

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB  
c/o University Club F I N A L N O T I C E  
Springfield, Mass.

Annual Spring Races May 31st and June 1st, 1940

Except for lack of wind or presence of fog too thick for safe maneuvering at the start, the races will be started at the times and sailed over the courses given in the enclosed circular. If there is too much fog or not enough wind the committee boat will hoist a signal flag P. Postponements will be for 15 minute periods. Regardless of the time of start, the time limit will expire at 6 P.M. D.S.T. each day.

The starting signals will be on Friday:

8:40 A.M. horn warning Class C & D  
8:45 " gun preparatory Class C & D  
8:49 " white flag hoisted  
8:50 " gun and White flag down start Class C & D and  
warning Class A  
  
8:55 " gun preparatory Class A  
8:59 " yellow flag hoisted  
9:00 " gun and yellow flag down start Class A and  
warning Class B  
  
9:05 " gun preparatory Class B  
9:09 " red flag hoisted  
9:10 " gun and red flag down start Class B

On Saturday all signals one hour later

To recall a yacht that starts ahead of time a horn will be blown from the committee boat. As you know failure to blow the horn or to hear it does not relieve a yacht starting ahead of time and failing to restart, from being disqualified.

Immediately after crossing the finish line each day every yacht MUST report its identity to the committee boat to avoid errors.

Note for the benefit of newcomers to our races. All the right of way rules are fully in force, but there are a number of technical rules in the N.A.Y.R.U. book which we disregard.

The Race Committee will meet immediately after each race to determine the winners and to hear protests, if any. We do not expect to be able to give the standing of all boats immediately, but complete standing of all yachts will be mailed to the owners as soon as possible after the races.

The Entertainment Committee will throw an Off Soundings party on the dock at Montauk Friday night, and on the dock at Dering Harbor Saturday night. At these parties the winners will be announced. We expect to have adequate water taxi service at both Montauk and Dering Harbors. Your fog horn signal will be responded to as soon as possible. The taxi will run until 10:50 P.M. at Montauk and 11:30 at Dering. It will not be available for transportation to Greenport.

The officers of the Club, the race committee and the entertainment committee will be unable to get around to greet each one of you, but we wish to state here that we are glad to have you with us. No introductions are required in an Off Soundings fleet. Don't hesitate to start talking to anyone. We are all here for the fun of it and are anxious to know how it looked from other boats.

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Commodore 6 ft. 7 in. Prescott Huntington is aboard "White Squall". The Vice-Commodore and Chairman of the Race Committee "Art" Johnson is aboard "Windrush". The Rear Commodore and Club founder "Ed" Southworth and the Chairman of the Entertainment Committee "Mel" Southworth are on "Kokosing III". There is a whole flock of Off Soundings officials aboard "Spookie", "Stan" Bradford, "Tex" Harper, "San" Lawton and "Johnnie" Blake. If you want information any of the above will be glad to give it.

Enclosed are the handicaps of the biggest list of cruising boats ever entered in one event. It maybe difficult to handle this large fleet. Please give every assistance to our timers, "Don" McClench and Paul Craig, by turning back without being notified if by unhappy chance you start ahead of time and by making yourself known when crossing the finish line or immediately afterward. We have occasionally had misfires in the starting gun. Please note that the official starting time is the instant the flag for your class is dropped and that the gun is supplementary.

\* The winners will be determined by the lowest total score for the two days races, for instance a first and a fifth ( 1 & 5 = 6 ) will be equal to two thirds ( 3 & 3 = 6 ). In case of a tie the boat with the lowest corrected time for the two races wins.

There will be first, second, third, and fourth prizes in Class A, first and second prizes in Class B, and a first prize in Class C. Dr. D. P. Babbidge has presented a first prize for boats 40 ft. length overall and under in Class A and Arthur S. Johnson has donated a second prize for the same division. Mel Southworth has donated a prize for boats selected for cruising comfort, stability, and other considerations called the Kokosing Class. The following boats are eligible: Blackbird, Diane, Friar Tuck, High C, Marietta, Nylla, Soerabaja, White Squall, Aunt Abby, Kokosing III. An additional prize has been donated for the first boat of the Coastwise Class. Only Coastwise Class sails can be carried.

Film for taking colored pictures of the races for the club has been donated by Commodore Huntington, Dr. Billy Goodell, Mel Southworth and Stan Bradford. A photographer will be aboard either Doctor Reynolds power boat Flo Flo II or R. H. Valentines Cruiser Sunup.

Through the courtesy of the Harvey Wells Company we have been furnished with Marine Radio telephones for communication between the Coast Guard and the two power boats.

The club wishes to thank all of the above for their generosity.

RACE COMMITTEE

May 21, 1940