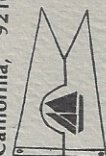


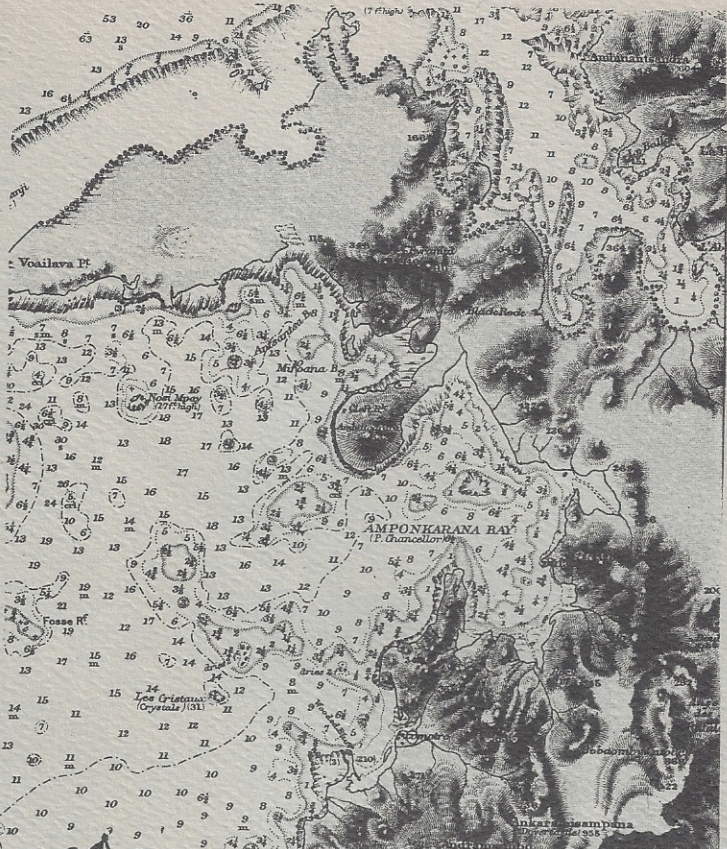


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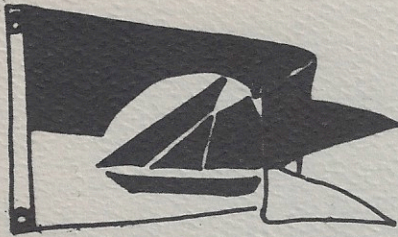
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1983 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April Fool's Regatta..... April 9  
Mother's Day Cruise..... May 7  
Yesteryear Regatta..... June 11  
Maui Start..... June 12  
Pettycoat Regatta..... July 23  
Iron Man's Race..... July 24  
Ensenada Race..... September 3-5  
Half Pint o' Rum Race..... December 3  
Film Festival..... ?



FROM THE HELM

Hey, Mariners, wasn't that a great steak? Billy Bones put on the dog (no pun intended) Commodore's Brawl night. Thanks Paul, Paxton, Peggy and Tom.

The Brawl was so much fun I have decided to do it again. Pussers rum has offered to show that great film "The Way of the Wind." That is Chuck Tobias' great film about his voyage from California to the Greek Islands. I understand he had a real deck monkey aboard. See the blurb in this Albatross about the details. Moby's Deck has offered the place. It will be a good time.

Thanks to all who participated in welcoming Pride of Baltimore to town. What a beautiful boat! I won't say a thing about Medea.

The Commodore's Cup Race was far out. We flew all the way to the islands. Coming back was another story. The Witch's engine wouldn't start and we finally got back to the docks by rowing and towing with the dinghy. Just too embarrassed to row to the raft-up. Besides it was near midnight and everyone at the raft-up was probably asleep. I've bought a bunch of new parts for the engine so will be ready for the April Fool's Race to Mission Bay and another chance to meet and party at Billy Bones.

Remember our monthly meetings will now be the **THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**. See you at Silvergate Yacht Club.

DUES AND ALBATROSS NOTICE  
(or this could be it on you)

If you haven't paid your annual dues this is your last Albatross. We hate to lose a good mariner. Get your checks in now to the Treasurer, Dall DeWeese so you won't miss and issue and we won't miss you.

T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

We have one entry in the Yesteryear Regatta t-shirt design contest. You don't have to design the shirt just the artwork. We expect all of you artists and would-be artists to submit designs for a chance to be immortalized.

Send all ideas by April 11. The Winner will have his or her design displayed on shirts all over town soon. The first bunch will be for sale at the April 21 General Meeting. If your design wins, your first t-shirt will be free. Go for it!

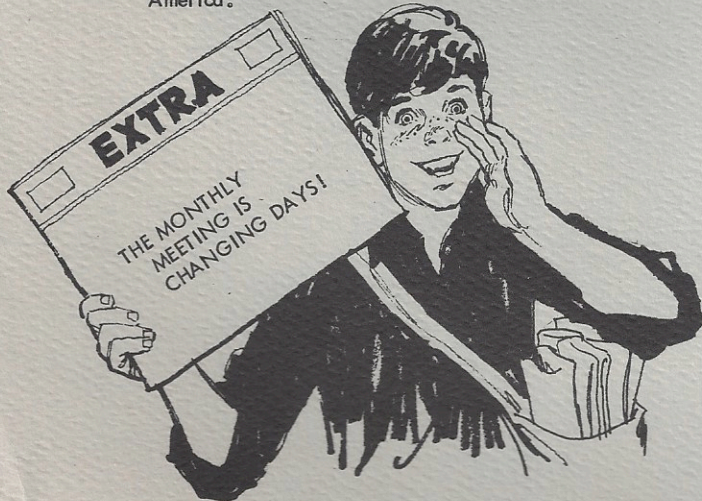


**Your attention, please!**

**THIS MONTH'S MEETING**  
Fifty North to Fifty South

REMEMBER --- WE ARE BACK AT SILVER GATE YACHT CLUB BUT THE MEETING IS THE **THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH** (THIS MONTH THAT WILL BE **MARCH 17**). Formal meeting starts at 8 P.M. sharp.

In 1936 Warwick Tomkins, famous mariner and author, sailed the 85' schooner Wander Bird from Gloucester, Massachusetts to San Francisco, California by way of Cape Horn. Don't miss this classic film which features John Alden who is considered to be the designer of "the best-designed and best built vessel of her size in America."



## PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Tim and Karanne Cotes  
1540 Harbor Drive North Box 119  
Oceanside, CA 92054

Tim and Karanne own Muki, a 47' yawl built of African mahogany in West Germany. The boat sailed from Germany to England, Spain and the Mediterranean, crossed over to the Miami area and up the East Coast. Then she went back down to St. Vincent and other parts of the Carribean. She did a lot of charter work.

Tim and Karanne have been members of the AMSS before and we wish them much happiness with their "new" (built in 1961) boat.

## NEW MEMBERS

E. Wayne and Catherine Terry  
3436 Whittier St.  
San Diego, CA 92106

The Terrys own Figlebaum, a PC built in 1947 at Kettenburg Boat Works. The new owners have added new mahogany cap rails and a new paint job. Her colors are Woolsey deep water blue, red bottom and yacht white deck and spars. The Terrys hope to add a new main sail and spinnaker before the start of the 1983 PC racing season.

Bob and Lin Sweinhart  
700 N. Irena Ave.  
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Solace II is a boat built in 1901 in England (designed in 1898 by Blake). She is 48' on deck and has a pitch pine hull. She is carvel planked with a flush deck. In 1960 she was sailed to the Carribean for charter service and on to California in 1962. She had her first U.S. overhaul at Paul Kettenburg's yard in 1962.

After searching for 2 years from Seattle to Fort Lauderdale Bob purchased Solace in Oxnard. She has undergone 5 years of restoration from keel to truck and stem to stern by Lin and Bob and they believe she is the most seaworthy ship of her size and age on the West Coast. Her credits include winner in Class 2 of the Ryde Le Havre Brimham Race in 1958 and in Class A of the Brimham Cherbourg Race in force 8 winds in 1959. (Editor's note: Race names may be incorrect)

The Sweinharts won a special award for restoration at the 1982 Southern California Boat Show in Newport.

In 1919 Solace II was a member of the Royal Yacht Squadron. At that time she was owned by Frank Chaplin who was banker to King George.

## SUNDAY BRUNCH AT MOBY'S DECK

On Sunday March 20 there will be a brunch at Moby's Deck. They have promised a great brunch for \$7 with all the coffee you can drink!

Pusser's Rum is bringing the film, "The Way of the Wind". There will be plenty of Pusser's Rum



## APRIL FOOL'S REGATTA

Our annual spring ritual, the April Fool's Regatta, will be on April 9 and 10. The start is at buoy 15, we leave it to port at 1200 hours.

Cruiser Course: Buoy 3 to starboard

Racer Course: Buoy 1 to starboard

Finish: Entrance to Mission Bay

Take your own time if there is not a finish boat and then proceed to the raft-up in Mariner's Cove. We will have dinner (the fried clams are great) and Pusser's punch at Billy Bones for dinner.

The next day we will race back. Normally, we have an upwind race both days---God's way of saying "April Fools"?

The race is open to all flag and associate members.

## 12' CLASSIC MOTOR LAUNCH DONATED TO AMSS

Charles R. Ladow, former Commodore of San Diego Yacht Club has graciously donated a classic 12' motor launch to the AMSS. Mr. Ladow wants the vessel restored and is pleased that we will undertake its reconditioning. Hopefully it will be done in time to use it as a shore boat for the Yesteryear Regatta.

A vote by the membership at the last General Meeting unanimously approved the undertaking and the board then appropriated up to \$600.00 for the restoration (\$300.00 is the expected cost).

## WE NEED YOU!!!

Approximately 300 hours of labor are required for the restoration. This will include 25 new frames (steam bent), new decking, floorboards, thwarts, rails, etc. as well as a complete refinishing. Bob Elder is in charge of the project and John Frost and others will advise. We would like 3-5 people to do most of the work so things don't get out of hand. Anyone who is interested in this project is encouraged to lend assistance.

The work will be the same as what most of us will, at one time or another, be doing on our own vessels. So this is an excellent opportunity for "hands on" learning. If you want to be one of the primary rebuilders or one of the assistants, give Bob Elder a call at 486-3402.

ALSO, the launch has been converted for an outboard motor in a well aft. If you know of a "classic" outboard that is available please call Bob.

## THE RENDEZVOUS SAILING SOCIETY SCHOOL

The Rendezvous Sailing Society School is sponsoring basic and advanced classes on board this classic 78' brigantine. The hours are flexible in 2 hour time slots during the week and on the weekends. Classes are small. The cost is normally \$120 per course but AMSS will be given a discount. For more information call the Society at 223-4105 (that's the Rendezvous Sailing Society).

## POCO LOCO MOST DINGHY

or

### OR, 8 BALL IN THE CORNER POCKET WINS DINGHY MASSACRE (EH, WHAT?)

Due to Trudy and Patty's reluctance to mud wrestle, the winner of the Second Annual Dinghy Massacre had to be determined by a pool match at Billy Bone's during the Commodore's Brawl. The match was between skippers Al and Russell. Dingus and Poco Loco tied in the 3 race Massacre held February 20 in La Playa Cove.

Thirteen dinghies braved the tortuous 15knot breeze and 6" chop around the raft-up following Saturday's Commodore's Race. Four Intergalactic racing schooners (ULDS's) showed their heels to most of the fleet, finishing first, third and fourth. Rick Reynolds chartered Lanny Goodman's schooner but apparently didn't know how to sail a boat with 2 masts and finished a disappointing eighth (hee, hee!). Gary Schons chartered DaI DeWeese's schooner Encore and did very well tying for fourth with Chuck William's sailing dory. Had Gary not been the brunt of much blatant "bumper schoonering" he might have done even better (it pays to know the rules!).

Chris and I have received some criticism about poor starts lately and so we wanted to show you all how to do it. We had by far the best start in race 1 in 'Pacifier', only one second after the gun. Only problem was we were going the wrong way! Oh well, there's always next year! Your Commodore kaboomed Nirvana's anchor chain with his centerboard in race # 2 and finished 12th (ask to see the picture).

So you see, we had a real good time and plan to have dinghy races whenever we have a three day weekend gathering so all the rest of you come out next time. You've nothing to loose, we already know your('e) dinghy.

John Frost



## THE MAUI UPDATE

Preparations for the 1983 San Diego to Maui Race are officially underway (or should I say undertow). The February General Meeting was a great kick-off to what I believe will be the most successful Maui Race yet. It seems like we learn more and more every time we do this race and I'm finding that our previous experience is making the organization for this year quite straightforward. This doesn't mean that it's going to be any easier, it just means that the work to be done is better defined.

My thanks to those brave souls who volunteered their help at the kick-off meeting. Anybody who volunteers blindly like that is a credit to the AMSS and could probably be used by the French Foreign Legion. By the time you folks read these lines you'll realize the significance of your decision. I hear Morocco is beautiful this time of year. It's times like these that remind me of a quote dear to my mother-in-law's heart, "If everyone does a little, nobody does a lot." Then I think of my brother-in-law's reply, "Yeah, but if you don't do nothin', you don't do nothin'!". I think it's time for a new paragraph, this one isn't going too well.

Ah, that's better! This column will appear in the next couple of issues to keep you all informed of our status. If you can't wait that long and have an unexplained urge to donate your time to a worthy cause, please feel free to give my answering machine a call (566-2025) and explain it all to him. If I like what he tells me, I might return your call. Otherwise, forget it sucker.

Doesn't it scare you just a little when you realize that someone who writes like this is in charge of such an important club event. Oh well, so long for now. Or, as they say in sunny Mexico, "Pasta 'n Bagels."

Chris Goddard

## 1983 COMMODORE'S CUP RACE RESULTS

### RACING CLASS

Place	Boat	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time
1	Robin	3:47	3:02
2	Eolo	4:20	3:06
3	Nirvana	3:52	3:13
4	Searcher	4:27	3:21
5	Varya	4:29	3:23
6	Alegre	4:17	3:32
7	Pacifica	4:17:05	3:32:05
	Whisper	DNF	
	Princess Kaulani	DNF	

### CRUISING CLASS

1	Calypso	4:52	2:30
2	Mischief	4:35	3:13
3	Sea Witch	5:53	3:24
4	Salud	4:44	3:37
5	Morasum	4:55	3:50
6	Maid of Kent	6:23	4:01
7	Revelee	7:15	4:01
8	Sea Brig	6:15	4:23
	Southern Star	DNF	
	Artemis	DNF	