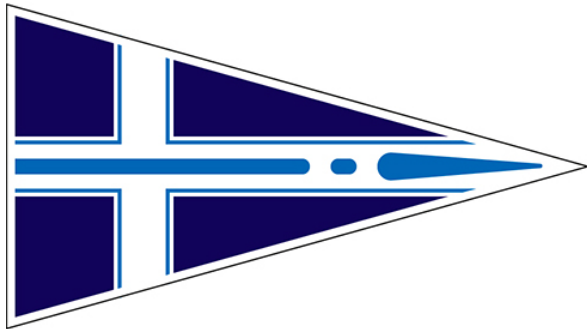




**SPARKMAN & STEPHENS
SWAN ASSOCIATION**

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Jim Mattingly and PJ/Nautor's Swan

We have been introduced to Jim Mattingly by our friend [Alan Gilbert](#).

We are of course extremely interested and excited in knowing everything related to the history of the Sparkman&Stephens designed Swans, and Jim's significant role in that history. In asking Jim to write about his yachting experiences, it sparked his recall of sailing aboard S&S designs, of which many were Swans. Based on Jim's recollection it included 26 S&S designs, and six 12 Meters.

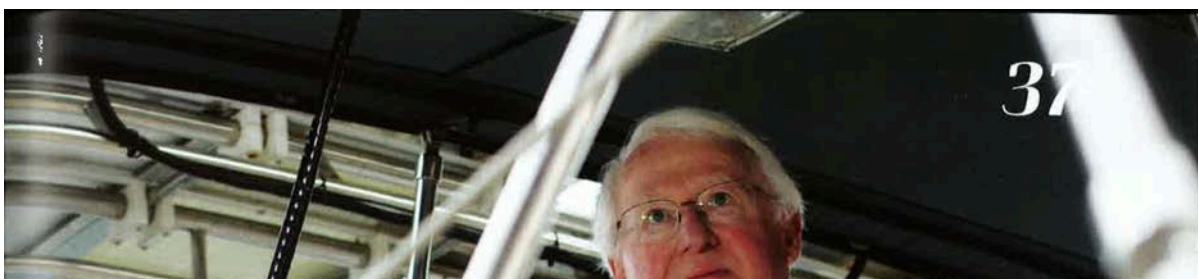
Clearly a devotee of S&S projects!

He was the man who made possible the successful commercialization of the very first S&S Swans in the US, having been involved with Palmer Johnson (*PJ sold the S&S Swans in USA under their brand*) since the beginning, and having sold tens of PJ/Swans in the US during the first decades.

Needless to say, we are most grateful for the time and effort he put into responding to our request.

I am sure you will enjoy reading what he wrote for us:

Jim's article.





S&S Swan 57 model

Jorma E. is the Owner of S&S Swan 43/020 *Sunchaser* and he is so passionate of S&S Swan in general that he decided to build a model of the S&S Swan 57, for his own, even if "just" an amateur model maker he's doing a fabolus job, we can't wait to see the finished S&S Swan 57 in scale!





Jorma's model of his S&S Swan 57, work in progress, and details of the aft cabin (yes, even down below!

S&S Swan 38/002 still a winner after 50 years

S&S Swan 38/002 *Soma* is now 50 years old (*launched in April 1974*).

As all S&S Swan 38 Owners know, based on their experience, she is an incredibly good cruising boat, able to sail in any condition in total safety even when handled by a solo sailor.

Soma is not just the best mate for Nick H., her Owner when she is dressed for cruising but even a keen racer, and Nick, from New Zealand, is quite often in the podium, despite he's racing with the boat fully equipped for cruising (*including 50 m. of chain in the anchor locker!*)!

Bravo to *Soma* and Nick!



S&S Swan 38/002 *Soma* racing in New Zealand, August 2024

Stability Report for S&S Swan 65

Anyone here in possession of a *Stability Report* for the S&S Swan 65?

We are looking for this document for the Owner of S&S Swan 65/031.

If someone has got it, we we'll be glad tif he/she could share it, with thanks!

S&S Swan and Swan Cup, final results

Swan Cup is now over!

S&S Swan Association class, final results:

- 1 S&S Swan 36/010 Isabella (and Over All winner)
- 2 S&S Swan 57/015 Lintu
- 3 S&S Swan 47/002 Dream
- 4 S&S Swan 44/047 Solano
- 5 S&S Swan 47/037 Matilda
- 6 S&S Swan 65/035 Eve
- 7 S&S Swan 57/006 Matchless
- 8 S&S Swan 41/047 Maje
- 9 S&S Swan 65/020 King's Legend



Frank W. and his crew at the prize giving, Porto Cervo, 2024 Swan Cup

11th S&S Swan Rendez-vous

17 - 22 June 2025, Marciana Marina, Elba Island (42° 48.479'N 10° 12.020'E)

Provisional shchedule:

17 June: Arrival Day, Welcome Cocktail

18 June: Costal Race

19 June: Costal Race

20 June: *Costal Race*

21 June: *Short race, Prizegiving Dinner Party*

22 June: *Bye Bye day!*

We are full of enthisiiasm and working with our co-organizers, Circolo della Vela Marciana Marina, and our generous sponsors, to organize the ultimate event for the S&S Swan.

So far already 29 S&S Swan Owners confirmed their participation, and some S&S Swan Association Members coming from foreign countries, unable to join us with their S&S Swan, confirmed their physical presence (*they will be racing onboard other Member's boats*).

In 2023 we were 45 participants S&S Swan, we would like to be even more to the 2025 Rendez-vous which is even the 25th anniversary of the S&S Swan Association!

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