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# SAN DIEGO BAY CALIFORNIA

From a Trigonometrical Survey  
under the direction of A.D. BACHE Superintendent of the  
SURVEY OF THE COAST OF THE UNITED STA

Triangulation by R.D. CUTTS Asst  
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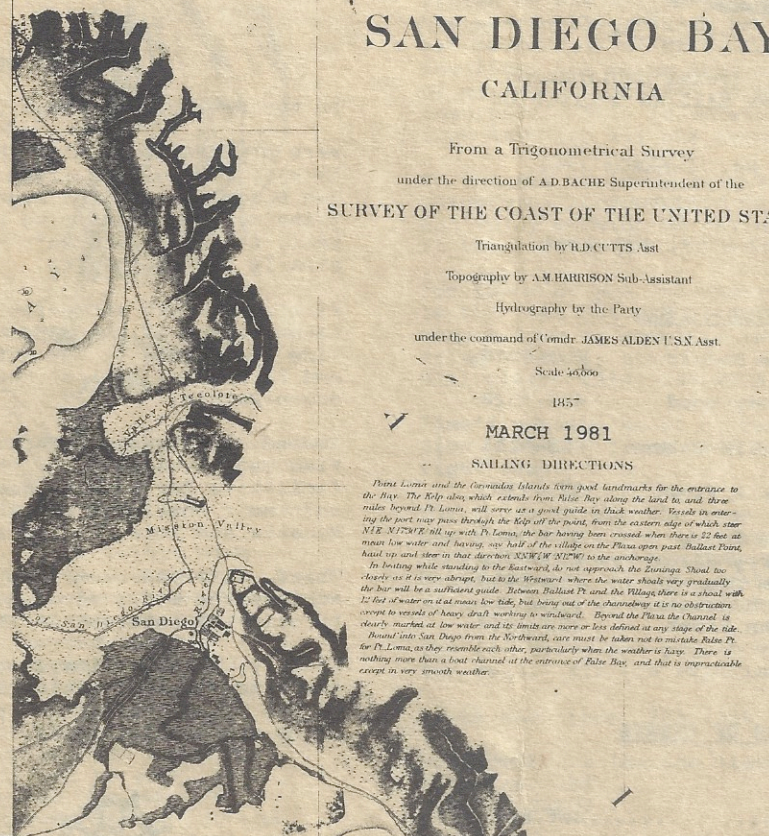
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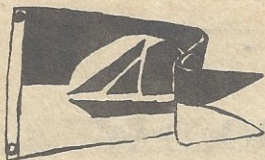
### SAILING DIRECTIONS

Point Loma and the Coronado Islands form good landmarks for the entrance to the Bay. The Rip also which extends from Point Loma to and three miles beyond Pt. Loma, will serve as a good guide in thick weather. Vessels on entering the port may pass through the Rip at the eastern edge of which steering N.E. N<sup>o</sup> 75° E till up with Pt. Loma, the bar having been crossed when there is 12 fms of mean low water and having run half of the village on the Playa upon past Ballast Point, haul up and steer in that direction S.W. by W 1/2 W to the anchorage.

In beating while standing to the Eastward, do not approach the Zimara Shoal too closely as it is very abrupt, but to the Westward where the water shoals very gradually the bar will be a sufficient guide. Between Ballast Pt and the Village there is a shoal 12 feet of water on at mean low tide, but being out of the channelway it is no obstruction except to vessels of heavy draft working to windward. Beyond the Playa the Channel is clearly marked at low water and its limits are more or less defined at any stage of the tide. Round into San Diego from the Northward, care must be taken not to mistake Point Loma for Pt. Loma, as they resemble each other particularly when the weather is hazy. There is nothing more than a lost channel at the entrance of False Bay, and that is unpracticable except in very smooth weather.



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1981 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FROSTBITE REGATTA ..... Sat Feb 28  
FOOLS' REGATTA ..... Sat Apr. 4  
IRON MAN SINGLE-HANDED RACE..... Sat May 9  
YESTERYEAR BAY REGATTA..... Sat June 20  
AMSS SAN DIEGO-MAUI RACE START..... Sun June 21  
JULY OPEN  
PETTYCOAT REGATTA (ladies only)..... Sat Aug 15  
3rd ANNUAL AMSS ENSENADA RACE..... Sept. 5,6,7  
GLORIETTA BAY RAFT-UP..... Sat Oct. 17  
NOVEMBER OPEN  
HALF PINT-O-RUM RACE..... Sat. Dec. 5



MARCH GENERAL MEETING

On Thurs. Mar 5 we will try anew type of event at our general meeting. Yes folks! this will be your big chance to win a valuable \$25 gift certificate from Pacific Marine Supply (worth about \$30 if you bought the same stuff at K) Tickets for this great raffle will go on sale at the door for 50¢.

The program for the evening will be a timely topic considering the performance recently of our local Mission and San Diego Bay charter organizations... "Saps at Sea" starring Laurel and Hardy. See this and other selected short classic films and enjoy an evening of laughter! Silvergate Yacht Club 7:30 PM

FROM THE HELM

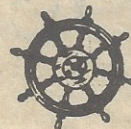
In the Feb. 1, San Diego Log several comments were printed concerning the lack (or apparent lack) of recognition given the AMSS by certain San Diego agencies and organizations. While pointing out a matter we have discussed each year, the article didn't present the facts clearly and up-to-date.

First, the Port authority has now formally taken notice of the AMSS, and offered to provide assistance by the San Diego Harbor Police and Fireboats, part of the Port Authority organization.

Second, Southwestern Yacht Club has for some time made available for the AMSS use, their facilities for general meetings in the past and their continued support for our Yesteryear Regatta and more, including our Maui Race.

Third, it would seem that the AMSS has yet to achieve the media coverage and exposure required to stir the interest of the City of San Diego.

Finally, at this time I would like to express the sincere appreciation of the AMSS to all of the organizations and people who have helped us achieve our goals.



*Tom Belair*

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

NIGHTINGALE owned by: David Abrahamsen  
6684 Coldgate Ave.  
L.A. Ca 90048

She is a 36 ft. Gene Wells designed ketch built in 1964 by Trade Winds Marine in Hong-Kong. She has a spruce mast and 1" teak hull.

CALYPSO owned by: Deidre Lindsey  
3040 Emerson St.  
S.D. CA.

She is a Harry Pidgen designed 34' yawl built in 1948 at the L.A. Boat Works. She has a spruce mast and a 1½" fir planking, an aft cabin and a center cockpit.

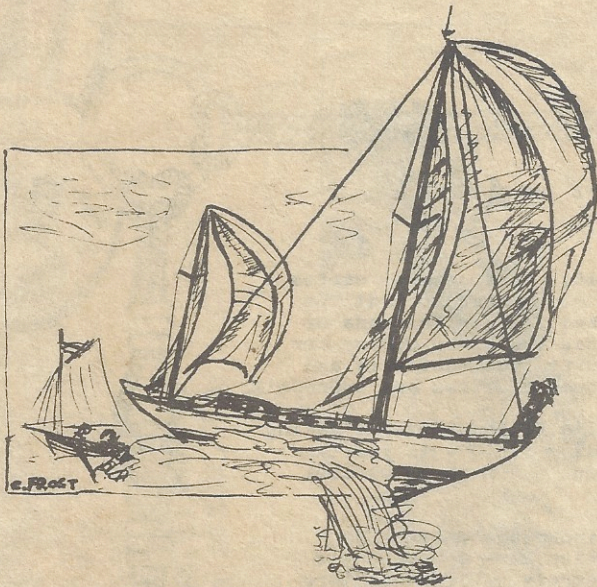
MAKANI KAI owned by: Kenneth K. Inouye  
1473 Valota Rd.  
Redwood City, CA 94061

She is a 40' Angleman Sea Spirit built in 1970 in Taiwan in 1970. She is carvel planked of mahogany.

STROKES owned and built by: Dell Cover  
4902 Gaylord Dr.  
SD, CA. 92117

She is a 17' Charles Lawton/Gardner designed gaff rigged sloop with cedar planks over oak frames. She is a design typical of the Whitehall rowing dingies of the 1880's, lapstrake.

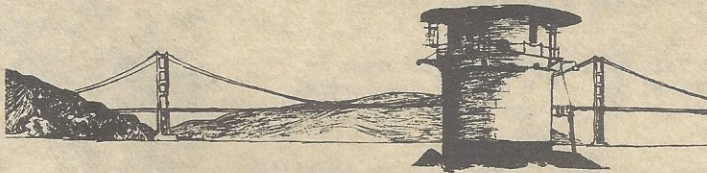




FROSTBITE REGATTA / CRUISE

Sat. Feb. 28 and Sun. Mar. 1 the Colbys have put together a little sojourn to a spot down south farther than many of us have ever voyaged. We will follow the inland passage to a spot many of us thought beyond the edge of the world until that epic voyage by DINGUS only last year.

The exploration will begin at bouy 19 next to Shelter Island, the course then takes us around bouy 11 and then 5 both to port, then back down the bay passing the red bouy 28 to starboard and taking a course between 150° and 155° to the finish in the "New World", a place called Coronado Cays Yacht Club. Anchor there but be careful about going ashore there may be cannibals, numerous realtors have gone there to enlighten the savages and never been heard of again. The fear is they were eaten by the "Looky-Loo" tribe. Lee Colby will go ashore with \$24 worth of participation placques to placuate the savages and see if we will be partying ashore or on the raft-up. We'll stay Sat. night then race/cruise back Sun. Hope to see you all there!



BATTLE OF SAN DIEGO BAY

Members of the AMSS have been invited by the San Diego Cannoneers to witness and take part in the re-enactment of the Battle of San Diego Bay which took place between an American merchant ship and a Mexican battery on Ballast Point. The festivities will begin on Mar. 22 at 11:00 AM. The ship involved will be the H.M.S. DOLFIN, a member of the AMSS and it will face a battery of the Cannoneers. The H.M.S. DOLFIN, an authentic 1/3 scale replica of a British Man-O-War will be matched up against a 1200lb antique bronze cannon from the 1800's.

Wayne Keniston and the San Diego Cannoneers will be providing the starting barrage for the San Diego-Maui race June 21.

Plans are jelling for the start and also the finish of the Maui Race. The Port Authority has graciously offered an escort of fire boats and harbor patrol crowd control of our starting line. One thing they are going to require of us though, is that we have event-liability insurance. This is something the club should look into for all our events.

On the end it looks like we will be having our trophy presentation on the CARTHEGINIAN II and we're working on having our awards banquet at the Pioneer Inn.

For those of you interested in participating in the race but are afraid of not having enough time to complete the race, we're offering an early start for slower boats. Contact Bill Clark. (714) 297-2795.

Time's running short . Turn in your application with the first \$100 of the entry fee (\$200) right away.

For those of you who need trip insurance for the trip over, you will probably need a trip survey for your insurance company. Call Dennis Daust, an AMSS member, and a marine surveyor for an AMSS discount price. 222-0163.

The following are people wishing to crew on the race. All are experienced sailors:

Laura Wickstrum 226-1356 work, 223-9002 home

Will Smothers (Marine electrician)  
P.O. Box 7789  
S.D. CA 92107

Michael (experienced sail maker)  
contact Sail Services 226-1133

Sheri (experienced schooner racer & sail maker)  
224-7700

Tom Gudauskas & Mary Hyde (Pearson 30, extensive  
454-8739 home coastal cruising)  
747-7873 work

Mike Anderson (714) 673-2978  
2834 Newport Blvd.  
Newport Beach CA 92663

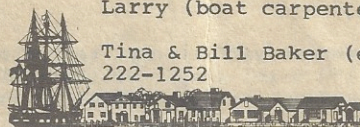
Mike Lynns 571-1305

Bill Filson  
1042 Chalcedong  
San Diego, CA 92109

James Beveridge (coastal cruising & racing)  
452-8718

Larry (boat carpenter) 273-9058 (after 6 )

Tina & Bill Baker (east coast schooner crew exp.)  
222-1252



RESULTS OF THE COMMODOR'S CUP RACE

CLASSIC CRUISING YACHTS

1. TOMAHAWK- Tom Belair
2. CYNTHIA- Lynde Selden III
3. WHITE CLOUD- Paul & Susan Mitchell
4. SALUD- Gene Truex
5. MIGAN- Steve Bradley
6. VIKING- Tom Clemmons
7. SEA SHARP- Joe Cappola

CLASSIC RACING YACHTS

1. PRIMA DONNA- Rick Reynolds
2. PACIFICA- Jack Frost
3. NIRVANA- John Knight
4. ZAPATA II- Jim & Robin Keitges

Bahia Tortugas (Turtles Bay) is growing fast! Restaurants, stores with fresh meat and just about any supplies you might need abound! The prices though are high. Items are usually trucked in from Ensenada or flown in on one of the six different DC-3's we saw land here during our one week stay. There is a vast selection of fruits and vegetables and we were able to find some good buys- ie. cantelope, tomatoes and avocado's.

This was a time of renewing some old cruising friendships and making new. There appears to be quite a few boats heading south this year and most of them left early like us. We have had just spectacular weather (knock on wood)!

We sailed to Asuncion next. Somehow this anchorage doesn't do much for us, but it's only forty miles from Turtles Bay- a good day's run. We were able to replenish our dwindling supply of linguist here cheaply. Once again we thanked the heavens for our large pressure canner. As most of our friends know, about 75% of our food is canned right here aboard PRIVATEER. At some future date, possibly snow-bound, we will be able to enjoy a Lobster Thermador dinner and remember our cruise of Baja.

Abberojos is lower on the list than Asuncion so we passed by in a light wind for Baja Magdalena 150 miles away. This took about 34 hours but a good 10 of these were under "gollywobbler" with very fluky winds. We anchored at Puerto Magdalena also known as Man of War Cove. This little fishing village now boasts a big Catterpillar Diesel for electricity, and they are building a de-salinization plant. There are refrigerators and washing machines and all the other horrible "necessities". A plane even flew in onto the beach while we were there. We moved down to in front of Howlands Lagoon in 10 feet of water where the only noises were the pelicans crashing and fish jumping. It was in Mag Bay that we caught our first Sierra which must mean that we are really far south. Still looking for the Dorado! There is a little store here for the basics but we took on no water as it all comes by panga from across the bay at San Carlos. Lots of lobster still, and the canner runs in the cool of the night. Here our big sun awning has gone up for the first time. Daytime temperatures are in the low 80's and high 70's, while the water is a constant 75 degrees now. On to Cabo- our first port of entry. Our mail awaits us here.

Cabo San Lucas is growing! Unfortunately so is the inflation rate. It reached 25% this last year. The local officials told us that Cabo is the most-expensive city in all of Mexico now. Hotel rooms run between \$120-\$150 a night. The food is also expensive, but all in all, Cabo is still as beautiful and exciting as ever! We experienced a week of gray skies but warm air temperatures and the water was a constant swimmable 78 degrees.

Our AMSS Burgee went up to send off fellow member Steve Luckman as he started the uphill climb in little TEREMATI after 8 months in Mexico. Unfortunately we lost our burgee in a "little blow" right after that, but that's another story.

Diesel fuel was .36¢ a gal. at the cannery dock. Water is available there and all along the beach. The water in Cabo is excellent as is all the water in Baja.

Clear skies and we will attempt to "motor" up to La Paz against the prevailing winds 150 miles away. We certainly hope that PRIVATEER takes no offense against having to beat to weather!

FOR SALE:

SAGA owned by Hazel Weems who is looking for a new owner of the boat who will cherish it with the same devotion that she and Dick did. SAGA is an Island Clipper built by Fellows and Stewart in San Pedro in 1946. The boat is in excellent shape and is outfitted with much new or near-new equipment; new Horizon VHF, Kenyon digital fathometer, head w/holding tank, Norcold freezer, Ideal electric windlass, new spinnaker, near-new genoa and full boat cover. also included are an Avon and Johnson outboard for an asking price of \$39,950.00 contact Hazel Weems 583-0906 eves.