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SAN DIEGO BAY CALIFORNIA

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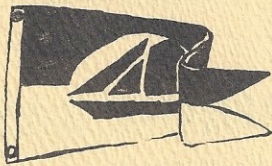
SAILING DIRECTIONS

Point Loma and the Coronado Islands form good landmarks for the entrance to the Bay. The Kelp along which extends from False Bay along the land to and three miles beyond Pt. Loma, will serve as a good guide in thick weather. Vessels in entering the port may pass through the Kelp off the point, from the eastern edge of which, steer S 1/2 N 7/8 E till up with Pt. Loma, the bar having been crossed when there is 22 feet at mean low water and having, six half of the village on the Plaza open just. Ballast Point, haul up and steer in that direction S 3/4 W N 1/2 W to the anchorage.

In leaving while standing to the Eastward, do not approach the Zunianga Shoal too closely as it is very abrupt, but to the Westward where the water shoals very gradually the bar will be a sufficient guide. Between Ballast Pt. and the Village there is a shoal with 12 feet of water on it at mean low tide, but being out of the channelway it is no obstruction except to vessels of heavy draft working to windward. Beyond the Plaza the Channel is clearly marked at low water and its limits are more or less defined at any stage of the tide. Should enter San Diego from the Westward, care must be taken not to mistake False Pt. for Pt. Loma, as they resemble each other, particularly when the weather is haze. There is nothing more than a boat channel at the entrance of False Bay, and that is impracticable except in very smooth weather.

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1981 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- IRON MAN SINGLE-HANDED RACE..... Sat May 9
- YESTERYEAR BAY REGATTA.....Sat June 20
- AMSS SAN DIEGO-MAUI RACE START..... Sun June 21
- JULY OPEN
- PETTYCOAT REGATTA Sat Aug 15
- 3rd ANNUAL AMSS ENSENADA RACE..... Sept. 5,6,7
- GLORIETTA BAY RAFT-UP..... Sat Oct. 17
- NOVEMBER OPEN
- HALF PINT-O-RUM RACE..... Sat. Dec. 5



MAY GENERAL MEETING

This month's meeting held Thurs. May 7 at Silvergate Yacht Club is to be a "special meeting". We will begin with a special election where there will be a vote on the proposed by-law changes. Be sure to show up for this as this is your chance to help decide the future of our organization.

Another reason to attend is the fact that we are having another raffle! Tickets will be only 25¢ to win a valuable prize!

And last but not least we will be showing a film that Lee Colby has arranged to borrow: "Dugl in the Wind". This is a fantastic film that covers the 1970 Americas Cup from the outfitting and trials through the series conclusion. Have the babysitter prepared to stay late for this is an hour long film.

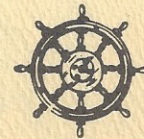
FROM THE HELM

The APRIL FOOLS REGATTA held on Saturday and Sunday, April 4&5 turned out to be a well organized event with more participation than ever before. Our thanks to Sandra and her assistants(Dale and Brenda), and of course to Paul Plotts and the hospitality of Billy Bones Restaurant.

Our next event, the IRON MAN RACE, shall be celebrated with the awarding(to participating skippers only) of the one of a kind IRON MAN T-SHIRT. Be the only one on your block(or dock) to own one! Shirts can be viewed but not purchased at: Westerly Sails, Pacific Marine Supply and Sail Services.

As a matter of explanation: The AMSS Board of Directors definitely does not want to charge an entree fee, however all of the funds we have on hand are committed to financing the Yesteryear Regatta, which in turn pays the bills until next year. So if we want to have skipper's meetings, trophies, etc., we must generate the funds. It is our intent and our commitment that the 1982 board shall not find itself in this position.

THANKS



Tom Belair

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

ANDALE owned by: Doug Smith 222-2560
3033 Alcott St.
S.D. CA 92106

ANDALE is a California 32 designed by Potter in 1937 and built by South Coast in Costa Mesa in 1952. She is a 7/8 rig sloop with marconi rig, a spruce mast and a carvel planked hull

DAZZLER owned by: Tim Cotes 433-1757
2321 Dunstan Rd.
Oceanside CA. 92054

DAZZLER is a 32'6" 3/4 rig marconi sloop designed by Arus Havorvensan and built in 1938 in Denmark by Helgolands. She has a carvel planked hull, round bilge, deep keel and a flush deck.

SEA BRIG owned by: Stephen Roy Johnson
2733 Shelter Island Dr. #213
S.D. CA. 92106
222-1186

SEA BRIG is a 29'5" Ketch designed in 1943 by L.F. Herreshoff and built in 1966 in Japan by Far East Yacht Builders. She is double planked in Phillipine mahogany. She was previously an Ancient Mariner boat when owned by Paul Brower.

VELERO owned by: Rick and Robin Reynolds
1371 Willow St.
S.D. CA. 92106
223-0179

VELERO is a 47' PCC, 7/8 rig marconi sloop designed in 1945 by George Kettenburg and built in 1947 at Kettenburgs S.D.. She is planked in white fir over oak frames.

FOOLS REGATTA

Due to the fact that there were so many fools that showed up for this surprisingly popular weekend event, the race committee was overwhelmed. Unfortunately we're going to wait another month before the results can be determined. As you know the awards given for this race are based on what foolishness went on instead of finishing times. Therefore, with twenty-three boats participating there was just too much foolishness going on for the race committee to keep track of. If you happened to take part in the FOOLS REGATTA please consider it your solemn duty to report to Sandra at Westerly Sails any foolish act that you may have committed or seen committed by anyone. We need your help to come up with a suitable award for every boat.

The boats that participated are:

MERRY LASS	IRENA	WHITE CLOUD
VELERO	WHISPER	STROKES
SCRIMSHAW	CALYPSO	VIA MARIAH
MIGAN	SEA WITCH	CUTTER
SALUD	ARTEMIS	COMBER
TOMAHAWK	PACIFICA	PRIVATEER
VIKING	LADY HOME	

The raft up after a long beat up the coast on Saturday was a welcome repast after the lumpy seas. On PACIFICA we were doubly relieved when we rafted up to Rick Reynold's boat and discovered that the K-38 we had been chasing all day turned out to be a PCC. The raft up turned out to be one of the biggest ever! The participants as well as a number of associate member boats tied up in one large raft where the usual tall stories and excuses reigned supreme. A bus was provided by Paul Plotts from ARTEMIS to take us all to Billy Bones Restaurant where we cleaned him out of ribs and chicken wings.

The race started the next day at one in a freshening breeze that soon stagnated and left us all bobbing around looking for wind. PRIVATEER found some wind outside and proceeded to start walking away from the rest of the fleet. Their giant skull and crossbones on their green genoa snickered at us all as they went by. That was too much for us on PACIFICA to endure so we attempted to cheat. Unfortunately the 115 hp mercury outboard that we then hung onto our stern pulpit wouldn't start, so we next went to our secret, secret weapon... We hoisted the mizzen spinnaker given to us by Del Cover, made of visquine it had the words "BANKOMEX TURF" spray-painted on it. It soon exploded in a shower of paint chips. But one of the most colorful displays that I saw was on WHISPER where after the spinnaker run they sailed upwind with a 1,500 square foot blue masthead pennant flying straight out from the top of the mast. We couldn't look at it for long because we were headed for the bull ring in Mexico with a rare but dreaded Genoa-wrap. We'll have more stories and results for you next month.

Chris

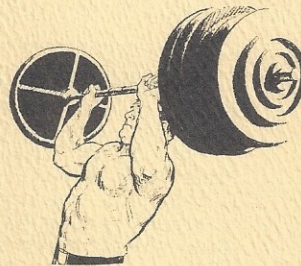
RUMORS DENIED

Del Cover claims there is absolutely no truth to the viscious rumors that STROKES "chickened out" of the FOOLS REGATTA whilst skirting the kelp beds. He says STROKES was forced to return to the launching ramp for emergency cooling when the bottom overheated due to excessive speed. "Besides", he whined, "the boat was getting wet and I had to get it back to my garage."

Del also apologised to those who were sprayed by the rooster tail as he passed. "I'm sorry" he said remorsefully, "Next time we'll pass to leeward".

IRON MAN RACE

On Saturday, May 9, 1981 there will be the second annual ANCIENT MARINERS SAILING SOCIETY IRON MAN RACE. This race is open only to club members and there will be an entry fee of \$10. Each skipper to enter will be awarded a beautiful IRON MAN T-SHIRT to be worn proudly (also suitable for "bronze broads"). For more info.: come to the general meeting at Silvergate, Thurs. May 7, 7:30 PM.



YESTERYEAR REGATTA

This years Bay Regatta promises to be one of the most exciting ever! entry forms will be sent out shortly for this June 20 race which will begin with festivities at South-western Yacht Club Saturday morning. The race will begin at noon that day with a raft up in La Playa Cove afterward. Everyone is invited to participate the next day, Sunday June 21 for the start of the San Diego-Maui Race. There should be about 80 boats participating in the Saturday Bay Regatta from all over the West Coast. There will be spectator boats as well as press boats to cover all the action. The now famous Yesteryear T-Shirts can now be purchased at: Marine Warehouse, Westerly Sails, Pacific Marine Supply and Sail Services. Men's shirts run \$6 while women's are \$6.50. Hope to see you all there with your new T-shirts! Shirts will also be available at the May meeting.



MAUI UPDATE

We now have thirteen paid entries in the race to Maui with two more anticipated in the next few days.

So far everything is going smoothly for both the start off Shelter Island and for the finish near Lahaina. We've been recently in contact with Lahaina Yacht Club and preparations are under way for a banquet dinner at the old prison in Lahaina and limited time inside the harbor for all participating boats.

I've been inundated with people who want to crew, many of whom have considerable experience. If anyone is looking for crew for any voyage in the Pacific let me know and I'll put you in contact with some of them.

If you have any equipment for sale that may be useful to Maui racers we'll put it in the Albatross. PACIFICA is looking for a 75 or 100 lb. Herreshoff three piece anchor. We are interested in borrowing, renting or buying. Anyone else need anything? Don't forget to get your San Diego- Maui T-Shirts in full living color, available at the general meeting at Silvergate or at: Sail Services, Pacific Marine Supply, Westerly Sails, Marine Warehouse or Clark Custom Boats. Any inquiries about the Maui Race call: Bill Clark (714) 297-2795 John Frost (714) 223-3209

There is really no point in discussing it too much. I am a princess. I picture myself on a hilltop, flowers in my hair, a soft breeze blowing my gown, my prince by my side. That's the way my life should be - "and they lived happily ever after." What am I doing sitting in the cockpit at 3:00 am. The wind is blowing a conservative 35 kts. The seas are really lumpy. It's absolutely freezing. Robert is fighting some kind of flu-crude. I'm trying to stand all the night watches - is this the stuff princesses are made of?

Uphill from La Paz to San Diego. What an incredible drag! 6 kts if the wind is mellow or a Southerly. 2-3 kts if it picks up over 10 kts. We had planned to spend a day or two in Cabo re-provisioning and re-fueling. We anchored and a light Southerly started blowing. This was too good to pass up. We raised anchor and away we went. Of course we ran out of fuel out in front of Asuncion. Fortunately, we were able to buy five barrels of diesel and have it rowed out to us and pumped aboard. We payed 54¢ a gallon delivered. We had never been ashore at Asuncion before. What a treat. A great little village. Had an excellent meal at a little restaurant on the outskirts of town. We were able to re-provision here and buy fresh meat (excellent) as they had just butchered.

I wanted to be at Turtles Bay. Then I know it is only halfway to home. Ran into quite a few of the Cabo race boats holed up there also. They all flocked to us - thought we were the "mother ship." Robert tried his best to fix all the fuel clogged diesels but to no avail.

Turtles Bay to home *very* nearly proved our undoing. It got rough and then it got rougher. We had to turn around off Isla San Martin and run with it for awhile. I nearly broke down and cried. One of my rarer bad moments at sea. The weather eventually got better and we trudged on.

We had planned on making the April Fool's Regatta as a surprise but the weather got the best of us. We did sail into Mission Bay at 10:30 am Sunday. Happy but very tired and out of beer.

The race back was a highlight of our trip. We were second across the finish line! What an incredible way to end our trip. We are at our slip at David Frasers on Shelter Island. Our little home is up for sale. We hope to purchase a 26 ft. boat and make the trip again next fall. We invite all our friends to come and see us and lovely "Privateer" while we are here.

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1981

IRON MAN RACE

SKIPPER:

You are invited to participate in the A.M.S.S. Second Annual "IRON MAN RACE" to be held on Saturday, May 9, 1981.

As in last years event, there shall be two (2) courses.

COURSE "A" - The Long Course - Starting Time: 11:00 A.M.
and:

COURSE "B" - The Short Course - Starting Time: 10:45 A.M.

COURSE "A" - Begins at Buoy #17 and proceeds to Pillar #19 of the Coronado Bay Bridge,
Leave Pillar #19 to Starboard,
Return to Buoy #17 .

COURSE "B" - Begins at Buoy #17 and proceeds to Buoy #1 ,
Leave Buoy to Port,
Return to Buoy #17 .

There will be a raft-up at La Playa after the race and special "IRON MAN" T-Shirts will be awarded to each participating skipper.

If you wish to race, please complete the entry form below, include your entry fee and mail to:

TOM BELAIR
P.O. BOX 80445
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92138

THANKS,
Tom

RAFT - UP

BUOY # 1

COURSE "B"

COURSE "A"

START / FINNISH LINE

BUOY # 17

PIER # 19

