

"Semana de Regatas del Mar de Cortés"

Seventy Yachts

300 Persons

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The Queen has been crowned! The Queen for Race Week, 1990, is Louise Erickson de Langenbach. The Club Cruceros de La Paz chose Louise as Race Week Queen Saturday at commencement ceremonies arranged by Marina Palmira. Queen Louise, and her husband, Jack, are from the yacht, "Zingara", a U.S. vessel.

This is the first year the Club Cruceros de La Paz sponsored Race Week. Events and activities are held from the entrance to the bay to Caleta. For one week, boaters competed in various events, mostly racing, etc.

Figures compiled by Lic. Ricardo Perez

Razura, from the marina, indicate a total surpassing 70 yachts entered in one or more activities during Race Week. Over 300 persons participated. Race Week has truly become an international event. Candidates for Queen included ladies from México, Guatemala, Thailand, U.S., Canada and France.

Local charities will receive some benefit from this year's Race week. Some of the food at the commencement ceremony was prepared and sold by charity. The community as a whole benefited as boaters arriving in the area to participate in a week of their favorite activity, sailing, also engaged in other activities such as spending money.



Commencement and Closing ceremonies were held at the Marina Palmira in La Paz. The Marina Palmira and the Secretary of Tourism were instrumental in this year's "Regata" (spanish spelling) being a huge success.



Race Week Queen, Louise Erickson Langenbach.

Race Week Ends

In a simple ceremony held at the Marina Palmira, the VII Annual Sea of Cortés Race Week was ended. Participants and supporters, many of whom had spent the last week on and near Espiritu Santo and Peñón Islands, gathered for the occasion before once again parting company. A large number of vessels had arrived in this area especially for the event while others remain a large portion of the year in these waters.

Personal host of the closing ceremonies was Lic. Ricardo Pérez Razura, General

Manager of the Marina Palmira complex. A gala atmosphere was provided with details such as traditional Mexican dishes on hand for the enjoyment of those in attendance. Trophies were awarded as well as prizes such as a guitar, a can opener and several bottles of rum.

Race week organizers and participants gave special acknowledgement to the State Secretary of Tourism for his office's support of the event.