

MINUTES
of the
ANNUAL MEETING
of the
OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
March 29, 1986

The Annual Meeting of the Off Soundings Club was held in the Leffingwell Room of the Sheraton Norwich, Norwich, Connecticut at 1800 on March 29, 1986. A quorum was present and a list of their names is attached to these minutes.

Commodore Roberts called the meeting to order at 1800.

It was moved and VOTED to accept the minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on April 6, 1985.

While the members stood, the Secretary read the list of names of members who had passed away since the last Annual Meeting:

Richard F. Baum
David L. Daggett
George R. Harrah

J. Bassett McLean
Kent Moore

Treasurer Strang reported that the treasury is solvent.

Historian Robinson said that history is being distilled at the appropriate rate for Off Soundings.

Race Secretary Ames reported that we had four races last year and we are going to do it again this year.

Clerk Schechterle reported that we are legal.

Mr. Rabe said that we have taken measure of all yachts.

Mr. Bohlen reported that the Membership Committee meets from time to time and that we have 600 members.

Mr. Raymond reported that there would be no changes in the measurement rule.

Mr. Rabe reported that all yachts have been classified.

Mr. Raymond reported that there had been no protests since our fall series and they were settled.

Mr. Hohenstein said that entertainment would be furnished.

Mr. Bevilacqua reported that Shelter Island survived hurricane Gloria and would be ready for Off Soundings in the spring.

Rear Commodore Hohenstein reported that trophies continue to be awarded.

Mr. Anderson said that relations, as they pertain to the membership, will not be made public.

Fleet Surgeon Humphrey reported that there have been no injuries reported since the last race.

Eliot H. Porter, 2nd., reporting for the Nominating Committee, which consisted of himself as Chairman, John M. Brogden and Charles D. Chorlton, placed the following in nomination for the 1986-87 year:

Commodore	Richard H. Roberts
Vice Commodore	James B. Slimmon, Jr.
Rear Commodore	F. B. George Hohenstein
Clerk	Howard A. Schechterle
Secretary	Neal H. O'Connell
Treasurer	Walter D. Strang, Jr.
Race Secretary	Allen N. Anderson
Race Committee Chairman	Paul C. vanDyke
Measurer	Norman E. Rabe
Historian	William L. Ames

For the Board of Governors:

Allen N. Anderson	Norman E. Rabe
Louis J. Bevilacqua	Richard H. Roberts
Donald C. Davis	Howard A. Schechterle
E. Carleton Granbery, Jr.	James B. Slimmon, Jr.
F. B. George Hohenstein	Walter D. Strang, Jr.
Neal H. O'Connell	Paul C. vanDyke
Eliot H. Porter, 2nd.	Richard W. Woolworth

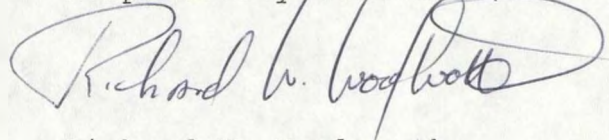
On a motion made, and seconded, it was VOTED that the nominations cease and the Secretary cast one ballot for the above slate. The Secretary cast one ballot as directed. The report of the Nominating Committee is attached to these minutes.

Commodore Roberts appointed the following Committee Chairmen:

Membership	Frank Bohlen
Protest	Edgar L. Raymond, Jr.
Entertainment	Daniel L. Miller, 3rd.
Classification	Donald C. Davis
Measurement Rule	Donald P. Robinson
Prize & Awards	F.B. George Hohenstein
Public Relations	Edward S. Purcell
Fleet Surgeon	Chester B. Humphrey, MD
Shelter Island Liaison	Louis J. Bevilacqua & John H. Lockwood
ECYRA Representative	Donald C. Davis
USYRU/ORC Representative	F.B. George Hohenstein

There being no further business, it was VOTED to adjourn at 1804.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
Report of the
NOMINATING COMMITTEE
March 29, 1986

The Nominating Committee, which consists of Eliot H. Porter, 2nd., Chairman, John M. Brogden and Charles D. Chorlton places the following in nomination for the 1986-87 year:

For Officers:

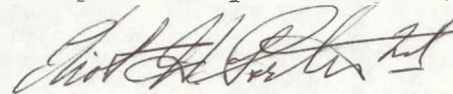
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Race Committee Chairman	Paul C. vanDyke
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For the Board of Governors:

Allen N. Anderson	Norman E. Rabe
Louis J. Bevilacqua	Richard H. Roberts
Donald C. Davis	Howard A. Schechterle
E. Carleton Granbery, Jr.	James B. Slimmon, Jr.
F. B. George Hohenstein	Walter D. Strang, Jr.
Neal H. O'Connell	Paul C. vanDyke
Eliot H. Porter, 2nd.	Richard W. Woolworth

All of these Gentlemen have been contacted by the Committee and have confirmed their willingness to serve.

Respectfully submitted,



Eliot H. Porter, 2nd
Chairman



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ATTENDANCE

at the

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March 29, 1986

Cris Mathews
Ned Street
Ed Raymond
Shellman Brown
Donald P. Robinson
Neal O'Connell
Eliot Porter
L. J. Bevilacqua
Don Davis
Ed Purcell
E. M. Reardon
Richard Woolworth
Bob Almeida
W. L. Ames

F. G. Hohenstein
Norman Rabe
Jim Rice
Jamie Rice
Howard Schechterle
James Slimmon
R. H. Roberts
W. D. Strang, Jr.
W. Frank Bohlen
C. B. Humphrey
Carleton Granbery
Ron Noe
Allen Anderson
J. R. Saxe

MINUTES
of the
BOARD of GOVERNORS MEETING
of the
OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
March 29, 1986

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club was held at the Sheraton Norwich Motor Inn, Norwich, Connecticut on March 19, 1986 at 1600. Commodore Roberts presided. Other Governors present were:

William L. Ames	Edgar L. Raymond, Jr.
Donald C. Davis	Howard A. Schechterle
E. Carleton Granbery, Jr.	James B. Slimmon, Jr.
F.B. George Hohenstein	Walter D. Strang, Jr.
Eliot H. Porter, 2nd.	Paul C. vanDyke
Norman E. Rabe	Richard W. Woolworth

Present by invitation were:

Allen N. Anderson	Neal H. O'Connell
Frank Bohlen	Edward S. Purcell
Chester B. Humphrey, MD	Donald P. Robinson

The Meeting was called to order at 1602.

The minutes of the previous meeting on January 17, 1986, were VOTED approved as circulated.

Vice Commodore Slimmon commented on his Annual Dinner Committee report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He said that even though we have a deposit at the Sheraton Norwich for April 4, 1987, we are still looking at other places to hold our Annual Meeting.

Rear Commodore Hohenstein read his Prize & Awards Committee report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. Treasurer Strang noted that the costs in the report do not agree with his figures. He and Mr. Hohenstein will get together to find out where the differences are.

The Secretary note that David L. Daggett and Kent Moore had passed away. The Board stood for a moment of silence in their memory.

The following resignations were VOTED accepted with regret:

Peter H. Baxter
Stephen C. Harris
Edward W. Hildreth
Stanley Livingston
John Monsarrat

John F. Norcross
Edward D. Payne
Louis A. Wadlow
Murray Warner
Peter H. Comstock*

* Motorboat Rule

The Board asked the secretary to write Peter Comstock and thank him for all his years of service to the club.

The Secretary passed out updated copies of "Some Precedent Setting Decisions of the Board of Governors".

It was decided that the Secretary should continue to keep the negatives of the photos of our perpetual trophies and should also keep the "Deed of Gifts". It was pointed out by the Secretary that he had never seen any of the "Deed of Gifts".

Treasurer Strang presented his Annual Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He said that the bottom line shows us about \$2,000 behind last year, also, the race loss this year was \$12,000, up from a \$4,000 loss last year. He did not suggest any change for this year but he would keep an eye on it.

The Historian, Mr. Robinson reported that the distilling of the club's history is on going and he is happy to turn over the job to someone who is good at distilling.

Race Secretary Ames presented the Guest List, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. It was moved, and VOTED, to waive the "membership in a recognized yacht club" requirement for Douglas W. Brown. It was moved, and VOTED, to accept the guest list as presented.

The Clerk, Mr. Schechterle, said that we were legal with the state of Massachusetts in 1985 and with the signing of the corporate papers today, we would be legal in 1986.

The Measurer, Mr. Rabe, said that there had been many inquiries as to what class boats will be in, but he has told them that he won't know until all the entries are in.

Mr. vanDyke reported that the Race Committee has the charter agreement with "Empress" again this year. They are all set with Bob Worsley as patrol boat and "Nor'easter" as stake boat. Bill Ames will be filling in for him as Chairman of the Race Committee this spring.

Frank Bohlen reported that the transition of Membership Committee Chairmen is complete. He now has all the records. The Membership Committee has been reformed and they meet from time to time. We currently have 600 members and there are about half a dozen membership applications in the pipe.

Mr. Raymond said that he had no Measurement Rule Committee report because there had been no action.

Mr. Rabe said that there was no Classification Committee report.

Mr. Raymond reported no action in the Protest Committee since the fall series and they were settled without trouble.

Public Relations Committee Chairman, Mr. Anderson, said that everything was quiet. The new Chairman, Mr. Purcell said that he would get out a press release concerning the new officers.

Fleet Surgeon Humphrey had no report.

Past Commodore Davis said that the Shelter Island Yacht Club Centennial Recognition Committee was still working but had nothing to report at this time.

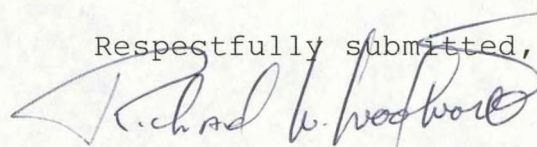
Video Committee Chairman, Mr. Ames reported that he had informed Mystic Seaport Museum that the Off Soundings Club would underwrite the video equipment that we had agreed to at our January meeting. He said that so far the requests for donations in the winter news letter had only brought in \$1690. Only 5% of our membership had responded. He will ask again for donations in the first notice.

Vice Commodore Slimmon passed out a list, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, of ways that we might commemorate our fiftieth race series during the summer of 1987. The consensus of the discussion was that a suitable plaque be presented to all members of the club commemorating the series. It was also suggested that all trophies presented in 1987 be inscribed "The Fiftieth Race Series". The Committee is open to any other suggestions.

The Nominating Committee said that it had done its job and was ready to report at the Annual Meeting.

There being no further business, it was VOTED to adjourn at 1730.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary