Baker Boat Works Plans is currently operating from Jamestown, RI - 2013 BAKER BOA WORKS 29 DRIFT ROAD, WESTPORT, MASS 02790 R.H. BAKER BOATS A Catalog of Building Plans

Classics Since 1944

Robert H. Baker (Nov. 1927 - Sept. 1983)

Beginning with childhood summers spent in the bays and marshes of Westport, Massachusetts, Robert "Bob" Baker loved boats. Even as a child, he would find old boats and, often as possible, bring them home with him. Out of practical experience and careful observation, Bob arrived at his own remarkable technical and aesthetic understanding of watercraft.

Bob was an artist and a craftsman of the highest order, and his interests and talents are evident in his work. As Jon Wilson of **WoodenBoat Magazine** wrote, "Bob loved things traditional, and taught others to love them, but he was not bound by tradition. ... His unfailing eye for proportion and detail was thus the object of considerable admiration for all who knew him. His subtle touch was in evidence everywhere around his shop, his house, his boats, and in the numerous designs he created."

When Bob Baker died in 1983, he left a legacy of extraordinary work — beautiful boats and boat designs, models, carvings, and a large collection of photos, sketches and plans. In many instances, Bob's work captured and illumined the vanishing craft of wooden boat building. "There is not much new around," he said. "It's really old stuff reworked or modern ideas are designed without environment or medium in mind. Eventually. People will return to what does work. Like traditional small craft."

Bob spent his life with boats, sailing them, drawing them, restoring them, and, whenever possible, taking lines off them. His plans and drawings are a reflection of his love and understanding of design and of the sea. Bob had the ability to see and understand shape, an art that few people achieve and this art of perception is what guided him all his life.

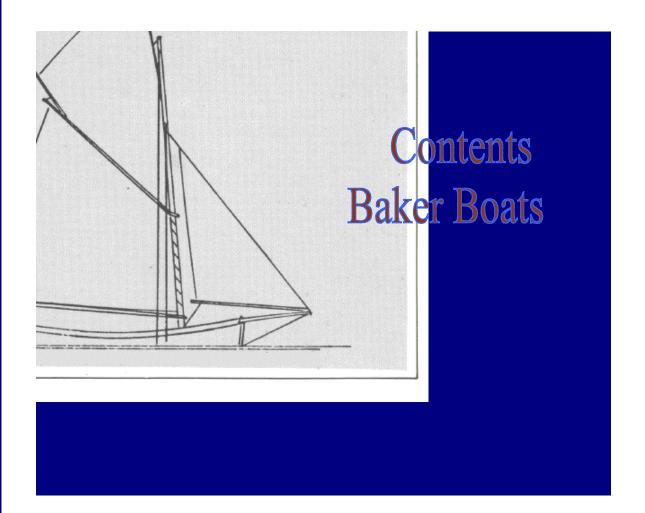
Baker Boat Works

The history of Baker Boat Works began with Bob in Middletown, RI at St. George's School where he taught boat building, under the name Dragon Boat Shop. His shop grew and developed, moving around the southeast area between Newport, RI, Warren, RI, and Westport, MA. When Bob left St. George's School the shop changed to Baker Boat Works and Restoration where Bob and Anne "Pete" Doolittle began working together. Bob focused on boats while Pete focused on house restoration, though each often helped the other with their perspective works.

In 1966 Bob and Pete married. Each had several children from previous marriages and together they had two children. When Bob died Pete held up his legacy and began Baker Boats Works plans sales. Plan sales began from a paper catalog she created and published, then later the catalog moved to the internet where it can now be found on By-The-Sea.com.

In 2011 Anne "Pete" Baker died. Because interest continues in the works of Bob, his children have agreed to continue the legacy and offer his plans. Just prior to her death, Pete finished a short book about the life of Bob. As of 2013 the book is not published, but we hope to make this work available as soon as possible. The working title is *For the Love of Boats*.

For more information about Bob, Pete, Baker Boat Works, or any of the plans available for sale please contact us by email at: RHBakerCatalog@gmail.com



Welcome to The Baker Boat Catalog in PDF format.

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DINGHIES

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PUDDLEDUCK – PLAN 56	\$42.00
NORTH SHORE DINGHY - Plan 1	\$43.00

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Small Boats under 18'

GOSLING - Plan 22	\$40.00
SWAMPSCOTT DORY - Plan 14	\$43.00
KID'S POD Clinker-built Peapod - BBW Plan 18 (Order from Maine Maritime Museum)	\$
PICCOLO - BBW Plan 16 (Order from WoodenBoat Magazine)	\$

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Skiffs and Sharpies

WESTPORT SKIFF - Plan 71	\$41.00
SOUTHARD'S SHARPIE - Plan 2	\$42.00
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Catboats

CATBOAT - Plan 27	\$45.00
PEGGOTTY - Plan 94	\$48.00
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Boats Approximately 20'

Sloop "DRAGONFLY" - Plan 21	\$36.00
Sloop "TWO FORTY" – Plan 42	\$45.00
Noman's Land Boat "ORCA - Plan 75	\$47.00
Noman's Land Boat "CLEVELAND" - Plan 111	\$50.00
Sloop "SANDY"- Plan113	\$40.00
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Whitehalls and Wherries

RESCUE - Plan 7	\$44.00
15' SAILING WHITEHALL – Plan 10	\$40.00
AZULYKIT - Plan 6	\$46.00
11' WHERRY - Plan 76	\$36.00
DONOGHUE - Plan 9	\$48.00
19' WHERRY - Plan 48	\$42.00

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Yawl Boats and a Launch

YAWL BOAT - Plan 77	\$37.00
GRAY BOAT - Plan 85	\$40.00
LAUNCH - Plan 107	\$41.00

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Boats over 25 Feet

PROSPECT MARSH PINKY - Plan 12	\$58.00
SAMANTHE - Plan 19	\$53.00
27' SLOOP - Plan 66	\$58.00
VALKYRIE Plan 123	\$57.00
KETCH - Plan 25	\$74.00
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Fiberglass Constructed Boats

SCORPION - Plan 24	\$41.00
TALLSTAR - Plan 38	\$ 41.00
ORION – Plan 37	\$45.00
LITTLE BEAR- Plan 29	\$42.00
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Plans for Half Models

CHARLESTOWN BEACH BOAT - Plan 86. Taken off model from Saunders Shop, Wickford, R.I. 1969. History included	\$20.00
EASTERN WORKING SLOOP OF THE 1880'S - Plan 87. Taken from half model cut by Saunders, Wickford, R.I. 1969. History included.	\$20.00
N.Y. CLAMMING SLOOP. "SARAH E. LOCKWOOD"- Plan 88 Built at Greenwich, CT. Lines taken of builders half model. 1969. History included.	\$20.00
UNIDENTIFIED STEAMER (probably oyster steamer) - Plan 100 History included.	\$15.00

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