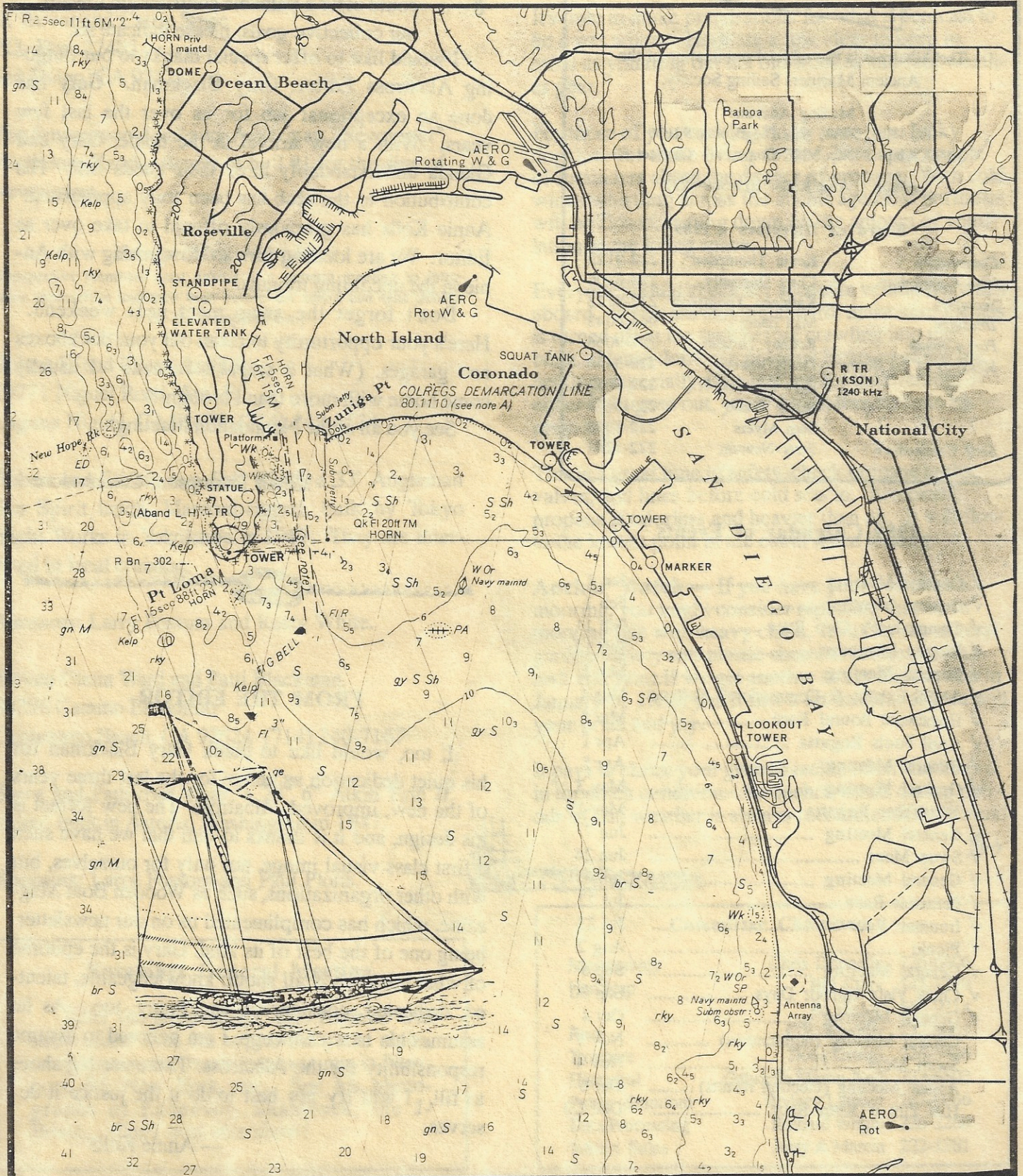
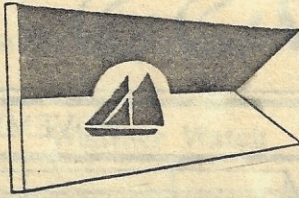


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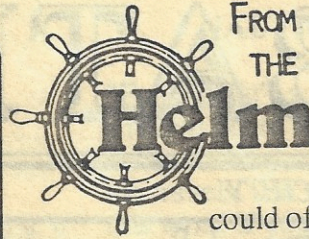
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FROM THE Helm The November meeting is an important one. Please don't miss it. We will be taking nominations for next year's officers. If you have anyone in mind that you think could offer a valuable contribution toward our collective goals, please indicate so.

I would like to offer special thanks to our outgoing Albatross Editor, Gary Blackman. Gary has done an exceptional job for us over the last few years. With a new arrival in the home, Gary and Glenda understandably have their hands full. His contribution to the club has been truly appreciated. Annie Kolls has graciously offered to take over as Editor. We are looking forward to working with Annie in the upcoming months.

Don't forget the swap meet next weekend. Here's your opportunity to clean out your dockboxes and garages. (What a stupid statement - I usually come home with more than I brought!)

See you all at the Nomination Meeting!

— Kevin Thompson, Commodore

1989 Calendar of Events

√ General Meeting	Jan 4
√ General Meeting	Feb 1
√ Commodore's Cup Race	Feb 11
√ Dinghy Massacre	Feb 12
√ General Meeting	Mar 1
√ AMSS Exhibit & Commodore's Ball.....	Mar 4
√ Homeward Bound Race	Mar 5
√ April Fools Regatta	Apr 1
√ General Meeting	Apr 5
√ General Meeting	May 3
√ YesterYear Regatta	May 13
√ General Meeting	Jun 7
√ Swap Meet	Jun 24
√ General Meeting	Jul 5
√ Petticoat Race	Jul 22
√ Ironman Race	Jul 23
√ Picnic	Aug 2
√ General Meeting	Sep 6
√ Chula Vista Harbor Days	Sep 30
√ General Meeting	Oct 4
General Meeting (nominatons)	Nov 1
Swap Meet	Nov 4
Annual Meeting (election results)	Dec 6
Half Pint o' Rum Race	Dec 2/3



FROM THE EDITOR

I, too, would like to thank Gary Blackman for his quiet dedication as editor for the last three years of the new, improved, Albatross. The new format is his design, and it is thanks to him that we have such a first class visual image, not only for ourselves, but with other organizations, such as Wooden Boat Magazine, which has complimented us on our newsletter being one of the best of its kind. Gary is the epitome of what this club is all about: knowledgeable, talented, dedicated, considerate, and funny, too. As he assumes his new challenge, I am honored to assume responsibility for the Albatross. These are big shoes to fill. I will try my best to do it the justice it deserves.

— Annie Kolls

Welcome Aboard

New Members

New Associate Member:

O. Trevor and Carrie Smee
P.O. Box 22485
San Diego, CA 92122

The Smees own *Aquila* an Ackerman "Newporter" Pilothouse Ketch. *Aquila* is hull #1 for this line of Newporters.

Prospective Members

(Prospective members must appear at a general meeting to introduce themselves and their boat before the board can take action on their application.)

Robert E. and Eileen Andjulis
29771 Niguel Road, Apt. E
Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 (714) 249-8534

Robert and Eileen own *Fair Wind*, a 33' Angleman Sea Spirit ketch, Marconi-rigged, built by Tokyo Yacht Works in Yokohama in 1967. They are interested in local cruising.

Sponsors: Larry Fossum and Rusty White.

Steven Glenn Ward and Patti Blackman
34396 Camino El Molino
Capistrano Beach, CA 92624 (714) 240-7167

Steve and Patti own *Altair*, a 28" 6" Atkin Eric Jr. cutter, built in Astoria, Washington in 1947.

Sponsors: Larry Fossum and Paul Plotts.

November General Meeting

After the nominations, C.F. Koehler will show slides from his trip to the yacht clubs, race courses, and maritime museums in Newport, RI, New York, etc. See his photographs of Endeavor, Shamrock, the J-Boats... Don't miss this show!

PORT SIDE by Rod Latimer

Winter Preparations — As you read this, daylight savings time is a thing of the past...and with its passing, my mental summer.

It's time to make preparations for what is forecast to be a wet winter. Here are a few ideas to keep in mind as you drag out the old woolies and foul weather gear.

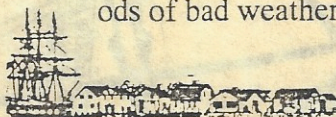
For those of you cruising this winter (you lucky dogs), or for those living aboard, here are a couple of reminders about the danger of propane. With cold winds whistling across the anchorage, most portholes will be closed, cutting down on the amount of ventilation in the living space.

Everyone should check for adequate ventilation when aboard. If you are staying aboard, make sure the gas is turned off at the tank before crawling into the bunk. Please don't use propane lights or stove for heating, especially after retiring for the evening. If either light goes out, you'll be another statistic by morning.

This is a great time to safety-check propane tanks, valves, and lines before cold sets in. Remember propane is odorless and heavier than air. It will flow to the lowest point in the cabin when leaking.

Anchor Watch — If you have your vessel on a mooring, you might consider replacing that worn mooring line with heavy chain. You can use several garden-variety soft plastic sheets to protect the varnish and paint. If we get another storm like the one in January of 1988, you'll rest a lot easier... and so will your pride and joy.

It pays to check your ground tackle often and keep it in topnotch condition. An anchor watch during periods of bad weather is always recommended. It could



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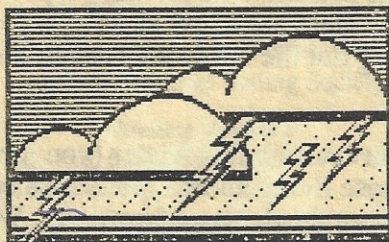
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NAUTICAL NOMENCLATURE

Portside (cont.)

save your vessel from being battered by another left unattended.

Weather Watch



Most of us know we can't rely on the broadcast weather reports in San Diego to accurately predict the weather, so for our relative newcomers, here's a couple of weather rules-of-thumb for this area:

Beware of all southerly or southeasterly winds blowing over 5 knots, especially if the wind stays up overnight or is blowing in the early morning. It often portends a deteriorating weather and rough seas. Locals count on southeast winds bringing rain and storm conditions within twenty-four hours.

"Funkadelic", a new word coined by C.F.Koehler at a recent board meeting, refers to the outward appearance of a boat or boats he has seen recently during his travels. He will give you the exact meaning of this word if you ask him.

"Rectacraniat inversion", a word coined by A. Kolls, to describe a common ailment suffered by certain persons who use questionable judgement in the operation of their vessels in crowded conditions, usually when her vessel is perceived to be in a hazardous position thereto, or on a collision course therewith.

HELP WANTED

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