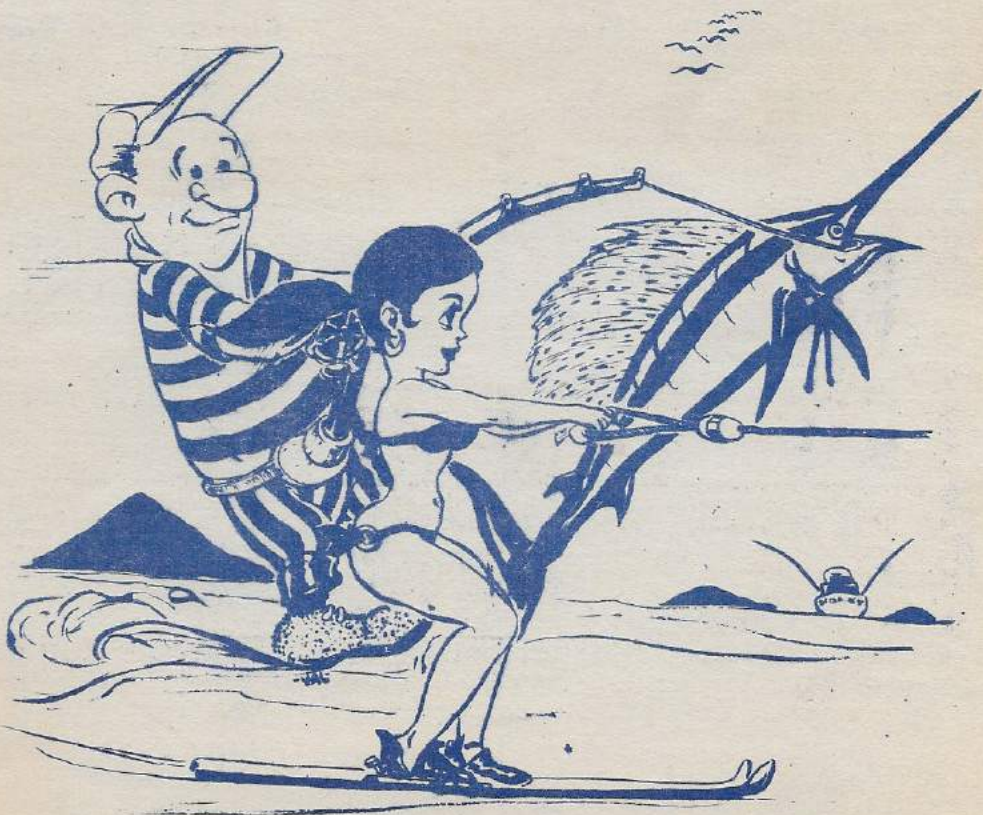




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The Council Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:10. Four absent from the Phoenix Chapter. Alternates were named by Dick Allyn.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bob Rumsey, Council Treasurer from Tucson, was asked for his resignation. He was absent. Council Chairman will take care of getting the books and having them audited. Dick Allyn volunteered to take the job for the balance of the year.

Search & Rescue, Mel Jarvis. Reported \$302.81 in checking account. Most all boaters are using the buddy-system during the radio shack shutdown.

Derby, Doug Cashion. New dates for the 1972 Fishing Derby are set tentatively for Nov. 24th and 25th, presuming our problems are solved and everything back to normal.

Chatter, Betty Capen. Tucson was asked to provide some news for their members and articles in general.

Radio, Chris Tatum. No radio facilities, no report.

Building, Bob Morris, Chris Tatum and Claud Coker made responsible for the new building. Council agreed to let groups use said building. Donation for maintenance and supplies (gas and butane) to be accepted.

Constitution and By-laws, Dick Allyn, 272 members voted 266 for acceptance and 6 against for acceptance, for the revised Constitution and By-laws. Copies to be inserted in the Chatter in August issue.

Big 10, Bob Bos, needs co-chairman and helpers from the Phoenix Chapter. Mel Jarvis offered to ask Don Barber what happened to all the Big 10 patches.

Christmas Party, Jim Urban, no report.

Radio Facilities, Chris Tatum and Mel Jarvis, to be moved from the trailer in the near future (after it cools off a bit). Moving into our block building and pulling trailer out.

Sign, Harry Capen and Chris Tatum, contact has been made to some of the Charter Captains. Sign to be erected along the radio facilities with the name of Captain, boat name and how to contact for reservations.

Old and New Business.

Our problems at Cholla Bay were discussed. Insurance for our new building. Discussion was held about radio operators. Arizona Sports Scene Newspaper was given permission to use our membership list for a mailing, in return for Club publicity. Much discussion followed. Al Scott, Publicity Chairman for the Phoenix Chapter, asked in their behalf.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p. m.



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By Mel Jarvis

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First off the Search & Rescue team consists of men that work in it because they want to. They give their time (fishing time in most cases), and they lay their boats and equipment and sometimes their neck on the line for the people that get themselves in trouble, either by engine failure, bad weather, or just lack of knowledge of their equipment.

Part of your membership dues and whatever donations we receive from those we have helped, and I would like to underline donation, because on your part that's what it has to be.

We will tell you what it has

cost Search & Rescue to get you back on your trailer, either in person or by letter, then it is up to you. If you should feel that your membership dues should take care of it, fine, just a thank you would be appreciated. The letter is not a bill.

Each year the club council sets aside a small sum of money for Search & Rescue, and being the chairman, I could draw on it to cover expenses if they came up in search. This money set aside by the council would not begin to cover the expenses of one all out big search, so without the donations to help keep our operating budget going you can see why we make it a point to let you know what the costs were.

Many times there is a search on and I'm not at the

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Bay, Patty keeps a very detailed log on the search and all bills are sent to me and I pay them out of the operating money.

The form letter that I send to the people involved will have the cost of the search and also explains the purpose of the club and if you are not a member how we would like to have you as one, and if you care to donate to the cause, we would appreciate it. This is not sent as a bill and I hope no one takes it as such.

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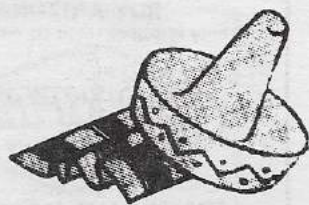
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History was made in Puerto Penasco during this past month of June. A caesarean operation was performed on an American woman at the hospital in Penasco. Martha Jo Crane was visiting the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Perlmutter, in Choya Bay when the stork decided to pay a visit. There seemed to be too little time to rush back to Phoenix, so she was admitted to the hospital by Dr. Rigoberto Quintero Chavez. After many hours of labor the Doctor, Sr. Stork and Martha decided the baby would have to be born caesarean. When Martha's father, who was by now being fondly called Mr. Ed by all the doctors and nurses, asked if the operation could be performed at the hospital. The Doctor said yes but he would have to send for assistance. "Do it", Mr. Ed answered, "we have complete trust in you". Dr. Quintero then hot lined to Dr. Ruben Vazquez B an anestesistia from Sonita and Dr. Ramirez from Caborca

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who was the assistant surgeon. By the time they arrived, Dr. Quintero and his beautiful wife (and by beautiful I mean movie star beauty) Dra. Gabriela de Leon de Q with the help of a very efficient nurse, Esther Centearo Gomez, had the mother to be ready. Thanks first to Almighty God and then to their efficient work on June 10, 12:10 a. m. a 9½ lb. baby boy let out his "Buenos Dias" which rang throughout the hall of the hospital. Incidentally, the baby's name is Rocky Joe and you can guess where the mother got the idea of Rocky. Who said it couldn't be done in Mexico?

Everyone who comes to Puerto Penasco area knows where Lukeville is but if someone inquires where "Lonesville" is direct them to Choya. This has been a lonely town and very lacking on good old fish tales so that will have to be skipped over for this month.

With no fish stories, I decided to become a Mexican

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"Helois" and pass on a couple helpful hints for the month. One came from Snooky Roberts who is a receptionist for an eye doctor. To keep from having your glasses fall into the wild blue yonder buy the chain that slips onto your glasses and put a cork on the chain. That way if they do go overboard, they will at least float and give you a chance to retrieve them. I don't have the answer how to hold onto your dentures when you up-chuck yet, any ideas??

Second hint was to place one of the plastic dish cleaners in your shower drain and this keeps the monsters called in a nice way, water bugs from getting into your bathroom in the wee hours of the night.

Going back to the subject of the hospital, while I was there I saw they are very much in need of a few things for newborn babies which is a going pro-





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Even though the derby was cancelled for now, it is noteworthy to mention several of the Choya people were interested in you. They are well aware of the condition of the road and some of them joined together to collect enough money to have the road graded. Some were willing to help and some were not, but here is a list of the ones who donated.

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By ... MEL JARVIS

Boy this is sure the year for over heating and ball gear wear. Over heating in the marine engine can really drive a service shop right up the wall, you just don't know the number of reasons a marine engine will over-heat. Here are a few, some you can take care of and some only a shop can do.

The alternator belt slipping will cause over heating at high speed as the recirculating pump will not turn at the proper speed holding the water in the block too long.

If you have been playing with the timing you can have a hot engine.

If you have ever tried to get in one of the estuaries and had to plow a little mud or sand with your prop you could have pumped mud or sand up in the drive plugging or partly plugging some of the water passages.

Air entering any part of the suction side of the pump in any manner will decrease the output up the pump, causing it to heat at high speeds. Your marine shop should check this passage out. Exhaust entering the pump will cause overheating lubricant is important here. If your drive has the red screw plug there is a grease fitting behind it, this lubes the seals in the swivel housing above the pump.

If your engine is 2 to 3 years old the manifold and elbow should be cleaned and all hoses checked. If you had overheating problems in the past then the hose on the exhaust manifold discharge should be checked as they may have been damaged with out water being pumped in the exhaust stream. In most boats they lay below the water line and hard to get to. You can really have yourself a time if one of them blows on your way out fishing, you may sink if you stop, and you will pump your boat full of water and hot exhaust if you keep going, its a good idea to carry a spare exhaust hose aboard for your engine.

Ball gear wear is caused by one of two things, running your

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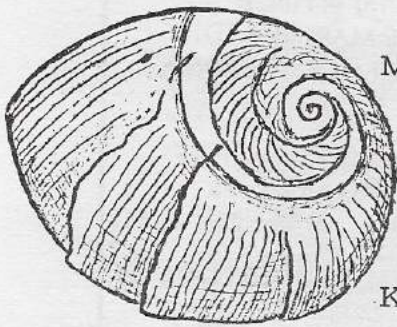
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Karl Laubach

The family of gastropods known as Naticidae are often found on beaches in the Gulf of California. At low tide their broad meandering trails can be seen on the sand flats of Cholla Bay. Commonly known as moon snails or shark's eyes, they include many genera and hundreds of species found worldwide.

Along with the Murexes and Whelks, moon snails are carnivores, feeding on other shells. As they dig just below the surface of the sand, they uproot clams with their strong foot and drill a small round hole in their shells. Drilling is accomplished by a combination of rasping by radula teeth and corrosion by acid produced in glands. The victim's flesh is then sucked out through the hole. Often these clam shells with small holes in them are found washed up on the beach, as grim evidence of one of the eternal life and death struggles which go on beneath the sea. One moon snail with a healthy appetite may consume up to 3 or 4 small clams daily.

The size and shape of moon snails vary greatly. One species found in the Bay has a heavy, dull grayish shell. Another smaller variety is thinner and shiny with a bluish or brownish pattern. The operculum, or trap door, also varies with the genus. It may be pliable and horny as with *Polonices* and *Lunatia* or hard and shell-like as with *Natica*. Operculum characteristics provide an excellent method of classifying a specimen.

The strange "sand collar" is actually the egg - mass of the moon snail. The size and shape of the collar may vary significantly, depending on the species and size of the female. Sand collars are formed when the gelatinous mass of eggs laid by the female becomes coated with sand. Sand serves as protection from sun and currents and as camouflage against predators until the young hatch in 2 to 3 weeks. When moist, the sand collar is soft and flexible, becoming quite fragile and brittle when dry.

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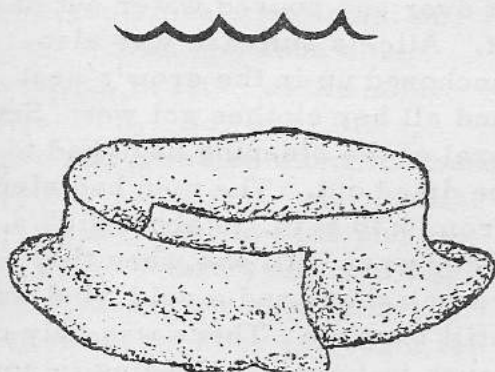
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## A TRIP TO REMEMBER

Opal Dina



Continued from last month.

FRIDAY, OCT. 29

Finally at daybreak, we got up and the boat was gone. Betty walked around to the other side of the peninsula and found it anchored there. We had ham, coffee, and scrambled eggs and the men came ashore about 10:00. The night they had just gone through was a real nightmare. Hector, who was raised up fishing with his father along the coast line and has been in lots of storms, said it was the worst one he had ever been in. The waves were 20 to 30 feet high and came so fast, the men were almost washed overboard. One would come and raise the boat straight up in the air and before it would come down, another wave would hit on the side and as the boat

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had begun about 9:00, it started to get rougher about 10:00, and Hector cut the anchor at 11:00. It was 4:00 a. m. when they finally anchored in the cove. Everything had been thrown upside down in the cabin. Cases of Seven-Up had been washed overboard from the deck. My foot locker, which was tied down in the crow's nest, slid down and landed on its end in front of the toilet. I was very much surprised it did not wash overboard. Almost all of my clothes were wet. Howard turned it over and poured water out of it. Alice's suitcase was also anchored up in the crow's nest and all her clothes got wet. Several of the sleeping bags had to be dried out. The men had slept from 4:30 a. m. to about 9:00 a. m. They were still wet when they came ashore and a cold wind was still blowing. There was only one truck in Lobos, belonging to some workman. Leo walked up the hill and asked their assistance in

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moving our gear over to the hotel. They came over very graciously and moved it all, along with us, and didn't want to take money for it. Leo insisted they take \$5.00 for their gasoline. They were very hospitable and helped us move everything.

We rented two little apartments in the little hotel. One had a big kitchen and two big beds and two 3/4 beds and a bathroom. The other had two big beds and one 3/4 bed and a kitchen. We moved all our equipment over, fed the men a good meal, and most of us layed down and took a nap. The beach in front of the hotel is beautiful. Howard, Alice, Roger and I walked along the beach and the view is just "muy bonita."

We all slept in beds and you have never heard such snoring. Vergie said I was talking in my sleep about whether I brought the tea. Leo was running a little fever and we were worried about him, but after a few hot toddies and a good night's rest, he was fine. After putting so much time into the preparation, it would spoil the trip for all of us if he should get sick.

SATURDAY, OCT. 30

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the waves pushing us on and watching the shoreline in its natural primitive state. Hector and Manuel grew up in this area and nothing has changed. Hector pointed out different places he had lived and camped when he was a boy. At one place he showed us a sea hawk's nest that has been there for thirty years. Then as we were approaching Teberon Island, he told us how the Seri Indians used to row in from the island to the fishing villages and kill the fisherman. They could row a canoe and cover 60 miles in a day. At the present time there are only about 320 of these Indians left. He showed us where he fished with his father and they would bring in 400 to 600 pounds of fish a day in a slow season and 800 pounds in their peak season. The waves were a little too rough to cook, so we waited until we stopped for the night at Teberon Island. Hector put the boat in calm water in a protected area and Rossi served us delicious spaghetti.

SUNDAY, OCT. 31

The sunrise on the ocean is breathtaking. The natural beauty of the world we live in cannot be improved on by man. God has given us this beauty free, just to be enjoyed, but sometimes we get so involved with our own private worlds we never take the time to see and appreciate the beauty, but it is always there. Simple things like laying on the poop deck, sleeping in a sleeping bag breathing the brisk sea air and being rocked to sleep gently by the boat with a clear sky full of stars and full moon up above is so truly beautiful.

We arrived in Keno Bay about 2:00 p.m. We all cleaned up and went ashore. We had only meant to stay about an hour, but ended up having dinner and didn't get back on the boat until dark. I ate turtle steak and so did Roger and Alice. Howard had shrimp, Leo and Leone had lobster. I don't know what the others had but the food was excellent. We came back on the boat about 7:30 and had a big party. Hector and Manuel sang. Manuel played the guitar. Everybody sang and danced. Then we climbed on deck under the stars and full moon and went to sleep. Hector and Howard tied my sleeping bag so it wouldn't slip.

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MONDAY, NOV. 1

Howard and I got up about 7:00 and made breakfast. We made coffee, ham, eggs sunny side up, toast and jelly. We left Keno Bay early and cooked out at sea. The men wanted to fish so we came to a cove near Turner Island. The grouper were supposed to be here, but no one caught any. They caught all the trigger fish they wanted. We met three shrimp boats and they gave us fish, shrimp and a big turtle. Hector cooked shrimp for lunch. The shrimp are cooked whole, head and all, and each one peels his own and dips it into sauce. This is so delicious! We pulled into a little cove called "The Monument" and docked for the night. We all went ashore to stretch our legs. It



is very primitive. The rocks are washed smooth from the ocean waves of so many hundreds of years. We walked up into a green valley with golden cactus, and I could imagine how Columbus must have felt when he set foot on soil. Betty and Hector cooked dinner. We had fried fish which was excellent, tossed salad, fresh shrimp, refried beans and fruit cocktail. Tonight the men played poker. Manuel ended up winning \$3.00. Hector was so tired he went to sleep under the poker table. We get tired so early, we go to bed by 7:30 or 8:00 unless we have a party. Leo didn't want to go to bed--he kept fishing until about 10:00 catching catfish. Tonight I set up a cot on the poop deck. I tied it on

both ends and in the middle, then tied my sleeping bag on. I slept like a baby all night. The deck is still hard to sleep on. I thought I would get used to it, but it is still hard. It doesn't seem to bother Roger, Alice or Howard or the others sleeping on lower deck. My mummy bag is working out great--the hood closes with a drawstring so only my nose is exposed to the air.

## TUESDAY, NOV. 2

Cliff made the coffee and Alice and I made pancakes for breakfast. Hector was underway about 7:00 this morning, but the water is too rough to go across to Baha. We anchored about 10:00 a. m. in a cove and went ashore to cook the turtle.

Leo watched carefully to see how it was done. As a matter of fact, he had to kill it as Hector and Manuel did not want to. We took the big soup pot (40 qts.) over with four or five onions, carrots, celery, oregano, salt and pepper. Manuel trimmed the meat off the shell, throwing away the unedible parts and boiled the rest in the soup pot. The day was so beautiful. Dot did not feel good so she stayed on the boat and so did Bob as he can't walk very well in soft sand. When the meat was done, Leone, Vergie

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and Betty picked it off the bones and put it into the soup pot with the vegetables. The rest of the meat was left on the shell.

When the soup was moved off the fire, the shell was placed in a certain position so the turtle steaks cooked right on the shell. It was all delicious.

There is supposed to be seven kinds of meat on a turtle--pork, beef, chicken, turkey, fish, lamb and mutton--also three hearts. Part of what I ate tasted like turkey. The soup had a flavor all its own, but was similar to turkey vegetable.

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We all took walks along the sandy beach and collected some shells. There were not too many shells. The rocks are very colorful. The coloring makes me think of the mountains in Sedona. Roger and I climbed the mountain to a cross,

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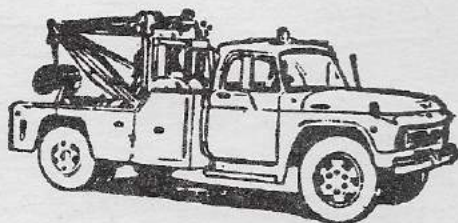
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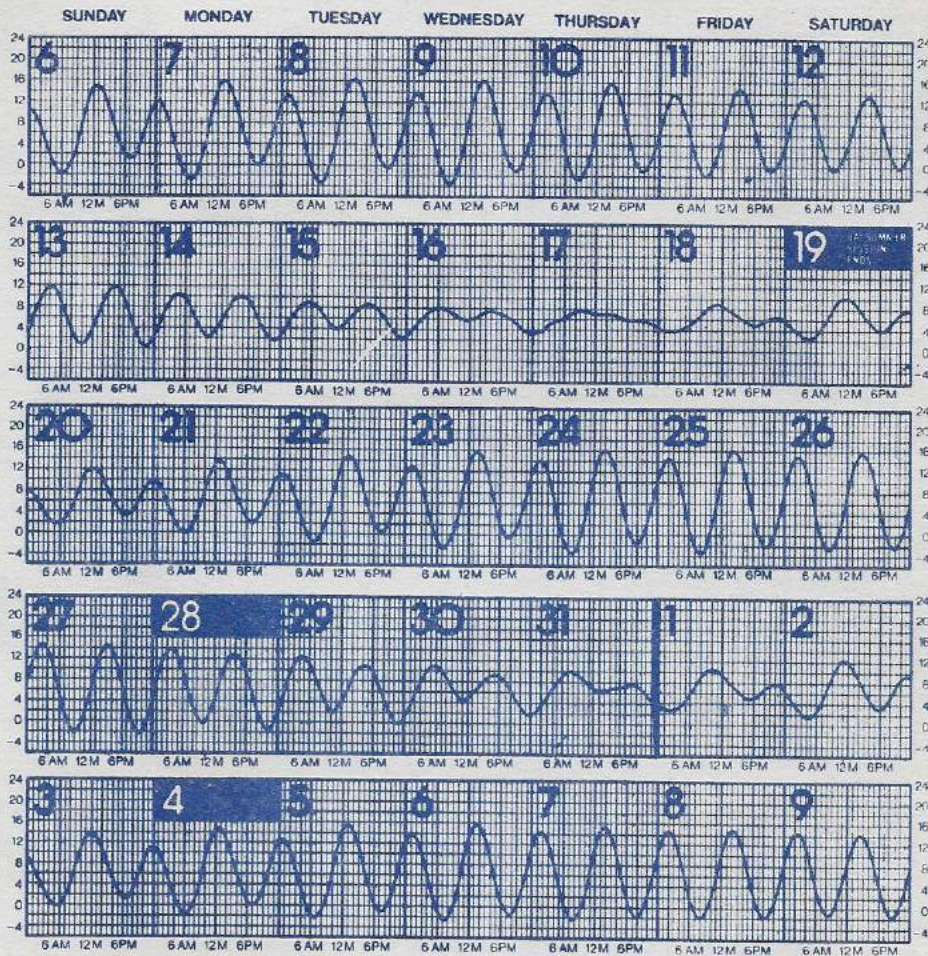
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SEA TEMP. (°F)	88	N.A.		
RAINFALL (in.)	0.32	0.32	11:22 A.M.	10:26 P.M.
WIND SPEED (mph)	6.7	N.A.		

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