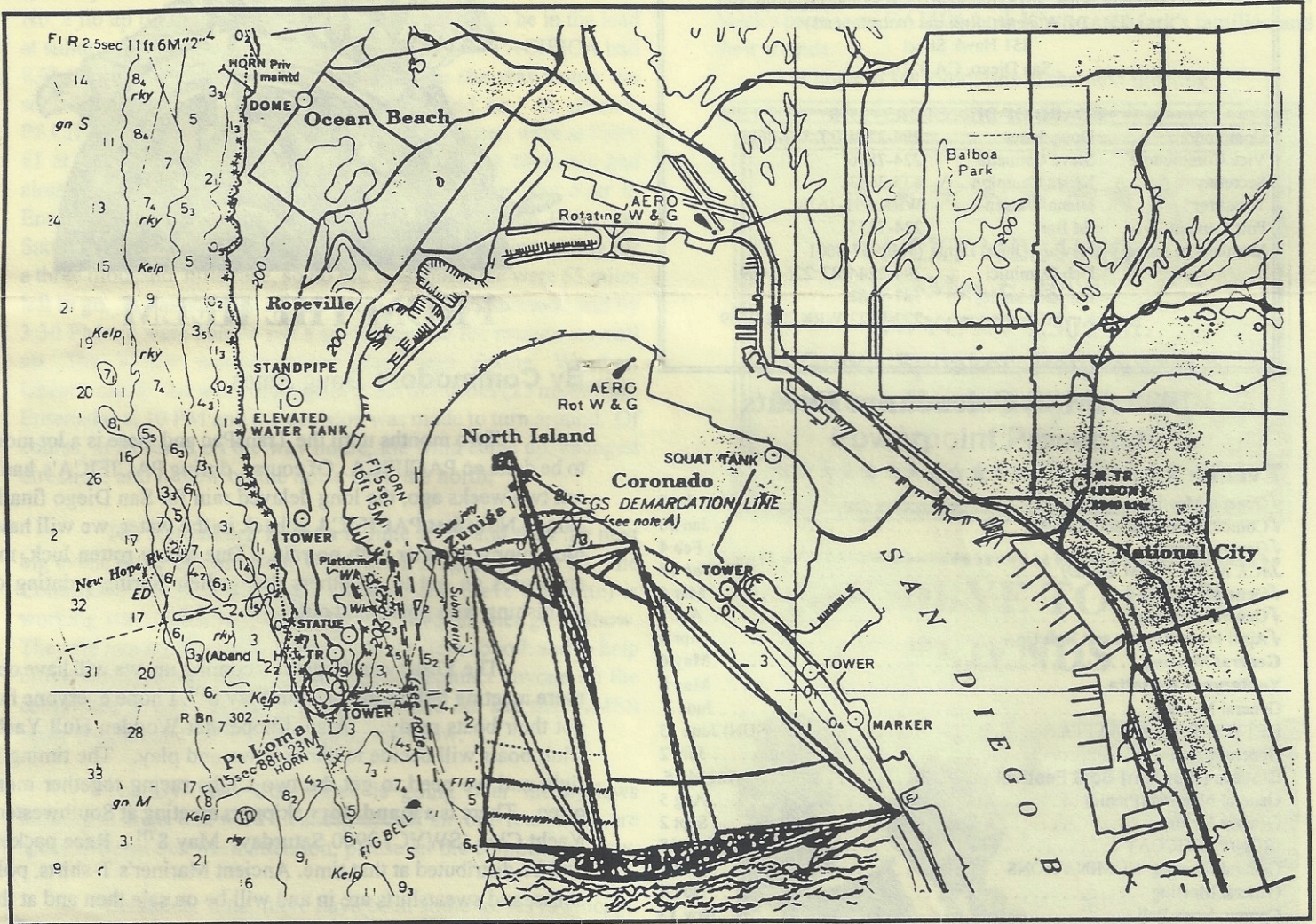


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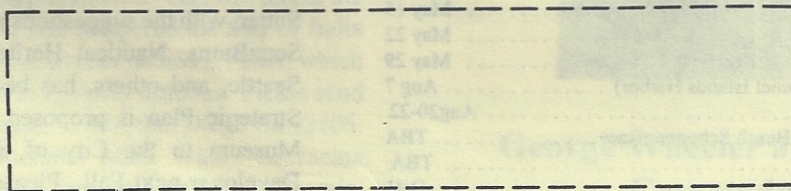
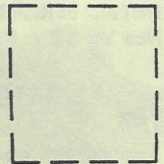
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FROM THE HELM

By Commodore Doug Jones

Two months until the TransPac and there is a lot more to be done on PACIFICA. Of course, during PACIFICA's haul-out two weeks ago, the long delayed rain for San Diego finally came. Now that PACIFICA is back in the water, we will have nice sunny weather with no rain. Due to my rotten luck, my apologies go out to all others doing their Spring painting or varnishing who got rained out.

The Yesteryear Regatta is coming up, we will have one more meeting before the race on May 8TH. I hope everyone has got their boats ready. Also, I hope that Wooden Hull Yacht Club boats will decide to come down and play. The timing is right and we need to get the two Clubs racing together more often. There is a mandatory skippers meeting at Southwestern Yacht Club (SWYC) 0900 Saturday, May 8TH. Race packets will be distributed at that time. Ancient Mariner's T-shirts, polo shirts, and sweatshirts are in and will be on sale then and at the next meeting. If you can't wait that long please contact Rod Latimer. Thanks to Rod Latimer and Diana Watson, we will have a great race. Steve Caouette is getting great stuff for the raffle at the awards party.

Also, at the May 8TH meeting will be a Power Point Presentation by the Maritime Museum about their plans for the proposal for a Traditional Small Boating Center (Maritime Center) at NTC. The work done by Deb Dominici and Jim Sutter, with the suggestions and help of many Ancient Mariners, ScuzBums, Nautical Heritage Folks, Richard Wagner from Seattle, and others, has been embraced by the Museum. A Strategic Plan is proposed to be presented by the Maritime Museum to the City of San Diego and the chosen NTC Developer next Fall. Please find out what has been done, see beautiful pictures, and find out what may be in store for San Diego. The Maritime Museum is scoping everyones' needs and the final proposal will be hopefully encompass the broad range of community, educational, boating, and Nautical Heritage

1999 AMSS Calendar of Events

Events

√General Meeting	Jan 7
√Commodores Cup and Raft-up	Jan 30
√General Meeting	Feb 4
JACK N JILL (CANCELED)	Feb 13
√General Meeting	Mar 4
√General Meeting	Apr 1
√April Fools Regatta and Raft Up	Apr 3
General Meeting	May 6
Yesteryear Regatta	May 8
General Meeting	June 3
KETTENBURG REGATTA	(SUN) June 13
General Meeting	July 2
Classic (Wooden) Boat Festival	Aug 14/15
General Meeting (Picnic)	Aug 5
General Meeting	Sept 2
IRON/PETTICOAT	Sept 18
General Meeting NOMINATIONS	Oct 7
General Meeting	Nov 4
Commodore's Ball	Nov 13
General Meeting (ELECTIONS)	Dec 2
Half Pint of Rum Race	Dec 4
New Years' Eve Raft Up - La Playa	Dec 31

OTHER ORGANIZATION'S EVENTS

American Schooner Cup	March 20/21
Wild Goose Chase, San Pedro to Newport (W.H.Y.C.)	TBA
Heritage Regatta- Show (Newport Hb. Nautical Museum)	Apr 18
Newport - Ensenada Race	Apr 23
LUDEBS INVITATIONAL	May 15
Master Mariner's Race	May 22
Eric Erickson Oil Island Race, Long Beach (W.H.Y.C.)	May 29
McNish Classic Yacht Race (Channel Islands Harbor)	Aug 7
Bishop Rock Race (SDYC)	Aug 20-22
Nautical Heritage Society - Long Beach Schooner Race	TBA
W.H.Y.C. vs AMSS	TBA
S.W.Y.C. Ensenada Race	Oct 1

1999 TRANSPAC

Cruising Class leaves Long Beach June 29

concerns.

Ancient Mariners had a good turn out for the Big Ensenada Race. FLIRT, ANDALE, FREEDOM and PACIFICA and past member DAUNTLESS all showed up at the start line as well as KELPIE, SAMARANG, SOUTH PACIFICA, and FAIR WINDS. FREEDOM entered the Cruising Class this year. Again, it appeared luck was against PACIFICA. The race started on Friday with 15-20 knots from the Southeast (on the nose) and the temperature was cold. PACIFICA had a reefed main and her No. 2 jib up for the first five hours. We appeared to be in the lead at sundown when we were north of San Onofre. PACIFICA had KELPIE in view most of the evening since she was nearer the shore and we could see her silhouette behind us. At sunrise, PACIFICA was still north of La Jolla Point and later, were at Bouy #1 at 1:30 PM Saturday. (Last year at this same time, we had already had beers, shooters, and videos at *Pappas and Beer* in Ensenada). A lot of the racers turned left into San Diego on Saturday, but not us. After all, PACIFICA's crew is in training for a three thousand mile race, so no big deal that there were 65 miles left to go. It was actually a close reach Saturday afternoon and by 3:30 PM we were able to put a spinnaker and the mizzen staysail up. The Winter weather turned back into Spring. Weather. Unfortunately, the wind died again at Sal Si Puedes (25 miles from Ensenada) at 10 PM and the decision was made to turn around. Of course, at Rosarita on the way home, the wind came up, changed direction, and it blew on the nose from the north.

The Kettenburg Regatta is June 13TH and then the next big event is the **Classic Boat Festival** on August 14 and 15. The Committee (Kevin Thompson, Ed Barr, and Steve Caouette) is working hard and it looks like we will have another great show. They are looking for volunteers to man the ticket booth and to help move boats on and off the dock. Please contact anyone on the committee if you can help. The committee did say that AMSS boats would have priority to get into the show.

The By-Laws Committee is going over the by-laws looking at areas that need cleaning up. If anyone feels there are specific items that need attention, please let the committee know.

On sadder note, there have been some losses to Ancient Mariners in the last couple of months and at the beginning of the year. Our condolences go out to the friends and family of Staff Commodore George Wheeler who died of a massive stroke on Tuesday April 13TH. George owned a K-38, REWARD, which he was restoring. He was the AMSS Commodore for 1997 and historian for Kettenburg Boat Works. Please send condolences to 10676 Ranch View Dr. San Diego, CA 92131. Our condolences also go out to the friends and family of Honorary Member Carl Bowman who died April 8TH from pneumonia. Carl was one of the last of the square-rigger captains and skippered the Star of India from 1976 to 1996. He owned a little cutter named LYDIA, which he sailed every Sunday. He was in his early nineties. Please send condolences to 1150 Anchorage Ln. #3407, San Diego Ca 92106.

Ancient Mariners also lost member Mark Walter Szczecina (GAMIN) on January 10TH after a year long bout with Leukemia. Before GAMIN, he sailed YADIN for four years and most of us

remember him for his boundless energy and ever-present smile. Jon and Mark were fortunate to have been able to spend three wonderful months sailing the Channel Islands last summer. Also, the Assistant to the Albatross Editor, Kim Palmer, died of MS on March 15TH after a ten year battle with the disease. Kim always came to the Boat Festivals and some Yesteryear Parties although we could never get her motorized wheel chair on board AMSS yachts. Both of these individuals died before their time and were young adults. Our condolences go out to Jon Bates, Mark's partner on GAMIN, both Kim's and Mark's families, and their friends.

I hope to see every one at the next meeting



NEXT MEETING

May 6, 1999

SWYC AT 7:30 P.M.

**Guest Speaker: Pat Goddard,
Maritime Museum's Plans at NTC
Powerpoint Presentation**



GOODBYE TO OUR FRIENDS



**George Wheeler at the 1996 AMSS
Commodore's Ball**



HISTORY'S CORNER:

BY Edward S. Barr

It happened in MAY-

May 5, 1861- The US Naval Academy was moved to Newport, R.I. from Annapolis, MD for the duration of the Civil War.

May 11, 1820- HMS Beagle, which would carry Charles Darwin on his famed voyage of scientific discovery, was launched in Woolwich on the River Thames, England

May 14, 1934- The yawl Stormy Weather, designed by Olin Stephens and one of the winningest yachts of her day, was launched at the Henry B. Nevins yard, City Island, New York.

May 17, 1849- Fire broke out on the steamboat White Cloud in St. Louis, Missouri, destroying 22 other steamers, three barges, and one canal boat, then spreading to the city itself and burning 15 city blocks.

May 18, 1861- The brigantine Amazon, later renamed Mary Celeste, was launched at Spencers Island, Nova Scotia. In 1872, she would be found at sea, sailing herself, with no one on board.

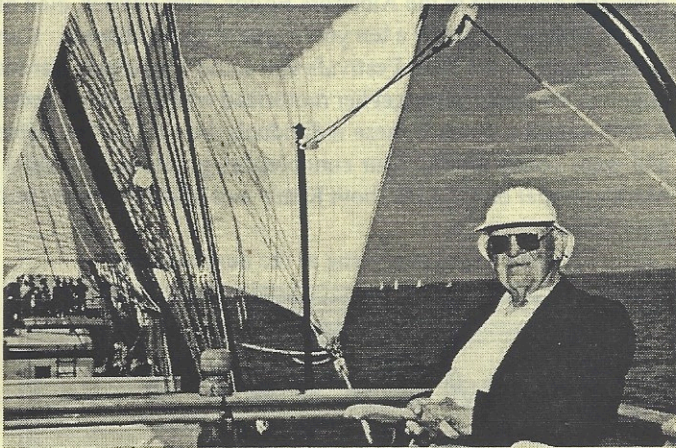
May 21, 1980- Fourteen women- Jean Marie Butler heading the list alphabetically-graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, the first women to do so.

May 27, 1794- Cornelius ("The Commodore") Vanderbilt- ship owner & yachtsman was born.

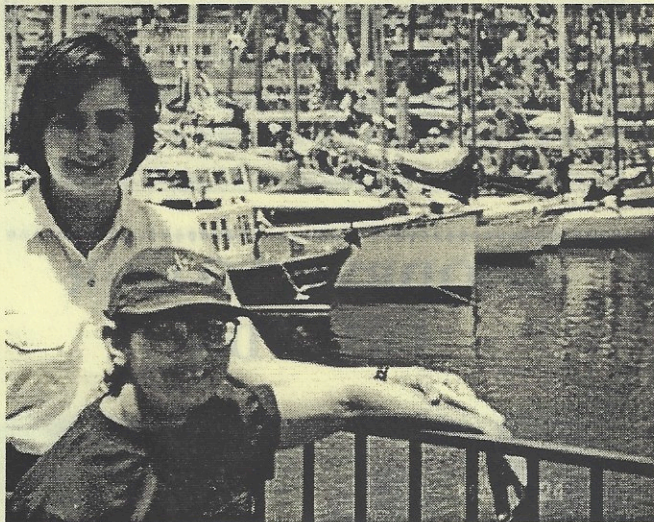
May 28, 1493- Christopher Columbus was titled " Admiral of the Ocean Sea " by the King & Queen of Spain.

May 29, 1917- John F. Kennedy, PT boat skipper, was born in Brookline, Mass.

(☆☆HISTORIAN AND PORT CAPTAIN, EDWARD S. BARR CELEBRATES HIS 66 BIRTHDAY THIS MONTH☆☆☆).



Captain Carl G. Bowman



Kim Palmer (with Hat) at the 1996 Wooden Boat Festival



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www.sdsailing.com/amss.htm

Apologies for the lack of April's Info on the WEB Page, the WEB Master changed his e-mail address

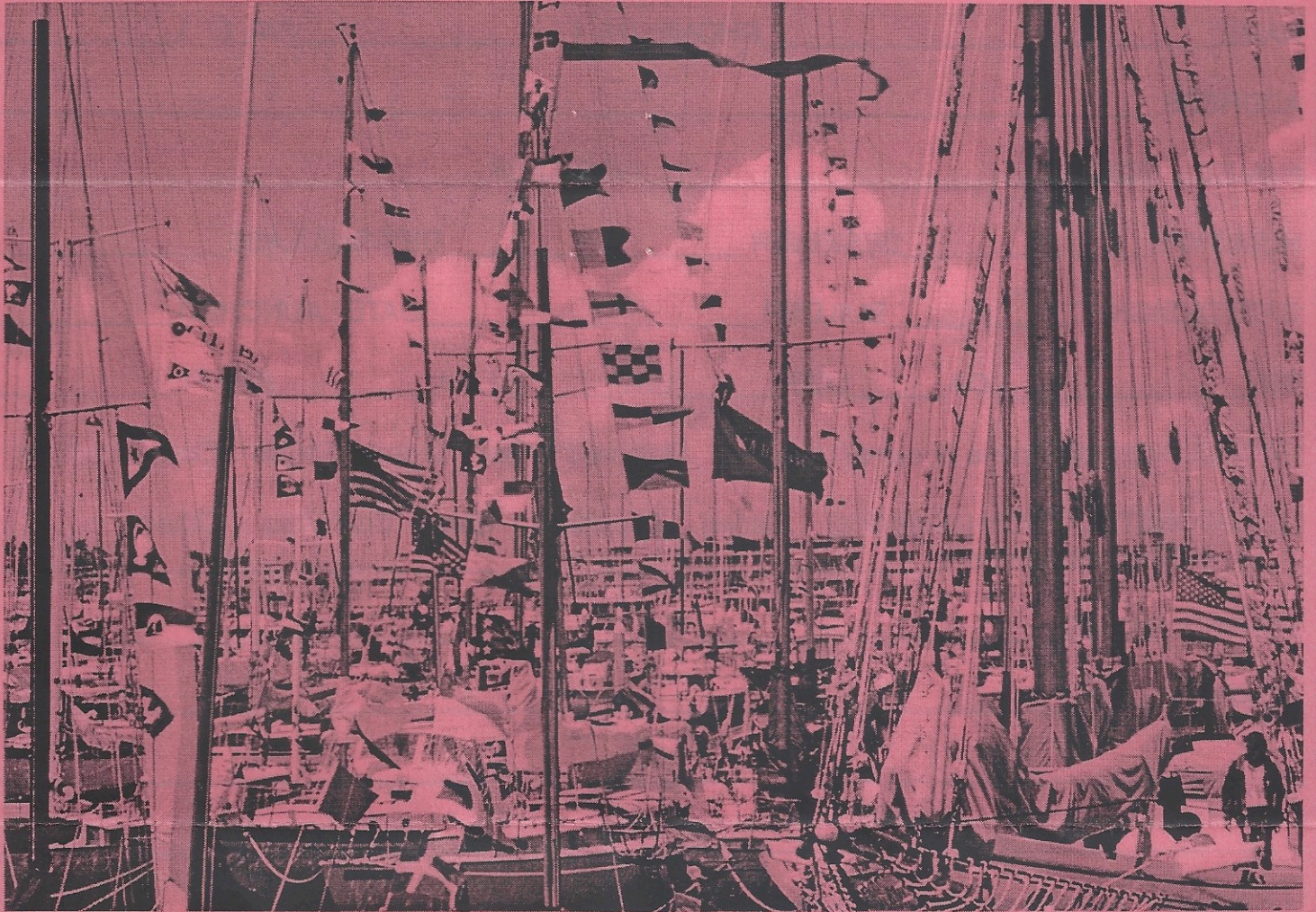


WELCOME NEW PROSPECTIVE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS Heather and Steve Smith, crew of OSLOSKOYTA!

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Board meetings will be held on the first Tuesday after the Thursday Regular Meeting of each month at the Southwestern Yacht Club at 7:00 PM. Members are welcome to attend.

1999 San Diego's Classic Boat Festival



SAN DIEGO-The Shelter Pointe Marina (formerly the Kona Kai) proudly presents the ninth annual CLASSIC BOAT FESTIVAL (formerly the Wooden Boat Festival) sponsored by the Ancient Mariner's Sailing Society (AMSS). Wooden boat lovers will enjoy the wide variety of classic sail/motor yachts at the CLASSIC BOAT FESTIVAL from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. on Saturday, **August 14** and from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. on Sunday, **August 15** at the Shelter Pointe Marina Shelter Island. The Festival will benefit AMSS future endeavors.

More than 50 boats will be displayed in and out of the water. The Festival is a celebration of wood, classic boat design, and gives the public the opportunity to see wooden boats, classic designs and related activities up close. There will be old boats and newly built vessels from vintage designs. Nautical exhibitions and vendors will have booths displaying their goods on the shore.

**FOR MORE information call Kevin Thompson 619-222-9123 or
Steve Caouette 619-224-7816**

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ANCIENT MARINERS SAILING SOCIETY'S
CLASSIC BOAT FESTIVAL

SHELTER POINTE MARINA (FORMERLY KONA KAI), ON SHELTER ISLAND

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

AUGUST 14 AND 15, 1999

ENTRY APPLICATION

DEADLINE: June 30, 1999

NAME _____ PHONE: (H)_() _____ (W)_() _____

ADDRESS _____

NAME OF BOAT _____ DOC/REG# _____

HULL TYPE _____ DESIGNER _____ DESIGN/CLASS _____

DATE DESIGNED _____ BUILDER _____ DATE LAUNCHED _____

RIG _____ LOA _____ LOD _____ LWL _____ BEAM _____ DRAFT _____

PROPULSION (circle one or more) Inboard Outboard Gas Diesel Steam Oars Paddles

HULL CONSTRUCTION (circle one) Carvel Lapstrake Strip Cold Mold Other

If Other, explain here _____

FORMER NAMES _____

BOAT HISTORY _____

A DETAILED PHOTO MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY

MAIL ENTRIES TO

Steve Caouette
3960 W. Point Loma Blvd.
Ste 243
San Diego, CA 92110

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (619) 224-7816

PRELIMINARY RESERVATIONS for banquet and awards presentation, to be held on site at the Voyager Room Saturday, August 14, 1999 at 6 P.M.

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR PARTY _____

There may be a parking fee (ca. \$3.⁰⁰) in the Shelter Pointe Marina Parking lot charged by the Shelter Pointe.

Classifieds

Tired of doing the brightwork?

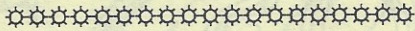
Want your boat to look good for the
Boat Show?

Let me help you- I did "Mahogany Manor" for Steve.

Rates are reasonable-

\$ 12.50/hr. Exterior/ \$ 15.00/hr. Interior. Call
Jenifer - 224-7816

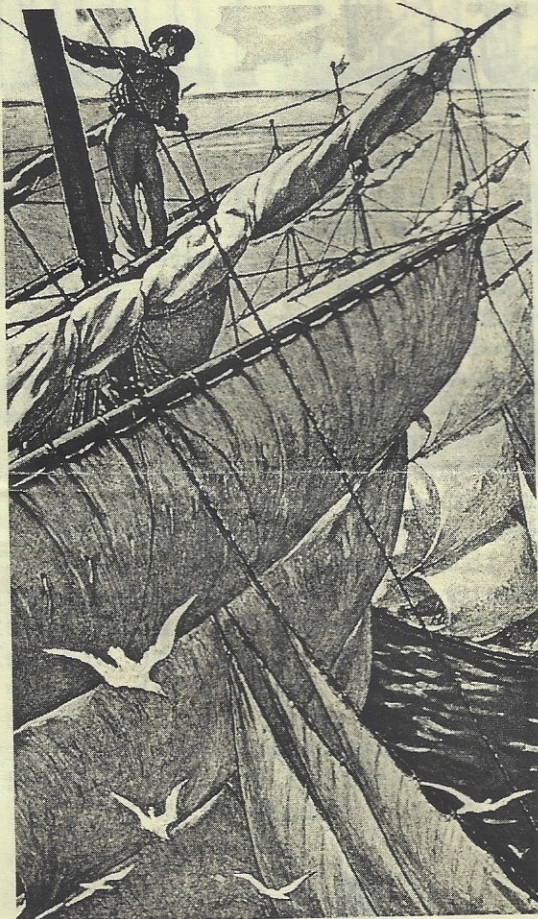
Seven years experience!



MARITIME MUSEUM'S EVENTS

MORE INFORMATION at (619) 234-9153

May 21-22 MOVIE: "Shipwrecked" (Disney, '90) - \$10



AN ISSUE OF: "Mind over Matter"



KETTENBURG REGATTA

The "Regatta"/"Pass and Review" Details have not been finalized. Any assistance in phone calling would be appreciated. The EVENT is on Sunday, June 13, 1999. Reception on the Ferryboat Berkeley Sunday Afternoon, Race Committee is SWYC. Everyone is invited! *More Details: Deb Dominici 688-6961 WRK*

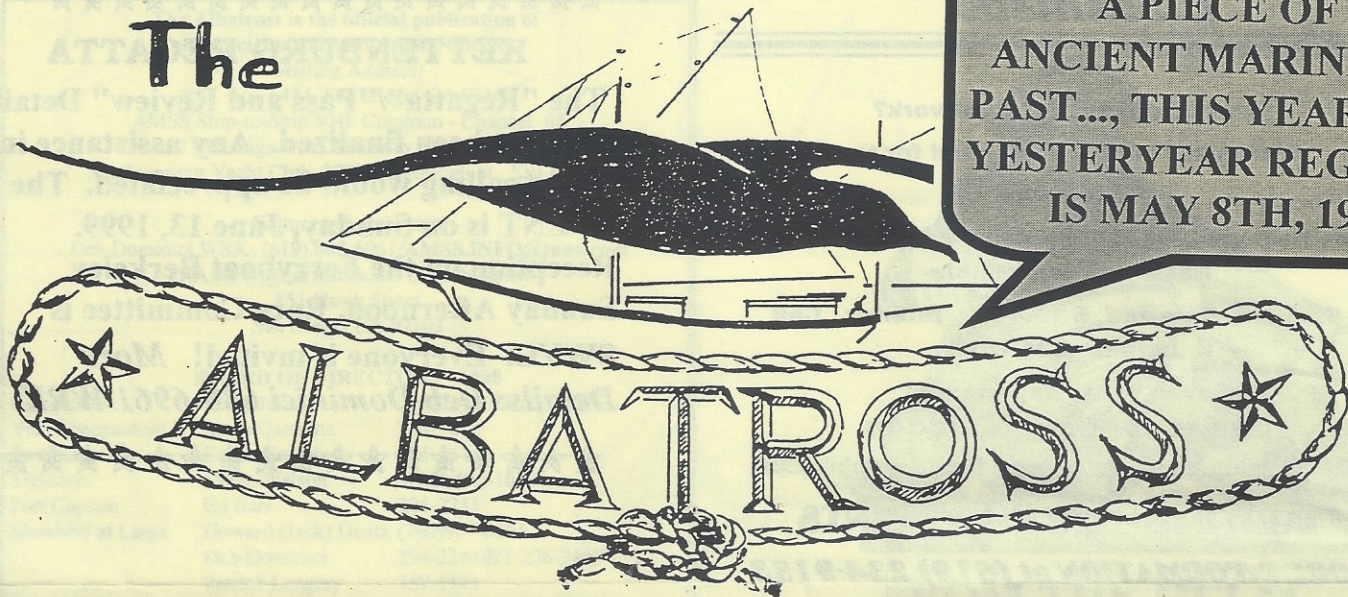


Membership Roster March 1975

Boat	Type	Owner
AKUAVIT.....	Folkboat.....	Mike and Toni Menghini
ALOHA.....42'	"R" sloop.....	Doug Smith
ARTEMIS.....34'	Gaff sloop.....	Stuart Smith
BONITA.....40'	ketch.....	Morey Hale
CLARA.....35'	yawl.....	Priscilla and Kerry Geraghty
CLOUDIA.....50'	ketch.....	Paul Donin
CYNTHIA.....50'	ketch.....	Robin Franck and Jim Keitges
DEEPWATER.....24'	Gaff sloop.....	Allen Sheldon
GAZEKA.....46'	Gaff yawl.....	Roberta Erb and Josh Dean
IRENA.....32'	Gaff ketch....	Sam Mangum
ISLANDER.....30'	Gaff sloop....	Harry Steward
JONATHAN SWIFT.....65'	cutter.....	Darlene and Bob Spriggs
JOSS II.....32'	cutter.....	Basil and Esther Lustig
MARIBEL.....42'	"R" sloop....	Ed Lewis and Al Hislop
MARYBETH.....40'	yawl.....	Pete and Jerry Petersen
NAJEZ.....48'	ketch.....	Don and Barbara Armour
NIRVANA.....64'	cutter.....	Hugo and Marj Carver John and Mary Knight
NOEMAR.....35'	yawl.....	Ralph and Pat Watkins
OLD MAID.....18'	Gaff cutter...	Beverley Holle
PACIFIC TRADER...26'	Gaff cutter...	Pat and Van Hope
POPPY.....34'	Gaff ketch....	Tom and Nancy Noonan
QUEEN MAB.....87'	schooner.....	Julio Garci-Crespi (George Dix)
REVELEE.....31'	ketch.....	Larry Fossum
SALUD.....31'	yawl.....	Bill and Marnie Clark
SEAWARD.....32'	Gaff schooner..	George and Dione Brokaw
SEAWEED.....32'	Gaff ketch....	Robert Lynn and Doug Simpson
SEA WITCH.....36'	Gaff ketch....	Bob and Sandra Driscoll
SINGING WIND.....40'	Gaff ketch....	Ernest Armstrong
SKAGERRAK.....38'	Gaff cutter...	Bill Holle
	44' sloop.....	Russ and Shirley Dennis
	42' ketch.....	Dave Hooten
	45' Gaff schooner..	Steve McPherson

(This is the list of members as of the general meeting in March)

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A PIECE OF
 ANCIENT MARINER'S
 PAST..., THIS YEAR THE
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NEWSLETTER OF THE ANCIENT MARINERS SAILING SOCIETY

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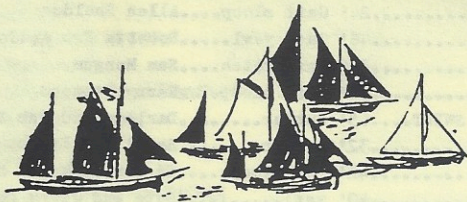
- APRIL 17th: Board meeting, 7:30 PM
15th Bob Spriggs, 720 Robinson
- APRIL 24th: General Meeting, 7:30 PM
Southwestern Yacht Club
- APRIL 26th: Regatta entry deadline
- MAY 2, 3, & 4: First Annual Regatta
Activities all weekend!

ANCIENT MARINERS

The purpose of our organization is to promote the preservation and use of sailboats of classic design and those built of traditional materials. We welcome all boat owners whose boats fall under these classifications, and anyone else who may be interested in preserving the tradition of classic sailboats.

The initiation fee for an Active membership is \$25, and includes a club burgee, the monthly newsletter, and dues for the first year. An Associate membership is also available to interested persons and non-boat owners at a cost of \$5 per year, which includes the monthly newsletter.

Our regular meetings are held at Southwestern Yacht Club on the last Thursday of each month at 7:30 P.M. We also have a monthly activity as well as special events planned during the year. Please join us!



May 3rd Regatta

Applications and brochures for the First Annual Regatta have been mailed to all members. Anyone else who may be interested in entering the race can contact Bob Spriggs, Regatta Chairman, 296-0682 or any member of the Board.

A trial run for the course that has been selected for the regatta will take place on Sunday, April 6th. All those interested in coming out and sailing the course, please keep track of your time and submit it to the regatta committee, in order to aid in the handicapping of the actual race.

