



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

OFFICE OF
THE RACE SECRETARY
Niles Hill Road
Waterford, Conn.

September 8, 1955

FINAL NOTICE

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

You will find enclosed Final Instructions, Starting Times and Courses. We are also enclosing list of entries, list of prizes, identification list and your non-returnable identifying number. The Committee Boat will be provided through the courtesy of the U.S. Coast Guard as in the past.

LAUNCH SERVICE. Crew lists received to date indicate more than 800 people in the fleet. We expect to have improved launch service at Dering Harbor but it will take time and patience to transport such a crowd in and out. If you can carry a dinghy we urge you to bring and use it. Please see that your crew does not use any dinghy other than your own without authorization. Launch service will start early each day and continue until 12:00 midnight. Please do not ask the Shelter Island Yacht Club's launch to ferry you ashore. It can only pick up its own members.

NOTE: Please do not dump debris of any kind while in the harbor, remember we want to be asked to come again.

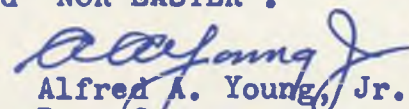
RENDEZVOUS. On both days we will hold our usual rendezvous at Shelter Island Yacht Club. Enclosed is a return post card for those who wish to make dinner reservations at the Chequit Inn or Off Shore Club. Mr. Calabro of the Marine and Sport Centre has advised his store will be open for supplies Friday and Saturday until 10:00 P.M. and Sunday all day.

NOTE: The Navy has advised there will be no operations in the restricted area around the Ruins on Friday and Saturday. Mr. T. F. Malone of the Travelers Insurance Company Weather Center advises that special weather forecasts for our benefit will be broadcast during the regular weather broadcasts over WTIC (1080 KC) at 6:30, 7:25 and 8:25 a.m. and at 12:10, 6:25 and 11:25 p.m.

RESULTS: After each day's race, results will be announced. Complete results will be mailed later to all members and those on our mailing list.

CREW LISTS: If you have not yet turned in your Crew list, it must be turned in to me at Burr's Dock, New London, Thursday, September 15th, 1955.

If additional instruction blanks or further information is wanted, please apply to Mel Southworth aboard "FELICIA III", Rod Stephens aboard "MUSTANG", or Hank du Pont aboard "NOR'EASTER".


Alfred A. Young, Jr.
Race Secretary

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PRIZES

Prizes will be presented after the final day of racing.

Prizes will be awarded as follows: 1st prize if three or more boats start, second prize if five or more start, third if ten or more start and fourth if fifteen or more start. This rule applies to all classes including schooners in Classes A-1 and A-2 combined and Classes B-1 and B-2 combined.

As is customary during Club races, all prizes are given on a corrected time basis computed from the results of two days of racing.

We are continuing the practice of adding handicaps to former prize winners, limited to a two year period. For prize winners the handicaps are 15% for first, 10% for second and 5% for third, maximum 45%.

Handicaps for previous prize winners are designated as applied to time allowances and not to rating lengths.

All prizes are donated by the Off Soundings Club except as follows:

PRIZE

DONOR

Class A-1, First Place	Commodore Roderick Stephens, Jr.
Class A-2, First Place	M. D. Southworth
Class B-1, First Place	Vice Commodore John R. Fales
Class B-2, First Place	Rear Commodore Henry B. du Pont
Class A-1, A-2, B-1, B-2 and C Fourth Place	Robert L. Hall

The "SAMUEL PEPYS" trophy, presented to the Off Soundings Club by the Royal Naval Sailing Association, has been established as a special first prize for the combined results, corrected time, of the Spring and Fall Races each year of the Class in which "SAMUEL PEPYS" would sail if she were entered. The Kenneth B. Millet trophy has been presented by Mrs. Alice Millet to the Off Soundings Club and will be presented annually to the first Yacht in Class A-2 on corrected time, determined by the combined results of the Spring and Fall Races. The Charles J. Koch perpetual trophy has been presented to the Off Soundings Club as a special first prize for the combined results, corrected time, of the Spring and Fall Races for Class B-2. The "SAMUEL PEPYS", Kenneth B. Millet and Charles J. Koch trophies will be awarded at the Annual Shore Party.

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FINAL INSTRUCTIONS
Eighteen Annual Cruise and Races Starting from New London
September 16 and 17, 1955

Unless weather conditions are too unfavorable, the races will be started at the times and will be sailed over the courses as outlined on the attached sheet.

Postponements will be for 15 minute periods, and will be indicated by the hoisting of signal flag "P" aboard the Committee Boat. If Reverse Courses are to be sailed the code flag "R" (Red with Yellow cross) will be flown from the Committee Boat.

If it should appear that due to late start the long course could not be covered within the time limit, all classes will sail the short course. This change would be announced from the Committee Boat.

Regardless of the time of the start, the time limit will expire at 5:00 p.m. EDT each day. If any yacht finishes by that time it is a race for that class.

If the Committee Boat is not on station, any yachts finishing shall take their own time when the Gong bears North-east and at a distance not greater than 200 yards and report same to the chairman of the Race Committee.

To recall a yacht that starts ahead of time, a whistle will be blown from the Committee Boat. Failure to hear or heed such whistle will not relieve the yacht starting ahead of time from being penalized. A yacht failing to heed the recall signal will have 1/2 hour added to her elapsed time.

Running of engine after the Preparatory Signal of the yacht's class will disqualify such yacht.

All Government Marks may be disregarded except those marking the course for each class. In case of thick weather, yachts rounding course marks must see and identify each mark rounded. It is not sufficient to assume that a mark has been rounded by the yacht's presumed position.

NEW RULES WILL APPLY THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE RACE,
EXCEPT THAT WHEN MEETING BOATS NOT RACING, RULES OF THE ROAD
WILL, AT ALL TIMES, GOVERN.

It is requested that yachts not starting, please stand clear of the starting line until the warning signal for their class. The fleet is large, and this courtesy will be appreciated by those starting in Classes A-1, A-2 and C.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER IS TO BE DISPLAYED A HALF MILE FROM THE FINISH LINE, AND HELD AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE COMMITTEE BOAT SO IT CAN BE SEEN THROUGH BINOCULARS UNTIL AFTER CROSSING THE LINE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR YACHT BEING LISTED AS D.N.F. PLEASE REPORT TO COMMITTEE BOAT IF IN DOUBT. NUMBERS ARE NOT TO BE RETURNED.

All flags designated below will be lowered 30 seconds prior to hoisting of the next signal flag.

Starting Signals for All Classes will be as follows:

September 16th & 17th

<u>EDT</u> <u>A.M.</u>	<u>Signal</u>	
8:50	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class A-1
8:55	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class A-1
9:00	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class A-1
9:05	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class A-2
9:10	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class A-2
9:15	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class A-2
9:20	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class C
9:25	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class C
9:30	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class C
9:35	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class B-1
9:40	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class B-1
9:45	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class B-1
9:50	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class B-2
9:55	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class B-2
10:00	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class B-2

1st day, September 16th

Start Class A-1, 9:00 a.m. Start Class A-2, 9:15 a.m. Start Class C, 9:30 a.m.
Start Class B-1, 9:45 a.m. Start Class B-2, 10:00 a.m.

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Long Course</u> <u>Course</u>	<u>Classes A-1, A-2 and C</u>
	Starting between Sarah's Ledge Buoy and the Committee Boat.	
3.6	163°	Leaving Race Rock Light house to Starboard
7.3	231°	Leaving Flashing White Bell lG1, Ruins, to Starboard
5.9	252°	Leaving White Bell buoy, SE of Long Beach, to Port
2.9	167°	Leaving N-2, at entrance to Sag Harbor, to Starboard
4.0	327°	Finishing between Flashing Red Gong buoy #2, off of Long Beach Point, and Committee Boat.
<u>23.7</u>		Little Gull light house, Plum Island and the "Gut" must be left to Starboard.

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Short Course</u> <u>Course</u>	<u>Classes B-1 and B-2</u>
	Starting between Sarah's Ledge Buoy and the Committee Boat.	
4.1	179°	Leaving quick Flashing Gong Bell 1A, Valiant Rock, to Starboard
6.1	231°	Leaving Flashing White Bell lG1, Ruins, to starboard
7.4	260°	Finishing between Flashing Red Gong Buoy #2, off of Long Beach Point, and Committee Boat.
<u>17.6</u>		Little Gull Lighthouse, Plum Island and the "Gut" must be left to Starboard.

Rendezvous at Shelter Island Yacht Club

2nd day, September 17th

Start Class A-1, 9:00 a.m. Start Class A-2, 9:15 a.m. Start Class C, 9:30 a.m.
Start Class B-1, 9:45 a.m. Start Class B-2, 10:00 a.m.

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Long Course</u>	<u>Classes A-1, A-2, and C</u>
	Starting between	Flashing Red Gong Buoy #2, off of Long Beach Point, and
	Committee Boat.	
7.4	80°	Leaving Flashing White Bell 1G1, Ruins, to Starboard
6.8	227°	Leaving N-2, at entrance to Sag Harbor, to Starboard
2.9	347°	Leaving White Bell, SE of Long Beach Point, to Starboard
3.6	106°	Leaving White Nun "A", West of Gardners Island, to Starboard
5.3	287°	Finishing between Flashing Red Gong #2, off of Long Beach Point, and Committee Boat.

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Short Course</u>	<u>Classes B-1 and B-2</u>
	Starting between	Flashing Red Gong Buoy #2, off of Long Beach Point and
	Committee Boat.	
7.4	80°	Leaving Flashing White Bell 1G1, Ruins, to Starboard
6.8	227°	Leaving N-2, at entrance to Sag Harbor, to Starboard
4.0	327°	Finishing between Flashing Red Gong #2, off of Long Beach Point, and Committee Boat.

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