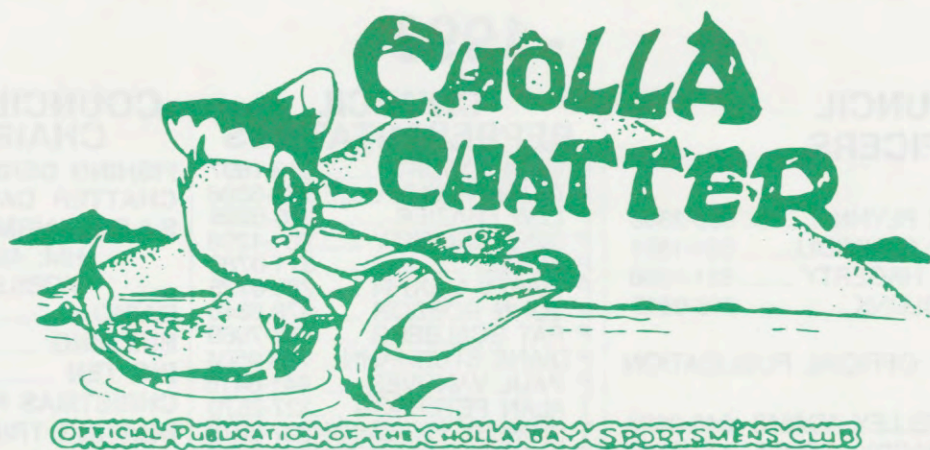




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## PHOENIX CHAPTER GENERAL MEETING

By Marie MacGill

First of all I must say Thank You! Thank You! beautiful people, a whole 85 or more of you for coming to our February 10th meeting. It was great having you with us. I counted 85 name slips and perhaps there were some that didn't sign in. Some faces I hadn't seen for a long, long time, but I wanted you to know how we appreciate your coming.

We had some very knowledgeable shell experts with us, such as Carol Skoglung, who gave an interesting talk on shells, and Eva Schroeder and Eve Mendez. Just ask them about a shell and you'd get the whole history of them, it was great. Thank you ladies very much. I guess I'd never stopped to think about the beautiful little creatures that had dwelled in those shells that I saw scattered in the sand. I'll probably trod more lightly the next time I take a stroll on the beach, and I bet you do too.

Clive Jordan opened the meeting with the Pledge to our Flag. Because of all the discussions on Shells, the Club reports were dispensed with; however it was reported that Ed Waldrep had passed away, we send our sympathy to his family and friends.

It was very kind of Jim and Elnora Westfall to take over the Ship's Store. They had it a few years ago and did a great job. I'm sure we all thank them. Jim said jokingly "Please step up and buy", I want to buy a new boat this year. It's his humor that makes them fun to be with.

Our President, Frank Flynn asked all of us members to help round up advertisers. If you know of a business that might like to advertise in the Chatter, please ask them. We need to increase our advertisers, so please help if you can.

Noel and Clive Jordan made a beautiful picture of Sea Shells mounted in a nice frame, and Joe and Roma Blunk made a beautiful picture of sand dollars and had it displayed in an attractive frame. They would grace any room in your home. I sure didn't know these people had so much talent, and you just wouldn't believe all the beautiful shells that were brought to the meeting. Thank all of you so much.

I don't believe that any of you will want to miss our March 10th meeting, because it will be all about CPR. Mike Hagerty said there will be several Firemen from the Fire Department with dummies to show us how it's done, and to certify people in CPR. So, please don't miss this very important affair.

Didn't you think that the sea shell on the cover of the Cholla Chatter was a very special work of art. Hope you noted that Noel Jordan did this fine art, Thank You Noel!

Bill Waggoner won the Christmas raffle ..... A bottle of cheer  
3rd prize was won by Roma Blunk ..... A coffee thermos butler  
2nd prize was won by Lucy Tasker ..... A nice big thermometer  
1st prize went to Ann Tarantino ..... A beautiful sea shell book

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## PHX CHAPTER MARCH MEETING

The program for the March meeting of the Phoenix Chapter of the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club will offer members the opportunity to learn Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (C.P.R.).

This lifesaving technique will be demonstrated by members of the Phoenix Fire Department. Also covered will be the causes of asphyxiation due to carbon monoxide gas, and how to prevent it. These topics are of particular interest to a club like ours. Activities such as boating, camping and four-wheel trips often find us far from emergency medical treatment. Everyone wants to be able to help in the event of a medical emergency. This is your chance to learn how.

There will be a five dollar (\$5.00) fee for those wishing to become certified in C.P.R.

Join us for this important and informative program. Hope to see you there on March 10th.

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The "SUPER JACKPOT" prizes will be for the largest fish caught on Derby Days. Derby rules will apply.

**MEN:** \$100.00 donation per boat (or individual) is necessary to win one half of this JACKPOT.

**WOMEN:** \$25.00 donation per individual is necessary to win one half of the "MINI-JACKPOT".

The other half of each JACKPOT goes to the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club.

Anyone interested in entering either of these JACKPOTS should contact the DERBY CHAIRMAN. Registration must be prepaid before the start of the Derby. No refunds will be made after the Derby starts.

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All was ready so they launched on this beautiful day with perfect water and started towards what I call "Blue Water South".

The fishing was great for these four fishermen: the Grouper and Blacks were not being a problem to bring up, each man had at least one, fun was being had by all.

Then something hit the Captains line and took off like a bat out of you know where and headed out to open water.

Someone said "It's a big Black Sea Bass", another said "It's a giant Grouper", still another thought it was a big Ray. Everyone got very quiet to watch the action, and the captain said "I think I have a big Shark".

About that time, Ramone Jr. grabbed the video camera and began to document every bit of the action inside of the boat and out in the water as well. He sure did a great job and it's a good thing that he did.

Now being a fisherperson myself, I will believe almost any fish yarn I hear, because I have spun a few myself, but this fish tale even I would have a hard time swallowing. But friend, let me tell you, I have seen the video and it's all true.

Back to the story.

The first trip that Gus brought that Shark up to the boat you could see that ugly black fin towering above the water for at least two hundred yards out, but coming closer and closer to the boat. Gus said "Do you have the camera Ramone?", "I'm getting him on tape boss". A low growl from the back ground from Art that he didn't want anything to do with that ugly \_\_\_\_\_. Meanwhile, Wally keeps fishing for Blacks and trying to stay out of the way.

Zing-Zing-Zing, that 16 foot, 800 pound Mako had taken almost all of the line again for the twentieth time, and Gus had been all over the boat trying to land that beautiful Monster of the Deep. Old Mako was having no part of coming on board the Kinki B.

He had taken line many times. Had been brought back to the boat where he performed beautifully for the camera.

As he looked at the boat and these four men, he as much as said "Here I am, Look me over, Take my picture to tell the world I am here, But here I will stay".

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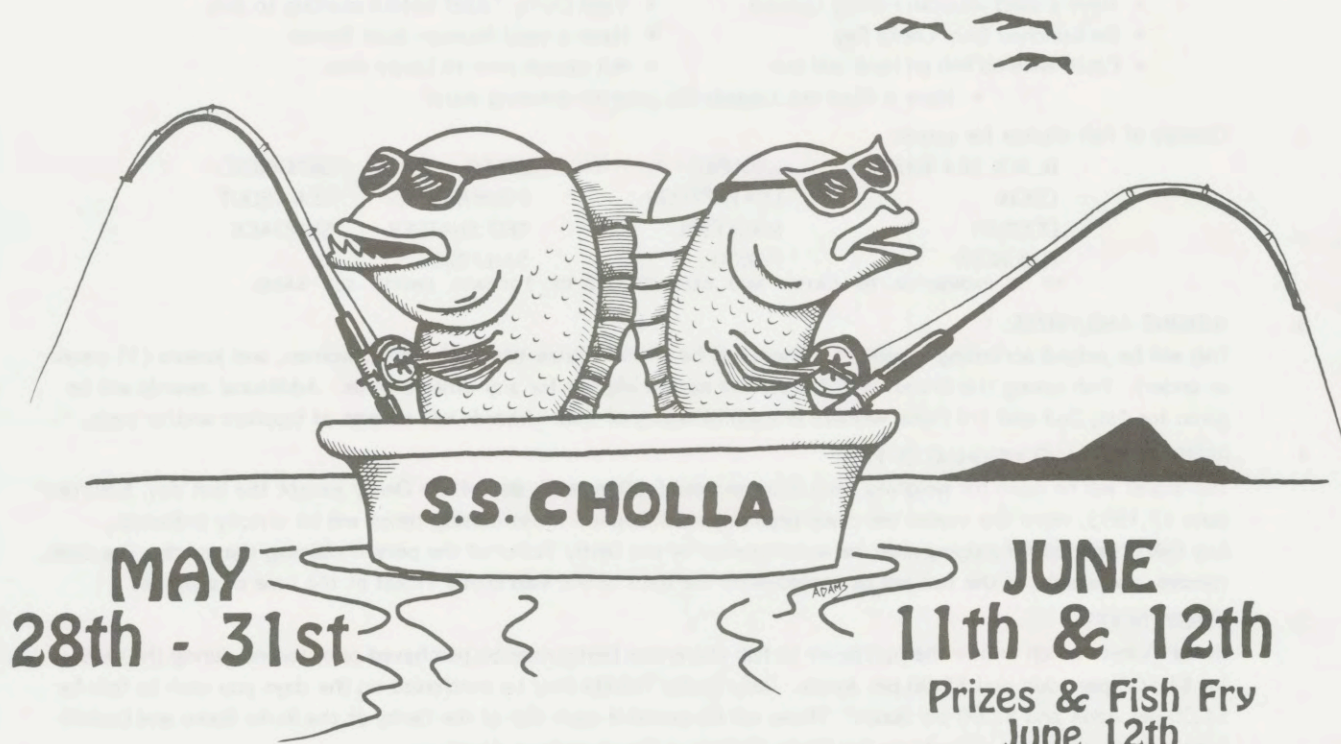
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  - Have a valid Mexican Fishing License
  - Be launched from Cholla Bay
  - Catch entered fish on hook and line
  - Have a filled out Launch-Slip prior to entering water
  - Valid Derby Ticket before starting to fish.
  - Have a valid Mexican Boat Permit
  - Not launch prior to Derby date.
2. Classes of fish eligible for prizes:
 

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| BLACK SEA BASS | GROUPE      | PINTO       | SARDINERO |
| COCHI          | LEATHERFISH | POMPANO     | SEA TROUT |
| DOLPHIN        | MACKEREL    | RED SNAPPER | SKIPJACK  |
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\*IT IS PROHIBITED TO CATCH AND KEEP SPECIES OF TOTOABA (WHITE SEA BASS)
3. JUDGING AND PRIZES:  
 Fish will be judged according to weight. There will be a Grand Prize Winner for men, women, and juniors (15 years or under). Fish taking the Grand Prize Trophy will not be eligible for any other awards. Additional awards will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place winners in each category of fish. Awards will consist of trophies and/or cash.
4. REGISTRATION AND WEIGHING OF FISH:  
 The scales will be open for weighing from 8:00am until 6:00pm each day of the Derby except the last day, Saturday June 12, 1993, when the scales will close promptly at 3:00pm. These closing times will be strictly enforced. Any fish presented for judging must be accompanied by the Derby Ticket of the person claiming the catch. The date, species, and weight of the fish will be recorded on the back of the said Derby Ticket at the time of weigh-in.
5. DERBY TICKETS:  
 Derby Tickets which entitle the purchaser to fish the entire Derby may be purchased prior to and during the Derby for \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per Junior. Daily Derby Tickets may be purchased on the days you wish to fish for \$4.00 per Adult and \$2.00 per Junior. These will be available each day of the Derby at the Radio Room and Launch Area. There will be no refunds on the Derby Tickets or Super-Jackpot donations.
6. FISH FRY AND AWARDS CEREMONY:  
THE FISH FRY WILL BEGIN AT 5:00PM ON SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 1993.  
 The awards Ceremony and Jackpot Ticket Drawing will follow the fish fry. Members of C.B.S.C. and guests, Derby participants, families and Cholla Bay Residents are welcome to come to the Fish Fry.
7. CASH JACKPOT DRAWING:  
 Tickets will be sold at 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each individually. Sixty (60) percent of this money is for the CASH DRAWING held at the Fish Fry and Forty (40) percent is for the C.B.S.C.
8. SUPER-JACKPOTS:  
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 MINI JACKPOT (Women only): Entry fee will be a donation of \$25.00 per individual.  
 Participants must be 16 years and older. One half of each Jackpot (Boat and Mini) goes to the two individuals catching the largest fish of the Derby Days. (Jackpot Participants only). The other half goes to the C.B.S.C.  
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9. All decisions of the Weigh-in Judges and Derby Chairman are final.



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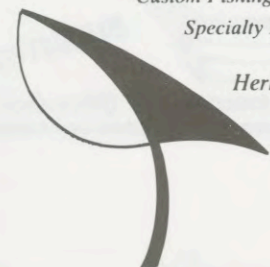
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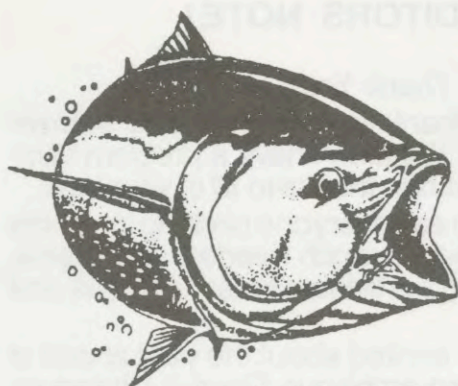


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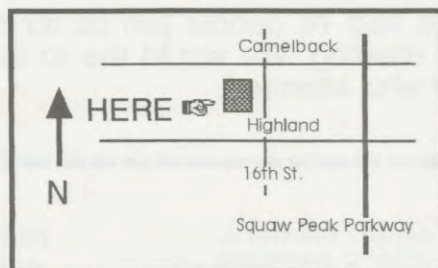
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The next meeting of the Cholla Chapter will be held Tuesday March 9th at La Curva Restaurant. A Mexican Dinner will cost \$3.00 for C.B.S.C. Members.

We had 74 people join us for dinner at our last meeting. We would like to thank those of you who attended.

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*Thank You! - Thank You!*

We want to thank everyone for their tremendous support. We didn't have a problem filling this months Chatter, thanks to all of your help.

It was great to see everyone pitching in. Some of you found some much needed advertisers, others submitted articles, stories, pictures and support.

We are really excited about the year ahead of us. We have an ambitious Council Chairman, Energetic Derby Chairman, and the supporters to make this a fantastic year.

Dont' quit now! Keep up the good work, advertisers and stories are always needed. Let's keep this club on the up-swing

We are looking forward to your participation and help in the months to come.

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## YESTERDAY

*By: Marie MacGill*

*Don't we long for yesterday  
When our hearts were young and gay  
Before our friends & loved ones went away.  
Wouldn't it be great to hear a son say  
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## THE BLUE WHALE AND THE OLD GRINGO

By: Shirley Thompson - San Felipe • Compliments of Rojo

"What is that lying out there at the edge of the water?" questioned the maintenance man. He was pointing at what might be a log where no log should be. It was on October 29, 1992, two weeks after the opening of the shrimp season when the autumnal beachfront at San Felipe is visibly the cleanest for miles, except for the many tourists who come to enjoy its pristine beauty.

Disbelieving what he was seeing, Ted Karam headed for the waterfront with Paulino, his maintenance man, in tow. They walked straight towards the body of an unmoving 48' Blue Whale. Its head, facing the beach, was partially buried in the sifting sand and its body stretched out into about 5' of water. Ted wondered if it was alive. He clumsily climbed on top of it and nervously scooped water into the blowhole on the back of the head. After repeated attempts, to his surprise, the monster sputtered back, coughing bubbles into the air. Ted scooped more water up over the head as he had once seen on TV. But what does one do to turn a whale around and have it face in the opposite direction?

He pensively analyzed the situation: The tide was now at its highest, just past the turning point. As the tide begins and continues to descend throughout the next six hour, the whale would surely die of heart failure under the weight of its own body lying on the dry sand. "Time is of the essence", he thought. He stumbled and waded towards the shore when an unexpected Stingray inopportunely stung Ted on the ankle. Limping along with Paulino's helping support and concern, he must now take time when he reached the house to doctor up his bleeding, swelling foot.

He decided to call the Tourist Bureau in town, but they could not respond. Next, he went to Fernando Rodriguez, the manager of La Hacienda, the community where Ted's house is located. His men were in the process of building condos nearby. All 25 workers jumped into the company truck and sped to help with the rescue. Ted, bandaged foot et al, raced back to the whale who was now watching him eye to eye as if it knew they were all there to help. However, no one was willing to get too close. After repeated pleading and reminding them of their valiant past history of brave men who fought and won against all odds, one after another, except for a few, decided to risk a closer encounter. The rest became the cheering committee.

Rodolfo Verduzco, the architect, propitiously happened to have his camera and was able to catch this adventure as it unfolded. Relentlessly pushing the huge mammal's head, the construction crew managed to turn it around about one quarter inch at a time. Slowly, like moving a solid rock, the body began to follow. Once into deeper water, buoyancy was felt and the monster began helping itself. The tail quivered and piercing cries of "It's alive!" broke through the roar of the waves. Moreover, as the massive V-shape of the tail broke through and violently splashed the surface, they thought there was another whale behind, because from the dorsal fin all the way down to the end of the tail, everything had been submerged up until now. Good heavens, it's almost half its length! This turning point reached the apotheosis of excitement in later conversation among the awe stricken participants.

For over two hours the Muchachos toiled away. With each outgoing wave they pushed and shoved, all the while communicating with the whale and feeling the besieged look in the deep eyes. It appeared so docile, so appreciative of this human solidarity and assistance as it too worked persistently with its now liberated, massive head and gigantic tail. Ted at one time was on the back of the whale, the others were shoulder deep in the water. Its whole body was now horizontal to the beach. With a few more pushes, shoves, and the nervous flopping of its gargantuan tail, its head finally faced the horizon.

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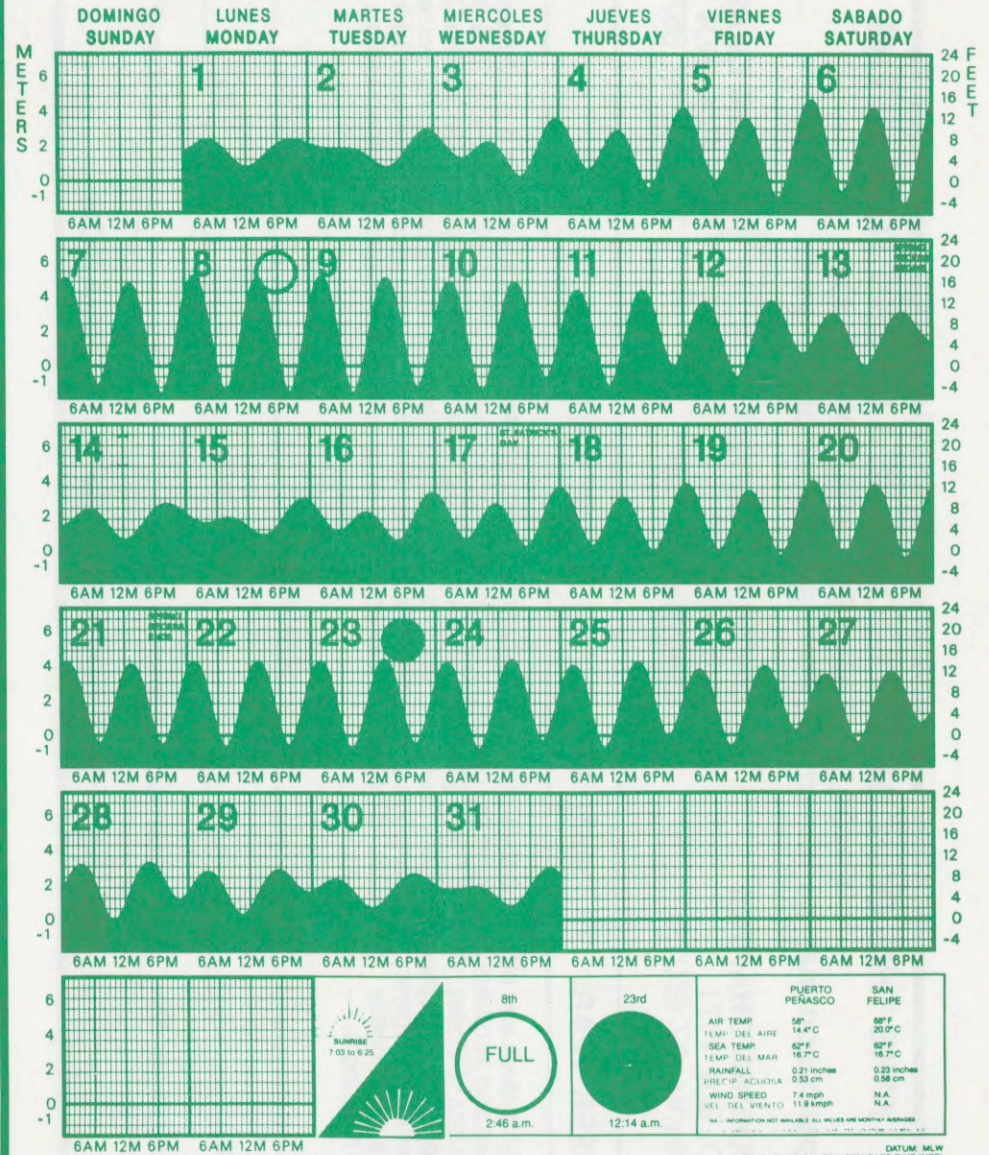
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