



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

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Nonsuch Class

As of 3/22: 19 entries in total, 5 – 26', 8-30', 3 – 33', 2 - 36', 1 – 40'. 3 members, 16 guests.

75th Anniversary Planning

Little progress so far. The consensus is that a one design event would not be successful. An informal cruising event in conjunction with the usual racing has been suggested.

Cost Analysis

A brief summary of average race cost vs. revenue per boat over the last several years. details attached.

Revenue - Expenses 2003 - 2006

	#Boats	Fees Per	Cost Per	Δ	Total Loss
S04	139	102	133	(31)	-4309
F04	142	97	115	(18)	-2556
					-6865
S05	135	104	137	(33)	-4455
F05	121	102	156	(54)	-6534
					-10989
S06	122	110	130	(19)	-2318
F06	113	108	148	(40)	-4520
					-6838

Use of the Google web site.

Race Secretary's Handbook

98% complete, will be available in PDF on request by e-mail or on CD, and will post on the Google site.

NEW BUSINESS

FAQs

Review for publication on website.

Scoring

The race management officers recommend a change, effective Spring 2007, from combined corrected time to low point scoring for Off Soundings Series by the method described in Appendix A of the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

Process:

- Place in a race is based on corrected time; one point is awarded for each place. 1 for first, 2 for second, etc., 'letter scores' DNS, etc., scored at number of entrants plus one, but still scored and in the series.
- Series results are based on low point total, which is consistent with the method that we already use for perpetual trophies.
- Only DSQ, RAF, and possibly awards of redress (RDG) actually change places.
- Ties on points are broken according to rules in A7.

Advantages:

- Fairer Scoring, a first is a first, and would have equal weight regardless of corrected time.
- It is the standard practice.
- Will simplify the Sailing Instructions.
- Will allow the use of standard scoring software, simplifying and speeding up the scoring and reporting process.

Issues:

- *Is it fairer?*
- *How much would the results differ?* I rescored and analyzed the 2003 through 2006 results consisting of 578 entrants in 50 class/event combinations:
 - Of the 200 finishers in the first 4 places, 4 first place finishers lost their first place and the second place finisher moved up, which is 2% based on the 200, and 8% based on the 50 first places. None fell below second.
 - Of the 200, 19 not in first, or 9.5% dropped lower, but stayed in the top 4.
 - 6 in the top 4, or 3% dropped out of the money completely, into either 5th or 6th place.
 - 13 of the 50 class/event combinations, or 26% had no changes at any level.
 - Below 4th place (378 boats total) there were 53 changes, each resulting in 1 up and one down change, or 9%. Most of these were one place swaps.
 - It also has to be recognized that for everyone that lost a place there was someone that gained a place.
 - A recast of the 2006 Fall Series results is attached.