

THE RED BOOK

MAGOTHY RIVER SAILING ASSOCIATION

2005 Racing/Cruising Yearbook

A Letter From The Commodore



The Board of Governors is pleased to provide the **MRSA 2005 RED BOOK** to the membership of our sailing association. This book is designed to provide you with as much information as possible about your club. Your BOG and committees spent the winter planning the activities for the entire year that are included here – racing, cruising, social activities, and junior training events.

Every member will receive a copy of THE RED BOOK and may purchase an additional copy to have one at home and one the boat. You can also access much of the information on the Internet. This year our website has been completely rebuilt and most of the information contained here will also be accessible online. Since the book is only printed once per year changes in the schedule can best be distributed both online and by e-mail. Please be sure that your e-mail address is kept current during the year. Also note the change in the website address to **www.magothysailing.com**.

The junior training fleet is continuing to expand this year with the addition of single handed boats like the Laser. The training program will be held at the Grachur Club and should fill to capacity again this year. The new application is included in the RED BOOK and should be turned in promptly to assure a slot. Again, check the website for more information, as it becomes available.

Directions to social events that can be reached by land will also be available in THE OLD MAN as well as online. The sock burner in May, club picnic, Memorial Day event on Wye Island, and Corsica River race party are but a few examples. Magothy Madness in August will be a great opportunity to introduce your sailing friends to MRSA and show off your seamanship and safety skills. This is one of the strangest, but most fun, events on the water. Some members have also expressed an interest in entering the annual parade of lights again in December. Stay tuned to THE OLD MAN and website for more information.

The club has renewed its membership in CBYCA again this year. We will be getting a list of other member clubs and will make it available to anyone interested in planning a trip and visiting other parts of the bay. Most member clubs allow use of their facilities to other members.

Whether you are a new member, or have been active for many years, welcome to the 2005 sailing season. Be sure to join in on the fun.

John Lund

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Commodore Flag Officers and Committee Chairpersons

The following officers are voting members of the Board of Governors:

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The following appointed positions are vital to the operations of MRSA:

Membership Co-Chairs	Ed and Peggy Poe	membership	410-296-6428
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The following appointed positions support the racing program and are crucial to its success:

Race Marks Chair	Roger Bartholomee	race_marks	410-255-7330
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Race Gear Chair	Mark Walker	race_gear	410-647-2468
Protest Committee Chair	Drew Dowling	protests	410-647-6492
Balt Sail for Sight Regatta	TBA*		
Corsica River Race Chair	TBA*		
Racing Social Chair	Cindy Gottschalk	race_social	
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MRSA Web Site Address
www.magothysailing.com

*To Be Announced in *The Old Man*

MRSA Commodores

1974	Dick Tinkler	
1975	Lyle Millan	
1976	Bill Staley	
1977	Ham Palmer	
1978	Kit Buritsch	
1979	Jim Demerest	
1980	Tom Finn	
1981	Bob Fishback	
1982	Tom Norman	
1983	Scott Cameron	
1984	Drew Dowling	
1985	Joe Jackins	
1986	Paul Stubbs	
1987	Roger Seal	
1988	Bill Paul	
1989	Jim Quinn	
1990	George Stamps	
1991	Denny White	
1992	Dick Kammann	
1993	Les Toeplitz	
1994	Dave Ellerbrake	
1995	Rich Hughes	
1996	Tom Curtis	
1997	Stu Timerman	
1998	Beth Vanfossen	
1999	Steve Gardner	
2000	Fred Betz	
2001	Debra Lund	
2002	Mike Mullarky	
2003	Alan Kirkendall	
2004		Sheryl McNair

History and Traditions of the Magothy River Sailing Association

MRSA was organized in 1974 as a sailing club for sailors living on the Magothy River. It was the outgrowth of the El Toro Fleet 66 - a fleet of eight-foot sailing/racing dinghies. In 1974 there were more sailors on the Magothy than could be accommodated by the two existing clubs, the Gibson Island Yacht Squadron and the Potapskut Sailing Association. To race in inter-club events sanctioned by the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association, membership in a CBYRA member club is required.

At the annual meeting of CBYRA in the Fall of 1974, MRSA became a provisional member club - and a full member club the following year. The requirements included demonstrating that MRSA had a racing program, a training program for Race Committees, and a Junior training program. Because it has no physical facilities, MRSA has an unlimited membership, open to all supporting its objectives.

Although organized primarily as a racing club, MRSA quickly attracted cruising sailors and has a large representation of those interested in racing, cruising, and day sailing. Club members have taken an active part in community sailing programs such as Operation Sail in 1976. MRSA has a long history of training juniors and getting the support of adult members to help with the training. Annual race committee seminars have trained many race committee crews to conduct the races it sponsors. The Junior Training Program has followed the CBYRA format, and many MRSA juniors have attended CBYRA Fun Days with juniors from other sailing clubs. MRSA cruises have been organized each year by the Cruising Committee, which sponsors a Cruise Planning party early each year to plan the season's cruises. Early cruises were fairly short, but in recent years, cruises of Virginia's Rappahannock and Piankatank rivers and Cape May, NJ have been fun. Members volunteer to lead each cruise. They have helped new cruisers learn about rafting, anchoring, and cruising skills.

From the beginning, MRSA has sponsored Wednesday evening racing on the River – in cooperation with Gibson Island, Potapskut Sailing Association, and the Cape St. Claire Yacht Club. Because the majority of those racing Wednesday evenings are MRSA members, the club sponsors two of the five four-race series, the other clubs sponsoring one each.

The Magothy River Sailing Association is controlled by its membership through an elected Board of Governors. MRSA membership meetings have been held once a month, except in July and August, to conduct regular business and provide a social gathering. For detailed business and reports, the Board of Governors meets once a month year round. It has been a tradition of MRSA that any member may attend any Board meeting to discuss the activities of his or her committee or to discuss special business. The Board meets in the homes of members, and meetings last from 1900 to 2100. This helps eliminate long-windedness!

MRSA members have always been encouraged to join the committees representing their interests and to chair those committees. Traditionally, the club officers each year have been chosen from members who have been active on committees. MRSA members -- new, old, or prospective -- have always been invited to share, not only their enthusiasm for sailing, but also years of knowledge, and both racing and cruising experiences with all the other members.

MRSA Ship's Store



Item	Price*
Long Sleeve golf shirt - navy	\$30.00
Ladies short sleeved and sleeveless golf shirts – navy	\$30.00
Blue Denim Long-Sleeve Shirt	\$30.00
Golf Shirt	\$30.00
Turtle Neck Shirt	\$30.00
Silk screened T-Shirt	\$10.00
Tie tack	\$7.00
Lapel Pin	\$5.00
2005 MRSA <i>Red Book</i>	\$5.00
Burgee	\$15.00
Burgee Decal	\$0.50

**To purchase items from Ship's Store, contact:
Lewis Neisner**

**lneisner@rhsmith.umd.edu
410-647-0694**

New items will be introduced periodically

***Prices are subject to change**

2005 MRSA Meeting and Social Schedule

Date	Event	Location
March 20	Annual brunch	Windows-on-the Bay
April 7	Membership meeting*	Bella Napoli
May 14	Blessing of the Fleet, (jointly with PSA members)	Potapskut Sailing Association
June 10	Friday night picnic*	TBA
June 20 – July 1	Junior Training	Grachur Club
August 20	Magothy Madness and Summer picnic	TBA
October 6	Membership meeting**	TBA
October 29	Membership meeting* (jointly with Frostbite cruise)	Cheshire Crab
December 8	Wine and cheese party,* Election of officers	TBA
December 10	Parade of Lights	Annapolis
January, 2006	Commodore's Ball	TBA

*Membership meetings start at 6:30 PM – Check *The Old Man* for details about individual events.

2005 MRSA Cruise Schedule

Date	Cruise	Cruise Leader
7 – 8 May	Sockburning – New Members Cruise - Broad Creek – Magothy	Sheryl/Wes McNair
14 - 15 May	PSA/MRSA Joint Cruise & Blessing of the Fleet	Ed/Peggy Poe
28, 20, 30 May	Memorial Day Cruise – Wye River Compound - EYC/MRSA	Rich/Toni Hughes
11 – 12 June	Women’s/Men’s Cruise Untold destinations (TBD)	Women – Debbie Lund Men – Fred Betz
25 – 26 June	Bodkin Creek	Jim/Jill McCutchan
2, 3, 4 July	St. Michael’s via San Domingo Creek	Al/Sue Kirkendall
4 July	Start of one-week cruise	Al/Sue Kirkendall
16 – 17 July	Annapolis – creek TBD	Phil/Elaine Haskell
30 -31 July	Corsica River Cruise/Race	Dick/Marianne Kammann
1 Aug	Start of one or two-week cruise	John/Debbie Lund
13 – 14 Aug	Worton Creek	Sigi/Myron Dorf
Friday night, 19 Aug	Magothy River Full Moon Cruise Untold destination (TBD)	Mike/Loura Bonham
20 – 21 Aug	MAGOTHY MADNESS to be followed by our August picnic	John Lund
3, 4, 5 Sept	Labor Day Cruise Grey’s Inn Creek – Chester River	Beth Van Fossen
17 – 18 Sept	Dessert Cruise – Baltimore	Stu/Vicki Timerman
1 – 2 Oct	Rhode River	Cheryl McNair
15, 16 Oct	Goose Cruise - Langford Creek Chester River	Tony/Dee Torres
29, 30 Oct	Frostbite Cruise – Cheshire Crab – Bodkin Creek & November Monthly Membership Meeting	Lewis Neisner

**Cruising
Guidelines**

Objectives of

the MRSA Cruising Program

- Provide an opportunity to make new friendships and enhance old ones,
- Encourage families to attend cruises with their children by providing "kid-friendly" cruises such as land picnic cruises, canoeing, town/park accessible cruises, and anchoring out with water-oriented activities
- Expand our sailing background and knowledge through the sharing of ideas and experiences,
- Enable relatively inexperienced sailors to acquire additional skills and gain confidence through the observation, advice, and example of other sailors, and

- Enhance safety on the water by providing companion boats that can render assistance should the need arise.

Cruise Procedures

1. Cruise Leader Notification - Inform the Cruise Leader as soon as possible, if you plan to participate in a cruise. It is especially important to respond early if the cruise includes a restaurant or marina option. Notification is also necessary if you must cancel. It is not only a matter of courtesy, it is essential for planning purposes. By informing the Cruise Leader of your intentions, you are assured of being informed of last minute changes.

2. Schedule Changes - *The Red Book* cruising schedule is followed quite closely, but changes may occur and will be published in *The Old Man* and www.magothysailing.com when possible. Otherwise, Cruise Leader personally notifies those members who planned on attending the cruise.

3. VHF Communications - Cruise participants frequently communicate via VHF radio. Due to the volume of weekend radio traffic, it is often difficult to make contact with other cruise members on channel 16. Unless otherwise specified by the Cruise Leader, the preferred channel for contact is **71** at quarter past the hour and quarter to the hour. Observing this procedure permits the communications of vital information such as destination changes. Use this procedure to follow flotilla traffic. Be sure to relay messages for anyone who might be having difficulties.

4. MRSA Burgee - Throughout the cruise all boats on an MRSA cruise are encouraged to fly the MRSA Burgee from the masthead or from the starboard spreader.

5. Awards - A perpetual trophy will be given to the MRSA member earning the most points for cruise participation. Points are awarded as follows:

Cruises up to three days duration *	
Each day or partial day	1 Point
Each Night	1 Point
Cruise Leader **	10% of Total Points
Cruises of 4 to 9 days duration*	2 additional points
Cruises greater than 9 days in duration*	3 additional points

*Members crewing on another member's boat will receive points at 1/2 the rate of the owner.

**Cruise Leaders earn extra points only if they fulfill all Cruise Leader Responsibilities.

Bonus Points

Participation in 5 - 10 scheduled events	5 Points
Participation in 10 - 14 scheduled events	5 Additional Points
Participation in 15 or more scheduled events	5 Additional Points
Most cruises attended	2 Points

The primary aim of the point system is to encourage members to cruise as a group, thus points are awarded on the basis of the authorized schedule, with three exceptions.

- If you are forced to deviate from the schedule for reasons beyond control, e.g. engine or gear failure, shortage of fuel, or supplies, etc., notify the Cruise Leader. The Cruise Leader will determine if cruise points should be awarded for the periods the boat and its crew are absent from the scheduled cruise.
- Side trips or deviations to different destinations by two or more boats which leave the main group and then rejoin will be considered to be part of the MRSA cruise if plans have been coordinated in advance with the Cruise Leader. Daily radio communication with the Cruise Leader is encouraged under these circumstances.
- For all cruises exceeding 3 days - there must be 2 or more MRSA boats in attendance to earn points. The extended cruisers must register in advance with the Fleet Captain, Cruising and must complete all appropriate paperwork.

Other awards may be given as deemed appropriate by the Fleet Captain, Cruising

6. Rafting Procedures - MRSA's usual procedure during most overnight stops is to raft to allow socializing whenever weather permits. The following practices will facilitate safe and easy rafting.

- Display the MRSA Burgee
- Anchored boats desiring company shall display fenders on the appropriate side. Such boats should endeavor to select an anchorage that is adequate in depth, holding and swing space, for the boats they expect, and set an anchor with appropriate weight and scope.
- The yacht joining the raft should provide all lines to secure to the raft. It is customary to hand the eye-splice end of the line to the receiving yacht. The eye-splice is secured to the cleat on the receiving yacht and slack is adjusted on the yacht joining the raft.
- Bow, stern, and fore and aft spring lines shall be rigged to preclude spreader entanglements and to allow raft maneuvering under power if this becomes necessary. Always allow for mast sway from the wakes of powerboats.
- Moor so each boat outboard of the anchored boat is slightly aft of it. The raft should form a shallow "V" with the anchor boat at the apex of the "V" and the other boats slightly back. This makes the raft more stable if the wind or tide shift.
- Engines shall be kept ready for use.
- Normally, one anchor per raft will be used with adequate scope (at least 7:1) except when the size of the raft or the set of the wind/tide requires an additional anchor (determined by the raft leader).
- Approach the raft from the stern with lines ready. When leaving the raft, back away.

- Breakup of rafts for the night is expected. No raft left unattended should exceed three boats.
- Large rafts are desirable during social and daylight hours.
- More experienced members should be ready to assist and encourage rafting by newer members.
- A boat may depart from a raft earlier than boats outboard of it with relative ease. If you want to leave the raft, notify the raft leader and the skipper on either side of your boat. The proper procedure is to take in the stern lines and spring line on both sides of your boat, pass the bowline connecting the remaining boats under or in front of your bow. Then with people fending off on both sides, back slowly away from the raft.

Cruise Leader Responsibilities

1. Should always use good judgment to:
 - Arrive early, or arrange for one of the larger boats to arrive early to set the raft anchor.
 - Avoid blocking heavily used waterways
 - Break up rafts prior to anticipated severe weather
2. Shall provide full information about the cruise and its destination
 - Make appropriate marina and restaurant reservations
 - Answer questions concerning the cruise prior to departure
 - Change cruise destination, if appropriate, in the event of adverse weather and notify participants of the change
3. If a Cruise Leader is unable to carry out the scheduled cruise, he/she shall
 - Obtain a replacement, and
 - Notify the Fleet Captain, Cruising
4. Other duties before and after cruises include:
 - Filling out a Cruise Report listing all boats (and MRSA guests) attending the cruise and for how many days/nights each boat participated. Submit the report to the Fleet Captain, Cruising.
 - Preparing and sending to *The Old Man* Editor, an article on the cruise (may be delegated to any poetic participant). Two articles must be submitted; one for the month preceding the cruise and the second for the edition of the month in which the cruise is scheduled. The deadline for *The Old Man* article submittals is the 15th of month proceeding the issue date.
 - Encouraging participants to document the activities with pictures and slides and provide slides for *The Old Man*, the MRSA home page, and the Winter Meeting slide show.

Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association (CBYCA)

MRSA is a member of CBYCA. Some of the objectives of this organization are to continue its tradition of providing safer boating for everyone, everywhere; protecting our established rights to pursue our hobby of recreational boating; and promoting a clean and safe environment to help preserve the bay for future generations.

The MRSA membership in this association entitles each member with discounted privileges at other yacht clubs that are also members of CBYCA. When cruising on the bay and deciding on a marina in which to spend some time, check out the *Chartroom Chatter* roster issue published yearly by this organization (distributed to our board members) or on line at www.cbyca.org for easy access to clubs holding membership in this organization.

2005 Magothy River Racing Schedule

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Wed Evening Series 1 Race 1	April 20
Wed Evening Series 1, Race 2	April 27
Wed Evening Series 1 Race 3	May 4
Ham Palmer Fun Regatta	May 7
Wed Evening Series 1 Race 4	May 11
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 1	May 18
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 2	May 25
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 3	June 1
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 4 – Raft-Up Social	June 8
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 1	June 15
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 2	June 22
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 3	June 29
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 4	July 6
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 1	July 13
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 2	July 20
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 3	July 27
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 4 – Raft-Up Social	August 3
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 1	August 10
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 2	August 17
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 3	August 24
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 4	August 31
Wed Evening Series 6 Race 1	September 7
Wed Evening Series 6 Race 2	September 14
Wed Evening Series 6 Race 3	September 21
Wednesday Evening Trophy Party – Gibson Island Yacht Club	October 5
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 1	October 9
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 2	October 16
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 3	October 30
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 4	November 6
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 5	November 13

2005 Bay Racing Schedule

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Spring Classic	May 21	MRSA
Love Point – Swan Point Double-handed	June 4	GIYS
64th PSA Overnight	June 18	PSA
Sail for Sight Race to Baltimore	July 9	MRSA/BCYA
Lighthouse Classic	July 10	RCRA
Corsica River Race	July 30	CRYC
Corsica River Race Back	July 31	MRSA
Cedar Point Race	August 27	GIYS
Annapolis Race Week	September 3 - 5	CBYRA
Queenstown Race	October 1	PSA
Queenstown Race Back	October 2	PSA
BCYA Harbor Cup	October 22	BCYA
RCRA Fall Back	October 23	RCRA

2005 Race Committee Schedule

Race	Date	Boat	Skipper	Telephone	E-Mail
Series 1, Race 1	20-Apr	Encounter	Drew Dowling	410 647-6492	dowlingdrew@cs.com
Series 1, Race 2	27-Apr	Ego Trip	Tom Awalt	410 437-6430	sailwtom@cs.com
Series 1, Race 3	4-May	Nightengale	Bill Schneider	410 757-4729	mariners@toad.net
Ham Palmer Regatta	7-May				
Series 1, Race 4	11-May	Dash	Henry Morgan	410 280-9606	amorgan@jhmi.edu
Series 2, Race 1	18-May	Vagabond	Jack Lusby	410 876-3633	jacklusby@yahoo.com
Spring Classic	21-May				
Series 2, Race 2	25-May	Skean Dhu	Jock McClees	410 729-3044	mccleesj@erols.com
Series 2, Race 3	1-Jun	Wabbit	Ralph Reitan	410 757-9119	captain_wabbit@yahoo.com
Series 2, Race 4	8-Jun	Capricious	Ed Poe	410 296-6428	edpoe@leggmason.com
Series 3, Race 1	15-Jun	Shadowfax	Jamie Davis	410 551-2121	idavis@evi-inc.com
Series 3, Race 2	22-Jun	Ultra Violet	Dave Prucnal	410 255-5623	A27USA9@yahoo.com
Series 3, Race 3	29-Jun	Into the Mystic	Jeff Baker	410 480-2718	jbaker@swales.com
Series 3, Race 4	6-Jul	Wizard	Les Toeplitz	410 768-6325	wizarde@adelphia.net
Sail for Sight	9-Jul				
Series 4, Race 1	13-Jul	Pressure Drop	Randy Richter	410 544-4763	richter@ibiquity.com
Series 4, Race 2	20-Jul	Jeopardy	Dan Somerville	410 337-3046	dan@noload.com
Series 4, Race 3	27-Jul	Skimmer	Wayne Winokur	410 258-6410	wayne.winokur@ngc.com
Corsica River Race	30-Jul				
Corsica River Race Back	31-Jul				
Series 4, Race 4	3-Aug	Heyday	Shep Drain	410 255-8369	sdrain@carolinadoor.com
Series 5, Race 1	10-Aug	Miranda	Gene Gottschalk	410 439-0211	miranda@tartan30.org
Series 5, Race 2	17-Aug	Fantastic	Rich Hughes	410 757-6081	fantastic@comcast.net
Series 5, Race 3	24-Aug	Hyder Ally	Tom Price	410 437-5897	tprice@usna.edu
Series 5, Race 4	31-Aug	Penguin	George Benisek	410 268-4187	sailinfanatic@worldnet.att.net
Series 6, Race 1	7-Sep	Riled Up	Marc Riley	410 360-1271	rileys4@maxinter.net
Series 6, Race 2	14-Sep	Off the Hook	Robert Dunigan	301 962-8548	rbtdunigan@aol.com
Series 6, Race 3	21-Sep	Bumble Bee	Mark Walker	410 647-2468	celerity@cablespeed.com
Fall Series, Day 1	9-Oct	Babette	Read Beigel	410 647-9140	sbeigel209@comcast.net
Fall Series, Day 2	16-Oct	Glory	Dennis Dunn	410 461-1715	Dennis.Dunn@ssa.gov
Fall Series, Day 3	30-Oct	Respite	Joe Berchielli	410 647-8470	jbengr@msn.com
Fall Series, Day 4	6-Nov	Bella Donna	Angelo Guarino	410 544-8992	angelo@oceansystems.com
Fall Series, Day 5	13-Nov	Rebecca	Bill Paul	410 255-9585	wdpaul7@aol.com

The current Race Committee Schedule is posted on the MRSA Web Page www.magothysailing.com and in *The Old Man*.

General Sailing Instructions



These General Sailing Instructions govern all races held on the Magothy River except as modified by the Special Sailing Instructions for each regatta.

Rules

All racing on the Magothy River shall be governed by *The 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, and the rules of the PHRF of the Chesapeake except as any of these are altered by these General Sailing Instructions. All races are category A events as defined by *ISAF Regulation 20*. All boats shall be in compliance with PHRF of the Chesapeake, Inc., Special Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment Accommodations Standards Category “5P” with the exclusion of a radar reflector and heavy weather jib. Boats racing in the non-spinnaker division shall hoist only one headsail at a time, except during sail changes.

Entries

A copy of the boat’s current PHRF certificate must be on file with the RC Chairman prior to competing in any race, except boats racing in the Corinthian Class of the Wednesday Night Series. Eligible boats may be entered by completing the Magothy River Race Entry Form included in this book. For entry deadlines specific to particular races or series, see the Special Sailing Instructions following in this book for those races or series.

Notices to Competitors/Changes in Sailing Instructions

Notices to competitors will be published in the MRSA newsletter, *The Old Man* and on the MRSA Web Page, www.magothysailing.com.

Schedule of Races

Regatta	Dates	Approximate Time of Warning Signal
Ham Palmer Fun Regatta	May 7	1200
1st Wed. Evening Series	April 20, 27 May 4, 11	1805
2nd Wed. Evening Series	May 18, 25 June 1, 8	1805
3rd Wed. Evening Series	June 15, 22, 29 July 6	1805
4th Wed. Evening Series	July 13, 20, 27 August 3	1805
5th Wed. Evening Series	August 10, 17, 24, 31	1805
6th Wed. Evening Series	Sept. 7, 14, 21	1805
Hallie Rice Fall Series Regatta	Oct. 9, 16, 30 Nov. 6, 13 SUNDAYS	1300

Race Committee Training

MRSA requires the following for sailors new to the MRSA or CBYRA Race Committee (RC) duties (and also for those that need a refresher):

- Prior to your first Committee Boat (CB) assignment, ask to join other CB skippers for their scheduled race.
- Invite another experienced RC person on the boat for your first CB assignments; contact the Race Committee Chairperson.
- Schedule yourself for either Series 6 or Fall Series duties since these series typically have fewer entries.
- Review the RC tutorial and go over the RC gear and binder prior to the scheduled event.

Please contact race_train@magothysailing.com for help with any of these requirements. The Race Committee Schedule will be posted on the MRSA Web Page www.magothysailing.com and in *The Old Man*. MRSA requests that each skipper perform Race Committee duty at least once every two years.

Class Splits

The Class Splits, unless otherwise noted in Sailing Instructions for specific events, will be:

Class	Class Ratings	Code Flag
PHRF A	Up to 118	9
PHRF B	119-154	6
PHRF C	155-199	7
PHRF D	200 and up	E
PHRF NS1	Up to 176	5
PHRF NS2	177 and up	8
Corinthian	All	White

Should a need occur to modify the class splits during the season, ample notice will be given in *The Old Man* and on the MRSA Website.

Class racing code flags shall be displayed from the bow pulpit and the backstay or mizzen boom. Skippers are responsible for clearly identifying their yacht and racing class while preparing to race and racing. A yacht may not be scored if conflicting symbols, duplications, or obscured flags confuse the Race Committee.

Racing Area

The racing area shall be the Magothy River as shown in the chart at the end of this section.

Courses

Courses shall be designated by letters displayed on the Race committee boat, the letters designating the location of the mark as indicated on the Magothy River Chart. Marks shall be rounded in the order displayed, from left to right or from top to bottom. Marks designated by RED letters or background shall be left to PORT. Marks designated by GREEN letters or background shall be left to STARBOARD. One circuit shall be sailed unless the course description is followed by a numeral (e.g., “2”) that designates the

number of laps. All channel markers shall be passed on the channel side. (Note: The Committee Boat will post the finishing mark of the course, regardless of the number of laps posted.) If the Committee Boat makes a change to the course after posting it, a code flag 'L' will be displayed.

Marks

In the Magothy River all permanent marks are Special Racing Marks or Buoys located in the general area portrayed in the Magothy River Chart at the end of this section. The compass courses and distances between racing marks are indicated in the table following the chart. Drop marks are inflatable marks placed in suitable locations prior to the race.

VHF

The Race Committee shall, at the skipper's option, use VHF channel 72 prior to and during races held on the Magothy River. The Race Committee may call boats over early (OCS) at the start, in addition to calling out course changes and other appropriate communications. Skippers may call the committee to report withdrawal, protest, and emergencies; do not call for routine inquiries.

The Start

All races in the Wednesday Night Series, Ham Palmer, and Hallie Rice Fall Series series will be started in accordance with USSA, RRS Rule 26, except that an attention signal will be made 5 minutes before the first warning. The F shape will be displayed. Times shall be taken from the visual signals.

Starting signals for each class will be as follows:

Signal	Flag and sound	Minutes before start
Attention	F Flag; 1 long sound	10
	F Flag removed	6
Warning	Class flag; 1 sound	5
Preparatory	P, I, Z or black flag*; 1 sound	4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 sound	0

*Notes: I flag = RRS 30.1 round the ends rule;
 Z flag = RRS 30.2 20% penalty rule;
 Black flag= RRS 30.3 black flag rule.

GPS time will be used whenever possible. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with the starting signal of the preceding class.

If a delay in the starting sequence for a succeeding class will be longer than 15 minutes, then an attention signal will be used 10 minutes prior to the next start. Any change to start times and for second races should be in 5-minute intervals of the original start time.

The starting line will be between the yellow flag on the Race Committee boat and adjacent to permanent mark location “A”, “C”, “D”, or other mark, at the Race Committee’s discretion. The starting area for a drop mark course will be anywhere in the area roughly bounded by the permanent marks “A”, “B”, and “D”. If conditions warrant, the Race Committee may drop a starting mark “U” an alternative starting course. The Committee Boat should proceed to the “A” mark to measure the wind direction and velocity before selecting the course from the table in the Race Committee Handbook.

Any “Limit Mark”, dinghy, or other marker astern of the Race Committee boat shall be deemed a part of the Race Committee boat. Do NOT pass between the Limit Mark and Race Committee boat. If a yacht touches the Limit Mark or passes between the Limit Mark and the Race Committee boat, she has touched a starting mark.

Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

Change of Course after the Start

A change in course after the start will be limited to “shorten course” that will be signaled from the Race Committee boat by displaying the “S” flag and two sound signals. If the “S” flag is displayed in conjunction with class flags, only those classes shown with the “S” flag shall sail the shortened course.

The Finish

The finish line shall be between the yellow flag on the race committee boat and the adjacent mark of the course. The yellow flag shall be amidships and at least 7 feet above the cabin top. Note: The USSA definition of “Finish” requires the boat to finish in the direction of the course from the last mark.

Time Limit

The time limit for each regatta will be specified in the regatta’s Special Sailing Instructions. At least one boat in a class must finish within the time limit. If no boat in that class finishes within the time limit, that race will be abandoned for that class. If one boat in a class finishes within the time limit, the remaining boats in that class must finish within the time limit or within thirty minutes corrected time of the first boat finishing in that class; otherwise, they will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish).

Protests

Protests shall be written on USSA/CBYRA protest forms (copies at the end of this section) and shall be either:

- hand-delivered to Protest Chairperson (Drew Dowling, 851 Twin Harbor Drive, Arnold, MD 21012), no later than the day following the race, or

- mailed with postmark no later than the day following the race (two days for Saturday/Sunday races.), or
- faxed to Drew Dowling at 410-647-2870, or
- E-mailed (as scanned forms) to Protest Committee chairman: protests@magothysailing.com.

Protests shall conform to Part 5 of the racing rules, except that a pre-hearing is possible, in which case the involved parties will be contacted for possible mediation. Protests will be heard at the place and time specified by the Rear Commodore or RC Chairman.

Scoring

The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A4 (Low Point) of the racing rules will apply for a series unless modified in the Special Racing Instructions for the event. Ties will be broken in accordance with Appendix A, US Sailing Rules 2004-2008.

Each boat starting and finishing a race, and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified, will be scored points as follows:

PLACE	POINTS
First	1
Second	2
Third	3
Each Place Thereafter	Add 1 Point

Whenever possible, the Race Committee should hand-deliver the results on the water to the Scorer (on the river or Broad Creek) at the conclusion of the race. If unable to deliver on the water, the RC will forward the results to the Scorer via Email (scorer@magothysailing.com) or hand deliver to Mike Mullarky, 1204 Villa Isle Ct., Pasadena, MD 21122 (MD Rt. 177 to North Shore Rd. to Villa Isle). Results may also be delivered to the Race Committee chairman, Gene Gottschalk, who will deliver them to the Scorer.

Boats that started, but did not finish, will be scored points for that race equal to one plus the number of boats that finished that race. Boats that did not start and finish will be scored points equal to the *number of entries received by the last race of series plus one* for that race. A score of DSQ (Disqualified) will not be used as a throw-out when computing the series score.

Penalty System

For any Part 2 infraction, Rules 44.1 through 44.4 shall apply. Rule 44.1 shall be modified to allow a 360° penalty turn for infractions when:

- there is no contact between boats AND
- the incident does not occur within two boat-lengths of a start line, finish line, or within the two-boat length circle of a rounding mark.

Any boat causing serious damage to another shall retire. Rule 44.3 is modified to allow either a yellow or an “I” flag. The penalty as determined under Rule 44.3(c) shall be six (6) places, but not worse than a score of DNC (Did Not Compete). A yacht that does not comply with Rules 44.1 through 44.4, but which acknowledges an infringement prior to having the protest hearing, shall be penalized six places, but not worse than a score of DNC (Did Not Compete).

Awards

Awards for first place will be awarded with at least 3 boats entered for an event. Second place trophies will be awarded with 5 boats entered; 3rd place with 7 or more boats; 4th place with 11 or more boats, 5th place with 15 or more boats entered. “Entered” means the entries received by the last race of the series.

Abandoned/Postponed Races

In the event of extreme weather conditions, the Race Committee may signal abandonment or postponement of the day’s race. This will be indicated either by hoisting Code flag “N” over “A” for abandonment or hoisting Code flag “AP” and three sound signals in succession for postponement. If the Race Committee does not attempt to go on station, the abandonment signal will be announced on the MRSA Website and via e-mail before the first scheduled start of the race. The abandonment will also be announced on VHF channel 72 starting at 30 minutes before the start and continuing at five-minute intervals until the start time. Abandoned races will not be rescheduled.

Race Results

Unofficial race results will be posted on www.magothysailing.com soon as practical after each race. Official results (i.e., following protest resolutions) will be published in *The Old Man*, in addition to the Web Page. Any discrepancies in scoring should be noted by contacting the Race Committee Chairperson or the Scorer. Racers may request hard copy of a series result by mailing a request and a stamped self-addressed envelope to the Scorer; please identify both class and yacht.

Ham Palmer Fun Regatta

Saturday, May 7, 2005



Entry Due Date: Thursday, May 5, 2005

Fee: \$10

Cruisers are strongly encouraged to come out and try racing in this relaxed format. If you wish to race, and do not have a PHRF rating, we will assign the base rating for your boat type. Anyone planning to do the Sock Burning cruise should come out and try racing. This regatta is intended to be a means for non-racers to experience the fun and challenge of racing. All participants are encouraged to be “forgiving” with regard to right-of-way rules especially when near new racers.

Contact Person:

Gene Gottschalk
386 Dutchship Court
Pasadena, MD 21122
410-439-0211

Rendezvous

1130 hours in the vicinity of Race Committee which will be in the area bounded by marks ‘A’, ‘B’, and ‘D’.

Courses

The goal is to run two races. If a second race is to be run, code flag ‘2’ will be displayed at the conclusion of the first race. The courses will be designated as described in the General Sailing Instructions.

Signals

Target Time	Signal	Purpose		Sound
1130	L flag	Rendezvous		
1200	F flag hoisted	Attention-5 minutes to starting sequence for first race of the day		Gun
1205	9, 6, 7, & E flags hoisted	Warning- 5 minutes to the start of Spinnaker Class (All Ratings)		Gun
1210	9, 6, 7 & E flag lowered	Start Spinnaker Class	Warning- 5 minutes to start for Non-spinnaker Class (All Ratings)	Gun
	5 & 8 flags raised			
1215	5 & 8 flags lowered	Start Non-spinnaker class		Gun

The Attention signal for race 2 will be preceded by 1 sound signal approximately 1 minute prior to the beginning of the sequence.

Time Limit

Two hours per race. Boats not finishing within the time limit will be scored in accordance with the General Sailing Instructions.

Protests

THIS IS A “FUN” REGATTA. However, if you must protest, it shall be filed in accordance with the General Sailing Instructions.

Scoring

See General Sailing Instructions for Scoring of Series with the following exception: there will be no throw out races.

2005 Wednesday Night Series Special Sailing Instructions



Entry Due Date: Monday, April 11, 2005

Fee: \$85
\$30 for Corinthian Class –
(1st Half)
\$30 for Corinthian Class –
(2nd Half)

Contact Person

Gene Gottschalk
386 Dutchship Court
Pasadena, MD 21122
410-439-0211

Entries

This is an invitational series for members and invited guests of MRSA, PSA, CSCYC, and GIYS. One entry is accepted for all six series (23 races) for PHRF Classes A, B, C, D and NS1 and NS2. No partial entry fee is permitted. The organized, “trophy eligible” Corinthian Class are split as follows: first half entry covering all races in the 2nd and 3rd series and second half entry for all races in the 4th and 5th series. Competitors may be asked by the Race Committee Chairperson to move from the Corinthian Class to one another class if their performance deems this class inappropriate.

Change of class will be accepted for a full series only by calling the MRSA Race Committee Chairperson before the first race of the series.

Rendezvous

1730 hours in the vicinity of mark A.

Courses

The courses will be designated as described in the General Sailing Instructions. If conditions warrant, the Race Committee has the option of setting a course to round Baltimore Light. Wind direction MUST be such that the course between the mouth of the river and Baltimore Light is not a fetch. Such a course will be designated by an “L” course board. Baltimore Light will be passed to the appropriate side as indicated by the course board color as prescribed in the General Sailing Instructions.

Starting Classes and Sequence for Series 1 through 5

Target Time	Signal	Purpose		Sound
1730	L flag	Rendezvous		
1805	F flag hoisted	Attention-5 minutes to starting sequence		Gun
1810	9 flag hoisted	Warning- 5 minutes to the start of PHRF A		Gun
1815	9 flag lowered	Start PHRF A	Warning- 5 minutes to start for PHRF B	Gun
	6 flag raised			
1820	6 flag lowered	Start PHRF B	Warning- 5 minutes to start for PHRF C	Gun
	7 flag raised			
1825	7 flag lowered	Start PHRF C	Warning- 5 minutes to start for NS1	Gun
	5 flag raised			
1830	5 flag lowered	Start NS1	Warning- 5 minutes to start for PHRF D	Gun
	E flag raised			
1835	E flag lowered	Start PHRF D	Warning- 5 minutes to start for NS2	Gun
	8 flag raised			
1840	8 flag lowered	Start NS2	Warning- 5 minutes to start for Corinthian	Gun
	White flag raised			
1845	White flag lowered	Start Corinthian		Gun

*Note- Per the General Sailing Instructions and USSA RR26, I, Z, or the Black flag may be used instead of P with the appropriate rules applying for said flags.

Corinthian Fleet racing starts with Series 2 and ends with Series 5.

Classes and Starting Sequence for Sixth Series

For the sixth series, the class splits and order of start shall be as follows:

Target Time	Signal	Purpose		Sound
1730	L	Rendezvous		
1805	F flag hoisted	Attention- 5 minutes to starting sequence		Gun
1810	9 & 6 flags hoisted	Warning- 5 minutes to the start of PHRF S1 (Ratings to 154)		Gun
1815	9 & 6 flag lowered	Start PHRF S1	Warning- 5 minutes to start for PHRF S2 (Rating 155 and up)	Gun
	7 & E flags raised			
1820	7 & E flags lowered	Start PHRF S2	Warning- 5 minutes to start for Female Skipper Class (All)	Gun
	Pink flag raised			
1825	Pink flag lowered	Start Female Skipper Class	Warning- 5 minutes to start for PHRF N (All)	Gun
	5 & 8 flags raised			
1830	5 & 8 flags lowered	Start PHRF N		Gun

*Note- Per the General Sailing Instructions and USSA RR26, I, Z, or the Black flag may be used instead of P with the appropriate rules applying for said flags.

Time Limit

Two hours per race. Yachts not finishing within the time limit will be scored in accordance with the General Sailing Instructions.

Scoring

Scoring shall be by the Low Point series scoring method in the General Sailing Instructions with the following exceptions:

If fewer than four races in a series, no scores will be dropped.

If four races are sailed in the series, the highest score will be dropped in computing the score for the series; however, a score of DSQ may never be dropped.

If a boat performs Race Committee duty for one race of the series, her score for that race shall be the average of her scores for the remaining races in that series. Her highest score will then be dropped (if there are four races in the series) to compute the series score. A boat may only do Race Committee duty for one race of a series and remain qualified for that series.

Protests

Protests shall be file in accordance with the General Sailing Instructions.

Special Awards

In addition to the standard awards listed in the General Sailing Instructions, the following Special Awards will be presented for the Wednesday Night Series:

Best in Fleet: An award will be given for the best boat in each class for the season. The 20 races of the five regular series will be scored using the Low Point System. Each boat will be allowed three throw outs per series. DSQs will not be dropped.

Magothy Cup: Awarded to one spinnaker and one non-spinnaker boat based on the criteria above. The Magothy Cup is a perpetual trophy sponsored by the Magothy Marina.

Social Events

A raft-up social event will be conducted after the fourth race of Series 2 and 4. See ***The Old Man*** for details.

The end-of-season Trophy Party will be held at the Gibson Island Boat House on or about Wednesday, October 5, 2005. Details will be published in ***The Old Man*** and the website.

2005 Hallie Rice Fall Series
October 9, 16, 30 & November 6, 13, 2005
Special Sailing Instructions



Entry Due Date:
October 5, 2005

Fee: \$15

Contact Person

Gene Gottschalk
 386 Dutchship Court
 Pasadena, MD 21122
 410-439-0211

Rendezvous

1230 hours in the vicinity of RC boat which will be in the area bounded by marks “A”, “B”, and “D”.

Courses

Two races may be run each day. If a second race is to be run, code flag “2” will be displayed at the conclusion of the first race. The courses will be designated as described in the General Sailing Instructions.

Signals

Target Time	Signal	Purpose		Sound
1230	L flag	Rendezvous		
1300	F flag hoisted	Attention-5 minutes to starting sequence for first race of the day		Gun
1305	9, 6, 7, & E flags hoisted	Warning- 5 minutes to the start of Spinnaker Class (All Ratings)		Gun
1310	9, 6, 7, & E flag lowered	Start Spinnaker Class	Warning- 5 minutes to start for Non-spinnaker Class	Gun
	5 or 8 flags raised			
1315	5 or 8 flags lowered	Start Non-spinnaker class		Gun

**Note-* Per the General Sailing Instructions and USSA RR26, I, Z, or the Black flag may be used instead of P with the appropriate rules applying for said flags.

The Attention signal for race 2 will be preceded by 1 sound signal approximately 1 minute prior to the beginning of the sequence.

Time Limit

Two hours per race. Yachts not finishing within the time limit will be scored in accordance with the General Sailing Instructions.

Scoring

Scoring shall be by the series scoring method in the General Sailing Instructions with the following exceptions:

If four to six races are sailed in the series, the boat's highest score will be dropped in computing the score for the series. If seven or more races are sailed in the series, the boat's highest two scores will be dropped in computing the score for the series. However a score of DSQ may never be dropped.

If a boat performs Race Committee duty, her score for those races shall be the average of her scores for the remaining races in that series, her highest score will then be dropped (if there are at least 4 races in the series) to compute the series score. A boat may do Race Committee duty on one day of the series and still be qualified for the series.

Protests

Protests shall be filed in accordance with the General Sailing Instructions.

Magothy River Race Entry Form

Competitor's Name: _____ **Boat Name:** _____
Street Address: _____ **Sail Number:** _____
City, State, Zip: _____ **PHRF Rating:** _____
Home Phone: _____ **Model :** _____
Work Phone: _____ **E-mail Address:** _____
Member club: _____ **CBYRA Number:** _____
US Sailing Number: _____

Select Class for Scoring for each race/series:

Series 1: A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2	Series 6: S1 ,S2 ,FS ,N
Series 2: A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor	Spring Classic: A, B, C/D, N
Series 3: A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor	Ham Palmer: S, N
Series 4: A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor	HR Frostbite: S, N
Series 5: A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor	

This Yacht conforms in every way to her Class Rules and Measurements. Handicap Rating is on file with PHRF of the Chesapeake or is attached hereto.

I agree to abide by the regulations and sailing instructions for these events. In consideration of being permitted to enter these events, being knowledgeable of the risks of competitive sailing and knowing that it is my sole responsibility to decide whether to enter or to continue any race, I voluntarily assume the risk of participation in this event and release the Host Clubs MRSA, GIYS, PSA and YCCSC and the people conducting the event from all liability in connection with any injury or damage that may occur.

I recognize the continuing need for individuals, participating in the Bay-area racing program, to make themselves available for the management of MRSA-sponsored races. I also recognize the need for proper race management training for those individuals who have never been involved in this aspect of racing. Therefore, I agree to make myself available, when called upon, and to serve as a Primary Race Committee official, either for a Bay or Magothy River race, or serve as a Race Committee crewmember for training purposes and assist in the management of a race. I understand that failure to do so, when asked, shall jeopardize my continued participation in MRSA-sponsored race events without refund of any monies paid.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Ham Palmer Regatta	\$10.00
Wednesday Series and	
MRSA Spring Classic	\$85.00
Corinthian Only	\$30.00
Hallie Rice Frostbite Series	\$15.00

Amount Enclosed \$

Spring Classic included only if entry is received by 05/14/2005
Per half season (Series 2&3 / Series 4&5)

Please make check payable to:
MRSA c/o Gene Gottschalk
 386 Dutchship Court
 Pasadena, MD 21122

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Protest Form

Event	Organizing Club	Date	Race #
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Protesting Yacht	Class	Sail Number
Owner or representative	Club	Signature
Address		Telephone

Protested Yacht	Class	Sail Number
Owner or representative (if known)		Club (if known)
Address (if known)		Telephone (if known)

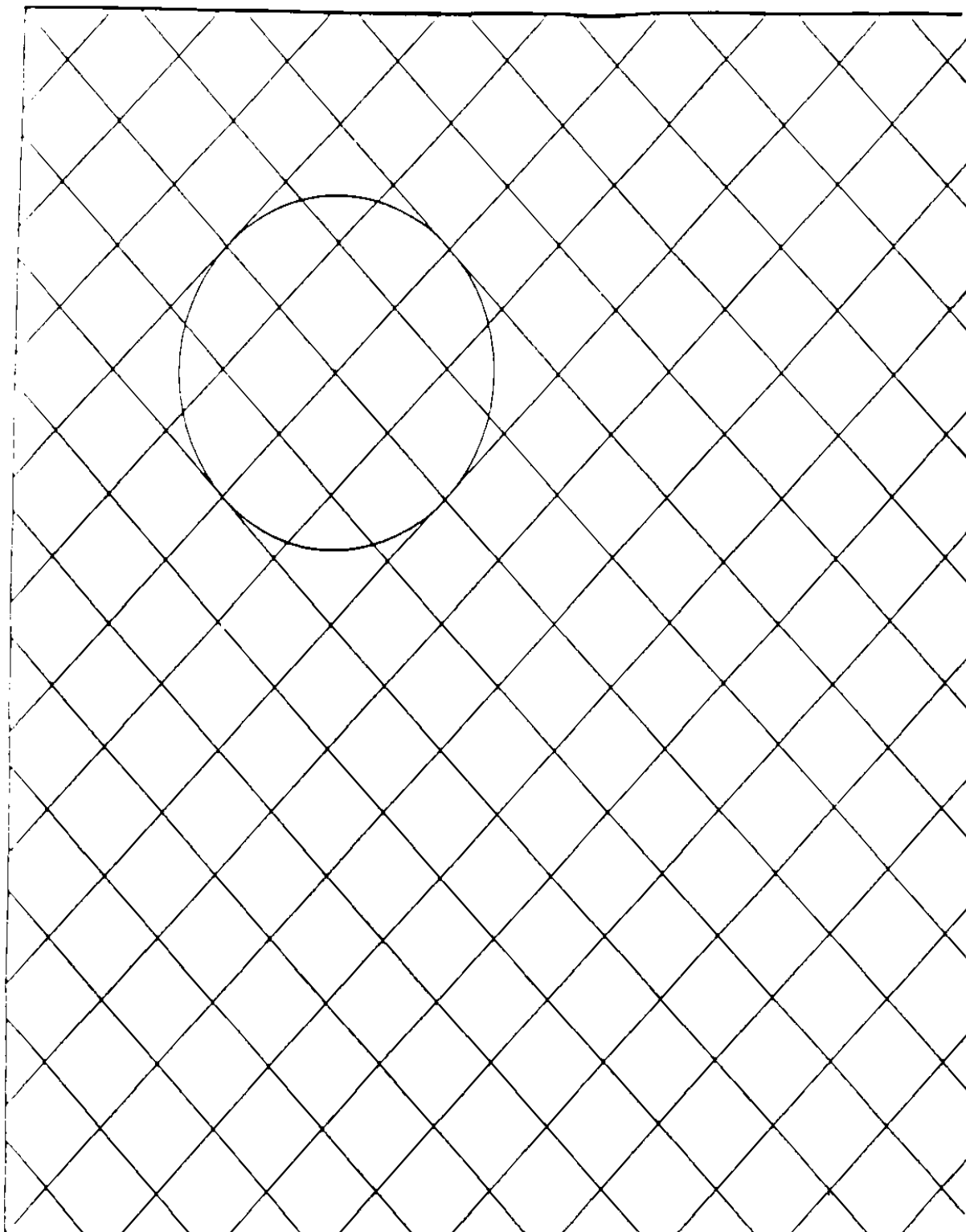
Notification:	Circle one
Did the protesting yacht inform the protested yacht of the protest? If so, how _____ when _____	Yes/no
Did the protesting yacht display a protest flag? If so, when _____	Yes/no

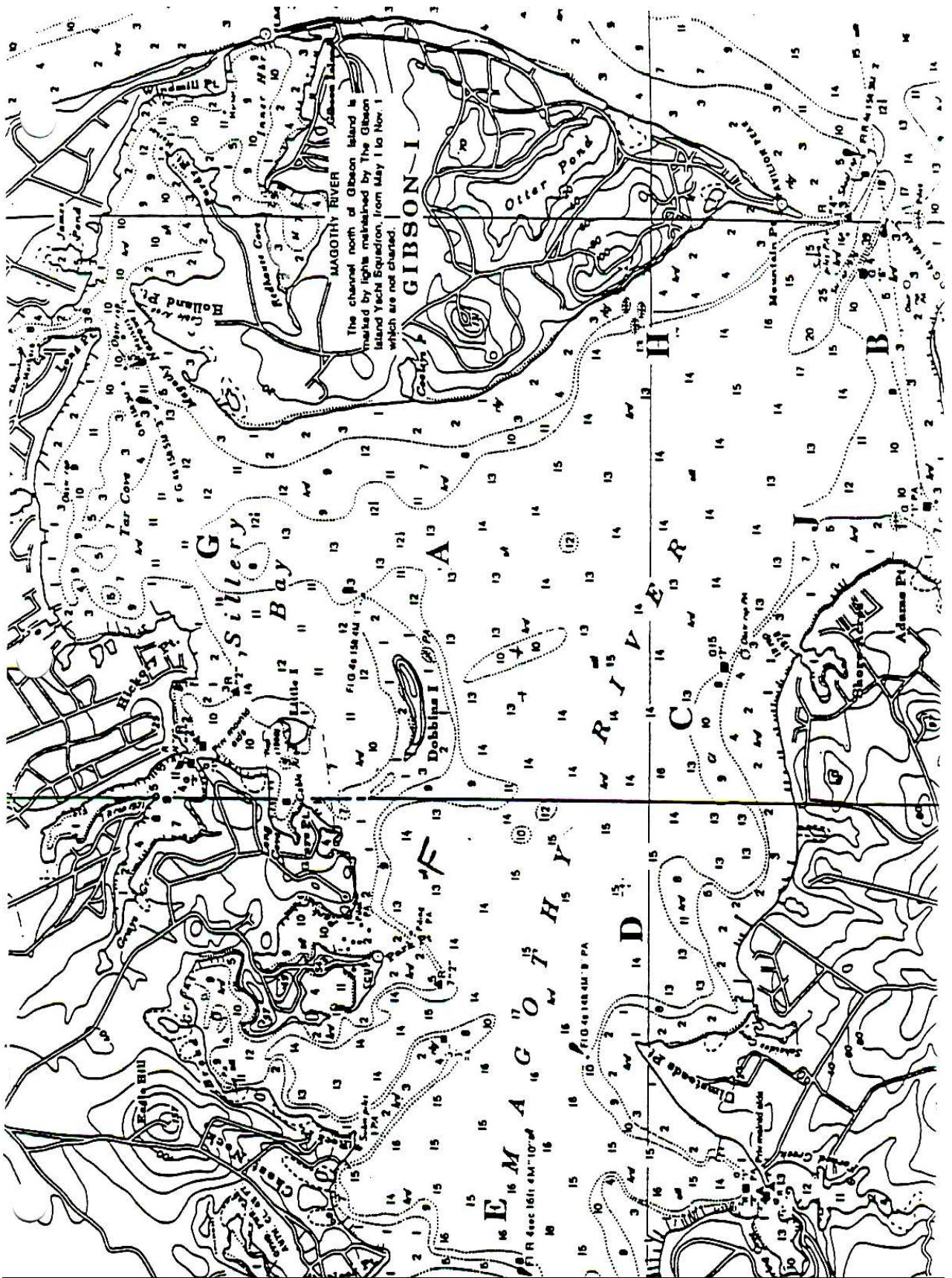
Incident: When and where	Witness (es)
Rule (s) alleged to have been infringed	

Description of the Incident:

DIAGRAM OF THE INCIDENT (One square = one boat length)

Show on diagram: Wind direction and strength - Current direction and strength
Marks (or directions to marks) - Positions of yachts at various times





Race Mark Tables

These tables are based on 1999 mark positions. Look for the official figures in 2005 edition of *The Old Man* or on the MRSA Web Page (www.magothysailing.com) after the marks are placed.

Table of Race Mark Positions

Mark	Latitude	Longitude
A	39-04.466	76-27.253
B	39-03.450	76-26.620
C	39-03.930	76-27.560
D	39-04.070	76-28.470
E	39-04.480	76-29.230
F	39-04.513	76-28.221
G	39-05.240	76-27.100
H	39-04.210	76-26.720
J	39-03.660	76-27.000

Table of Magnetic Bearings Between Race Marks

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J
A		166	215	259	282	285	020	133	178
B	346		315	305	308	322	360	006	317
C	035	135		293	304	330	027	078	133
D	079	125	113		316	035	054	096	121
E	102	128	124	136		099	077	109	127
F	105	142	150	215	279		062	116	143
G	200	180	207	234	257	242		176	189
H	313	186	258	276	289	296	356		213
J	358	137	313	301	307	323	009	033	

Table of Distances Between Race Marks

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J
A		1.13	0.59	1.03	1.54	0.76	0.77	0.49	0.83
B	1.13		0.89	1.57	2.28	1.64	1.83	0.77	0.37
C	0.59	0.89		0.71	1.41	0.77	1.35	0.72	0.51
D	1.03	1.57	0.71		0.73	0.49	1.58	1.37	1.21
E	1.54	2.28	1.41	0.73		0.79	1.82	1.97	1.92
F	0.76	1.64	0.77	0.49	0.79		1.13	1.20	1.27
G	0.77	1.83	1.35	1.58	1.82	1.13		1.06	1.57
H	0.49	0.77	0.72	1.37	1.97	1.20	1.06		0.59
J	0.83	0.37	0.51	1.21	1.92	1.27	1.57	0.59	

Junior Training Program

As a part of MRSA's promotion of excellence in sailing we are committed to the education and training of our junior sailors. The primary venue for MRSA sail training is a two-week camp focusing on both off water instruction and on water experience. Our location for the camp is The Grachur Club, located off Lake Shore Road in Pasadena, Maryland. Students will be taught using the approved USSA/CBYRA training program. MRSA uses prams, 420's, and other small sailboats in this program.

Young sailors from 9 to 16 years old are invited to participate. No prior experience, other than swimming ability, is necessary. A mandatory swim test, administered on the first day of the camp, must be passed prior to any sailing. This year the program will run from June 20th through July 1st, at 0830 hours and finishing at 1600 each of these 10 days.

While the program is open to members and non-members, preference is shown first to MRSA/Grachur Club families with children and grandchildren returning to the program, then MRSA/Grachur Club members with children new to the program, and finally non-members. Returning students will be shown priority until April 20th, and then new students will be considered until May 1st, at which time all applicants will be considered with the same priority. An application appears in this **RED BOOK**. The application form will also be posted on the MRSA Web Page at www.magothysailing.com. In the past years, the junior training program has often filled quickly with member families, so early application is recommended for all categories. Applications will be processed beginning on April 1st.

NOTE: Only applications completed on the 2005 Junior Training Registration form will be accepted; one student per application.

Because MRSA is a VOLUNTEER club, we rely heavily on parents for assistance in boat maintenance, daily supervision, and the graduation picnic. Parents will be expected to participate in some way in each of these activities, and are asked to indicate your availability on the Junior Training application. With this support we are able to provide an outstanding educational and fun activity for our youth.

We also plan to continue the Junior Racing Program on the river after the completion of the Junior Sailing Camp, and will publicize these events in *The Old Man*. Junior Training is a key part of the MRSA mission and we look forward to another successful year in 2005. If there are members who would like to volunteer or assist with any of these activities, or to donate the use of a chase boat or sailing dinghy, whether you have youth in the program or not, please contact Rich Hughes (410-757-6081, fantastc@comcast.net) or Sue Kirkendall (410-437-3630, alkirkendall@cs.com).

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Student Information:

Student Name _____

Age (minimum 9 by 6/20/05)

Member Name _____

_____ MRSA _____ Grachur Club _____

Affiliation

Street Address _____

Phone _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Email address _____

Emergency Contact during Program Hours:

Parent: _____

Daytime Phone _____

Name: _____

Daytime Phone _____

Name: _____

Daytime Phone _____

Medical Information:

Medications: _____ YES _____ NO IF YES: _____

Allergies: _____ YES _____ NO IF YES: _____

Experience:

Swimming Ability: _____

Lifesaving Training _____ YES _____ NO

Years Sailing _____

What Boats: _____

CBYRA or Other Ratings _____

Parental Assistance:

Parental assistance is an integral requirement for the success of our Junior Training Program. We try to have three parent/supervisors per day, or approximately one day of parent attendance per student. Please indicate your first, second and third preferred date/s for supervision and assistance. We will try to accommodate your requested dates whenever possible. If you are flexible and could be available any day, indicate that you have no preference.

Daily Supervision	Mon 6/20	Tue 6/21	Wed 6/22	Thu 6/24	Fri 6/24	Mon 6/27	Tue 6/28	Wed 6/29	Thu 6/30	Fri 7/1	No Preference
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Parental assistance is also requested for boat preparation, delivery and removal prior to and at the completion of the camp. Boat preparation dates will occur on weekends and will be announced as they are scheduled. The End-of-Camp Picnic and camp cleanup are totally supported by parents. Please indicate those activities where you can assist by circling the activity.

Boat Preparation and Delivery	Boat Preparation TBD	Boat Delivery 6/19	Boat Removal 7/1	Picnic and Camp Cleanup	Preparation 7/1	Cooking 7/1	Cleanup 7/1
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Can You Provide Equipment?

Chase Boat: Whaler Open Runabout Inflatable w/motor
 Sailboats: Laser OPTI 420 OTHER: _____

Parental Consents - A full consent/release form must be signed by the parents or guardians upon acceptance to the program.

FEES - MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MRSA.

MAIL THIS FORM AND YOUR PAYMENT TO:

MRSA/Grachur Club Members **\$250.00**
 Non-members **\$320.00**

MRSA Junior Training Program
 C/O Rich Hughes
 618 Bay Green Drive
 Arnold, MD 21012

MRSA Membership Application

	Date				
Name of Member Applicant	Street Address				
Name of Co-Member Applicant	City State Zip				
Children (Birth Years	Home Phone Cell Phone				
Member's Work Phone	Member's e-mail address	Co-Member's Work Phone	Co-Member's email		
Boat Name	Make of Boat	LOA	Draft	Sail No.	PHRF Rating
Home Port (Location where boat is kept, i.e. Marina, Creek, River)					VHF
MMSI #					

Please give a brief statement of sailing experience

List other boating club affiliations

So that the club may utilize your interests and experiences, please check at least one of the following:

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Education (Adult) | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Committee Work | |

Member Applicant's Signature

Co-Member Applicant's Signature

Return completed application, initiation fee and first year's dues (total \$125.00) to:

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By-laws of the Magothy River Sailing Association

ARTICLE I. NAME

Section 1. The **name** of this organization will be the Magothy River Sailing Association, Inc. (the Association).

Section 2. The **burgee** will be triangular in shape. The background will be red, upon which will be imprinted in block form the letter "M" in solid white, giving the appearance of two sails, one larger than the other.

Section 3. The Association colors will be red and white.

ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVE

Section 1. Purpose: The object of this organization will be to promote the sport of sailboat racing and cruising and to participate in the training of juniors and adults in the skills of sailing and seamanship and to further the sailing art, skills and social association of those who enjoy sailing.

Section 2. Preclusions: This Association will be a not-for-profit organization, which does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, incidental or otherwise, to its officers or members, nor the use of the Association for commercialism or political affiliation.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers of the Association will be the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Fleet Captain Cruising, Fleet Captain Junior Training, Secretary, Fleetmaster and Treasurer.

Section 2. The Board of Governors (BOG) of the Association will consist of the current Officers of the Association, the immediate Past Commodore and the Race Committee Chairperson.

Section 3. All Officers must be members of the Association in **good standing** at the time of their election, or appointment and during their term in office.

Section 4. Vacancy: In the event of death, resignation, or removal of any officer, the Commodore will appoint, with the approval of the Board of Governors, a member of the Association to fill the term. In the event of death, resignation or removal of the Commodore, the Vice Commodore will fill the unexpired term.

ARTICLE IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The **election** of Officers will be by nomination and ballot.

Section 2. The election will be held at the **December General Membership Meeting**.

Section 3. Nominating Committee: The Commodore will appoint a Nominating Committee of not less than three active members of the Association in good standing. The Nominating Committee should be appointed at least six weeks prior to the annual election and their names will be published in the monthly Newsletter so as to be available to any interested active member of the Association.

Section 4. Nominations: The Nominating Committee will prepare a full slate of candidates. The slate of candidates for Officers will be completed and available to the active membership at least two weeks prior to the ballot and will be published in the monthly Newsletter. Nominations will be accepted from the floor with the prior consent of the nominee.

Section 5. Ballot: The Chairperson of the Nominating Committee will preside over the nominating and the balloting. Each active member of the Association, in good standing, will be entitled to cast one ballot. A majority vote of those active members balloting will be required for election.

Section 6. Challenge: Challenges to the nominations, ballots and results will be accepted from the floor and are to be resolved by the nominating committee.

Section 7. Term: Officers will hold office for approximately one year until immediately after election of the succeeding Board of Governors. The Nominating Committee will not nominate the Commodore or Vice Commodore for a second consecutive term in the same office.

Section 8. Removal: Officers may be removed from office for just cause, by a two-thirds vote of the entire Board of Governors. Missing three consecutive meetings of the Board of Governors by any Officer of the Association may constitute just cause.

ARTICLE V. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1. Commodore: It will be the duty of the Commodore to:

- A. Take command of the Fleet; preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Governors; suspend a member for violation of the By-laws, Rules or Regulations of the Association; and remove any chairperson or any member of a committee who misses three successive meetings at which their attendance is required, subject to the approval of the Board of Governors by a majority vote.
- B. Appoint the chairpersons of all committees, subject to approval of the Board of Governors.
- C. Be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.
- D. Appoint the Association Delegate to the CBYRA and any other handicapping fleets or groups requiring delegates or representatives, with the approval of the Board of Governors.
- E. Oversee the activities of the Budget and Finance Committee and the By-laws Committee.
- F. Make disbursements when the Treasurer is unable to do so.

Section 2. Vice Commodore: It will be duty of the Vice Commodore to:

- A. Preside at meetings in the absence of the Commodore.
- B. Oversee the activities of the following committees: Membership, Education, and Entertainment.
- C. Oversee the activities of the committees in charge of Association real estate and property.

Section 3. Rear Commodore: It will be the duty of the Rear Commodore to:

- A. Assist the Commodore in the discharge of his duties and in the absence of the Commodore and the Vice Commodore to preside at all Association functions.
- B. Oversee the activities of the Association's Race Committee and Race Policy Committee.
- C. Procure all Association trophies and make them available for presentation.
- D. Chair the Race Policy Committee.

Section 4. Fleet Captain Cruising: It will be the duty of the Fleet Captain Cruising to:

- A. Oversee the activities of the Cruising Committee.
- B. Publicize and distribute to Association members advance notices of Association cruises.
- C. Appoint cruise leader(s) to plan itinerary, arrangements for dining ashore, rafting procedures and other cruise arrangements.
- D. Coordinate cruising activities with those of the Race Committee Chairperson and the Fleet Captain Junior Training to avoid schedule conflicts.
- E. Establish Association cruising schedule subject to approval of the Board of Governors.

Section 5. Fleet Captain Junior Training: It will be the duty of the Fleet Captain Junior Training to:

- A. Take charge of Association-sponsored Junior Training programs.
- B. Recruit and assure the qualifications of sailing instructors.
- C. Assign Race Committee personnel for all Association-sponsored races for the Junior Training fleets.
- D. Coordinate activities with those of the Race Committee Chairperson, the Fleetmaster and the Fleet Captain Cruising so as to avoid conflicts.

F. Establish Association intra-club junior-training race schedule subject to approval of the Board of Governors.

Section 6. Secretary: It will be the duty of the Secretary to:

- A. Keep a true record of all meetings of the Association and the Board of Governors.
- B. In case of inability to attend any meeting, to cause the necessary books and papers to be transported to the place of the meeting and see that the proper minutes are taken of the meeting.
- C. Maintain an accurate historical record of the Association and oversee the activities of the Association Historian if one is appointed.

Section 7. Treasurer: The Treasurer of the Association will be the custodian of the financial records of the Association. It will be the duty of the Treasurer to:

- A. Keep an account of all receipts and expenditures of the Association.
- B. Collect dues, assessments, fees, and other debts owed to the Association.
- C. Keep a current roster of all Association members and their status.
- D. Keep a correct list of the ownership, name, dimensions, and make/model of each yacht in the Association.
- E. Open and maintain such checking and any other accounts as may be found necessary by, or with the approval of the Board of Governors.
- F. Make payments, disbursements and expenditures as directed by or with the approval of the Board of Governors. In the absence or inability of the Treasurer to sign checks, the Commodore will have the authority to sign all necessary checks for the Association.
- G. Be the Purchasing Agent of the Association. They will keep a record of all items purchased by the Association and a record of purchasing proposals, bids, and price schedules.
- H. Make a financial report at each BOG meeting.
- I. Prepare a Statement of the financial status of the Association and present it at the General Membership meeting in December and at other times as requested by the Commodore.
- J. Assist the newly elected Treasurer by preparing and mailing membership renewals to all current year-end members.
- K. Serve on the Budget and Finance Committee during the formulation of the following year's budget to assure financial planning and continuity.

Section 8. Fleetmaster: The Fleetmaster will be the custodian of the Junior Training fleet. The duty of the Fleetmaster will be to:

- A. Keep an accurate and up-to-date inventory of the Association's fleet, and provide for the storage of that fleet.
- B. Work with the Fleet Captain Junior Training to ensure the Association fleet's condition is adequate for the Junior Training program. The Fleetmaster is responsible for procuring additional boats and related equipment, as necessary, and the sale/disposal of unneeded/unwanted boats.
- C. Plan and coordinate necessary maintenance for the fleet.
- D. Work with the Fleet Captain Junior Training to coordinate delivery and storage of the fleet, in conjunction with the junior training program.
- E. Arrange for committee boats and crash boats for all Association-sponsored races for the Association's fleet.

Section 9. Additional Duties: All officers of the Association will, within a reasonable time prior to the election of new Officers, compile and submit to the Commodore all documents, logs, and records in their custody. A special meeting of the Board of Governors may be called to review such documents. Immediately after election of new Officers, the documents will be presented to the new Commodore for distribution to appropriate Officers.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

Section 1. The frequency of General **Membership meetings** will be once a month or as determined by the Board of Governors. The time, place, and activities of these meeting will be determined by a majority vote of the Board of Governors.

Section 2. Regular **meetings of the Board of Governors** will be held once a month, as necessary, at a place and time designated by the Board. In addition to all members of the Board, meetings are open to all members of the Association and should include the Chairpersons of any committees active during the particular time period.

Section 3. A General Membership meeting may be held for the purpose of **presenting awards** in the fall of each year.

Section 4. An Annual General Membership meeting will be held in the month of December each year for the purpose of **electing Officers** and conducting regular business for the coming year.

Section 5. A **special meeting** may be held at the call of the Commodore.

Section 6. Conduct of Meetings: Unless otherwise provided in these By-laws or any amendments thereto, the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* will prevail in the conduct of all proceedings of the Association.

Section 7. Quorum:

A. For General Membership meetings, a quorum will consist of not fewer than 20 members or 20 percent of the membership, whichever is less. All Association members will be notified in advance of the meeting.

B. For meetings of the Board of Governors, a quorum will consist of a majority of the Board and will include one or more of the following Officers: Commodore, Vice Commodore, or Rear Commodore.

Section 8. Voting:

A. All voting will be done in person.

B. There will be one vote per Active Membership, which may be split if a couple should disagree. (See Article VII, Section 3.)

ARTICLE VII. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The overall **qualification for membership** will be an enthusiastic endorsement of the objectives of the organization as stated in Article II, and an implied affinity for fair play and good fellowship.

Section 2. The membership will consist of **three classes** to be known as:

A. Active

B. Honorary

C. Inactive

Section 3. Active:

A. An active member may be any individual 18 years of age or over. A couple may form an active membership if they so desire. Such membership will have a total of one vote and will be assessed the annual dues and assessments of one active membership. A couple will have the option of joining the Association as two separate active memberships in which case they will be considered as separate members for purposes of voting and dues and assessments.

B. All active members must agree to conform to and abide by the By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association.

C. Only active members of the Association in good standing will have the right to vote on Association business.

D. Children under 18 years of age of active members will be entitled to all privileges of the Association, with the exception of voting and holding office, and will not be required to pay dues or assessments.

Section 4. Honorary:

A. The Board of Governors, by a majority vote, may elect such Honorary members as may be deemed to have rendered important services or benefits to the Association, or whom for any reason they see fit to so honor. This membership will be for a one year period and may be renewed.

B. These members will be entitled to all privileges of the Association, with the exception of voting and holding office, and will not be required to pay dues or assessments.

Section 5. Inactive:

A. An Active Member in good standing who, by reason of a change in residence or other reasons beyond their control, and who thereby is prevented from personally taking an active part in the Association, may upon notification in writing to the Membership Chairman and approval of the BOG become an Inactive member.

B. Inactive members will not vote and will not hold office. An Inactive member in good standing will be entitled to automatic reinstatement to Active membership without action of the Board of Governors and without payment of initiation fees, upon notification to the Membership Chairman and upon payment of the current dues.

C. Inactive Members are not entitled to participate in sanctioned CBYRA events as a representative of the Association or to compete for CBYRA High Point Trophies.

D. An Inactive Member may receive the Association monthly newsletter and yearbook, *The Old Man* and *Red Book*, but may be required to pay an additional fee to attend Association events.

6. Section. The Association roster will show the membership classification for each Association member.

ARTICLE VIII. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Applicants for membership must be sponsored by at least two Active Members, who must introduce the candidate to the General Membership at a regular meeting or other Association event acceptable to the Board of Governors. The completed application form, accompanied by the initiation fee and one year's dues, will be submitted through the Membership Chairman to the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors will have the authority to waive attendance at a regular meeting or other qualifying event as a membership requirement, at its discretion.

Section 2. The Membership Committee will publish the names of all applicants in the Association Newsletter upon receipt of the application. The Membership Committee will, within thirty days, submit to the Board of Governors the name of any prospective member together with a recommendation.

Section 3. The Board of Governors will review the recommendations of the Membership Committee. An applicant's successful election will be determined by the affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Governors quorum

Section 4. The Membership Chair will notify successful applicants for membership of their election. The Board of Governors will publish the names of new members in the Association newsletter upon approval of the application.

ARTICLE IX. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Classification of Committees will be "**standing**" as described in Article X., and **special**. The Commodore will be an *ex-officio* member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

Section 2. The Board of Governors has the authority to **create or disband committees** when in its judgment the best interest of the Association is served.

Section 3. Special Committees as may be required to carry out properly the duties of the Association may be appointed from time to time by the Commodore with the approval of the Board of Governors.

ARTICLE X. DUTIES OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. Membership: The Membership Committee will:

A. Consist of a Membership Chairperson and other additional members appointed by the Commodore.

B. Receive all applications, investigate all applicants, and present each application to the Board of Governors with a recommendation as stated in Article VIII.

- C. Notify member-elects of their election and furnish them with a copy of the By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association, burgee, and Association bumper sticker.
- D. Initiate welcoming and hospitality procedures at meetings and other Association events to assure ongoing introduction of new members.

Section 2. Entertainment: The Entertainment Committee will:

- A. Consist of the Vice Commodore and other members appointed by the Commodore. The Committee will be chaired by the Vice Commodore or by an Entertainment Chairperson appointed by the Commodore.
- B. Provide all entertainment for Association social events, provide programs for General Membership Meetings, and recommend scheduling and fees for various events, such as picnics, oyster/bull roasts, or dances, for approval by the board of Governors.
- C. Schedule and organize the annual Commodore's Ball.

Section 3. Budget and Finance: The Budget and Finance Committee will:

- A. Consist of the Commodore, immediate Past Commodore, Vice Commodore, Treasurer and other members as appointed by the Commodore.
- B. Prepare a proposed Annual Budget, with the recommendations for raising funds for financing same, including recommendations for annual dues and initiation fees, for presentation to the Association Membership at the December Membership meeting.
- C. Report a comparison of Budget, profit and loss, and a cash forecast to the Board of Governors on a quarterly basis or as called for by the Commodore.
- D. Enlist the advice of a certified public accountant to assure current and proper accounting techniques and tender recommendations.
- E. Recommend insurance coverage, periodic accounting audits and other fiscal methodology.

Section 4. Race: The Race Committee will be under the supervision of the Rear Commodore. Its duties will be to:

- A. Arrange for race committee personnel, committee boats and crash boats for all events sponsored by the Association.
- B. Establish a CBYRA sanctioned race schedule subject to approval of the Board of Governors.
- C. Obtain Coast Guard approval and arrange for protest committees for Association-sponsored races.
- D. Generate and mail race circulars; circulate results and publish them in the media; send mandatory copies to CBYRA for all CBYRA events sponsored by the Association.
- E. Calculate race results, verify them, and post them where instructed by the Commodore. Maintain official records of all races, race results, and protest hearings.
- F. Be responsible for sending complete and accurate records of the Association protest hearings to the CBYRA Appeals Committee in the event of an appeal by a contestant.
- G. Maintain Race Committee Gear.
- H. Run Race Committee Training Sessions.
- I. Advise the Race Policy Committee on proposed changes in policy.
- J. The Association Race Committee will submit to the Board of Governors, prior to the date of any proposed function, a complete plan and appropriate request for approval before any obligation or expenditure is made.

Section 5. Race Policy: The Race Policy Committee will:

- A. Consist of the Commodore, Rear Commodore, Race Committee Chairperson, and other members appointed by the Commodore. The Rear Commodore will chair it.
- B. Meet before the racing season begins and after the racing season ends, and at any other time needed to formulate race policy.
- C. Recommend to the Board of Governors all proposed changes in Race Policy.

Section 6. Education: The Education Committee will:

- A. Consist of the Vice Commodore, the Fleet Captain Junior Training, the Fleetmaster and other members appointed by the Commodore. The Vice Commodore will chair it.
- B. Formulate a plan for the training and education of juniors and other members in the skills of sailing and seamanship as stated in Article II and subject to the approval of the Board of Governors.
- C. Develop the education plan, which will consist of training plans for the current committee's tenure and will include the summer junior training sessions and other similar activities. Within 60 days of appointments, the Committee will present to the Board of Governors a plan abstract, which will include an overall review of the previous Committee's summary reports, an inventory and

evaluation of existing vessels and related equipment and submission of a year-end report with recommendations for improvements in the program.

Section 7. Cruising: The Cruising Committee will:

- A. Consist of the Fleet Captain Cruising, who will serve as chairperson, and other persons appointed by the Commodore.
- B. Establish the cruise plan for the upcoming season.
- C. Assist the Fleet Captain Cruising in discharging the duties of that office.

Section 8. Old Man Editor. *The Old Man* editor will be responsible for the publication of the Association monthly Newsletter.

Section 9. Red Book Editor. The *Red Book* Editor will be responsible for the publication of the annual Yearbook.

Section 10. Web-Page Editor. The Web-Page Editor will be responsible for maintaining, updating, and creating new sections for the Association's web page, and for publishing race results on the web page.

ARTICLE XI. YEARBOOK

Section 1. An Association yearbook will be **published annually** at the beginning of the sailing season.

The yearbook will be called the "*Red Book*" and will be distributed to the membership of the Association at least two weeks prior to the beginning of the racing season.

Section 2. The **contents** of the *Red Book* will be determined by the Board of Governors and will generally include a description of the organization, these By-laws, racing and cruising schedules, racing sailing instructions, cruising instructions, junior training instructions, and a roster of the current members in good standing along with addresses, phone numbers, boat types and boat names.

ARTICLE XII. NEWSLETTER

Section 1. An Association newsletter will be **published monthly** as determined by the Board of Governors. The newsletter will be called "*The Old Man*," referring to the navigational aid #1 at the entrance to the Magothy River.

Section 2. The newsletter will contain items of interest to the general membership including information about Association events, racing results, and general interest articles.

ARTICLE XIII. ESTIMATES AND APPROPRIATIONS

Section 1. An annual budget for the coming year will be prepared by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Board of Governors prior to the December election of officers. The incoming Board will review and approve the budget, for presentation to the Membership within 60 days of the election.

Section 2. No appropriations or expenditures of Association monies in excess of that specified in the budget will be authorized without the approval of the Board of Governors.

Section 3. No expenditure of Association moneys in excess of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) will be authorized without the approval of a 2/3 majority of the Active members present at a specified General Membership meeting. Notice and purpose of such meeting must be sent to each Active member at least ten days prior thereto.

Section 4. The Board of Governors will not pledge the credit of the Association for a period beyond the end of the term for which they were elected without the vote of a two-thirds majority of those Active members present at a specified General Membership meeting. Notice and purpose of such meeting must be sent to each Active Member at least ten days prior thereto.

ARTICLE XIV. ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. **Assessments**, proposed by the Board of Governors, may be levied by a two-thirds majority vote of the Active Members present at a specified General Membership meeting. Notice of such proposal will be sent to each Active Member at least seven days prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE XV. SUSPENSION, EXPULSION, AND REINSTATEMENT

Section 1. The Board of Governors will have the power to **suspend or expel any member** for just cause. Such action will require a unanimous vote of the Board of Governors. Such action must be reported to the membership at the next regular meeting and entered into the minutes. The Board of Governors has the right to reserve the reasons for such action.

Section 2. Only the Board of Governors will have the right to **reinstate members** who have been suspended or expelled for just cause.

Section 3. A member suspended by the Board of Governors will **not be considered to be in good standing** during the period of suspension.

Section 4. Requests for reinstatement must be made to the Membership Chairperson in writing. Such requests will be forwarded within 30 days to the Board of Governors with the recommendation of the committee. The Board of Governors will take action at the first Board meeting thereafter.

ARTICLE XVI. MANAGEMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION

Section 1. The Board of Governors will manage the affairs of the Association.

Section 2. The Board of Governors will have the power to adopt such rules and regulations governing the Association and its members as may be found necessary from time to time not in conflict with these By-laws.

ARTICLE XVII. DUES

Section 1. The Budget and Finance Committee, with the approval of the Board of Governors will determine dues for the various classes of membership.

Section 2. The Budget and Finance Committee, with the approval of the Board of Governors will determine the initiation fees.

Section 3. Membership renewals will be presented to all members as stated in Article V, Section 7 ("Treasurer"). The annual dues for membership will be **due on the 15th day of January** and be considered late one week thereafter.

Section 4. Dues received from members elected after September 15th will be credited towards their dues for the next fiscal year.

Section 5. If any member fails to pay dues or any other obligation within 30 days after the same becomes due, they will stand suspended and their membership in the Association will be forfeited without any action of the Board. A suspended member will have the right to apply for reinstatement. Such application for reinstatement will include full payment of any outstanding obligations. The Board of Governors will then have 30 days to act on such application for reinstatement.

Section 6. If a member allows their membership to lapse for non-payment of dues for a period in excess of one full year and then wishes to rejoin the Association, they will be liable for payment of a new initiation fee as well as the annual dues.

ARTICLE XVIII. BURGEE

Section 1. Each yacht enrolled in the Association will be entitled to fly the Association Burgee wherever proper according to yacht etiquette.

Section 2. Any member of the Association chartering a yacht will be entitled to fly the Association burgee from such yacht.

ARTICLE XIX. NOTICES

Section 1. Notice will be sent to each member at least seven days prior to any General Membership meeting. However, a mailing interval of ten days is required in the following instances: voting on 1) proposed By-laws amendments, 2) proposed assessments, and 3) proposed expenditures in excess of \$7,500, and 4) proposed expenditures beyond the current Board of Governors' term of office.

Section 2. Each member will furnish to the Treasurer an **address and telephone number** where they may generally be reached. Any change in such will be promptly reported to the Treasurer.

ARTICLE XX. YACHT REGISTRATION

Section 1. Every member upon buying or selling a yacht, or altering the rig or changing the name will promptly **give notice** of such change to the Treasurer. A yacht must be registered on the fleet roster or be under charter to a member in good standing in order to be entitled to representation or enjoy any privileges of the Association.

Section 2. Any yacht owned wholly by members or a member(s) of the Association may be registered on the fleet roster upon filing with the Treasurer **a description of the yacht** to include: type of boat, size, name, sail number, and its location.

Section 3. **Any member's yacht which is let**, unless to a member of the Association, will be debarred from all rights and privileges during the time she will be let.

ARTICLE XXI. RESIGNATIONS

Section 1. Resignations will be sent in writing to the Treasurer and acted upon by the Board of Governors. No resignation will be accepted until all indebtedness to the Association has been paid.

ARTICLE XXII. FLEETS WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION

Section 1. The sailing units of the Association will be known as **fleets**.

Section 2. The Board of Governors will determine which fleets will be recognized as units of the Association. A list of the official Association fleets will be published in the Association yearbook.

Section 3. In addition to all regular fleets, there will be **a Junior Fleet** for those persons in the Association under the age of eighteen (18) years. This fleet will be active at the pleasure of the Board of Governors, who will appoint an adult advisor to the Junior Fleet, and reserve the right of veto power over any Junior Fleet action.

Section 4. The Race Policy Committee, with the approval of the Board of Governors will determine the number of boats necessary to form an individual fleet.

Section 5. Each fleet will **elect its own Fleet Representative**, subject to confirmation by the Board of Governors. The Fleet Representative will be the presiding officer of the fleet.

Section 6. It will be the duty of the various Fleet Representatives to **communicate** with members of their fleet and to report their desires and grievances to the Board of Governors.

Section 7. Each Fleet may have some members who are not members of the Association, and thus may not be eligible for Association trophies. When a fleet votes on a matter concerning the Association, only Association members of the fleet may vote.

Section 8. The Board of Governors may suspend or expel a fleet, which does not abide by the By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association.

ARTICLE XXIII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposed amendments of these By-laws must be **submitted in writing** to the Board of Governors at least 30 days prior to the next General Membership meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be introduced.

Section 2. All active members must be sent **written notification** of a proposed amendment to the By-laws at least ten days prior to the membership meeting at which it is to be considered.

Section 3. A two-thirds majority vote of all active members present shall be necessary to amend, modify, or repeal these By-laws.

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