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20 Guinea Cup #5 Results

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Chimaera's in the Lead approaching the Embarcadero Mark, with Point Loma shrouded in fog on the ocean side Photo Courtesy Mark Albertazzi

September Letter from the Commodore

Our 5th Guinea cup race of the year was run in conjunction with the Maritime museum as part of their **Festival of Sail 2010**, this was a successful fun event for all and I would like to thank race director **Doug Jones** for organizing a special course at short notice for the Guinea cup race which involved laying a turning mark right in front of the museum for the visitors to catch a birds eye view of the AMSS race participants, special thanks also to flag member **Brian Huster "Gatsby"** for his role laying the mark right on the spot, standing by as the fleet passed twice, and clearing the mark at the end, it was also great to have one of our flag power boats out participating in the racing and we hope to see more of this in the future, also many thanks to all who came out and raced that day.

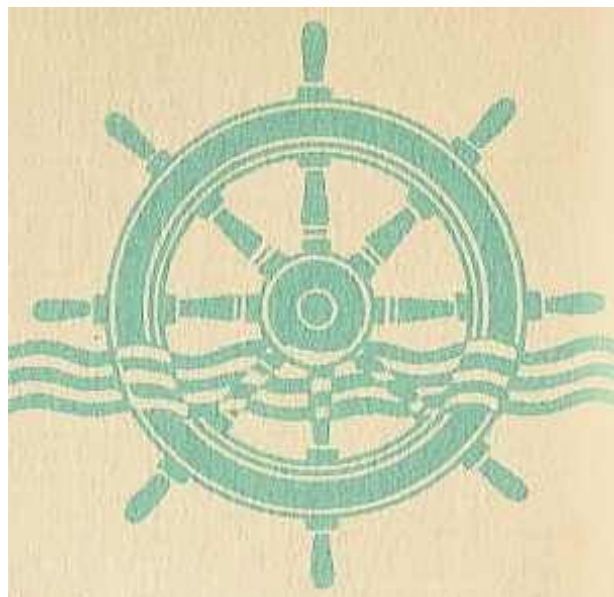
It was a fantastic course while keeping our minds on the race and eyes out for the marks it was easy to be distracted by the "kaboom" of the huge cannons and swashbuckling pirates out on the water that day, if you managed to avoid having the wind knocked out of your sails and being engulfed in spent gunpowder you would have done well racing on the bay that day, something about the smell of gun smoke to keep one interested. All in all another great day out for the Ancient Mariners.

Now that Autumn or Fall has arrived here in San Diego we are the lucky ones that don't hang up our sailing boots and pull out our cradles and shores, we are blessed to be able to sail all year around, but like most clubs about this time of year we reflect back on the season and carry those fond sailing memories through the winter months, at this time we would like to create new membership awareness for our club and would call upon our members encourage likely candidates, perhaps new crewmembers that sailed aboard for the 2010 season, to become members of the Ancient Mariners Sailing Society, we will be having an annual dinner on December 17th at Southwestern Yacht Club and this may be a good opportunity to invite potential new candidates for our fun social dinner and meet new friends,

— *Johnny Smullen, Commodore*

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October Flag Boat – Alden Project Available!

Ed. Note: In lieu of our usual “feature” boat piece describing an AMSS flag boat in commission, we are dedicating a page this month to a very worthy project, that with good will and some hard work could become a fine addition to our fleet. Please contact Mr. Schroeder if you may have the wherewithal to complete this fine classic yacht, and are interested in doing so. His description of this opportunity follows:



Alden Yawl Bare Hull Project. 34' on deck, 9'8" beam, full keel, copper riveted with an iron ballast. Word has it that she was built in the late 40's in Argentina. The hull was restored by Koehler Kraft in 2006 using his



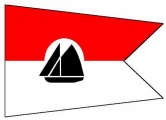
epoxy rope method. The hull was stripped of all paint and calking. Epoxy saturated rope was then put in the seams. The planks were encapsulated in epoxy and glued to each other. In the process, several planks were replaced. I replaced the mast step and several floor timbers as well as Laminated all new deck beams. The boat is now ready for

a new deck and cabin structure. The main bulkheads are fitted and ready for final installation. Originally on the outside; Bronze chainplates have been repositioned on the inside of the hull for a clean appearance. The boat comes with all the original bronze hardware, which includes:

10 round portholes, stanchions, dorade vents, and unique deck hardware which was probably custom made for this boat. I have all the rigging with bronze turnbuckles and norseman fittings. The main mast needs to be rebuilt or replaced, The mizzen mast, bowspirit, and boomkin, are in fine condition. There is no engine or associated systems. I have several old sails and do not know of their condition. The boat is sitting on a triple axle trailer ready for transport. I have many pictures of the whole process thus far. She has beautiful lines and will be stunning on the water. I am changing direction and am looking for someone to take over. I donated \$2000 to the sea scouts when I first purchased the boat and am



asking the same of the new owner. The boat and trailer are free to the right person with the agreement that they donate \$2000 to the Sea Scouts or other Non-profit organization (AMSS?) Contact: LaMont Schroeder, 619-985-1942



Special Program Announcement

2010 McNish Classic Report

By Doug Jones and Deb Dominici

Southwestern Yacht Club, Thursday, 7 October, 7:30PM

Deb Dominici and Doug Jones are all set to present a program covering the 2010 McNish Classic Race on Thursday, 7:30 at our October General Meeting. Last month's issue of the Albatross covered the results, and contained a few photos taken during and after the race. Dennis Conner placed first overall with his sloop **Brushfire**, again winning his weight in Mumm's Champagne and the Strathmore Cup. Several San



Dick McNish's Cheerio // Underway for the 2010 Race

Photo Courtesy Deb Dominici

Diego boats made the trip up to Channel Islands Harbor to participate in the race, graciously hosted by the Corinthian Yacht Club, as always.

Of the top five boats, four call San Diego their home port: Brushfire (1st); Circe (2nd); Miramar (3rd) and Pacifica (5th). Deb will have some great photographs shot from Pacifica, and some noteworthy anecdotes about the race and its participants. Please join us early (6-ish) for dinner and/or drinks at the Southwestern Yachts Club's nearly new clubhouse and bar. Our meetings are open to the public, and everyone is encouraged to bring friends and family along for the show. Many thanks to Doug and Deb for putting this program together!



20 Guinea Cup Race #5 Results

2010 GC Results RM1

2010 G-Cup - Results GC #1 February 13, 2010

2010 GC Race #5 Results Contents

Delta	11.80
Distance	12:00:00
Start Time	75
Scratch Boat	

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Distance	12:00:00
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Boat	Hand. Allowance		Allowance			Finish		Elapsed		Corrected Time		Place		Points	
	SPM	SPM	H	M	S	H:M:S	H:M:S	H:M:S	H:M:S	H:M:S	CL	CL	CL	CL	
Long Course - A															
Sprig	120	531	0	8	51	0:08:51	14:19:09	2:19:09	2:10:18	1	1				
Chimaera (P)	75	0	0	0	0	0:00:00	14:12:10	2:12:10	2:12:10	2	2				
Frolic	144	814	0	13	34	0:13:34	14:26:15	2:26:15	2:12:41	3	3				
Circe (P)	95	236	0	3	56	0:03:56	14:17:05	2:17:05	2:13:09	4	4				
Pacific	112	437	0	7	17	0:07:17	14:20:47	2:20:47	2:13:30	5	5				
Sabrina	85	118	0	1	58	0:01:58	14:16:18	2:16:18	2:14:20	6	6				
Sally	78	35	0	0	35	0:00:35	14:24:30	2:24:30	2:23:55	7	7				
Long Course - B															
Altair	175	1180	0	19	40	0:19:40	14:29:22	2:29:22	2:09:42	1	1				
Spfire	160	1003	0	16	43	0:16:43	14:30:40	2:30:40	2:13:57	2	2				
Thets	150	885	0	14	45	0:14:45	14:37:00	2:37:00	2:22:15	3	3				
Short Course															
Pilot	310	118	0	1	58	0:01:58	13:24:55	1:24:55	1:22:57	1	1				
Windley	290	0	0	0	0	0:00:00	13:37:00	1:37:00	1:37:00	2	2				
Maid of Kent	450	944	0	15	44	0:15:44	13:55:40	1:55:40	1:39:56	3	3				
L-16 Cup															
Windley	290	0	0	0	0	0:00:00	13:37:00	1:37:00	1:37:00	1	1				

(P) Denotes Provisional Handicap

Note: DNS = last place in Series + 1 points. Points not awarded until end of series
DNF = last place in Race + 1 point

To be scored in Series must be an AMSS Member.

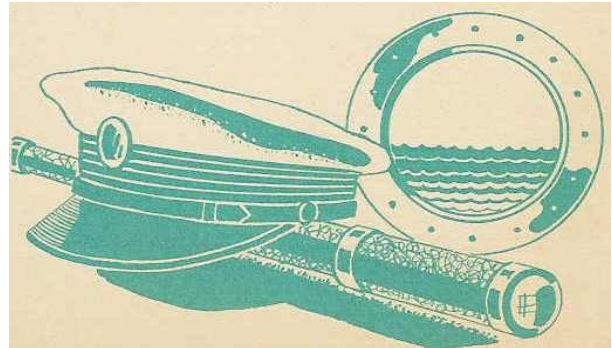
Sadly, Crossed Over the Bar: Robert Craig Chipman, 1945-2010



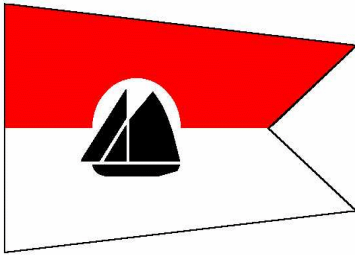
Robert Craig Chipman of San Diego passed away on Monday, August 30, 2010, at a friend's home on Skipper Street, ending a long battle with Hepatitis induced liver disease. Born in Washington, DC, of Robert Clayton Chipman and Maria Blanca Vargas in 1945. Captain Craig sailed vintage vessels in Southern California and on the world's oceans preserving historic accuracy and techniques. He held a 1600 ton Ocean Master Merchant Mariner Certification. Craig spent his early childhood in Colombia, South America. He sailed and surfed the waters around Newport Beach before moving to San Diego in 1962.

The 1970's found him in the South Pacific on a 1927 Alden Ketch. He was bitten by the schooner bug and plied the Atlantic on the 173 ton **Caroline Rose** and was Master of the **Lady Ann** on European waters. Captain Craig Chipman spent much of his career in and around San Diego on vessels such as the **California, Violet, Rendezvous, Star Pilot, Spike Africa, Lynx, Californian**, and the Hornblower boats. He is sole proprietor of Caroline Rose Navigation Company engaged in converting a 1934 Trumpe research vessel to a square topsail schooner. Known for his calmness in all weather, Craig trained and lead his crew with quiet authority. He learned attention to detail from his father and taught many sailors the finer points of smooth varnish and effective rigging. The Captain engaged thousands of children with a respect for the sea and playfully encouraged passengers to bark at the sea lions.

Craig Chipman is survived by younger siblings: Albert Chipman of the South Pacific, Carol Gwilliam of Logan, Utah, Cathi Cawthorne on Molokai, and Debbie Chipman of Logan, Utah. His last command was Master of the square topsail schooner **Lynx** which he sailed to Hawaii in the 2009 Transpacific Yacht Race. Donations to his memory may be made to the Lynx Educational Foundation at www.privateerlynx.org. A memorial was held on the **Californian** which Captain Craig rigged and mastered the first voyages in 1984. The **Californian** sailed Sunday morning, September 19th to return Craig to the sea. (Ed. Note: Obituary courtesy of San Diego Union Tribune)



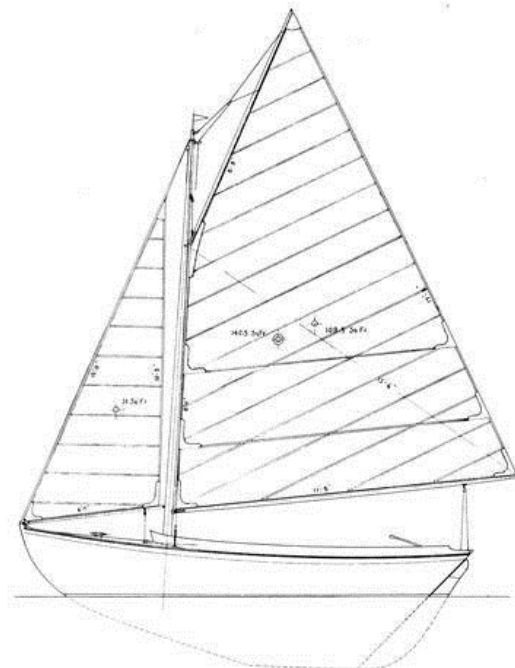
Plans Underway for Herreshoff Daysailer Race



In our own homegrown version of frostbite sailing, in which it is guaranteed that none will catch a glimpse of cold weather, the first annual Herreshoff Daysailer Race is tentatively scheduled for the first Saturday following Thanksgiving, 27 November. The race will be sailed Round Robin style, with a group of Herreshoff 12 1/2s and Biscayne Bays owned by Ancient Mariners and other locals. We're in the process of polling such boat owners for their participation. AMSS Flag

Boat rules will be relaxed so that fiberglass hulled replicas can round out the fleet for this race. Our Race Chairman, Doug Jones, will prepare a course in and around La Playa and Shelter Island and sailing instructions. The Handicap Committee could meet briefly to consider any need to rate the boats before the race. However, since the competitors will be switching boats in elimination heats, the handicap issues may be moot or at least mitigated.

We'll expect to see a mix of gaff and Marconi rigs, with traditional build and materials or modern replicas; some with full keels and others with centerboards fitted. Ancient Mariner Jeff Woods of the Lynx Educational Foundation has already pledged his pair of Biscayne Bays to the race, and we hope for Jack Sutphen to produce the 12 1/2 **Loafer**. There are said to be several more boats at the San Diego Yacht Club, and we'll be tracking down those owners soon. Please attend the October General Meeting or Board Meeting if you're interested in participation. We'll need volunteers for the Race Committee, on-the-water photographers, and a new trophy to be presented at the December Meeting.



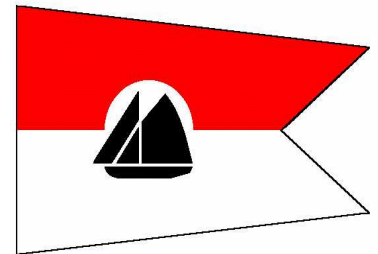
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17	18	19	20	21 BOD Mtg.	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

UPCOMING EVENTS

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- Sunday, 31 October. Happy Halloween!

Jack Sutphen on Frostbiting: "When you came ashore half frozen, you were greeted in the tap room with a wonderful HOT RUM! Two of these drinks and you were ready to go out for another five or six races. Wife Jean, who I could not do without in *Rum Dum*, would on a day when things had not gone too well for us, turn from the bar with rum in hand and announce to the room that 'This is the last time I will ever race in a dinghy with this Man!' I did have something of a reputation for being intense when racing..." Messing About in Boats for 80 Years.

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