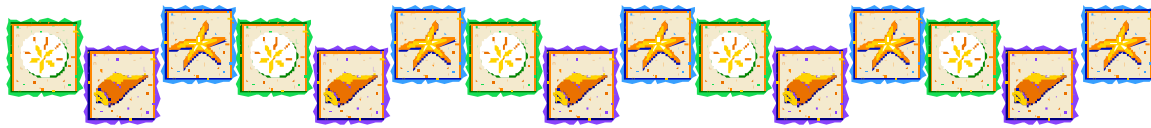


# Hi Seas Marina Scuttlebutt

Spring  
2011



Hello everyone! After taking a one season hiatus, we're back! We are going to go about this a little differently than in the past. Instead of publishing every month, we are going to try quarterly. So we're going to do a Spring (March), Summer (June), Fall (September) and Winter (December) edition. I'm hoping that it won't be so difficult to get quality material to put in here. I really need your help, though. You are encouraged to send me emails of your boat trips – complete with pictures & details – gossip, stories, etc. Don't be shy! I have created a NEW email address dedicated solely to the Scuttlebutt. This will help prevent your important scuttlebutt emails from getting lost amongst all my other emails. The HSM Exclusive email address is [hmscuttlebutt@yahoo.com](mailto:hmscuttlebutt@yahoo.com) so please update your address books right promptly – better yet, why not use it right now and send me some good material for the next edition!



Spring has sprung, which means boats are about to get launched! I for one CAN NOT WAIT for the 2011 boating season to get underway! With the new boating season fast approaching, there are many things to get in order. There will be boat cleaning, buffing, painting and sanding. Please remember to take others into consideration prior to your spring regiment. If you need to sand your boat, please be sure you use a vacuum attachment to prevent all that dust from getting all over the other boats and cars in the lot. Remember that you aren't the only one who likes to have a clean boat!

**FIVE DAYS A WEEK MY BODY IS A TEMPLE.  
THE OTHER TWO IT'S AN AMUSEMENT PARK.**





## *Congratulations Dave & Sarah!*

Dave Gruber & Sarah Pettus of the sailing vessel Picadilly Circus got hitched on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Be sure to stop by to congratulate them – their boat is over on A dock.

Being the high class, technically advanced marina that Hi Seas has become, we are once again offering DSL service. The fee for the season will be \$100 and it will be available by mid-May thru October. Be sure to sign up and pay in the office. You will be given a secure password that will unlock the fabulous world known as ... THE INTERNET!!!



There is a NEW FEATURE on the Hi Seas Marina website... its a Sailboat Race & Party Calendar for the entire 2011 Boating Season! Lisa DeMoulin put this fabulous little feature together and is a nice addition to an already fantastic website. Be sure to check it out... now there is no reason to miss an important HSM function!

*I USED TO EAT A LOT OF NATURAL FOODS UNTIL I  
LEARNED THAT MOST PEOPLE DIE OF NATURAL CAUSES.*



# Featured Boater!

Wanted to introduce ourselves, we have actually been checking out the marina for years, and hoping to get back into boating. Have just about driven John nuts I think, but we are now in the process of closing on our boat, and have signed up to be part of the family this summer. I figured will give people a nice chance to maybe know us – even if I write way too much.

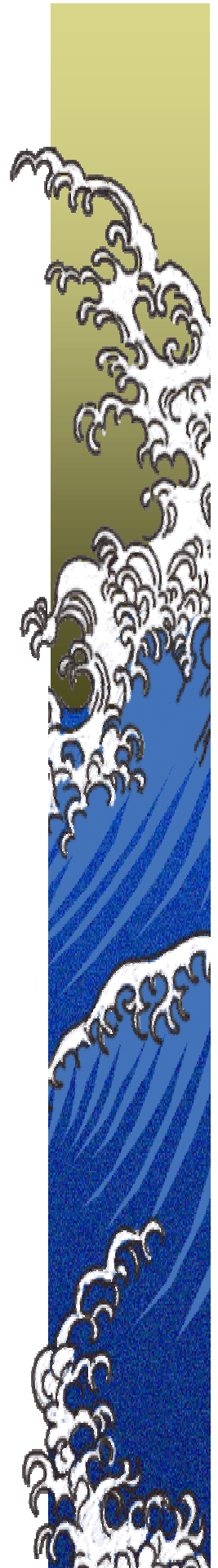
**What is your name & the names of your crew?** Well, as it said below we are Russ & Kerry Wende, of Wausau. (well Kerry of Wausau, I am a transplant and have lived all over)

**Tell us a little about yourself & your family.** You don't have enough room? Okay we have four grown children between us, and six grand children. One family lives right in Green Bay, and we hope to see a lot of them, and the two local grand kids a lot this summer. (little crew – grandpa wants to teach sailing) Other family is scattered, IL, OK and UT. I've sailed most of my life (the rest I wasted) Kerry got involved with sailing when she got involved with me about 10 years ago. At the time I lived in St Joseph MI, where I was owner and manager of Pier 1000 Marina, she was here in Wausau WI. Situations changed, the internet provides great long range connections, and well here we are together. I proposed in the cockpit of my Catalina 42.

**What is the name of your boat?** The current name marked on her hull is Gloria. (that has to go – so sometime this spring will be a un-naming / renaming party at our slip) The new name will be Long Story, why long story? Just ask, it's a long story... She is a 2001 Catalina 310.

**What brought you to Hi Seas Marina** Location, and how friendly John has been. Having been in the marina business, when I first moved here, I just needed to walk the yard and smell the smells of boats. John was great about just talking with me, showing me around, and being helpful as we looked for boats and deals fell through, ups and downs. Plus we just like where the marina is, no bridges, and you have all these sticks in your slips, nice to be around other sailors. & how long have you been here? This will be our first season, but have been stopping in for years now.

**What dock are you on?** We don't know yet, either on the end of the tee on the center dock, or along the river on the inside – John was moving some boats around, were ever it happens to be, we will be happy. If people want to stop by and say HI they know where to find you.) Wonder the docks with a spare drink in hand, we will find you!



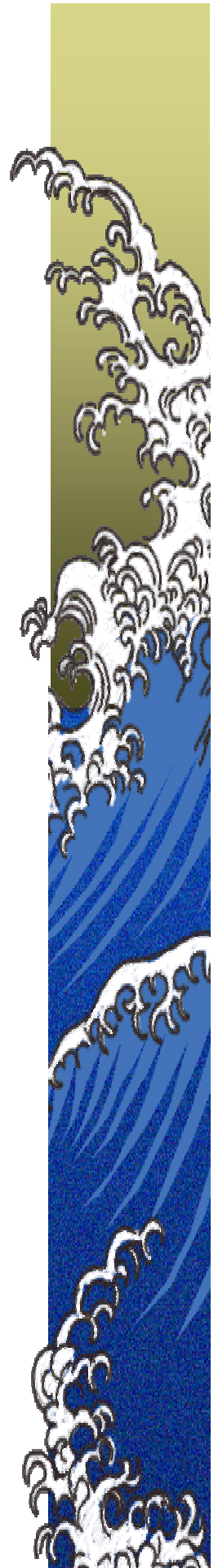
# Featured Boater! (con't)

**How long have you been boating and how did you get started with this habit?** I do a whole PowerPoint on this – haha. Russ, about 50 years of boating, small boats with my dad. Kerry about 45 years only small boat, fishing, camping. I did a little cape dory as a child, and a sunfish. Then after a stint in powerboats, I shifted back to sail some 24 years ago. During that time I had a fleet of Catalina's, moving up every couple years from a C-25, C-27, C-34 and C-42. (also had a little Seaward 23 in there) Was so nuts with the habit that I did USCGAUX for years, and am actually a master instructor (Teach public and teach instructors to teach) among other things. Left my corporate job, did the marina for a few years, (long story) and moved here. We boated the C-42 out of Kewanee for a couple years then decided to down size as I single hand even with my loving crew member.

**What was your most memorable boating adventure?** Adventure always seems to deal with storms, and over the years many on Lake Michigan, a Hurricane in Antigua, proposing on the boat at sunset, but most of all moving the boat to WI. Kerry was new to sailing, in fact when we moved the boat it was her fourth time ever on a sailboat. We did a trip up the MI coast from St Joe to Frankfort, (23 hours) did a little overnight at dock in Frankfort with friends that had just returned from 4 years in the islands on their C-42, and the next day crossed the lake. It could not have been any more perfect for an East-West crossing. Wind was about 12 kts from due north, waves less than 3'. We set the sail, set the autopilot, and we relaxed all the way over, we talked, we watched birds, it was about 78 degrees, (labor day weekend) and we never touched the sails or wheel until we entered the pierhead in WI. It was so perfect that Kerry will not do the crossing to bring the new boat over in May, she does not want to jinx the trip, I think she bring luck to the boat.

**Do you have any big trips planned this summer?** Just getting use to the boat, and enjoying it, getting wife more comfortable with running her. Seeing what the area has to offer, maybe a weekend or two over to Door County, even if just for dinner and an overnight, alone or with a group. Lots of time on the boat, but nothing big – being back in boating is exciting in itself.

*I must say that I think Russ & Kerry are going to fit in just fine here at the Hi Seas Marina, don't you? I think I'll have to hire him as a Scuttlebutt writer! Great job, Russ!*



# Fun Pic's of 2010



Here is how Spring 2010 started. - this is just wrong



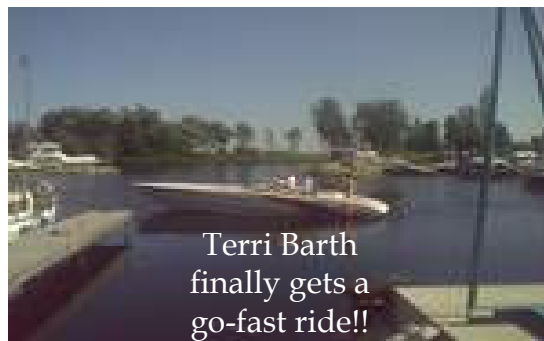
Rachelle Bainbridge wins a valuable prize - Yeah, Rachelle!



Cool pic from web cam 2. Thanks to Rae P. for capturing it.



Who needs a carpenter? Well, how 'bout a 1/2 Ass Carpenter - cheap. But takes credit cards... kinda.



Memorial Day weekend Redneck Fiesta... now THAT was a party!! I am not naming names here..





And, Hi Seas complains of "low" water...  
Picture taken at the Bay of Fundy, New  
Brunswick (from Dave & Elenie Eliassen)

**The following is an email from Dean Schoenike (Stu's Prediction)... Thanks Dean! You come back soon!! We all miss those shorts!! :)**

Thanks for doing the Scuttlebutt for the Oconto sailing group. Since Stu's Prediction and I left Oconto for Lake Superior 4/5 years ago, it's still fun to get the latest news from Hi Seas in Oconto. Here's some pic's/writeup for the newsletter. use it as you see fit.

I read about the new "Johns" (head and/or bathrooms) at HiSeas and was impressed. So not be out done, I thought I would send you some pics from the new developments at Pete's Marina in Pequamming on Lake Superior. I spent one season at Pete's and have been wintering there for 3 years. It's not a place to be missed if you get this way

In the pics one can see our 2 story boaters lounge, open air walkway to the skytop lounge which also functions as a portable ginpole for sailboats, the new tiki hut and adjacent bathroom. The bungalow has a built in fireplace and comfortable couches but the debate among the boaters is if Pete built it out of an old fuel or septic tank. We have outside firepits with chimneys so no one gets smoke in there eyes while sitting around the fire and all the free firewood we can find.

The last pic is of Pete the owner. I think that's him, or is that an older John or Ernie look alike.

~Dean

WARNING WARNING  
I'm coming back some day



# The Backpack Poppa



Hi Seas Marina has several recycling containers located around the marina - please use them! Cans, glass & cardboard all get taken to the recycling center!



We all love dogs, but no one likes to step in what they leave behind. If you bring your dog to the marina, please be sure you keep them under control and have a plastic baggie ready!



*There are two kinds of pedestrians: the quick and the dead.*

The speed limit in the confines of the marina is 5 MPH!!! There are kids, dogs and intoxicated people wandering around so speeding through the gravel parking lot like Mario Andretti will not be permitted. Not to mention the dust that high speeds produce!! Please be considerate and DRIVE SLOWLY! We understand the need to get on your boat as quickly as possible, but there is no need to put others in danger to get there.

**Remember...** Email your funny stories, not-so-funny stories, tidbits, snipits, gossip, pictures & other general nautical scuttlebutt to me! Don't delay, send TODAY!



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