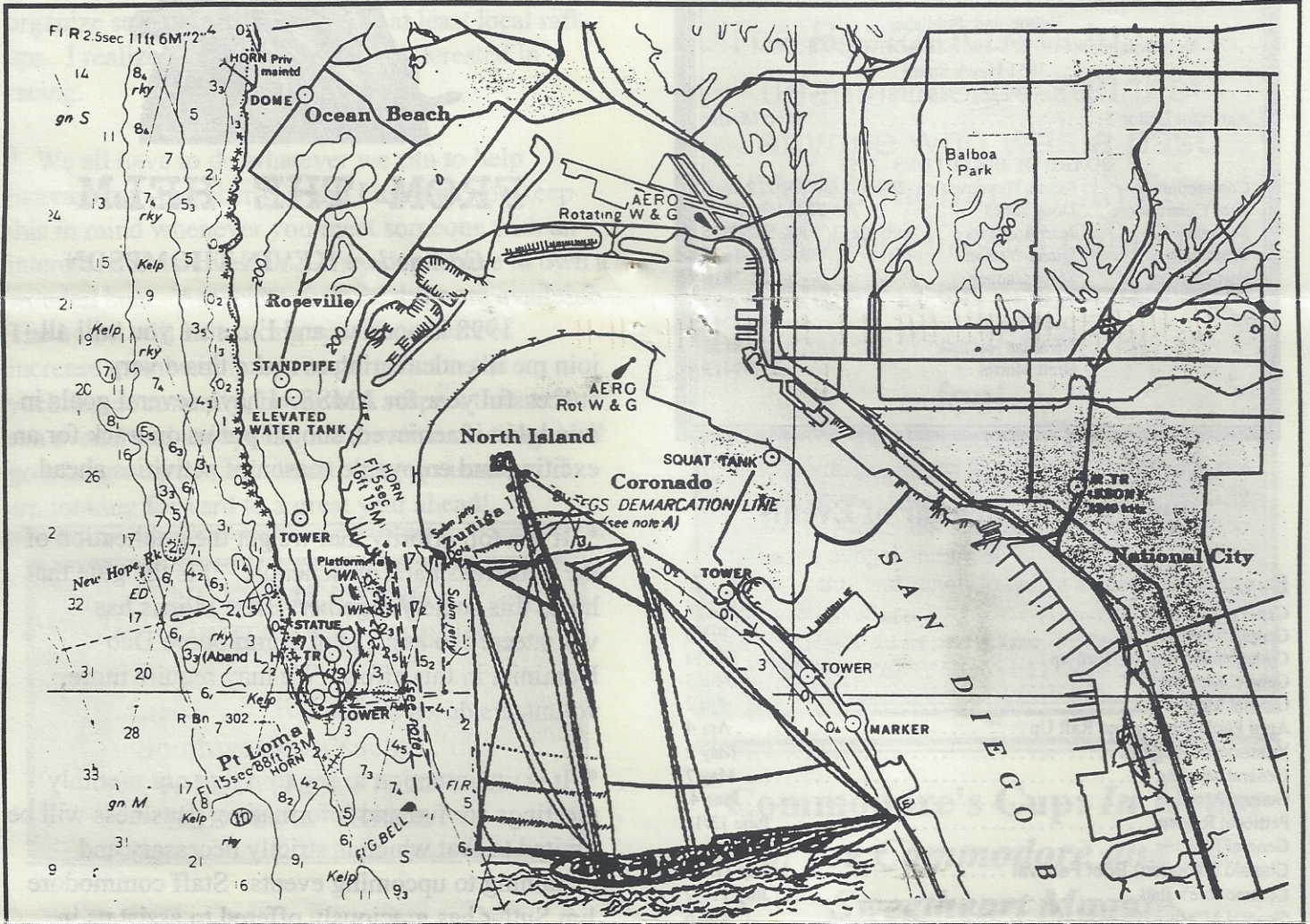


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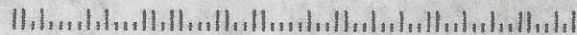
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FROM THE HELM

Commodore KEVIN THOMPSON

1998 is upon us and I'm sure you will all join me in endeavoring to make this a very successful year for AMSS. I have several goals in mind that if achieved, should put us on track for an exciting and enjoyable season of activities ahead.

* It is a top priority that we get the publication of the Albatross back on schedule. It is the glue that holds this society together. Brett Morris has volunteered to assist staff commodore Deb Dominici in this effort. We may require more volunteers down the road.

* It is my intention to see to it that our monthly meetings are fun and informative. Business will be limited to that which is strictly necessary and pertaining to upcoming events. Staff commodore Jim Sutter has graciously offered to assist us in securing interesting programs each month. We don't need to have monthly meetings. We have *chosen* to. I originally joined this club because these meetings provided an excellent forum for the exchange of ideas and experiences with others who shared my interest in classic vessels. There was also a delightful sense of camaraderie among the members. I hope that you will all look forward to attending as many of these meetings as possible.

* Our events should be organized and executed as professionally and responsibly as possible. Committees are already hard at work on the Classic Boat Festival (previously called the Wooden Boat

1998 AMSS Calendar of Events

Events

General Meeting	Jan 8*
General Meeting	Feb 5
Commodores Cup and Raft-up	Feb 14
General Meeting	Mar 5
General Meeting	Apr 2
April Fools Regatta and Raft Up	Apr 4
Yesteryear Regatta	May 2
General Meeting	May 7
General Meeting	June 4
Petticoat Regatta	June 13/14
General Meeting	July 2
Classic (Wooden) Boat Festival	July 11/12
Commodore's Ball	July 11???
General Meeting (Picnic)	Aug 6
South Bay Cruise	TBA
General Meeting	Sept 3
Kettenburg Regatta	Sept. 19
General Meeting (2nd Thurs) NOMINATIONS	Oct 8
General Meeting	Nov 5
General Meeting (ELECTIONS)	Dec 3
Half Pint of Rum Race	Dec 5
New Years' Eve Raft Up - La Playa	Dec 31

OTHER ORGANIZATION'S EVENTS

Schooner Cup	Apr 4/5
ONE MORE TIME REGATTA - A REPEAT (W.H.Y.C.)	TBA
Newport - Ensenada Race	Apr 24
Heritage Regatta (BalboaYC/Newport Hb. Nautical Museum)	June
McNish Classic Yacht Race (Channel Islands Harbor)	Aug
Bishop Rock Race (SDYC)	Aug
Nautical Heritage Society - Long Beach Schooner Race	Aug
W.H.Y.C. vs AMSS	Sept 26-27 (?)
S.W.Y.C. Ensenada Race	Oct 2

Festival) and the Yesteryear Regatta. You will hear more about these in the upcoming months. Ted Stearns will be working on trophies and staff commodore Doug Graves has offered his assistance.. I think that they should make quite a team! I am asking port captain Steve Caouette to organize some cruising events or at least local raft-ups. I realize that not everyone is interested in racing.

* We all have to do whatever we can to help increase our membership and I ask that you keep this in mind whenever you meet someone with an interest in classic vessels. They don't have to own a wooden boat. Associate memberships are available. The board will be making specific efforts to increase membership by reaching out to the yachting community, however I suspect that well run events and enjoyable, informative meetings will go a long way toward attracting new members. I am looking forward to a great year ahead!

**NEXT MEETING
JANUARY 8, 1998**

7:30 P.M.
Southwestern Yacht Club
**WE WILL HAVE A PROGRAM!
SEE YOU THERE!**

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Membership	Steve Couette	
Handicap	Bill Clark	542-1229
	Jerry Newton	222-1281
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Cruising	TBA	
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Board meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at the Southwestern Yacht Club at 7:00 PM. Members are welcome to attend.

Dues for 1998 are payable to our Treasurer - DIANA WATSON. Send \$50.00 to AMSS, 3455 Talbot St., SD, CA 92106

*******NEWS*******

The Board of Directors has unanimously voted that anyone who was a past AMSS member with their current vessel (which qualified) can rejoin AMSS now at the \$50.00 dues fee!

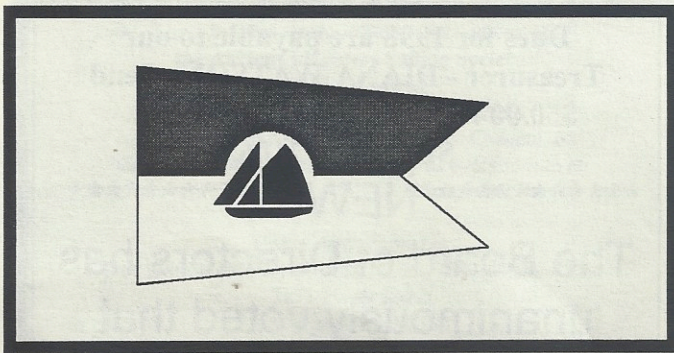
The ByLaws indicate that dues are due on January 1 and are delinquent on February 1. If you have not yet paid yours, please do so. It helps tremendously to receive AMSS dues as early as possible since the year's budget and most "up-front" expenditures occur in the first ninety days of each new year. Many Thanks!!

This is an limited time offer! Ask for details at next General Meeting!

**Commodore's Cup: In Honor
of the Commodore and His
Sweetheart Maggie**

FEBRUARY 14, 1998

All hardy mariners are invited to join Commodore Thompson in what he hopes will be a little foul weather sailing on February 14. Skipper's meeting will be at Southwestern Yacht Club at 9:00 A.M. The race will start at buoy # 15 (off the south end of Shelter Island), and will go to the Coronado Islands for the Racing Fleet and the Cruising Fleet will go to a off-shore buoy. Come to the General Meeting at 7:30 P.M. at Southwestern Yacht Club for any updated information and more details.



!!!!!!!WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!!!!

Please forgive the Ancient Mariners for our recent lack of commitment to make our new members all feel welcome and due to the lack of publication of the Albatross since JUNE/JULY, the lack of completing the formal membership procedure by publishing your names. Please join us January 8 and introduce yourself and tell us about your boat at the meeting!

- Nicholas and Claudine Nayfack: K38- **COQUETTE**.
- Cdr. Timothy and Nancy McGee: 1924 Atkins designed, built in 1978- **EVENING STAR**.
- Watson and Stephanie Lunt: 1946 Davis designed, Fellows and Stewart built- **BANSHEE**.
- Steve Bolan: Stephen's 1920 Powerboat- **VANDEVILLE**.
- Robert Caro: 1958 Cresslock **FLOR DEL MAR**
- Michael and Julia Ellegood: **SHALIMAR**.
- Ted Davis: **ALSUMAR S&S Designed**

SEMINARS IN SAN DIEGO

Understanding Your Wooden Boat and the Inspection Process

JANUARY 31 and FEBRUARY 1

Location to be Announced

ALSO

Wooden Boat Repair

FEBRUARY 2,3,& 4 at

Koehler's Yard

Seminars will be given by Havorn Marine Survey and Shipwright School and there will be a cost of \$120 for the first seminar and \$225 for the second.

Flyers with more information will be available at the January 8, 1998

Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Southwestern Yacht Club

HalfPint-O-Rum Race

December 6 1997

Distance = 7.6 NM, Start Time = 12:00

68 = Base handicap

Place	Boat	Skipper	Handycap	finish time	Corrected time
Racing Class					
1st	COMANCHE	D. Dominici	120	13:16:20	13:09:45
2nd	FREEDOM	R. Latimer	145	13:24:30	13:14:45
3rd	SALLY	C. F. Koehler	68	13:16:00	13:16:00
4th	ANDALE	D. Smith	120	13:22:50	13:16:15
Cruising Class					
1st	MAHAGONY MANOR	S. Caouette	425	13:43:30	12:58:17
First Over All					
	ALSUMAR *		100	13:14:00	13:09:57

* ALSUMAR does not yet have an official handicap so was not included in the class results

Wind was 18 to 20 kn. out of the south, gusting to 25 kn. on the way down to the start in San Diego's South Bay. The wind died to about 10 to 12 kn. for the start and then picked back up again about thirty minutes later. Comanche had the best start. She had a reef in the main and set her 1.2 oz smoked up the bay doing nines and tens (knots), shaking her reef out at Buoy 26. The PCC just beat the 10 Meter (boat for boat) to the moorings off Shelter Island but SALLY's dory beat COMANCHE's sabot to the beach and the rum keg by twenty seconds.