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CHOLLA BAY  
SPORTSMEN'S CLUB



January 2010



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 30th** - CBSC Golf Tournament - See flyer inside for information
- January 30th** - 5:00 - Happy Hour at the clubhouse. Bring some snacks to share. Those entering the tournament welcome but need not bring a snack
- February 27th** - CBSC - Las Vegas/game night - See inside
- March 27th** - CBSC Luau - Our famous chef, Jerry Ketelhut Jr. will be putting this event on again. It was great last year and will be again
- April 10th** - CBSC 3rd Annual Horseshoe Tournament - See inside for more information on this also
- FISHING DERBY & FISH FRY** - SEE INSIDE FOR DATES

2nd ANNUAL CBSC GOLF TOURNAMENT and HAPPY HOUR

This has been quite popular with all the golfers. But for those of us who don't golf, don't forget to at least come to the happy hour that night. January 30th is the date! We'd appreciate it if you would bring some snacks to share. Anything at all will do. If you're entering the tournament, you'll be quite busy that day, so just show up. You don't need to bring anything. Drinks will be provided.

Starts at 5:00 P.M. at the club house. We hope to see all of you there. Come and brag about your good golf game, or just come and chat. See you there! The entry form for the tournament is on a separate page, and also on the web site - chollabayhoa.net

RADIO REPEATER

by Pat Goodin

CBSC is still working on getting a repeater installed. The unit has been purchased and as soon as we get the proper permits, it will be installed. The day I am writing this, we have just met with the Port Captain, and things look pretty good for us to be back in service soon with a repeater. We're sorry for the delay, but with the holidays, and with people sick, etc. it has been a trying time. Hopefully we will have it installed soon. Don't give up! We do want to remind you, however, to not use the radio for personal chit-chat. The radio is for marine usage.

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

*We had some wonderful food at the annual Thanksgiving dinner (of course), with about 70 in attendance. We really do have some wonderful cooks in Cholla Bay! The club furnished the turkeys, and our chefs Jerry Ketelhut, Jim Howard and Ken Goodin did the preparations for the turkeys, dressing and gravy. Others brought all kinds of tasty side dishes and desserts. If you missed it, you missed a great meal. We'll do it again next year. Nancy Schmidli took some pictures and you'll find them on another page. Thanks to everyone who helped set up tables and helped in every other way.*

LIBRARY NEWS

Happy New Year! I hope there will be many visits to the library in 2010. 2009 saw 373 visits that resulted in many books coming and going. There have been lots of new titles donated in the last two months so if you haven't been in lately you might want to check it out. If you are going to donate books, please be sure they are in GOOD condition.

Wireless internet has been added to the clubhouse and wireless laptop computers can now be used in the library to access the internet. For those of you who are unsure of where the library is located, it is a separate room and door marked "library" on the west side of the clubhouse. Don't mistake it for the Vecinos office, which is just outside the glass doors going into the general club area.

I will provide a key to the library, courtesy of your Homeowner's Association, to anyone who wants one. Please see me at M19 L3 (262 on water tower), or give me a call at 382-5015. My answering machine is on when I am in Cholla, so leave a message and number.

Barb Dammann

FYI

If you need help and you can't get the Police in Cholla:  
You can call the Rocky Point Police :  
Phone 383-2626  
or 060 from a land line  
or \*113 from a cell phone

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**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**FROM CHOLLA BAY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB**

**GAME NIGHT - LAS VEGAS STYLE**

by Diane Aliano

Just a few words about our 1st Annual Cholla Bay Game Night on Saturday, February 27th. We look forward to a fantastic, fun-filled evening of exciting games, culminating in a grand auction for some fabulous prizes. Dare to take a "spin" at the Wheel of Fortune, or try your luck at the ever-popular Texas Hold-Em, Five Card Stud, or Black Jack, to name a few. Play with real poker chips (provided- do not bring your own) and stack 'em up high as the sky!. You never know "whatcha" might win.

We have a good head start on preparations, so we know this will be a night to remember. At the time of this printing, we still have some positions open; a few dealers and a back-up auctioneer. In the spirit of teamwork, please call or email Diane Aliano - [eriesteam@yahoo.com](mailto:eriesteam@yahoo.com), local phone 383-7560 or Pat Goodin - [nolehacepat@yahoo.com](mailto:nolehacepat@yahoo.com) - local phone 382-5056. **DO NOT FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for this fabulous evening of food, fun and cocktails, then come early to get the best seats and to see who will be the "Ultimate Chip Champion".

Invite everyone. You don't need to be a member to attend. It will be \$20 per person to get in and get your allotment of chips. It will include drinks and food. It's going to be a great night of fun.

**SICK BAY**

We are so sad to report the deaths of so many of our loving Cholla Bay friends. Bucky Maud, Helen Wyatt, Joe Reinert and Jack Straughan all passed away in December. I'm sorry but I don't have all of the dates. They will be missed so much by all of us. Also, Jody Burns, who was a Hunziker, an old-time Cholla family, and Libbie Roh of the Roh family in Cholla Bay passed away. I just learned at the time of this writing (Jan. 6th) that Terry Beazley's grandson, Chris, died yesterday in a collision near Show Low. Chris is the nephew of Jerry & Ila Ketelhut also. Our sympathies go out to all of the families.

Alan (Pete) Peterson is recovering in a rehab. center after a long time in the hospital.

Betty Moore (Munro) is at home recovering also after a long hospital stay.

Wendell Lolling has been recovering at home after open heart surgery, then some complications from that.

**3RD ANNUAL HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT**

SATURDAY, APRIL 10th, 2010

CHOLLA CLUB HOUSE

SIGN UP - 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Pre-Registration will be available at  
[chollabayhoa.net](http://chollabayhoa.net)

**Tournament will begin at 10:00**

Players - \$12.00 per person

Spectators - \$7.00 per person

(Price includes beer, 2 hot dogs, chips &amp; popcorn)

1st Place Team Prize - \$300

2nd Place Team Prize - \$150

3rd Place Team Prize \$50

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Call Billie at 382-5133 in Cholla  
or email: [chollamidget2@yahoo.com](mailto:chollamidget2@yahoo.com)

Billie is looking for helpers to sell raffle tickets, cook hot dogs, make & serve popcorn, dispense beer, etc. You can contact her at the above number, or call Pat Goodin 382-5056 if she isn't in Cholla. She also would like to have donations for the raffle. If you can help with any of this, please let us know.

**Sick Bay - continued**

Wayne Busfield had a triple By-pass but as far as we know, is recovering at home.

Craig McCombs, who is quite new to Cholla Bay, has had chemo for throat cancer. Hopefully all his chemo treatments are over now.

Shirley Reid will be having some chemo treatments in January for a tumor near her liver

**WE WISH ALL OF THESE PEOPLE A QUICK RECOVERY!**

**LUAU**

The 2010 annual luau will be held on March 27th. Plans will be underway soon. Jerry Ketelhut Jr. has said he will be cooking again. He hasn't decided on the menu, but knowing Jerry, the food will be fantastic! He did say that the hula dancer will be back. Watch for the next issue of the Cholla Chatter. Maybe we'll have more information for you at that time. Just remember the date - **March 27th**



### Let's Go Fishing! from the Launching Pad via Rosario Villa y David

Boat fishing has been very bad during the month of Dec. due to cold weather and mucho wind. However, shore

fishing on Pelican Point has been outstanding from around early afternoon until dark. The local netters have also done well in the area off Tucson Beach.

Villa launched about 20 boats during the month of December. There was one tow-in\*. Job Site, Jim LaVoie broke down and was pulled into the bay by a ponga fisherman. Not much action during December except from the shore..

Villa wishes everybody a most prosperous New Year and definitely hopes for some good fishing weather. We would also like to wish Villa and his family a Prosperous New Year and thank him for his excellent work .

The new radio repeater is still a work in progress. When going out in a boat please remember to take flares, flash lights, a cell phone and a good radio with which to monitor channel #9 until the new repeater can be installed..

Hum Babe, aka Don Schmidli

### Thanks for a Great Cholla Christmas Party!

Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful day and we had one of the biggest Christmas parties we have ever had. We served lots of bags of popcorn, 250 hot dogs, chips and boxed drinks and could have used more. Lowell took over 100 family photos of Santa (Sal Otañez) with families of kids. ( We can't do individual pictures because it takes too long to print them out. Santa's helpers gave out over 150 gifts to kids 13 or younger. 150 signed the guest book and I know many more did not get a chance to do this. All the children chose gifts for their moms or grandmas, because we had a lot and none were left. The Cholla Children's Choir sang accompanied by Lew Felton on the violin (we need more practice next year, but they are soooo cute!) And the piñatas were a blast, as usual. A great time was had by all!

After the party, Jim LaVoie and his helpers delivered boxes of food and children's gifts to the Cholla families. Don, my husband, and I gave the 33 families that live in Cholla the monetary gifts collected from so many generous Cholla people. Enequina Otañez helped me write the message and put the money in the envelopes to be delivered. We received \$1825.00 in monetary donations. Yeah!! We gave \$40 to each family of 1,2 and 3: \$55 to each family of 4, 5 and 6: and \$60 to each family of 7 and 8. All expenses for food and some mom's gifts and toys and any other things that were not donated were paid for by the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club! This made it possible to give all the money donated to the families. Delivery is always so very special and this year they were especialy thankful and we received so many hugs, cheers and " Muchas Gracias!" What a wonderful experience!!!

Jim LaVoie actually gave out 150 boxes of food to, not only the Cholla families, but also to the shacks along the railroad tracks. He was assisted and supported in this most worthy endeavor by his wife, Maggie, (he said - for putting up with him)and her help, his son Chuck, his daughter Betsy and her Mary Kay crew, Barb Hancock, Ben Allen, Jeff and RuthAnn James, Shirley McDonald and Shawna and Juan Lopez of Chico, Ca. Thanks for transportation and distribution to: Barb Hancock, Ben Allen, Juan Lopez, Barb and John Baird, Lew Felton, John Michie, and Boyd and Paul Emerson. Great Job, Jim and Co.!!!

It takes a lot of wonderful people to make this party happen. Thanks to all the following who donated money, toys, mom's gifts, picture frames, photo supplies, helped sort, wrap and label, helped at the party and more!

Enequina and Sal Otañez, Penny and Charles Cardinal, Miki and Roger Harmon, Gerry and Dottie Nelson, Lisa Nelson, Pat and Steve Lee, Albert and Margaret Wendt, Jeannie and Richard Hunziker, Estelle and Bucky Maud, Jo Barnes and Chuck Payne, Angie and Mike Sellers, Marion and Ralph Barlow, Paul and Grace Schoonover, Phoenix Sail and Power Squadron, Jane and Bruce Beidler, Dave and Kenta Heath, Ed and Judy Hunt, Janet and Pete Pisciotta, Debbie and Wendell Lolling, Jennifer and Ray Hayes, Kay Murphy, Don Vawter, Yvonne and Dave Arnett, Don and Donna Nelson, Annett Maynard, Ken Golash, Billie Crumbly, Adrianna and Bob Adams, Juliene Wallace, Susie Lynch, Monica Irons, Carol and Jim Schmidt, Elisabeth Field, Michael and Vicki Wright, Glenda Maud, Pat Susong, Mary Ann Oren, Vivian and Ron Hoffman, Sandy Moore, Shirley Reid, Barb and Bob Dammann, Pat and Ken Goodin, Elsie Mechem, Shirley and Pete Peterson, Kory Bonini, Sally and Jeff Petrik, Kathy Barnard, Joanne Dawn, Judy Hill, Troy Willis, Susan Willis, Agnes and Lew Felton, Mike and Rhea Dugan, Diane Aliano, Dar and Jim Hurst, Shirley McDonald, Christine Otañez, Jenni Rojas, Karen Caballero, Susan Flinn, Linda Eger who made the 115 picture frames for the kids pictures, Lowell McCulley who came especially for the day to take the pictures,

Margaret Perez, Rosa Villa, and Arturo Arvizu. I hope I didn't miss anyone, if I did, I am sorry and I would like for you to tell me so I can add it to my records.

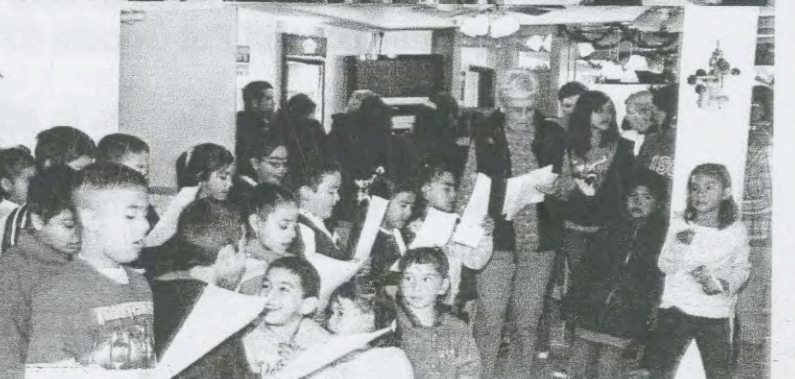
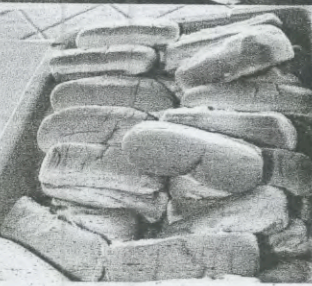
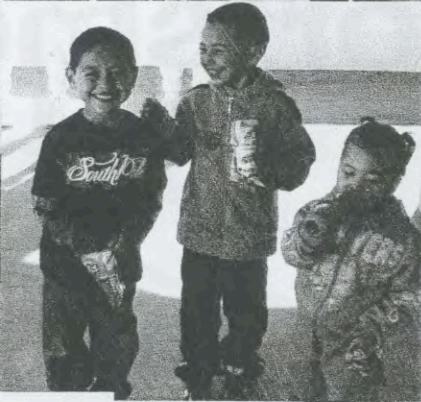
A GREAT BIG THANKS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU WHO HELPED IN SO MANY WAYS! WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!!!

For more pictures of the party go to [www.chollabayhoa.net](http://www.chollabayhoa.net) and click on Cholla Community

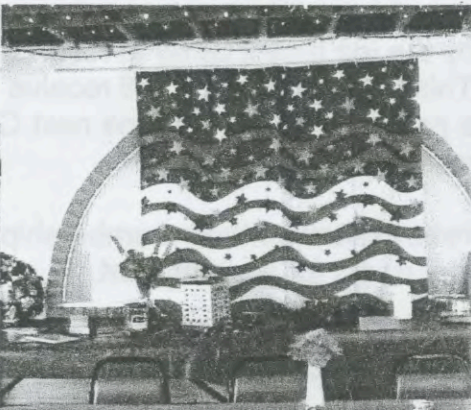
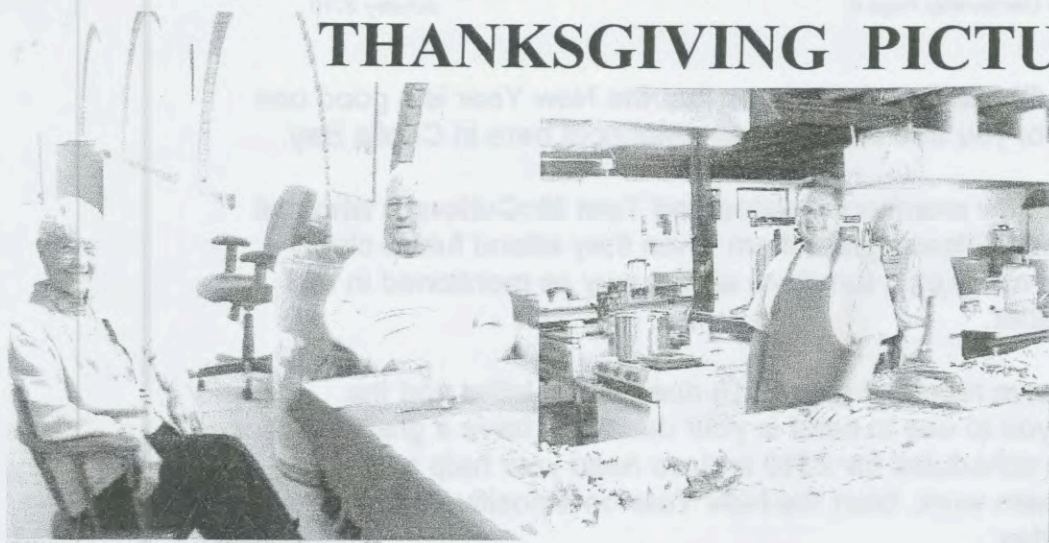
.I hope you all have a great 2010! Nancy Schmidli

### Cholla Charity Fund

On Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> at the New Year's Eve party, we raffled off two \$75 gift certificates for the Sonoran Spa. They were originally to be raffled off on Dec. 19, but there had only been \$11 worth of tickets sold, so we reset the date for the 31<sup>st</sup>. We then made \$167.00 for the fund. Thanks to all of you who purchased tickets to help the CCF. The certificates were won by Johnny Mullins and Jeff Tolue.



# THANKSGIVING PICTURES



Happy New Year from Cholla Bay. Let's hope that the New Year is a good one (at least a better one) for you and our Mexican neighbors here in Cholla Bay.

Please welcome brand new members **Debbie and Tom McCullough** who hail from **Las Vegas, Nevada**. Please greet them when they attend future club functions-and there are many club functions on the way as mentioned in this issue of the Cholla Chatter.

By now you probably have received your 2010 dues billing letter and the stamped envelope for you to use to send in your dues. We have a great number of events and activities scheduled for 2010 and we need your help and participation to make them work. Start the New Year on a positive note by mailing in your dues today.

I should also mention that a few of you will get a dues billing when you have already paid. This is caused by the lag time it takes to receive mail (your checks) in Cholla Bay from the USA. This month everyone will receive Chatter, so that should take care of part of the problem. By the time the next Chatter is out we should know who is current and who is not.

For those of you who have already renewed their membership for 2010 the Officers of CBSC thank you very much for your support.

Best regards and see you at the Bay. Gerry Nelson, Membership Chairman  
CBSC. P.O. Box 1320, Lukeville AZ. 85341. [nelsonengr@cox.net](mailto:nelsonengr@cox.net)



**Membership Application**

**Annual Dues \$ 40**

Membership dues and other activities of the Colla Bay Sportsmen's Club funded the purchase of radio equipment and supports the maintenance and operation of the Marine VHF Radio (channels 16 & 26) for the Northern Sea of Cortez & CB radio (channel 3) in the Cholla Bay area. The CBSC pays the salary of the radio operator, assists in search and rescue operations and, when necessary, can assist with some arrangements for transportation of critically ill or injured. The CBSC conducts the annual fishing derby, publishes a monthly newsletter and promotes good relations between American visitors and our Mexican neighbors.

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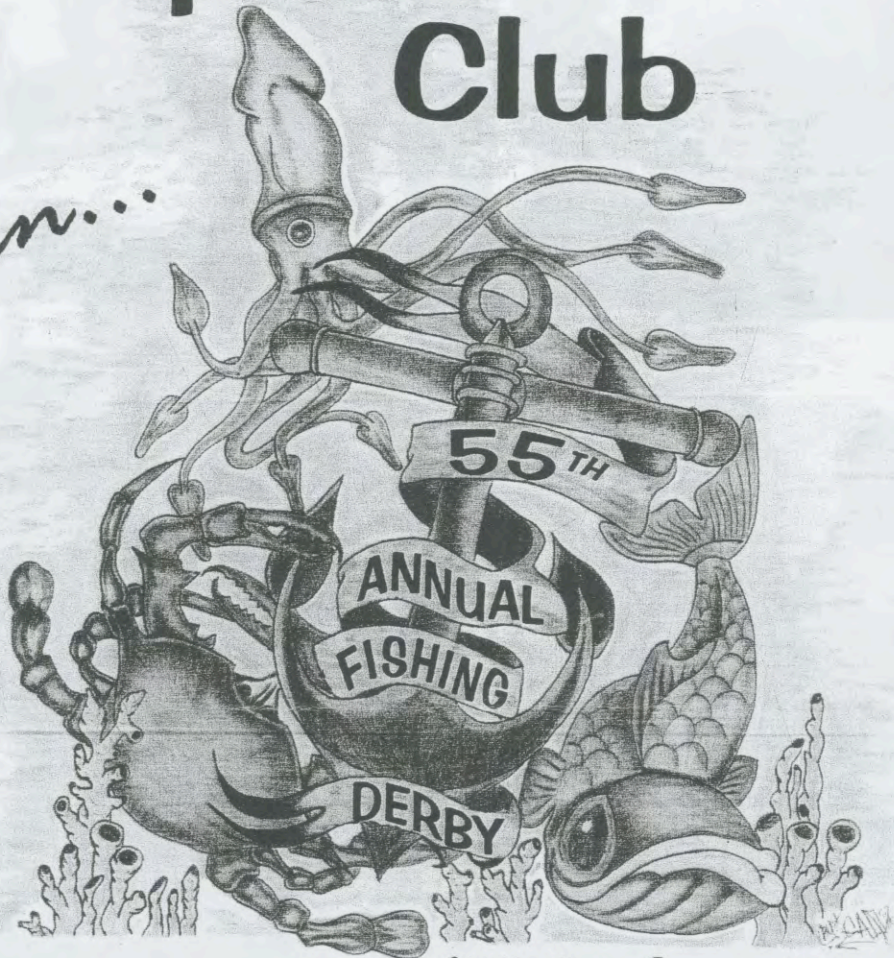
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Make your check out to CBSC and mail to Gerry Nelson, P.O. Box 1320, Lukeville, Az. 85341

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**The Derby Dates are set!  
Mark your calendars...**

*Cholla Bay, Sonora, Mexico*

**Adult & Junior,  
Boat & Shore  
Categories**

**March 5 - 7 • MARCH 18 - 21  
April 29 - May 2 • May 27 - 29  
Awards & Fish Fry: May 30, 2010**

**All  
Fishermen  
Welcome**

To be a **Trophy Sponsor**, please contact Kelley Adams 480-345-0623 or in Cholla 382-5111. To **Volunteer** to help in anyway possible with the Derby or Fish Fry, please contact Pat Goodin 575-635-4779 or in Cholla 382-5056..

**Fish Fry Events:** Youth Games. In addition to our regular Raffle, we will also have a Special Youth Raffle - with prizes kids would love to win. Mariachi's will once again be entertaining the crowd during the awards ceremony.

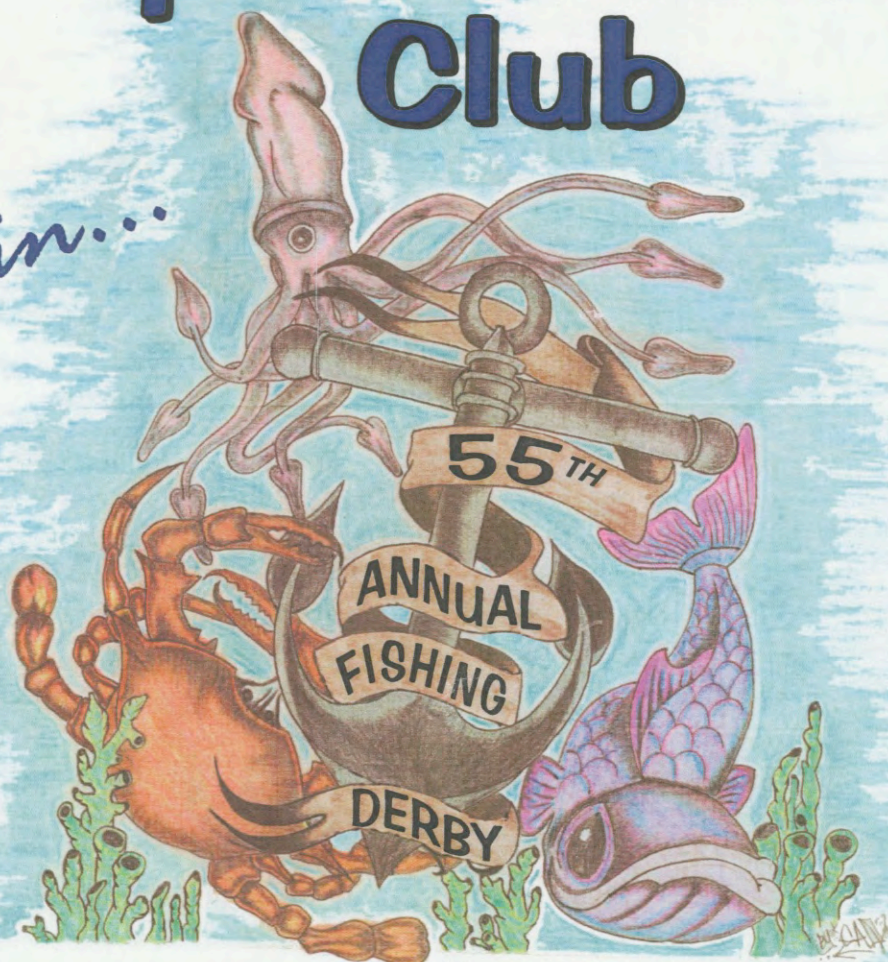
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