

February 9, 1956

NOTICE

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Mr. Nicholas J. Baker	Forest Road, Millis, Mass.
Mr. Randall F. Brahe	71 Whitehall Blvd., Garden City, N.Y.
Mr. Arthur M. Cottrell, Jr.	Box 37, Westerly, Rhode Island
Mr. Harold C. Dahl,	340 West Thames St., Norwich, Ct.
Mr. John A. Dickerson	21 Arnold's Neck Drive, Warwick, R.I.
Mr. John E. Dodge,	170 Water St., Stonington, Ct.
Mr. Paul J. Grimes	120 Grotto Avenue, Providence, R.I.
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Mr. Robert M. Love	Brushy Point, Oak Bluffs, Martha's Vineyard, Mass.
Mr. John B. McPherson	194 Lower Blvd., New London, Ct.
Mr. David J. Meehan	803 Turks Head Bldg., Providence 3, R.I.
Mr. Joseph P. Morgan	Electric Boat Division, Groton, Conn.
Mr. Paul C. Nicholson, Jr.	Nicholson File Co., Providence, R.I.
Mr. Frederick C. Norman	Indian Point Lane, Riverside, Ct.
Mr. Holkins D. Palmer	Middle Beach West, Madison, Ct.
Mr. Harris B. Parsons	12 Melrose Avenue, Barrington, R.I.
Mr. C. Porter Schutt	Greenville, Delaware
Mr. John R. Sibley	Walkley Hill, Haddam, Ct.
Mr. Arthur W. Smith	17 Spring St., Westerly, R.I.
Mr. Hertzell Spence	Box 210, Essex, Conn.
Mr. Jackson P. Sumner	R.F.D. 2, Mullen Hill Rd. Willimantic, Ct.
Mr. Stanley J. Sumner	R.F.D. 2, Mullen Hill Rd. Willimantic, Ct.
Dr. Paul H. Twaddle	430 Church St., Wethersfield, Ct.
Mr. Gifford D. Warner	1 Maple Avenue, Essex, Conn.
Mr. Gilbert Wyland	Yarmouth Road, Rowayton, Ct.

Sincerely,

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

J. Wm. Jones, Jr.
Secretary



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

OFFICE OF
THE SECRETARY
P. O. Box 326
Groton, Conn.

February 10, 1956

N O T I C E

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors at 5:00 P.M., Friday, March 16, 1956, in Room 216 at the Hotel Sheraton-Kimball, Springfield, Massachusetts. The annual meeting will follow immediately thereafter at 6:00 P.M. If you are unable to attend, please notify the Secretary.

By Order of the Commodore

Sincerely,

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February 15, 1956

NOTICE

Spring Race June 8th and 9th
Fall Race Sept. 14th and 15th

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February 15, 1956

ANNUAL MEETING & SHORE PARTY

Our Annual Meeting and Shore Party will be held at the Hotel Sheraton-Kimball, Springfield, Mass., on Friday, March 16, 1956.

The Annual Meeting will be held in Room #216 at 6:00 P.M.:

1st - for the election of Officers and Board of Governors for the ensuing year.

2nd - to transact any business that may properly come before the meeting.

Annual Dinner charge will be \$5.00 per plate. Please secure your tickets at the door. A bar will be at hand where drinks may be secured by those who wish them.

The 1955 winners of the "Samuel Pepys", Charles J. Koch, Kenneth B. Millett, and Beauford H. Reeves Perpetual Trophies will be announced and the trophies awarded at the Dinner.

Following the Dinner, movies of the Spring and Fall Races, taken by Dr. Byrne Mayer, will be shown.

Members, wives and guests are cordially invited. Dress will be informal. The cocktail hour will start at 6:30 P.M. Dinner will be served at 7:30 P.M.

It is important that those who intend to stay at the Hotel Sheraton-Kimball overnight make their reservations at once.

Unfortunately, Helen and Stan Bradford, who have so generously entertained us after the party in the past, will be in Nassau. Therefore, this year, we plan to remain at the Sheraton-Kimball after the pictures.

Please be sure to fill out and mail the attached postcard as promptly as possible, so we will know how many to plan for. We hope you will be with us for another fine Off Soundings Club party.

Sincerely,

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

J. William Jones, Jr.
Secretary

P. O. Box 242
Mystic, Connecticut

February 23, 1956

Mr. Melvin D. Southworth
P. O. Box 109
West Springfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mel:

In respect to my arduous duties as chairman of the Nominating Committee, I feel that it will be very much in order to nominate the following for Officers and Board of Governors, which are the same as at present with the exception of substituting Ted Daggett for Frank Norcross.

Officers

Commodore	Roderick Stephens, Jr.
Vice Commodore	John R. Fales
Rear Commodore	Henry B. du Pont
Clerk	Melvin D. Southworth
Secretary	J. William Jones, Jr.
Race Secretary	Alfred A. Young, Jr.
Treasurer	Frederick K. Daggett
Historian	Douglas L. Swan
Measurer	Leo A. Geyer

Board of Governors

Frederick K. Daggett
Henry B. du Pont
John R. Fales
Robert L. Hall
J. William Jones, Jr.
Paul K. Rogers, Jr.
Melvin D. Southworth
Roderick Stephens, Jr.
G. W. Blunt White
Alfred A. Young, Jr.

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Mr. Melvin D. Southworth

February 23, 1956

Bob Hall has done some nice work for us, as indicated in letter which he wrote you on February 17th regarding his talk with Ted Daggett. You have written him that you heartily approve of our nominating Ted for Treasurer, and as I also approve, it looks as though our slate is now complete. I have written Ted, as covered by copy of letter attached.

Sincerely,

GWBW:sm

c.c. Mr. Robert L. Hall
Commodore Roderick Stephens, Jr.
Mr. J. William Jones, Jr. ✓

c. c. Mr. M. D. Southworth
Mr. R. L. Hall
Commedore Roderick Stephens, Jr.
Mr. J. William Jones, Jr. ✓

P. O. Box 242
Mystic, Connecticut

February 22, 1956

Mr. Frederick K. Daggett
Pine Orchard Road
Pine Orchard, Connecticut

Dear Ted:

Bob Hall writes me that he has talked with you about taking over as Treasurer, which meets with the hearty approval of Mel Southworth and me. Therefore, we will so nominate you at our annual meeting, scheduled to be held on March 16th.

The duties involved really aren't too arduous, and consequently not too much of your valuable time will be taken up handling our finances. I know you will do a mighty good job of it, and we all appreciate very much your offer to act in this capacity.

Our very best to you and Dottie, and I trust I will be seeing you at the annual dinner meeting.

Sincerely,

Chairman, Nominating Committee

GWBW:am

REYNOLDS DU PONT
RANDALEA
GREENVILLE, DELAWARE

February 23, 1956.

Mr. J. William Jones, Jr.
Off Sounding Club
Scott Lane
Mystic, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Jones:

I have received your notice of the Annual Meeting and Shore Party of the Off Soundings Club on March 16, 1956. I am truly sorry that I will be unable to make it to the party.

The arrival of this notice has brought to mind that, in my opinion, the schedule of the Spring and Fall races is not very convenient for those of us who live as far away from New London as Wilmington. Those who have trouble in keeping their gameful occupation from interfering with their sailing, are heavily taxed to work out a Friday's absence with a boss who doesn't sail, such as mine.

After some deep thinking and discussion with others it has occurred to the writer that a change to Saturday and Sunday races might work out better. Perhaps a Saturday course to Shelter Island via a temporary bouy off Gardeners Island along with a Sunday course back to New London via Long Sand Shoal might be appealing to the members.

The final festivities could be held on a barge in New London or for that matter any other mainland port that would enable the members to move their craft to safekeeping and be convenient to transportation home. Both Essex and Stonington might be interested in cooperating with us in a trial. I would assume that Burr's would naturally be very happy to help with the facilities that would be necessary should New London be picked.

Mr. J. W. Jones, Jr.

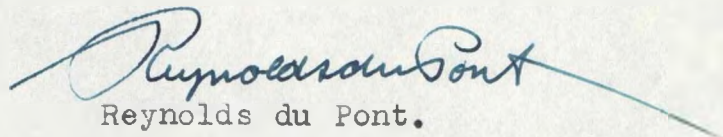
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I am bringing this up at this time for this reason: it appears to be timely in consideration of last Fall's change in course and apparent unhappiness. (I wasn't there so I don't know for sure.)

I suggest that if the opportunity presents itself you throw this out for discussion. I am sure that you will start conversation on a subject as deep as this one. I would be interested in learning what the results of this thinking might be among the members when you get a chance to advise me.

Very truly yours,



Reynolds du Pont.

RduP:mdd

CORPS OF ENGINEERS, U. S. ARMY
OFFICE OF THE DIVISION ENGINEER
NEW ENGLAND DIVISION
857 COMMONWEALTH AVE.
BOSTON 15, MASS.

*Take up
with
C. M. ...*

*Fred Young
any way
you can help
me with this one*

ADDRESS REPLY TO:
DIVISION ENGINEER

REFER TO FILE NO.

NEDNP

28 February 1956

Mr. J. Wm. Jones, Secretary,
Off Soundings Club
Groton, Conn.

Dear Sir:

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This is in reference to your protest, in response to notice issued by this office 20 December 1955, on the fixed highway bridge proposed to be constructed by the Maine State Highway Commission over Moosabec Reach, between Jonesport and Beals Island, Maine, with vertical clearances of 39 feet and 50.5 feet at mean high and mean low water, respectively.

A thorough study of the requirements of navigation through Moosabec Reach is being made by this office. Statistical data on vessels are required to aid in completion of the study. If you would complete the inclosed form and return to this office on or before 17 March 1956, it would be of great assistance and would be appreciated.

FOR THE DIVISION ENGINEER:

Very truly yours,

Henry A. Whitcomb

HENRY A. WHITCOMB
Chief, Operations Division

Incl.
Form

*Bill:-
I would suggest that
you have this over to Rod. He
should be in a better position
than either you or I to
answer it.
Fred.*

To: New England Division
Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army
150 Causeway Street
Boston, Mass.

MOOSABEC REACH
between Jonesport and Beal Island, Maine

Data on vessel used and number of trips through the subject waterway by the undersigned:

'(pleasure)' (commercial)
,
,
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Name of vessel: _____

Owner: _____

Length: _____ Draft: _____

Highest fixed point above water line _____ (feet*)

*Stack _____ Antenna: _____ Mast: _____ Other: _____

Sailing vessel with auxillary power: () ()
(Yes) (No)

Vessel Trips

<u>Year</u>	<u>: Eastbound</u>	<u>: Westbound</u>	<u>: Year</u>	<u>: Eastbound</u>	<u>: Westbound</u>	<u>:</u>
1948	:	:	1952	:	:	:
1949	:	:	1953	:	:	:
1950	:	:	1954	:	:	:
1951	:	:	1955	:	:	:

Remarks:

Submitted by:

Name: _____

Address: _____

date _____ City or Town: _____

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

Office of
the
Commodore

6 February 1956

Mr. J. William Jones
Scott Lane
Mystic, Connecticut

Dear Bill:

There are two items that I feel should be put on the agenda for the Governors meeting prior to our Shore Party, as follows:

1. The wisdom of printing our rule in the year-book, which would provide a handy reference when questions of measurement came up.
2. A further scrutiny of the rule with a view to possibly enlarging on the sail measurement part, including a specific list of permissible sails and possibly a maximum spinnaker size, details presumably to be similar to those included in the CCA Rule.

Best regards,

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

Rod.
Roderick Stephens, Jr.
Commodore

RSjr:jvip
cc: Board of Governors

~~3. Can non members receive perpetual trophies -~~

~~4. Herbert L. Stone - deceased.~~

~~5. Nom. & elec of new Treas. (T D. #)~~

MADE IN U.S.A.

28 February 1956

Mr. John Monsarrat
Owenoke
Westport, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Monsarrat:

Thank you very much for your letter of 22 February.

I am afraid that you are at the moment a victim of the Off Soundings Club's efforts to operate on a very simplified Measurement Rule. The simplified rule makes it necessary to have this classification and creates the need for Class C, in theory to screen out those which differ very much from the normal and which, for that reason, might normally sail above their rating--all of which, I am afraid, is not very constructive.

However, I did want to let you know that the general question of the (eligibility of the MANEULA II will be discussed at the Governors' Meeting in Springfield on 16 March,) and I will report further to you after the meeting.

Meanwhile, could you send me plans of the boat and copy of the RORC and SHR Measurement Certificates.

Sincerely,

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

Roderick Stephens, Jr.
Commodore

RSjr/mc
cc: Mr. J. William Jones
Sec'y, Off Soundings Club
Scott Lane, Mystic, Conn.

(Dear Bill: Will you be sure this is put down
on the agenda.)

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Rod