it listed 16 categories of action compiled by concerned agencies and several iwi representatives, with a balanced vision for both land and sea. It ran parallel if not clearly linked with the Hauraki Gulf Forum, charged under the Hauraki Gulf Maritime Park Act 2000, with trying to safeguard the area between Mangawhai and Pauanui including the whole Coromandel peninsula and up to Auckland's doorstep. So, just a brief mention of all that work in a relatively bland announcement.

The government now promises some forms of fishery protection, noticeably phasing out bottom trawling, other than in carefully selected "corridors". The 18 areas amount to 17.6 % of the total Gulf area, little more than half of the 30% strongly recommended by the Hauraki Gulf Forum and a range of scientific experts; but how many years going on past performance, or lack of it, before we see some action backed by regulation?

The other missing "half"?? [not making a whole]. There is little obvious mention of control of agricultural sediment, nutrient runoff, or other types of pollution. Auckland Council has started with its central isthmus interceptor, but what about the North Shore and industrial Tamaki River? Waikato Regional and Thames Coromandel Councils with their Local Boards have an equal responsibility to address agricultural effluent, principally dairy. That has started, but too little too late and how long before effects?



Hauraki Gulf Marine Park map (updated)

If the Government can respond overnight to a pandemic, why not when our unique Gulf is close to terminal?

John Duder, JP, ONZM, DYC.

It's not all doom and gloom. There is less plastic afloat, if you overlook the berley bags at the Bottom End and no Bryde's whale strikes recorded since big ship speeds were limited to 10 knots. There have been impressive achievements by many Gulf Island Trusts in protection of flora and fauna, and especially Waiheke rahui by frustrated local iwi/hapu.

But what do the birds live on? When did you last see a gannet/kahawai boil up or a pod of penguins? As Andrea Vance [thanks!] wrote in the Sunday Times 29 June "no-one wants to pay the price of overfishing".

Some things we can do: Limit our catch-keeps; no plastic overboard or on the beaches or streets; talk and listen to our kids; and bother our local MP. To have any chance of getting a healed, let alone a sustainable Gulf, all parties, public and private, must 'keep on keeping on' with sustained efforts.





DYC – Seataalks



Protection for the Hauraki Gulf – Andrew Jeffs

Some major proposed changes for boaties and folk using the Hauraki Gulf were announced by the Government during June. These changes include strict rules on fouling on boat hulls, a raft of new protected marine habitat areas, greater restrictions on commercial fishing activities, and new controls on coastal restoration activities. Marine scientist, Andrew Jeffs, from the University of Auckland, will talk about these changes, the effects it will have on users of the Gulf and the Gulf itself.

SEATALKS Devonport Yacht Club

7.30pm Thursday 22nd July 2021

All welcome. The club bar will be open



BOATING AROUND

Peter Montgomery graced our prizegiving

As Blair mentioned in From the Quarterdeck, the DYC Prize Giving was well run, very well attended and a lot of fun. Here Peter Montgomery is pictured making it a special occasion for us. And a special shout out to MoleMap for their kind donation (more on that in next month's newsletter). Thanks!



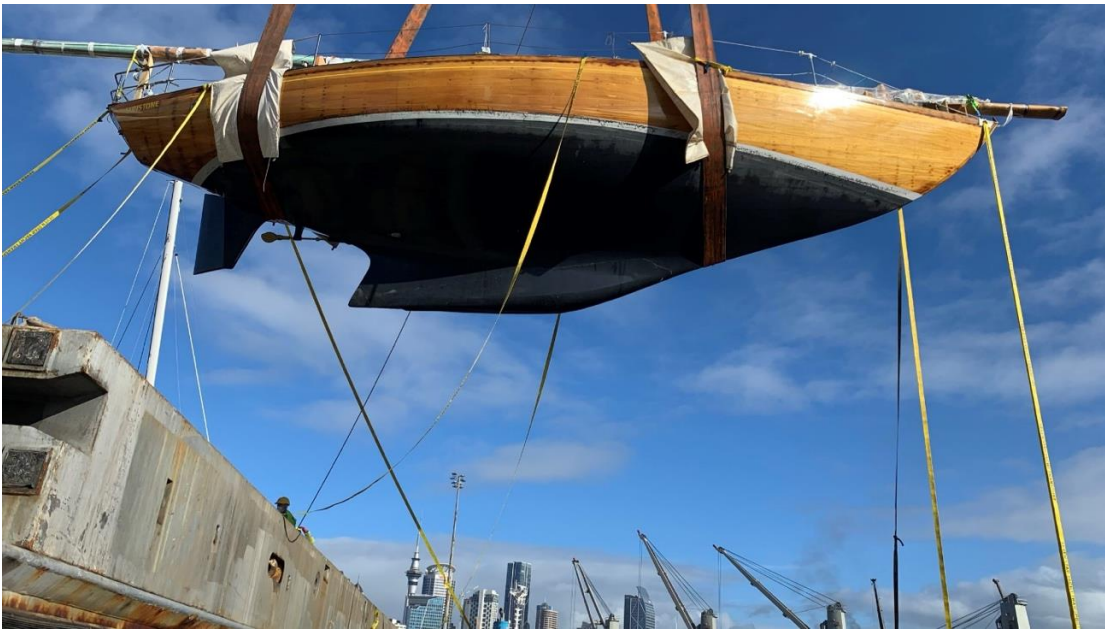
(Photo – Geoff Evans)

Sunstone is on her way

Some of you may remember Tom and Vicky Jackson who presented at two or three DYC Seatalks over the years. They've raced and cruised worldwide in Sunstone, their beautiful, varnished S&S 40. She has just been sold and is currently being shipped aboard the Dynamogracht to the UK. Helping get her safely aboard the ship was interesting!



(Photo – Geoff Evans)

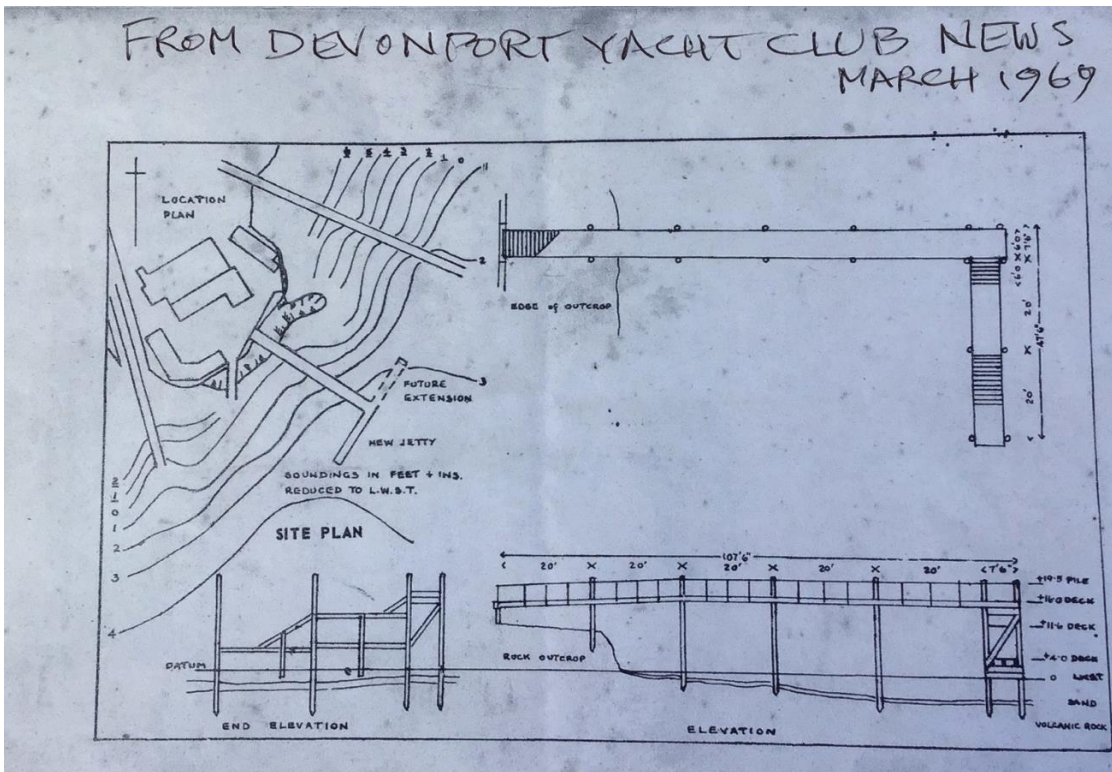


(Photo – Geoff Evans)

The wharf has gone

You may have noticed that the wharf which used to grace the front of the clubhouse has now been demolished. The small area where we hoist the club flags has been retained, strengthened and extended (a bit).

Here's a pic of the original concept.



(Sketch provided by Graham Petterson from DYC News March 1969)



(Pic from Mike Hall)



(Photo – Geoff Evans)

Winter haulage is almost complete



Here's Hugh Pollock with Kristen on her way up the western slip looking in need of some maintenance, skilfully guided up by Paul Walters on the winch, supervised by Rob Ferguson.



(Photo – Geoff Evans)

Below is Bob Jenner's Tumbleweed.



(Photo – Geoff Evans)

And Prize looking stunning getting a blast from Chad Thompson.



(Photo – Geoff Evans)

Thanks for the multi-meter lesson Mike!

Pictured below is Mike Hall teaching us how to use our multi-meters to test our 12Volt DC wiring on our boats. This was a very useful session. Thanks Mike!



(Photo – Geoff Evans)



DYC's at the end of the rainbow...

And here's a stunning shot from Paula Shelton showing DYC at the end of the rainbow on that particularly cold day at the end of June. When will we find the pot of gold?



(Photo – Paula Shelton)

CLUB NOTICES



Notice of the 98th Annual General Meeting of the Devonport Yacht Club

To be held at the Clubhouse, 25 King Edward Parade, Devonport, at 1930 on Tuesday 17th August 2021

Purpose of Meeting:

- To receive the Commodore's Report for the 2020/2021 year.
- To receive the Treasurer's Report
- To receive and adopt the 2020/2021 Annual Accounts
- To approve Fees for the 2022/2023 membership year.
- To elect Patron, President and the Management Committee for the 2021/2022 year.
- To consider any General Business

Call for Nominations

| Nominations for: | Eligibility: | Nomination Procedure: |
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| President & Flag Officers: Commodore Vice Commodore Rear Commodore | Open to Full members only. | Must be on the prescribed form below and received by the Secretary by the 17 th July 2021. Nominees for Flag Officer should, preferably, have at least one year's service on the Management Committee |
| Executive Officers: Treasurer Sailing Master Haulage Master Clubhouse Captain Site Manager Bar Officer Publicity Officer Social Secretary | Open to Full members only. | Preferably on the form below or otherwise in writing and received by the Secretary by the 17 th July 2021 but further nominations will be accepted from the floor at the AGM. |
| 4 Additional Officers | Open to All Members. | Preferably in on the form below or otherwise in writing and received by the Secretary by the 17 th July 2021 but further nominations will be accepted from the floor at the AGM |

Nominations must identify Proposer and Seconder and confirm that the Nominee is willing to serve and is a fully paid up member at the time of the AGM.

Call for Notices of Motion for consideration in General Business

Any member wishing to bring a Notice of Motion before the AGM should submit the motion in writing to the Secretary preferably by the 17th July 2021 although notices will be accepted up until the 11th August 2021.





Devonport Yacht Club

Nomination for Management Committee Position for the 2021/22 Year

We hereby Nominate for the position of

Proposer (name) (signed)

Secunder..... (name)) (signed)

Nominee: I confirm that I am willing to serve in the above position and that

will be a fully paid up member at the time of the AGM. (signed)

| Elections will be held for the following positions at the 2021 AGM: | | |
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From our latest news files

Thursday 22 JULY: DYC Seataalks: Andrew Jeffs Professor in Marine Science University of Auckland to talk about the Hauraki Gulf. See poster above.

SATURDAY 28 AUGUST: Get a team together for the annual DYC quiz night — always a popular event!

Notices on the website: There are some documents recently posted on the website that may be of interest. Rubbish facilities at Kawau and Sandspit, NZ Clubs and reciprocal rights DYC members have at other clubs nationwide and some travel deals to SailGP in Christchurch early next year. Follow this link <https://dyc.org.nz/other-events>

DYC Website: Take a closer look! There's new material going up each and every week, so please keep a look out. We're keen to hear your suggestions. We can upload some of your best photos! Send choice pics to newsletter@dyc.org.nz

Friday meals continue: We need to see lots of you down at the club for Friday meals! It helps us keep these viable. Consider booking a table to help out with catering. The menu is on the website (yum!).

Boat Register: Vice Commodore Blair Cliffe is updating the boat register. Could all boat owners please supply updated details (boat name, boat type, boat design/type/make/, sail number) **and photo** to blaircliffe@xtra.co.nz or text to (027 295 4426)

DYC apparel: Warm hats and beanies are available from behind the bar. Apparel printed with the DYC logo is available online here <https://dyc.org.nz/store>, including apparel personalised with your boat name.

DYC Subs: Invoices for 2021-22 year have been emailed / mailed out. The Treasurer continues to very politely ask, 'please pay promptly'.

And from our correspondence file:

Hello.

I am trying to track down some old friends of my family. My dad said he thought they were members of your club. John and Claire would've around 80 years old.

Regards
Janine Felton
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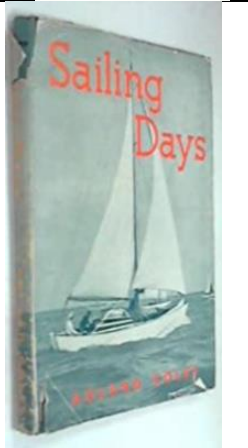
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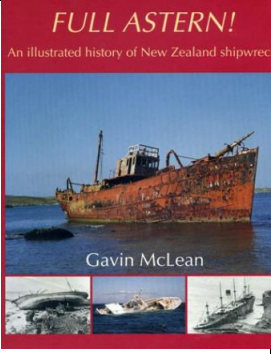

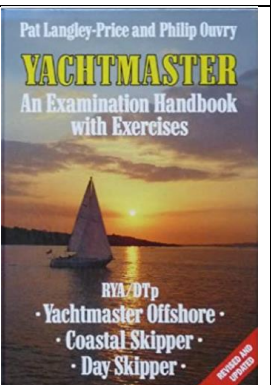
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From DYC librarian Colin Tubbs

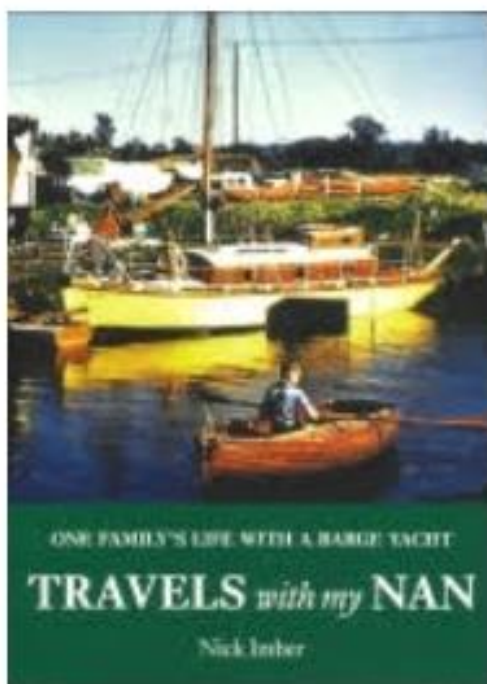
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| <p>GUARDS OF THE SEA RON GRADY</p> <p>The author covers the activities of this pioneer European family of the Marlborough Sounds area of the South Island of New Zealand. From the earliest times as shore whalers to current activities as farmer-fishermen, the author follows the family and their activities in depth.</p> |  |
| <p>THE OLD CAIRNS AQUATIC CLUB RAY TAYLOR AN ILLUSTRATED 100 YEAR HISTORY</p> |  |
| <p>MORE SAILING DAYS ADLARD COLES</p> <p>This book is post 1939-1945 war sequel to the carefree sailing days of the 1930's. It covers the author's ownership and cruising grounds of his three vessels of different types which answered different requirements as they occurred.</p> |  |



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| <p>FULL ASTERN GAVIN McLEAN</p> <p>AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY OF NEW ZEALAND SHIPWRECKS</p> <p>In this book the author examines some of New Zealand's interesting wrecks. It is a story of terrifying storms, inhospitable coastlines and human error, . the malicious rank of fate and court room dramas. It is also testimony to the courage, endurance and self-sacrifice of sea farers.</p> |  |
| <p>ASSAILED J M SCOTT A RIPPING SEAMAN'S YARN</p> <p>For those readers who enjoy a good laugh, this book is for you.</p> | |
| <p>BEFORE THE WIND LORIS CHILWELL A NEW ZEALAND YACHTING ANTHOLOGY</p> <p>This book captures for the first time the highlights of the very best writing on New Zealand yachting sagas of collisions with whales in the Tasman Sea and struggles with hurricanes in the South Pacific Ocean, can be read along with yarns of cruises around the New Zealand coast and thrilling reports of New Zealand international racing triumphs.</p> |  |
| <p>ALONE DANIEL GILLIES</p> <p>This is the story of the toughest race in the world, the Royal Western-Observer single handed Transatlantic Ocean, a race, twice winner Eric Tabarly has said, "is the only one of its kind of any real significance."</p> | |
| <p>YACHT MASTER PAT LANGLEY-PRICE AND PHILIP OUVRY</p> <p>When it comes to the elements at sea the theoretical knowledge, as the author's rightly acknowledge, is no substitute for practical experience. But there is no doubt that aspiring skippers can be much better prepared if, as much as possible is learnt, before taking full responsibility for the safety of themselves and others.</p> |  |



Book review from Boat Books



TRAVELS WITH MY NAN.

By Nick Imber, 170 pages. Colour Photos. Paperback .Published 2019

One Family's Life with a Barge Yacht.

I first met her in Tollesbury and immediately fell for her. She was an Essex girl through and through but not like all the others, although she was shallow. As far as I could see then there were only two problems. There was a big age difference—fifty-five years. She was born in 1904 and I was ten back then in 1959. None of this mattered to me but the second problem would be trickier: my Dad loved her too...

So begins Nick Imber's affectionate account of his family's love affair with the barge yacht Nan, who was to give so much pleasure to three generations, across twenty years from the 1950s to the 1970s.

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