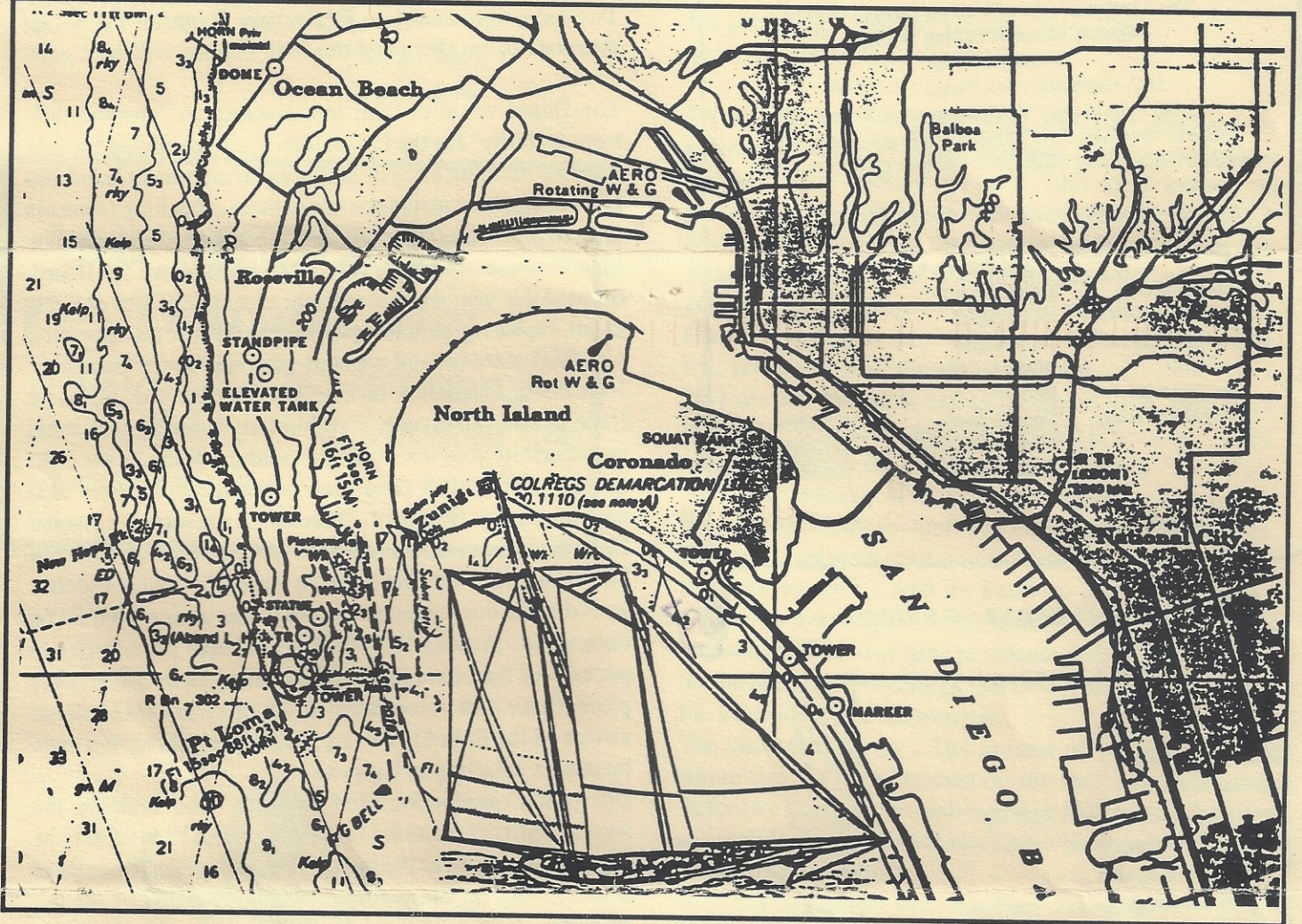


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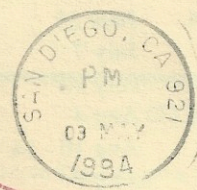
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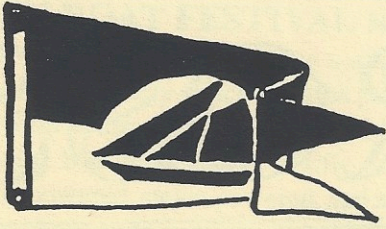
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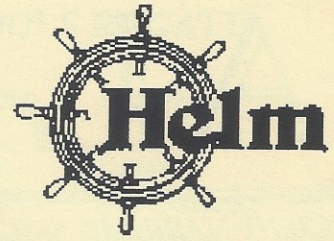
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**1994 AMSS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

General Meeting	Jan 6
Commodores Cup & raft up	Jan 15
General Meeting	Feb 3
Jack and Jill Regatta	Feb 12
General Meeting	Mar 3
General Meeting	Apr 7
April Fools Regatta and Raft Up	Apr 2,3
<b>General Meeting</b>	<b>May 4</b>
<b>Yesteryear Regatta</b>	<b>May 14</b>
General Meeting	June 2
Roller Coaster Cruise - Mission Bay	June ?
PCC Championship/Kettenburg Regatta	June 25
General Meeting	July 7
Commodore's Ball	July 16
General Meeting (Picnic)	Aug 4
Giant Small Boat Messabout '94	Aug 10 - 14
Gorilla Rock Cruise - Los Coronados	Aug ?
General Meeting	Sept 1
Labor Day Cruise	Sept 3?
Petticoat Race	Sept 17
Iron Man Race	Sept 18
General Meeting (2nd Thurs)	Oct 13
Boat Show - CCYC	Oct 15
Homeward Bound Race	Oct 16
General Meeting (Nominations)	Nov 3
General Meeting (Elections)	Dec 1
Half Pint O'Rum Race	Dec 3
New Years' Eve Raftup - La Playa	Dec 31

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Two more weeks until the **Yesteryear Regatta!** I hope that everyone is out there and the 20th Annual will be a great event.

The Board voted at their last meeting to "absolve their responsibility" for the Guadalupe Race scheduled for July 2, 1994. In these days of heightened awareness of liabilities and vintage boat insurance regulations (checking fasteners prior to blue water voyages) and due to the lack of adequate time to prudently plan a July offshore race, we the Board, decided this year was not the year to make the race our gala event. However, I am recommending that the race goes into our 1995 calendar and we start planning the event now.

If we do the Guadalupe race in 1995 we cannot do the Maui Race in that same year. I would like to take an informal membership vote about the Guadalupe Race at the next meeting. If AMSS does blue water races, I would also encourage the Board of Directors to research personal liability insurance, which runs approximately an extra \$2,500 a year. At this point in time, that extra expense would mean our cushion of funds in the treasury would be eliminated. Personally, I think it is a small price to pay to put each of the board member's minds at ease. Remember please that we all volunteer to do AMSS work but I believe no one on the Board is willing to lose everything they own because a catastrophe happens.

Our past Commodore, Rod Latimer, who took on the responsibility of planning the Woodenboat Festival is to be applauded, as well as the many Ancient Mariners members who, serving on the planning committee, helped set up, moved boats in, judged, took tickets (in the rain), ran the T-Shirt booth, brought their boats, and then moved the boats out.

Many do not realize that the event is not an AMSS function, meaning no money comes from Ancient Mariners or goes to Ancient Mariners. The Woodenboat Festival has not been on the Board's agenda. This year however, the Ancient Mariners sponsored (paid for copying) a survey taken at the gate to the festival. George Sula, one of almost 700 individuals who filled out the survey, was the winner of the Fifty Dollar West Marine gift certificate. This certificate was given in AMSS's behalf and was my personal donation. I will have a tally of the responses by the next Albatross.

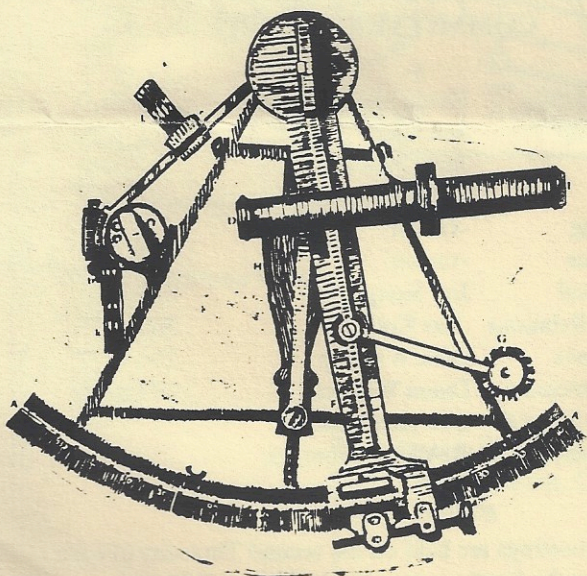
The Newport to Ensenada Race had approximately 10 entrants in the Ancient Mariner Class, and about half were  
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were AMSS members. *Comanche* had a great sail down and nothing broke in the 32 knots of northwesterlies and eight plus foot swells on the Sunday delivery home, thanks to the help of Charlie Gray and Doug Jones. I think everyone did better than I and I congratulate them all! Next year will be *Comanche's* year! (I have said that before).

*Deb Dominici*  
Commodore

**MAY MEETING:**  
👉 **Thursday, May 5**  
*SANDEFJORD: Her voyage around the world. An hour and a half movie.*



## PORT SIDE

### "Don't Let the Years Thunder by..."

**In passing** - Sterling Hayden 1916-1986  
MARINERS LOG, July 1986

To be truly challenging, a voyage, like a life, must rest on a firm foundation of financial unrest. Otherwise you are doomed to a routine traverse, the kind known to yachtsmen, who play with their boats at sea - "cruising," it is called. Voyaging belongs to seamen, and to the wanderers of the world who cannot, or will not, fit in. If you are contemplating a voyage and you have the means, abandon the venture until your fortunes change. Only then will you know what the sea is all about.

"I've always wanted to sail to the South Seas, but I can't afford it." What these men can't afford is *not* to go. They are enmeshed in the cancerous discipline of "security". And in the worship of security we fling our lives beneath the wheels of routine - and some form of working activity that will yield a sense of accomplishment. That's all - in the material sense. And we know it. But we are brain-washed by our economic system until we end up in a tomb beneath a pyramid of time payments, mortgages, preposterous gadgetry, playthings that divert our attention from the sheer idiocy of the charade.

The years thunder by. The dreams of youth grow dim where they lie caked in dust on the shelves of patience. Before we know it, the tomb is sealed. Where then, lies the answer? In choice. Which shall it be: bankruptcy of purse or bankruptcy of life?

From Sterling Hayden's book, *Wanderer*, copyrighted 1978, W.W. Norton Publishers, New York, NY

*Edward S. Barr, Port Captain*

### OTHER 1994 EVENTS

One More Time Regatta (WHYC)	Mar 5
Schooner Cup (KKYC)	Mar 26,27
San Pedro to Newport Wild Goose Chase	Apr 2
Wooden Boat Center Festival (WBC)	Apr 9,10
Big Ensenada Race (NPYC)	April 22,23,24
Erickson Oil Island Race (WHYC)	May 21
Heritage Regatta (NHYC)	June 10, 11
Catalina Cruise (WHYC)	July 9
Pacific Corinthian Classic (PCYC, Oxnard)	Aug 06
Ancient Mariners Regatta , Long Beach (WHYC)	Aug 28
Little Ensenada Race (SWYC)	Oct 7,8,9
Newport to Dana Point Race (WHYC)	Oct 1
Dana Cup - WHYC versus AMSS (WHYC)	Oct 2
Swap Meet - Sun Harbor Marina	Nov ?

## WOODEN BOAT FESTIVAL RESULTS

The 1994 Wooden Boat Festival was a success, despite rainy weather on Saturday which kept the public away for a time. As soon as the rain stopped, the public came. The response by the boat owners was terrific. 63 boats, sail powered, fuel powered, steam powered, and man powered, made it to the show, and everyone reported they had a great time.

Any successful event of this size is dependent on an army of willing volunteers who must put so much energy into getting the many details done. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! to all!

### 1994 FESTIVAL FINANCIAL SUMMARY\*

#### INCOME:

Boat Entries	617.50
Vendor Entries	60.00
Gate Tickets	3563.00
Misc.	15.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,255.50</b>

#### EXPENSES:

Insurance	250.00
Awards	215.00
PR/Advertising	500.00
Band	1200.00
Porta potties	384.50
Table/chair rental	492.00
Banner	124.00
Miscellaneous	490.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,655.50</b>

SCHOLARSHIP FUND: 500.00

Circumstances forced the board to operate without a budget this year, so the finances for the event was underwritten by Loan Management Services, Inc. \*Preliminary results subject to change in final audit.

### YESTERYEAR REGATTA and RAFT UP IN LA PLAYA COVE:

- MAY 14, 1994
- SKIPPER'S MEETING 9:00 AM AT SWYC
- AUSTRALIAN START
- LOTS OF TROPHIES
- APPLICATIONS STILL BEING ACCEPTED

**DON'T FORGET TO BRING MONEY  
FOR T-SHIRTS!!**

## APRIL FOOLS REGATTA

Place	Boat Name	Skipper
1	Freedom	Latimer
2	Comanche	Deb Dominici
3	Sundance	Thompson
4	Sea Witch	Cabeen
5	Bluewater II	Benton
6	Wren	Jones
7	Saga	
8	Malabar Star	Koepsel

The April Fools Regatta brought out eight boats for some nice weather and smooth seas. The wind started briskly and we had a good beat out to #1. But soon thereafter the wind dropped to almost nothing and we chased puffs up the coast. Some boats broke out their "iron spinnaker" ensuring a reasonable arrival time at the raft up i.e. before the lead boats became "too" merry. The award ceremony brought out the usual array of creative and unusual trophies and every one was required to reward the better sailor (or whatever) with a trophy.

The evening included a trip to the Giant Dipper and a song fest. And since we were all good boys and girls, next morning Commodore Bunny rewarded us with several easter eggs hidden in nautical places.

### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

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Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Southwestern Yacht Club at 7:00 PM. Members are welcome to attend.