

July 25, 1977

Mr. Ernie French
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 Kearney, Nebraska 68847

Dear Ernie:

Congratulations on winning the Mutineer Nationals for the second time! Once more, and you get to keep the trophy. So, next year will be a very tense occasion, I am sure!

I was disappointed at not being able to make the Nationals this year, but understand everything went off well and you were a worthy winner! I also understand that you are now Class ^{Vice} Commodore and this, too, pleases me because I am sure that you will do a good job.

I talked to Phil Holland this last week, and he told me about your suggestion with regard to doing a news letter four times a year to the Mutineer owners. My candid suggestion was that you include two of these in together with the Crews Nest which will be mailed January and July of each year. This would save the cost of mailing and give us more substance to our Crews Nest. Incidentally, my stock remark to anyone who wants to do a separate news letter is that they should be aware of the fact that during the past four years when we have been putting the Crews Nest out, we have had but minimal assistance in the form of articles from any of the Class Associations.

I really feel bad about the One of a Kind and not having the Mutineer entered. As it happened, we could have had you there with a Mutineer, and I am sure you would have done well. It was unfortunate that just prior to that occasion, I was really snowed under with work and just didn't do much to get my priorities right. That's a reason not an excuse!

I look forward to hearing from you and learning what you have in mind with regard to your news letter and your promotion, generally.

Yours sincerely,



ROY BACON
 Sailboat Manager

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