



ROBERT HAUSER & ANNE BOOTH
CURMUDGEON YACHT CLUB SAIL



In 1982 I joined the New Bedford Whaling Museum as museum conservator and rented an apartment at 5 Cannon Street, Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. At that time George White of Mattapoisett owned several Herreshoff 12 ½ sailboats. One of those sailboats I leased from him and sailed in Mattapoisett Harbor. During this period, I met Anne Booth of Lincoln, Massachusetts. We jointly purchased a 12 ½ (sail number 333 & plate number 2051) named "Tiny" from the owner in Cataumet, Massachusetts.

We moored the sailboat in Mattapoisett Harbor and never properly named the sailboat preferring making up names like "Just for Now." The sailboat was cared for by boat builder and friend David Peterson owner of the company, "Wooden Tangent" of Mattapoisett. Several summers later, after many storms and sea stories David assisted us selling the sailboat to someone on Martha's Vineyard. Soon after Anne and I decided to purchase a home at 111 Wolf Island Road, Rochester, Massachusetts.

During the summer of 2000 we joined with friends and members of the Curmudgeon Yacht Club to charter in Newport, R.I. the 12-meter sailboat Columbia (winner of the America's Racing Cup in 1958). As a challenge other members decided to charter the 12- meter sailboat Nefertit in a competition race from Newport to New Bedford. It was politely agreed Nefertit was questionably the winner. The photograph was taken on our return to New Bedford Harbor.

* Drawing of an anchor and cat by Anne for our 1998 wedding invitation.



H333 HERRESHOFF MATTAPOISETT HARBOR
BUILDERS NAME PLATE 2051

