GUIDE TO THE RECORDS OF THE WEE SCOT (SAILBOAT) RACING ASSOCIATION

Collection Abstract: Records (1934-1939) of the Wee Scot Racing Association including correspondence, blueprints, sketches, specifications, and other papers relating to the Association and to Wee Scot sailboats.

Collection Title: The Wee Scot (Sailboat) Racing Association Records
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INTRODUCTION:

The Wee Scot Racing Association was founded at the Sea Cliff (NY) Yacht Club in 1935, by owners of Wee Scot sailboats. According to its constitution: "The endeavor of the Association is to promote Wee Scot Class Racing under uniform rules governed by an association of Wee Scot owners." The Wee Scot was introduced in 1922 by the designer-builder Thomas D. Scott. They were built by the Milton Boat Yards in Rye, New York, with the sails originally supplied by Louis J. Larsen, Inc. Advertised as a safe, small boat, the Wee Scot was generally 15 to 16 feet in length with a three-foot draft. Charles Berberich, Port Washington resident and donor of these records, was the owner of a Wee Scot sailboat and an officer of the Association.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

The records of the Wee Scot Racing Association span the years 1934-1939 and include sail blueprints, sketches, specifications, correspondence, the Association's constitution, lists of owners, brochures from the Milton Boat Yards, racing information and miscellaneous materials. The correspondence documents the Association's efforts to locate owners of Wee Scot boats and to set standards for sail dimensions. The sketches and specifications range from blueprints for sail plans to brown paper cut-outs of sails. Many letters in the general correspondence also refer to sail dimensions. Racing papers include fliers announcing races and lists of race participants.

BOX LIST:

Box	Folder	Content
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	1	Blueprints, sketches, specifications (23 items)
	2	Constitution, undated (2 copies x 3 pages)
	3	Correspondence – General, 1934;1936 (16 pages)
	4	Correspondence – General, 1937;1939 & undated (29 pages)
	5	Correspondence – Letters/Notices to Members, ca 1936-1939 (22 pages)
	6	Lists of owners, ca. 1935-1937 (37 pages)
	7	Milton Boat Yards – Brochures (2), 1937 & undated
	8	Miscellaneous papers, 1934-1937 (9 pages)
	9	Racing – Wee Scot Class – printed matter, 1936-1937 (12 items)
	10	Racing – Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound –Racing lists, 1936-1937 (27 pages)