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# Christmas Note ...

ATTENTION! Anyone who has any used toys or stuffed animals in good to excellent condition and would like to donate them to the Christmas party for the children of Cholla, please contact Belle Taylor at 965-6777 or 944-8657.

# Dinner-Dance Recap

Cholla Bay Sportsman's Club had its annual August dinner dance on August 23rd ... and it was a huge success. Club members brought guests and the Tucson Chapter was represented by several of its members, and everyone was in a party mood.

Standing at the door taking tickets and greeting the party-goers, Nancy Hylton and I could feel the mood and the excitement in the air. Everyone seemed to be ready for a party, the ladies all looked lovely and the gentlemen were handsome. The food was good, the bartender handled nearly two hundred people expertly, and the music was excellent — we danced our feet off.

The turnout for the party filled the ballroom to the rafters. My personal thought is that the Club came up with a great idea many years ago when it voted the August party to be an annual affair for its members.

We saw members we haven't seen in months and some old-time members that aren't still active in the Club...and we also got some new recruits. It's all very gratifying and we did have ONE WHALE OF A PARTY.

I'd like to mention something different that happened this year; in all the years we have worked putting together the August party it has never happened before. Nancy and I received a thank you note for our part in producing this year's party. That small gesture came from a member who is not involved with running the Club or the politics of it. It was a super boost.

Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club members, we salute you. You are the greatest!

Debbie Jarvis and Nancy Hylton, August Party Chairmen

# TUCSON SCUTTLEBUTT



By Winnie Sims

We wish a speedy recovery to all who are ill - especially Neva Daugherty.

Congratulations to Margaret Newman who was chosen to represent the Tucson Chapter at the Black and White Ball in Rocky Point. We know your charm will go a long way toward the promotion of continuing friendship between the two countries.

The next time any of you launch your boat - the instant you cast off you should follow the Rules of the Road:

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Welcome aboard to new member, Clarence Wilson.

To all members who do not seem to be able to come to the meetings - why not make an extra effort and join the regulars - you will be welcomed, and I know you will enjoy the experience.

Welcome back to Bob Morris and friend Jan Springer, Billy and Beverly Bidwell, and Pete Scott's grandmother from New York.

Phoenix will raffle 2 CB radios on CONTINUED ON PAGE 16

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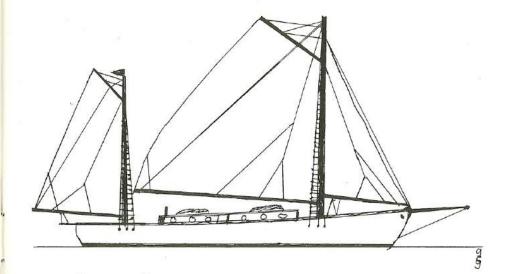
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the sharks are separated from their distant kinfolk in the order Selachii, which is their own special group of cartilage-type fish. However, the class and order names may vary somewhat.

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families are subdivided into smaller genera groups and each genus is a group of one or more different species. About 250 different shark species have been identified and some experts suspect that there are more to be discovered.

Other features that set them apart from the other fish are scaleless skins and no gill covers. Actually, their thick leathery hides are embedded with tiny plates, thought to be the remnants of ancestral teeth. Sharks absorb dissolved oxygen by gulping water that streams back through their delicate gills, just as other fish do. However, in the sharks, the used water flows out through several pairs of slits.

Sharks are descendants of ancient fish that dominated the seas ages before the scaly fishes arrived. Most of them are hungry meat-eating hunters, always famished for more food. We tend to think of them as mighty man-eaters — though as far as we know, only about 10 per cent of the various species are likely to attack humans

The largest of the breed is the great whale shark, 60 feet long. He is the largest of all fish and happens to be a peaceable fellow who feeds on bits of plankton.

The meat-eating sharks are mighty hunters indeed, agile and keenly alert. They can smell blood in the water from a quarter of a mile and hear a struggling swimmer from almost the same distance. They do not see too far in murky water, naturally, but in clear water they can see moving objects from at least 15 yards.

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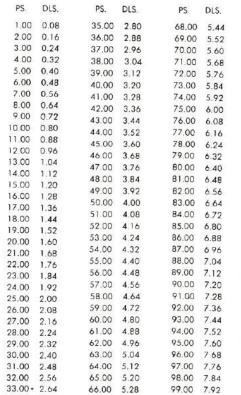


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# THE CASE OF THE MYSTERY SHARK

BY PHIL MILES

Every fisherman and diver in the Gulf has apparently seen this shark, but still scientists don't know what it is! I am referring to the mysterious 'sand' shark that reportedly is so common around Cholla Bay and Guaymas.

I've written several articles on sharks and fished the Gulf waters for them, but I've never seen a 'sand' shark. What can it be?

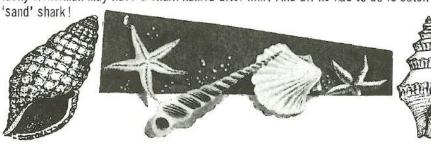
It can't be a hammerhead, everyone knows what they look like. And it definitely is not one of those 30' basking sharks sighted recently off the Marine Lab. The Mexican fishermen call these "frogmouth" sharks. They sieve tiny floating animals from sea water and have to have large mouths. No, it must be something else.

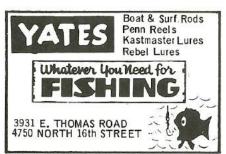
Probably it's not the sharpnose or "carcon" that's being fished now commercially around Guaymas and elsewhere. These taste pretty good, but anyone can tell that pointed grey snout and those sharp little teeth.

Maybe it's a smoothhound. These are about the right size, three feet or so. But these little tan-colored sharks have flat teeth that aren't sharp at all. Anyone could probably see that.

I'm pretty sure it couldn't be a horn shark or an angel. These come up in the shrimp trawls regularly. Almost every local fisherman will recognize them. The horn sharks have sharp spines in their dorsal fins and dark spots even. And the angel is flat from head to tail.

No, I'm almost convinced now that there IS a mystery shark in the Gulf, the mysterious "sand" shark, a complete unknown to the catalogue of science. Just think, some lucky fisherman may have a shark named after him! And all he has to do is catch a





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# a christmas trip JUNKYARD OF THE PACIFIC: BAJA'S MALARRIMO BEACH..... by Wayne Pryor

According to the Auto Club map, it is 45 miles from Rancho San Jose de Castro to Malarrimo. According to the Auto Club book, it is 19 miles. According to our speedometer and those of three others, it is 28 miles of rocks and stream beds. It took almost 3 hours. The last two and a half miles is pure soft white beach sand and I shivered all the way as I worried about sinking in - it was SOFT! But I kept the Ford in second. pushed hard on the throttle, and figured I'd worry about getting out when the time came. The brush and cholla cactus ripped and tore at the sides of the truck almost all the way - we have scratches on the scratches down the sides. But we made it.

There in front of us were white breakers, blue water beyond, and a lonely Mexican fishing boat that had been swept in by the tide. It was a lovely junk pile right in front of us and beach stretching for miles on either side of this arroyothat ends at the beach.

We found a good campsite, well back from the beach. There were two other groups already there. Two men in an International truck, four-wheel drive (who couldn't believe we'd made it with two wheel), and a young man with his two daughters in a Volkswagen Thing. Over the campfire that night it turned out that he also had been to San Paulo - same bad Auto Club directions, except that he had time to get out before the sun went down. We all had enormous, roaring campfires with the almost endless supply of driftwood available.

And for three days we prowled the junkyard. We found nothing of value. But it was fun to look. Lightbulbs and bottles of every shape and description abounded. Wood. ditto. Anything that would float was there, A surprising amount of airplane wreckage cluttered the beach - especially control surfaces which are filled with foam that allows them to float. The Honda paid for its trouble by giving us enormous range - we could run the five miles north and five miles south with ease, stopping to search where we wished. Around the point at the far end of the beach we found the picturesque wreckage of a Mexican sailing vessel.

Out in the dunes behind the beach I found the wreckage of a fiberglass vessel of

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some kind, but it was so badly broken up that it was impossible to determine what it had been. Its internal foam flotation had brought it to Malarrimo.

Dick, the man with the VW Thing, found a brand new surfboard the second day. It washed in to him as he was hiking up the beach. It was apparent that greedy predecessors had taken away all the cases of scotch, torpedos, and other fabled treasure. All that was left for us was an unlimited supply of empty aerosol cans and scrap lumber...but it was fun to rummage. And there was always the hope that TOMORROW the sea would deliver some delight. But we only had three days...

On the second night, two four-wheel drive trucks came in with their headlights on about seven o'clock in the evening. We were impressed. But the next night we heard the putter of a VW engine and in came a dune bug by moonlight - no lights, closely followed by another Baja bug - no lights, and then a four-wheel drive pickup. It was depressing. We'd felt we'd performed such a feat by making it in daylight.

The last two groups were old Baja veterans who'd been coming down to Malarrimo since before the paved road opened - and all of them came via the salt flat route.

"It's just a helluva alot shorter," said one. "I don't care if I ever drive that damned road around by Punta Abreojos again - once is too much. But you better go back that way since you just have two-wheel drive. Lots of sand out in the salt flats, Gotta have a bug or four-wheel."

The veterans in the bug had met John Davis that afternoon out on the big sand dune in the salt flat and were impressed.

"That citizen came right up over the dune just like he'd driven it for years in that goddam big heavy camper - and with street tires on it. Now there's a guy with a lotta hair!"

We left the next morning, a day after John, but we took the long way out again and shook, rattled, and rolled through the abominable roads. We almost made it. We were

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# A CHRISTMAS TRIP: MALARRIMO BEACH, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11

10 miles from the pavement (Malarrimo is exactly 196 miles from the paved Highway One) when I made a wrong decision. We came to a sand wallow and it had the characteristic mesa top that comes from vehicles dragging their bellies on the way through. I looked for the alternate — when a spot is impassable, there are always alternate roads branching off left or/and right. There was an alternate, but I reacted so fast I didn't stop to realize it was a single track. It was a mistake. Despite full throttle and low gear the sand was so soft it drug the truck to a halt and then it mired down when I hit grandma.

It was going to be a long stay. We'd have to jack, then pile rocks, and jack some more because the truck was so deep I couldn't get a jack under it. I was just starting to dig when I heard a lovely sound — the grumble of a fuyaquero's old Chevy coming along behind us. He was smiling and helpful. With my tow rope he yanked us out onto the main track and safety in about five minutes. (And I stuffed a handful of 10 peso notes into his shirt pocket when he tried to decline payment. He didn't resist strongly.)

Only when we got back to the pavement did we discover how badly we'd beaten up our poor truck. The steering wheel had rotated about 180 degrees and there was about a quarter turn of slop in the steering wheel which made driving miserable for the whole 500 miles home. I'd fixed the battery hold downs with a cable rigging from our bike — but they were completely destroyed on the way in and I'd found them on the preflight before we left. The bottom bolts had unscrewed and dropped out of the right hand fender so that it flapped ominously. The dust had caked up on truck and occupants to the point where we looked like natives. Shock loads completely destroyed my tool box — the internal shelving had all collapsed and the front hinges tore off.

We'd conserved our water by not bathing for four days, I had bloody furrows chewed into my groin by ill-fitting pants and the violent bouncing of the truck over the rutted roads, and we yearned for the comforts of civilization.

But the Dunas motel still had its no vacancy sign up and as I arrived at the desk of the EI Presidente the desk girl was just telling a man that she had no more rooms. I just stood there a minute. Damn.

The girl looked up and recognized me from my earlier stay:

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Author Wayne
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I went out to the truck where Carol sat shivering in the 40 degree cold:

"You won't mind camping out in the truck just one more night, will you?"

"Well, if we have to, but I'm going to cry a lot ..."

"Well, don't. Get your clothes bag and let's go to our room. The number is easy to remember — it's one-oh-four."

"Scare me again like that again and you aren't going to make it home!"

So I didn't and we did. And that night we had a lobster and egg omelet in Guerrero Negro and I do, indeed, recommend it. Just don't bite into the little green peppers they put in it. They'd burn holes in an asbestos mitt.

And if you must take the trip to Malarrimo, just regard your equipment as expendable and bear in mind one thing:

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By Chris Tatum ABOUT VHF

The Club has spent much time and money on a VHF Channel 16 facility and now it is up to the members equipped with VHF-FM Marine radios to evaluate the signal.

If, during October and November, the boat's position, compass bearing and distance is given during each communication with Cholla Bay Radio, the council can plan any changes that may be needed.

Cholla Bay fishermen and fisherwomen (? — fisherpersons just doesn't sound right) are fortunate in having all the services, VHF, CB and AM supplied by the Cholla Bay Sportsman's Club, but everyone must cooperate. When calling, give the channel (VHF channel 16 or VHF channel 20, CB channel 9 or 2182 kilohertz), then after contacting the station please help the Club by giving the boat's position.

And one more thing on VHF radios. Let your dealer show you the small difference between a twelve channel VHF with all the crystals and one of the synthesizer "All Channel" models. They are almost the same price! VHF radio is the future radio service for small boats and a lot of time and money will be saved by having the channel you need when you need it.

## ABOUT AM

Don't, repeat, Don't use your AM radio for an anchor! Despite the words of West Coast oracles the good old AM radio is the only way to go from Kino Bay south in the Gulf of California. The government of Mexico and the rest of the world won't change to other radio emissions or signals until 1982. Guess who's out of step? Right, our representatives (USA) went to the Geneva Conference and volunteered to change over to VHF-FM and SSB in less time than the rest of the world. No thought was given to area needs and no consideration was given to the cost of replacing the equipment.

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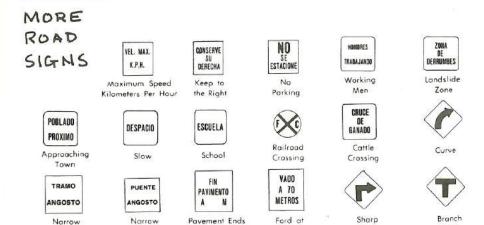


Mexico they will be more so in the near future. This does not mean good low power AM radios are not available, they are. And they are the only radio service common to shrimp boats, party boats, large yachts and most shore stations in the Gulf of California.

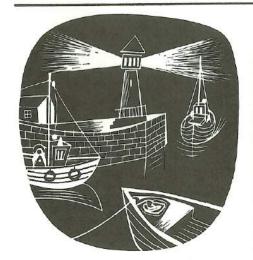
#### ABOUT CB

Citizen Band radio is fine for SHORT distance communication. It also gets a lot of "chatter" off the marine AM and VHF-FM channels. It's nice to have when you "buddy boat" with your friends who bring their freshwater lake boats down to Mexico's inland sea. BUT, don't bother calling the nearest shrimp boat for help... you could drift away, a long way, or sink.

The "bottom line" to all this is choose that radio that fits in with the other boats in the area.



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## TUCSON SCUTTLEBUTT CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4

October 19th. Proceeds to go to the family of the launcher who was killed in a sandbuggy accident. Tickets are available from President Scott and members of the Club.

Bill and Mary Brown caught three sailfish over the Labor Day weekend. William and Stacy Frenier caught 4 sailfish, a 10 footer which they brought in and three smaller which they let go.

Door prizes were won at the September meeting by Tom Van Atta, Terry Faulk-enberry, Patty Wagner and Oscar Newman — Lucky people!

See you at the October 13th meeting — make a great big effort to attend!

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# • Breathing

If victim is not breathing, pinch his nostrils shut, place your mouth tightly over his mouth and blow

until you see chest rise. Remove your mouth, allowing victim to exhale. Give 4 breaths and check for neck pulse (see C). If pulse present, continue rescue breathing at 12 times a minute. For small child, blow gently 20 times a minute.

## C · Circulation

Keep head tilted; use middle and index fingers of other hand to feel for carotid pulse in neck artery under angle of lower jaw. If no pulse, start CPR. With victim's back on firm surface, place heel

of your hand on center of lower breastbone—fingers off chest, other hand on top. Gently rock forward, exerting pressure down, to force blood out of the heart. Release pressure. Alternate (B) Breathing with (C) Circulation.

Two rescuers: Give 60 chest compressions a minute—one breath after each five.

One rescuer: Give 80 compressions a minute—two breaths after each 15.

For small child: Use only heel of one hand. For Infant: Only tips of index and middle finger, over center of breastbone. Depress chest lightly only ½ to ¾ of an inch. Give 80 to 100 compressions a minute with two breaths after each five.

\*For information on necessary special training, see your Heart Association or Red Cross.





It's coming up apple time again...so here are three goodies from the family file.

There was an old aunt in my family who made applesauce by simply cutting up apples, complete with cores, seeds, skins, worms and everything, cooking them, and then straining the whole thing. It was served unsweetened and everyone sugared his own from a big old-fashioned sugar bowl. It was the pinkest applesauce I've ever seen; and when I was a kid I just loved it. Then I found out how it was made...

My own homegrown recipe is similar, and I think better — except I would like to capture that deep pink color.

# **APPLESAUCE**

Quarter eight large apples (do not use MacIntosh or any of the Delicious varieties — they do not make good applesauce; Pippins, Rome Beauties, Winesaps or any of the 'cooking' apples are better), core and peel them, leaving tiny bits of red skin here and there. Slice them in 1/4" slices into a kettle that has a lid. Nearly cover them with water and cook slowly for nearly an hour, or until pieces can be mashed slightly with a wooden spoon.

Remove from heat and while still hot add a cup of sugar, scant 1/4 tsp. of nutmeg, 1/4 tsp. of ground clove, and a generous 1/2 tsp. of ground cinnamon.

Serve warm with heavy cream or vanilla ice cream on top, or cold with a shaker

of cinnamon-sugar. Or as a garnish with pork chops or roast. Or with a large spoon snitch it direct from the fridge between meals . . .

## BAKED APPLES

Core and peel the top half of however many apples you can fit into a shallow baking dish. Stuff the center of each with brown sugar, packing it down well, and letting it spill out around them. If you like pecans and raisins, put some of them in there too. Sprinkle with cinnamon, and allspice if you wish; top each apple with a pat of butter or oleo, add about a half cup of water.

Bake covered at 375 degrees for half an hour, then remove cover and bake another half hour — or until done. Serve up plain or with cream.

## FRIED APPLES

Core and peel and slice into 1/2 inch slices. Fry in hot grease—we use bacon fat—at rather high heat until tender and brown on both sides. Serve with pork, or with bacon or sausage for any meal, even breakfast!

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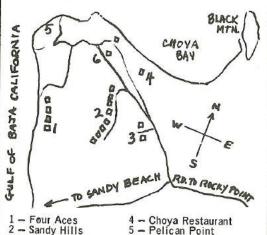
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