

MINUTES
of the
ANNUAL MEETING
of the
OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

April 2, 1977

The Annual Meeting of the Off Soundings Club was held in the Aloha Meeting House at Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut at 1800 on April 2, 1977. A quorum was present and a list of their names are attached to these minutes.

Commodore White called the meeting to order at 1800.

On a motion, made and seconded, it was VOTED to accept the minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on April 3, 1976.

The Secretary read the roll of members who had passed away since the last Annual Meeting:

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| Warren G. Dellenbaugh | Harry P. Mac Donald |
| Henry B. duPont, III | Ray U. Plant, Jr. |
| Frank L. Hertel | |

The membership stood for a moment of silence in memory of their departed shipmates.

The Treasurer, Mr. Strang, reported that the finances of the club are about the same as last year, in spite of inflation, and he anticipates no increase in dues or fees this year.

The Race Secretary, Mr. Russell, reported that preparations are going on for the spring series and he plans a smooth transition to the new Race Secretary. The membership stood in a rising vote of thanks for the good work that Mr. Russell had done over the last two years.

The Measurer, Mr. Roberts, reported that there would be no change in the rule this year but we would try Performance Handicapping in the Cruising Class.

Race Committee Chairman Harrison said that he hoped to see everyone in Gardner's Bay this spring.

Mr. Butler reported that the Membership Committee remains ever mindful of its duties.

Mr. Raymond reported no change in the Measurement Rule this year.

Entertainment Committee Chairman, Mr. Staub, reported that they had made arrangements to have the spring series at the Shelter Island Yacht Club and the fall series at Block Island.

Mr. Raymond reported that there were few protests last year and all were settled

Public Relations Chairman, Mr. van Dyke, said that the press will continue to cover our races.

Prize and Awards Chairman, Rear Commodore Davis, reported that we presented many trophies last year and will present more tonight.

Fleet Surgeon Mac Dougall reported no accidents in 1976.

It was VOTED to accept all preceeding Officer and Committee reports.

Commodore White said his report would be given at dinner.

Past Commodore Owen, reporting for the Nominating Committee, which consisted of himself as chairman, E. Carleton Granbery and Stephen C. Harris, placed the following in nomination:

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| Commodore | Donald P. Robinson |
| Vice Commodore | Donald C. Davis |
| Rear Commodore | Eliot H. Porter, 2nd. |
| Clerk | Howard A. Schechterle |
| Secretary | Richard W. Woolworth |
| Race Secretary | Thomas S. Wadlow, Jr. |
| Treasurer | Walter D. Strang, Jr. |
| Measurer | Richard H. Roberts |
| Historian | H. Peter Converse |

For Governor:

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| William L. Ames | Donald P. Robinson |
| Dudley W. Butler | Howard A. Schechterle |
| Donald C. Davis | Walter D. Strang, Jr. |
| Herbert W. Owen | Thomas S. Wadlow, Jr. |
| Eliot H. Porter, 2nd. | William B. White |
| Edgar L. Raymond, Jr. | Richard W. Woolworth |
| Richard H. Roberts | |

On a motion, made and seconded, it was VOTED that nominations cease and the Secretary cast one ballot for the above slate. The Secretary cast one ballot as directed. The report of the Nominating Committee is attached to these minutes.

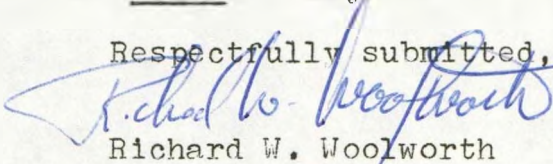
The membership gave a round of applause to John E. English who retired from the Board of Governors after twenty years.

Mr. Peter E. Bergendahl asked about using IOR and MORC rules. Commodore White said the Board studied it, but decided to stay with our rule this year.

Mr. Henry A. Scheel, on behalf of the membership, thanked the Board and Committee Chairmen for the good work they had done.

There being no further business, it was VOTED to adjourn at 1812.

Respectfully submitted,


Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary

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Report of the Nominating Committee:

Commodore White:

The Nominating Committee consisting of E. Carleton Granbery, Jr., Stephen C. Harris and Herbert W. Owen, Chairman, propose the following slate of officers and governors to serve for the ensuing year:

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| Commodore | Donald P. Robinson |
| Vice Commodore | Donald C. Davis |
| Rear Commodore | Elliot H. Porter |
| Clerk | Howard H. Schechterle |
| Secretary | Richard W. Woolworth |
| Race Secretary | Thomas S. Wadlow, Jr. |
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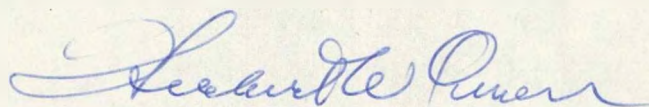
For the Board of Governors: the officers above listed, with the exception of Historian, and:

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| William L. Ames | Edgar L. Raymond |
| Herbert W. Owen | Dudley W. Butler |
| | William B. White |

Each gentleman has confirmed his willingness to serve.

No other names were submitted to the Commodore within the prescribed time limit.

Respectfully submitted,
for the Nominating Committee



Herbert W. Owen



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ATTENDANCE

at the

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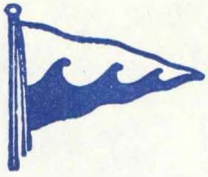
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Edward W. Wetmore
Henry Scheel
Paul vanDyke
E.E. Dickinson, III
T. S. Wadlow
R. H. Roberts
J. R. Baker
N. Staub
T. M. Russell, III
Ed Hellenbrecht
Rex Walden
Joe Walden
W. Frank Bohlen
P. N. Simmons
E. M. Reardon
W. H. Read

Charles W. Snow, Jr.
De Raymond
Edward duPont
J. E. English
A. Duncan Mac Dougall
J. E. Buza
Herb Owen
Varick Harrison
Bill Ames
Howard Schechterle
Eliot Porter
J. N. Newman
E. S. Purcell, Jr.
Don Davis
Bill White
R. W. Woolworth



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AGENDA

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1. Call to order
2. Approval of Minutes of the last Annual Meeting on April 3, 1976.
3. Report and moment of silence in memory of deceased members.
4. Reports of Officers
 - Treasurer
 - Historian
 - Race Secretary
 - Clerk
 - Measurer
5. Reports of Committee Chairmen
 - Membership
 - Measurement Rule
 - Classification
 - Race
 - Protest
 - Entertainment
 - Fleet Surgeon
 - Prize & Awards
 - Public Relations
6. Commodore's Report
7. Nominating Committee Report
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment

MINUTES

of the

BOARD of GOVERNORS MEETING

of the

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April 2, 1977

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club was held in the Munson Room of the G. W. Blunt White Library at Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut at 1600 on April 2, 1977. Commodore White presided. Other Governors present were:

William L. Ames
Dudley W. Butler
Donald C. Davis
John E. English
Herbert W. Owen
Edgar L. Raymond, Jr.

Richard H. Roberts
Donald P. Robinson
Thomas M. Russell, III
Walter D. Strang
Richard W. Woolworth

Present by invitation were:

H. Peter Converse
Varick D. Harrison
A. Duncan Mac Dougall

Howard A. Schechterly
Nicholas Staub, II
Paul C. VanDyke

The meeting was called to order by Commodore White at 1603.

The minutes of the previous meeting on January 14, 1977 were VOTED approved as circulated.

The Secretary reported no deaths since the last meeting.

The following resignations were VOTED accepted with regret:

Robert C. Eddy
Richard E. Flower
Charles J. Giriat
Frank Capers
Frazar B. Wilde
Robert B. Wright
Lester A. Nothnagle

Howard M. Smith, Jr.
Wentworth W. Meek
Edgar S. DeMeyer
William W. Gaines
Clarence A. Warden, Jr.
Prescott W. N. Gustafson
Richard L. Foote

The Treasurer, Mr. Strang, presented his annual report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He commented that we seem to be holding our own and are in good shape.

The Historian, Mr. Converse, was not present due to the fact that he spent the afternoon in a traffic jam on I 95.

The Race Secretary, Mr. Russell, presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He requested some guidelines to help the Race Secretary in handling guest invitations. Mr. Russell was requested to form a committee, with himself as chairman, and to include Dudley W. Butler and William B. White and to report back to the Board at their next meeting with some suggested guidelines for guest invitations.

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The "Guest List", a copy of which is attached, was VOTED accepted with the exceptions of Walbridge Bailey and Robert I. Comstock. The invitations of Roy C. Dickover, if he meets the "Recognized Yacht Club Rule", and Paul R. Bates, if his boat qualifies, were provisionally accepted.

The Commodore thanked Mr. Russell for the great work that he has done over the last two years.

Commodore White introduced Howard A. Schechterle, who will be taking over as Clerk.

The Measurer, Mr. Roberts, presented the proposed courses for the spring. He noted that we will be sailing our races under the new 1977 racing rules which have many changes.

The Membership Chairman, Mr. Butler, presented a report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He said that our membership now stands at our limit of 630.

The Measurement Rule Committee Chairman, Mr. Raymond, said that there would be no change in the rule this year.

The Race Committee Chairman, Mr. Harrison, reported that they are all set for the spring with new courses and a new Committee Boat. He is considering letting the small boats, like "B1", start first. It was VOTED to use the Shelter Island Yacht Club's mark bouy if found adequate, if not he was told th buy one of our own.

Mr. Raymond reported that all protests were settled and none were outstanding. It aws decided to include parts of Article VIII, Section 5 of our Constitution, i.e., the decision of the Protest Committee shall be final, in our race circular.

Mr. Staub reported that the Entertainment Committee has everything under control for the spring.

Fleet Surgeon Mac Dougall said that the medical facilities are excellent and that they are expecting us.

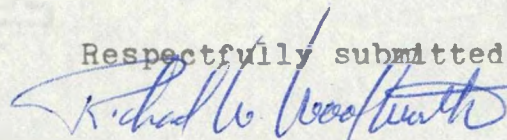
Prize and Awards Committee Chairman, Rear Commodore Davis, showed the Board the new trophies that will be awarded tonight.

The Public Relations Chairman, Mr. VanDyke, read his written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

It was moved and VOTED that the club purchase silver tie bars and cap badges for resale to the members.

It was VOTED to adjourn at 1746.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary