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Report of the Race Secretary

1. The combined Notice of Race and the Spring Series Sailing Instructions will go to the printer next week and should be mailed prior to the April 18 deadline. The 2007 notices consisted of 16 pages each. The 2008 combined notice is 16 pages producing a 50% reduction in page count. The page count of the Sailing Instructions was reduced from 32 to 12 however the class/entry starting sequence to be published separately will require 20 pages. A cost reduction on the Sailing Instructions will be achieved by mailing the Spring Series with the Notice of Race and by restricting the class/entry starting sequence mailing to entries.

2. Significant changes to the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions include:

- a. Mainsail and spinnaker must have numbers that match as identified on the entry form.
- b. Aids to Navigation used as marks or as a reference have been renamed to conform to their listing in USCG Light List Volume I. A table of OSC marks with latitude and longitude will be posted to the web site.
- c. After starting a boat may not cross the starting line.
- d. Appendix 1 to the Sailing Instructions – The Revised Text of *The Racing Rules of Sailing as Changed by the Sailing Instructions* has been rewritten to show the changes in detail and will be posted to the web site.
- e. Logistic information has been removed from the Notice of Race and will be posted to the web site.
- f. The class/entry listing and starting sequence have been removed from the Sailing Instructions. They will be emailed or mailed to all entrants on June 6.

3. The handicapping procedure for the Nonsuch group has been resolved. It appears that we will have about 16 Nonsuch entries for the Spring Series.

4. Entry forms will be available for downloading from the web site.

Sincerely,

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Race Secretary