Profile
Rick Campbell has a life-long connection to ships, boats, and the sea beginning with a childhood sailing on the Great Lakes. He was trained as a US Navy shipboard radio operator, and served two years active duty during the Vietnam era. He was honorably discharged as a Radioman 2nd Class Petty Officer.

During the late 1980s Rick developed a passion for windsurfing while living near Lake Superior, and with his sailing partner Don Salo, developed the skills needed to sail the 30 knot winds and 18 foot seas on the big lake. From 1992 through 1995 he designed and built experimental sailboards, testing them on Lake Superior and the Columbia Gorge.

In 2008 Rick began restoring sailboats, and a little later started participating in restoration and as volunteer crew on the 100 year-old schooner Adventuress in Port Townsend and on the Salish Sea. From 2009 to 2011 he did an extensive restoration on a Phil Bolger-designed row boat, followed by modifications to the hull to turn it into a sailboat, and then designed a balanced rig capable of modest passagemaking. Wee Rose was selected for exhibit at the Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival in 2011 and 2012.'