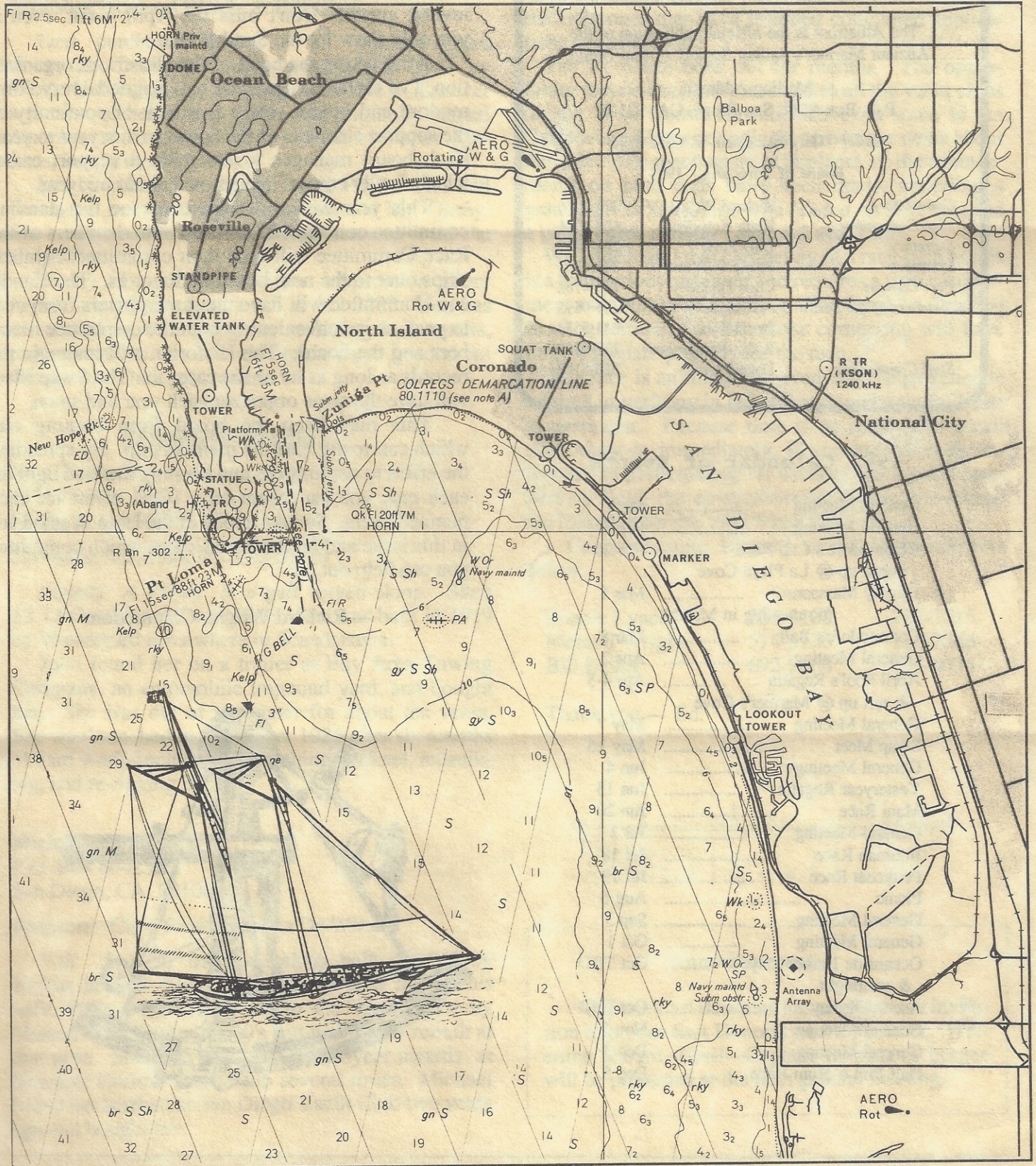
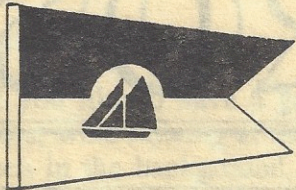


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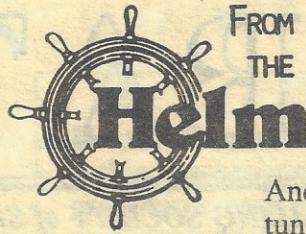
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**1987 Calendar of Events**

General Meeting	.....	Jan 8
General Meeting	.....	Feb 5
Commodore's Cup Race	.....	Feb 28
& raft up @ La Playa Cove		
Dinghy Massacre	.....	Mar 1
(no meeting in March)		
Commodore's Ball	.....	Mar 8
General Meeting	.....	Apr 2
April Fool's Regatta	.....	Apr 4-5
& raft up @ Mariner's Cove		
General Meeting	.....	May 7
Swap Meet	.....	May 16
General Meeting	.....	Jun 4
Yesteryear Regatta	.....	Jun 13
Maui Race	.....	Jun 20
General Meeting	.....	Jul 2
Ironman Race	.....	Jul 18
Pettycoat Race	.....	Jul 19
Picnic	.....	Aug 6
General Meeting	.....	Sep 3
General Meeting	.....	Oct 1
Oceanside Harbor Days	.....	Oct TBD
& overnight		
Ascott Display	.....	Oct TBD
General Meeting	.....	Nov 5
General Meeting	.....	Dec 3
Half Pint o' Rum Race	.....	Dec 5



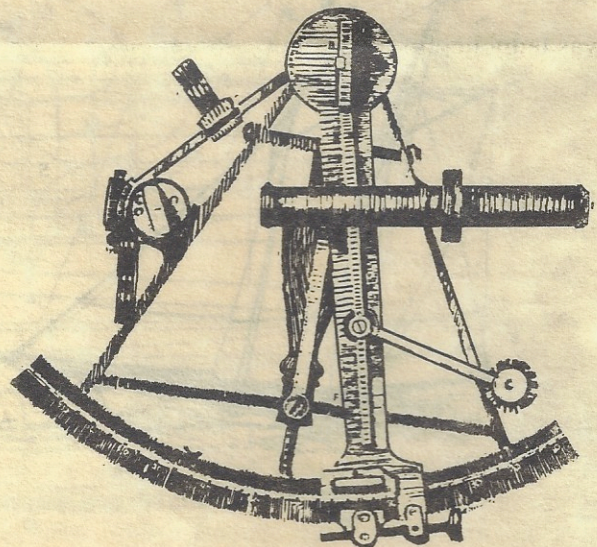
We're winding up for an exciting sailing season. The racing fleets are really getting active and by the time the Yesteryear Regatta is here, the Ancient Mariner vessels will be well tuned for the challenge from the invited guests. Don't miss the April event, even if you only show for the Sunday race.

After taking the helm of this illustrious organization, I've ciphered out what has plagued every commodore and board—there is a lack of continuity of the support elements of the Society from year to year. Each board manages to assemble a support cadre, which finally comes into its own about midyear.

This year we've elected to pursue the standing committee concept. That means the members of the Race Committee will hold their committee memberships over to the next board of directors. The Handicap Committee will have the same players from year to year, as is convenient to both the committee members and the board. The Historian will maintain the records as long as he or she cares to. The Swap Meet will have the same organizer each year and so on.

This may keep the board from burning out, which can really hurt the membership. By spreading the effort to committees and keeping the load light for each one, you can count on a 100% effort for each planned event. So take a look at the Help Wanted ads in this issue and let the board know which committee you can help out on.

— Richard Wright, Commodore



# WELCOME ABOARD

## New Members

Lew Prince  
2320-64 Tocayo Ave.  
San Diego, CA 92154

Sponsors: Richard Wright & Bill Clark

Lew purchased *Royal*, a 28' marconi-rigged sloop, last December. She was built in 1941 by Wolf. Unfortunately, he's only been able to discover a portion of her history. She was originally named *Amorita* and was previously owned by Barter Systems, Inc. in the early 70's.

Lew purchased her from Doug Plank, who had purchased her from a gentleman named Mr. Ousey. She's been berthed in San Diego since at least the early 70's.

If any of our members has information about *Royal*, please give Lew a call at 429-7427. He's had substantial work in progress, including hull repairs, engine installation, new electronics, and general re-fitting—then he's goin' cruisin'!

## Prospective Members

John Peterson  
1121 Nidrah  
El Cajon, CA 92020

Sponsors: Bill Clark & Doug Smith

*Laughs A Plenty* is a gaff rigged sloop. She's 32' LOA with a 24' waterline. She was built in 1919 by Westergard somewhere in Scandanavia.

John found her on a trailer at Bay Area Towing Company, an automobile impound yard, and bought her. She was out of the water for about ten years. She was launched in December 1986 after six months of hard work, including strengthening her keel, recaulking, and re-rigging her.

Michael Schneider  
P.O. Box 60425  
San Diego, CA 92106

Sponsors: Chris Frost & Sheila De Weese

*Pali* is a 56' fractional sloop built in 1945 by Nevins in New York. Mr. Nevins built her for his wife, Polly. She came out to the West Coast by Matson Liner in the late 60's and was totally rebuilt at that time. She won best-boat-of-the-year awards at Newport Harbor Yacht Club several times. Michael found her berthed at San Diego Yacht Club two years ago and bought her.

## Maui Race Update

The April 1st deadline for the San Diego to Maui Race is only a few days away. At this writing, however, three yachts, *Windhaven*, *Scottish Fantasy*, and *Iris*, have officially entered. Although other parties have expressed serious plans to race, these three are the only ones that have returned completed applications and entry fees.

The word has been out for months. The opportunity to race has been presented to all the yacht clubs on the West Coast, Hawaii, and even some in the Caribbean. Many periodicals carried the news about the race. The mechanism is in place; all the arrangements on both ends have been made, including a grand start in San Diego with *Medea* as start boat and a gala awards party at Lahaina Yacht Club.

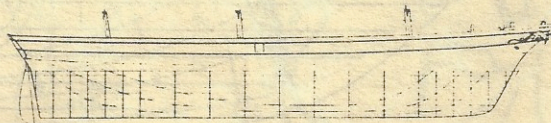
We understand that competing in a race such as this is a tremendous endeavor and requires a firm commitment and months of planning. The April 1st deadline is set specifically so that those competing will have time to prepare properly for the race.

This race is an important event and helps generate interest in yachting in general and in classic sailboats in particular. Because time is so short, please call your entry in immediately, if you are seriously interested in participating. If we don't get a good competitive field, the co-sponsors will have to evaluate the initiative for the 1987 Maui Race.

Contact Lonnie, Richard, or Bill at the numbers below.

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Lonnie Lynch	226-5102	224-7515
Richard Wright	574-5136	226-2266
Bill Bailey	692-9666	295-0034

Thank you — Ed.



## Announcement

Captain Carl Bowman has accepted our invitation to be our first Honorary Life Member. Welcome aboard, Carl! Captain Bowman's burgee will be presented at the next general meeting.

### Commodore's Ball

How would you like to have a gourmet dinner with fellow sailors, wine flowing at the tables, and a 3 X 4 foot screen in the background, showing past Yesteryear race films, as well as displays of Commodore's Cup trophies and a pictorial history of the Society? Top that with a dance band after dinner (with trumpet solos by C.F. Koehler and Lonnie Lynch). This year sixty two members and guests did all this and more at the Commodore's Ball held at the San Diego Yacht Club. A fine success, which left everyone smiling!

### April Fool's Regatta

It's time to shake the wrinkles out of your sails. The sailing season is upon us and the warmer evenings are inviting us to linger aboard a while longer. The April Fool's Regatta is next with an April 4th raft-up in Mariners Cove in Mission Bay, followed by a race back to San Diego Bay on Sunday, starting at 11:00am near the oceanographic platform off Mission Beach. If you can't make the raft-up, be at the starting line for the race. Race packets should be in your hands by now. See you there!

**Help Wanted:** Race Committee; chaired by Robin Brackenbury; will set guidelines for race procedures; each event will be run by one or another on this committee; Robin needs two more bodies.

**Help Wanted:** Handicap Committee; now made up of Robin, Christ Frost, and Bill Clark; Robin says one more member is needed.

**Help Wanted:** Protest Committee; new committee of at least three members to meet after race events to hear any protests; talk to Robin.

**Help Wanted:** Historian; we need one person who will receive all the extra pictures from members, and save all newspaper articles, etc. for a compendium of Ancient Mariner history; call Richard Wright.

**Help Wanted:** Event Committee; two or three people to assist in scheduling the meeting events and run the planned events, such as the Swap Meet and Yesteryear Regatta awards and cookout party; call Richard Wright.

