

Off Soundings Club 95 Finals-96 Budget
1/ 1/95 Through 12/31/95

All Accounts
4/ 3/96

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Category Description	1/ 1/95 Actual	1996 Budget	12/31/95 Diff
INFLOWS			
Annual Dinner	5,166.58	5,800.00	-633.42
Dues	22,286.00	23,300.00	-1,014.00
Interest	464.79	400.00	64.79
Race Entry Fall	4,362.00	4,100.00	262.00
Race Entry Spr	4,110.00	4,100.00	10.00
Race Party Fall	5,692.00	5,300.00	392.00
Race Party Spr	5,036.00	5,300.00	-264.00
Royalties	1,096.65	1,100.00	-3.35
TOTAL INFLOWS	48,214.02	49,400.00	-1,185.98
OUTFLOWS			
Annual Meeting	5,132.95	5,800.00	-667.05
Club Mgmt	4,622.63	5,800.00	-1,177.37
Contributions	1,450.00	1,700.00	-250.00
Entertainment F	6,267.81	5,200.00	1,067.81
Entertainment S	4,935.29	5,200.00	-264.71
Insurance	3,138.00	3,200.00	-62.00
Race Cmte Fall	2,760.21	2,200.00	560.21
Race Cmte Spr	2,260.80	2,200.00	60.80
Race Mgmt	1,414.49	1,400.00	14.49
Race Mgmt Fall	7,451.53	7,600.00	-148.47
Race Mgmt Spr	4,358.82	4,500.00	-141.18
Taxes:			
Federal Taxes	55.56	50.00	5.56
Total Taxes	55.56	50.00	5.56
Trophies Fall	1,891.60	1,400.00	491.60
Trophies Perp.	1,818.75	1,500.00	318.75
Trophies Spring	1,179.60	1,400.00	-220.40
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	48,738.04	49,150.00	-411.96
OVERALL TOTAL	-524.02	250.00	-774.02



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

TO: Members, Off Soundings Club
FROM: William Gunther, Commodore
DATE: December 8, 1996
RE: Race Venues

Your Board of Governors regularly examines all aspects of our Spring and Fall Series, and occasionally introduces improvements when justified. We have enjoyed several improvements recently. In particular the change to time-on-time scoring has introduced the ability of the Race Committee to adapt the race course to the prevailing conditions on any given day. From time to time the Board also reviews our race venues. At the October 1995 Board meeting the Long Range Race Planning Committee recommended to the Board that "we should try a different location at least once, if possible." The Board then established an ad hoc committee to investigate that recommendation and to "give a hard proposal to the Board for final action."

The Ad Hoc Venue Committee, comprised of members Grant Brandon, Carl Fast, Wes Maxwell, Richard Roberts, and with Peter McFadden as Chairman, accepted the aggressive charge from the Board. The committee adopted as a guide what it believes our members desire in our race series:

1. The course the first day takes us to a suitable destination; we go somewhere.
2. The course the second day provides good racing.

The factors considered when examining alternative sites were first of all the potential for good racing both days, the suitability of party facilities both nights, and the availability of rooms because many crews and the Race Committee sleep ashore. Also, transportation should be available because crews and guests come and go. With the above in mind the committee considered at length Montauk, Three Mile Harbor, Sag Harbor, Dutch Harbor, Jamestown, and Newport, and to a lesser extent the Connecticut River (Essex) and Westbrook.

After due consideration the Committee decided that Newport was the best alternative. It is a destination with excellent possibilities for courses the second day (up or down the bay depending on weather, or around the island), there are very good party possibilities in the Fort Adams area, rooms should be no problem, and transportation is easily handled. While there could be a legitimate concern about the course for the first day, time-on-time scoring provides the flexibility to adapt the course to the prevailing conditions. For example, we do not need to start off Watch Hill, but could start further East if the conditions so dictate.

Based on the above, the Ad Hoc Venue Committee recommended that the Board of Governors select Newport, R.I. as an alternate location for a one-time change, preferably for a Fall Series, replacing Shelter Island. However, before the Board acts on this recommendation it is important to learn the views of our membership. The last thing the Board wants to do is to make an unacceptable change, so I ask you to provide your views on an alternate venue using the enclosed questionnaire. You may be assured that the opinions of the membership will guide the Board's actions.

Please feel free to provide comments on the back side of the questionnaire if you wish, and return the questionnaire to Peter McFadden in the enclosed envelope by January 1, 1997.

Enclosure

Bill Gunther

VENUE SURVEY

Please complete the following brief questionnaire and return it to Peter McFadden in the enclosed envelope by January 1, 1997 so that the Board of Governors can consider the opinions of our members at the January 1997 Board meeting.

- A. Which of the following best describes your participation in Off Soundings?
- 1 I skipper regularly in our Off Soundings series.
 - 2 I crew regularly in our Off Soundings series.
 - 3 I currently do not sail regularly in our Off Soundings series.
- B. Which of the following best describes your opinions about our race venues?
- 1 Our current Spring and Fall venues should not be changed.
 - 2 I would support a temporary change in venue for the Spring Series (currently at Block Island) if the right new venue were selected.
 - 3 I would support a temporary change in venue for the Fall Series (currently at Shelter Island) if the right new venue were selected.
- C. What is your reaction to using Newport, R.I. as our venue for a single race series, either Spring or Fall?
- 1 I would not participate.
 - 2 I would support the temporary change for either of our current venues.
 - 3 I would support the temporary change as a replacement for Block Island.
 - 4 I would support the temporary change as a replacement for Shelter Island.
- D. Where is your "home port" for Off Soundings weekends?
- 1 West of the Connecticut River, or on Long Island.
 - 2 The Connecticut River to Watch Hill Point, including Fishers Island
 - 3 East of Watch Hill Point.
- E. Please use the back side of this survey for comments you wish to make.
- F. Name of respondent: _____

RETURN this survey to Peter McFadden
85 Willowbrook Road, Storrs, CT 06268 by January 1, 1997

Race Committee

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24 C4			x				x			x	
25 C3	x			x						x	x
26 A2			x				x			x	x
27 A1			x				x		x		
28 A2	x			x				x			
29 C1	x			x				x			x
30 C3			x				x			x	
31 C1	(x)	x				x			x		x
32 C5		x	x			x	x		x		
33 CR1		x				x			x		
34 C3		(x)	x		x			x			
35 ?			x		x		x			x	
36 C4			x				x			x	x
37 A1?	x				x				x		
38 ?			x		x				x		
39 A1			x	(x)			x		x		x
40 CR1+CR2		x	x						x		x
41 C4			x				x	x			
42 C2	x			x					x		x
43 CR2		x	x		x				x		
44 CR2		x	x	x				x			x
45 A1			x				x		x		x
46 CR1			x				x			x	x
47 CR1		x	x			x		x			x

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	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	
48 C5	x			x				x			x
49 ?			x		x				x		
50 A2	x					x			x		
51 CR2	x			x					x		x
52 A2	x			x					x		
53 A1			x		x				x		x
54 A1		x	x		x			x			x
55 C4			x							x	x
56 CR1			x	(x)			x		x		
57 B			x				x			x	x
58 C1			x				x		x		x
59 C5			x				x		x		x
60 C2			x				x	x			
61 C2			x		x		(x)	x			
62 C5			x				x				
63 C1	x					x		x			x
64 CR2	x			x				x			x
65 CR1		x	x		x				x		
66 C1		x	x				x		x		x
67 CR2			x		x					x	x
68 A2			x				x			x	
69 CR1	x			x				x			
70 CR1	x			x				x			x
71 ?			x				x			x	
72 ?	x						x	x			x

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	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	
73 C1		X				X		X			
74 C2	X				X			X			
75 CR2			X				X	X			
76 CR2	X			X					X		X
77 A2			X				X		X		X
78 CR2		X				X			X		X
79 CR2			X				X		X		X
80 C4	X			?					X		
81 A2			X		X				X		
82 C5		X	X		X				X		
83 A1		X			X				X		
84 CR2	X			X				X			
85 C3	X			X					X		X
86 B	X			X					X		X
87 C2			X		X				X		X
88 C2			X				X		X		
89 C2			X				X		X		
90 A1			X				X		X		X
91 C2	X			X					X		X
92 A1	X				X				X		
93 C1			X				X		X		
94 C1			X				X			X	X
95 ?			X		X		(X)			X	X
96 A1	X			X					X		

SKIPPERS

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	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	Yes	No
97 AI	x			x					x			
98 CR1			x		x				x		x	
99 C5		x	x	x				x			x	
100 B	x			x				x			x	
101 C5			x				x		x		x	
102 AI	x			x				x				
103 CR		x	x		x			x			x	
104 C5			x				x		x			
105 CR1			x				x		x			
106 C2	x							x			x	
107 CR	x				<i>reluctant</i> x				x		x	
108 C			x				x			x	x	
109 C4		x				x			x		x	
110 C4	x					x			x		x	
111 CR1			x				x		x			
112 C1	x				x				x			
113 C1			x				x		x		x	
114 C5	x			x				x			x	
115 C2			x				x			x	x	
116 C1			x				x		x			
117 B	x				x				x		x	
118 C2	x			x				x				
119 C5	x			x					x			
120 C3		x				x			x		x	
121 C1			x	x				x			x	
122 C1			x	x				x				
122 C2		✓			✓				x			

SKIPPERS

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	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	Yes	No
124 C3			x				x			x		
125 C2		x		x				x			x	
126 A1	x			x				x			x	
127 C3		x			x				x		x	
128 C3	x			x				x				
129 A1		x				x			x			
130 B			x				x			x		
131 B		x	x		x				x			
132 B			x				x		x			
133 C2		x			x			x				
134 A2	x			x					x			
135 C4			x	x					x		x	
136 CR1							x		x			
137 C3			x	x?					x			
138 A2			x		x				x			
139 CR2			x				x	x				
140 C3		x	x		x				x			
141 ?	x			x				x				
142 ?		x	x		x				x		x	
143 ?			x				x		x		x	
144 ?	x			x				x				

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Skipper's Comments

Most of the comments from skippers had to do with the Newport venue:

Too far (33)

Too many other simultaneous activities (8)

Too costly with uncertain anchorage/mooring (11)

Go there, do that (6)

If we do it, race Saturday to BI (3)

Won't increase either participation or membership (4)

The popularity of the BI venue is very apparent with (12) supporting comments and (3) suggested going to BI twice a year, although (2) proposed switching Newport for BI.

A number of comments addressed the principle of change:

Keep considering changes (4)

Rotate the venues (4)

There was advice for the RC:

Change the scoring

Change the ratings

Make course boards larger (2)

Finish the SI race off Crescent Beach

No dead downwind for non-spinnaker boats

There also was general advice:

Use Port Jefferson as a venue

Race in the Fishers Island area (4)

Make it easier for Western guys

Have cruise races (2)

Switch SI and BI

SIYC might not welcome us back (2)

Don't like the SI venue



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

OFFICE OF
THE SECRETARY
67 Stanton Lane
Mystic, CT 06355

(203) 536-7550

December 28, 1995

NOTICE

Commodore Gunther has called a meeting of the Off Soundings Board of Governors and all Committee Chairmen for Friday, January 19, 1996. The meeting will be held at 1200 in the top floor meeting room of the Captain Daniel Packer Inne, Mystic, Connecticut.

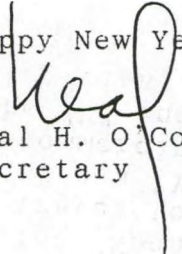
The Captain Daniel Packer Inne can be found by taking the road from the center of Mystic toward Noank. This is the road on the west side of the Mystic River called "Noank Road" for the Mystic section or Route 215. As you travel toward Noank from the center of Mystic, the main road takes a "Y" to the right just as you start getting out of the commercial section of Mystic. You take the left fork of the "Y" and the Captain Daniel Packer Inne is just ahead of you on the right. Go around the building and the parking and entrance we are interested in are at the rear of the building.

As requested in the October meeting call, we would like to distribute written reports on important and/or complicated issues prior to the meeting to facilitate discussion. If you have such a report, get it to me a week before the meeting and I will distribute it.

Please return the enclosed postal card so I can reserve seating for the luncheon.

An Agenda for the meeting is enclosed.

Happy New Year,


Neal H. O'Connell
Secretary

AGENDA

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Friday, January 19, 1996
Captain Daniel Packer Inne, Mystic, CT
at 1200

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes of the October 28, 1995 meeting
3. Reports of Officers
 - A) Vice Commodore - Annual Dinner Committee
 - B) Rear Commodore - Prize and Awards Committee
- 1996 Budget
 - C) Secretary - Deaths and Resignations
 - D) Treasurer - Annual Report
- Approval of donations
 - E) Historian - Video for Spring Party
 - F) Race Secretary - Vote on 1997 Dates for Board meetings
and 1997 events distributed at the October Meeting.
- Lifeline requirements
- Participation of 12 metre yachts
 - G) Clerk
 - H) Measurer
 - I) Race Committee - Budget needs of Race Committee to
continue innovations
4. Reports of Committee Chairmen
 - A) Membership
 - B) Measurement Rule
 - C) Classification
 - D) Protest
 - E) Entertainment
 - F) Shelter Island Liaison
 - G) Block Island Liaison
 - H) Public Relations
 - I) Fleet Surgeon
 - J) Long Range Planning Committee
5. Old Business
 - A) Alternate Race locations - McFadden
 - B) Honorary Member - Gunther, Board Member input for
candidates
 - C) Luncheons - Gunther
 - D) Nominating Committee - McFadden
6. New Business
7. Adjournment