With Jack O' at the helm it's always smooth sailing



When you've directed a film about nine people adrift in a LIZZULII, you're likely to be somewhat careful about whom you choose to take your granddaughters for a day-long sail on Monterey Bay. Who you gonna call? Jack O'Neill, of course.

Jack O's legendary reputation as Santa Cruz's top waterman made him the obvious choice back in 1968. When the telephone rang at the newly created O'Neill Yacht Center to book a charter sail for "Hitchcock and family," SUSPIBLIA floated around the docks. Was this the Hitchcock?

It was. Jack recalls that Alfred Hitchcock proved to be a fine sailor despite his JUTURIUS portly girth. As a matter of fact, nothing at all seemed to phase Hitch-he smoked big green cigars throughout the entire adventure.

(Above) Jack O'Neill, Alfred Hitchcock and his two granddaughters set sail from the Santa Cruz small craft harbor.

(Right) Alfred Hitchcock with granddaughters Tere (left) and Kate (right) and daughter Pat Hitchcock O'Connell (center) prepare to set sail. Notice the cigars in Hitch's left hand.

LIFEBOAT

is a 1944 World War II war film

- · Directed by Alfred Hitchcock
- Starring: Tallulah Bankhead
 William Bendix, Walter Slezak
- Mary Anderson, John Hodiak
 Distributed by 20th Century Fox

