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## Your attention, please!

WE ARE CHANGING THE GENERAL MEETING DAY!  
Silvergate Yacht Club, our gracious hosts for so long now,  
have scheduled one of their own group meetings for the  
first Thursday of each month. We have opted to continue  
meeting there THE LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.  
Therefore the February meeting will take place on Febru-  
ary 24.

For those interested in attending an AMSS Board Meeting  
(you are encouraged to do so) the new board meeting day  
will be the first Thursday of each month in the Crow's  
Nest, upstairs at Silvergate Yacht Club at 7:30 P.M.  
The next board meeting is on February 3.

### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

On Thursday, February 24th (remember the date is  
changing!) at our AMSS General Meeting we are kicking-  
off the 1983 San Diego-Maui Race. The Frosts are showing  
slides of the spectacular 1981 start, the race on the way  
over, and the exciting finish.

The Race Committee will discuss all the particulars of  
the race and will be able to answer your questions.  
Brochures, entry forms, posters and commemorative T-shirts  
will be available.

Time permitting, the Frosts will show the excellent cruising  
grounds down-island from Maui.

If you are considering sailing the Maui Race or are just  
interested in helping out with this event you shouldn't  
miss the meeting at Silver Gate Yacht Club on February  
24 at 8 P.M.

### 1983 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Commodore's Cup Race.....	February 19
St. Valentine's Day Dinghy Massacre.....	February 20
Commodore's Brawl.....	February 27
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 or "Details Elsewhere in this issue"

February, the month of Cupid and hard little red candies,  
is a month when I feel I should talk about love. I should  
tell you how I love the Albatross editor, the Board of  
Directors and the general membership. But instead, in  
this month of our first racing event of the year, I think  
I'll talk about love of racing. You can tell by my choice  
of boats that I love racing. The ultra-light displacement  
Sea Witch has had a famous racing career. I refuse to  
believe those stories about how a Sea Witch only won  
the Transpac because everyone else stopped to look for  
a man overboard.

The Commodore's Race has always been a good one.  
I've tried to make the course challenging for everyone  
and have kept it exactly the same as the last five years  
(details elsewhere in this issue)

Another of my big loves is dinghying. La Playa will  
be active February 20 with all of us scurrying around.  
These little boats are a real test of our seamanship abil-  
ities. Be on the Massacre start line and you will discover  
the true meaning of "knock-about".

Another of my loves is partying. It's nice and cathartic  
to let her rip once in a while. I know you all think  
I'm inhibited---I've always remained so cool around  
my yachting friends---but I do know how to have a good  
time. That's why I picked Billy Bones for our Brawl  
location (details elsewhere in this issue). I do like  
to have a good time and I want you to have one too.

Did you know that the purpose of our organization as stated  
in the By-laws is : "...to preserve and promote interest  
in sailboats of ancient vintage and/or classic design"?  
Everytime we get out and sail around we do that so please  
join me at the Commodore's Race. We also promote  
interest when we do things like escorting Pride of Balti-  
more into town. Be at this event or send written excuse  
from your boss. I'll be there. Details elsewhere.....

I'm glad activities are starting because I miss getting  
together with you all. With this meeting change it  
will be a long time (details elsewhere in this issue).  
See you soon....

*Jack*



## NEW MEMBERS

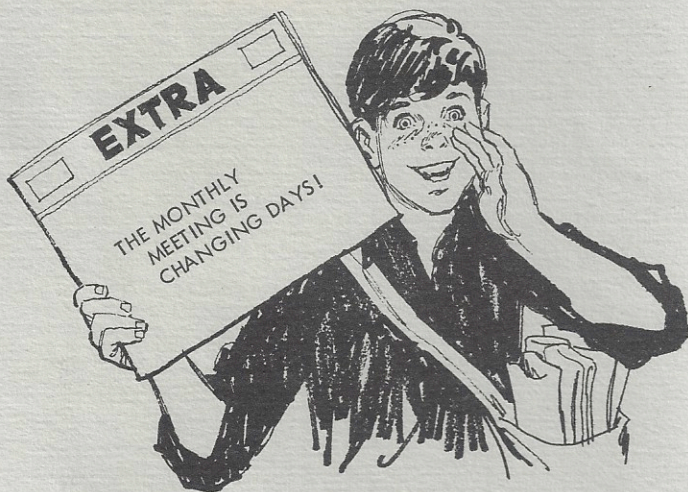
Bob and Rose Ann Prior  
603 1/2 Sunset Drive  
Vista, CA 92083

Bob and Rose Ann's boat, *Frenesi*, is a 35' masthead sloop of typical north European cruiser design. A deep counter stern and fine bow lines are a couple of distinguishing features. Her trunk cabin is two level and finished bright. The spars are spruce and are also bright. Construction is extremely strong with laminated oak frames on nine inch centers planked with Honduras Mahogany, edge glued and copper riveted. The keelson is lignum vita with combination oak and iron floors. She has heavy stainless rigging and dacron sails.

The cabin interior is bright mahogany trimed in white and has a teak sole, brass cook stove, brass heating stove and assorted brass lamps. The owners say *Frenesi* is fast and sea kindly. She was built in Denmark in 1964.

Lee and Paula Washburn  
2733 Shelter Island Drive  
# 275  
San Diego, CA 92106

Participants in the Half Pint 'o Rum certainly noticed *Eolo*. She is a 55' David Phillips cutter designed and built in 1947.



## DUES NOTICE DUES NOTICE DUES NOTICE DUES NOTICE

Due to circumstances beyond our control we have had to push back the final due date on your 1983 AMSS dues.

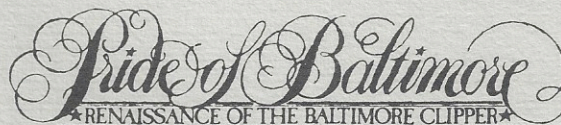
Now we are pleased to announce that if you pay your 1983 dues of \$25.00 no later than March 1, 1983 (and that's all the way to the Treasurer, not just post-marked) you will be entitled to some outstanding discounts on key AMSS events! To take advantage of this offer get those dues paid for another year of informative and most importantly, enjoyable AMSS activities.

## PRIDE OF BALTIMORE VISIT

As you can see by reading the letter that follows, we have been invited to escort the *Pride of Baltimore* into San Diego on February 10. Some tried and true Ancient Mariners have already committed their boats and bodies to be there even though it is a weekday.

Ancient Mariner boats should meet at Buoy 3 at 10:30 A.M. on the 24th with all their colors flying. Be there or be at work!

For more information about this event and about our "private" tour of the *Pride* call John Frost at 222-1915.



Pride of Baltimore, Inc.  
100 Light Street • Baltimore, Maryland 21202 • 301-625-5460

January 3, 1983

Mr. John Frost  
Ancient Mariners Sailing Society  
P.O. Box 6484  
San Diego, California 92106

Dear Mr. Frost:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of December 22. We would indeed be honored if your vessels could escort *Pride* into the San Diego Harbor. She will be arriving on cue at noon on February 10, and will be docking at Broadway Pier. The Navy Band will be on the pier to play for her arrival, and we will arrange for fireboats as well. It would be a fine addition to have the vessels of your society join the ceremonies.

I tried reaching you by telephone to discuss the details, but perhaps you could call me when you receive this letter and we can confirm your participation. In exchange, we would be delighted to have your members on board for a tour of the *Pride* one weekend morning before open house.

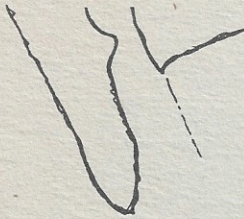
To answer your question about joining in a race, I am certain that the crew of the *Pride* would be happy to have that opportunity. Unfortunately, however, our itinerary for the rest of the West Coast journey does not allow time for your transpac race to Hawaii, as exciting as it seems.

Our executive director, Gail Shawe, will be out in San Diego one week prior to the vessel's official arrival. She will be happy to meet with you and discuss the final details of your escort, and could show a slide presentation at that time to your members.

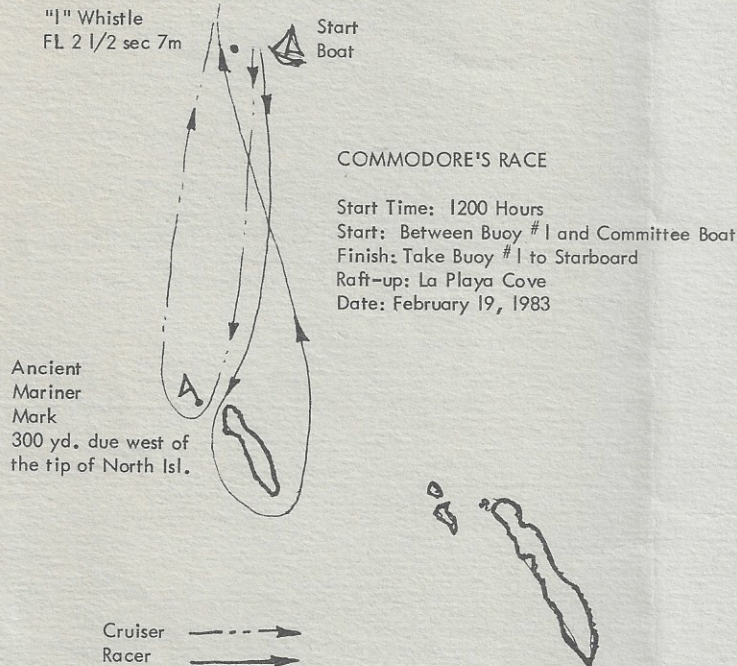
Thank you again for your interest in the *Pride* and your willingness to make *Pride's* visit to San Diego a most successful one.

Sincerely yours,

*Barbara Bozzuto*  
Barbara Bozzuto



HAVE QUESTIONS? Call Jack Cabeen at 223-5111



#### WEEK AFTER ST. VALENTINES DAY DINGHY MASSACRE

Now is the time to start tuning up the "Go Fasts" on your sailing dinghy in preparation for the Second Annual Dinghy Massacre, Sunday February 20. This event follows Commodore's Race Saturday, February 19.

This is really a fun event and will happen at the raft-up in La Playa Cove. If you don't have a sailing dinghy, borrow one and show up.

We will have a number of short, "interesting" races and trophies for many classes including the 10 foot and under schooner dinghy class (for all types of schooner dinghy class (for all types of schooners---gaff, stays'l,

#### COMMODORE'S BRAWL RESERVATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Number of reservations at \$9.50 each \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Fabulous, mouth-watering steak dinners TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian dinners TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
GRAND TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DEAR ALBERT ROSS

Dear Albert Ross (He! He!):

In your January column, I came across an error and I felt I couldn't overlook it. Turpentine is not a petroleum based product. Now, maybe you have come across some derivative that is, but gum turpentine is spirits of turpentine. That technically adds up to oil of turpentine which is sap from coniferous trees which is boiled to produce oil of turpentine. Sometimes this oil is distilled to produce a very liquid spirits. Al, you are pretty sharp so maybe there is synthetic turpentine that I am not familiar with. At any rate, I've just used ten gallons to thin down raw linseed oil for all of our interior wood---much like when I wooded down the hull of Privateer. Turpentine, as we know it, is very expensive but well worth the additional costs.

Also, a note on tallow. As raisers of tallow and big users we wanted to let you know that leaf fat and kidney fat make the best tallow. Lamb and/or mutton is superior due to its high lanolin content. We used tallow on all our tools on Privateer. Just gobbled it on things that didn't get used much. It prevents rust better than anything else we've used. It cleans up easily and, of course, it's a natural product. We now use it to lube and grease all our farm equipment. If made properly, it lasts forever and does not smell. Great stuff!

Your ardent fan,  
Renee Goss  
Goss Polled Herefords  
Rt. 1 Box 97AA  
Elma, Washington 98541

#### THE COMMODORE'S BRAWL

Welcome the new commodore (J. Harvey Cabeen) and perhaps see him do the famous invisible banana knife dance at the Umpteenth Annual Commodore's Brawl on Sunday, February 27 at Billy Bones in Pacific Beach. This event is a tradition in fine dining and starchy comraderie where the awards are presented for the Commodore's Cup Race and the Week After St. Valentine's Day Dinghy Massacre.

A Formally served meal of 10 oz. of the best quality steak in town, a baked potatoe, salad and maybe some wine will be served for \$9.50 some time after 6 P.M. in the evening. Other drinks (including Pusser's Rum) will be available for a very reasonable fee and there will be dancing until midnight to the music of Roger the D.J.

Please make reservations (and pay for them) using the reservation in this Albatross (xerox it if you just can't stand to mutilate your issue) and send all this to the AMSS post office box soon. Last chance to make reservations is at the meeting on February 24 but that's a little late for poor Paul Plotts to get ready for a mob scene. See you there! It will be fun.