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Late News!

We were deeply saddend about the passi Sylvia Gowans on the Night of December 14t Our sympathy goes to husband Jim and son F and family.

As editor for the club there are a lot of things that come across my desk some of them funny, some of them not so funny. If for some reason I don't print your story PLEASE don't feel hurt I may not have room in that months chatter where as in the next months chatter I may need a good story.

By the way I have to apologize for the "TYPEWRITER" it has trouble in spelling, but it did promise to try harder this next year.



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# HAPPENINGS AT PELICAN POINT IN CHOLLA BAY by Marie MacGill

That cold, cold wind had to join in the party at Cholla Bay to cool the spirts for everyone that visited and for the Christmas

I understand that it was a very nice party for the little ones as well as for the adults.

Saturday night December 14th there was a pot luck at Lou Bocks, and after the dinner George Rodgers invited every one over to Dr. Bill Hoffmans and his place for a big party and introduction into the OOGY-BOOGY Club. About forty people were there with a lot of them becoming members of their club. That is always fun.

On Sunday afternoon of the 15th a surprize birthday party was given at J J's Cantina for Stevie Rohr. You know that was a blast. Sorry that we missed it.

Nub Moore and Stevie K were at the bay having fun. Thank goodness that Stevie can get in on the fun once more.

On Friday after Thanksgiving Thursday a surprize 17th anniversary party was given, hosted by Butch and Billye Wilda and Mark Murphy for Sue and Wayne Kudis. Forty Two people joined in to help them celebrate this lovely affair. The anniversary cake was a beautiful thing decorated with Sea Shells.

Mary Parker went to Illinois October 4th to celebrate her Mother Mrs. Katherine Seward's eighty nineth birthday. There wer seven of Mary's sisters and brothers that attended, making it the first time in thir five years that all of the eight children had been together at one time. It was a ve Joyous reunion, Mary's mother had all kind goodies prepaired for them to feast on. Wh Mary left on November 5th she had a hard t getting away from her mother.

Mrs. Seward does all of her cooking as takes care of her home, and lives alone, se Mary had to promise to return soon.

We send our sympathy to Carlos and Ruth Sa upon the death of their little daughter th passed away at birth. We are Truly sorry.

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TUCSON CHAPTER GENERAL MEETING By Shelly Bock

This year has gone by too fast but has left many good memories for us all. The members at our December 10th meeting were all in high Christmas spirits.

President Greg Skwiat called the meeting to order and then Secretary Mickey Babbitt read the minutes of our last meeting. Treasurer Jackie Winter then read the treasurers report.

Ship's Store, Lynn Skwiat, now has the large tide calendars for sale at \$8.50 a piece. Lynn will have the small calendars for sale by this weekend. She was also selling y-mas cards at a super price and "Sport's Mugs", which also make nice gifts for thirsty members. The tables at our meeting had poinsetts

Membership, Maureen Henry reported we still have 293 voting members as of last month.

Sick Bay reported that Pam Peid has had surgery recently and is doing fine. Hurry up and recuperate am so you can make the next Mermaid luncheon.

Our wild and crazy gal, Johnnie Ahrens had a traumatic experience recently. She was mugged by a young kid who knocked her down and stole her purse. To top it off, a week after the incident, a yellow cab ran into her car and demolished it. When the police came. Johnnie had no identification to prove Secretary - Ross Winter who she was as her purse had been stolen. Treasurer - Jackie Winter Poor Johnnie! It's a good thing Johnnie's so tough. She bounced right back and had us all in stitches. What happened to Johnnie isn't funny but the way she tells the story is.

Our dear friend, Phyllis Smith has been ill recently and we've all been quite worried about her. Please get well soon Phyl. We miss you.

Chatter. We all unanimously agreed that Sharon Allen, our new Chatter Editor, is doing a great job. Keep up the good work Sharon.



Lou Bock, Search and Rescue, said Thanksgiving weekend was relatively quiet. He reported that on December 7th, a boat broke down at Bird Island. Butch Wilda, Martine Taylor and Bill Coughlin left Cholla at 7:00p.m. and returned with the broken boat at 2:00pm Thanks guys for all the time and effort in rescuing the boat. Dates to remember:

January 7th - Board Meeting January 9th - Council January 14th - General Meeting I want to thank all the people who have donated their time, money, gifts and efforts towards the Cholla X-mas party for the Mexican families, The party is December 14th at the Bay. I hope many of you are able to attend this year as it is a truly meaningful event.

centerpieces which were the door prizes The winners of the centerpieces were:

Marta Stark Ken Stuart

Sue Watson Irene Drake Sarah Hohlenkamp Blair Saylor Sammy Rothrock

The Christmas Raffle Winners were:

Chuck Dernberger - Afghan Joannie Dernberger - Ceramic figures Betty Yeates - Ceramic Nativity Scene Shirley Peterson - Goodie Basket

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Hope you all have a beautiful Christma

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PHOENIX CHAPTER GENERAL By: Marie MacGill

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By: Marie friends, and our personal Christmas preprations, the attendance at the December 11th meeting was surprisingly good. Most of Santa's Elves were at the Bay making preprations for Santa's party.

Newt Grefenson led the pledge to the flag. After that we had our introductions. Thanks to our guest Joe Andrews for coming, also Al and Angie Schibi and all of the rest for being with us.

Mary Parker read her Secretary's report Gerry Nelson read the treasurers report in Paul VanOver's absence. Membership chairman, Howard Beesley did an exceptionally good job for 1985. With his help and the help of others we reached our goal of 1000 members. Harold Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 942, Cave Creek, Arizona became our 1000th member. Thank you so much Howard for coming aboard and making this 1985 goal possible, and thanks to Howard for a job well done.

Sara McWhorter of ship store said she has done real well on her sales. She had some nice tee shirts on sale for only \$9.00. She had all kind of things to make nice Christmas gifts. She said people had been stopping by her home to buy things for gifts. There were not any sick bay reports, so most all must be O.K. Butch Wilda read a report on Search and Rescue that he was going to have put in the Chatter.

Sharon Allen said our club furnished a punch and pop corn party to the Joseph Zito school children in appreciation for all of their efforts and generousity in contributing to the Cholla Bay Christmas party. We all thank them very much. They were great.

Sara McWhorter won the Christmas Raffle, a large carved Dolphin that George Rodgers donated. A gift certificate was won by Jan Bennett and also by Dr. Tom Johnson.

The raffle was as follows: Ben Boyd a fruit cake Elenor Westfall a pair of silver candle holders Bill MacGill a portable power lite Lou Frazier won dinner for two at Hunan Restuarant.

The members that were nominated at the November meeting were elected officers and board members for 1985.

After the meeting adjourned Dave Bennett of the Cholla Bay Home owners association gave a report on the last meeting that was held the last of November. He said the new manager for the Bay is Mr. LaSelle Taylor and he said they will be making lots of improvements at the Bay. They are getting a new road grader and the roads will be grad ed once a week. A good Home Owner member fro New Mexico donated a vehicle that is being made in to a police car which make two for the Bay now. Our good friend Tony Rimza dons ed an old fire truck that is being made fit and will be a fire truck for Cholla. Thanks very much to those good people. Mr. Taylor is going to have the old shacks moved and have the garbage dumps rebuilt and clean the place up in general. Dave said Mr. Taylor speaks good english if you need to see him about a problem. Dave also said Mr. Taylor said they want to clean the Bay up and make a nice little Resort town out of it.

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# ¿QUE PASA % BORRACHO FLATS?

by ED PERLMUTTER

I finally made it to the Sand Dunes, north of Cholla Bay and it was a fun day. About 30 of us packed our ATC's, sand buggies, motorcycles, etc. headed out of Cholla about 10:00 A.M. arriving at the base of the dunes about an hour later. The road has been made passable so that just about any vehicle can make it to this point. We rode, ate, and drank all day. Wayne and Sue Kudis, their two children Bryan and Wayne Jr. , one who is no bigger than a grasshopper, were part of a group watching the frolicking when we noticed Bryan and Wayne on their 3 wheelers riding up and down a deep hole, which looked like the Grand Cayon. Sue came over to me and dared me to do what her kids were doing. After refusing and being called chicken among other choice words, I turned it around and dared her to do it. Her voicefulness answer was "What do you think I am, CRAZY"? We arived back in Cholla about 5:30 P.M. safe, sound, and tired. For those of you who like a little adventure, fun, relaxation, etc. I highly recommend this sand dune trip, and its all close to home. The same day another large group, on all their toys, drove down to the second oyster farm and among other things, like having fun, fun, fun, ate dozen of oysters. It appears that there weren't too many people left in the Bay that day.

Not too long ago my wife and 1, Butch Wilda and Stevie Rohr had dinner in Rocky Point after which we decided to visit the La Cabana De Cortez night club located in the time share condomonoums. Our John Howe plays the organ at the cocktail bar nightly (7:00 to 10:00 P.M., except Monday,) and we had a ball. John has you sing along with him and if you luck out, the person sitting next to you is a professional entertainer. This gal sitting next to me, belted out the blues like you never heard. After John closes down, Waldamar and his wife LoLita, managers of the club take over on the main stages, sing, tell jokes in English and Spanish, they both are excellent entertainers. Waldamar plays a mean guitar. The drink prices are right and while sitting at the piano bar you are served complimentary snacks of the day which could be shrimp and dips or Tostoda and Cerviciti, and others. Its all very good! If you are looking for a fun night out this place is a must.

Not too long ago a couple of young men in their Ponga Boat gaffed a Ocean Sunfish scientifically named "Mola Mola", weighing 317 pounds. It was the darnest looking fish I ever saw. From what I hear no one has ever seen one around here. If you get a chance have Wally Schmerfeld show you a picture of it.

Frank Kush, The Arizona Outlaw Football Coach, was a guest of Arizona Republic Sports Writer Bob Eger, not too long ago. It was good to see Frank back again. He has been coming to Cholla for a long time and really likes it here. In fact, its rumored that he's thinking of buying or building a place here.





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# ¿QUE PASA % BORRACHO FLATS?

by ED PERLMUTTER

Our annual Xmas Party for the Mexican Families in Cholla Bay was a huge success. Lots of toys, food, and good cheer. Manny and his wife Merci Pantoja were Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus again this year and did their usual bang up jobs. After the kids saw Santa and the families received their goodies, the kids put on a show the would put some professionals to shame. They sang and danced like you would not believe. Bill Schram and Mark Murphy on the Pinata ropes while Wayne Kudis handled the swinging bat and blind fold. Its a miracle Wayne doesn't have a bunch of broken bones from that swinging bat. The whole party went smoothly and effectively to do the hard work and dedication of Joe and Mary Reinert, Lou and Shelly Bock and Will and Betty Williams.



After the party a pot luck dinner was held at Lou and Shelly Bock's house for all the helpers and non-helpers. Lots of food, refreshments, and people were present. Because I'm on a diet and on the wagon for the present, the following observations were made at this time: Lynn Skwiat has a very infectious smile and is never without it; Butch Wilda has grown a moustache and restyled his hair, Moy Much!; Dennis Hohlenkamp Sans moustache and beard looking much younger; Lou and Shelly Bock busy, busy, busy; Happy-Go-Lucky Rojo, never changes; Alan and Shirley Peterson, always on the go or working; Wayne and Sue Kudis, fairly new addition to Cholla Bay and they fit in perfectly; Joe and Roma Blunk, never change always nice; Jim McCollough, my good friend I'm sure I could think of something nice to say about him, maybe later; Nancy Moody, beautiful and having a ball, I wondered out loud if she would consent to some heavy petting, Joe Blunk saying "Why don't you ask her?" My answer "What would I do if she says yes." About this time she walked towards me and I told her I had a question for her and she said "Whatever it is Yes!" -----Everyone was in a good mood and had a ball -----Love ya Nancy! From the pot luck dinner everyone moved to George and Maxine Rodgers cabin where the uninitiated were initiated into the Ooga Booga Club. For more information, see George or Maxine Rodgers. After more refreshments the die hard finished off the night at J.J's Cantina. End of a wonderful day and party.





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Did any beached whales really survive?

Easy Come Easy Go Thank God For Mexico!

Remember our motto

that was adopted

It was for the following

that everyone opted.

y Sammie Rothrock The Cholla Bay Mermaids, or beached whales as we have also been called, met again November 26th at Costa Brave Restaurant. Our feerless Mermaid leader, Lynn Skwiat, started the meeting off by reading the By-Laws which are:

- You must be able to drink with your left hand.
- You must be able to drink with your right hand.

All the mermaids cheered the By-Laws and began drinking lots of margaritasthirteen pitchers to be exact.

Some mermaids present or semi-present were: Shirley and Pam Reid, Sammy Pothrock, Joannie Dernberger, Stevie Rohr, Jill Davis, Shirley and Lori Peterson, Joanne Otanez, Alice Christian, Peggy Drake, Hilda Tozzi, Sandy and Tina Mazur, Sue Watson, Ethel Heldt. All of you mermaids I forgot to name, please there is no need to thank me.

Late in the afternoon, a mermaid was seen feeding an innocent customer margaritas on her lap. Later, his wife, good sport that she was, joined the group. If you can't beat em - join em. In other words - anyone can join in the fun.

After leaving Costa Brava, the mermaids descended upon Dave and Laurel Walkers unsuspecting home and turned it topsyturvy.

We all had a great time so be listening on your C.B's for the next meeting future mermaids and join the good time gals in their fun. by

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On Saturday morning, December 7th, the basketball field south of Sonoita (Km 8) was a sight to behold. It was RACE DAY for the 9th Annual ADRA Sonoita to Rocky Point Hare'n Hound off road race. At the starting line were 59 vehicles and 301 motorcycles, ATCs and Quad Racers. Jim Massey #300 had never finished this racers are a great bunch of people. race, but he was determined to do so this year. He bought a new 250R ATC just for this race. He made absolutely no alterations to it. A bone stock vehicle - is this the same Massey we have all gotten to know over the years?? The answer is yes, because at the starting line there was Jim astride a "stock" ATC. The only thing added to it was the required number plates. Jim said after the race that it was alot of fun, although he would like to return to the race track and find the tree that he mounted and left his ATC suspended in. Never the less, he won his class riding the 121 mile course in 3 hrs. 5 mins. & 26 seconds. THAT'S GREAT Jim! Lou Frazer III, son of Lou Frazer (Waterwagon) fineshed 7th in his class (his first race ever) with a fine time of 3hrs. 28 mins. & 40 seconds. James Olson, son of Jim & Sharon Olson (Oley IV) rebuilt his engine on Wednesday, 2 days before the race, took it to Sonoita without test riding and finished the race in 3 hrs. 47 mins. & 7secs He finished 4th in his class, 205 Novice, three wheelers. That takes guts, but congratulations James. Jim Huff (Plum Crazy) and his Jeep #401 were a DNF early in the race with mechanical problems. Ashley, who ran his Quad to a 2nd place finish in the JJ's Cantina race, was also a DNF just three miles into the race with a seized engine. I know that there were other CBSC members who raced, but unfortunately I do not have any information to pass along. Although I was unable to attend the celebration that evening at JJ's Cantina, many racers and their pit crews were there having a great time and trading 'war stories' of the race. I understand one racer who finished the race unscratched fell down celebrating and broke his arm; maybe he should have stayed on the race course. Mike Arms #393 ATC who raced in the JJ's Cantina race and placed 2nd in class to help him prepare for 'the big one' did not fare as well. Some place between check #2 and the road crossing going to check #3 he attempted to go through 2 huge Greasewood bushes, wide-open in 6th gear. The result was I destroyed 1985 350X ATC and 1 broken wrist and assorted bruises.

In my opinion, this was one of the best races in a long time. Mr & Mrs. ADRA, Phil & Phyllis Auernheimer (CBSC members) ran a first class operation. Everyone I talked to said that the course was well marked and the check point people did a great job. I can hardly wait for the 10th Annual as it is always wonderful to see old friends and meet new people. Off-road

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## Olé St. Nick

### Hispanic Santa buoys children of Cholla Bay

By MOON MULLINS Republic Staff

For 364 days of the year, Manny and Mercy Pantajo of Phoenix are ordinary, hard-working citizens. But on one day each December, they become something very special to the children of Cholla Bay. Mexico.

For the sixth year in a row, Manny and Mercy donned the red and white to become Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus to approximately 200 children who came to the annual Christmas party sponsored by the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club.

It was something to see Dec. 14 as the wide-eyed youngsters sat on Santa's lap. Mrs. Claus aided in the visitations and made sure each child left with a candy cane and toy.

The Sportsmen's Club, made up mostly of Arizonans who have cabins in Cholla Bay, distributed over 60 boxes containing flour, rice, beans, chicken, fruit and vegetables to families of the area. Also, each family received a sack of toys, the size depending upon the number of children in the family. Rebuilt bicycles and sporting goods also were distributed.

The visit with Señor and Señora. Santa Claus was a big thrill for the children, and it was definitely a two-way street.

"It's a very emotional day," Manny said.

The requests of the children almost always correspond to the financial status of their families, with the better-off kids asking for things such as bicycles, cowboy boots and hats and the poorer kids asking for items such as a sweater or a pair of shoes.

"Most of the children are cared for, but we do encounter some who are from the very poor," Manny said. "There is a lot of love in the Mexican families, but the country is economically depressed, and it reflects in the children."

The day did not end at Cholla Bay. An auto caravan carried Santa to a cardboard-shack area near the railroad tracks in Rocky Point, to an "ejido," or farming community, halfway between Rocky Point and Sonoita, and finally to the orphanage in Sonoita, across the border from Lukeville, Ariz.

The club distributed tons of foodstuffs to the families and orphanage. The 1985 chairmen were Will and Betty Williams of Sun Lakes, Joe and Mary Reinert of Phoenix and Lou and Shelley Bock of Tueson. The club also praised the children of Joseph Zito School in Phoenix who donated more than 500 cans of fruits and vegetables.

Manny and Mercy recalled many stories that occurred over the years.

Manny told of one youngster who asked if Santa spoke Spanish.

"Of course," Manny answered in perfect Spanish. "Santa speaks the languages of all the children of the world."

"See," the youngster told his companion, "I told you so."

Some of the stories tug at the heart.

Mercy recalled giving a doll to a little girl from a poor family. A year later, the same girl came to sit on Santa's lap, clutching the same doll.

Another time, a boy pressed a small ironwood sculpture into Santa's hand.

"At first I told him I didn't want to take it," Manny said, "but I could see he would have been very disappointed if I didn't accept his

"I cherish that piece of ironwood, but I still have a feeling of guilt knowing I took something that could have been sold to bring some money to the family."

The most heart-touching scenes came at the Sonoita orphanage, "La Granja Feliz," or "The Happy Farm."

A little girl told Santa she did not want anything for Christmas. Manny queried further.

"Yes," she said, "I do want something very much. I want my mother to come and see me."

Tears welled in Manny's eyes as he embraced the girl and told her that he couldn't guarantee it, but would do his best, all the while hoping a higher power was listening.

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### About the Chatter..... By Bill Valentine

Bill Hammer and I started this newsy little poop sheet back in May of 1958 for the benefit of all of the members of the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club who were unable to make our monthly meetings, just to keep them informed of what was going on, hither and you among the fishy little membership. As I recall, and I sure could be wrong, the club listed about 75 hardnosed saltwater fishermen and women as bona fide members.

I wrote the dang thing and Hammer printed it. As time passed on and the membership started growing by leaps and bounds, I soon found that editing and writing the Cholla Chatter was getting to be a little more than than this old boy could handle ... Hammer and I had spawned a

Hammer, shy little rascal that he was, conned lovable Florence Zimmer into taking over the editorship of the Chatter. This was a switch from the ridiculous to the sublime. Florence took over the reins and the newssheet turned from an amateurish bunch of gobbledegook to a nice respectable publication done with a professional flair. As more fishermen discovered Cholla Bay, our membership grew from less than 100 to over 300 in a very short white. Then with the inception of the annual fishing derby, the membership grew to its present size of over 800 members.

The Chatter is the bond that ties us all together now and I'm sure that each member looks forward to its arrival each month. Thanks to the derby, this little epistle of newsy fishy info is be-

ing spread practically all over the United States of America.

The biggest single issue of the Chatter was put out in 1962 by Florence, Hammer and myself. We decided that the official "Derby Issue" should be a trifle more outstanding than the average monthly rag, so we gathered pictures, stories and advertising from every available source and glued it together into one big mini-magazine that I don't think has been surpassed, in size , since.

There has been a succession of editors for the Chatter throughout the succeeding years, and each editor, I'm quite sure, has found that about the only compensation derived from the thankless task, is the joy of seeing each issue born with robust health and no obvious defects.

Man, how that Cholla Bay has grown! When Willie and I started in '58, it really didn't take much writin' or printin' to cover just about everything that anyone who fished the bay would want to know. And the fishing, back in those days, was fantastic. I could almost guarantee a guy a sailfish hookup in my 16' wooden tub, the "Afrikan Queen", and Hammer did the same from his 16' ChrisCraft inboard. We'd never have to go over 6 or 7 miles off shore to load all of our tote sacks with pinto or grouper - in fact, we used to catch pinto, grouper, yellowfin corvina and California white sea bass just trolling Martin plugs down the Shoreline between Pelican Point and Sand Beach, and I wish I had a shiny new nickel for every sea trout I caught from the rocks right in front of where the radio shack is now. Back then the upper part of the Bay would practically fill up with pompano during the hot summer months and we'd sure get our jollies casting for the high jumping rascals with freshwater tackle - they'd really put up a fight. We caught ladyfish, seatrout, pompano, yellowfin corvina, and California white sea bass, and Spanish or Sierra Mackeral just surfcasting from Pelican Point. Oh well, you can't fight progress and I'll bet that some day, our fishin' kids will look back to '73 a s the 'Good Ole Days", and I'll also bet that the Chatter will still be going strong when our grandkids are fishing the Cholla Bay area.



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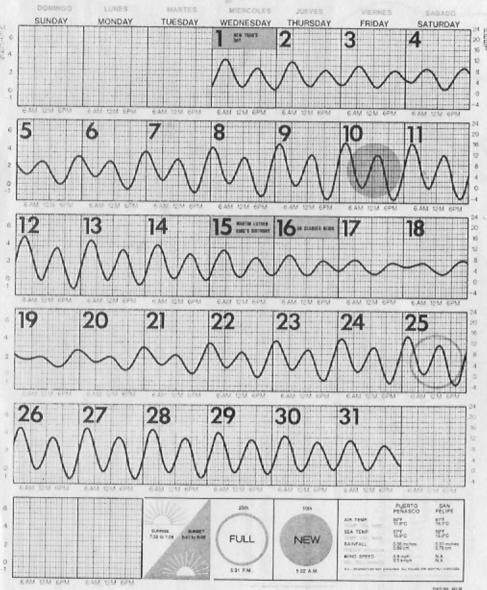
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