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## 28th Regatta Sept. 8, 9 10 Boat Parade Theme: "TV SHOWS"



Boatside delivery - Mark Shufeldt offers his barbequed corn.

As dedicated boaters on Lake Havasu are aware, the water level over the winter was so low that launch ramps were closed. But fortunately the water was brought up in time for Campbell's Spring Roundup on May 6th-the Campbell luck still holds!

After a libation at the plant, we rendezvoused in front of the Nautical and headed down river for a run. Unfortunately, the combination of a heavy wind chop and our own and other boat wakes made for a less-than-pleasant run, so Bob turned the GREEN LIMOUSINE around and headed for a cove on the California side which the Chemeheuvis had agreed to rope off for

## SPRING ROUNDUP



Everyone's here - Let the party begin!



Kathy Lee doesn't seem to mind ending up with the losing poker hand.

us. After trying several coves (and listening to taunts about Bob's need for a seeing eye dog), we finally just pulled into one with a long beach area. Soon the Parkers had the barbeque going, as well as Mitch's free-standing, candyapple purple weed whacker blender, which turned out margaritas and pina coladas in record time. Spring Roundup is a sort of giant buffet, as people drift from boat to boat, sampling various culinary marvels.

After lunch we got down to business with the poker hand results (Kathy Lee-worst hand and Lauriel Higgins-best hand) and the drawing winners of a free trip to September's Regatta-Chris and Bill



And the big winner, Bill Barnett, gets a free trip to the Regatta!

Barnett who will be here in HOT SHOT.

Spring Roundup gives us our first chance after the Klambake to catch up with everybody's news. Karan reports that owners are often asking about news of other owners and suggests that we could do a Boat Owners' News Corner in the newsletters. So if you want to share some event or other news (note: Brad Riggen buying another size or style of Campbell is no longer news), just send it to our email address: campbellboats @redrivernet.com and we'll pass it along.

We look forward to catching up in person at the Regatta, Sept. 8, 9 and 10!

## TV OR NOT TV...

Hopefully you are not wasting your summer in skiing, cruising, wakeboarding, etc., but are spending your time coming up with a great interpretation of this year's Regatta theme of "TV Shows." We think this will be a good one because it has a lot of variety for you participants, and also the spectators should be able to easily recognize the shows portrayed. I couldn't resist fracturing a few TV shows myself:

LA LAW(yers and their boats)

WHO WANTS TO BE A (Warlock owner...)

JUDGE JUDY (will be with the rest of the judges on the Green Limousine) POWER RANGERS (Mitch, Steve and Kermit)

ALL MY CHILDREN (want to use the Campbell on the same weekend)

NORTHERN EXPOSURE (sandbar...)

ANTIQUES ROADSHOW (Saturday's boat parade??)

IN THE HEAT OF THE NIGHT (we'll be glad for the Nautical's air conditioning)

THE BRADY BUNCH (can be seen on Wakemaker)

WILL AND GRACE, TOM AND JERRY, CAGNEY AND LACEY (Brad and Campbells)

GOIN' DEEP (I thought YOU put in the plug...)

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS and THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL will all be at the Campbell Regatta in September!

Enclosed is your Regatta registration and schedule of events. We appreciate early registration as it helps our planning, and hope to encourage that by offering a free poker hand to those who register before Monday, August 28.



Parade Mice

And Nice (bribe for judges)



As you can see, the events remain the same (why mess with perfection?). We'll kick things off with dinner and dancing at the plant on Friday, starting about 6. We have a new local band this year, The Famous Unknowns, which includes former Campbell owner, Mike Brayley. You may remember his entry in the "Movies" boat parade - "Honey I Shrunk the LIMO."

We start the competitive events off the Nautical's Sailboat Cove with the ski race at 9 and the Saturday slalom around 1. In between we do a poker run to various stops around the lake. We try to finish by 4 so that you have time to decorate or whatever for the boat parade through Bridgewater Channel which begins at 6. The first person to register for the Regatta leads the parade. And even if you're not decorated or costumed, parade through anyway. Not only are awards given for "Best Looking" boat in each size category, but lots of good food appears at the post-parade (illegal) raft-up. The parade judges will again be on the LIMO, in case you might wish to drop by with a greeting (or gift). The date and time of the parade appears in publications throughout Arizona, and spectators have told us how much they enjoy both the boats and the Campbell camaraderie. So be sure and participate.

After the parade the action moves back to the Nautical Convention Center for refreshments, dinner and dancing in air conditioned comfort. The awards for the competitive events and the boat parade are given out about 9 and we should have pictures taken at the boat parade available for sale shortly thereafter. So smile pretty when you cruise your boat past the LIMO. Festivities continue as long as stamina holds out...

Sunday's event is the Extended Slalom/Powderpuff (depending on whether the driver is male or female) and starts at 10. By 1 the results are in, then awards are given, and those that don't have to be on the road head upriver for a post-Regatta barbeque. All in all, not a bad way to spend a weekend... We look forward to seeing you at the 28th Campbell Regatta, September 8, 9, 10!

## LIMO ENTERTAINING



Ron Cole, VP of America West Airlines, along with local tourism bureau members including Dave and Paula Zalibra, is entertained by a trip upriver on the Green Limousine.



It's easy to see that Bob loves his job as the LIMO pilot (here with a few of the 20+ people who bid \$150C at the Chamber of Commerce auction for a Father's Day boat outing).

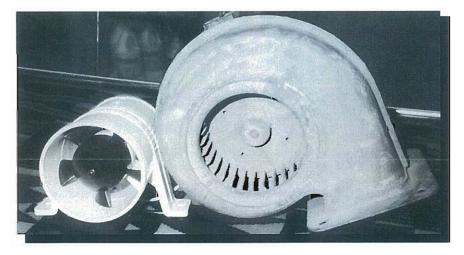
# Hydrofest 2000 May 18-21

The throaty roar of the big Unlimited Hydros could be heard all over town on this weekend. <u>Miss Budweiser</u> was the winner in that category but there were other classes of racing as well.

And then there were hospitality tents or "chalets" complete with food, drinks and scissorlifts for better race viewing. There was even a pontoon bridge across the channel so race goers could walk from the pits at Crazy Horse to the Budweiser Brewing Experience and other attractions at Windsor Beach. For those not too sunburned or beer-burned, there were nightly concerts as well. Just another Havasu weekend with nothing to do!



Todd Chapman, ex head of detailing, now parts manager, heads out with his weekend entertainment – a parts manual and a six pack!



Think that all recent technological advances are involved with computers? Look what's happened to those heavy old brass bilge blowers. They've gone little and light.

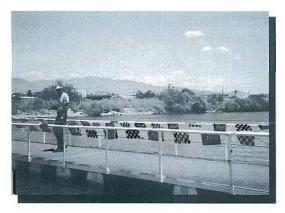
### WHAT'S IN A NAME...

In the middle of the summer when the temperature is soaring, work is piling up, and tempers are short, it is very refreshing to get a good laugh. Here's what happened the other day...

A some-kind-of-boat was brought in for mechanical work by two ladies who seemed definitely to be a "couple." The ladies stayed in the air-conditioned showroom while Fred checked out their boat in the service department. Thank goodness for the space between the two venues because, after diagnosing the problem, Fred called for the tool he needed, "Hey, get me a pair of dykes!"







### **CLIFF'S NOTES**

Cliff Lee reports that all is going well with his book on the life and times of Campbell boats and he anticipates finishing it this year. We can personally report that he has done some extensive interviewing, having been a victim of his tiny tape recorder on a boat ride down to the Springs.

Of course he is still looking for good stories, photos, etc., so bring them to the Regatta or email him at klee 174407@aol.com.

### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

We are enjoying a very mild summer for Havasu, with very little humidity and only a couple of isolated storms. For those of you concerned about 120 degree heat, come on out! It is very pleasant on the lake.

The mild weather has brought us some good news and some bad news. The good news is that business has continued strong through July; the bad news is that we are too busy to work on my two project boats, SNOOPY (28') and FLAGSHIP (20'). Looks like our next trip to Lake Powell will be in 2001.

Just in time for the Regatta we have a really nice collection of preowned Campbell boats for sale. Rather than bring your friends as guests, why not put them into a Campbell of their own? Notice that we have a rare boat for sale, a 28' flybridge-KAHN JOB. It is really loaded, in excellent condition, and one of only four in existence We also have had a sharp price reduction on the 28' cuddy cabin BALD EAGLE, which makes it a steal.

Judy and I just returned from the "All Class Millennium Reunion" in my home town of LeMars, Iowa. There was a great turnout of 2200, and I had not seen most of my classmates in 43 years. I hadn't realized that I graduated with a bunch of old people! Our wood frame house, built in 1895, is still looking good. LeMars is prospering with Wells Blue Bunny Ice Cream employing 1700 of the town's 10,000 people.

Judy is sneaking in a three week, pre-Regatta trip with a friend to Rumania and Hungary, leaving me with a cat, two fish and an extensive "honey-do" list. Maybe I'll get a Dracula tee shirt from Transylvania...

Hope you are enjoying your summer as well and are coming up with some interesting takes on this year's Regatta boat parade theme of "TV Shows." See you after Labor Day!

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The ancestral home in LeMars



Bob is dwarfed by the Blue Bunny Sundae Fountain. The cascading water gives a sort of melting ice cream effect.

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