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Dear Fellow Seabreeze Enthusiast:

Enclosed is the second edition of our roster of Seabreeze owners. It has grown to 57 boats from the 34 on my original list, and represents 42% of all the Seabreezes ever built. It was prepared within the same software limitations as the first edition. I will again apologize to you all for having had to list your last name first and to those wives and co-owners to whose names I did violence because of the limit on the number of characters the memory would accept. I trust the type size will not strain the eyesight of some of our aging owners. It represents the convenience of four pages rather than seven, as well as a minor economy. I'll rely on all of you to correct my mistakes and to beat the brush for additional listings. The current list represents just the easy part of the job.

While I expect this to remain a low-key, as-convenient effort, it seems an appropriate time to consider what an owner's association should be or do. I expect to continue to serve as a clearing house for information and I'll do my best to answer your letters and respond to your suggestions. Printing and mailing costs are no longer negligible so the question arises, how many of you would be willing to contribute perhaps five dollars a year toward the effort. I would like to sort the boats by rig, color and sail number and also by rig, color and name to make recognition lists for use underway and in harbor. A geographical listing of owners would also be useful. I even fantasize about soliciting a photograph and brief description of your favorite upgrade or modification from each of you and publishing a small illustrated report. There are limits, however.

Get-togethers or regattas have been suggested, but we seem rather too dispersed to make that practical. Several owners have offered the help of their experience in repowering and in rebuilding the interior. There were also suggestions for compiling a Seabreeze handbook, newsletters, "used boat" reports, and having Association decals or house flags made, but I'm still waiting for volunteers.

The most frequent question I've received concerned replacing the centerboard. Frank MacLear cautions that the original drawings may not have been followed and an existing board should be copied. I refer people to Ron Blazo, #113, who says he expects to have one made this spring. Questions about converting to a taller mast and shorter boom and how best to deal with chainplate and fixed-portlight leaks have also appeared. Any suggestions?

I've included a extra registry form with this mailing if I did not send one previously, and hope that you will pass it on to any unlisted owners you meet. I do not send rosters to people who have not returned their registry forms. It is the only lever I have in trying to develop a data base.

There are several boats I'm aware of but do not have current owners for. These include a white sloop, PINKLETINK (hull #1), a white sloop (hull #22) owned by a man named A. Harvey Block, and a black sloop with exterior mahogany trim (hull #37). All were last seen in the Washington - Annapolis area. The current status of a light blue sloop (hull #108), totaled in a boatyard fire in the mid-'70s and sold to the yard, is also unknown. Please report all sightings, and have a good summer.

Very truly yours,

Gene Reardon