

# Promise to the Schooner Hindu

Project Updates Fall 2021



To the Dock Manager and members of the Bight Board,

We wanted to write with an update on our progress with the Schooner Hindu rebuild, and voice our appreciation for your continuing support of this historic project. We are including some photos so that you can all see for yourselves the amazing amount of progress we have made, as well as the mountain of work that still lies ahead.



# STARTING WITH A BOOM:

The Schooner Hindu struck a submerged sabotaged vessel in the Long Island Sound July 10th 2021, necessitating an immediate removal from commercial use, and instigating a premature beginning to the Hindu's anticipated centennial rebuild.

Instead of having a record breaking summer season of revenue, we had to refund all of our pre-booked charters, and race to get the Hindu out of the water and safely onto land.

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## Sunken Yacht Nearly Sinks Schooner Hindu

*Historic vessel now headed to Maine for comprehensive rebuild*

BY PAUL BENSON · JUL 23, 2020

PROVINCETOWN — An evening aboard the schooner *Hindu*, watching the sun slip behind the monument and clouds light up like giant hydrangeas, has been a Provincetown tradition since 1946. Generations of tourists and locals have memories of their time aboard and many residents, including this reporter, have served as crew. If events had gone just slightly differently a couple of Fridays ago, memories are all that would be left of her.

The *Hindu* and her crew survived a bizarre maritime accident in Long Island Sound on July 10. Only a few feet to the left or to the right, and the freak collision could have sunk her in minutes.

The *Hindu* was already a living relic — an original wooden schooner built in 1925, the tail end of the era of massive sailing ships and pleasure yachts. Designed by the legendary boatbuilder

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# INSPECTING THE DAMAGE:



## LOCATION:

We purchased property in Thomaston, ME based on the location of our chosen shipwrights, Simon Larsen and Mike Rogers, both of whom had recent experience successfully rebuilding a William Hand Jr Schooner (The Schooner Ladona, Rockland, ME)

The Hindu is now being rebuilt 30 miles away from where she was originally built in 1925!



# Restoring Hindu

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# MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP:

$\frac{3}{4}$  of the Hindu's frames have been replaced with rot resistant black locust. The new keel has been shaped out of Purple Heart, and the stem and forefoot are being completed in Purple Heart as well, at which point replanking can begin. We are using bronze fasteners for all the frames, which will further aide in the longevity of the vessel.







## FUNDING:

We have received \$54,000 in support from fans of the Hindu. We have applied for two grants and received neither.

We are working towards having the Hindu added to the National Register of Historic Landmarks; a process that generally takes two years.

In short, without the financial assistance of the SV Argo Navis, the Schooner Hindu rebuild would be at a standstill. It is our hope that the SV Argo Navis has been a welcome addition to the harbor/community during her tenure, and that she will be welcome to remain in her current location throughout the Schooner Hindu's rebuild.

# TIMELINE:

Finish the backbone: Fall 2021

Replanking: Winter/Spring 2021/22

Reframe Deck: Summer 2022

Install Systems: Fall/Winter 2022

Launch: June 2023

Return to Key West: Fall 2023

# THANK YOU!

We thank you all for the work that you do on the board, and we look forward to continuing to offer a high quality experience to everyone who steps aboard any of our vessels.

Best,

Capt's Josh Rowan and Emyl Hattingh

Admiral Bill Rowan

And the rest of the Hindu Charters Family