



Boat Archives - 'Sudena'



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Length	40'	Prior Names	
Year Built	1968	Build No.	40/21
Beam	11'10	Hull Construction	Double diagonal teak
Draft	3'10	Deck Construction	Teak
Engine Make	Twin Perkins HT 6.354	Superstructure Style	Closed aft cockpit
Engine Size	145 HP each	Number of Berths	
Engine Fuel Type	Diesel	Location	Benson and Abingdon Marina

History

1968	SUDENA was built for a Mr D Scanlan of Drightlington, Yorkshire and cost the princely sum of £12,678. SUDENA comes from his wife's and daughter's fore names. The keel was laid in 1965 per build sheets.
21 Jun 1968	She was British registered at H.M. Customs House, London and still appears on the listings retaining her original name.
11 Oct 1995	After 27 years of ownership Mr Scanlan sold SUDENA to Bill and Mary Robertson who used her extensively cruising the east coast and English channel with various trips to France going as far inland as Paris. It has been said that she achieved a speed of 24 knots during a shopping hop to Calais.
2001	Regrettably ill health generated a further change in ownership and hence in 2001 at the age of 33 years SUDENA passed to her third proud owner, Chris Craft.
	Any connection between the new owner and the American 'Chris Craft' boat building company (whose craft the Bates Star Craft pays more than a passing resemblance to!) is purely coincidental.
	SUDENA is largely original retaining such items as the hip bath in the master cabin's en suite. She also retains her original engines which were removed and completely rebuilt during the winter of 2000/2001. The only change to the layout is the pilot berth cabin which has been converted to a larder/storage room. The decks were sheathed with ply by the second owner, however, new teak decking was laid in 2002 to restore her to her original condition.
	SUDENA was not built with spray rails as per her larger 45' sisters and as a result is a particularly wet boat in anything above a slight sea. A concession has, therefore, been made to originality and she has been equipped with spray rails to deflect the waves.
	SUDENA now graces the Thames albeit estuary/channel trips are planned during summer holidays.