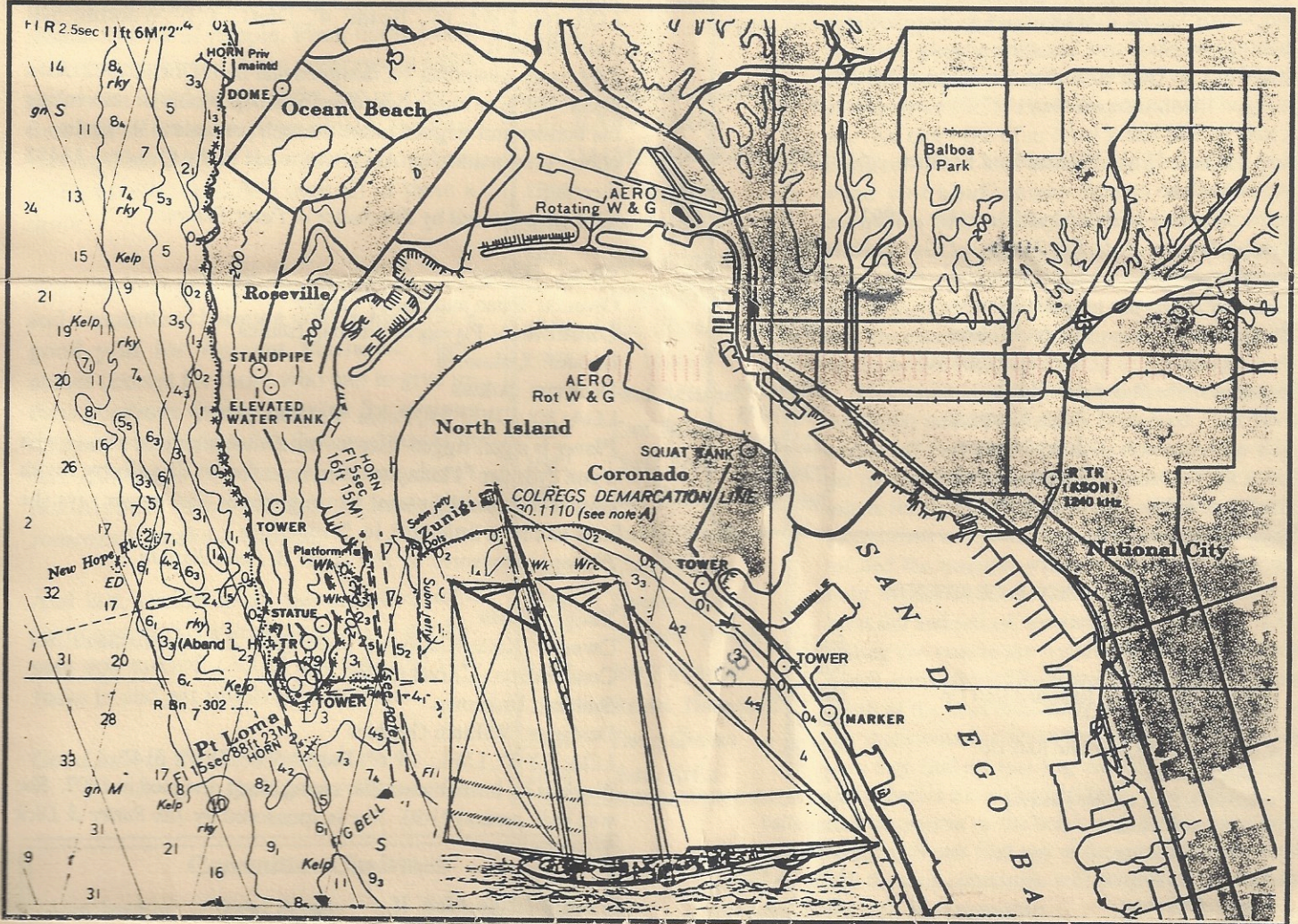


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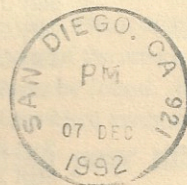
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1992 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

√ General Meeting	Jan 2
√ General Meeting	Feb 6
√ Commodore's Cup Race and Raft Up	Feb 22,23
√ General Meeting	Mar 12
√ April Fools Regatta and Raft Up	Mar 28, 2
√ General Meeting	Apr 2
√ Wooden Boat Center Festival	Apr 11, 12
Spring Swap Meet	Cancelled
√ General Meeting	May 7
√ Yesteryear Regatta	May 16, 17
√ General Meeting	June 4
√ Roller Coaster Cruise - Mission Bay	June 13
√ Jack and Jill Regatta	June 27
√ General Meeting (picnic)	July 2
√ Gorilla Rock Cruise - Los Coronados	July 11
√ Catalina Cruise	July 24
√ General Meeting	Aug 6
√ General Meeting	Sept 3
√ Working Person's Cruise - South Bay	Sept 4
√ Petticoat & Iron Man Races	Sept 12, 13
√ SWYC Ensenada Race	Oct 2,3,4
√ Todos Santos Cruise	Oct 2,3,4
√ W.H.O.A. vs AMSS (Dana Cup)	Oct 3,4
√ Cabrillo Festival Regatta	Oct 3
√ General Meeting (2nd Thurs)	Oct 8
√ Boat Show & Commodore's Ball CCYC	Oct 10
√ Homeward Bound Race	Oct 11
√ General Meeting (Nominations)	Nov 5
General Meeting (Elections)	Dec 10
Half Pint O'Rum Race	Dec 12
New Years' Eve Raftup - La Playa	Dec 31

MEMBERSHIP PETITIONS

Yacht: TBA (Ex-Ann-tique)

Owners: Ann Kolls and Dudley Elmore
Construction: Carvel planked with what appears to be 7 different kinds of wood
Builder: Still being researched
Designer: Unknown
LOA: 16', LWL: 16', Beam: 4', Draft: 3' 6", Working Sail Area: 483 sq ft.
TBA is an Australian 16, designed and built around 1912 down under. She is a Gunter rigged racing sloop. Annie is researching the builder and original name through contacts in Australia. A photo presentation by Anne was made at the October AMSS meeting.

TBA is sponsored by Jim Sutter & Peter Benton.

Yacht: Plover

Owners: Brian and Shelly Farmer
Construction: Plywood over oak frames
Builder: Unknown
Designer: Atkins
LOA: 30', LWL: 24', Beam: 9', Draft: 4' 6",
Plover is a gaff rigged "Barrie Anne" design coastal cruiser with a one cylinder "Thumper" diesel auxiliary. She sleeps 3 with comforts including a coal burning stove. Her owner says she sails like a fat little bird, ie. "Plover".

Plover is sponsored by Jim Sutter & Peter Benton

Yacht: Novia

Owners: Keith Korporaal, Mark Felix & Roger Lakner
Construction: Carvel Cedar
Builder: Unknown
Designer: William Gardner
LOA: 22' 8", LWL: 15' 6", Beam: 5' 8", Draft: 3' 4"
Novia is an International Star racing sloop designed in 1907. She was built around 1950. She is sponsored by Jim Sutter & Dick Winchip.

Yacht: Macushlah II

Owner: Ed Koepsel
Construction: Carvel Mahogany
Builder: Far East Yachts, Yukuska, Japan, 1963
Designer: Charles Davies
LOA: 36', LWL: 25', Beam: 11' 3", Draft: 4' 8"
Macushlah II is a modified version of an Angleman "Sea Sprit" design, called a "Kittiwake Ketch". She is a heavy downwind cruising boat. Macushlah II has transited the Panama Canal twice and cruised extensively in the Carribean and South Pacific. She is currently undergoing extensive overhaul at the Koehler Kraft yard. She is sponsored by Vern Koepsel & Dick Winchip.

Associate Member: Lindy Rae.

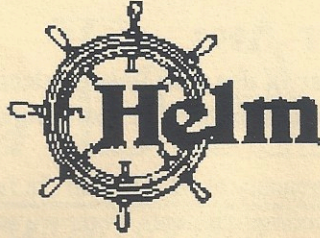
Lindy, who has been a crew member on Sally on many AMSS events, is interested in racing.

Associate member: Cy Newman

Cy is a resident of Irvine, who does not own a boat right now and would be interested in racing or crewing.

HALF PINT O' RUM RACE

From the



In this last "From the Helm" for 1992, I want to say thanks to a lot of people. First, thank you to all AMSS past commodores. These dedicated AMSS members, listed on the right, put in a lot of time and effort to keep our society running. Having done this job for a year, I know how much time it takes. We owe all of them a drink.

Next, thanks to the officers, board members and committee chairmen who made 1992 a good year for Ancient Mariners. Their names (except for those who had to give up their positions during the year for various reasons) are displayed in the usual boxes in this Albatross. A successful event doesn't just happen. Much effort is expended by *someone* to make it happen.

And last, thanks to all the members who participated this year. If you didn't participate you missed a lot of good sailing fun. Jump in and get involved next year,

Good luck to the 1993 bridge crew!
Jim Sutter, Commodore

PAST AMSS COMMODORES

1974	Doug Smith
1975	Doug Smith
1976	Bob Spriggs
1977	Hugo Carver
1978	Bill Clark
1979	Al Hislop
1980	Paul Mitchell
1981	Tom Belair
1982	Chris Frost
1983	Jack Cabeen
1984	Rusty White
1985	Doug Graves
1986	Lonnie Lynch
1987	Richard Wright
1988	Jerry Newton
1989	Kevin Thompson
1990	Doug Graves
1991	Ann Kolls

The Half Pint O' Rum will be held at high noon on Sat. Dec 12, 1992. We will begin off the beach southeast of the Naval sailing club along the bay side of the Silver Strand. To find the starting area proceed **under the Coronado Bridge to harbour buoy 26 then come to approx. 165° magnetic**. Please consult a recent harbor chart for the location of shoals east of the Coronado bridge. We will be just southeast of some new Navy housing. If you pass the Least Tern nesting area and get as far as Crown Cove you have gone too far and will soon be aground. **The skippers meeting will be held on the beach promptly at 11:30** where the course will be given out. An entry fee of *at least* a half pint of rum is required. Note: this is the only race of the year where your handicap may depend on the *quantity* and *quality* of your entry fee. The race committee, as usual, will have great latitude in assessing penalties as well as time awards for exceptional seamanship or costumes. In the past the best of the entry fees are consumed by the skippers from the bottle on the beach awaiting starting instructions.

This race is designed to award seamanship (and creativity) rather than merely boatspeed. The boats anchor off the beach with sails down and the skipper (not his/her representative) must row (or swim) ashore for the skipper's meeting. After the starting instructions are given, around noon a horn will go off and the skippers will row out to the boats and **only when he/she is aboard** can the crew begin to hoist sail and sail off the anchor (no motors). After sailing the course the finish will be on the sandy beach across from Silvergate YC on Shelter Island south of the boat launching ramp. The skipper or his representative must row ashore with **his/her own cup**, find the rum keg and drink a mug of rum. Only then is he or she finished. You will find the race committee on the beach with the keg used at the

start for this purpose. If you foul any of the moored boats in the area of the finish the race committee will deal with the offender very harshly for lack of seamanship.

The results will be announced and the awards given out at the raftup following the race in La Playa. This raftup is usually the best of the year, where crews can reflect on the race (tell lies) and the remainder of the rum keg disappears into some of the finest rum drinks to be found. Remember to give adequate room to other vessels when anchoring at the start.

Bring your mug, and bring your jug!

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Board meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month, at the Southwestern Yacht Club at 7.30pm.

DECEMBER MEETING
 DECEMBER 12th AT 7:30 PM

at the
 Southwestern Yacht Club,

2702, Quailtrough Street



ELECTION NIGHT

TREASURERS REPORT - 1992

Since we will soon have a new treasurer and I will immediately turn over all this stuff to her, I decided now might be the time to publish a treasurer's report. Perhaps we can even make it a new tradition that the yearly report be published every December.

As you can see from the table below, we have not increased the AMSS treasury at all this year. In fact it has decreased by \$389 with one or two small bills still due in December. Some notable accomplishments were: we sold all the sweat shirts we printed, we acquired a locker, and in it is a new spiffy booth, a coffee pot, 2 file cabinets, and a lot of other AMSS belongings and history. We lost money on the Commodore Ball and the Decals (we still have several for only \$5). We did give money to the Maritime Museum (\$605.50) and FOCUS (\$305.50). No one donated to the AMSS except those who donated much time and effort. We have ended up the year with 76 flag members, 19 associate members and 5 honorary members totalling 100. If we can keep that many next year at \$50 each, we will start to build up our account and will be able to plan more/bigger events. Perhaps a goal for next year should be to have our membership top the 100 mark.

Diana Watson, Treasurer

<u>1992 FINANCIAL SUMMARY</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
STARTING BALANCE	2,420.12		
YYR		3,624.50	1,452.04
SWEAT SHIRTS		3,029.25	2,609.70
COMM BALL		651.00	1,060.00
BOAT SHOW		656.00	50.00
ALBATROSS		0.00	1,321.88
CHARITABLE DONATIONS		0.00	911.00
TROPHIES		0.00	1,990.79
MISCELLANEOUS (SDYC, BURGEES, BOOTH,...)		214.72	1,124.53
MEMBERSHIPS		2,660.00	0.00
INSURANCE AND RACE MEMBERSHIP		0.00	704.90
TOTALS		10,835.47	11,224.84
NET LOSS FOR THE YEAR			(389.37)
CURRENT BALANCE	2,030.75		

SHORT HISTORY OF MAID OF KENT

William Atkin drew the lines for his "Little Maid of Kent" schooner in 1930 for **MotorBoating** magazine. The "Little Maid of Kent" design became the most requested design from **MotorBoating** during the 30 odd years the magazine was published. *Maid of Kent* was custom built by Bill Tighe of Willard Marine in Costa Mesa in 1961-2 for James Lane. She was first sold in 1966 to Clem Allen who was one of the original AMSS members. The *Maid of Kent* began sailing with the Ancient Mariners Sailing Society from its start in the mid 1970's, and was pictured in the Bicentennial issue (1976) of **Yachting** magazine sailing the Yesteryear Regatta in some of the first nationwide publicity given the AMSS. After sailing with Clem on occasion I became entranced with the little schooner and purchased *Maid of Kent* in 1981.

Maid of Kent was heavily constructed of sawn apetong frames with carvel planking of mahogany. She still has her original rigging, plank fastenings and keel bolts, all of which are galvanized steel. She is currently in well maintained original condition without major rebuild, a tribute to the quality of her original construction.

As with many of the well built and well loved designs the *Maid of Kent* has changed hands infrequently. We have owned her for 10 years and are only the third owners of the little schooner. She often races on San Diego bay but she is most loved for the cruising miles passed under her keel. I lived aboard the schooner for seven years including a season of cruising in Mexico and found her to

be quite comfortable for a boat of her size. She is now the playpen for Eric Newton (2yrs) one of the newest of the next generation of schoonermen.

To commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of *Maid of Kent*, all Ancient Mariners are invited to a Hot Toddy on *Maid of Kent* at the Half Pint O' Rum raftup in La Playa.

Jerry Newton

FREEDOM CUP

A correction on the Guadalupe Island Race: it was recommended that we expand the event to include "younger" yacht designs. Therefore the latest design date is 1968 and it will be moved each year to keep the requirement at 25 year old designs.

Anyone having questions or more suggestions can contact Rod Latimer at (619) 574-8020 or (619) 287-9066.

Rod Latimer and Diana Watson

YES, SAILORS DO SHOP AT 4 AM!!!

Saturday, November 21st was a day to remember. AMSS was invited to sell coffee and doughnuts at the Sun Harbor Marina Swap Meet, starting time 4am. Our AMSS booth, put up the night before, was manned and actually selling at 4:15 am. Jon Bates organized this and picked up the first 85 cup pot of coffee from Ranger at 4:05am. Anyway we made \$164.95, had a lot of fun, and found a few great buys. AMSS now owns a 101 cup coffee maker as a result of this effort.