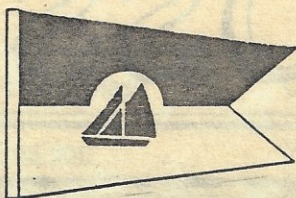


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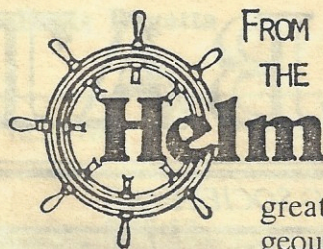
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1989 Calendar of Events

✓ 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
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✓ General Meeting	Apr 5
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YesterYear Regatta	May 13
General Meeting	Jun 7
Swap Meet	Jun 10
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Ironman Race	Jul 23
Picnic	Aug 2
General Meeting	Sep 6
Start Fall Cruise	Sep
Oceanside Harbor Days	Oct 7/8
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
Helm

I would like to thank all of you who participated in the April Fools Regatta. The turnout was better than we anticipated. The sailing was great and the trophies were outrageous. Would you believe that we

even had wind? The only problem was that is was more northerly than usual. *Salud's* bottom is still clean from the thorough wipedown she received as we cut through the kelp for most of the length of Point Loma. I should have tacked, but the thought of *Toko* and *Queequeg* beating us to the jetty overrode my better judgement. Maybe it will still be clean enough to run the YesterYear Regatta without my having to get wet!

Speaking of the YesterYear Regatta, it's almost here. We need volunteers. We could use help with both the party and the race committee. If your vessel is not going to be participating, please give some thought to helping on the committee boat. Our race committee boat this year will be *Black Tie*, so I'm sure everyone on board will have a good time. Great News! C.F. Koehler, Jr. has graciously offered to host the raft-up at his marina this year. I'm certain that the proximity to the party will add a new dimension to the event. I hope to see you all there.

Please turn in your race applications as soon as possible. This will help us plan for ordering supplies. Also, make note of the date for the event. The race will be held on Saturday, May 13th, not Sunday, as originally planned. Thanks.

— Kevin Thompson, Commodore

1989 YesterYear Regatta

Regatta registration drop dead date is Friday, May 12th. Breakfast prior to the race will be served at Silver Gate Yacht Club. Since there was a shortage of food last year, double the quantity will be served this year. YesterYear T-shirts will be sold at Downwind Marine and Koehler Craft for \$10; \$8 for AMSS members. Shirts will also be available at the next meeting. Raffle tickets for prizes at the YesterYear party will be sold at the next meeting, too.

Other Events

- Master Mariners Regatta, San Francisco May 27
- Classic Mariners Regatta, Port Townsend June 3-4
- Victoria Classic Boat Festival Sept 1-4
- Port Townsend Wooden Boat Show Sept 9
- Newport Wooden Boat Show Sept 23

Welcome Aboard

New Members

Robert & Sherry Groening
655 4th Avenue
San Diego, CA 92101 619-224-7654

Robert & Sherry own *Black Tie*, a 60' motor yacht.

Anthony Monteiro
c/o 3024 3rd Ave. 619-692-9536
San Diego, CA 92103

Anthony owns *Garbo*, a 29' sloop designed by Halbergard built by Larsen in Sweden in 1960.

Chis & Krista Campion
1040 Isabella Ave.
Coronado, CA 92118 619-435-3643

Chris and Krista own *Adelphi*, a 55' marconi cutter.

Dag & Margita Munck
3104 Dumas St.
San Diego, CA 92106 619-224-1278

Dag & Margita own *Apache II*, a 30' gaff cutter.

Peter James Benton
1170 Locust Street
San Diego, CA 92106 619-223-5702

Peter owns *Santa Teresa of Avila*, a 22'3" marconi sloop designed by W. Rayner and built in England in 1964.

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.)

David H. Dickinson, D.M.D.
2726 Shelter Island Dr., Suite 408
San Diego, CA 92106 619/232/2055

Sponsors: Bill Clark & Doug Smith

David owns *Jaga*, a 38' ketch built in British Columbia by John Thomas Taylow. She is an Ingred 38 design modified by Laurent Giles. (See story on back page.)

Donna M. Giglio
2302 Shelter Island Dr.
San Diego, CA 92106

Sponsors: C.F. Koehler & Tom Myers

Donna owns *Harmattan*, a 30' sloop designed and built by Meusen in Holland in 1960.

PORT SIDE by Rod Latimer

Ironman's Ironman — This year's Ironman Regatta will provide a much greater test of individual sailing skills and endurance, as it is being extended to an ocean race of at least 26 miles. Along with the distance, there will be other rule changes to make the race more challenging to all skippers. Stay tuned, there will be more in next month's Albatross.

Summer Madness — Summer activities on San Diego Bay have already started for many of the clubs and sailing groups. From now until December, the bay will be filling with all sorts of sailing craft on the weekends and weekday evenings. This increase in traffic brings with it a much greater chance for those "close encounters of the repair kind." We strongly urge you to take that extra crewman to act as lookout when you are on the bay.

Zero Tolerance — Zero tolerance is still with us, folks. The Coast Guard has increased the number of inspections of sailing vessels on San Diego and Mission Bays. During our April Fools Regatta, one of the club's more suspicious-looking vessels was stopped and searched while entering Mission Bay before the seedy-looking character at the helm could get his sails down. Fortunately, nothing more than a close inspection ensued. However, we can all plan to see more of this as the summer continues.

For Sale

Sprig, Six Metre #43. 1985 AMSS YesterYear winner. Designed by Clinton H. Crane and built by Nevins in 1930. New sails. She has not been converted and has no engine. *Sprig* was previously an Ancient Mariner boat and should be again! She is priced at \$12,500 or best offer. Contact Keith or Mary McKinnon @ 619/222-9019. Lying SDYC.

Want To Buy

Classic wooden boat 36' to 42' any rig in good condition. Must have berths for four adults. \$40,000 to \$60,000 price range. Presently AMSS Associate Members. Contact Bill or Liz Schroder in Las Vegas @ 702-648-9889 (office) or 702-878-4217 (home).

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1989 April Fools Regatta

Racing Class		Course Distance: 13.25 NM	
<u>Position</u>	<u>Yacht</u>	<u>Elapsed</u>	<u>Corrected</u>
1	Cloud Nine	2:13:52	2:08:22
2	Robin	2:19:00	2:17:10
3	Sally	2:29:15	2:29:15
DNF	No-Ka-Oi		

Cruising Class		Course Distance: 13.25 NM	
<u>Position</u>	<u>Yacht</u>	<u>Elapsed</u>	<u>Corrected</u>
1	Toko	2:45:05	1:58:52
2	Kauwee	2:51:17	2:02:25
3	Sea Brig	2:52:30	2:03:55
4	Bequia	2:53:00	2:04:25
5	Salud	2:41:46	2:13:39
6	Lotos	2:50:20	2:18:20
7	Queequeg	3:09:00	2:23:18
8	Animal House	3:22:35	2:43:50
9	Fair Lady	4:00:00	3:26:53
DNF	Sea Witch		

This year's race was sailed in ideal conditions. After a light air start, it was a close reach out to buoy #1. The wind picked up to about fifteen knots by the time the leading boats reached #1. From there it was a beat to Mission Bay. It would have been a straight shot, but for the kelp bed. Several of us harvested a limit. The raftup in Mariners Cove was a lot of fun. If you missed it this year, mark you calendar for next year for this great overnight event. — Gary Blackman

The Saga of *Jaga*

Jaga was built by John Henry Auto Thomas Lerwill, an aircraft designer by trade. John drew his plans from the specifications of an Ingred 38 then he flew to England where he and Laurent Giles perfected the plans to meet John's personal needs and desires.

John had *Jaga's* hull and house built professionally by John Thomas Taylor in British Columbia, Canada under his close and constant supervision.

After eight years of construction, *Jaga* was ready for John and his wife to make their world cruise. John's dream ended in Newport Beach when his wife had a tragic bicycle accident that took most of their cruising fund and eventually ended her life.

In September 1971 *Jaga* was sold to her second owner who sailed for Australia, New Zea-

land, and the South Pacific. John was to never see his vessel again.

After returning to the States, *Jaga* was sold in November of 1975 to her third owner, a professional bank robber who, on May 8, 1981, was shot and killed in the Redwood City Bank of America.

Jaga was then sold on April Fools Day 1982 to her fourth owner and I became her fifth owner in March of this year

Prior to purchasing *Jaga* and only after some effort and a lot of luck, I located *Jaga's* builder, John T. Lerwill, living only twenty five miles away from her home port. John and I spent a wonderful and special day discussing *Jaga* and studying John's plans and photographs of her construction. Three weeks later John T. Lerwill died silently in his sleep.

— David H. Dickinson