

Danske Moonrakerejere

Dear Moonraker owner.

Nearly 30 years ago JCL ceased as producers of the fabulous Moonraker. All records was scattered and today it is impossible to find any original information about the craft. However, since 2000 we have been in the field working for the Moonraker cause. Besides helping Moonraker owners in need for clarification of problems they might be dealing with, we are running the "International Moonraker Register". The Register is set up with the intention of collecting information about the produced Moonrakers, and their whereabouts.

Year of build, Lloyds-, Official- or / and build (hull) number, colour, model, name of vessel, name of owner, earlier names of vessel and owners, if possible a photo, and in which country they are moored, are details gathered in the Register.

From 1975/76 a Lloyds Register of Shipping number is cast into the hull outside at the port side on the transom stern just below the rubbing strake. It consists of 11 digits e.g. "IPS 7 20 1 01 / 77". This number, Lloyds Register- and / or O.N. number (official number) are also important and usable in determining the vessel.

Every Moonraker owner is urged to send information about their Moonraker and other Moonrakers they might know of. Any piece of information has interest, even about vessels sunk or burned or in other way has disappeared from the surface.

The build (hull) number is quite crucial. If you do not know the number or where to look for it, read the instructions on the back of this letter.

Please fill out the form and post it to us together with a photo of the vessel. If you cannot find the build number send us the info you do have.

If you have access to the internet, E-mail us the information, and take a look at the International Moonraker Register on this site:

www.moonraker.dk/danish/international_register/international_register.htm

Your vessel might already be in the Register, but with wrong or insufficient data.

On this site: www.moonraker.dk/danish/international_register/help.htm, you get help to locate the build (hull) number, and also see photos showing where the number is situated.

We hope you will take the time to gather this data and send them to us. Do you have access to the Internet, you may download the DataForm from our web site, fill it in and send it to us. If you are unable to uncover all details, then send what you have rather than none at all. This will, besides the time spent finding the needed info and filling the form, at the most cost you a stamp, -please, for the sake of the Moonraker cause!

Best regards

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<http://www.moonraker.dk>

How to locate build (hull) number

If you are not in possession of original documents showing the build (hull) number, or if you want to compare the numbers, here is where to look.

On the earliest models, the number is situated in the engine compartment behind starboard engine. Here should on top of the approximate 60 mm thick aft bulkhead be a flat piece, which might be painted over several times. Try to clean up the flat piece with steel wool and see if not a number comes up!

Later the number was scratched on a brass plate and screwed on to the port side of the bulkhead.

From 1972/73 a three-digit number is engraved into a brass plate, which is cast on to the vertical side of the aft wall in the middle between the engines. Here might be fitted equipment, which make it difficult to see the plate.

Besides the above mentioned places, you will often find the number written with pencil on the back of the cockpit side panels, the underside of the lify up cushion bases in the main cabin if these are original, inside the fly bridge gas compartment, or under the wooden floor plates above the diesel tank in the cabin and many other places.

From 1975/76 furthermore a Lloyds Register of Shipping registration number is cast into the hull outside at the port side on the transom stern just below the rubbing strake. It consists of 11 digits e.g. "IPS 7 20 1 01/77", where IPS stands for Ipswich (the local Lloyds office taking care of the yards in Brundall), the next 6 digits are Lloyds control numbers and "77" after the stroke indicates the year 1977.

Moonraker Data Form

Year of build: _____ Builder: (underline yard) Bell Buxton _ Moonraker Marine International _ JCL _ DCD _ EC

Build (hull) Number: _____ O.N. number or Lloyds registration number: _____

Model: (underline the model concerned). 1. Open wheelhouse/ aft cabin - 2. Open wheelhouse/aft cockpit "Sportsman" - 3. Flybridge / Enclosed wheelhouse / Aft cockpit "Sportsman" - 4. Flybridge / Open wheelhouse / Aft cockpit "Sportsman" - 5. Flybridge /Open wheelhouse / Aft cabin - 6. Flybridge / Enclosed wheelhouse / Aft cabin "Colin Chapman".

Hull Colour: _____ Superstructure Colour: _____ Ornamental Colour: _____

Name of vessel: _____

Name of owner: _____ E-mail: _____

Address (if convenient): _____

Earlier names of vessel and owners (if possible): _____

Moorage Country (if convenient also town): _____

When did you buy (sell) the vessel: _____ Various: _____

Photo attached (if possible): Yes / No Are you in possession of the original build documents: Yes / No

Are you in possession of brochures or other promotional Moonraker material you might lend us: Yes / No