

THE RED BOOK

MAGOTHY RIVER SAILING ASSOCIATION

2007 Racing/Cruising Yearbook

A Letter From The Commodore



Welcome to the **2007 Red Book**. The **Red Book** is the annual MRSA planning document, and contains information essential to all our activities, including Racing, Cruising, Junior Training and Social Programs. As you peruse this book, you will find different events that offer something for everyone. I am consistently amazed at how much fun this group can pack into one season!

In addition, the **Red Book** contains the club membership roster and the names of member boats. It also offers information on the history of MRSA, a listing of officers and committee Chairpersons, Ship's Store information, and listings of other organizations MRSA is a member of, including CBYRA, CBYCA, and BoatUS. Each member will receive one copy of the **Red Book**, but you may purchase a second copy for the boat if you choose. Since this book is only printed once a year, changes and updates will be distributed both on-line and by email. As a registered user of our website, www.magothysailing.com, you can subscribe to the e-mail lists that will keep you up to the minute on the events in which you are interested, as well as find directions to events, race results, great pictures from past events, and a plethora of other fun things.

This year, I encourage everyone to come on out to as many club events as possible. Try something new; I promise you won't regret it! In addition, our motto for 2007 is Bring a Friend! Many of the members you know were introduced by friends and family to all the things MRSA has to offer.

A great deal of effort goes into putting together this publication. Many thanks to our past and current editors, John Hubbs and Kathy Dougan, and to the many others who have contributed to this year's edition. MRSA runs on the efforts of great volunteers like these, and we're always looking for folks to offer new ideas, support, and sometimes a little muscle to keep the club running strong. I've never had more fun working so hard!

I look forward to seeing all of you and the new friends you bring at club events this year. Until then, stay well-trimmed and moving fast!

Annette Mullarky
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2007 Commodore, Flag Officers, and Committee Chairpersons

The following are voting members of the Board of Governors:

Office	Name	email@magothysailing.com	Telephone
Commodore	Annette Mullarky	commodore	410-439-1556
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Fleet Captains	Rich Hughes	junior_training	410-224-4155
Junior Training	Donna Prucnal	junior_training	410-255-5623
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Treasurer	Jim McCutchan	treasurer	410-360-1163
Immediate Past Comm.	Diane Jackins	past_commodore	410-544-3657
Race Committee Chair	Angelo Guarino	race_committee	301-236-5425 x117(w) 410-544-8992(h)

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

Membership Co-Chairs	Peggy & Ed Poe	membership	410-296-6428
Webmaster	Mike Mullarky	webmaster	410-439-1556
<i>The Old Man</i> Editor	Tony Torres	newsletter	410-315-8850
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CBYCA Delegate	Jon Mullarky	cbyca	410-604-3502
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Ship's Store	Toni Hughes	ship_store	410-224-4155

The following appointed positions support the racing program and are crucial to its success:

Race Marks – Chair	Roger Bartholomee	race_marks	410-255-7330
Scorer	Mike Mullarky	scorer	410-439-1556
Race Gear Chair	Mark Walker	race_gear	410-647-2468 (h) 410-796-3478 (w)
Protest Committee Chair	Drew Dowling	protests	410-647-6492
Junior Racing Chair	John Taylor	junior_racing	410-315-7759
Balt. Sail for Sight Regatta	TBA*		
Corsica River Race Chair	TBA*		
Racing Social Chair	Steve & Jane Gardner	race_social	410-647-1653

*To Be Announced in *The Old Man*

MRSA Past 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
2005	John Lund
2006	Diane Jackins

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



<i>Item</i>	<i>Price*</i>
Polo Shirts	\$30
Long-sleeve Blue Denim Shirts	\$30
Long-sleeve White Turtleneck Shirts	\$30
Tee-Shirts (white, yellow, gray, bright green)	\$11
Fleece Vests (navy, yellow)	\$30
MRSA Burgee	\$15
Glassware	12 oz \$6.00 Mug \$8.00
Decal	\$ 0.50
Caps (tan)	\$15
Other items in stock or yet to be purchased, check web site or <i>The Old Man</i> .	

**Prices subject to change*

To purchase items from Ship's Stores, contact Toni Hughes,
ship_store@magothysailing.com (410) 224-4155.

2007 MRSA Meeting and Social Schedule

Date	Event
March 18	Annual Brunch
April 12	Membership Meeting*
May 5	Pig Roast/ Barbecue
June 8	Friday Night Picnic*
June 18 – June 29	Junior Training
August 11	Summer Picnic
October 4	Membership Meeting*
November 3	Membership Meeting* (jointly with Frostbite Cruise)
December 6	Wine and Cheese Party* Election of Officers
December 8	Parade of Lights
January 2008	Commodore's Ball

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

2007 MRSA Cruise Schedule

Date	Cruise	Cruise Leader
21 - 22 Apr	Sockburning Magothy River - Broad Creek	Sheryl/Wes McNair
5 - 6 May	Blessing of the Fleet – Oldman Creek (Pig Roast!)	Chuck Beck and Tony Torres
22 May	Day Cruise- “Ferris Bueller’s Day Off” Severn River for Blue Angels Show at Academy	Ed Poe
26, 27, 28 May	Memorial Day Cruise – Wye River Compound - EYC/MRSA	Rich/Toni Hughes, Plus Two for events
9 - 10 June	Rhode River	Bob and Gabriella
23 – 24 Jun	St Michael’s and the Chesapeake Bay Museum	John/Debbie Lund
23 Jun – 8 Jul	Long Cruise North, Block Island and LIS and Ct	McNair’s (TBC)
30 Jun – 4 Jul	4 th of July Cruise – Choptank River (TBC)	TBA*
Altn 4 – 8 Jul	Options on dates exist	
14 – 15 July	The “Maybe Cruise” Destination and Theme Open	Joe/Dianne Jackins
28 -29 July	Corsica River Cruise/Race	Dick/Marianne Kammann
11 – 12 Aug	MRSA Picnic Cornfield Creek	Myron/Sigrid Dorf
25 – 26 Aug	Moonlight Cruise on the Magothy,Eagle Cove (Alias, the Commodore’s husband’s BDay Cruise)	Commodore
31 Aug – 3 Sep	Labor Day Cruise Havre de Grace	TBA*
Aug – Sep Dates TBC	Long Cruise South – Southern Chesapeake Bay	John/Debbie Lund
14 – 16 Sep	Feast and Laughs Cruise (Dessert and Comedy) Baltimore Inner Harbor	Wendy/Burry Vanderveer
29 – 30 Sep	Hughes’ House Warming Cruise Church Creek	Rich/Toni Hughes
13 – 14 Oct	Goose Cruise Corsica River	Tony/Dee Torres
18 Oct	Day Cruise, Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race	Ed Poe
27 – 28 Oct	The “Maybe Cruise” Destination and Theme Open	TBA*
3 - 4 Nov	Frostbite Cruise – Cheshire Crab – Bodkin Creek & November Monthly Membership Meeting	Lewis Neisner

* To Be Announced in *The Old Man*.

Cruising Guidelines

Objectives of the MRSA Cruising Program are to:

- 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 – If interested in joining a cruise, inform the Cruise Leader as soon as possible. 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 notified of last minute changes. Please include email and phone number when registering for a cruise.

2. Schedule Changes - *The Red Book* cruising schedule is followed quite closely; changes 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, usually via email. The Cruising Fleet Captain will also send out updates via the cruisers email list, so recommend your email is on this list. Sign up off the website.

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. 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**	15% of Total Points
Cruises greater than 4 days in duration*	2 additional points

*Members crewing on another member's boat/arriving via land yacht will receive half points.

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

Bonus Points

Participation in 5 - 10 scheduled events	5 Additional Points
Participation in 10 - 14 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 your 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 during the period of time they were part of the 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.
- Awards presented will be first and second for cruisers, and a Top Cruise leader award. Cruise Leader Award is calculated as follows:
 - One point for each cruise led.
 - One Point for cruise with most boats participating
 - One Point for each cruise article submitted

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 boat 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 boat. The eye-splice is secured to the cleat on the receiving boat and slack is adjusted on the boat 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, but should be reduced in size before nightfall.
- 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.
 - Fly the large Cruise Leaders Burgee to help incoming boats locate the raft.
 - Avoid blocking heavily used waterways.
 - Break up rafts prior to anticipated severe weather.
2. Shall provide full information about the cruise and its destination using the pre cruise details format:
 - 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. When 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 the following tasks:
 - Prepare and submit 45 days before the cruise the Pre Cruise Report listing dates, destination, navigation details and planned activities as per the format below. Submit this report to the Fleet Captain, Cruising who will proof and then submit for posting to the website and to *The Old Man* Editor for publishing.

- Fill out a Cruise Tally Sheet noting all boats (and MRSA guests) attending the cruise and for how many days/nights each boat participated. Submit the cruise tally sheet to the Fleet Captain, Cruising.
- After the cruise, prepare and send to *The Old Man* Editor an article on the cruise (may be delegated to any poetic participant). The article must be submitted for the edition of the month after which the cruise occurs and should include pictures. The deadline for *The Old Man* article submittals is the 20th of month proceeding the issue date.
- Encourage 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.

PRE-CRUISE DESTINATION REPORT

DATES: (of the cruise)

Title of Cruise: **Example “Sock Burning Cruise”**

Destination: (use Lat and Long so Mike can link this to a real chart once posted to web). Then add a line or two as a brief description (example Gray’s Creek off the Chester River).

Navigation: Give a description of the route as from the mouth of the Magothy, detailing any danger/caution areas and indicate any major changes in direction.

Anchorage: Brief description of the anchorage to include avg depth, condition of bottom and any notes ref currents, prevailing winds etc if known. If docking, give details on the marina and include reservation information. Include directions to dingy dock/ landing site.

Activities: Use this to describe the activities while there, both on and off the water. Other things to possibly include are:

-If doing a social then rough timings and what to bring.

-If going to a restaurant give overview of type and avg cost per person.

-Any interesting sites, places to dingy/kayak to, and any other pieces of information you wish to add.

2007 Magothy River Racing Schedule

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Wed Evening Series 1 Race 1	April 18
Wed Evening Series 1, Race 2	April 25
Wed Evening Series 1 Race 3	May 2
Wed Evening Series 1 Race 4	May 9
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 1	May 16
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 2	May 23
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 3	May 30
Wed Evening Series 2 Race 4 – Raft-Up Social	June 6
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 1	June 13
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 2	June 20
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 3	June 27
Wed Evening Series 3 Race 4	July 11
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 1	July 18
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 2	July 25
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 3	August 1
Wed Evening Series 4 Race 4 – Raft Up Social	August 8
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 1	August 15
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 2	August 22
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 3	August 29
Wed Evening Series 5 Race 4	September 5
Wed Evening Series 6 Race 1	September 12
Wed Evening Series 6 Race 2	September 19
Wed Evening Series 6 Race 3	September 26
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 1	October 7
Wednesday Evening Trophy Party – Gibson Island Yacht Club	October 10
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 2	October 14
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 3	October 21
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 4	November 4
Hallie Rice Fall Series Race 5	November 11

The current Race Committee Schedule is posted on the MRSA Web Page:

www.magothysailing.com.

2007 Bay Racing Schedule

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Spring Classic – 2 Sanctioned Races	May 19	MRSA
Love Point – Swan Point Double-handed	June 2	GIYS
64th PSA Overnight	June 23	PSA
Sail for Sight Race to Baltimore	July 7	MRSA/BCYA
Lighthouse Classic	July 8	RCRA
Corsica River Race	July 28	CRYC
Corsica River Race Back	July 29	MRSA
Cedar Point Race	August 25	GIYS
Annapolis Race Week	September 1 – 3	CBYRA
Queenstown Race	September 22	PSA
Queenstown Race Back	September 23	PSA
BCYA Harbor Cup	October 27	BCYA
RCRA Fall Back	October 28	RCRA

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.

New for 2007

- The Time Limit has been changed to allow more time for boats to finish if one boat in the class finishes before the time limit. Please refer to “Time Limit” section for details..

Rules

All racing on the Magothy River shall be governed by *The 2007-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association and the rules of the PHRF of the Chesapeake except as altered by these General Sailing Instructions and Special Sailing Instructions. All races are category A events as defined by *ISAF Regulation 20*. All boats (except 210s) shall be in compliance with PHRF of the Chesapeake, Inc., Special Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment Accommodations Standards Category “5P” with the exception of a radar reflector and heavy weather jib. The 210 class boats shall conform to Class One Design Rules. Boats racing in the non-spinnaker division shall hoist only one headsail at a time, except during sail changes.

Entries

Eligible boats are owned by members of the Magothy River Sailing Association (MRSA), the Gibson Island Yacht Squadron (GIYS), Yacht Club of Cape St. Clair (YCCSC), and the Potapskut Sailing Association (PSA). **Eligible boats may enter by completing the Magothy River Race Entry Form included in this book. A copy of the boat’s current PHRF certificate must be on file with the MRSA Race Committee Chairman prior to competing in any race, except boats racing in One-Design and Corinthian classes.** See the Special Sailing Instructions for specific race or series entry deadlines.

Schedule of Races

Regatta	Dates	Approximate Time of Warning Signal
1st Wed. Evening Series	April 18, 25 and May 2, 9	1805
2nd Wed. Evening Series	May 16, 23, 30 and June 6	1805
3rd Wed. Evening Series	June 13, 20, 27 and July 11	1805
4th Wed. Evening Series	July 18, 25 and August 1, 8	1805
5th Wed. Evening Series	August 15, 22, 29 and Sept 5	1805
6th Wed. Evening Series	Sept 12, 19, 26	1805
Hallie Rice Fall Series	Oct. 7, 14, 21 and Nov. 4, 11	1300 SUNDAYS

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, and on the Racing Email List. Skippers and crew (all clubs) should enroll at the website to receive latest information.

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 Race Committee assignment, ask to assist another skipper with his scheduled race.
- Invite another experienced RC person on the boat for your first RC assignment; contact the Race Committee Chairperson (see page 3).
- Schedule yourself for either Series 6 or Fall Series duties since these series typically have fewer entries.
- Review the RC tutorial, study 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. MRSA expects each skipper and crew to perform RC duty at least once every two years. Crews that enjoy RC duty are encouraged to volunteer more often, but only once per series.

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
One-Design 210	All	2

Should the need arise 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, except 210s shall display from the backstay only. Skippers are responsible for clearly identifying their boat and racing class before and during the race. A boat 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 at least ten minutes before the next start.

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, and Hallie Rice Fall 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 and the F shape displayed. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; ***the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.***

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.

Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) time will be used whenever possible. The warning signal for each succeeding class is 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, an attention signal shall 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 shall be between the yellow flag on the Committee Boat and the adjacent 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” as 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 Committee Boat shall be deemed a part of the Committee Boat. Boats shall NOT pass between the Limit Mark and Committee Boat. If a boat touches the Limit Mark or passes between the Limit Mark and the 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 Committee Boat by displaying the “S” flag and two sound signals. When 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 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 race shall be two hours. 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 elapsed 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 (H 410-647-6492), 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 to: protests@magothysailing.com.

Protests shall conform to Part 5 of the RRS 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 Race Committee Chairman.

Scoring

The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A4 (Low Point) of the RRS 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 2005-2008.

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, 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 starters plus two 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 RRS 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 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 boat that does not comply with Rules 44.1 through 44.4, but that 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 up to 5 boats entered; 3rd place with 6 to 10 boats entered, 4th place with 11 to 14 boats entered, 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 postponement or abandonment of the race. Postponement shall be indicated by hoisting Code flag “AP”, “AP” over “H”, or “AP” over “A” with two sounds in succession. Abandonment shall be indicated either by hoisting Code flag “N” over “A” and three sound signals in succession. If the Race Committee does not 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. Regarding threatening weather, each skipper must decide what is best for his crew and his boat and should take appropriate action as needed.

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 boat.

J. Hambleton “Ham” Palmer Memorial Sportsmanship & Service to Sailing Award

Presented to a sailor who has made a particularly noteworthy contribution to good sportsmanship or service to the Magothy River Sailing Association, this Award is named for a very special man who was a role model for many MRSA members past and present.

J.Hambleton Palmer was active in a number of sailing clubs including MRSA, Gibson Island Yacht Squadron, Annapolis Yacht Club, the Hampton Yacht Club, Windjammers of the Chesapeake, Severn Sailing Association, and the Potapskut Sailing Association. He was a past president of the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association and was largely responsible for bringing PHRF and MORC to the Chesapeake. He had an active interest in race management and served as U.S. Sailing’s Chairman of the Race Officers’ Committee, where he presided over a major revision in the Sailing Rules of Racing during the 1940s. As a US Sailing Senior Judge, he was in demand as a race official in high level racing, even into his 80s. He was a two-time recipient of CBYRA’s President’s Award for Service.

The first recipient of the Ham Palmer Award in October, 2006 was Mike Mullarky, past commodore and current webmaster of MRSA.

Nominations

Nominations for the Ham Palmer Memorial Award will be collected by the Rear Commodore throughout the racing season. Finalists for the award will then be presented to the Board of Governors for final selection. Presentation of the award will occur at the annual Racing Awards Party in October.

Nominations will come from **YOU**, the MRSA members.

To nominate someone for consideration, simply submit the following information to rear_commodore@magothysailing.com:

- 1) Sponsor(s) - Your name(s) and contact information
- 2) Nominee (s) - Their name, boat and other identifying info. This could be a person, a couple or maybe even a crew of a particular boat.
- 3) A brief description (~500 words or less) of why you feel the nominee has demonstrated a, "... particularly noteworthy contribution to good sportsmanship or service to MRSA".

2007 Wednesday Night Series Special Sailing Instructions



Entry Due Date: Monday, April 9, 2007

Fee: \$100 or

\$30 for Corinthian Class – 1st Half

\$30 for Corinthian Class – 2nd Half

Contact Person

Angelo Guarino, 508 Pinefield Dr, Severna Park, MD 21146
(W 301-236-5425 x117) (H 410-544-8992)

Entries

This is an invitational series for members and invited guests of MRSA, GIYS, PSA, and YCCSC. One entry is accepted for all six series (23 races) for PHRF Classes A, B, C, D, NS1, and NS2. No partial entry fee is permitted. The organized, “trophy eligible” Corinthian Class is 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. Corinthian Class competitors may be asked by the Race Committee Chair to move to one another class if their performance deems Corinthian as inappropriate.

Change of class will be accepted for a full series only by calling the MRSA Race Committee Chair 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 NS1	Gun
	5 flag raised			
1825	5 flag lowered	Start NS1	Warning - 5 minutes to start for PHRF C/D	Gun
	7 & E flags raised			
1830	7 & E flags lowered	Start PHRF C/D	Warning - 5 minutes to start for NS2	Gun
	8 flag raised			
1835	8 flag lowered	Start PHRF D	Warning - 5 minutes to start for Corinthian	Gun
	White flag raised			
1840	White flag lowered	Start NS2	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.

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 are conducted 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.

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 flag 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.

Social Events

A raft-up social event will be conducted after the fourth race of Series 2 and 4. Race skippers are requested to bring *hors d'oeuvres* for the raft-up social events. 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 10, 2007. Details will be published in *The Old Man* and the website.

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. 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.

**2007 Hallie Rice Fall Series
Special Sailing Instructions**
October 7, 14, 21 and November 4 & 11, 2007

Fee: \$15.00, if not
entered in Wednesday
Night Series



Contact Person

Angelo Guarino, 508 Pinefield Dr, Severna Park, MD 21146
(W 301-236-5425 x117) (H 410-544-8992)

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 “R” 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	Warning - 5 minutes to start for 210 Class	Gun
	2 flag raised			
1320	2 flag lowered	Start 210 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 one sound signal approximately one minute prior to the beginning of the sequence.

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 four 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.

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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, NS
Series 2:	A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor	Spring Classic:	A, B, C/D, NS, 210
Series 3:	A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor		
Series 4:	A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor	HR Fall Series:	S, NS, 210
Series 5:	A, B, C, D, NS1, NS2, Cor		

This Boat conforms in every way to her Class Rules and Measurements. **A current Handicap Rating is on file with PHRF of the Chesapeake and is attached hereto**, or I have made specific alternate arrangements with the Race Committee Chair.

I agree to adhere to high standards of good sportsmanship and 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 agree to make my crew and myself available for training and, when called upon, to perform Race Committee duty.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Spring Classic, Wed.

Evenings, & Hallie Rice Fall \$100.00

Series

Wed. Evening Corinthian Only \$30.00

Amount Enclosed \$

Per half season (Series 2&3 / Series 4&5)

Please make check payable to:

MRSA c/o Angelo Guarino

508 Pinefield Dr.

Severna Park, MD 21146

Phone 410-544-8992 (home)

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Protest Form

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

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

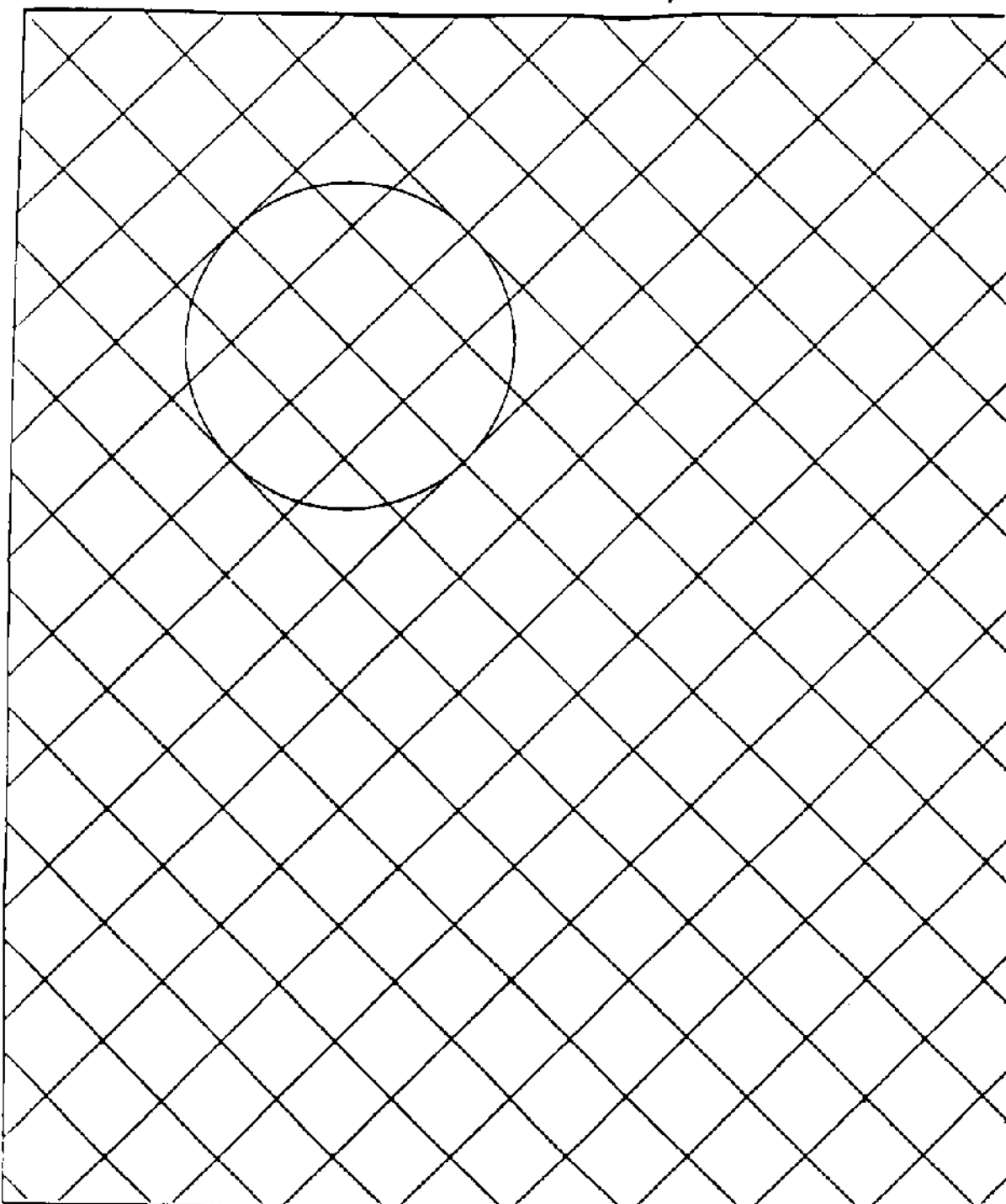
Notification: Did the protesting boat inform the protested boat of the protest? If so, how _____ when _____	Circle one Yes/no
Did the protesting boat display a protest flag? If so, when _____	Yes/no

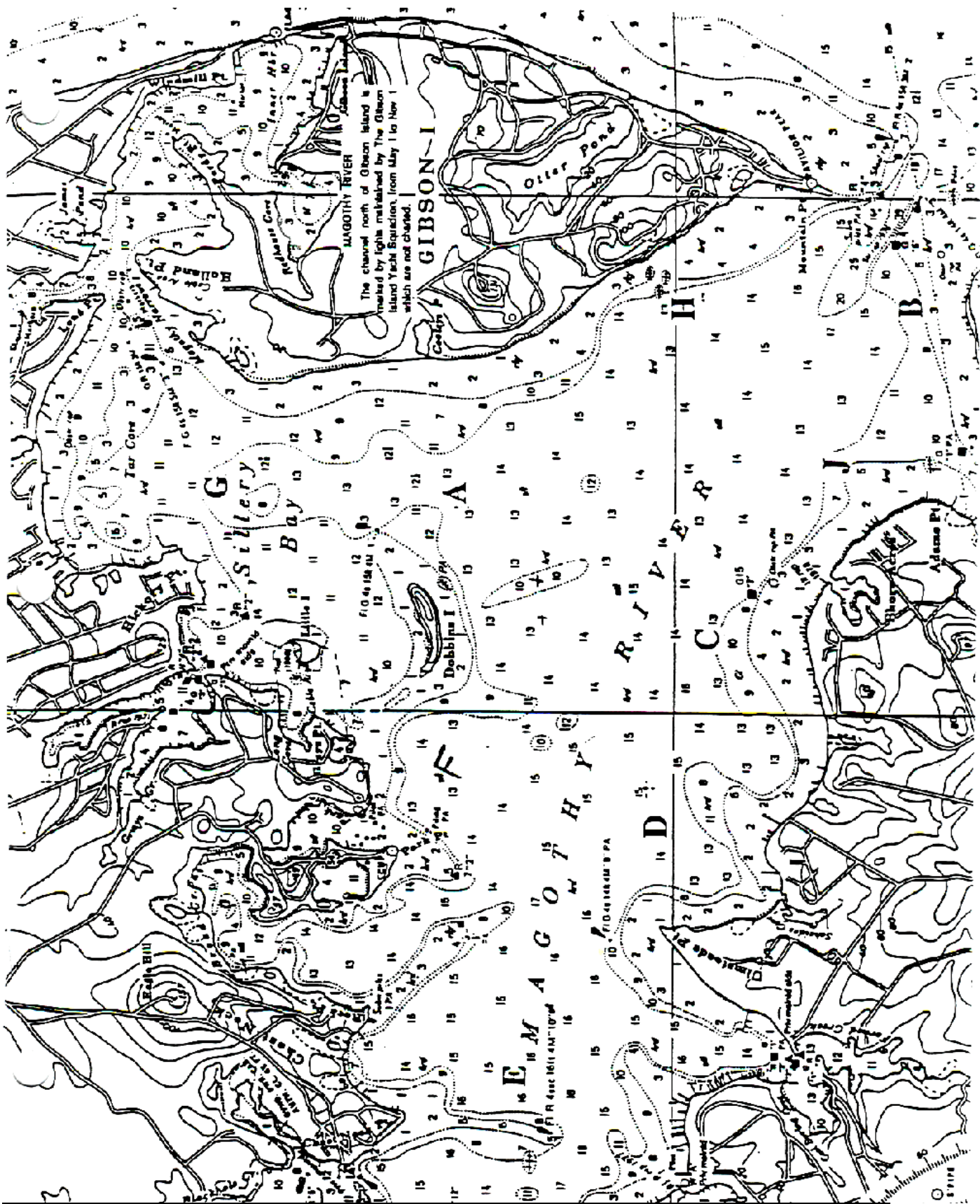
Incident: When and where	Witness (es)
Rule (s) alleged to have been infringed	

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 a 2007 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 weekdays from June 18th through June 29th, 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. The Registration Form appears in this **RED BOOK**. The Registration Form will also be posted on the MRSA Web Page at www.magothysailing.com. In past years, the junior training program has often filled quickly with member families, so early registration is recommended for all categories. Applications will be processed beginning on April 1st.

NOTE: Only applications completed on the 2007 Junior Training Registration Form will be accepted; one student per form. The Medical Waiver and Sailing Course Release Forms must also be completed and returned with the Registration Form.

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 Registration Form. With this support we are able to provide an outstanding educational and fun program 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 2007. 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 or Donna Prucnal, 410-255-5623, junior_training@magothysailing.com.

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2007 Junior Training Registration Form

Student Information:

Student Name _____ Age (minimum 9 by 6/18/07) _____
 Member Name _____ MRSA _____ Grachur Club _____
 Street Address _____ Affiliation _____
 City, State, Zip Code _____ Phone _____
 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 _____

T-Shirt Size: Youth: Med Large **Adult:** Small Med Large Extra Large

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	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	No Preference
	6/18	6/19	6/20	6/21	6/22	6/25	6/26	6/27	6/28	6/29	

Parental assistance is also required 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 is totally supported by parents. Please indicate those activities where you can assist by circling the activity.

Boat Preparation and Delivery	Boat Preparation	Boat Delivery	Picnic	Preparation	Food	Cleanup
	~ 6/3			6/16 or 17	6/29	6/29

Can You Provide Equipment?

Chase Boat: _____ Whaler _____ Open Runabout _____ Inflatable w/motor

Sailboats: _____ Laser _____ OPTI _____ 420 OTHER: _____

Parental Consents - A Medical Waiver and a Sailing Course Release Form must be completed and signed by the parents or guardians and submitted WITH this registration form. Students may be photographed and may appear in MRSA publications and website.

FEES - MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MRSA.

MAIL FORMS AND PAYMENT TO

MRSA/Grachur Club Members **\$260.00**
 Non-members **\$330.00**

MRSA Junior Training Program
 C/O Rich Hughes
 11 Carvel Circle
 Edgewater, MD 21037

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MRSA Membership Application

Name of Member Applicant		Date			
Name of Co-Member Applicant		Street Address			
Children (Birth Years)		City	State	Zip	
Member's Work Phone		Member's e-mail address		Home Phone	Cell Phone
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:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Education (Adult) | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cruising | <input type="checkbox"/> Education (Junior) | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Fleet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial/Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Race Management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Publications | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Committee Work | |

Member Applicant's Signature

Co-Member Applicant's Signature

Sponsor Signature

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

Peggy Poe
908 Stags Head Road
Towson, MD 21286
410-296-6428
peggypoe@aol.com

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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. Procure all Association trophies and make them available for presentation. 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.

Section 6. 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 ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) 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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