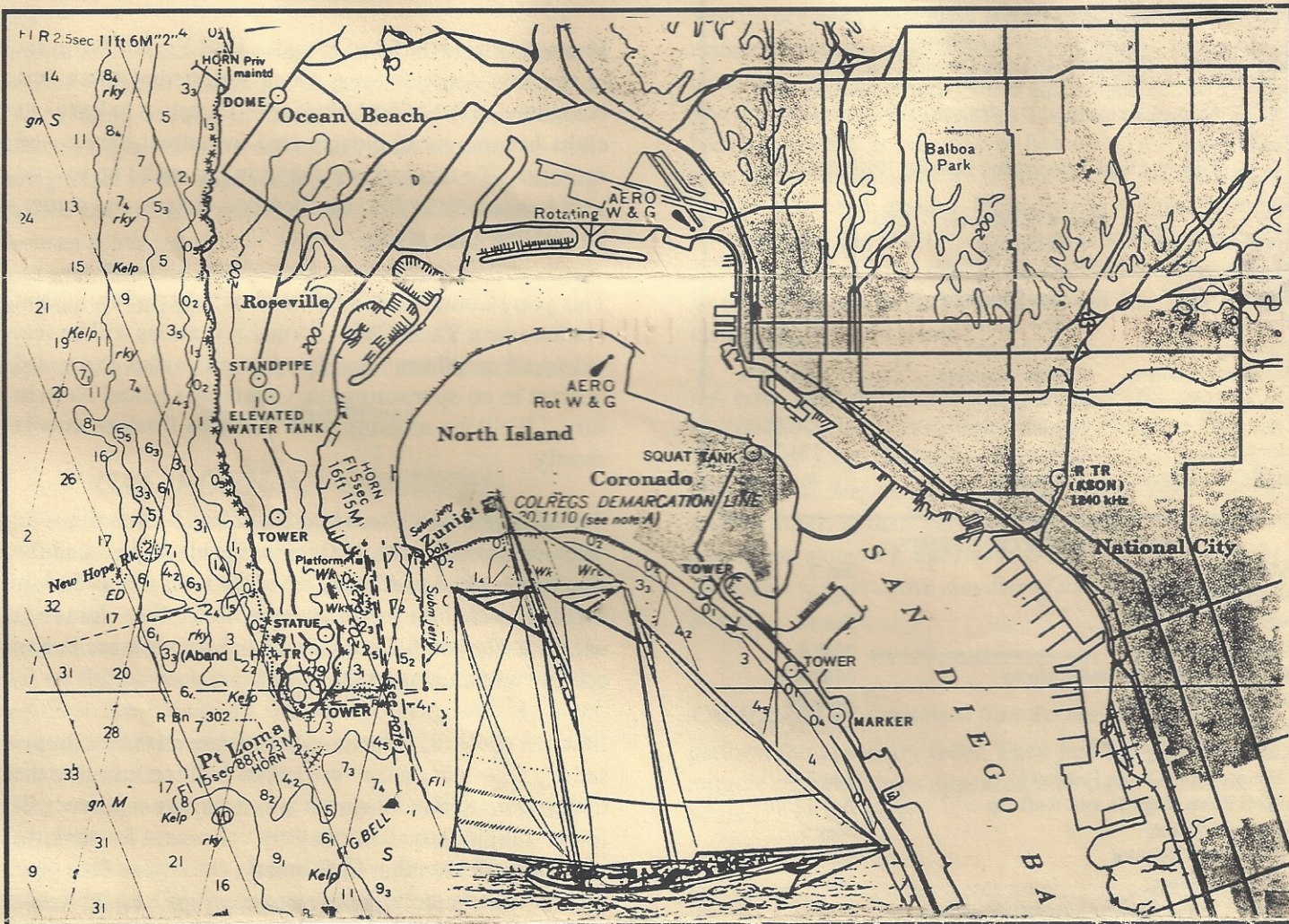


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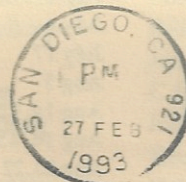
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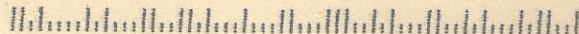
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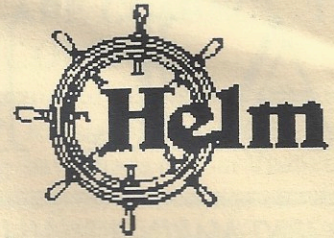
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1993 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

√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
Freedom Cup	July 4
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



Having attended the latest Wooden Hull Yacht Club event in the Los Angeles area, I can report that there is a committed effort of both Boards of Directors to have our clubs become more closely tied to mutual events and activities. To this end, we are trying to make up several joint events later in this year for races, cruises, and parties, up and down the coast.


This years Commodore's Ball will be held on July 17th at Southwestern Yacht Club. Formal invitations will be sent out to all members. Southwestern has also expressed interest in co-sponsoring the Guadalupe Island Race in July. We'll be meeting with them to finalize details shortly.

The Commodore's Cup is on Saturday, March 6th. The skippers meeting is at 9:00am at Koehler's yard and the race begins at noon at Buoy # 5. Don't miss it. *Freedom* is going, even if we have to tow her to the line. Join us at anchor at the south Coronado Island for warm milk and cookies on Saturday night.

Last, but not least, I want to congratulate all those intrepid sailor's who braved the "voyage to hell" in bringing the *Californian* to San Diego. It was a voyage that few will forget, despite how hard they try. Lessons learned: (a) never trust the weather in February, (b) always take your foulies with you, (c) signing on to a voyage several weeks in advance can be chancy, (d) never trust a Commodore who loves deep water sailing and says with a straight face "trust me, you'll love it too!"

Rod Latimer, Commodore

MARCH MEETING
Thursday, March 4th AT 7:30 PM
 at the
Southwestern Yacht Club,
2702, Qualtrough Street



The San Diego Maritime Museum
 by
David Brierly

MEMBERSHIP PETITIONS

Yacht: *Beyond*

Owners: Dick and Gerelyn Winchip

Construction: Cold Molded

Builder: Richard Link, Costa Mesa, CA

Designer: Murray Peterson

LOA: 49', LWL: 31'9", Beam: 12', Draft: 6' 6", Disp: 15 tons

Beyond is a Murray Peterson Coastal I Staysail Schooner built by Richard Link in his backyard between 1962 and 1971. During a cruise in the Indian Ocean, *Beyond* experienced a rogue sea wave and turned turtle but came up with the rig intact as she stands today. The second owner cruised Mexico and the Hawaiian Islands. The third owner, Max Beere an active member of AMSS, sailed and raced locally. Dick and Gerelyn plan to take her cruising in 3-5 years; destination "Beyond".

Beyond is sponsored by Rod Latimer and Peter Benton.

CALIFORNIAN CRUISING

Call me Ishmael, or call me Rod. I went to sea with men and women; nay, not just men and women but sailors who yearned for the sea. Off we set from Dana Point, a blustery wind at our nose, our bowsprit drawing salt water over our decks. Sure, the engine couldn't handle the southern swell and we drifted back precariously close to the waves crashing over the breakwall, but the pouring, driving sleet strengthened our resolve and we heaved 2-6. With one reef tucked in the main we tacked out to sea.

Once safely on our way, a green chef rose from the galley and produced tuna-melts with tomato, a pre-digested treat, along with salty clam chowder. We plowed onward, the essence of the Californian wafting from the bowels of the bilge below. A forward jib sheet fouled the fisherman's anchor, whipping three crew members until they subdued the lashing line - a gallant save! Waves engulfed the deck, forcing heretofore unopened scuppers to burst.

Time passed eternal; rumors rose and settled through our hardy crew. Would we return to Dana Point? Would we duck into the quick, safe, luxurious harbor of Oceanside? Was there to be mutiny on deck? Is it really true we can't lay Point Loma on this tack? Then the Captain stalked the planks and with one calm proclamation, he settled us to our task: "When you sign aboard a windjammer, you live at the mercy of the sea." He turned and we heard the peg of his leg dragging down the deck. Then we tacked back out to sea.

The crew of each watch diminished in numbers, and as the hours clocked by we shanghaied whoever stood on deck to

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PORT SIDE

By Vern Koepsel

As the winter sailing season draws to a close and the spring sailing season starts, it might be a good idea to review some of the items that will come up as we cruise, race or visit Mexican waters.

You do not need permits of any kind to go into Mexican waters **IF** you do not go ashore, buy anything or come into close contact with Mexican nationals. If the above apply, you do not need to go through customs on returning from Mexican waters. If you plan to fish or have fishing gear aboard you need a Mexican fishing license for the boat as well as all people aboard. Failure to have these permits could result in the loss of your vessel. The fishing permits can be obtained from the Mexican Bureau of Fisheries located on Laurel Street between 4th and 5th. They accept only cash for the licenses.

Ed. note: We are deeply sorry to report the passing of Stephanie Arthur, First Mate aboard Malabar Star, on Valentines' Day, February 14th, after a short and tragic illness. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Vern Koepsel and his family at their loss. It is always sad when we lose any of our members, but this loss is particularly painful. Stephanie was an active member of the society and a good friend.

CALIFORNIAN (continued from the previous column)

perform the necessary tasks. Then just before dawn, the miracle of San Diego appeared and there we were, 19 hours before the mast.

GAMIN

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Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month, at the Southwestern Yacht Club at 7.00pm.

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LIGHT AIR JACK & JILL PROVES A FUN CHALLENGE

This year's Jack & Jill Race started in light air and beautiful sunshine for those participants who made it to the start line. *Sundance* got a good start and managed to hold off a valiant attempt by the Starboat *Novia* in the dying breeze at the finish. The rest of the fleet had difficulty reaching the windward mark in the light breezes and couldn't catch the leaders. Unfortunately, *Christine*, the 5.5 meter heavily favored to take the honors, had a mechanical breakdown at the last minute and didn't make it to the start line. Late to the start, and chasing the fleet throughout the day, was the 17 ft.

No-Man's-Land sloop *Gypsy*. After the race, the crew was heard to say they were thinking of changing the boat's name back to "L'Escargot." It was only later that they found out that the Block Island Sloop (No Name) they were chasing to the windward mark, had got there with the help of her iron spinnaker. Everyone had a great time and got a little sunburned (which has been hard to do this wet and wild February). The Jack and Jill Trophy will be presented at the next General Meeting.



BILLY BONES SCHOONER RACE IS HERE

The annual Billy Bones Schooner Race from Mission Bay to San Diego is scheduled to begin with a beach party in Mariner's Cove on Saturday, March 19th. The race sponsors are Paul and Peggy Plotts, owners of the schooner *Dauntless*. Paul is still looking for a volunteer to be Start Boat, and another in San Diego to take finish times in the big bay. Anyone who would like to help with this fun event can call Paul at the Billy Bones restaurant in Pacific Beach.

THE RUSSIAN'S ARE COMING!, THE RUSSIAN'S ARE COMING!

Three very unusually constructed full sized wooden replicas of the original 1700's Russian fur hunter ships commanded by Vitrus Bering have made it from Vladivostok to Southern California, on a good will voyage around the world. These vessels, St.Peter, St. Paul, and St.Gabriel, are manned by volunteers, and are scheduled to arrive in San Diego by the time the Albatross reaches our members. The design and construction of these vessels are particularly interesting, being very high in the bow and stern, and nearly awash amidships. Had their trip not been as successful as it has, you might wonder at the seaworthiness

of these craft. AMSS will try to get one of the English-speaking crew members to attend our next General Meeting and talk about their adventures. Remember, when they left Vladivostok, it was still the Soviet Union.



OVERDUE MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOT YET OVERDUE DUES.

At the February Board of Director's meeting, it was decided that due to the economic times, a one time extension of the deadline for membership dues to March 15th would be granted. In the meantime, the Directors will contact the 1992 members with lapsed membership and remind them of the upcoming deadline. Until March 15th, any 1992 member can pay their 1993 membership dues with no penalty. Previous years' members, and those who don't pay their 1993 membership before that date, will be required by the Society By-Laws to make application as new members. Please check the address label on this Albatross. If you have a "93" on the label, we have you on the database as paid for 1993. If not, send in your dues or this will be your last Albatross.

JACK AND JILL RACE					
Place	Boat Name	Skippers	Handicap	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time
1	Sundance	Kevin & Kathy Thompson	(175)	1:22:55	1:22:55
2	Novia	Mark Felix & Martha Roste	(130)	1:21:00	1:26:15
3	Gypsy	Rod Latimer & Diana Watson	(450)	2:13:13	1:41:08
-	Block Island Boat	Bucky & Friend		dsq	dsq

Note: Provisional handicaps are shown in parentheses.