



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

OFFICE OF
THE SECRETARY
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ANNUAL MEETING

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SHORE PARTY

APRIL 6, 1991

Our Annual Meeting and Spring Dinner will be held at the Sheraton Norwich in Norwich, Connecticut on Saturday, April 6, 1991.

The Annual Meeting for members will be held in the Leffingwell Room at 1800:

1. To consider proposed Constitution and By-law changes attached to this letter
2. For election of Officers and Board of Governors for the coming year
3. To transact any business that may properly come before the meeting.

Cocktails will be served in the Constitution Ballroom at 1800 on a buy-your-own basis. "Rock of Ages" will provide music during cocktails.

A fine dinner with all the trimmings will be served promptly at 1930 in the Constitution Ballroom. Members, wives and guests are cordially invited to cocktails, dinner or both. If you plan to sit with a group, come early and stake out a table.

This year we are offering a choice of entrees: Prime Rib at \$26.00 per plate or Breast of Capon at \$19.00 per plate (including tax and gratuities). These prices are for advance payment. We will charge \$28.00 and \$21.00, respectively, if paid at the door, so send your reservations early.

The after dinner program, starting at 2030, will include the awarding of perpetual trophies and the showing of an excellent video featuring highlights of our 1990 season. The Mystic Seaport is generously providing the screen and projector to show these videos. All members and guests are cordially invited to this program whether or not they have dinner tickets.

If you are to receive a trophy, please be present for the award or have a designated person accept it for you. This

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helps our Awards Chairman and assures the safe transport of our valuable trophies.

To be assured of seating for you, your crew and your guests, send your check soon (made payable to the Off Soundings Club) and indicate how many tickets you desire for each entree. Mail to:

Off Soundings Club
% Paul C. vanDyke
16 West Mystic Avenue
Mystic, CT, 06355

He will mail your dinner tickets to you up until March 30. Any reservations received thereafter will be held for pick-up at the door. As long as there is room, tickets may also be purchased at the door. This is always a crowded and confused purchasing area. We heartily recommend that you shop by mail early.

Each dinner ticket will indicate to your server which entree is to be served, so please don't leave your tickets home.

Our Treasurer will have his usual selection of ties, burgess, patches and pins for sale at the door.

The Sheraton Norwich is at Exit 80w on the Connecticut Turnpike, about 13 miles north of New London. The Connecticut Turnpike is now Interstate 395; formerly it was Connecticut 52.

The Sheraton Norwich is a hotel and will provide rooms for Off Soundings Club members or guests at discounted prices of \$60.00 for double and \$55.00 for single accommodations. Make room reservations directly with the hotel by March 16th, mentioning Off Soundings, at 889-5201.

Your Board of Governors hopes that as many of you as possible will be able to join us for another fine Off Soundings Annual Meeting and Shore Party.

Sincerely,



Richard H. Roberts
Acting Secretary

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Proposed Constitution and By-law Changes
April 6, 1991

At the January 11, 1991 Off Soundings Club Board of Governors meeting it was unanimously VOTED to recommend for consideration at the April 6, 1991 membership meeting the following three proposed amendments to the Club's Constitution and By-Laws.

Constitution: Article XI, Section 2, modify sentence 6 to read:

"Any member purchasing a motorboat or motor sailor will be automatically dropped from the rolls, unless he has been a member of Off Soundings for 15 or more years or he also owns a sailboat in which he regularly participates in club races. Any member who owns only a power boat shall not be eligible for Flag office."

Constitution: Article XI, Section 2, delete sentence 8, which now reads: "If there is any question in either instance, this matter will be referred to the Board of Governors for appropriate action."

By-Laws: Article IV, Section 2, modify this section to read:

"The club burgee shall be flown by a club member only from a yacht owned, chartered or commanded by him or from a yacht which is under the direction of the Race Committee Chairman."

It was agreed that if these proposed amendments are approved by the membership, the records for the past ten years will be searched and those who are found to have resigned because of the motorboat rule will be invited to apply for reinstatement, with the date of election to be shown as the original date of election.

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