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by Marie MacGill

On Tuesday night the 10th as you all know was our regular meeting at the HUNAN Restaurant. We had a pretty good crowd even though the rain disturbed some things. All that I talked with said they had a very enjoyable evening and was glad they came and was looking forward to coming next month if possible.

Rick and Darlene Hansen, new members of a month or so were there. Their friends, Dan and Mary Dever were with them. Glad you could make it. Another new member was Steve Brown. He brought a guest, his friend, Steve Davis. Was real nice seeing Harry and Betty Painter there with Dick and Dotty Reynolds. The four of them bought Cabin #162. They are coming to the meetings more often now if they can make it. We will all be looking forward to seeing them. Met Paul and Joan Vanover. They are looking for a place there at the Bay.

Wimpy and Jane Jaskowiak couldn't make it, as they had just become grand parents of twin boys. This makes three--all boys. I can see they are waiting for some prize fishermen. Congratulations! Wimpy and Jane. At the meeting Mark Parker said she and Lou couldn't make it to the Bay for the holidays, as she had been under the weather with the bug.

We had some lucky people at the meeting. Jerry McCafferty won a key ring, Dan Dever won a can of WD-40, Roma Blunk won a nice ice bucket, but it was empty, she said.

If you need any goodies out of the Ship's Store, be sure that you see SKIP GRUBER. He is now the Captain in charge, and will be glad to sell you any of his wares. He replaces our new president, Jim Westfall.

Glen Davis is in charge of entertainment this year, so let's all come to the meetings and see what he is going to surprise us with.

See you next month at the meeting.



HAPPENINGS AT PELICAN POINT IN CHOLLA BAY

by Marie MacGill



With some of the perfect days we had during the last week of 1977 at Cholla Bay, I think most of us hated to see the new year come, especially since that meant going back home and leaving it all behind.

Hal and Evelyn McKinze were there to welcome in the New Year.

Bob and Thelma Lounsbury with daughter Barbara, and guests Dick and Judy Kellet welcomed the New Year in with Puerto Penasco friends at their party in town. Zulma Oliviera had guests in for her fun party. She had lots of goodies. She really gets with it when it comes to cooking and making goodies. Grady and Marcia Hendricks spent one evening with us. Also Bill and Stacy Frenier with son Mike and daughter Cheryl Ann were by. We had a nice surprise when Vera and Skip Gruber stopped by before the parties started; then we met them at Ray and Shirley Hemphill's party.

Erv and Adel Seyks with son Jeff spent several days at the Bay for the holidays. Mel and Debbie Jarvis paid them a visit and so did most of the neighbors on the Point. Saw Ray and Shirley Haenfler there. They had Mrs. Haenfler's mother from Iowa with them. I understand Shirley lost her father not very long ago. Mr. and Mrs. Caronto in Cottage #1 also was there to join us all in these great days.

Dan and Mary Dever with their children Dan and Joanne were at their cabin retreat for fun and relaxation. Just about every one on the Point stopped by to wish them a Happy New Year. Rick and Darlene Hansen with children Susan, Scott and Kristen did their share of fishing and having fun. Darlene's father and mother Dan and Olga Ray came to be with them. Rick and Darlene are our latest neighbors on the Point. They have just purchased House #12. They will be living next door at the Bay to Dan Dever and his family. They are very good friends. Bob and Janie White with son Rod had their part of holiday fun. I met them for the first time at Dan and Mary Devers. Col. and Mrs. McConnell from California that own #4 were there for a few days, but didn't get to pay them a visit before they left. Hope next time they come I get to their house sooner. Rene and Mary DeLathauwer were in Phoenix for the holidays. We sure missed them. We missed Frank and Walda Peterson also. They had a new granddaughter and couldn't make it. They always have a nice New Year's party. Sure missed Mr. and Mrs. William Dunn. With their big family in Maricopa, I guess it was too hard to leave them all behind for the holidays.

Charles and Pauline Murphy couldn't spend the holidays with the rest of us at the Bay. Their son, Tim, had a back operation and was pretty sick. They had their share of illness for 1977 with both Judy and Tim being so very ill. Surely hope that 1978 will be a good year for them. With all the woes Charlie has had, he is now in St. Luke's Hospital suffering from a heart attach on this 13th day of January. Hope he will be up and about very soon.

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Well, Ray and Shirley Hemphill did it again. They had their place bulging at the seams with people, laughter, fun and dancing, and if you don't think people got with it, you should have been there. Sounded like "D" day when all of the fire crackers started exploding outside the doors and windows. With all of the goodies that people brought and that Ray and Shirley had, there wasn't a chance for anyone to get hungry. I just don't know what people did without the Hemphills before they had their place at the Bay. I am sure that every one joins me in saying their hospitality is super. We THANK YOU, Ray and Shirley. Couldn't have enough time or paper to name all of the people that came, but will say it was nice meeting Vi Schmerfeld's son Walley. Now we know why she is so pleased to have him visit with her.

Speaking of parties, places and things, there is never a need to be bored at the Bay, especially if you stop by George and Maxine Rodgers' place and by Dr. Bill and Mary Louise Hoffman's place that is next door to the Rodgers. These people don't know when hospitality stops. Couldn't begin to tell you what great fun they are. The Hoffman's had their daughters, Carol Hoffman and Christine Brown and her two children, David and Simon with them at the Bay, for the holidays. Found out at their party, that Ona, wife of J.B. Rodgers, cousin of George's caught an eighty pound Black Bass on George's boat the OSO, on New Year's Eve Day. When she told me her story, I told about catching the big Flounder the day before, that was about three feet long and almost as wide across.

Eldon and Marge (Maggie) Annis had their sons Eldon Jr., Richard and his wife Jackie, daughters Sherry and Gina and their little grandson, who is Richard's son with them for the holidays. They, as all of us, hated to see it end.

If any of you want to have a really fine Chinese Dinner, or a private party for a special occasion, company meeting or gathering, please don't fail to call our friends at the HUNAN RESTAURANT at 1575 E. Camelback Road where the Phoenix Chapter holds their monthly meeting. On Monday, January 9, the Council meeting and dinner was held there, and they really put on a spread of delicious meat, chicken, fish and shrimp. The service was great. Everything about it was Super and, of course, cocktails if you wish. It gave us all a good feeling to see Don and Verlene Barber there. They both looked great. They say you can't keep a good man down.

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DO YOU HAVE A PIPE WRENCH??

By: Al Scott

In the early nineteen forties I went to Rocky Point many times with a group of fellows from Buckeye and Litchfield Park. We would camp in front of the Rocky Point Hotel which had no roof. The lady that owned the hotel would feed us if we didn't feel like cooking. This was in the years before there was any road from Sonoyta to Rocky Point. There was a gravel trail from Sonoyta to fourteen miles north of Rocky Point. From that point where you see the trees and a little cafe these days there was no road. The sand was almost impossible, but with a lot of luck and a lot of people pushing you could make it. Later the Mexican Government built the road you have now. The Americans furnished some of the road oil, but nothing else.

After I finished my coast guard stint, I came back to Goodyear Aircraft and was head of painting aircraft. When the time came that I could get away from my work, I made another trip to Rocky Point and found the road so much better than it had been in the past. We chartered a Mexican boat for fishing, as we had in the past. It was necessary to go very far down the coast until you could catch all the fish you could use. When I got back to Phoenix, I bought a fourteen foot boat and covered it with airplane cloth and used dope like we used at Goodyear Aircraft on the rudders, etc. I built a trailer and with a Sears outboard on the back headed for Rocky Point.

At that time you picked up your visa at Sonoyta. When we arrived at Rocky Point, we would stay at the new red brick hotel that the Mexican government had built. At this hotel no matter which faucet you

turned on or flushed the toilet you got hot water. We put our boat in at the ramp and go down to the first estuary to fish. A taxi cab driver told us about a place called Cholla Bay. We started going there, but the sand road was so bad even with a 14 foot boat and a big Chevy van pulling it, it would take hours to get from the railroad tracks to Cholla Bay.

Fishing around Pelican Point and Pinto Point was something to behold. There were big Sea Bass, big Sea Trout and all kinds Yellow Finns. It was unusual but most of the Yellow Finns would weigh about 27 pounds. I have a picture of twenty seven Yellow Finns I caught one morning around Pelican Point--some people will show off and are greedy. I wanted a bigger boat so I went over to San Diego and bought an eighteen foot Moby Dick boat, all finished except a motor. I purchased and installed a Jeep motor in it. My brother-in-law and I took it to Rocky Point. I doubted that I could get this big boat through the sand so took it to Rocky Point and left it at the Hotel, then drove to Cholla Bay to camp.

We knew we could catch big ten pound Sea Trout from Pelican Point. The next morning we would drive to Rocky Point put the boat in go down to the first estuary, after that we would just leave the boat in the water. Every morning I would hire a couple of Mexicans to row me out to the boat and every morning the salt air would get to the starter on the Jeep motor and I would have to take it all apart and clean and oil it before it would start. We did this for days, then one morning my boat was close to one of Andy Chersin Charter Boat, I took the starter apart, cleaned and oiled it and put it back one. I thought I would reach up and press the starter button to see if it would work. It did, the motor

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started, it was in forward gear, the gas lever was wide open. Me and the boat almost landed on top of Andy's, bursted a big hole in the bow of Andy's boat.

I looked around to see who had observed this incident and it seemed everyone in Rocky Point did. I was hoping the Federal Officer didn't know about it as that could cost me plenty. It wasn't long before Andy was on the shore watching me. I took the boat over to him, he wanted to know what happened. I told him and that I would pay for the damage. He wanted to know how much I thought it would cost. Seth Smith came along, a boat builder, so I suggested we see what he would estimate the cost at. I took Seth out and he looked at it, came back and told Andy that if he had the boat in town he could probably fix it for \$8.00. So I told Andy I would give him \$10.00, this agreement was okay with him. We stuck a bunch of rags in the hole and years later the rags were still in the hole.

After this incident my brother-in-law and I took off for the first estuary to fish. We trolled for grouper and got more than we needed. It was getting late so we thought we would head back to Rocky Point. Just as I was turning the boat around the steering cable broke. All we could do was go round and round. We tried to reach over the transom to work the rudder, no soap, we couldn't do it. My brother-in-law asked if I had an eighteen inch pipe wrench.

I said why would a boatman carry a pipe wrench in his boat. I started searching for something I could steer with. At last I told him I don't have an eighteen inch wrench, but I found a twenty-four inch pipe wrench, so using it on the rudder we came into Rocky Point.

I told him go get the trailer I have had enough for one trip. We got to the border just before twelve and it was the night it seemed all the stars were falling from the heavens. The customs man couldn't believe his eyes. When I got into Phoenix I sold that boat to the guys who ran the oil company on Nineteenth Avenue and they loved it.

As for me I headed for San Diego looking for another boat and I found a beauty.

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These are a few of the CB handles and Boat names at the Bay. Clip this out for your use.

Let us know if we missed you or if our information is incorrect.



By: Mel Jarvis

The hope of the Search and Rescue team this year is to be able to spend the year just standing by; the phrase of the year should be, "Buddy, go boating with me".

But just in case you are not buddy boating and have any problems, Search and Rescue will be on hand on the water, beach or in the air.

Let us make it a good safe year for all. Keep your safety equipment in good shape and up to date and handy to get to. Try to always go with a buddy boat.

Anyone that hasn't filled out one of our blue equipment cards at the radio room, please do so. We do need this information.

Search and Rescue would like to see each trailer with your boat name on it. This report has to be short because it's a new year and we are just reorganizing.

Last year our chairman (Chuck Hoyt) had everything under control and ended the year with a clean slate.

Safe Boating.

I (Marie MacGill) came across this poem in a little magazine and thought it most appropriate for this time of year and would like to share it with you.

TO A HAPPY NEW YEAR

By: Robert Brewster Beattie

To leave the old with a burst of song;
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;

To forget the things that bind you fast;
To the vain regrets of the year that's past;

To have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not worthwhile of the days grown old;

To dare go forth with a purpose true;
To the unknown task of the year that's new;

To help your brother along the road;
To do his work and lift his load;

To add your gift to the work's good cheer;
Is to have and give a Happy New Year.



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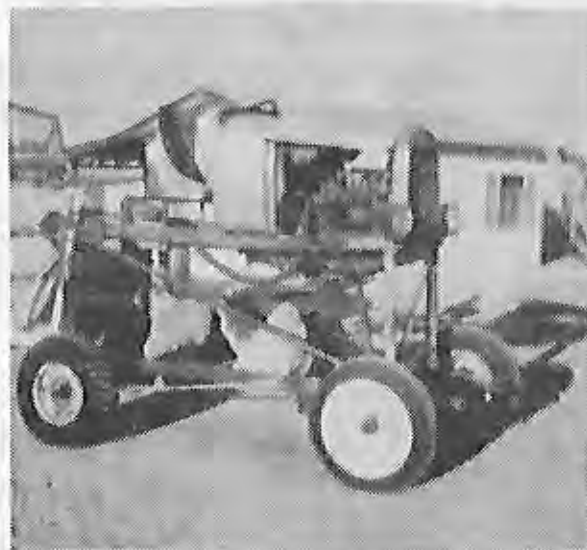
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3. The first boat launcher was built by Al Scott, the Model "A" and was used by him from 1953 to 1975.
4. That Paul Schoonover and Al Scott built a road grader that was used by the Club for several years.
5. A member of the Canadian Parliament was a member of the Club at one time.



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Sonoyta Orphanage

By: Helen Bos

Was fortunate enough to take Tucson's Christmas donation to the orphanage in Sonoyta.

What beautiful children and people there.

C.B.S.C. members personally donated \$185 and toys for children there. Twenty-one (21) children to be exact.

The orphanage has received a helping hand from the Indian Trails organization in Mesa, Arizona. They have added some new buildings there, but especially a church--non-denominational so all services are offered for the children.

Am enclosing a copy of the certificate sent to the Club by the orphanage.

The orphanage is arranging for C.B.S.C. members to pick up a child and share your family and your nice weekends with a less fortunate child--with no responsibilities for accidents and so forth.

So, if you are interested, stop by the orphanage. The kids would love it and so will you.

Thank you from 21 beautiful children.

TUCSON SCUTTLEBUTT



By: Helen Bos

December and January has sure brought about many changes for CBSC.

As a newcomer myself, I was just getting to recognize all the people in office and now have the opportunity to meet all new people! Here's wishing all of us a grand 1978! With the new officers we have, I'm sure we will too!

The Bay this weekend is beautiful to say the least. The water like glass--so peaceful it's just magnificent.

Have sure met some wonderful people this weekend.

Mel and Debbie Jarvis invited us up for a visit and Debbie was her usual beautiful self.

Eldon Annis is a person that needs much description. I definitely owe him something but I can't seem to think of anything bad enough yet to pay him back for some of the things he's done to me this past week!

Just remember Eldon--I don't get even--I get ahead and your days is coming soon. When I get my revenge, I will report it to one and all. Maggie Annis is such a nice person--I always enjoy her--but her husband--Oh, boy, will I get him his just reward.

Mary Brown was here and stopped by with her children to show us her new toy and what a toy it is. Son, Tony was having a ball driving the new sand buggy around with little sister, Trisha. While Mary was fishing, the kids were having a ball in the new toy.

Got to see a 64 lb. Black Sea Bass brought in but didn't catch his name as Lew Frazier was trying to take credit for the catch--but of course we know that Lew Frazier only catches lots of "bull" fish!

Betty Munro is always such a pleasure to see and talk to--I can only say how lucky we are to have her and Hector at the Bay.

Was lucky enough to see Hector with shoes on. As I stood in front of the radio shack I seen this hugh thing crawling on the roof amidst the shadows only to see our Pete Peterson crawling around installing a new light. Thank goodness--I thought that was the biggest bird I ever seen! Maybe it was on second thought.

Well enough from Helen. See you all at the Bay or at the next meeting in Tucson Wednesday, February 1.

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