



SUNMAID V



Sail No: GBR1991
Launch Date: 1967
Type: One Tonner
Owner: Lawrence Wride

Designer:	<i>Sparkman & Stephens</i>	Builder:	<i>Lallow's</i>
Construction:	<i>Carvel</i>	Sail Plan:	<i>Bermudan</i>
LOA/LWL:	<i>11.25m /</i>	Beam:	<i>3.04m</i>
Draft:	<i>1.90m</i>	Displacement:	<i>7.25 Tonnes</i>

History

Two boats were built to this RORC One Ton Cup design - another example of further development of the CLARIONET design #1857 featuring the separate skag and rudder in vogue at the time. SUNMAID V was built of wood by the Clare Lallow yard in Cowes and launched in 1967. She was very substantially built both for the sake of her rating but also drawing from the experience of ROUNDABOUT – in retrospect thought to have been too lightly built and with no noticeable advantage on performance.

Owen Parker, the sailing master on the Sunmaid's developed twin pole gybing and the use of separate spinnaker winches during his time with Guy Bowles. In the mid-1980s the McIntyre twins asked Owen Parker, with whom they had always kept in touch, for his advice on upgrades that would be best for SUNMAID V. He recommended and organised the self-tailing winches for all sheets, the head foil and sails to be by North Sails.

SUNMAID V has been kept as original since any teething problems had already been ironed out in the development and build of these boats. The McIntyre's owned her from 1970 until their death in 2007. Lawrence Wride, the current owner, had her extensively restored on the Humber, and relaunched in 2016. Her appearance at BCYC Regattas signals a welcome return to the scene of her early racing on the Solent.