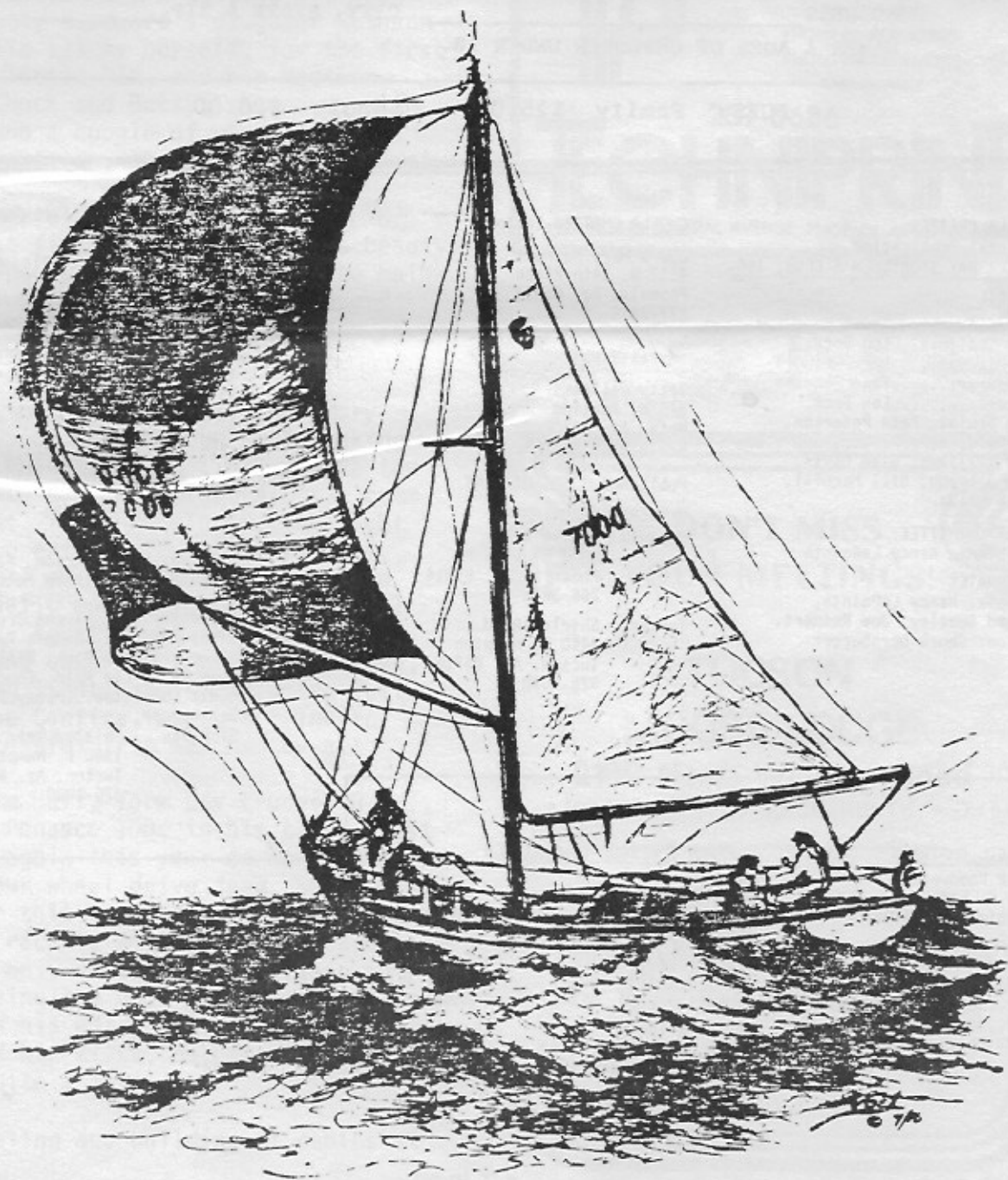




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By: Ed Perlmutter

How about all those Disneland characters being painted on all those homes in Cholla? They are beautiful works of art and if anyone is curious as to what they look like, drive by Vi Schmerfelds, Betty Munro's, the Hitchcocks, the Larson's, Perlmutter's and others, too numerous to mention. These masterpieces were done by Bobbi Reid, C B handle "Disney Blonde", and to everyone who knows her, a very wonderful person. At present, she and her husband Lee are residing at the Drake's new cabin, still supervising the construction going on there.

Something tells me I'm getting old when: Chuck and Betty Woodward's daughter Ruthann came to Cholla all by herself, for the first time, for a little R&R, and her brother Pete, with Chuck and Betty, showed up with his girlfriend a couple of weeks later. Seems like yesterday they were little kids!

Wally Schmerfeld's new sail for his "G Cat" sailboat finally arrived. It's a beauty! Red with a huge white Sea Horse on the main-sail and his C B handle "Souper Grouper" written across the bottom. The jib has large white bubbles on a field of red.

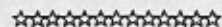
Elsewhere in the Chatter is the story about a group of adventurous souls making a trip from Phoenix to Cholla Bay, via the desert on All Terrain Cycles (ATC's), commonly known as "Three Wheelers". The sight of this group entering Cholla Bay, dirty, tired and full of excitement because the trip was finally ended, is something I'll never forget. Agustin met them with the Police Car and escorted them through town, with flashing lights and siren going full blast, to the Cantina, where a drink to toast a successful trip was had by all.

Our own Jim Huff, form Las Cruces, N. M., who won the Penasco 100, in his class, last year did it again this year on April 9th. He uses a four wheel drive jeep, built especially for this type of racing. The story behind this race is that Jim won because his was the only vehicle in his class in the race. Being the good sportsman that he is, Jim used his entry fee to enter another race, out of his class. He came in fourth, which was quite a fete.

The remodeling and building of cabins at

Borracho Flats is continuing, and contractors are getting hard to come by. Just ask Ray Sanderson, who was told that he would have to wait a month to have his roof repaired.

The First Annual Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club Picnic & Pot Luck, was held in Cholla Bay, April 23rd, 1983, at the Fish Fry Shack. It was a huge success! Many people attended, there was an abundance of food, and a good time was had by all. We are all hoping that there will be many more.





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By: Marie MacGill

Everyone is busy at the bay, either getting ready for a big party, trying to figure out how to catch the big one, or decorating and landscaping their yards. Some have even taken to more travel.

Ralph and Phyllis Smith of cabin # 450 and Glenda and Bucky Maud took a train trip to Guaymas and other parts of Mexico and had a ball. The Smiths have now returned to their home in Kansas after spending most of the winter at Cholla Bay.

Grace Yeskett of Modesta, Ca. spent a month in Cholla visiting Grady Hendricks and other friends after having returned from Guadalajara and Mexico City. Evelyn Lazear had a nice cocktail party with around thirty guests.

Al Owens son got his Jeep stuck in the sand on Sandy Beach in March and had to spend the night in it clad only in his bathing suit.

Gene and Dee Miller purchased cottage #20 from Mrs. Arthur Woodward for their children.

Vi Schmerfeld hasn't said too much about catching the 70 lb. grouper and all of the pinto on one of her latest fishing trips. Probably does not want to brag.

George and Ollie Bleuel were down for a couple of weeks staying with Jane Hunziker and a grand-son, who hope to be down until the last of May. Thelma Brown is in Cholla and hoping at least to get to stay until sometime in May. Glenice Marek was also at the bay.

Ethel (Firecracker) Helldt has now recovered from a bout with the flu.

There was quite a lot of excitement at the garbage heap on Pelican Point. It seems that Ralph Smith bought a new Remington Razor and told wife Phyllis to throw away the old one. She did, but put the wrong one in the Dump. The man next door was dumping his garbage when he heard a funny hissing, rattling noise like a rattle snake. He went by the Smiths and told them to stay away from the garbage as there is a rattle snake in there having his lunch. When Tony Rimza explained about the sound, Ralph got the bright idea and started probing through the trash to no avail.

Then about that time he looked up and saw a man leaving with a sack of cans. He asked him if he had seen the razor and he said "No Senor". Mr. Smith offered the man \$5.00 for the sack and he said "Si Senor!". To make a long story short, the razor is now in the rightful hand of the owner and Ralph is very grateful for Tony's words of warning.

Gene and Iva Henry of cabin #98 were hosts for a big painting party at Rocky Point on April 16th. Don and Erin Gibson, with their two small girls, Mark and Becky Sopol, with their three small children and five high school students, from Payson painted The All Denomination Church in Rocky point. They also furnished the paint. Then on April 17th, the group put on a Religious concert at the church service. One student had played professionally at Nachos in Tempe for years. God will surely bless them for such a fine deed.

The weekend of April 23rd, many people came to Cholla Bay for fishing and fun at the Big Potluck that was held in the afternoon. Some were so busy fishing that they didn't get in on the party. Clarence and Bea Allums of the "Honey Bee" were hosts for their cousins Roy and Bea Allums and Allie Bays for that week. Allie, Roy and Clarence each caught a big grouper. I understand several were caught that week.

Grady Hendricks of Pelican Point has sold his beautiful cottage on the Point to Mr. Tony Rimza. We shall all miss Grady and his good deeds. Marge Jones has sold her place, also. I understand that Del and Mildred Heim had friends and family visiting them from Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin and Kansas. Butch and Ethel Helldt had Ray and Jane Atkins from Casper Wyoming visiting them, also Vi and Ross Reeves from Mesa.

Cholla Bay's little Disney gal Bobbi Reid has really and truly been trying to turn Cholla Bay into another Disney Land, with her beautiful cartoons. When you see one of these paintings on a boat house, a water tank, or living room wall, you'll know that Bobbi was the artist.

Thank you Bobbi for your talent. We appreciate you.

When you want a fun time, just call on the residents of Cholla Bay. April 29th we

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were nailed by Firecracker Heldt, who in turn invited us to stop under the umbrella for a soda or lemonade and get in on the Dedication of the street name of Johnnie Ahrens sign. It seems the old signpost disappeared and it was time for a new one. In on the dedication were Johnnie Ahrens, Ed and Marty Perlmutter, Lou and Shelly Bock, Horace and Joyce Hitchcock and Butch and Ethel Heldt.

The last weekend of April was a very busy one for most of the Avid fishermen that were left hi and dry because of "Old Man Wind". Steve and Pat Kimmel, their daughter Ann Poole and grandson were waiting for the wind to subside to go sailing. Steve and Pat each have a sailboat and enjoy sailing together.

Another bunch of fishermen that had a dry ride was Don and Betty Hoffman of #427, Joan and Chuck Tully of #24, Margaret and Shorty Dillion of #88 and Bill and Judy Peck of #88. Also Doc Walt Holstein and wife Phoebe. When fishing failed, they went to the Shell Caves for the Sunday afternoon for shells and crabs.

Jerry McMains and friend Irene Moore were busy cutting and carrying away weeds.

Mike Brandt, son of Paul and Juanita Brandt of cabin #228, with his wife Shalene and their two children will be staying in Cholla for about six weeks soaking up the sun.

As I said there is never a dull moment!

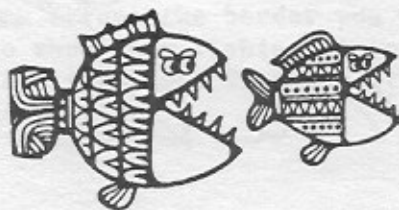
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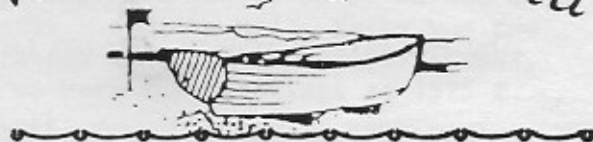
◇ HAVE YOU GONE SWIMMING LATELY ◇

Penny's Pride, while fishing at the 22 mile reef, caught this 9 ft., 210 lb. shark. To those that like to take a dip in "The Briny Blue", while fishing, we'll coin a phrase from a popular TV show:

"Let's be careful out there."



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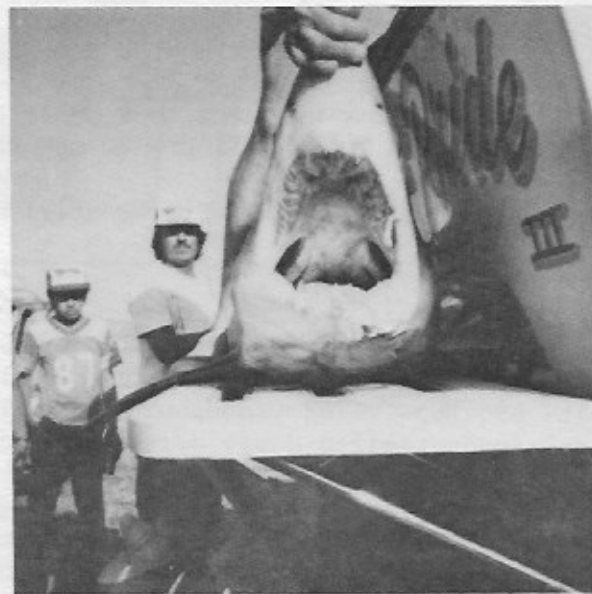
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JAWS!

by PAT GOODIN, CABIN 224 (NO LE HACE)

As some of you know, we are living in Sanaa, The Yemen Arab Republic, which is about 130 long, mountainous miles from the Red Sea. We finally received our Blazer from the states and managed to get it registered and licensed. (Not a fast or easy thing to do here)

We left Sanaa about 6:00 A.M. on Thursday, March 31st and headed west. Sanaa has an elevation of about 7500 ft. Approximately 20 miles out of Sanaa we reached about 9500 ft. We had breath-taking views and unbelievable hair pin curves for approximately 100 miles (with cars taking their half out of the middle around each one), then descended finally to the Tehama (desert) and sea level for the remainder of the trip. We drove south for about 70 more miles, then down a gravel road to the west about 20 miles and finally the Red Sea came into view. What a beautiful sight!! Especially after missing Cholla Bay so much.

As soon as the vehicle came to a stop on the beach, we got into swimsuits and headed into the water. It felt good after driving through the hot Tehama. Then we picked up a few shells, got back into the Blazer and went about 3 miles futher down the beach to a beautiful spot with groves of palm trees, straw huts and gazeebos where we were to camp.

We pitched out tent under a couple of palm trees, got ourselves organized, and got back into the sea. Here the water was quite calm, as it was a sort of cove. We went occasionally back to our original spot to swim since there were breakers there and it was more fun jumping over the breakers.

We camped there from Thursday early afternoon until Saturday about noon - relaxing, swimming, shelling and just having a good time. Ken went out fishing on Friday in a small fishing boat, but not far enough to get any big fish. Got a few small ones. We were with a group of about 15 people from here in Sanaa. Some had gone a day earlier and found the camping site.

Since we were close to the equator (about 14° latitude) you can imagine how hot the sun was. However, we had a nice breeze most of the time and the palm trees helped immensely. The weather was just beautiful. We came back to Sanaa a little sunburned, but happy to have had the wonderful experience of visiting the Red Sea.

We took many pictures, but don't have any developed as yet. If we get some good ones, will try to get them printed in another issue of the CHATTER.

But even with this trip we still miss Cholla Bay and all of our friends there.

*Hasta Luego! - Masalama! - Until We  
Meet Again!  
Ken and Pat Goodin - No Le Hace*



By: Marie MacGill

A large crowd attended the May 11th meeting. I think we all had a stinging good time. Joyce Bradley of the Poison Control Center at St. Luke's Hospital presented slides of the Black Widow Spider, the brown spider, the Centipedes, the Gila Monster and Coral and Rattlesnake. It was very interesting interesting to know about the latest treatments and what and what not to do if you are stung by one of these creatures. Thanks very much Ms. Bradley for your most interesting and informative talk.

We especially want to thank guests George Rodgers Sr. who is George Rodgers and Roma Blunk's father for coming. He has just had his 94th birthday. Thanks to Ed and Barbara Miller for bringing their guest John and Penny Stump. We were happy to have guests David Williamson and Bill Fullerman and others whose names I did not get. It was a pleasure having new members Doug and Kathy Covert and Tracy Reinert with us.

Mike Kemper of Ship's Stores reported that business is good. They have lowered the prices on the Tide Calenders, and still have plenty of new jackets and Tee shirts.

Hilda Erkert of sick bay didn't have any sick bay news, except to tell us that Billye Wilda had injured her foot on an ATC. She was in Good Samaritan Hospital, Room 722C and was waiting to have surgery the next day. We are all wishing you a speedy recovery Billye. Chuck Woodward and Butch Wilda told us all about the rescue of getting her into a doctor.

Glen Davis was still working very hard to sell fishing derby tickets and to raise money for the club. Glen is so persistent that he does not give up and will not give up. He said that various donations for prizes for the derby had been given. VASQUEZ LIQUORS gave a huge beautiful plaque, and MARCELLA is giving six people a free fishing day in his boat, and there were various other prizes given.

It was reported that if you bring any fish back across the border you will be asked to show your fishing license or they might take them away from you, that is on the Mexican side.

Door prizes were won by Doris Davis, John Fallgater and Kathy Hill. Kathy won two tickets for dinner at HUNAN RESTAURANT, where we have the meetings at 1575 E. Camelback.

Until next report, Hope you caught the big won!

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DAY TWO - FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1983

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We went to sleep under stars and woke up with the rain. Our chef was up at 2:30 A.M. starting the fire, the coffee and the breakfast in the rain. Everyone else was a little later in getting up but eventually we were all gathered either at the fire or in the 22 foot horse trailer trying to keep our eggs and pancakes dry.

Now we're all wearing ponchos made out of six foot clear plastic bags and look like a prophylactic parade (How come we're not laughing at Hauptman's nice, warm, dry, yellow rainsuit anymore?).

We set our odometer back to 0 and headed out at 7:05 A.M. This terrain was beautiful cacti and a half way decent road. We rode 20.2 miles before we took a beer break.

If you've noticed during this writing we have introduced people as incidents happened. We're taking this opportunity to introduce you to a really mean guy. It started out with an engine problem, right from the beginning of the trip, everyone was concerned...one ATC kept dying...with all of our mechanics no one could come up with an answer. At 8:15 A.M. the second day 20.2 miles on our odometer we waited for the injured ATC, it's driver and the 2 mechanics that lagged behind. Finally, one-half hour later, the injured ATC shows up, clean and sharp as ever. "Where are the medics that helped?" we asked. The reply, "Once I found out what the problem was and fixed it, I took off... hell, I don't know where they are!" Shay Clayton, see if we ever help you in a dark alley!

After the mechanics arrived, we headed out on a smooth but snaky road.

At 10:15 A.M. and 51.1 miles we left this beautiful area and waited for our support crew to take us across the border. After a

while a decision was made that this spot was not conducive to pack the bikes on the trucks, so we rode to Gringo Pass and started the job.



WILL THEY ALL FIT?

That was a trip by itself. We had to get 13 ATCs on one horse trailer, one regular trailer and two trucks that were hauling coolers and supplies, cross the border, get our visas stamped and drive 12 miles into Mexico to unload those (xo%?! ) ATCs. (Notice as the miles go by and the weather gets worse, how we show disrespect to our horses). Dwain Self, mucho savvy espanol, was able to communicate with the immigration officer and found out we could have ridden those things thru the border, because of the feat we just accomplished.

After we crossed the border, we drove the trucks carrying us and the ATCs 12 miles, (not to mention the fact that 5 of us were riding in the trailer on ATCs hung from the ceiling with rope, etc. and all beer chests under the bikes while looking at the bumper of a large fuel tanker), unloaded the bikes and had lunch.

Well it didn't look promising and sure enough it wasn't.

This day's ride included the Rio Sonoyta river...40.8 miles to twin bridges. It was hard riding, hard raining and hard to keep a smile on your face. But everyone did it without (what's a nice word I can use here to substitute what they really were saying?) Ah yes, grumbling.

At 2:30 P.M. (67.2 miles) and a few beer breaks in between, there came a fork in





DO WE HAVE TO CROSS IT AGAIN?

the river. "We're going in the wrong direction!" "How do you know that, Bill?" "Because the water is flowing the wrong way!" Thanks, eagle eyes!!

The main event of this river were the rocks (boulders actually). We had to walk the ATCs over them as they were too large and too close together to drive them. Oh yes, and the hail we encountered at one point, and the water in the river, and how could we forget the second stick in the mud (Larry, a pun was definitely intended) and the third mudder (Ellen got out of it real fast) and after forging all that mud and making it almost to camp the token Pollack comes along and gets stuck in a tree!! (okay Elaine Escher you can explain that one later!!) Well we were only detained for a moment as Arch Harper came to the rescue.

And all this time Bill Coughlin was trying to figure out how he could get his 4x4 thru this stuff. Boy, he has a one track mind.

This day's end was welcomed. We were all happy to see twin bridges after 10 hours and a rough 91.9 miles. Our weary bones were also happy to see the support crew with our dry clothes.



CAMP AT TWIN BRIDGES



THE LONG WALK.

Poor Dwain, have you found your jacket and camera yet?

TO BE CONTINUED.....



## NAVIGATOR'S NOTEBOOK

by  
Paul Schoonover



In finding our way around on the water, one of the first things we need to be able to determine is our distance traveled.

For finding distance, we first need to know our boat speed. The practical way to do this is to run our boat over a known distance, preferably a measured mile, at different throttle settings and record the time required to make each run. We use this time and distance to determine speed.

To digress for a bit, we should consider some terms used in discussing speed and distance on the water. The unit of measurement is the nautical mile (6076 ft.) instead of the statute mile (5280 ft.) used on land. Also we do not use the term miles per hour, instead we say **KNOTS**. One knot is one nautical mile per hour. We will discuss the source of the nautical mile in a later article.

We can find either the speed (S) or the distance (D) traveled by knowing the other, and the time traveled by using the formula:  
Distance = speed x time. ( $D = S \times T$ )

The type of boating we normally do involves relatively short distances, so we keep our time in minutes, but we express our speed in miles per hour or knots. Therefore we must convert our formula as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}60 \times D &= S \times T \\ D &= S \times T \div 60 \\ S &= 60 \times D \div T \\ T &= 60 \times D \div S\end{aligned}$$

After finding our boat speed at different engine RPM's, we make up a speed curve and post it near the throttle.

Now, knowing our speed and with a record of minutes traveled, we can figure the distance we have traveled, or, knowing the speed and distance, we can figure how long it will take.

If we want to go to the 24 mile reef and we have determined that our boat travels 20 knots at our best cruising speed of 3000 RPM's, how long will it take?

$$T = 60 \times 24 \div 20 = 72 \text{ minutes}$$

We are at Bird Island, 27 miles from Cholla and it takes us 90 minutes to get back. What is our speed?

$$S = 60 \times 27 \div 90 = 18 \text{ knots (Kn)}$$



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The July meeting may be the 3rd Tuesday, July 19. Call someone, as the Board may make some changes.

The May meeting proved to be popular - lots of members and guests. From the Phoenix Chapter and Council came President Will and Betty Williams and Glen and Doris Davis to talk about the Fishing Derby and the Super Jack Pot. Help for some of the chores is still needed. Nice to see you there, folks!

With "Fish Fry" Gene at the Bay, Membership Chair Shirley Reid was well supported by her daughters, Pam Reid-Whitehead and Debbie. They all arrived at the parking lot in separate cars at the same time. Talking about the up-coming Fish Fry, Gene was reported saying "I'm going to San Antonio!" Lee Reid is now working at the U but Bobbi says it doesn't keep her from going to the Bay for long or longer weekends. Other guests were the Drakes' son and family and Guest Speaker Gary Webb's friend, Ruth Seltzer. The door prizes were won by:

Lee Reid	Golf shirt
Pete Scott	Cholla Bay hat
Shelley Bock	Tide calendar

- and the Security Switch for the benefit of the Christmas Party was won by Irene Drake. The winning ticket was drawn by Kevin Drake, her grandson. Irene kept saying "But he can't even read."

The program was the second half of the CPR mini-course. The Southern Arizona Heart Assn. film was shown again for the people who had not attended in April, but it's amazing how many additional points one can learn by seeing it a second time.

The emergency number of 911 is almost nationwide now - just as Channel 9 is on CB. Easy to remember!

Debbie Reid, who now works for the Mexican Tourist Office, had glowing reports of the red carpet training tour she took to popular Mexican vacation spots. The Helms tried out La Paz and were enthusiastic enough to inquire about other places.

It's a good time to go with the present rate of exchange. Mexico has lots of gorgeous places to visit, including Baja and the Sea of Cortez, in our own back yard.

Sammie Rothrock wants to thank the Mexican Federales for keeping the kids in line over the Easter weekend. They did a great job - friendly but firm.

Sally and Oscar Newman are still trying to retire together to the Bay. Might make it if they can sell their house in Tucson.

When you see the speed limit sign of 35 KPH on the other side of the Border, it means 18 MPH for us unconverted Arizona drivers. And the Mexican Police are enforcing the limit. The fine is \$350 pesos (\$2.15 in dollars) but it takes longer to follow the Police to the Station, pay the fine and get a receipt - than it would have taken if you had driven 18 MPH to begin with.

The Alan Petersons and the Marty Perlmutter celebrated their wedding anniversaries at the Bay on Friday, May 13th. Both couples were married 28 and 16 years ago on a Friday the Thirteenth. There aren't many years when the 13th falls on a Friday in May.

Membership Chair Shirley Reid would like to remind all members about annual dues. If you haven't sent them in, now is the time. It's a good time in the Club's year to bring the membership records up to date. If you haven't sent yours in, please call her at 326-1090. It will save her calling you.

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On May 7th thru 8th, there was a land, air and sea rescue, forty miles north of Cholla Bay. A woman shattered her heel after a bad fall off a three wheeler, in the middle of one of the largest estuaries.

I would like to thank Jim McCullough, Bell Taylor, Emilio Galindo, and Chuck Woodward for their help during the grueling eight hours search by land in complete darkness.

I also wish to thank Gene Sorenson for the use of his airplane and ponga and also Glen Davis, Wally Schmerfeld and especially Augustine for all their help on this search and rescue.

The woman was returned to Cholla Bay by ponga around 11:00 A.M., Sunday morning.

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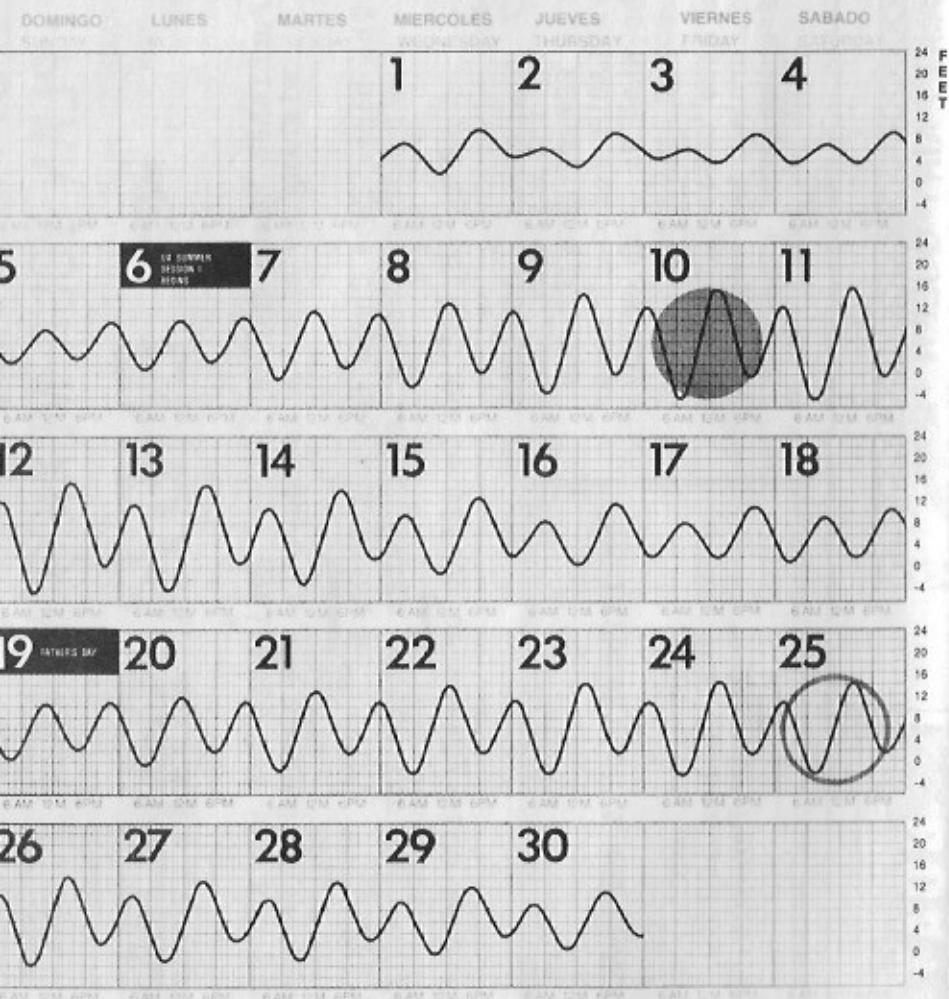
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