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Radon Team

President's Message

2008 was a four letter word, 2009 has been great,

2010, here we come!

Have a wonderful holiday season!

Happy New Year!

See ya then :-)

Don Radon



Featured Boat

- Bev Morgan, (dad)
- Matt Morgan, (son)

New 26' Radon, the Pelican II

Bev Morgan is a seasoned Radon boat owner - he still owns his first Radon, which was built by Ron Radon Sr. for commercial diving in 1972 (photo below). Bev is also founder of Kirby-Morgan Dive Systems, which manufacture dive masks.

Bev's son Matt loves to surf, and this boat is perfect for that use. With twin Mercury 250 HP Verados, it is fast and quiet.

The electronics package includes the Raymarine E120 12" display, 4 kw Radome, DSM 300 digital sounder module, Sirius weather/radio receiver, satellite TV dome, and autopilot.

It was a pleasure to build this boat for the Morgans. They are wonderful customers, and we know they will enjoy their boat.



Launching day!



Bev's 1972 24' Radon – the Pelican – the 7th Radon built. He still owns it!



Sea trials outside the Santa Barbara harbor



Transom left - dive door and stainless dive ladder



Helm



Teak dinette table with inset stainless cup holders



Microwave compartment



Twin Mercury 250 HP Verados mounted on a Hermco fiberglass flotation swimstep bracket



Walk-in head compartment with sea water head



Two anchor lockers and Maxwell windlass



Rear sliding door and mini galley to the right



Stainless surfboard/kayak racks and stainless rocket launchers



Your editor fishing for halibut during the “sea trial”
(I actually caught one!)

Happy customers department



An e-mail from Jason and Stacy Schmitt

Hi Don, Linda, Kate and Jeremy,

Just wanted to thank all of you at Radon Boats for doing a great job on my boat. In January you installed a secondary water pick up, kelp knife, battery charger and a few other things. I made it down to Channel Islands Harbor and have been using my boat for the past several weeks. The kelp knife and secondary water pickup is awesome. It is so nice going through the kelp and not over heating, thank you so much! The spearfishing has been slow for me but I did shoot one wsb several weeks ago. I'm making a list of new projects, like a windless for sure, pulling my anchor by hand sucks! I found dry storage in the harbor (thanks for that Don) so I think I will stick around until I shoot a few more wsb.

I will keep in touch, but thank you guys so much for everything.
Jason and Stacy Schmitt
22 Olympic Coastal



Jason and Stacy's boat is currently in our shop again, getting serviced and having a few extras added.
We appreciate their business!

Our trip to the Channel Islands



Don caught a rock fish



We did a little snorkeling in Forney's Cove on Santa Cruz Island

Engine care, part six:



Water pump maintenance

It is very important to maintain your boat's water pump according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

The water pump is important because it keeps the engine at the proper temperature. The sea water pump has a flexible rubber impeller that should be replaced on a regular basis.

If your engine starts running slightly warmer than normal - that could indicate that your impeller needs to be changed.

When you flush your engine after using it in salt water, it is important that you run water through it and do not run the impeller "dry". If you run the impeller "dry", it will ruin your impeller.

In addition, a raw water strainer is a very good addition to your engine to keep debris from going through your water pump.

Check your engine owner's manual for scheduled maintenance.

B a b i e s ! K i d s ! P e t s !

Our granddaughter, PJ Radon, is 6 months old!



... she even has her own "Radon" baby outfit





Thanksgiving Day with Paige Juliet

Regular readers of Radon Team may remember Oliver Girard from issue #25...



Here he is last August, right after his 2nd birthday...



Audrey Marie Dexter with the *Audrey Marie* behind her in Honolulu (the *Audrey Marie* is her dad Marc's 17' Radon)

Sam and Chloe Kendall have a new son, Oaklon, born July 11th
Sam and Chloe keep their Radon in the Santa Barbara harbor (*newsletter # 27*)



Congratulations to the whole family!



Bright eyes! Kate and Jeremy's kitty, Zelda



Our very own Cassie loves boat rides!

In *Radon Team* issue #26, we put in a photo of Josh and Sarah's puppy, Sawyer, below



He was named after the character, Sawyer, in the TV series "LOST"



Here he is now!

Below, Joan and Bob Whitney's 9 month old puppy, Mika



Joan's horse, Lollie

I guess you have figured out that your editor loves animals!

Photos from customers/friends/relatives



Tom and Susie Lang near June Lake



Tom Lang on Santa Cruz Island



Tom Chung on Hamilton Island, Australia



Tom and Tien Chung in Australia



Chris Monk and his buddies fish for albacore off of his Radon 29' outside of Bodega Bay



Lance Merker with a personal best 73lb White Seabass



Kyle Merker fishing Santa Cruz Island at daybreak

Photo archive





1985 26 x 8'6" with 250 HP diesel engine and V-drive



Custom 25' x 8'6" we built in 1990 for Conrad Ringer of Hawaii



Mid '80's - our 17' at Nacimiento Lake

Radon Team is finished for now! See you next time!