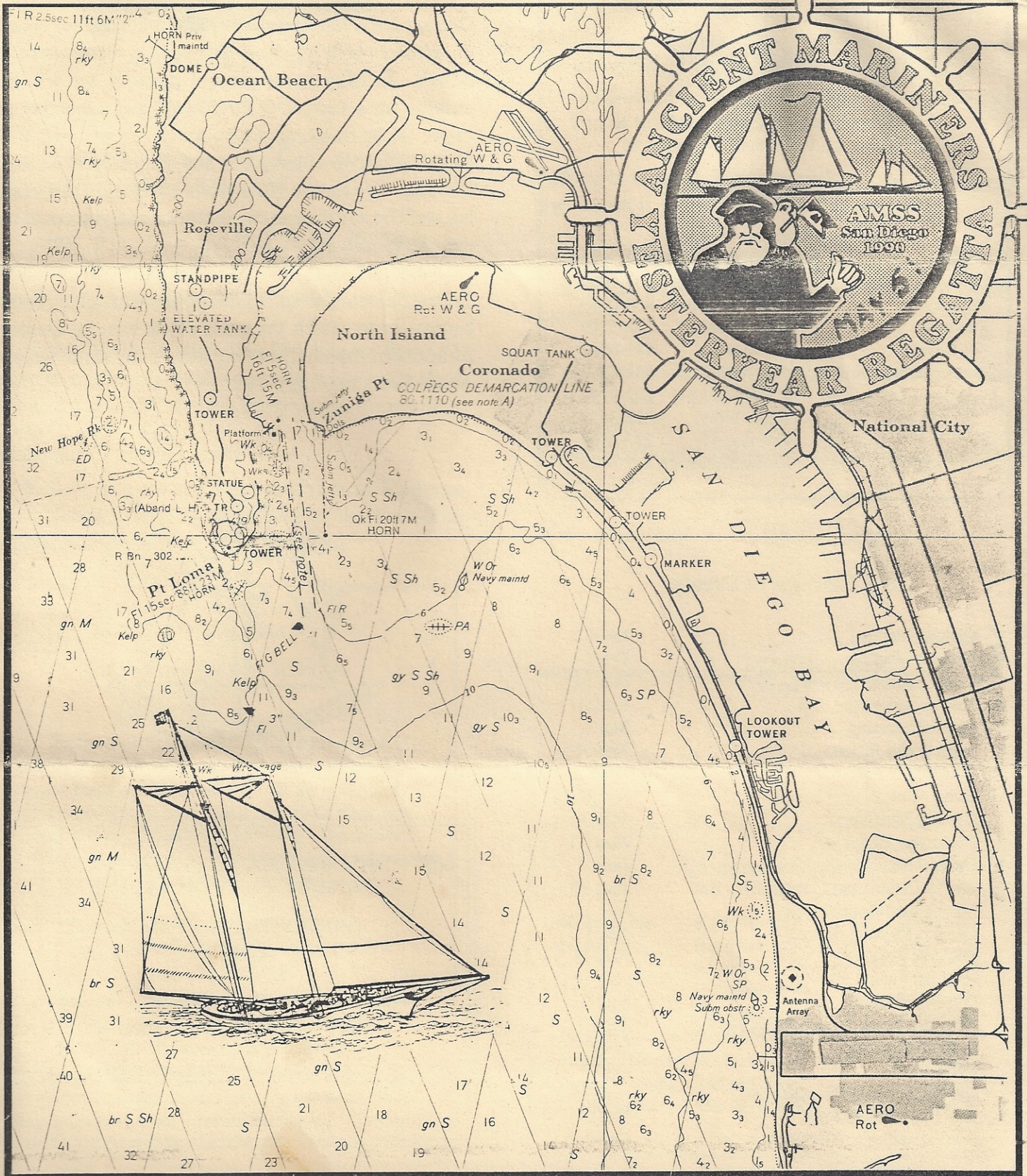


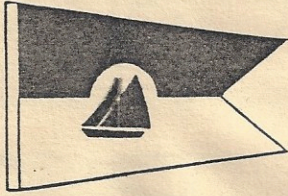
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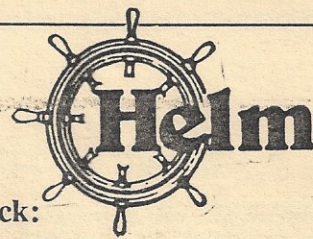
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**1990 Calendar of Events**

✓ General Meeting	Jan 4
✓ General Meeting	Feb 1
✓ Commodore's Cup Race	Feb 10
✓ Dinghy Massacre	Feb 11
✓ General Meeting	Mar 1
April Fool's Regatta	Mar 31
General Meeting	April 5
Swap Meet	Apr 14
General Meeting	May 3
Yesteryear Regatta	May 5
General Meeting	June 7
AMSS Exhibit and Commodore's Ball	June 30
"Homeward Bound" race	July 1
General Meeting (Picnic)	July 5
Petticoat Race	Aug 18
Ironman Race	Aug 19
General Meeting	Sept 6
Newport Beach Wooden Boat Show	TBA
General Meeting	Oct 4
Swap Meet	Oct 27
General Meeting (Nominations)	Nov 1
Half Pint O' Rum Race	Dec 1
Annual Meeting (Election Results)	Dec 6

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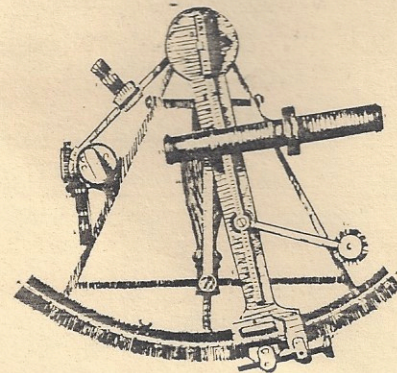


Attention on Deck:

Due to a baby boom and other major events, our board of directors will be losing three of its members next month. In May at the general meeting, we will be looking for a secretary, a treasurer, and a member at large. So be thinking of how much fun we have, and don't hesitate to volunteer at any time before the next meeting. We have a good productive board this year, but we'll be a little shorthanded soon and **you** could be the one to join us!

The raffle item for April meeting is the matching brass barometer to match the brass clock won by Dudley Elmore last month. (Let's see how many raffle tickets Annie Kolls buys this time!)

— Doug Graves, Commodore

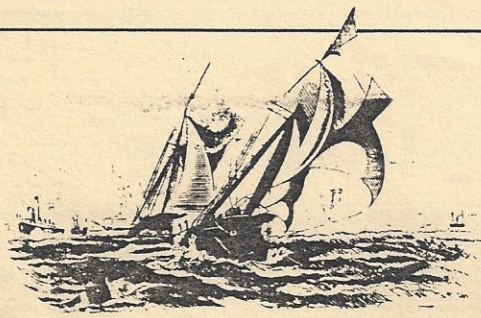


**NEW MEETING PLACE FOR 1990:  
SOUTHWESTERN YACHT CLUB**

OUR APRIL 5 MEETING  
WILL START PROMPTLY AT 7:30 PM.

Entertainment will be Deb Dominici showing slides from her recent Baja cruise on Chuck Bayuk's *Animal House*. ("Not a woodie, but a goodie".)





**ANCIENT MARINERS  
APRIL FOOLS RACE  
MARCH 31, 1990**

1. Start 12:00 hours between S.D. Channel Buoy #9 & Coast Guard Mooring Buoy #1
2. Mark #1: S.D. Channel Buoy #5 (leave to starboard) cruising fleet only; Racing fleet Mark #1: S.D. Sea Buoy #1 (leave to starboard)
3. Finish North Mission Bay Breakwater Buoy #1 (leave to starboard) Take your time when buoy lines up with tip of North Mission Breakwater. Report time to AMSS yacht "Sally".
4. Raft-up and awards following race in Mariners Cove. **Bring a trophy to present to the boat that finishes one place ahead of your boat.**

**SMALL BOAT MESSABOUT**

Sunday, April 29, 1990 10:00 a.m.  
Marina Del Rey, CA  
Sail - Paddle - Row - Motor

Special emphasis on owner-built boats. Other interesting types also most welcome, as are enthusiastic spectators. Picnic area, snack bar, public dock, and ramp close by. Beautiful site to enjoy a fun Sunday. Join these kindred spirits in a gathering of small boats for a joyful day on the water.

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Addendum to March Albatross: Due to sketchy notes by Commodore's Cup race results reporters, two boats who participated in the race were not listed in March issue. They are Santa Theresa d'... (oh, you know, the "Catholic Boat"), and No Ka Oi.

**PORT SIDE** by Jim Sutter

**"Participation"**

I was privileged once some years ago, to watch a Navy Seal class go through some of their training exercises. Twenty of these young men lined up alongside a 60-foot long telephone pole. No two of them could budge it. Ten of them could barely move it.

Lifting in unison, all twenty picked it up and walked away with it, singing a cadence as they went.

Our annual Swap Meet is coming up. After that, our Yesteryear Regatta. Plus all the other events on the calendar.

If you want to have the most fun at these events, then **PARTICIPATE !!!** When Doug asks for volunteers, sign up! From first-hand experience, I can tell you you'll have more fun, as well help make the event a success.

If we all participate, we can carry it off...



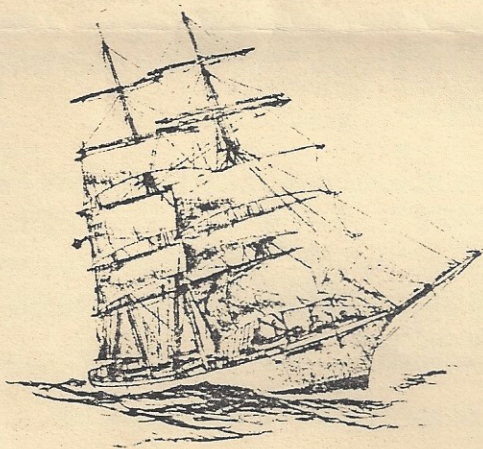
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**ENTERTAINMENT FOR MAY MEETING  
WILL BE MEMORABLE. DON'T MISS IT!**

Longtime competitive racer (and now cruiser) **Lowell North**, will narrate the videos of his recent trip to the South Pacific. Don't miss this opportunity to share his experience and adventures!



**BOSUN'S LOCKER**

**By Rod Latimer**

**RIGGING REEFING LINES**

There is a modern trend to rig a yacht's reefing lines so as to run internally through the boom. This practice is not normally a problem with wooden boats unless they have replacement tin-can masts. There is a real danger in such a rig, however, because reefing lines can chafe through on a boom. When this happens, the crew will have no end of difficulty reeving a substitute line through the boom, especially in heavy weather conditions, which is invariably the time chafing failures occur.

If your vessel has this arrangement, consider adding simple cheek blocks on the side of the boom, with a cleat positioned near the foot. It makes these lines much easier to monitor and replace before they become critical to the safety of the ship.

**PORTS O' CALL**

**By Rod Latimer**

**ENSENADA NOTES**

More moorings have been added recently along the waterfront, as well as new docks, expanded water taxi service, and yacht boatyard with 70 ton travelift. Locals who have tried the boatyard say it's "OK, providing you're there to oversee the work." Several folks have hauled there this year to put on the type of bottom paint you can't use in the States. "The Yacht Club" liquor store next to "the heads" is still the best place to get block ice, and it's open 24 hours. The block ice is hidden in the back in the right corner below and behind the beer cooler (not that we ever go into a place like that...)

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:**

(This one from Art Hoban, ex-San Diego boat builder, and now Washington state boat builder)

Dear Annie:

At present I am building a Tuckup Delaware River race boat: 15'2" LOA, gaff-headed cat rig. Boom is 17'6". (Quite a crew needed to keep this one in the water.)

I have enough space alongside my shop to build a 40 footer, and not disturb my pear trees!

Lyle Hess wants me to build a cold-molded 24' 7" Serrafyn Renegade (maybe). Am building a house right now here in town. Pays the mortgage. Building in a snowstorm makes drizzle pleasant, but the San Juan sunsets are spectacular, and make it very much bearable. Hello to all. My best to you.

Art Hoban

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