

Nylet Newsletter

B40



Master sailmakers since 1932
Everything for the model yachtsman
500 items in our price list!
Fine Products ~ Quality First
Makers of sails to The National Maritime Museum
Cornwall



108 years of sailmaking experience!

Sail winches

**The worlds longest established
model sailmakers since 1932**
World-wide mail order since 1958
Sailing model yachts since 1918
Sailing full size yachts since 1720

**Our long established mail order business is
operating as usual .**

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92 years

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Vintage cotton sails
Heritage sewn Dacron sails

Modern racing & cruising sails



Nylet **THE sailmakers ~ 1932 ~ 92 years. World-wide mail order. 108 years of sailmaking experience.**

RACING SAILS (spinnakers also manufactured) *Sails with the wind catching shape.*

Any size of sail made to your drawings or templates, finely made racing sails in film, scrim or white Dacron. Heritage sewn Dacron sails, also replacement kit sails made. Vintage cotton sails manufactured, also varnished Terylene suits for older yachts.

Sails for the ONE METRE class - IOM (ISAF rule)

There are 3 suits available under the rules, and are offered in the different materials from our range. Mylar film is some 8 grams lighter compared to a racing scrim suit but film cannot be expected to last as long; we are not able to make suits to a particular specified weight.

SUITS for 36", M, R10R, and 6M in Dacron, film or scrim

Please see detailed information contained in the price list in section F. The actual 'list' of sails we make is getting larger, but we stress we can also make any sail to your sizes. Prices are for suits made with either cord main luff (or tags if preferred), or single eyelets (or hook luff at extra cost). Don't forget to state your choice.

Because of the multiplicity of different designs of (particularly) Marbleheads our "standard" range may not be suitable, just send sizes for us to make a suit to your requirements.

Some suits in our price list quote the mainsail luff height, some newcomers are confused by this, its purely the leading edge measurement to determine which suit and its size. A suit comprises mainsail & jib.

Apart from the "standard" sails listed we will make any sail, and that includes spinnakers in lightweight ripstock Nylon, to your sizes. Sails made include the very latest designs. In some cases we just need a template or drawing, or dimensions. Or quote a design name, although sizes or at least a luff height (mainsail) would help identify the correct suit. If we require further information we will contact you.

Our records include many of the older designs of which we are able to cut to order such as Genie, China Boy, Cracker and Highlander. The new "EVENTIDE" sails, also sail suits for Vic Smeed's STARLET. My late Father's hand-written sail cutting book includes designs from the 1940's and very early 1950's so we have access to many of the older sail plans. Sails also available for Tony Abel's classic, the Dolphin. Still a very popular design is Vic Smeed's Star Baby.

All jibs for racing class suits (and 'replacement' suit such as Fairwind etc.) are manufactured with integral jib luff wire. For prices see the Nylet price list.

VINTAGE style cotton sails, perfect cut, finely finished, for pond yachts, racing yachts, barges, cutters etc. Made in the same style as in my father's time in the 1930's and 40's.

SAILCLOTH, in cut lengths, see listings section G. Dacron, film, and cotton cloths are available.

All sailcloth is packed inside a strong tube and usually sent via post. Cotton cloth is usually sent folded and rolled in a postal tube.

On a personal note in 2024 I celebrate my 58th year of model sailmaking and taken with my late father's time manufacturing sails that totals some 108 years of sailmaking experience.

Enjoy your sailing! *Frank Parsons*

Nylet Sails - Crossing the Atlantic. Microtransat International Challenge.

The Microtransat Challenge is a transatlantic race of fully autonomous sailing boats. The race aims to stimulate the development of autonomous sailing boats through friendly competition.

From 2013. Supporter of Robin Lovelock in his attempt on crossing the Atlantic with his yacht Snoopy.

Yacht Snoopy is "powered" by Nylet sails for the next attempt to cross the Atlantic.

Sails have also been made for competitors in the United States.



Please note that in these days of computers we no longer contact customers by post, so when ordering we must have your phone number and also an email address.

J.Parsons to Nylet. 192 years of manufacturing.

1772 Silk Mercers in Bond Street, London. 8 generations ~ 252 years of working with fine cloths & materials.

1620 - 404 Years of Artisans, of Tradition.

An example of our very early 18th century work is held in the British Museum, London.

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IOM sail rig kits. Consists of a suit of sails, alloy mast, booms, plus fittings pack and drawings. Please see website for prices. Also sails with fine finger patches, see the Nylet website or our colour catalogue for all options. 36", M-class, R10R and one off rig kits also available to special order.

Tough IOM Polythene sail rig bags - with carry handle & hanging point. for stowage and transport; manufactured in tough clear polythene, with Velcro closer. These 3 compartment bags are a standard size.

Rig & deck fittings, deck fitting packs, cordage, tools etc. Wide range of fittings, pulleys, cordage, wires, screws etc.

PJ sail winches for yachts. Unit W01 suits R36 & One Metre size yachts. W02 unit suits M-class, Ten Rater, 6M & A-class yachts; price see price list.

Aluminium alloy mast & boom tubing, also 7075 (stiffer) ali tubing. Circular aluminium mast & boom material silver and also black anodied finish.

IOM keel fins, box, and rudders in hard UD carbon-fibre. Prices can be found in section B of price list.

Please see the Nylet website (some 35 pages) for full details on our products and prices which include synthetic and vintage type cotton sails, rig bags, masts, rigs kits & deck/rig fittings, sailwinches & accessories. Over 500 items in our price list. Our website is often updated weekly.

Photos: Left, Nylet IOM yacht with latest drop run deck configuration.

Right, photo courtesy I.Forsberg, Finland, with his Nylet IOM THETIS.

Below, left: Nylet IOM yacht with the early dropped run GRP deck.



**THETIS IOM
deck with
lowered after
run.**

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SPIRIT (Mk2)



THETIS

SOME TESTIMONIALS.

Thanks for your email and the excellent service. In fact the sails arrived today and they really look nice. Can't wait to try them this weekend.

Sails arrived last week. They are fantastic. First big test on the 25th. Thank you, all the best.

Hi Frank. I think the sails are beautiful. I can readily understand now why you were so pleased with them yourself. They will act as a spur to get on with the rest of the boat.

Just to let you know that the new sails work very well, thank you. I had 2 x1st, 2x2nds, 2x3rds, and 1 fourth. So I came first overall after 7 races.

My friend has been telling me all about your amazingly fast postal service!

I fitted your top suit to my One Metre and the thing took off like a train - everyone wants to know where I got the sails!

The sails arrived today, all first class. Thank you.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking you for your prompt and efficient, friendly service.

... to express my appreciation for the prompt service, most impressive!

Sails received with thanks; you are a true craftsman.

... I am still using the original top suit sails supplied by you in 1978 and they are as good as new!

The sails look very good and will I'm sure sail well; many thanks for the fast efficient service you have provided.

Thank you for your exceptional help and your prompt attention . . .

Nylet fittings are on my Squiggle (sail number 90) built by Bill Curtis in Falmouth, on the green Chinese E Class boat and on the red & blue Chinese IOMs which until recently I owned. I have sold both these boats to Chinese guys in Shanghai so your fittings are now being used by 3 Chinese boats, plus me!

The Seawind sails have arrived, WOW. What a difference compared with the standard sails!

Your (cotton) sails are pieces of art in their own right!

Hong Kong

Spain

Somerset

Surrey

Hampshire

Surrey.

London.

New Zealand.

Spain.

Glasgow.

Yorkshire.

Sussex.

Peterborough

André, The Netherlands.

David, Wiltshire.

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The B36, Nylet illustrated 36 page mail order catalogue (including 'help' pages), £4 in UK.

We celebrate **92 years** since we first commenced making full size sails (and model sails) in our Brighton sail loft in 1932.

THE complete sailmaking service including racing sails in scrim, film or Dacron, classic sails, period cotton sails, replacement kit sails, rigs, mast & deck fittings, aluminium & c.f. masts, carbon-fibre fins & rudders, sail winches, Nylet "how to" booklets, rig bags, etc.

The B20 colour 'how to' booklet deals with **sailmaking**. With copious photos and drawings its now enlarged, to 24 pages! The B9 explores restoring vintage yachts, the BB3 is the general 'how to' booklet, now with 28 pages.

1832 - the family firm J.Parsons - 5 generations - 192 years of service.

108 years of sailmaking experience.

Full size Sailmakers and Contractors to the Admiralty 1932-1965.

***Miniature makers since 1685.**

Main cover photo: Nylet IOM "THETIS"; also inset picture left the same THETIS in Finland.

Inset photo (right), a 1928 gaffer with cotton sails made by my father F.Parsons snr. in the 1950's. Below that Tony Abel's R10R "Scimitar" with coloured and panelled sails.

This page. Top right: a Gosling 36 inch yacht with Nylet sails. Photo courtesy the owner, Nick Goodman.

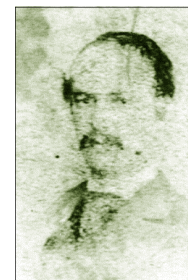
Right: centre, my grandfather, Frank Parsons, a keen yachtsman.

Below right, my gt gt grandfather Joseph Parsons (born 1812) the founder of the family firm.

Below left: Model of a Scillies Pilot Cutter with Nylet Heritage fully sewn and seamed sails in white Dacron.

Bottom left: A very happy Tony with Nylet racing scrim sails rigged on his Star Baby.

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