

Campbell

Shoreline

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The Regatta goes Commercial

In the light of the events in New York and Washington, it almost seems that the 29th Campbell Regatta took place in a whole different world and time. And it was a wonderful time, with nice weather and lots of participation in all events.

As usual, we started off with the traditional burgers, boats and beer at the plant where we were entertained by our favorite local band, The Famous Unknowns. It was a great time to catch up with old friends (and maybe get a hint as to what they had planned for the boat parade). There was lots of interest in the three boat combination of the Riggins, Proctors and Richardsons as it was rumored that participants had been virtual prisoners at The Riggins' place across the lake for the preceding week, forced to work for food.

Saturday morning was beautifully cool and calm until time for the races, when the wind began to come up with a vengeance. Still, it was pleasant to sit on the grass at the Nautical Inn and watch the boats and skiers battle the whitecaps. Amazingly, several skiers went out more than once!

The poker run always gets a lot of participation and all was fine until coming out of the channel or around the island into the upper part of the bay and into the wind. No one escaped a soaking and thorough "boat wash." Got our cards though. Then back to the Nautical Beach where Mary and Steve and Terri and Mitch served up their famous carne asada tacos. All four are not only great boat drivers, but excellent and generous chefs as well!

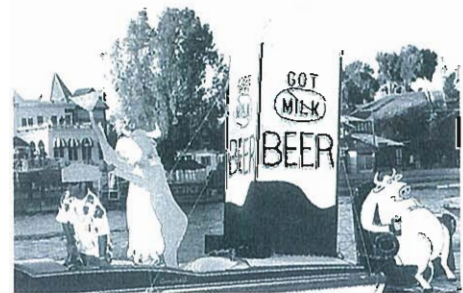
The wind died down a bit for the afternoon's slalom, so we were able to wind up the event about four so that the decorating for the boat parade could begin. Strange plywood cows, horses, wieners and other projects began appearing on the beach to be installed on various Campbells. And the results were truly amazing, as you can see from the centerfold. It might be noted that by far the most popular "commercial" involved Budweiser in some form, but there was also an Oscar Meyer wiener, Hanes underwear, and "Got Milk?", among others. Parade participants reported lots of enthusiasm (expressed in different forms) by the spectators lining the channel. And of course the traditional raft-up capped off the parade, complete with platters of shrimp, shots of tequila, etc.

Then back to the Nautical for dinner, dancing and the awards. The Saturday event results are printed in one of the newsletter's inserts. Some people got cash rather than a small plaque: winners of the poker run were high hand, Elmer Escuadro and Bob Richardson, low hand, Ken Merrill, and Beth Rigger was the sole holder of a 21 hand, giving them all an extra reason to celebrate.

Back to the beach on Sunday for the extended slalom and "powderpuff." For sheer entertainment there is nothing like watching husbands and wives compete for the fastest time. But the best aspect was the extent of the participation-anyone who wanted to drive around the course got a chance. By the time a couple of 28s had



Winning "Best Decorated" was the three boat combination which formed the Budweiser beer wagon, complete with Clydesdales, frogs and the red Budweiser ants. Congratulations to the Riggins, Proctors and Richardsons!



Justin Luther took "Best Spirit" for this "spirited" take on the "Got Milk" ad campaign.

lumbered around, the poor start boat experienced Titanic-sized wakes.

As has become a tradition, after the Sunday awards many boats headed upriver for a barbeque on a sandbar. There were bratwursts from Newport Beach, corn brought by the group from Utah and everyone enjoyed great food and a relaxing afternoon. But we know one Campbell owner was not relaxing - Brad Rigger was undoubtedly already planning his entry in the 30th Campbell Regatta boat parade!

CAMPBELL CALENDAR

Please mark down these important Campbell dates, as the next newsletter doesn't come out until after the Klambake and you wouldn't want to miss out!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE TRIP

Meet at the Campbell facility about 9am for a Bloody Mary and your instructions from trail boss, Gary McDade. Then, at the end of the trip, enjoy burgers and beer at Gary and Sally Clark's home. Any additional dishes you might bring would be welcome.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

BOAT PARADE OF LIGHTS

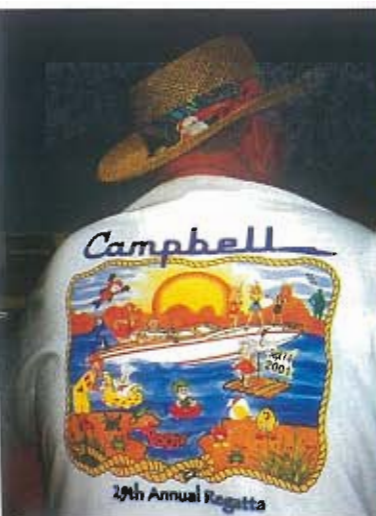
This event has gotten bigger every year and Campbell owners are encouraged to decorate their boats as entries or be part of the official Campbell entry. It's quite a thrill to hear all the cheers of the crowds lining Bridgewater Channel.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2002

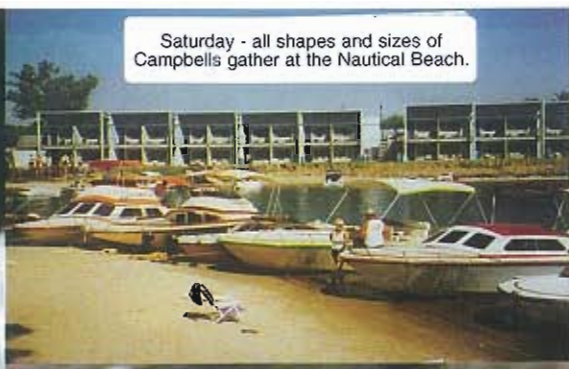
KLAUS' KLAMBAKE

Definitely the best way to start the New Year off right is to be a part of Klaus' Klambake. For a whole day you have nothing to do but enjoy fabulous seafood, good beer and wine, and the company of good friends. You need to call Karan for reservations, as we are limited by cooking capacity. We're pretty sure that there are those that own a Campbell just so they can come to the Klambake...

29th CAMPBELL REGATTA "COMMERCIALS"



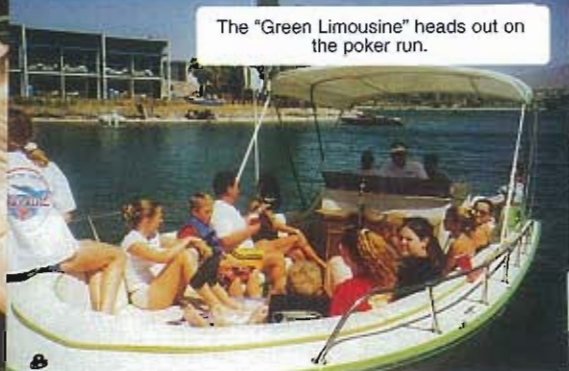
This year's tee shirt illustrates the "Commercials" theme for the boat parade.



Saturday - all shapes and sizes of Campbells gather at the Nautical Beach.



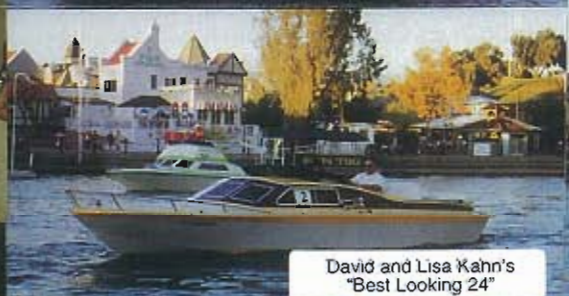
Kathy Lee attacks the course in plus-power "Cavallino Rampante"



The "Green Limousine" heads out on the poker run.



Winner - "Best Looking Superwailer" one of the Roughton family's 3 Campbells, all of which are purple.



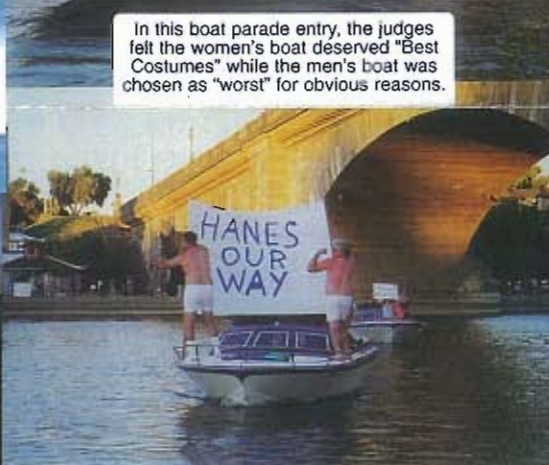
David and Lisa Kahn's "Best Looking 24"



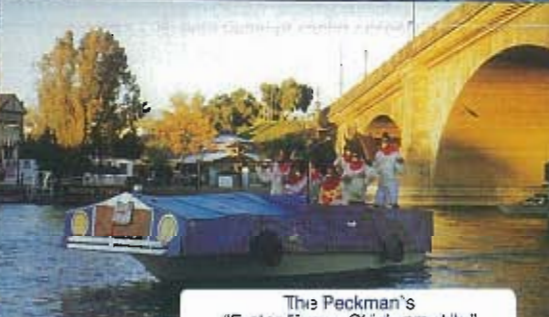
The Howards have a "weiner"!



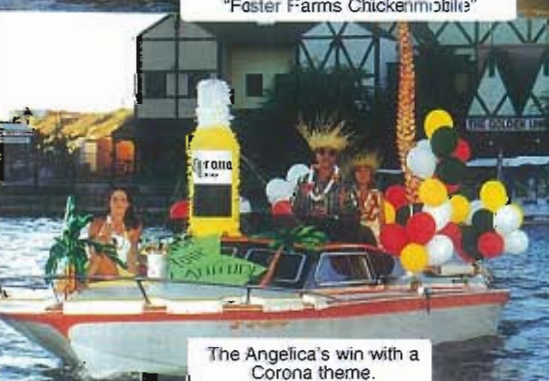
In this boat parade entry, the judges felt the women's boat deserved "Best Costumes" while the men's boat was chosen as "worst" for obvious reasons.



"Best Looking 28" Cruiser, Walt Beck's flybridge "Green Dolphin"



The Peckman's "Foster Farms Chickenmobile"



The Angelica's win with a Corona theme.



Saturday night's awards - Matt Riggen celebrates and Bob solves an exact tie in the ski race by cutting the 1st place plaque in half!



The Regatta brings together several generations of Artunians



What people won't do when they see a camera!



Sunday - time to dismantle the parade decorations and get ready for racing



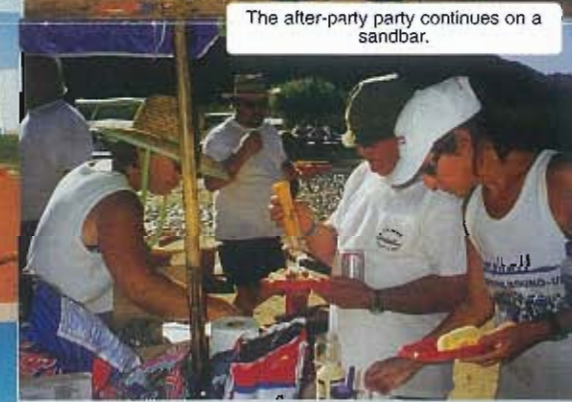
Bob hands out (sort of) Sunday's awards.



And we head upriver, passing this craft which didn't have to worry much about low lake levels.



The after-party party continues on a sandbar.



Until next year!



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Like everyone, we were saddened and angered by the terrorist attacks on Washington and New York. We should be pretty tough in retaliating, with Nato, Russia and China on our team.

Judy and I donate "a day on the Green Limousine, with driver, gas, beer and lunch" for auction at various charities. This year at the Lake Havasu Museum of History auction, the package was bought up by a local realtor. Turns out she had a friend whose daughter was going to be married, and I ended up on a bachelorette party with 17 women on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend. We went through the channel five times, at about 45 minutes each, and collected enough beads to nearly sink the boat. People kept asking, "How did that old man get 17 women?!" I told them to get the right boat and the women would follow.

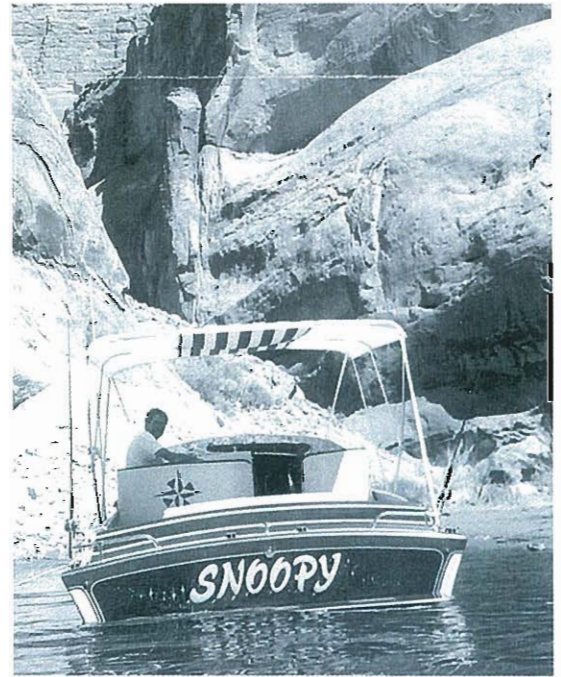
Judy and I had a fine trip to Lake Powell in July, with perfect weather. The 28' Snoopy is a great Powell boat; plenty of room, excellent ride, and the ability to go anywhere on the lake in short order. It also was nice to have the A/C and microwave. We'll be going back the last week of September.

We'll miss seeing you at the four-wheel drive and Parade of Lights, since Judy and I are planning a month in India. Wish us luck.

Bob Whelan



Driver's eye view of the bachelorette party.



Just another day at Lake Powell ...

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