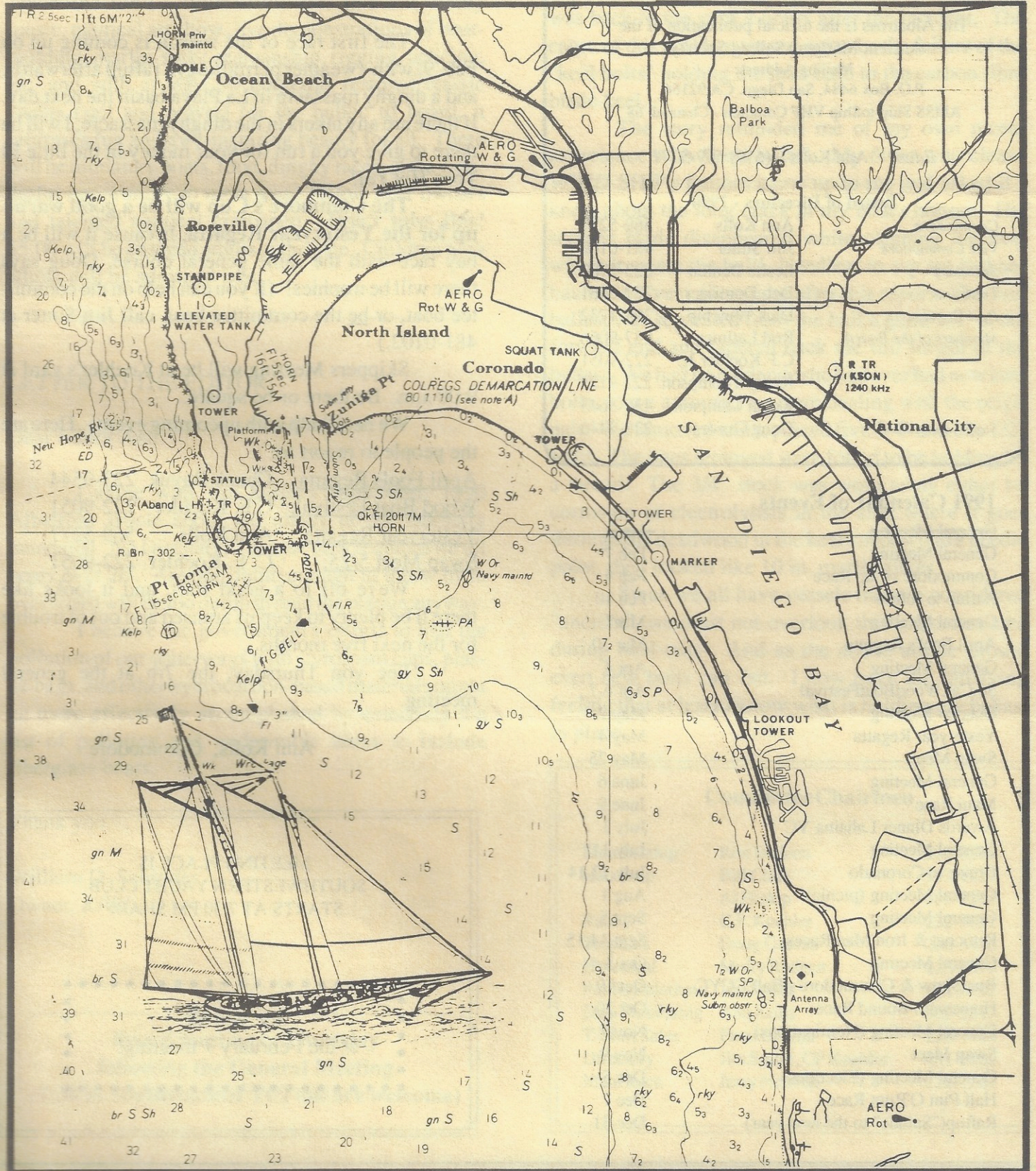
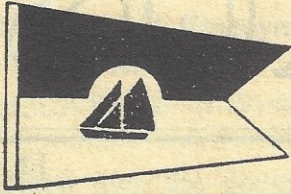


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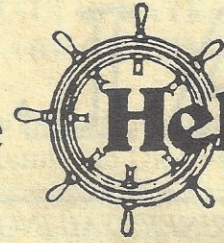
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**1991 Calendar of Events**

<del>General Meeting</del>	<del>Jan 3</del>
General Meeting	Feb 7
Commodore's Cup Race	Feb 9
Raftup to follow	Feb 10
General Meeting	Mar 7
April Fool's Regatta	Mar 30
General Meeting	Apr 4
So. Cal. Wood Boat Festival	Apr 6,7
General Meeting	May 2
Yesteryear Regatta	May 4
Swap Meet	May 25
General Meeting	June 6
Maui Race	June 9
Awards Dinner Lahaina YC	July 1
General Meeting	July 11*
Cruise to Coronado	July 13,14
General Meeting (picnic)	Aug 1
General Meeting	Sept 5
Petticoat & Iron Man Races	Sept 14,15
General Meeting	Oct 3
Boat Show & Commodore's Ball CCYC	Oct 19
Homeward Bound Race	Oct 20
General Meeting (Nominations)	Nov 7
Swap Meet	Nov 9
General Meeting (Elections)	Dec 5
Half Pint O'Rum Race	Dec 7
Raftup("Salude" to the new year)	Dec 31

**From the Helm**



The first race of the season is coming up on Feb. 9, with (weather permitting) a raftup afterwards, and a dinghy massacre in La Playa basin the next day. If there are any takers in the dinghy massacre, I will be there to give you a run for your money in the little El Toro *Hot Yot!*

**The Commore's Cup will be a good warm-up for the Yesteryear Regatta**, because it will be a bay race with the same general course. Doug says there will be trophies! (If you can help on the committee boat, or be the committee boat, call Jim Sutter at 481-0102.)

Skippers Meeting will be at Koehler's yard at 9:00 a.m. Be there or be square.

We need help with upcoming events. Here are the people to report to:

- April Fools Regatta: Chuck Bayuk 223-9544
- Wood Boat Festival: C.F. Koehler 222-9051
- Yesteryear Regatta: Ann Kolls 569-5277
- Swap Meet 5/25: C. F. Koehler 222-9051

We're off to a good start, and it looks like there'll be plenty to keep us amused and out of trouble for the next five months...

See you Thursday, the 7th at the general meeting.

Ann Kolls, Commodore

MEETING PLACE IS  
 SOUTHWESTERN YACHT CLUB.  
 STARTS AT 7:30 PM SHARP

See you all  
 at the February 7 meeting!

## TWO-DAY WOOD BOAT FESTIVAL TO BE A MAJOR ANNUAL AMSS EVENT!

On April 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. til 4 p.m. each day, there will be a Southern California Wood Boat Festival on Shelter Island, in the KoehlerCraft yard, to rival Port Townsend itself. With continuous live sea chanty music, nautical art show, live demonstrations of boat-building, marlin-spike seamanship, rigging, splicing, etc. and with at least 50 gorgeous restored classic yachts (sail and power) for the public to board, it promises fun and awe-inspiring beauty for all. There will be miniature boats, food, dinghy races, and a wonderful opportunity to meet some fellow boat owners and talented nautical craftsmen. **Don't miss this!** \$5.00 will be charged adults at the gate. Children with adults will be admitted free.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Editor Ann,

I agree with Jim Sutter's September, 1990 Albatross article about the idiocy of the federally mandated "No Discharge" plaque now required for all boats over 26'. Anyone dumb enough to throw trash overboard will be too dumb to read the plaque anyway.

I believe the government's efforts to halt the pollution of our waterways with styrofoam cups, plastic bags, and other hydrocarbon-based materials might be more effectively accomplished by extending the list of polluting and undesirable items to include fiberglass boats.

Thank you.

William D. Schroder  
Owner, *KIWI*

**Board meetings : Thursday  
following the General Meeting  
(7:30 at Southwestern YC) (all are welcome)**

### PORTSIDE by Dick Winchip

I recently read an article about Spain's first America's Cup Class boat that capsized on Jan. 6, '91 during a practice sail on Spain's Bay of Paloma. The 75 ft. sloop fell on its side after the lead bulb to the keel fell off. The boat did not sink below the surface and was back in the yard 4 hours after the incident. The cause of this accident turned out to be the failure of the "keel bolts" holding the lead bulb to the carbon fibre blade keel.

The story reminded me of my own recent experience with "keel bolts". My diver who cleans WIND SHIP's bottom came up to me and asked if I knew about the long crack in my boat's bottom. His scraper blade disappeared while cleaning the keel where it meets the hull! Needless to say we had her hauled in a very short time after this report. The iron ballast was separated from the hull a good 1/4" at the forward end and tapered back the full length of the ballast. We had no evidence she had ever had new keel bolts, so we assumed we were dealing with the originals. We removed and replaced five 3/4" and one 1/2" bolts. The ones removed were found to be holding by a thread! The 3/4" stock was worn away either by corrosion or electrolysis in the area where it goes through the deadwood in the keelson down to a needle point, they looked like 10 in. marlinspikes

Since we all have vessels that are considered "ancient", we must not overlook this important area during haul-outs! And as the above article shows, even new bolts can fail. I now have the satisfying feeling that at least I know what is holding my ballast in place.

#### Committee Chairmen

Membership	Ron Bodeen	223-8599
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## PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

### Randy Williamson & Carolyn Burnell

P.O. Box 6012  
San Diego, CA 92166 (619) 469-3297

Randy and Carolyn own the documented vessel *Sumiki II*, a 36' Herreshoff ketch, launched in '57, and built in Costa Mesa. Sponsored by Dick Winchip and Kevin Thompson, Randy and Carolyn (a nurse) are interested in cruising to Catalina, and maybe more...

### Dennis T. Ferguson

3653 Pershing Ave.  
San Diego, CA 92104 (619)298-8636

Sponsored by Jim Sutter and Rod Latimer, Dennis built and owns an as-yet-unnamed cold-molded 12 1/2' sprit rig catspaw dinghy. Built in '82, she is a version of Herreshoff's Columbia dinghy. Dennis is interested in Racing and cruising.

## NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

### Rosalyn C. Smyth

3050 Rue D'Orleans, No. 239  
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Sponsored by Annie Kolls, Rosalyn is Executive Coordinator, Bicycle Adventure Club, and interested in racing, cruising and crewing.

### Woodson K. Woods

Box 7963  
Aspen, Co 81612 (303) 920-3836

"Woody", sponsored by Paul Plotts and Jerry Newton, formerly owned "Scottish Fantasy II", and is interested in racing and cruising.

### GET READY, GET SET, SHOW!!

Get that varnish out. The Southern California Wood Boat Show & Festival at Koehler's on Shelter Island April 6 & 7 is THE one to be in! Call C.F. at 222-9051.

## MAUI UPDATE: THINGS ARE GETTING HOT!

Ancient Mariners are making their final plans for the upcoming fourth San Diego-to Maui transpac race for antique and classic yachts, co-sponsored by Lahaina Yacht Club. Starting in San Diego Bay June 9, will be some of the most beautiful classic yachts ever to sail the seas. Some of the names are legend, and some will become legend. *Rose of Sharon's* time of 13 days 5 hours and 52 minutes is the record to shoot for. Another legendary schooner, *Dauntless*, is going for it, along with six or seven other elegant entries, including *Typee*, a 48' Sparkman and Stephens yawl built in 1948 and owned by Ken and Debbie Steinmetz of Valley Circle, who are sailing with their four children to Hawaii and beyond.

As the only trans-oceanic race for classic yachts, this is a rare opportunity to sail the Pacific in an adventure unmatched anywhere. This race is the stuff dreams are made of; the adventure fantasy we all conjure up when we think of what life is for and about. Don't put this one off if you have the boat and the time for it.

Make the decision. "Seize the day..." There's still time...

The entry fee for the race is \$300, with a \$150 deposit due April 1. For further information, contact Jerry Newton, P.O. Box 6484, San Diego, CA 92166. Telephone (619) 222-1281.

### Other Major Events Of Interest for 1991

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|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| March 2     | One More Time Regatta (WHOA*)       |
| March 16,17 | Billy Bones Schooner Regatta        |
| March 23,24 | American Schooner Cup, S.D.         |
| April       | Newport Nautical Museum Race (WHOA) |
| May 18      | San Pedro Race (WHOA)               |
| May 25      | Master Mariners Regatta, S.F.       |
| June 1, 2   | Newport Wooden Boat Show            |

\* Wooden Hull Owners Ass'n.