

Meet Jelly, the New PS Test Boat



We recently added a new member to our test boat fleet, Jelly, a 1974 Catalina 22 in need of much TLC. Among her ailments are a cracked centerboard box, questionable rigging, and spots where only a semblance of gelcoat remains. Our first project was dropping the boat's swing keel using a sled (above) to access the keel pivot pin and keel hanger castings (inset), which were precariously attached. Each casting is typically held in place by two bolts. One casting was missing a bolt and another had been sheared off. The bolts on the other casting were sheared off when we tried to remove them during our triage. Thankfully, the keel was supported and didn't just fall off. Stay tuned for more on this and other Jelly projects.