

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1972

The following newspapers and radio stations received daily coverage of both spring and fall series. This represents approximately the same coverage as 1971.

Hartford Times	New York Times
Westerly Sun	The Day
Norwich Bulletin	Groton News
New Haven Register	WTIC Hartford
AP	WSUB Groton
Providence Journal	WNLC New London

A summary of each race series was provided the following magazines. This year photos were not furnished based on the limited usage experienced when this was tried last year.

Yachting	Rudder
Boating	One Design
Sailing	Soundings
Skipper	

Submitted January 12, 1973

A. N. Anderson
Chairman
Public Relations Committee

Off Soundings Club

Entertainment Committee

Jan.12,1973

An increase in the number of boats, coupled with delays which extended the parties, has increased the cost for 1972 by 35% over 1971. There was no increase in the unit cost of the liquor, but there was obviously quite an increase in the per capita consumption. Granted that 1971 had one slow day, but there is enough of an increase to warrant an explanation. The facts are these:

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>
Qts.of Liquor	262	259	382
Cases of Beer	25	29	46
Total Cost (Excluding land rental)	\$2296	\$2002	\$2890

My recommendation is simple; don't start the party unless you know you can end it in an hour and a half. The communications and calculation problems that have to be solved to achieve this are difficult, to say the least. We are already close to this goal, however, and I hope that we can achieve it.

I would like to note the fine cooperation that we get from the many people at Block Island who set up the bar for us, and also, I would like to endorse the present two-year term for the Entertainment Chairman as being satisfactory. In fact, most of the time it was a lot of fun!

Respectfully submitted,



Edward S. Purcell, Jr.

January 7, 1973

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
REPORT OF RACE SECRETARY
January 12, 1973

1. It is recommended that the fleet return to Block Island and the Oar in both the Spring and Fall of 1973, due to the fact that relief under the New York State Law will not come until June and in all probability, much later than that.
2. It has been recommended that Class C-3 start before Class B-2 and that Class C-1 start before Class A-1.
3. To provide better weather work on the second day short course, it is recommended that Bell "4" immediately off the southwest end of the Harbor of Refuge be substituted for N "2NS" Nebraska Shoal. Course length will be increased by 1.7 miles to 18.5 miles. All other course provisions hold including reverse course signal.
4. It is proposed that when the wind is predicted to be from either a generally southeasterly or northwesterly direction, the following courses with a reverse course signal, be used the second day.

Courses for Saturday

Two alternate courses have been developed for the second day of racing.

The Committee Boat will hoist numeral pennants one or two as soon as the appropriate course has been chosen. Please note that a reverse course is possible the second day.

Regardless of whether course one or two is used, for allowance purposes, the long course is 22.6 miles and the short course is 18.5 miles.

Course #Two
Start and Finish Line

The line will be between the Committee Boat and Stake Boat, located approximately 0.6 miles southwest by west from the outer end of the Breakwater at Great Salt Pond. The Committee Boat will be to the westward of the Stake Boat. White flags on both vessels will indicate the starting line. This starting line will also serve as the finish line, to be crossed in a southerly to northerly direction. If the Stake Boat cannot be on station, it will be replaced with a buoy with a white flag.

Classes A-1, A-2, B-1, C-1 and C-2----Long Course

Cross starting line, thence in a southwest by southerly direction to (FlR) "2A" whistle, leaving to port; thence in a southeasterly direction to Mo(A) whistle, leaving to starboard; thence in a west northwesterly direction to (FlR) "2" Bell at Southwest Ledge, leaving to starboard; thence to the finish. Yachts must pass to the westward of Bell "4" near Southwest Point on the first and fourth leg of the course. Bell "4" is exempt from the identification requirement.

Classes B-2 and C-3 --- Short Course

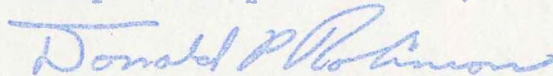
Cross starting line, thence in a southwest by southerly direction to (FlR) "2A" whistle, leaving to port; thence in a southeasterly direction to Mo(A) whistle, leaving to starboard; thence in a northwesterly direction to (FlR) "2A" whistle, leaving to starboard; thence to the finish. Yachts must pass to the westward of Bell "4" near Southwest Point on the first and fourth leg of the course. Bell "4" is exempt from the identification requirement.

5. I recommend that the same guest invitation procedures be used as in 1972. (1973 copy attached.)

It would be a great help if all of you remind members as often as possible of the proper procedures.

6. The attached dates are submitted for approval for 1973.

Respectfully submitted,



Donald P. Robinson

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
1973 Dates

	<u>1972 Dates</u>	<u>1973 Dates</u>	
Guest Cut Off	March 31	March 30	Friday
Winter Meeting	April 8	April 7	Saturday
First Notice	April 14	April 12	Thursday
Closing Date	May 18	May 17	Thursday
Final Notice	June 2	June 1	Friday
Race Date	June 9 & 10	June 8 & 9	
Results			
--1st Notice	July 14	July 12	Thursday
Closing Date	August 24	August 20	Monday
Final Notice	September 8	September 6	Thursday
Race Date	September 15 & 16	September 14 & 15	
Results	October 6	October 11	Thursday

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Guest Vessel Invitation

Acceptance of invitations for guest vessels may be limited or denied, if their participation is considered not in the best interests of the Off Soundings Club.

Guests may be eligible for invitation, if you comply with the following procedure:

1. Requests for invitations to race in the Spring and Fall 1973 Series must be in the hands of the Race Secretary by March 30. The Board of Governors, at their meeting on April 7, will determine how many and to whom invitations will be issued. After March 30, no requests for invitations during 1973 will be accepted.
2. Only two invitations will be issued to any acceptable non-member to participate in our racing events, each invitation being sufficient for any two (2) consecutive race series, such as Spring '73 and Fall '73 or Fall '74 and Spring '74. (A new set of invitations must be obtained for each year.)
3. Three letters of recommendation for the guest skipper must be sent to the Race Secretary. The letters of invitation must include the following information:
 - a) Name and address of guest.
 - b) Name of his recognized yacht club.
 - c) Name of his boat.
 - d) A description of the type or class of the vessel and a statement that, to the knowledge of the member, it falls within the eligibility requirements (see 2 above).
4. When the guest is accepted, an acknowledgment will be sent to him.

Yacht Eligibility

1. The minimum rating for any yacht sailing in the OSC Annual Race Series is 18 feet. Yachts whose ratings calculate lower than this 18-foot minimum shall race using this 18-foot rating.
2. The minimum LOA of vessels which may race in the OSC Annual Race Series is 23.75 feet. Vessels smaller than this LOA will not be permitted to race, nor will vessels in excess of 62 feet LOA.
3. Excepted from this ruling are vessels which fall below these minimums but which have raced in a series prior to this date, owned by members or participating guests. These vessels will be permitted to race using ratings shown on the vessel's Valid Racing Certificate, so long as there is no change in vessel's ownership.
4. Stars, 110's, 210's, Atlantics and certain other similar yachts will not be eligible.

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
REPORT OF THE CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Following a meeting with various officers of the Club on December 16, 1972, and additional meetings of the Classification Committee, the following guide lines are proposed to provide more equitable racing for as many participants as possible and also to attain better class sizes.

1. Boats ^{MAY} ~~will~~ be transferred to or placed in the A & B Classes if they have conventional keel centerboards, ^{And Subboard Engine} and are non-fin keel design, regardless of the fact that they have a spade or separated rudder.
2. All vessels with divided rigs ^{MAY} ~~will~~ be classified in A or B, provided the additional spar and sail are of normal size proportionately and are designed to serve as additional sail area in every way.
3. All other classification criteria remain in effect unless modified by 1 & 2 above.

It is recommended that the above changes be applied on a trial basis during 1973 and the results evaluated in the Fall. It is further recommended that a box "Keel Centerboard" Yes - No be added to the entry form.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Bailey
January 4, 1973

Note: The following boats would be transferred to A or B:
Under 1. Pearson 39, Tartan 34, Bristol 34, XL -42,
Morgan 24 & 30, Irwin 28,

Under 2. Anee, Arion, XL -42.

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January 12, 1973

Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary of the Off Soundings Club

Measurer's Report

In 1972 the Measurer's office accomplished the recalculation of all current measurement certificates to incorporate the beam correction and mainsail aspect ratio changes authorized by the Board of Governors in January. This was completed prior to the issuance of the Spring Race Series first notice.

The list of Off Soundings Measurers remains the same as no additions or deletions were made.

The Measurer attended a meeting with the Classification Committee and a conference with the Measurement Rule Committee.

Current list of yachts with valid Off Soundings certificates now totals 523.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M Russell III'.

Thomas M. Russell, III
Chief Measurer