

'THE GOOD DOCTOR'

A doctor by profession, Andy O'Grady, built *Balæna*, a 42-foot gaff cutter, in 1988 in New Zealand after sailing there from Great Britain, where he grew up. Designed by Kiwi Denis Brown, the boat is a finer evolution of a Colin Archer double-ender. O'Grady and his wife, Ulla Norlander, met in New Zealand, and since 2000, they have sailed from New Zealand to Chile, South Georgia, South Africa, the Caribbean, the U.S. East Coast, Labrador, Greenland, and Europe. They are presently sailing in Norway. The two collaborated with Rod Heikel on the informative, illustrated guidebook "*Ocean Passages and Landfalls*" (\$53 at www.amazon.com, Imray Lorie Norie and Wilson Ltd.), a worthwhile planning guide for world cruisers and fine inspiration for dreamers.

