



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

June 4, 1954

FINAL NOTICE

OFFICE OF RACE SECRETARY
P. O. Box 109
West Springfield, Mass.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

You will find enclosed Final Instructions, Starting Times and Courses. We are also enclosing list of entries, list of prizes, identification list and your non-returnable identifying number. The Committee Boat will be provided through the courtesy of the U. S. Coast Guard as in the past.

RESTRICTIONS. Restricted area still exists to the southward of East Point, Fishers Island. This area must be left on either the starboard or port hand by Classes A-1, A-2 and C when proceeding eastward. The Navy has advised there will be no operations in the restricted area around the Ruins on Friday or Saturday.

WARNING ON MONTAUK ENTRANCE. Please note enclosed diagram showing shoals which have developed. Diagram is only approximate. Please enter and leave at dead low speed.

LAUNCH SERVICE. Crew lists received to date indicate more than 800 people in the fleet. We expect to have improved launch service at Montauk and Dering Harbor as provided last Fall, but it will take time and patience to transport such a crowd in and out. If you can carry a dinghy we urge you to bring and use it. Please see that your crew does not use any other dinghy other than your own without authorization. Launch service will start at 4:30 P. M. each day and continue until 12:30 A. M.

MONTAUK RENDEZVOUS. There will be the customary rendezvous at Montauk Yacht Club on June 11th. No meals can be served, although there will be some sandwiches and coffee. The clubhouse will be open and will have available for our use complete bar service and music making machines. **IMPORTANT:** As the fleet will be large and the deep water in Montauk Harbor is limited, small boats are requested to anchor in the shallow water south of the dock.

DERING HARBOR RENDEZVOUS. On June 12th we will hold our usual rendezvous at Shelter Island Yacht Club. Enclosed is a return post card for those who wish to make dinner reservations at the Chequit Inn. Mr. Calabro of the Marine and Sport Centre has advised his store will be open for supplies Saturday until 10:00 P. M. and Sunday all day.

RESULTS. After each day's race, results will be announced. Complete results will be mailed later to all members and those on our mailing list.

CREW LISTS. If you have not yet turned in your Crew List, please turn it in to Phelps Brown aboard FELICIA III at Burr's Dock, New London, Thursday, June 10th.

If additional instruction blanks or further information is wanted, please apply to Paul Rogers aboard "CANTY", Mel Southworth or Phelps Brown aboard "FELICIA III", Stan Bradford aboard "WINDWARD", or Blunt White aboard "WHITE MIST".

Phelps Brown
Race Secretary

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS
Seventeenth Annual Cruise and Races Starting from New London
June 11 and 12, 1954

Unless weather conditions are too unfavorable, the races will be started at the times and will be sailed over the courses as outlined on the attached sheet.

Postponements will be for 15 minute periods, and will be indicated by the hoisting of signal flag "P" aboard the Committee Boat.

If it should appear that due to late start the long course could not be covered within the time limit, all classes will sail the short course. This change would be announced from the Committee Boat.

Regardless of the time of the start, the time limit will expire at 5:00 p.m. EDT each day. If any yacht finishes by that time it is a race for that class.

If the Committee Boat is not at station, any yachts finishing shall take their own time and report same to the chairman of the Race Committee. First day when the Bell bears West. Second day when the Gong bears North-east. Distance not greater than 200 yards from either mark.

To recall a yacht that starts ahead of time, a whistle will be blown from the Committee Boat. Failure to hear or heed such whistle will not relieve the yacht starting ahead of time from being penalized. A yacht failing to heed the recall signal will have 1/2 hour added to her elapsed time.

Running of engine after the Preparatory Signal of the yacht's class will disqualify such yacht.

All Government Marks may be disregarded except those marking the course for each class. In case of thick weather, yachts rounding course marks other than Ruins gas and bell buoys must see and identify each mark rounded. It is not sufficient to assume that a mark has been rounded by the yacht's presumed position.

NEW RULES WILL APPLY THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE RACE, EXCEPT THAT WHEN MEETING BOATS NOT RACING, RULES OF THE ROAD WILL AT ALL TIMES GOVERN.

It is requested that yachts not starting, please stand clear of the starting line until the warning signal for their class. The fleet is large, and this courtesy will be appreciated by those starting in Classes A-1, A-2, and C.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER IS TO BE DISPLAYED AT SOME DISTANCE FROM THE FINISH LINE, AND HELD AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE COMMITTEE BOAT SO IT CAN BE SEEN THROUGH BINOCULARS UNTIL AFTER CROSSING THE LINE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR YACHT BEING LISTED AS D.N.F. PLEASE REPORT TO COMMITTEE BOAT IF IN DOUBT. NUMBERS ARE NOT TO BE RETURNED.

All flags designated below will be lowered 30 seconds prior to hoisting of the next signal flag.

Starting Signals for Classes A-1, A-2, and C will be as follows, EDT:

June 11th and 12th

<u>A. M.</u>	<u>Signal</u>	
8:50	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class A-1
8:55	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class A-1
9:00	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class A-1
9:05	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class A-2
9:10	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class A-2
9:15	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class A-2
9:20	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class C
9:25	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class C
9:30	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class C

Starting Signals for Classes B-1 and B-2 will be as follows, EDT:

June 11th

<u>A. M.</u>	<u>Signal</u>	
9:35	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class B-1
9:40	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class B-1
9:45	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class B-1
9:50	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class B-2
9:55	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class B-2
10:00	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class B-2

June 12th

9:50	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class B-1
9:55	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class B-1
10:00	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class B-1
10:05	Gun, yellow flag "Q"	Warning Class B-2
10:10	Gun, blue and white flag "N"	Preparatory Class B-2
10:15	Gun, red flag "B"	Start Class B-2

If any gun misfires, the flag will govern.

Courses and distances approximately as follows:

<u>June 11, 1954</u>	<u>Long Course</u>	Classes A-1, A-2 and C
Start between Sarah's Ledge Buoy and Committee Boat		
3.6 miles SSE	Leaving Red Nun Buoy #2 off Race Point to port	
9.0 miles E1/2S	Leaving Flashing White Whistle Buoy to starboard	
7.1 miles SW3/4W	Leaving Cerberus Whistle Buoy to port	
<u>5.3 miles S1/2W</u>	Finishing between Bell Buoy off Montauk Harbor and Committee Boat	
25.0		

<u>Short Course</u>	Classes B-1 and B-2
Start between Sarah's Ledge Buoy and Committee Boat	
3.6 miles SSE	Leaving Red Nun Buoy #2 off Race Point to port
6.0 miles SE x S1/2S	Leaving Cerberus Whistle Buoy to starboard
6.1 miles SSW1/4W	Leaving Flashing White Whistle off Culloden Point to port
<u>2.1 miles E1/2S</u>	Finishing between Bell Buoy off Montauk Harbor and Committee Boat, CROSSING LINE FROM NORTH TO SOUTH
17.8	

<u>June 12, 1954</u>	<u>Long Course</u>	Classes A-1, A-2, and C
Start between Bell Buoy off Montauk Harbor and Committee Boat		
5.3 miles N1/2E	Leaving Cerberus Gas & Whistle Buoy to port	
9.0 miles W3/8N	Leaving Ruins Gas & Bell Buoys to port	
6.8 miles SW1/4W	Leaving Red Nun Buoy #2 off Sag Harbor to starboard	
<u>4.0 miles NW x N</u>	Finishing between Gong #2 off Long Beach Point and Committee Boat	
25.1		

<u>Short Course</u>	Classes B-1 and B-2
Start between Bell Buoy off Montauk Harbor and Committee Boat	
There will be a special line established after the start of Class C	
10.5 miles NW3/4W	Leaving Ruins Gas & Bell Buoys to port
<u>7.3 miles W7/8S</u>	Finishing between Gong #2 off Long Beach Point and Committee Boat
17.8	



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PRIZES

Prizes will be presented after the final day of racing.

As is customary during Club races, all prizes are given on a corrected time basis computed from the results of two days of racing.

We are continuing the practice of adding handicaps to former prize winners, limited to a two year period. For prize winners prior to the Spring 1953 Race, the additional handicaps are 10% for first, 5% for second, 3% for third. For winners in the Spring and Fall 1953 Races the new increased handicaps are 15% for first, 10% for second and 5% for third prize winners, maximum 45%.

Handicaps for previous prize winners are designated as applied to time allowances and not to rating lengths.

There will be first, second, third and fourth prizes in Classes A1, A2, B1, B2 and C, and one or more schooner prizes depending upon the number of schooners starting in Classes A1 and 2 combined and Classes B1 and 2 combined. All prizes are donated by the Off Soundings Club except as follows:

<u>PRIZE</u>	<u>DONOR</u>
Class A-1, First Place	Commodore Paul K. Rogers, Jr.
Class A-2, First Place	M. D. Southworth
Class B-1, First Place	Vice Commodore Roderick Stephens, Jr.
Class C, First Place	Rear Commodore John R. Fales
All Classes, Fourth Place	Robert L. Hall

The "Samuel Pepys" trophy, presented to the Off Soundings Club by the Royal Naval Sailing Association, has been established as a special first prize for the combined results, corrected time, of the Spring and Fall Races each year of the Class in which "SAMUEL PEPYS" would sail if she were entered. The Charles J. Koch perpetual trophy has been presented to the Off Soundings Club as a special first prize for the combined results, corrected time, of the Spring and Fall Races for Class B-2. Winners of the "Samuel Pepys" and Charles J. Koch trophies will be announced at the Annual Shore Party.

Phelps Brown
Race Secretary

ENTRANCE TO MONTAUK HARBOR
AS REPORTED 5/54

