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## BOARD MEMBERS - 1980

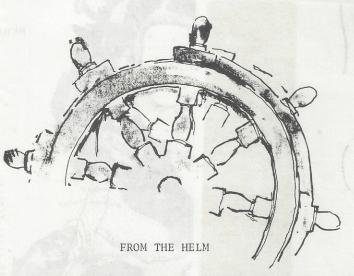
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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday Jan. 19	Commodore's Cup Race
Saturday Jan. 26	Commodore's Ball
Thursday Feb. 7	General Meeting (Silver Gate YC)

#### PROGRAM REPORT

Our next regular meeting will be in February, when we will have a premiere of a film that was generously donated to the Society by Steve Luckman, owner of the schooner REVENGE. The film is on the construction of the replica of the schooner AMERICA and the re-enactment of the race that brought the America's Cup here originally. For the original race, AMERICA crossed the Atlantic to race for bets against the British yachting fleet. The wary British wouldn't put up any cash, so AMERICA came home with a silver cup that had a hole in the bottom.



As I sit down to write the first of twelve articles "From The Helm", I find myself thinking of the year ahead, and of all the Ancient Mariners' years past. I have followed the club closely from the very beginning, and have seen a sparkling idea in the minds of a few individuals seated around breakfast at the Red Sails Inn turn into the best and most active group of its kind on the West Coast. When someone says to me, "I am looking around for an old wooden boat to buy so I can join the Ancient Mariners", I know we have arrived. And I have heard this same remark several times.

I am proud to be your Commodore and I am also excited. We have a fantastic year ahead of us. We have the support of a great Board of Directors. At our last Board meeting we had nearly as many members present as we did at our last general meeting, including two past Commodores. There is a tremendous amount of interest and enthusiasm right now, and our season hasn't even started yet.

We're going to kick off the season with a bang -on January 26th! Save that Saturday night for the
COMMODORE'S BALL -- and it will be a ball! The
Shelter Island Inn is setting up their Marina Room
for us with one of their renowned buffet dinners;
we will have music and dancing and a joyful time.
This year we are asking you all to come dressed
from the period that your boat was either designed
or built. From flappers to zoot suits we're going
to have a great time! Dinner will be limited to
80 people, so get your reservations in early. After
dinner, the dance will be open to all. What a nice
way to do our January meeting!

Also, on January 19th we will have the annual Commodore's Cup Race around the Coronado Islands, with awards at the Commodore's Ball. I could go on and on about the upcoming events: The San Clemente Cruise, the Mission Bay Race, the Ensenada Race, the preparations for the next Hawaii Race, and our own great Spring Regatta in June.

Let's give our thanks to the folks whose efforts in the past have given us what we are today: Thanks to A1, Trudy, Bill, Doug, Hugo, John, Bob, Mike, Sam, Tom, Steve, and all the others.

And to each of you -- have a great holiday and a fine New Year.

## CHRISTMAS PARADE OF LIGHTS

One recent chilly Sunday, as over 100 area boats were preparing for the annual Christmas Parade of Lights, a minor crime wave swept the country.

During the first event of the day, most were sleeping, impervious to the gentle rattle of colored bulbs against rain gutters as their Christmas lights were being stealthily removed. There was a record number of Honda generators reported stolen by noon.

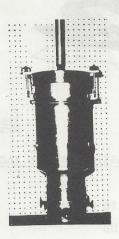
Sundown brought a collective roar of generators and cheers of delight as the harbor lit up with Christmas lights. A brilliant stream of light began snaking past the STAR OF INDIA, much to the delight of thousands on shore.

The Ancient Mariner's entry for the parade this year was put together by our new Commodore Paul in his flagship WHITE CLOUD. Through the frantic efforts of Paul securing lights, generators and dolphins, and Susan, who can man the hors d'oeuvres as well as she trims a sail, and thanks to the efforts of Ron Baccardi, all on board enjoyed a feeling of Christmas warmth!

At evenings end, before we departed, we all moved up the dock together and turned to gaze at the spectacle before us. The generators still hummed, pouring life into the giant shooting star rising above two Christmas trees.

Though one and all were hoarse from yelling, before leaving her to her silvery dolphin escort, we all indulged in one last cheer:

"Merry Christmas WHITE CLOUD!"



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ALSO --

An Atkin "Pinky" dinghy, 7'2" for \$200.00.

Contact Tom Clemmons

There will be a flyer sent out the first week in January with all information pertaining to the Commodore's Cup Race and the Commodore's Ball. If you have any questions now, contact Paul Mitchell about the Ball and Mike Williams about the Race.



# RESULTS OF 6TH ANNUAL HALF PINT O' RUM RACE

## CLASSIC CRUISING YACHTS:

Name	Corrected Time	Elapsed Time
WHITE CLOUD	2:09:39 *	3:03:51
SALUD	2:12:10	2:51:58
MIGAN	2:22:42	2:55:11
ROWDY	2:28:33	2:58:38
CUTTER	2:51:24 *	4:49:44
WINDSONG	3:02:13	3:27:00
MANUKAI	3:32:36	4:05:05
ARTEMIS	3:44:08	4:16:37
VIKING	DNF	
SEA WITCH	DNF	
SEA CLOUD	DNF	
TUMBLEHOME	DNF	
POPPY	DNF	
ANTIGUA	DNF	
STYRKE	DNF	
SPRAY	DNF	
CLASSIC RACING YACHTS:		
NIRVANA	1:26:44 *	3:07:00
WHISPER	1:54:39	3:26:00
ALOHA	DNF	
ТОМАНАЖК	DNF	
MERRY LASS	DNF	

<sup>\*</sup> Includes 10% discount for correct answer to quiz question.