

The colorful life of the **Open 50**
Everest Horizontal

Nee Convergence

Antrim design #73

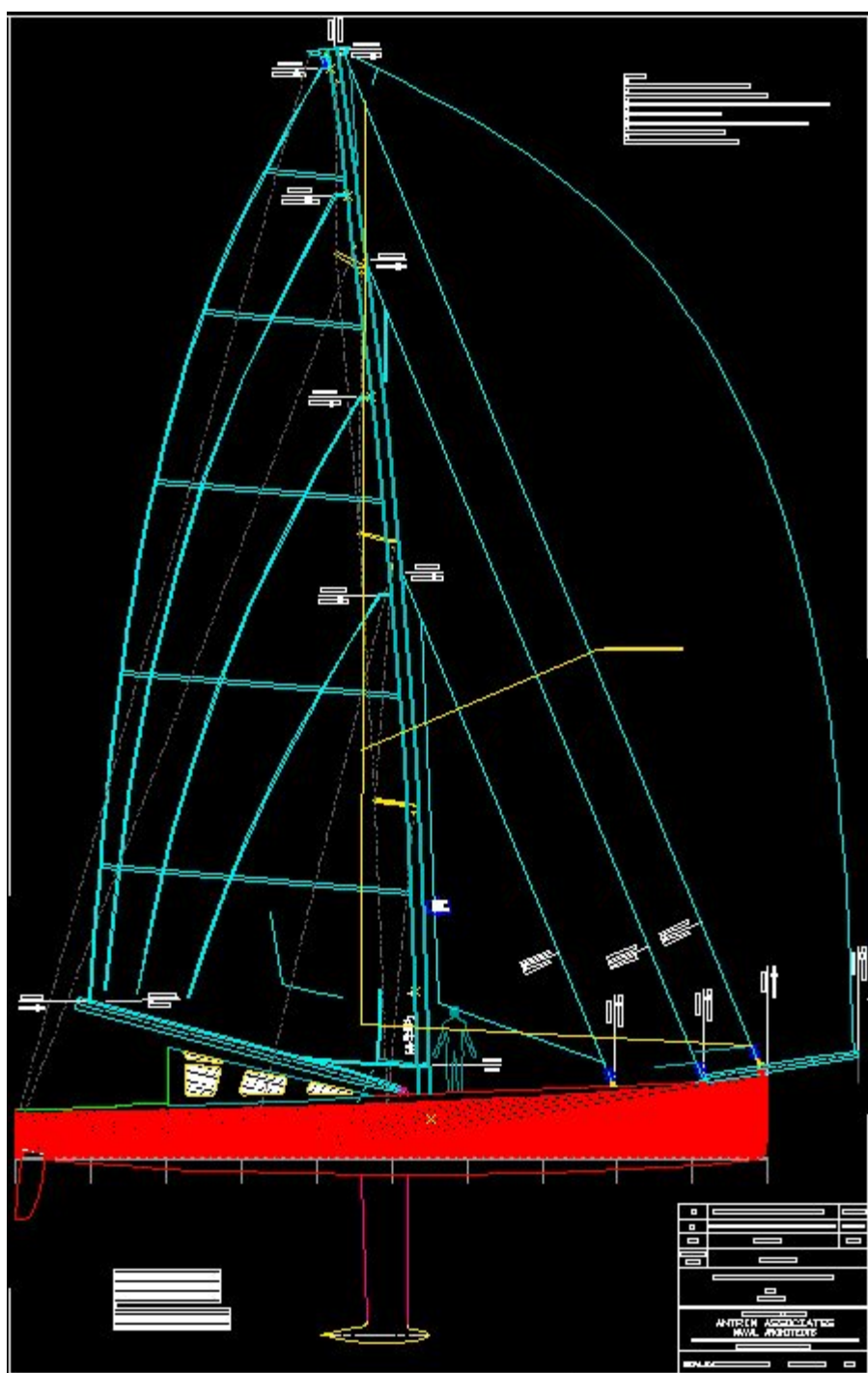


Bob Gay

Convergence christening day

Oakland YC

Nov, 1999



Bob Gay does 1998 SHTP on his Pretorian 35
Working for Ascend as V.P. of Sales

What to do next?

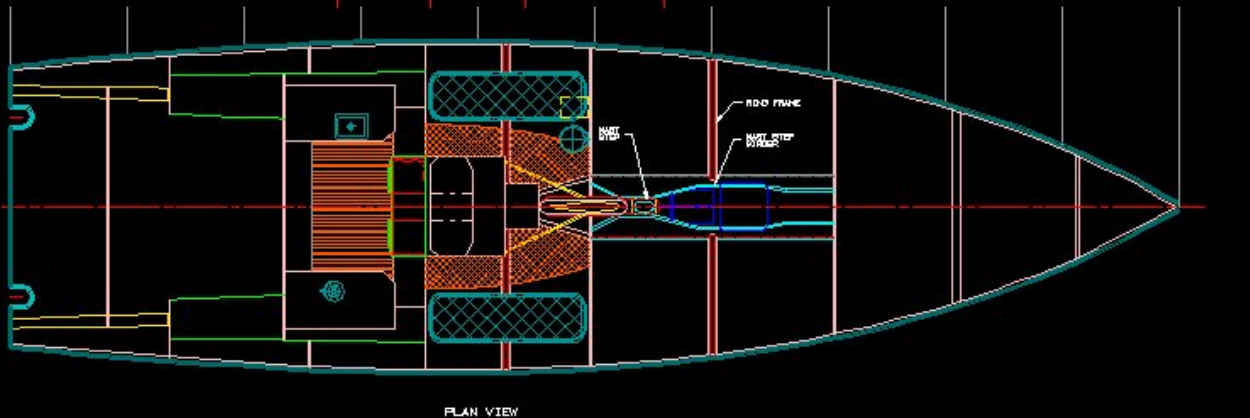
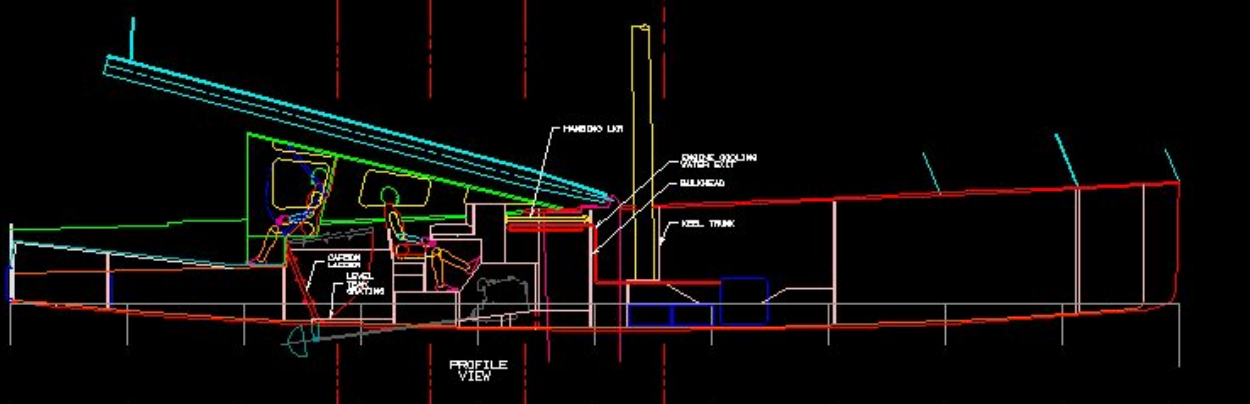
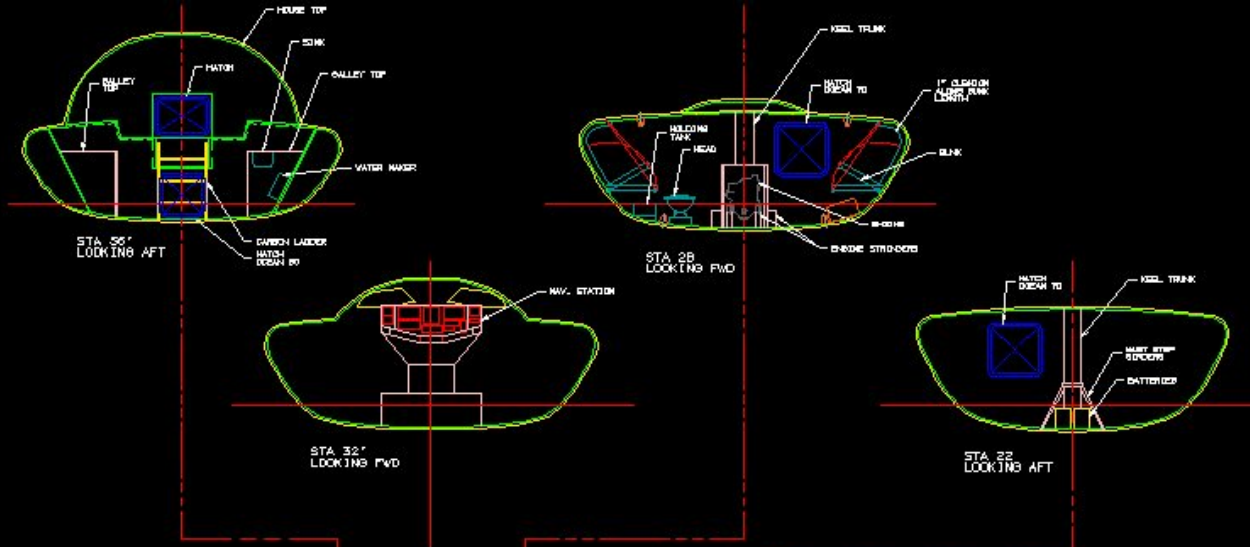
Vendee Globe (4th running) Start Nov 5, 2000

Extremely conservative approach:

Build an Open 50 for an Open 60 race.

Fixed keel with water ballast, not canting keel

Contract signed – Lucent buys Ascend





Unusual deck features

Vertical tiller

Very rounded hull/deck edge

Full bow

Articulating bowsprit

Polynesian canoe waterbreak

Overhanging protective house





The famous bowling ball impact tests
Pre-preg carbon skins over SuperLite Balsa Core





Vacuum bagging the SuperLite Balsa core











14' tall keel weldment

plus 2' of lead



Mold for the cylindrical house











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Lucent Technologies
Ball Lake Innovations



Tim Kent & I, Jibing under the Golden Gate
DH Lightship April 21,2001 The boat left
For Great Lakes later that month.

Bob Gay & I set
Monohull course record in 2000







Around Alone start New York City
Sept 15, 2002

Newport – NYC – Brixom U.K. – Capetown S.A. – Tauranga N.Z. – Salvador, Brazil - Newport

Capetown
Dec, 2002



Deeper keels,
Deeper pockets





Everest Horizontal leaves Capetown
start of the Southern Ocean leg to New Zealand



Finish in Tauranga



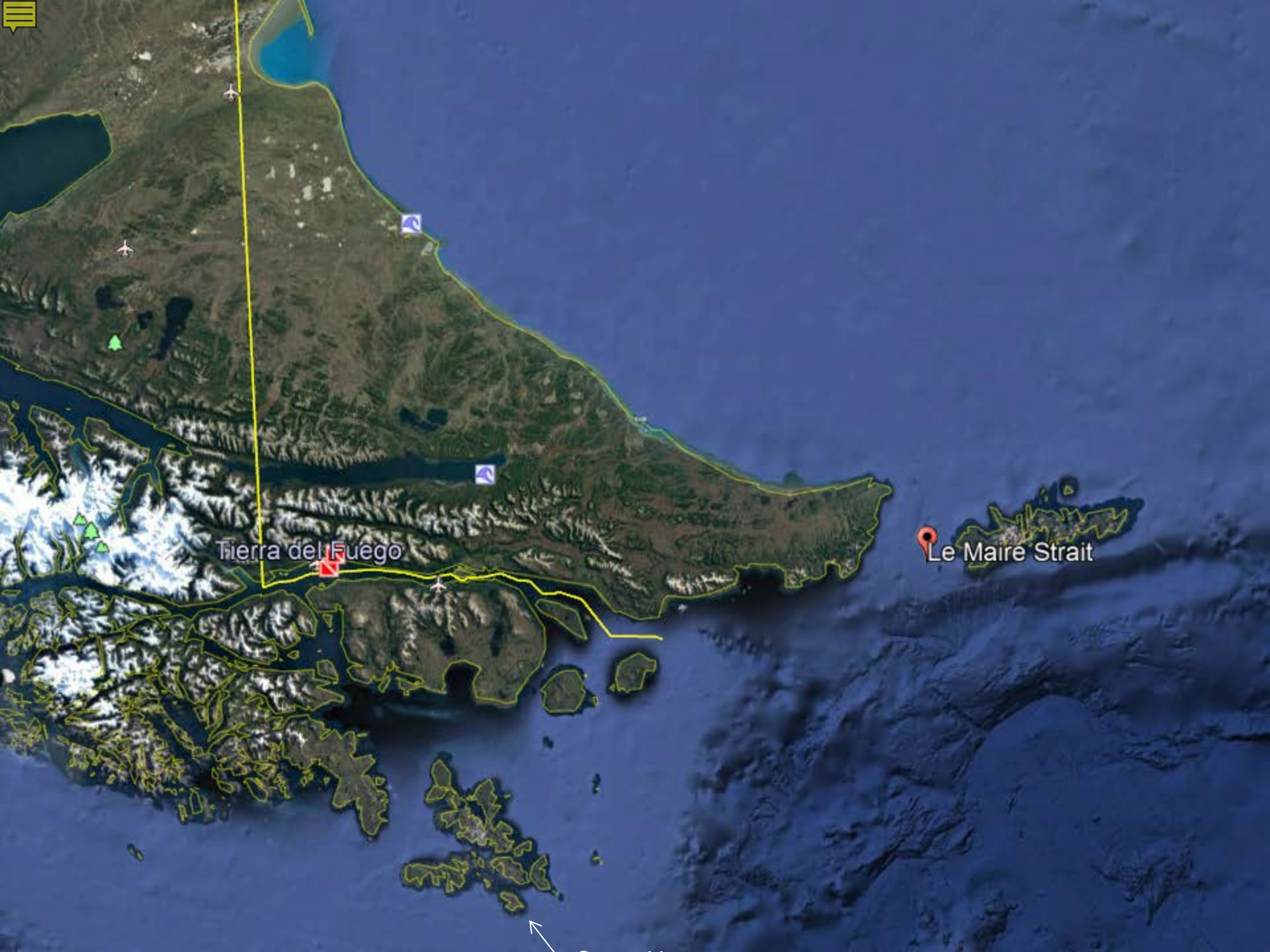
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Tierra del Fuego

Le Maire Strait









Newport finish

Brad Van Liew comes out to greet Tim





Race End Newport, R.I.

Billy Black photo



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What next?

Tim & I talk about doing Quebec – St. Malo in 2004

Alas: no money

He decides to do Bermuda 1-2 starting June 7, 2003

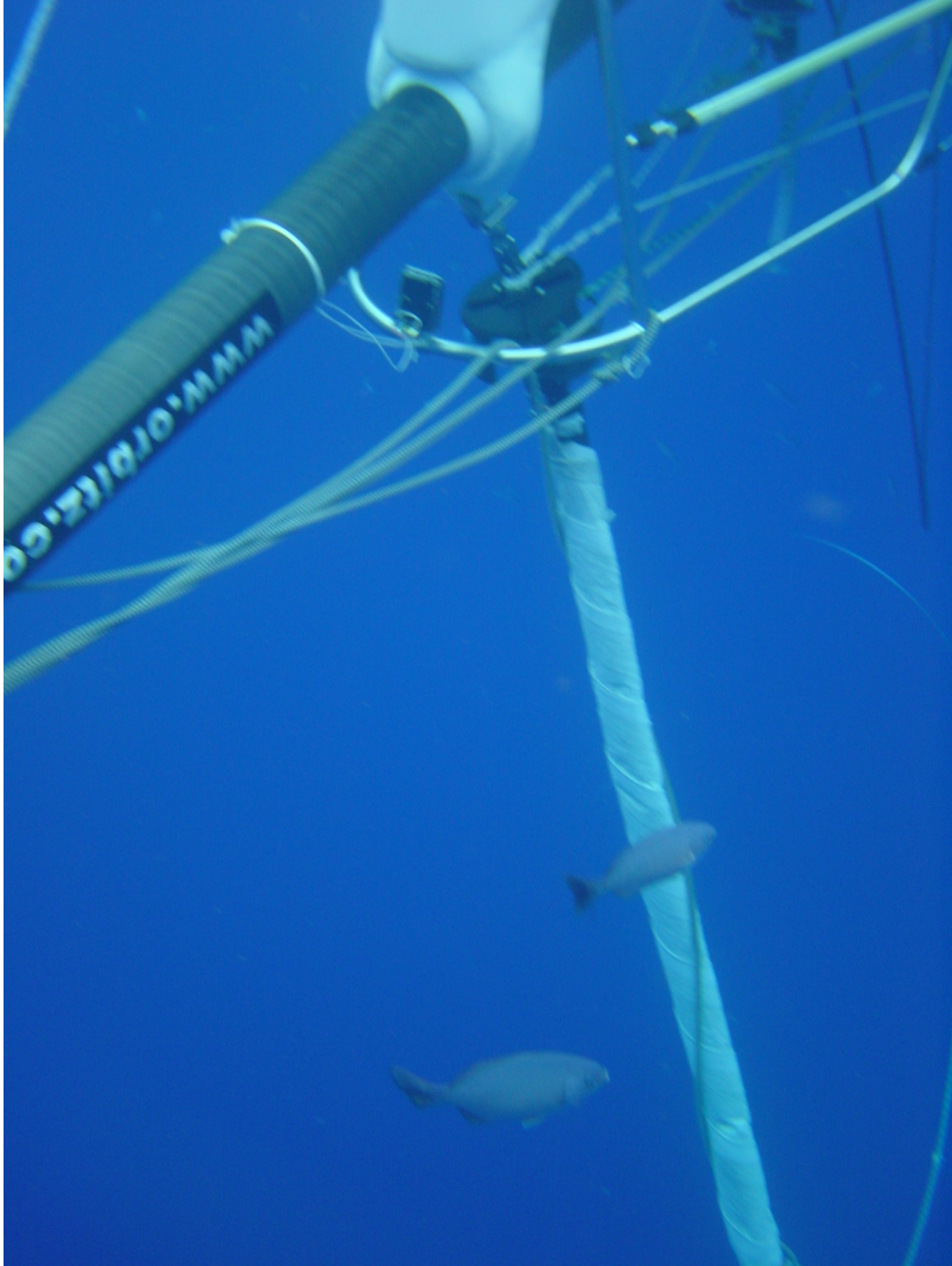
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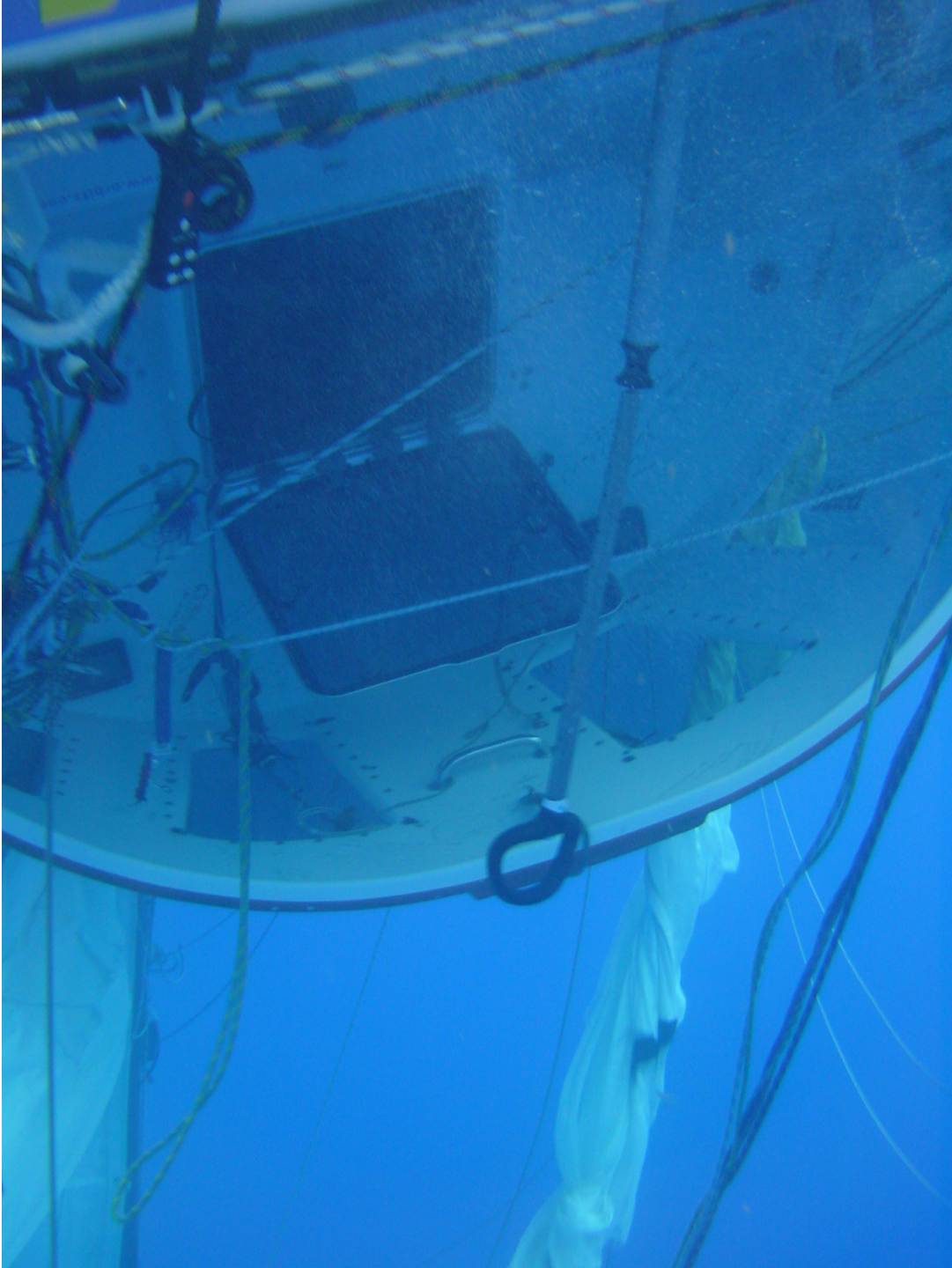
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Hurricane Fabian

St. George's, Bermuda, September 2003

150 MPH winds





Galvanic corrosion at aft end of the keel spar
Possible contributor to loss of the bulb?



Post hurricane Note MG transmission, old boiler, 18th or 19th century cannons, One cannon being used for “Egyptian tech” launching system





Last patch! Tide coming in fast!



PARTY BOAT!

