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TO: Wes Maxwell ✓
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FROM: Peter McFadden *Peter*

RE: Ad Hoc Long Range Race Planning Committee

We agree that each of us will think about who the additional two members should be. I believe both should be active racers. It would be nice if one were in the early to mid stage of their racing career and one very experienced. And, at least one should come from the C classes. Let me have your reaction and suggestions about additional criteria.

We are asked to make a proposal for a specific alternate venue. I assume then that we want to consider all the likely possibilities, and propose the best one, whatever best means. I suggest that there are three general factors to consider:

1. the first and second day races
2. the harbor each night
3. travel time to the start and returning to home port

If we can evaluate these factors we can rate the alternative venues.

1. The first and second day races:
I believe our members want to "go somewhere" for each of our weekends. Further we want the possibility of having exciting races each day and except possibly for the cruising classes this means upwind and downwind legs. We would eschew totally reaching races where possible. Our two present venues, particularly with our new TOT scoring, meet this criterion. I suggest that each alternative venue be rated against the current venue it would replace, using perhaps -, o, or + to rate it inferior, equal, or superior to the current venue.

2. The harbor each night:

I suggest that the criteria we use to evaluate candidate harbors include:

- a. must accommodate 150 or more boats
- b. must have a suitable party venue
- c. must have dock space for the committee boat
- d. must have suitable launch service.

Either a harbor meets each criterion or not. For those which do we could rate than -, o, or + relative to our current harbor.

Our candidate alternative harbors might include:

Montauk
Three-Mile Harbor
Sag Harbor
Newport
Point Judith
Dutch Harbor

3. Travel time to the start and returning to home port:

This could be a major factor for some of our members in considering Newport, for example.

I recognize that I haven't informed either of you about much in the above. However, if we perfect this organized approach it can be helpful to the two additions to our committee in making the decision and in our presentation to the Board of Governors. Let me have your reactions and your suggestions. I will review the files to see what we can learn from earlier committees and get back to you later in the month.

cc: Commodore Gunther