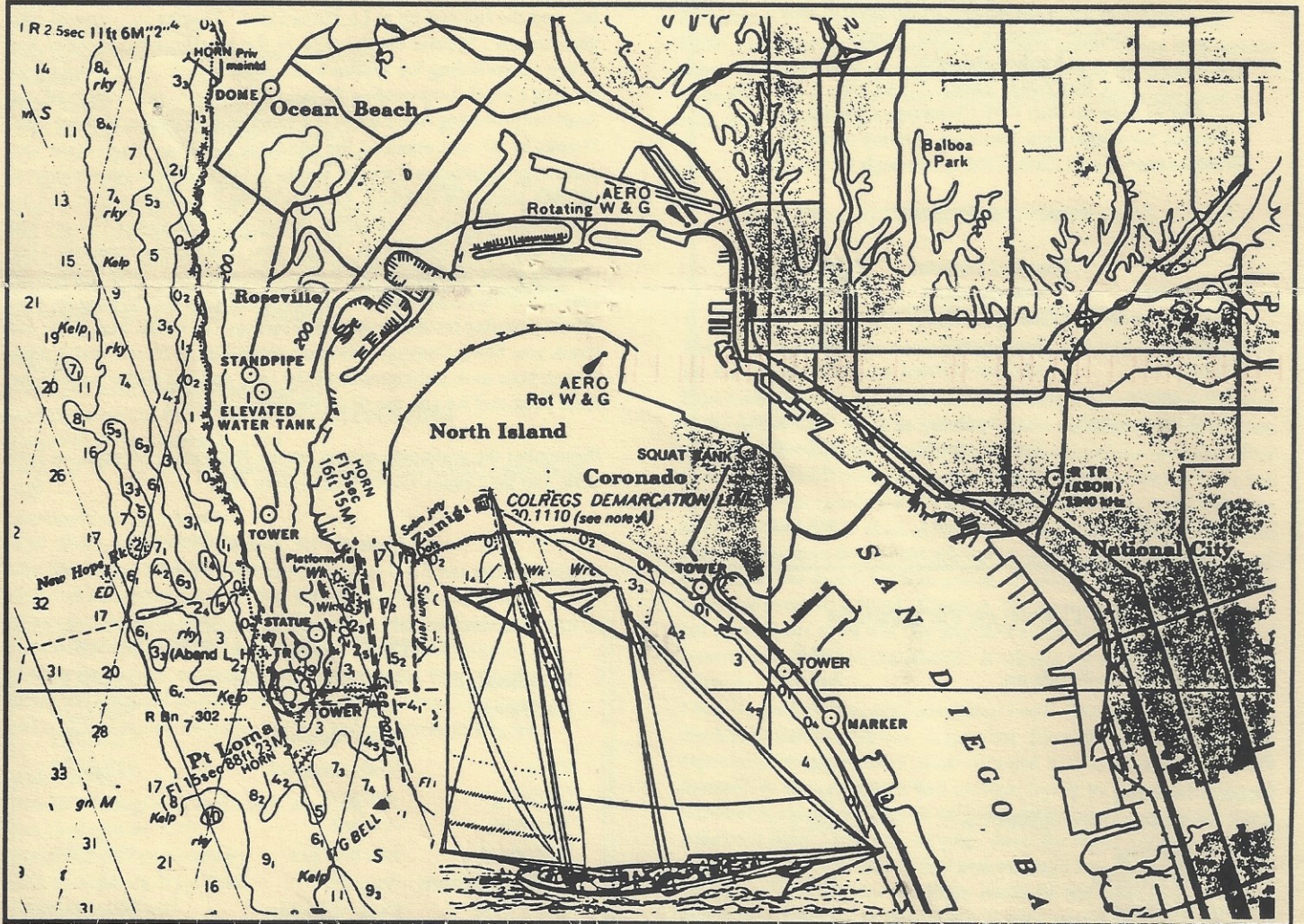


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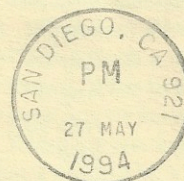
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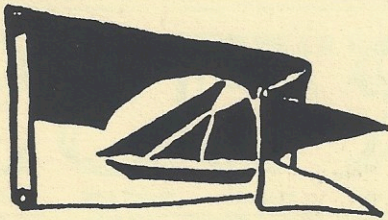
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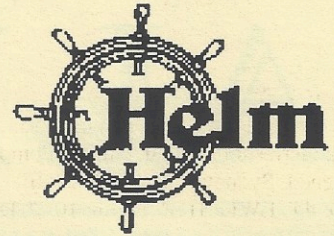
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The 20th Annual Yesteryear Regatta was a great day of sailing on the bay and the fun raft-up at La Playa Cove. Thanks to everyone who participated. Special thanks goes to the Maritime Museum of San Diego for providing the *Medea* at our starting line. Also, thanks goes to Geoff Clough for providing *Tavana* for our race committee boat, and Brett for providing *Sea Fox* as our mark setting boat and chase boat. Thanks to all who attended the handicap meeting, the stuffing race packets get together and special thanks to Jerry Newton who calculated the race starts and finishes. Gracias to the Race Committee and the Yesteryear Regatta Committee, Doug and Maryanne Graves and Kathy and Kevin Thompson. Thank you, Bob Hendrickson and Allen Niebrugge for packaging the T-shirts for everyone. Port Captain Ed Barr and Race Chairperson Vern Koepsel are also recognized for their efforts planning for the Regatta and raft-up. Trophies were great and thank you Doug Graves! Photographers David Shuler and Kristin Jensen both took photographs of the race and hopefully we will see them soon and we can use them for future articles.

Remember the upcoming events are the Kettenburg Regatta on June 25th, and the Commodore's Ball on July 16th.

Deb Dominici
Commodore

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
General Meeting	May 5
Yesteryear Regatta	May 14
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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OTHER 1994 EVENTS

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 ?

MEMBERSHIP PETITIONS

Bagatelle

Owner(s): Wayne Ettel
Boat Description: Fisher's Island Sound Class Sloop
Built: Herreshoff Manufacturing Company, 1930
Designed: Sydney Herreshoff, 1926
LOD: 44', LWL: 31'8", Beam: 10'8", Draft: 6'

Skylark

Owner: James Thomas
Boat Description: Alden Coastwise Cruiser
Designed: John G. Alden, 1938
Built: James Graves, Boston Mass. 1939
Construction: Carvel planked mahogany
LOA: 36', LWL: 26', Beam: 9'9", Draft: 6'
Skylark is a 36' Alden, built in 1939 in Boston, Mass. The design is called a Coastwise Cruiser and she is number 7 of 14 built. The boat was in one family for 40 years until bought by James four years ago. The previous owner sailed her here from the East Coast in 1984. He had previously taken her to England for 10 years and had cruised with her in the Carribean.

Feather

Owner(s): Julia Morris/Ward Jenson
Boat Description: Fisher's Island Sound Class Sloop
Designed: A. E. Luders Jr, 1934
Built: Luder Marine Construction Company, Stamford Connecticut, 1947.
Construction: Cold Molded
LOA: 26'4", LWL: 16'4", Beam: 5'9", Draft: 4'
Julie has owned *Feather* for only 6 months, but it has proven to be a fun and delightful sailboat. She has elegant lines and is well balanced to make sailing easy. This Luders 16 is an Easterner who was trucked out a few years ago. She was then left neglected in Mission Bay where anchors wore into her decks. Steve Nothering rescued the boat and restored her for his father. Now Julie has the boat and is enjoying detailing her out and of course sailing her.

Linda Marie

Owner(s): Douglas B. and Linda M. Long
Boat Description: K38
Designed: George Ketteburg
Built: Kettenburg Boat Yard
Construction: Wood
LOA: 39'11", LWL: 27'4", Beam: 10'4", Draft: 5'4"
The Longs bought *Linda Marie* in August 1993. They know very little about her history except that she raced, at least once, in the Yesteryear Regatta taking a second place!

Prima Donna

Owner(s): Lynette and Darrell Richardson
Boat Description: Mast Head Sloop
Designed: Lapworth
Built: Chapman and Kelatian, Costa Mesa, CA, 1961
Construction: Mahogany/Oak
LOA: 40', LWL: 34'8", Beam: 10'6", Draft: 5'9"
Prima Donna was built in 1961 as an off shore racer. She is hull number 9 of 12 built. She was refitted in 1984 for cruising and has sailed the Panama Canal and the Carribean. San Diego has been her home port since 1986. The Richardsons bought *Prima Donna* this year and are enjoying the restoration project, hoping one day to sail her to the South Pacific..

MEMBERSHIP PETITIONS(CONT.)

Coquette

Owner(s): John Holz
Boat Description: K-38
Designed: George Kettenburg
Built: Kettenburg Boat Yard, 1952
Construction: Mahogany/Oak
LOA: 38', LWL: 26', Beam: 8', Draft: 5'9"
Kettenburg 38s were the family racer/cruisers of the 1950s and 1960s. Built lightly and equipped sparingly below decks, they remain competitive and short distance cruising classics to the present day. *Coquette*, Hull # 15, has been owned, skippered and maintained by John and friends since 1977.

LETTER TO AMSS

The following letter was written on April 4, 1994, but not received by the Editors until May 7th.

I am writing in response to Ed Barr's Port Side column in the April issue of the Albatross in which he admonished the membership to have more involvement and pride in their club. As a past board member and editor of the Albatross, I certainly understand where he is coming from, but there is another side to the story. One need only gaze at the Calendar of Events for a major clue! Allow me to summarize the 1994 calendar. Four months have two events scheduled; five months have three events scheduled; one month has four events scheduled; and only two months have one event scheduled. Granted, I've counted monthly meetings, but they require work too. By anyone's standards, this is a boatload of events for a club like the AMSS. It takes a lot of work to backup a calendar like this.

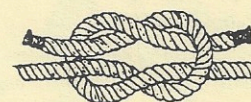
I believe the club has over scheduled itself. The downside to such a condition - and it's a big one - is burn out. It's really sad when members, especially new members, step forward to contribute, then work themselves straight into a bad attitude trying to keep pace with an impossible calendar. There's an excellent example right in the April Albatross itself. In a box on page three the April Fool's Regatta is promoted for April 2nd & 3rd and on page four there is a call for volunteers to help paint Koehler's docks on the same two days! So, which is it? Sailing or painting and why would anyone schedule a sailing event and a work party on Easter Sunday anyway?

I submit that, for a healthy, long term existence, the club must cut its schedule. It just can't afford to continue burning out good people. "Wise old" Doug Smith is right when he challenges the membership to put up or shut up. When he and others formed the club twenty years ago, only one event was on the calendar for the whole year, the Yesteryear Regatta. With a full year to plan the event, it was really done right. Ask Doug what it was like back then; you'll be shocked. Cut the schedule back to what, you might ask? Well, if it were up to me, I'd concentrate on two high profile annual events, say the Yesteryear Regatta and the Wooden Boat Festival, and convert all the other items on the calendar to very informal events. How do you put on an informal event? Just publish it. Those who are interested will show up. No trophies, no race committee, just simple fun.

Have courage, cut the calendar! Thanks for listening.
Very truly yours,
Gary Blackman

YESTERYEAR REGATTA 1993

#	Boat Name	Type	Skipper	Rating	Start Time	Finish Time	Corrected Time
Gaffers							
						Distance =	12.25
1	Sea Witch	Sea Witch	Cabeen	360	12:30:00	17:52:40	5:51:15
2	Wood Rose	Sea Spirit	Houser	520	12:00:00	18:05:22	6:01:17
3	Emily L	Catboat	Newell	500	12:00:00	18:04:37	6:04:37
4	Sea Drift	Sea Witch	Patty	380	12:30:00	18:17:44	6:12:14
5	Aikane			450	12:15:00	19:00:00	6:55:13
-	Revelee	Sea Spirit	Fossum	520	12:00:00	DNF	-
-	Macushlah II	Angleman	Koepsel	520	12:00:00	DNS	-
Schooners							
1	Elan	Goelette 55	Graves	380	12:30:00	17:44:16	5:38:46
2	Maid of Kent	Atkins - Gaff	Newton	425	12:15:00	17:46:36	5:46:55
-	Puff	Bolger - Gaff	Groves	415	12:15:00	DNF	-
-	Red Witch			500	12:00:00	DNF	-
Ketches and Yawls							
1	Shalimar	Mariner 40	Harris	195	13:00:00	16:57:22	4:59:38
2	Toco	Clark 21	Clark	240	12:45:00	17:11:57	5:20:02
3	Alouette	Yaw!	O'Brien	250	12:45:00	17:19:48	5:25:56
4	At Ease	Rhodes 40	Haupt	300	12:15:00	18:51:43	7:17:33
-	Mahogany Manor			420	12:15:00	DNF	-
Classic Racing A							
1	Ace	R-boat	Squires	120	13:20:00	16:30:52	4:28:27
2	Comanche	PCC	Dominici	120	13:20:00	16:50:25	4:48:00
3	Kiahala	PCC	Keitges	120	13:20:00	16:50:51	4:48:26
4	Freedom	Alden 48	Latimer	145	13:10:00	16:52:52	4:55:21
5	Valentine	K-43	Davidson	140	13:10:00	17:05:20	5:08:50
Classic Racing B							
1	Coquette	K38	Holz	160	13:10:00	16:21:40	4:21:05
2	Skylark	Alden 35		185	13:05:00	16:34:34	4:33:53
3	Emma Rose			175	13:05:00	16:52:29	4:53:50
4	Duchess	Rhodes 34	Hovland	180	13:05:00	16:54:02	4:54:22
5	Sundance	S&S 40	Thompson	175	13:05:00	16:54:14	4:55:35
6	Saga			165	13:10:00	17:08:06	5:06:30
-	Dyad II			160	13:10:00	DNF	-
Sloops and Cutters							
1	Wren	Luters 16	Jones	220	13:00:00	16:44:56	4:42:06
2	Feather	Luters 16	Morris	220	13:00:00	16:49:56	4:47:06
3	Bout	Spitzgatter	Barr	280	12:45:00	16:54:39	4:54:34
4	Malabar Star	Alden 34	Koepsel	220	13:00:00	17:14:05	5:11:15
5	Herta	Herta	Spaulding	195	13:00:00	18:18:52	6:21:08
6	Patronilla	Rhodes 50	Silva	225	13:00:00	18:28:30	6:24:39
-	Santa Theresa		Benton	500	12:00:00	DNF	-
-	Adelphi	Schock	Campion	350	12:30:00	DNF	-
-	Ranger	Humes 22	Sutter	400	12:15:00	DNF	-
Short Course						Distance =	7.1
1	Wooden Nickel Lightning			260	13:00:00	16:26:19	3:42:53
2	Loafer	H12 1/2	Render	400	12:45:00	16:56:17	4:11:17
-	Precious	Picaroon	Kolls	520	12:30:00	DNS	-



EQUAL TIME RESPONSE

In response to Gary's letter on Page 2, we do not believe that AMSS would become a better club by limiting its activities and eliminating some events.

We joined this club for two primary reasons. First, we strongly believe in the purpose of the society to preserve and promote interest in vessels of ancient vintage and classic design. In order to promote that interest we must bring the boats out. A single classic boat is interesting. A group of classic boats is spectacular! We don't believe that preserving and promoting interest in wooden boats should only occur one or two times a year.

Second, in the years since we joined, we have made some close and dear friends among the members of this club, and we believe we will meet many more as long as we make the opportunity to meet them. It is as much for the socializing as the sailing that we continue our membership.

During our tenure on the board, it was always our goal to try to offer to the membership, new and old, the opportunity to participate in one on-the-water event each month, even if that event was sitting at the dock and talking to visitors with interests in classic boats and boat design. Combined with one general meeting, where we could come together and socialize, it seemed to be a balanced schedule of activities for the average member. All members are not expected to attend all activities. There should be enough activities accessible to members in spite of busy and varied schedules. That way, if an activity is missed, there is one next month, not several months away. It is our conviction that AMSS can not interest prospective members in joining (and paying \$50 each year) if there are only two events a year.

Also we don't believe that AMSS should limit their on-the-water activities to only racing. For those cruisers, who make up a good proportion of our flag vessels, who don't want to race, there should be some on-the-water events. We agree with Gary that some of the activities should be very informal and many are. There is nothing wrong with the members getting together informally for either a "beer can" race or an over-nighter to Mission Bay. To us, that's the very essence of this club. The sharing of interests, talking about recent problems and repairs, giving/receiving advice, etc. that occurs at such events is, after all, fulfilling the objective of this Club.

The Editors



June Meeting:

Thursday, 2nd at 7:30pm

**Presentation by Daniel Heagney, from the
Nautical Heritage Society**