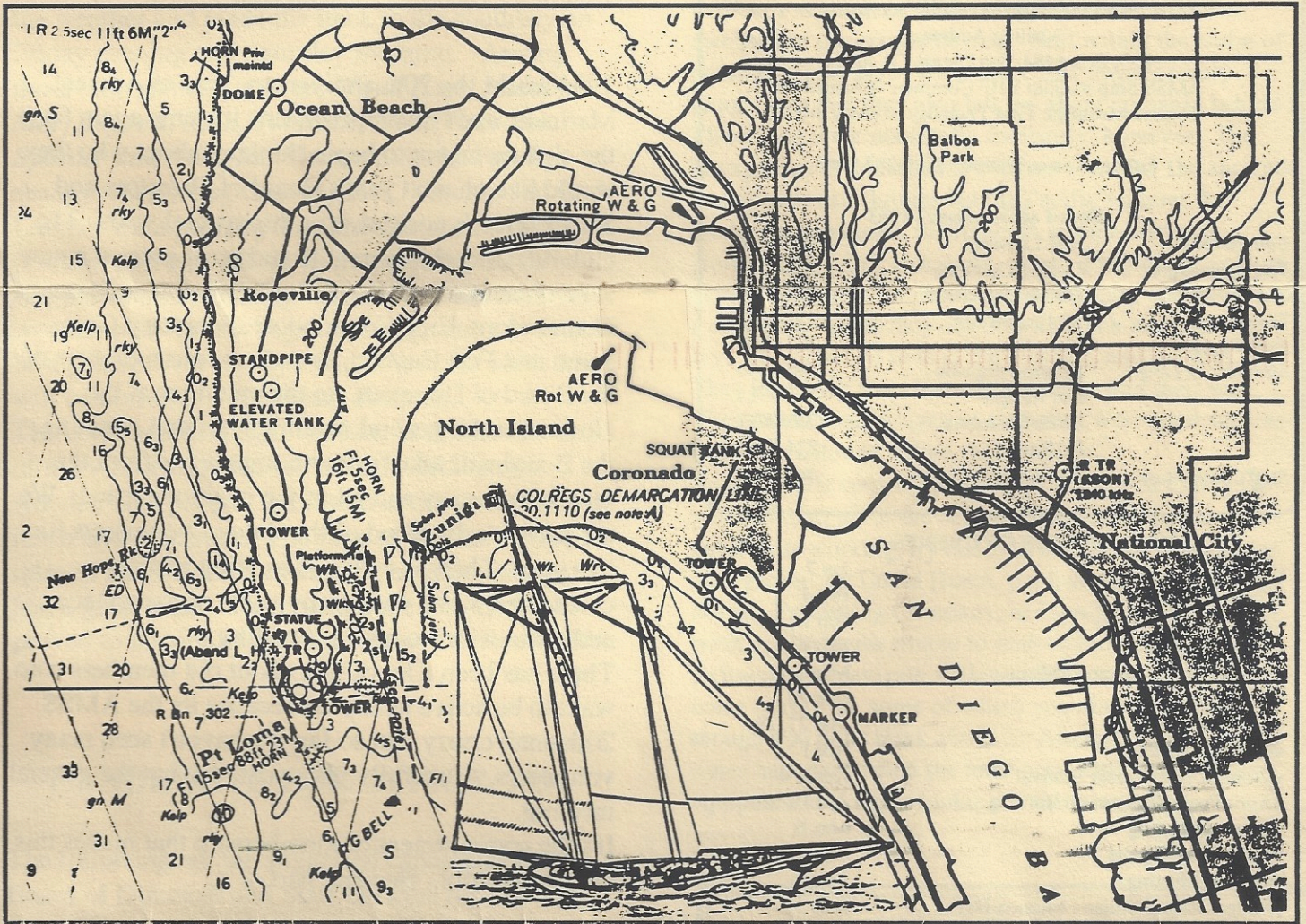


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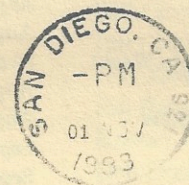
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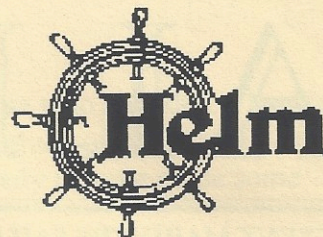
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1993 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

√General Meeting	Jan 7
√General Meeting	Feb 4
√Jack and Jill Regatta	Feb 14
√General Meeting	Mar 4
√Commodores Cup and Raft-up	Mar 6, 7
√Billy Bone's Race	Mar 20
√Schooner Cup	Mar 27, 28
√General Meeting	Apr 1
√Wooden Boat Center Festival	Apr 3, 4
√April Fools Regatta and Raft Up	Apr 17, 18
√General Meeting	May 6
√Yesteryear Regatta	May 15
√General Meeting	June 3
√Roller Coaster Cruise - Mission Bay	June 19
√PCC Championship	June 26
√General Meeting	July 1
√Commodore's Ball	July 17
√General Meeting (Picnic)	Aug 5
√Escort the Star of India (Finest City Week)	Aug 14, 22
√Small Boat Messabout	Aug 14, 15
√Gorilla Rock Cruise - Los Coronados	Aug 21, 22
√General Meeting	Sept 2
√Labor Day Cruise	Sept 4
√Petticoat Race	Sept 18
√Iron Man Race	Sept 19
√SWYC Ensenada Race	Oct 1, 2, 3
√W.H.O.A. vs AMSS (Dana Cup)	Oct 3, 4
√General Meeting (2nd Thurs)	Oct 7
√Boat Show - CCYC	Oct 16
√Homeward Bound Race	Oct 17
General Meeting (Nominations)	Nov 4
Swap Meet - Sun Harbor	Nov 20
General Meeting (Elections)	Dec 2
Half Pint O'Rum Race	Dec 4
New Years' Eve Raftup - La Playa	Dec 31

From the



1994 marks the 20th anniversary year of Ancient Mariners, and November means it's time again for the club members to begin thinking about who they would like on next year's Board of Directors and Staff Officer's positions for this special year. The club rules say the current Board must present a new slate of candidates for the Staff Officers positions of Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer, and Port Captain, as well as four members of the Board of Directors, to the members at the November 4th general meeting. At that meeting, the Board will take further nominations from the members for any and all of the positions listed. We are particularly proud of the slate of volunteers for this year. There is a mix of existing and new candidates, some with many years of experience, and some who are new but willing. There has been a lot of talk about old members who want to be active next year because its the AMSS 20th anniversary, but so far, we haven't seen many volunteers. Hopefully, they will stand at the general meeting. It's the committment of membership that makes this club successful. Become part of it.

*Rod Latimer
 Commodore*

November's Event:

**Nomination of Officers,
 Petticoat Regatta
 Video, and ??**

Southbay Boatshow: wet early, fiesta follows.

Despite rainy weather on Saturday morning, which scared off many of the visitors, the charity boat show proved to be great fun for those who made it. Our thanks go out to those hearty souls who braved the weather and made the trek to the southbay on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Among those who showed up were *Wood Rose, Malabar Star, Beyond, Elan, Precious, Bout, Freedom, Splinter and Adelphi*. The event looked pretty shakey when Doug Graves, Dick Winchip and Rod Latimer were pushing the Chalupa into its display position as it was filling with water, but the rain stopped in mid morning. Soon after, the hearty wooden boat lovers began arriving, and it proved to be a good crowd by day's end. We made \$200 that will be donated to Children's Hospital. The club members reported later at dinner that most of the visitors seemed to be truly dedicated wooden boat people, interested in the technical items and processes. The pace of the show was relaxed and friendly, and everyone reported they had a great time. The entertainment after dinner proved to be one of the highlights of the weekend.

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE, 1994

The following are the suggested candidates for the Board of Directors and Staff Officers for 1994 as presented by the current Board:

Commodore:	Debra Dominici
Vice Commodore:	Doug Smith
Secretary:	Jim Keitges
Treasurer:	Mike O'Brian
Port Captain:	Ed Barr
Members At Large:	Dennis Ferguson
	Brian Farmer
	Doug Jones
	David Houser
	Tom Jackson
Staff Commodore:	Rod Latimer

Emergency Navigation

A few years ago, five sailors from Los Angeles sailed out of Long Beach for Hawaii, Tahiti, New Zealand, Australia, and the orient, returning to Los Angeles some three years later. A pretty hefty undertaking under the best of circumstances, but this particular voyage was unique because they made the entire 24,000 mile journey without a sextant, or GPS, or any other electronic or mechanical navigation device. Still within the realm of possibility you say? What made this voyage truly unique was that they also left the ship's compass behind! These men were not totally foolhardy, however. The voyage was in experiment to determine how the ancients managed to sail throughout the Pacific without the modern navigational instruments, even a compass. How did they do? In a word, great. They never got lost, never hit an island at three in the morning, and never lost a crewman. What they did do was much more interesting. They learned to read the weather, and the seas. They handbuilt star charts to use in finding their way. They reinvented navigation tools that were used successfully for centuries before their voyage. To learn their secrets and perhaps allow you to rely on yourself after all of the celestial and electronic equipment quits working, try and find a copy of "Emergency Navigation" by David Burch, published by International Marine Publishing Company, in Camden Maine. The book is filled with simple to understand principles and techniques to navigate without all the systems we have come to rely on, some of which you already know, though you don't think about it. After all, how many times have you sailed the local area without navigation equipment and never looking at the compass.

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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.

OCTOBER BOAT FEST

In spite of a little rain the CCYC Boat Show was a memorable one for those who attended. The day was very relaxing, the evening was particularly enjoyable. We shared a potluck of brats, beans and bowls of other goodies, followed by a hilarious game of charades. Not only that we made some money!

